

ELKS TALES

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APRIL 20011



Well the first month of our Lodge Year is behind us. So far it has been a good start to the year. We Co-Sponsored a Bike Ride with the Pendleton, Anderson and Seneca Elks Lodges with the proceeds going to the Dorn VA Hospital in Columbia. We raised over \$1,000.00 for them to use on their Warrior's Walk Unit. This Unit is designed to provide Hospice care for the Terminally Ill Veterans. Thank you to all that helped in this (Cindy Roth, Frank Collars, Bill Borchert, Kate Musacchia, Mike Carey and Bob Cher). It was very much appreciated and needed!

We will be voting on our Budget at our last meeting this month. Thank you to all that worked on this. I know there were some tough decisions that had to be made to make it balance for the year, especially on the Club side. Kate did a GREAT job, as well as the other House Committee members on making this happen.

As in life there is always some bad news to pass on with the good, and I am sorry to report to you that Doyle Mullinax has passed away. Most everyone in our Lodge knew Doyle. For those newer members that did not, you missed knowing an amazing person. You could carry on a conversation with Doyle for hours, about something that you knew nothing about, and never become bored. Please keep Lois and the rest of his family in your prayers. He will truly be missed!

The month of May will prove to be a busy month at the Lodge. We will have a Cinco de Mayo Party on May 6th at 6:30. Kate asks that everyone bring a dish to pass. Willie will have some tunes playing that evening as well. There will be drink specials and I think I even heard Kate say something about "GREEN" beer. It is sure to be a fun evening!

The GAR Dance will be Fri. May 27th starting at 7:00. If you can help with this or on Thursday to set-up, please let Willie Wilson know. Set-up will be on Thursday the 26th at 6:00. We will also be having an Elks Dance on May 21st starting at 7:30. Reflections will be the band. The cost is \$10.00 at the door. Bring a dish to share if you would like.

On May 20th we will have our monthly Birthday Dinner at 6:30. We will also be Co-Hosting a Cookout for the Richard Campbell Veterans Home on May 20th with Seneca, Anderson and Pendleton Lodges. We should arrive there around 9:30 with cooking to begin around 10:00. There will be a sign up on the bar for those that would like to cook a side dish for this. Bob Keitt will pick the dishes up the Friday beforehand.

The Spring PER Convention will be held in Little River on May 20th – 22nd. This is an informal Elks Convention that any Elk is eligible to attend. You do not need to be a PER to go! You will have a GREAT time fellowshiping with your fellow Elks members throughout the State!

We also have the Red Ribbon Kickoff on Tuesday May 17th. This will be at Heritage Park in Simpsonville. Bob Keitt needs help cooking the Burgers and Dogs for the kids. They will be getting there around 9:30 with the cooking beginning around 10:00.

We would LOVE to see you at the Lodge!

Fraternally,
Carroll Smith
Exalted Ruler

Membership Statistics

March 31st 20011.....	106
Gain	Initiated.....
	Transferred.....1
	Reinstated.....1
	Subtotal.....2
	Death.....1

Getting a little behind in your dues? Check your card and ensure you are current. Card should read "April 2011". We don't want to and cannot afford to lose you. If there is any doubt, contact the lodge secretary.



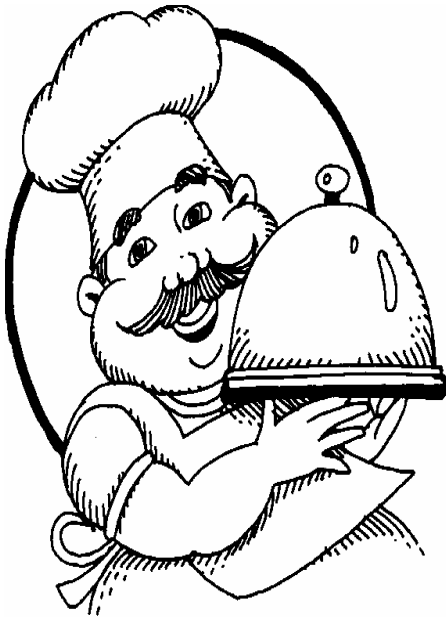
LODGE RENTAL

Have an upcoming event? Our Lodge should be your first choice for an event. Contact Dennis Kerwin at 864-567-0419 for availability.



RECIPE OF THE MONTH

GRILLED ORANGE CHICKEN



Orange Marinade:

- 1/2 cup orange juice
- 1/4 cup soy sauce
- 1 tbsp minced onion
- 1 1/2 tsp dried tarragon leaves
- 1/2 tsp garlic powder
- 1/4 tsp pepper
- Salt to taste



In bowl, combine all marinade ingredients and let stand 10 minutes. Arrange chicken in a single layer in a flat baking dish. Pour marinade over chicken; turn pieces to coat all sides. Marinate eight hours or overnight in refrigerator. Remove chicken pieces from marinade and place on grill, six to eight inches from heat. Grill about 20 minutes on each side. Baste with marinade during the last 15 minutes of cooking

BIRTHDAY DINNER MAY 20TH

If you find mistakes in this publication, please consider that they are there for a purpose. We publish something for everyone, and some people are always looking for mistakes!!!



MAY BIRTHDAYS

1st Don Potter

4th James Guest

Mark Lee

5th Dickson Lee

12th JoAnne Seery





To All District Deputies, Exalted Rulers, Officers and Members:

By now you should be on your game and getting a quick start to ensure a successful year. With Officers and Committees in place you should set benchmarks to be checked throughout the year to help you stay the course. I would encourage you to make sure the Lapsation Committee is contacting the delinquent Members, either in person or by telephone, with a real discussion as opposed to a letter, bulletin or email.

We learned from the recent survey conducted by Edmonds Company that a large percentage of our delinquent Members would be interested in retaining their membership, but was never contacted. Now is the time to put the committee to work and report the results. Your efforts will determine the success of your Lodge, District, State and our Order. This is a year we need to meet the membership challenge without excuses. While you assume a leadership role, I want to remind you that fun is permitted while you achieve your goals. Enjoy the year while you meet your responsibilities.

May is when we recognize our service men and women – our active military on Armed Services Day and our Veterans on Memorial Day. Make sure your Lodge has a suitable program for each tribute and invite the community.

In addition, we will also have the opportunity to recognize our youth during Youth Week. Plan a program and involve the community. These worthy programs can give you a jump start on building membership in your Lodge and District with meaning. Let your community know what it means to be an Elk. Share our virtues with others and give them a chance to be a part of our Great Order. “Be Proud... Be Loud...and Be Visible!”

As you prepare for our National Convention in Phoenix, I urge you to “Clear Your Mechanism” and focus on the good of our Order and not be engrossed with the thought of “that is the way we have always done it”. We need some positive changes to modernize our Order to prepare for future growth while continuing to live by our obligation and virtues. As you focus on the future I hope all of you are able to “promote Elks Passion.

Honorable Mike F. Smith, Grand Exalted Ruler

THIS MONTH IN HISTORY

- (1494) During his second journey of exploration, Christopher Columbus discovered Jamaica
- (1607) The first permanent English settlement in America was established in Jamestown, Virginia by a group of royally chartered Virginia Company settlers from Plymouth, England
- (1972) George Wallace was shot while campaigning for the presidency in Laurel, Maryland. As a result, Wallace was permanently paralyzed from the waist down.
- (1881) A boating disaster occurred in Canada when Victoria, a small double decked sternwheeler carrying over 600 passengers on the Thames River keeled over and sank, killing over 182 persons
- (1937) In San Francisco, 200,000 people celebrated the grand opening of the Golden Gate Bridge by strolling across it
- (1922) The Lincoln Memorial in Washington, DC was dedicated. The Memorial was designed by Henry Bacon and features a compelling statue of “Seated Lincoln” by sculptor Daniel Chester French

* (1792) Two dozen merchants and brokers established the New York stock exchange. In good weather they operated under a buttonwood tree on Wall Street. In bad weather they moved inside a coffee house to conduct business

* (1783) The Pennsylvania Evening Post became the first daily newspaper published in America.





JOKE OF THE MONTH

THE BLACK BRA

I had lunch with 2 of my unmarried friends. One is engaged, one is a mistress, and I have been married for 20+ years.

We were chatting about our relationships and decided to amaze our men by greeting them at the door wearing a black bra, stiletto heels and a mask over our eyes. We agreed to meet in a few days and exchange notes...

Here's how it all went.

My engaged friend:



The other night when my boyfriend came over he found me with a black leather bodice, tall stilettos and a mask. He saw me and said, "I love you." Then we made passionate love all night long.

The Mistress:

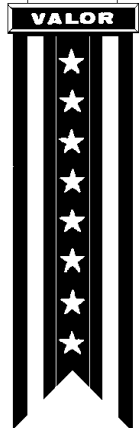
Me too! The other night I met my lover at his office and I was wearing a raincoat, under it only the black bra, heels and mask over my eyes. When I opened the raincoat he didn't say a word, but he started to tremble and we had wild sex all night.

Then I had to share my story:

When my husband came home I was wearing the black bra, black stockings, stilettos and a mask over my eyes. When he came in the door and saw me he said, (you are going to love this) "WHAT'S FOR DINNER ZORRO?"

MEDAL OF VALOR HONORS OUR FALLEN HEROES

The medal of Valor program commenced in February 2007 and was promoted by your Elks National Service Commission. The purpose of the program is to give our Lodges the opportunity to honor individuals who served in our military and made the supreme sacrifice defending our country and our freedoms. The Medal of Valor is to be presented to the deserving family of the fallen hero who gave up his or her life in the ongoing Iraqi and Afghanistan conflicts.



The medals are made in the United States and come with a presentation case. The front of the medals engraved with "Operation Enduring Freedom" on top and "Operation Iraqi Freedom" on the bottom. The back is suitable for engraving the name of the deceased Veteran and also states, "Presented by the Grand Lodge of the B.P.O. Elks to the family of (Name) in recognition of their supreme sacrifice." The cost is \$8.00 per medal, which includes shipping.

If you know a family that has lost a loved one in Iraq or Afghanistan, it would be a wonderful gesture to honor that person by presenting the Medal of Valor to the family. It could be presented at a Lodge function or other appropriate venue.

To order the Medal of Valor,, contact the Elks National Veterans Service Commission at 2750 N. Lakeview Ave, Chicago, IL 60614-1889 or by e-mail to vets@elks.org and the medal will be promptly shipped to you

Thank you for doing what you can to honor our deceased Veterans!!!

Dwayne E. Rumney, PGER
Commission Chairman



I invite you to take a few minutes to go over the newsletter his month. And if you've missed something , go right ahead and read it again. I like bringing you news of our Lodge, pictures etc. I have had a light volunteering of articles for the newsletters, so please take some time each month to jot down an article or two you'd like to share with your fellow Elks. I know they would be glad to here from you. Please provide the information to me by the 15th of the month. (Jolene) at bthomas9973@att.net



Cinco de Mayo

Come join us at the Lodge May 6th at 6:30 for a Cinco De Mayo Party. Bring a Mexican Appetizer to share. There will be Margarita, Beergarita, and Corona specials. Willie the Lounge Lizard will provide music for us that night.



GAR DANCE



The GAR dance will be held on May 27th at the Lodge. Willie is asking for help setting up and with the decorating for this event. Any help would be greatly appreciated.

TRIVIA

- The first home TV set was demonstrated in 1928 and the size of the screen was 3-inches by 4-inches.
- The first vending machines in the United States were installed on New York City train platforms in 1888 and dispensed CHEWING GUM.
- The Pony Express only lasted 18 months, from April 1860 to October 1861.
- The last time a cigarette commercial appeared on TV was December 31, 1970.
- Benjamin Franklin wanted the TURKEY as the national symbol of the United States.
- In 1952 KELLOGG'S introduced two new cereals: "SUGAR SMACKS" and "SUGAR FROSTED FLAKES."
- PAMPERS disposable diapers were invented in 1961.
- The TV DINNER was introduced during WWII by SWANSON because cans and metals were rationed during the war.
- The *Presidential Retreat* in Maryland was originally called "*Shangri-La*". It was renamed "*CAMP DAVID*" by President *Eisenhower* in 1953 for his *grandson*.
- The modern *hamburger* on a *bun* got it's start at the ST. Louis World's Fair in 1904.
- The word "*Highjack*" originated during prohibition. When a truck of illegal liquor was taken, the gunman would say "HIGH, JACK", indicating how the driver should raise his hands.





PROPOSED AMENDMENT

OF THE TREASURER:

Sec. 5 It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all the Lodge moneys from the Secretary, giving him a receipt therefore; and, except as otherwise provided by By-Laws He shall be the Treasurer of all committees of the Lodge, and shall handle all funds of all Committees of the Lodge, and shall handle all funds of all Committees and every activity of the Lodge; pay all bills against the Lodge as ordered thereby on vouchers signed by the Exalted Ruler and Secretary; keeping a correct account, under their proper dates, of the amounts and sources of receipts and the amounts and purposed of disbursements, taking proper vouchers for the various items thereof. He shall, at such ties as the Lodge may direct or the Exalted Ruler require, present for examination all books, paper, voucher, etc; that may be necessary to a proper auditing of his accounts. He shall also perform such other duties as are required by the lodge, and are compatible with his office. Whenever the amount of un-Appropriated cash in his possession shall exceed \$20000.00, he shall notify the Chairman of the Board of Trustees. He shall present a report at each regular meeting showing the condition of funds of the Lodge. He shall be required to give bond to the Lodge in the sum of \$50,000.00 for the faithful performance of his duties, and shall receive as compensation for his services the sum of \$1464.00 per annum, payable per annum.

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HAPPY MOTHERS DAY



A MOTHER...

When you're a child she walks before you,
To set an example.
When you're a teenager she walks behind you
To be there should you need her.
When you're an adult she walks beside you
So that as two friends you can enjoy life together



In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from falling hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.

John McCrae (1872-1918)



DOES CORNER



Our Does with Birthdays in May are: JoAnne Kelly May 18th, Lib Berfield May 26th, and Sylvia Brannon May 26th. I hope each of you have a great day of celebration and happiness. If anyone deserves love and happiness, these fine ladies do and each of you are fine ladies.

Ladies, I need to apologize for any birthday cards I have failed to send. I can't decide if I am just getting older or if my brain is not working well. I have retired again, have more time and hopefully I can get my head on straight again.

The South Carolina State Convention was held in Orangeburg April 7th, 8th, and 9th. It was fantastic. We had 9 Does and 1 Elk attending from Greenville. Poor "ole" Charlie didn't stand a chance with all those women, but he gave it a good shot!

The Convention will be held in Rock Hill in 2012 and in 2013 it will be back in Greenville. Hope each of you will be willing to pitch in and help out for this big occasion. Remember together we can.

The Belk's charity sale was a big success. We not only sold tickets to raise money for our charities, but we had a ball working together and meeting new people.

The North Convention was held the last weekend in April in Ashville. As always, they did a fantastic job. Supreme President Robin Bell from Ashville was the hit of the weekend. Most of you know Robin. She is always full of fun, but she is highly knowledgeable about Does and what we stand for.

Our Mother Daughter banquet will be held in May at the Lodge. It will be a covered dish supper with the Does furnishing the ham and chicken. Bring a dish, bring a mother or daughter and plan to enjoy good food and a great deal of fun.

The Grand Lodge Convention will be held in De Moines Iowa starting June 11th. Several of our ladies plan to go including myself. I hope each of you will plan to go if at all possible. The work shops are worth anyone's time, but there are also many fun times during the Convention and some great tours to take. As far as I am concerned, the best tour anyone Doe could take would be one the two tours to the Heritage Center. This is a nation wide Does project that was started several years ago and was definitely needed for the Does. It is supposed to be completed before the Convention and I can hardly wait to tour it. Many contributions have been made and many hours of dedication have gone into this project.

Beginning in June, we will go back to only 1 meeting per month for 3 months. Sure hope each of you will be able to join us soon.

I hope each of you will have a happy Mother's Day. Those of us who have host our Mothers, we can always remember the good times. For those of you that still have your Mothers be sure to tell them how much you love and cherish them.

I will close for now wishing each of you a great month. Until we meet again, remember that God loves you and I to too.

Dot Owens
Reporter

ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION



2011-12 Grants and Appropriations – On February 9, at a meeting in Myrtle Beach, S.C., the ENF Board of Trustees approved appropriations and distributions for 2011-12 totaling a record \$21.7 million. This includes a 24.6 percent increase to the Veterans Services Program, doubling the amount of funding for the Community Investments Program, and increasing the state grant pool by more than \$190,000. Visit www.elks.org/enf/appropriations.cfm for all the details.

And the Winner Is...Join us in welcoming the 2011 Most Valuable Student scholars and Legacy Awards winners into the Elks family! Visit www.elks.org/enf/scholars for a complete list of 2011 scholarship recipients.

Swoosh! The Hoop Shoot results are in Visit www.elks.org/enf/hoopshoot to see how your favorite finalists did. Congratulations to all of the Hoop Shoot champions.



May 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 CLOSED	2 RITUAL PRACTICE	3 CLOSED	4 ELKS MEETING	5 CLOSED	6 CINCO DE MAYO	7 LODGE OPEN
	9 RITUAL PRACTICE	10 CLOSED	11 DOES MEETING	12 CLOSED	13 LODGE OPEN	14 LODGE OPEN
15 CLOSED	16 RITUAL PRACTICE	17 CLOSED	18 ELKS MEETING	19 CLOSED	20 BIRTHDAY DINNER	21 DANCE REFLECTIONS
22 CLOSED	23 RITUAL PRACTICE	24 CLOSED	25 DOES MEETING	26 CLOSED	27 GAR DANCE	28 LODGE OPEN
29 CLOSED		31 CLOSED				

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