

News & Views



Elks Lodge #1616,

Greetings to the Hendersonville Elks! We have made it thru another Elk year. Wow, what a great year this has been for our Lodge. We have the most giving and truly community minded members in the state. It has been a true pleasure to serve you.

I have been elected to serve as your Exalted Ruler again for the Elks year 2019-2020. Thank you so much for the allowing me the honor and privilege to serve you again. I am hoping for a seamless transition into the new year and that most of the officers and committee members will continue to serve. I would like to take the opportunity to thank a couple folks for their service.

Mark Rolof, thank you for so many great years of service and your help in my first year as Exalted Ruler. Your knowledge and compassion for this lodge has no boundaries. You always step up and help where needed. I am so glad that our new

pool manager has you on the Pool Committee to help guide her through possible problems. Don't be a stranger at our BOD meetings. We need your banter and ideas.

Next, I would like to thank Ken McCraw for your service and know that if your work schedule had been better, then you would definitely be our ER. Your fund raising abilities compare to no one and I want you to keep up the good work as your schedule allows. I know we will see you at the Pool with the RED BUCKET.

Billie Sue Johnson, thank you for serving as our Chaplain this year. We had the best team on meeting night and you were always a part of making those meetings a success. I know you will still be around the Lodge. We need good members like you to make this place great.

The "new" kids on the block are: Tommy Laughter, 5 year trustee. Mike Vesley, Esteemed Lecturing Knight and PER Bill Devine will serve as Chaplain. I look forward to serving a long side of these fine folks.

Installation Night for officers will be March 30 at 6:00pm. We will have our dinner at 7:30 pm and music starts at 8:30 pm. Tickets go on sale March 1st for \$12.00 each. All members are invited to the installation ceremony but you will need a ticket for dinner and music. Get your ticket soon because we sold out last year. The music this year will feature a local band, Twisted Trail. This will be a fun evening for all. Come help us celebrate our success last year and wish us luck for the coming year.

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On February 23rd, I traveled to High Point Elks Lodge for a leadership training seminar. Shane Cook, Kelly Cook, Melanie Matteson and Susan Scheimer made the rainy day trip with me and we learned lots of new items to assist us this year. Please get your reservations made for the NC State Elk Convention in Wilmington. Those dates are May 3rd – 5th. Derby party will be Saturday night at convention so wear your prettiest hat.

Dues notices have went out. I want us as a Lodge to focus on getting our delinquent members back in here and enjoy the good times with us. If you know someone that you haven't seen here in a while, call them and make sure they know we want them back. Pool season is right around the corner and that's always a fun time.

Let me know your ideas for the next year. My phone is 828-606-7290 and my email address is

cwstewart1214@yahoo.com.

2018-2019 OFFICERS

- EXALTED RULER.....Connie Stewart
- ESTEEMED LEADING KNIGHT.....Ken McCraw
- ESTEEMED LOYAL KNIGHT.....Kelly Cook
- ESTEEMED LECTURING KNIGHT.....Melanie Matteson
- SECRETARY.....Blayne Turner, PSP
- TREASURER.....Susan Schiemer
- TILER.....Crystal Corn
- ESUIRE.....Jessica McCarson
- CHAPLIN.....Billie Sue Johnson
- INNER GUARD.....Brian Laughter
- ORGANIST.....Ray Snyder, PER
- TRUSTEES:**
- 5-YEAR.....JJ Kilpatrick, PER
- 4-YEAR.....Shane Cook, PER
- 3-YEAR.....Kerry Blythe
- 2-YEAR.....Pat Parkhill, PDDGR
- 1-YEAR.....Mark Roloff, PER

LODGE TELEPHONE NUMBERS

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OFFICE HOURS: Mon-Fri 8:00 am-4:00 pm
 If you need to meet with the office manager
 outside of business hours, please call the office
 and schedule an appointment.

**From the
 Secretary's Desk**

**New Applications: Rick Huard, Philip Starling, Elizabeth Jennings
 New Members: Anthony Lapalomento, Brittany Willis, Garry Floyd, Carrie Rowe, Joseph Landreth, James Gorsuch, Taylor Warren, Donna Ludolph, Michael Lail, Anthony Houk, James Burns, Christopher Scruggs, Daniel Ballard, Michael F Maier, Michael R Maier**



Lodge of Sorrow

William Bradley

TRIVIA

Tuesday, March 12th 2018 @ 7pm!!!

It's always the 2nd Tuesday of the Month!

Elk of the Month



Mark Roloff

Thanks for all you do for our Lodge!

Installation of 2019/2020 Officers

Date: Saturday, March 30, 2019

Ceremony starts at 6:00 p m

Dinner served at 7:30pm

Music starts at 8:30 pm

Tickets on sale March 1, 2019 in the
office (Cash or Checks only)
or from the bartender (Check only)
\$12.00/person for dinner and Music
or Buy a table for \$144.00

(Tables will not be reserved unless all 12 seats have purchased a ticket)

Can't make it to the ceremony or dinner come up
after 8:30 with a \$5.00/person donation for
Sickness & Distress to enjoy the music and dancing

...From the House Committee

The end is within sight, folks! It seems like winter has been hanging around for a long time but Mr Groundhog didn't see his shadow and plans for spring have begun. That's always a welcome sight here at the lodge. Come on up and see what we've got going on in the lounge during the coming weeks...

Our next Oyster night will be Saturday, March 9th. With so many delicious options to choose from, you almost have to try them all. I hear the Buffalo Oysters are delicious and definitely on my must try list. Be sure to let Phil know ahead of time your selections. Keep your eye out in the email blasts for more details.

Our next Karaoke with our house favorite, Elite Entertainment, will be here on March 16th. Come on up for dinner, music, drinks and a great time with your friends.

Sunday, March 17th, we will be featuring a St. Patrick's Day buffet from 12-5pm. A lineup of our Irish favorites such as Corned Beef and Cabbage, Shepherd's Pie, Guinness Beef Stew and more are sure to please. Come on up and bring your little Leprechauns too for a great afternoon with friends.

Our theme night this month is Italian Night. On Thursday, March 14th Phil will feature his Italian specialties for a menu sure to please. Be sure to mark your calendar for this one.

Comfort Food will be featured on the other Thursdays this month. March 7th, 21st and 28th take the night off and let us do the cooking for you. Comfort food has become a big hit with our bowling league. Come up for dinner and trash talking with them pre game, head to the lanes to cheer for your favorite teams and then back to the lodge for a nite cap afterwards. That sounds like a great Thursday to me!

Saturday March 30th we will host our 2019 Installation of Officers ceremony and dinner. The restaurant will be closed this evening as they prepare a feast for us at the dinner following our ceremony. This is sure to be a great evening and we invite you to come up and meet your new officers, celebrate a fantastic year ahead and fellowship with all of your friends. We will have music after dinner with Twisted Trail, selected by our own Exalted Ruler. This is always a special night here at #1616 and we hope you'll make plans to come. Tickets for the event go on sale March 1st. Last, year we sold out quickly so be sure to get you space reserved right away. The House Committee would like to thank our lodge and our members for a terrific year. We have had some great feedback and ideas from you all this year. We are in the planning stage for next year now. In the next few weeks we will be finalizing our budget and begin planning another great year here at our lodge. As always, we welcome your comments and suggestions. Be sure to let us hear from you by making use of our "blue cards" A special thank you to JJ Kilpatrick and his crew for coming up early on a Sunday morning to replace the cover on our bar. This is no easy task and it looks beautiful! Be sure to thank these guys and check out their handiwork. It looks perfect!

And now from our members....

Jenny this was your month dear! We've had several blue cards about your wonderful service, great attitude and that infectious laugh we all love. Thanks for helping to make our lunch service a hit! We appreciate everything you do.

Thank you to everyone who contacted the house committee to give your input on offering Keno in the lounge. ALL of the members who reached out to us were in support of the work that has been done over the last few years to create a family place with no NC lottery games. The committee took all of this into consideration when making the decision to keep our lounge a family friendly environment and leave the Keno to the other guys. We're glad to hear from you all and appreciate the input. This is what helps make our lodge home to us all!

I look forward to seeing you all soon at "My Brother's Place"

Sincerely,

Kelly Cook

House Chairperson



From the Pool Committee.....

Hello from the Pool Committee. I am both excited and nervous to be your new pool manager. Coach Jay Merrill left some big shoes to fill. However, I do promise you will get my best.

As of March 1 there are 86 days until the pool opens. With that said we need Lifeguards! Lifeguard applications will be taken up to April 1. Lifeguards do have to get their certification on their own. We do have contacts for certification. You can call the office or me and we will get you the information. The pool committee has decided this year to improve starting wages for lifeguards to \$8.00 an hour. We are also the only pool in the area that offers perks for lifeguards, so spread the word. **APRIL 27 @ 9:00am YOU HAVE SOMEWHERE TO BE! We will be waking up the pool!** Yes it is just around the corner and we need everyone. There are jobs for all ages so bring the kiddos out and we will put them to work. Hope to see you there!

The pool committee would like to remind everyone that the pool is a family friendly environment. With that said there are new policies and updated consequences for policies put into place for the summer 19' season. For several years outside alcohol has been banned from the pool and the parking lot. The consequence for this policy has been changed to a **ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY**. Pool Memberships will be **REVOKED IMMEDIATELY**. This includes ALL members on the membership card for the remainder of the pool season.

The pool committee has also updated the pool attire policy. The following female style bathing suits are banned: Thong Styles, Brazilian Styles, and "cheeky cuts." The following men style bathing suits are banned: Briefs, Jammers, Square Leg Shorts. Please note that this is not a complete list of banned styles but is a good representation of banned styles. If you have questions about certain suits ask a pool committee member or a pool manager. Let us be responsible for not only ourselves but our guests. We want to keep the pool a fun filled family place.

I hope to see all your smiling faces on APRIL 27 and especially throughout the summer at the pool! Keep warm this winter, better weather and the pool is right around the corner.

Sincerely,

Jessica McCarson
Pool Manager
Elks Lodge 1616



Want to continue the giving spirit throughout the year?

Hendersonville Elks Lodge Trust is looking for people who can serve as Board Members.

This organization is a 501 (c) 3 Public Charity whose mission is to sponsor charitable community activities. In the past it has provided scholarships to local students, fed deserving families, hosted events for at-risk youth and shown appreciation to first responders & veterans.

We are looking for volunteers, with a commitment to giving back, who can dedicate their time and expertise to operating this organization. Help needed with:

Fundraising
Community Outreach
IRS Tax Filings
Recordkeeping

Thank you!

Contact: Susan Schiemer
susanschiemer@aol.com
301-219-4180





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Yes, it is time to think about what is coming to be an annual baseball bus trip!!

When: Thursday, September 19, 2019

Cost: \$95.00 (included ticket & bus)

This is a Noon start and the bus will leave the Elks @ 7:00 am.

Tickets are in section 240 reserved terrace seats, in the shade and close to concessions, rest-rooms, vendors and the bar.

Only 45 tickets available. You can sign up at the Elks, but if you are not paid in full by July 1st your reservation will be taken off the list and the slot will be opened back up.

Any questions contact
Kevin Burns @ 973-626-5200

VETERAN'S NEWS



VETS BINGO NIGHT FOR MARCH

WHEN: THURSDAY, MARCH 14TH, 7:00 PM

WHERE: CHARLES GEORGE V.A. MEDICAL CENTER,
ASHEVILLE

Hendersonville and Asheville Elks, along with **DOES** from both Lodges, will once again be hosting our monthly Bingo night for the veterans at the Charles George V.A. Medical Center in Asheville. **Volunteers are always needed.**

If you would like to help out with this activity, please plan to be at the Medical Center no later than 6:45 PM. The games start promptly at 7:00 PM, followed by food and fellowship. If anyone would like to contribute a home-made dessert (sugar-free is good), please let me know and I can arrange a pickup.

Our Valentine's night last month at the Medical Center was a huge success. We had a good turnout of both veterans and volunteers alike; and everyone had a great time. To complement the pizza and chicken salad sandwiches that were on the menu that evening, several of the **DOES** baked yummy desserts; while others made adorable Valentine's cards to pass out to the veterans. Thank you, Shirley Drake, for your assistance—it was greatly appreciated.

If you would like further information, please contact me at 828-489-7492; or brady-frankt@yahoo.com.

Frank T. Brady, PDDGER
VAVS Representative
Charles George V.A. Medical Center

Greetings from the scholarship committee. Just a reminder that on April 1 our local lodge scholarships will be available in the front office. These are due on April 30. The applicant must be a senior in high school or an undergraduate student. The applicant can be a member, child, or grandchild of a member in good standing. Keep working hard and we look forward to reading your applications.

Sincerely,

Jessica McCarson



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MARCH BIRTHDAYS

MELVA STEPP 3/3

MARJORIE (BUBBS) MITCHELL 3/12

PENNY SUMMEY 3/21

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, SISTERS

WAYS & MEANS

Plans are now underway for the **DOES** to host a **SPRING HAND-CRAFTERS FAIR** in the Grand Hall of our Elks Lodge. The event is to be held April 12th and 13th; and will feature **local artists** only; as well as homemade baked goods and a raffle. Please watch for detailed information in the April issue of Hoofprints; as well as for flyers posted in the Lodge.

For vendor information and other inquiries, please contact **Patty Kitlasz** at 828-808-0416.

PAST DROVE PRESIDENTS HONORED

Also at our meeting on February 12th, the existing Past Presidents of Hendersonville Drove #258 were honored. Now in our twenty-sixth year as a Drove, the following Past Presidents were called up and thanked for their service and dedication by current 2019

President, **Edythe Devine: Marjorie Mitchell** (1998 and 2004); **Adele Hunnicutt** (1999); **Linda Hobbick** (2000 and 2007); **Donna Ludolph** (2009, 2010 and 2014); **Bessie Bright** (2011 and 2017); **Sandy Brady** (2012 and 2013); **Billie Schell** (2015 and 2016); and lastly **Edythe Devine** (2018). President **Edythe** surprised the group with a lovely cake and refreshments following our meeting.

MARCH MEETINGS

Our meetings this month will be held on **Tuesdays, March 12th and 26th**, at 7:00 PM. AND, as always, please join us in front of the fireplace in My Brother's Place about 5:45 PM or so for dinner and socializing prior to the meetings.

IN MEMORY—

At our meeting on February 12th, our officers performed the Draping of the Charter in memory of long-time Drove member, **Betty Lou Magruder**, who passed away on **December 19th**. Rest in peace dear little Sister, you will be greatly missed!



WE ARE ALWAYS LOOKING FOR NEW MEMBERS!

It's a brand new year; and Hendersonville Drove #258 is looking for brand new sisters—or brothers to join us. Yes, men can be **DOES** as well. The more members we have, the more we can accomplish in and around our community as a Drove. To become a **DOE**, an applicant must believe in **GOD**; be an American citizen; have attained the age of 21; and be of good character. If you meet these requirements and would like to join our Drove, please let any of our **DOES** know; or contact **Bessie Bright**, Membership Chair, at 828-692-8414 for information. **You need not be married to an Elk to become a DOE; and please be aware that Elks can be DOES as well.** We currently have several **DOES** who are also Elks. Remember that new sisters and brothers are both true assets and treasures to our Drove. We work hard but we also have a lot of fun. **Please come and check out what we are all about!**

well hello, march

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	4	5 Lodge Meeting 7:30 PM	6	7 Comfort Food Night Oyster Orders Due by Noon	8	9 Oyster Night
10	11	12 TRIVIA	13	14 Italian Night	15	16 Karaoke
17 St Patrick Day Buffet 12-5 	18	19 Lodge Meeting 7:30 PM	20	21 Comfort Food Night	22	23
24	25	26	27	28 Comfort Food Night	29	30 Installation of Officer
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Javier	Mujica	01	Randal	Beaver	11	Haley	Freeman	22	Amy	Zecca	31
Rex	Banadyga	02	Brad	Burton	11	James	Gunning	22			
Johnny	Berger	02	Stella	Varnell	11	Randy	McFalls	22			
Christopher	Goodson	02	Sherry	Gundersen	12	Rodney	Carter	23			
Berry	Johnson	02	Nicole	Marlowe	12	David	Combs	23			
Chaderick	Ledbetter	02	Jacob	Shaw	12	David	Cook	23			
Ralph	Lipe	02	Guy	Beal	13	Katie	DeLizza	23			
Edward	Marshall	02	Glenn	Foushee	13	James	Stepp	23			
Donald	Ward	02	Mark	Gerick	13	Ronald	Vakoc	23			
Cameron	Ball	03	Franco	Valsecchi	13	Stephanie	DeFilippo	24			
Kari	Cable	03	Jennifer	Demaree	14	Taylor	Warren	24			
E Leland	Johnson	03	Elbert	McCall	15	D Eddie	Watkins	24			
Henry	Kovacs	03	Karla	Mensah	15	Kenneth	Seal Per	25			
Christine	Smith	03	Mark	Roloff Per	15	William	Burnette	26			
Anne	Adkinson	04	Heather	Sowry	15	Gene	Cole	26			
David	Freeman	04	Michael	Veach	15	Stephanie	Emmett	26			
John	Livesay	04	Jonathan	Corn	17	Elizabeth	Marr	26			
Kristen	Thompson	04	Patrick	Parkhill	17	Roger	Richardson	26			
Catherine	Williams	04	Fair	Waggoner	17	Kenneth	Garren	27			
James	Bradley	05	Herbert	Young Jr	17	Josh	Houston	27			
Ron	Pressley	05	Kristy	Edwards	18	Jimmy	Nitsche	27			
Derek	Stipe	05	Chris	McCraw	18	James	Yingst	27			
Matt	Aldrich	06	Patrick	Dempsey	19	Randy	Austin	28			
Gigi	Daniels	06	James	Fleming Jr	19	Donald	Brock	28			
Clelon	Hoots	06	Jerry	Melton	19	Scott	Dillin	28			
Laura	Linhart	06	Beth	Blum	20	David	Duvall	28			
Kevin	Lawrence	07	Toni	Chamberlain	20	Melanie	Hudson	28			
Larry	Spears	07	Dennis	Maclannan	20	Rory	Molnar	28			
Shelley	Cagle	08	John	Meadows	20	Richard	Young	28			
Billie Sue	Johnson	08	Timothy	Soehl	20	Linda	Brooks	29			
William	McClure	08	Malvern	West	20	James	Erwin	29			
T McAvoy	Brittain Jr	09	Deborah	Alexander	21	Jennifer	Mahoney	29			
Nellie	Green	09	Laurie	Gaitskill	21	David	Buckner	30			
Gaylord	Jones	09	Jon	Marsh	21	Dennis	Nix	30			
Charles	Dill	10	Timothy	Rhymer	21	James	Feagin	31			
Trina	Hendricks	10	Coe	Andrews	22	Michael	Paris	31			
Dona	Johnson	10	Gary	Bowen	22	Jack	Sinclair	31			
Edward	Shaffer	10	Brian	Davidson	22	Melanie	Strickland	31			

