

Membership Newsletter for the

High Point Elks Lodge #1155 700 Old Mill Road High Point, North Carolina 27265

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Shari Driscoll - Exalted Ruler
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Tom Frazier

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Don Sheffield, 1 yr David "Dawg" Richardson, 2 yrs - Chair Doug Orcutt, 3 yrs Scott Webster, 4 yrs Mike Tennis, 5 yrs

Some of the upcoming events at our Lodge this month:

Pool Opens

Mother's Day Buffet

Steak & Salmon Dinner

Veterans May Day Cookout

Pony League Family Day

ALS Fundraiser

Spaghetti Dinner

Pancake Breakfast

Opening Day Hot Dog Cookout

Members Cornhole Nights

May Message from our Exalted Ruler

If you're like me, you love to drive around and admire all the new flowers blooming and bright leaves on the trees. Spring is the most beautiful time of the year. It is a time of new beginnings and renewed faith. We should look at our new Lodge year with the same attitude. We have a fresh year ahead of us and a new opportunity to grow. Our new year comes with its share of obstacles. It won't be an easy one, but if we work together we can not only overcome our challenges, but be better for the lessons we have learned.

April was a very busy month for us. We installed new officers for the Lodge and the Ladies Auxiliary, and honored the outstanding members. We also hosted the District Deputy Clinic. The Ladies and the House Committee deserve special recognition for all of their hard work. The Mel Foster Memorial Fundraiser was a huge success. Special thanks to David Horne for another great event. David will be retiring, with some big shoes to fill. If anyone is willing to take on this challenge please let us know.

Pool season is coming fast! If you know anyone that is interested in joining the Lodge please get their application to the office as quickly as possible. We will be unable to extend pool privileges to anyone until their initiation is complete.

There are several great events coming up this month. We will be doing a cookout at the VA Hospital, cooking for the Pony League, and Mother's Day Brunch, just to name a few. Please check the website and our emails to stay informed. In addition, many of us will be attending the State Convention in Asheville. Our Ladies Auxiliary has yet again been called upon to host the spouse breakfast and entertainment. We should all be proud of the work they do, not only at our lodge and in our community, but also for our State Association.

As a part of the Elks National Youth Week in May, we will be launching an Antlers program. This is a "Jr. Elk" youth group, open to all youth in our community ages 12-20. They have had several meetings, elected their officers, and we will proudly introduce them at the Open House on April 26. They are a truly awesome group of young adults, full of ideas to provide community service and promote Elkdom! I would like to thank the Advisors that have helped them get started: Gary Hutchins, DeAnna Blankenship, Bob Gold, Ellen Pickett, Patti Reece, and Liz Day. I know they will be a positive addition to our Lodge.

I am looking forward to working with the new officers and committees in the upcoming year. I would ask anyone that hears a rumor that we are closing to please share this message: WE ARE NOT CLOSING, WE ARE HERE FOR ANOTHER 100 YEARS! I am truly confident that, working together, we can live up to this promise.

Here's looking forward to a great summer!

Shari Driscoll Exalted Ruler, High Point Elks Lodge #1155

Lounge & Grille Hours

Lounge:

Monday & Tuesday: 5-9

Wednesday: 5-12

Thursday: 5-9 Friday: 5-12

Saturday: 12-12

Sunday: 12-9

Grille:

Monday & Tuesday: Closed

Wednesday: 5-9 Thursday: 5-9

Friday: 5-10

Saturday: 12-9

Sunday: 12-9

A Request from the Lodge Office

Elizabeth in the Lodge Office has requested that if anyone sends a check to the office please note on the check what it is for. We have many checks that come into the office at all times of the year, and with all the different events, pool activities, and membership dues that come in, it is sometimes difficult to determine what the checks are for. If you can include your membership number also, that will help make Elizabeth's job easier. She says "Thank you" in advance.

Have we contacted you yet?

The **Elks Lodge** has been assembling an email list to notify our members of special events, calendar changes, or information that is not available at the time the newsletter is presented to the printer. If you have not received an email in the last month, then we either do not have your correct email address or do not have one for you at all. Please send us your email address if you would like to be included. You may send it to **Elizabeth** at the **Lodge Office** (hpelks1155@triad.rr.com), call at 869-7313, or to Mark Anthony (gcscaesar@northstate.net).

Happy Birthday to all our May Elks

Gary Hutchins	1	Mark Roberts	17
William Mahon	2	Phil Dickerson	18
Van Locke, Jr.	3	Sarah Smith	18
Michael Prichette	4	Dave Beaston	19
Michael Ujevich	4	William Dawkins	19
Clifton Bolling	5	Brett Embler	19
Timothy Thomas	5	Ray Keuthe	20
David Wolf	5	Terrence Richter	20
Jessie Gillespie	6	Kevin Wade	21
Bob Gold	6	Jon Baird	22
Fred Lankford	6	Kevin Busick	22
Ellen Rawding	6	Michael Smith	24
Allen Kern	7	Ron Stoffel	24
Neal Austin	9	Derek Mosier	25
Scott Hiatt	9	Kevin Stephenson	25
Ken Hicks	10	Patrick Duffy	26
Philip Peck	10	Keith Ray	26
Eugene Wood	11	Lindsay Welch	26
Bryan Aust	12	Donald Wilson	26
Bruce Belland	12	John Abbott	27
William Cook	12	John Rabun	27
Barry Collie	13	Shane Wright	27
Richard Pipan	13	Jack Galusha	29
Johnathan Binder	14	Robert Bryson	30
Jeffrey Miller	14	Tommy Frazier	30
Rusty Pate	14	Angelo Gonzalez	31
Garth Hebert	15	Clark Pierce	31
Mark Vernon	16	Charles Reavis	31



Planning an Event?

The High Point Elks Lodge offers meeting and banquet facilities for 10 – 200+



HOA meetings, school and alumni functions, dance groups, holiday and birthday parties, weddings, etc.

Have your next event with us!

Competitive room rates to fit your needs!

Catering by award winning Above and Beyond Catering!

Contact Elizabeth in the office for availability 869-7313

Family Dining Nights at the Lodge



Every Thursday Night - May 5th, 12th, 19th & 26th

Enjoy one of our famous hamburgers or order off the Lodge menu and enjoy a great night out with family and friends.

Bring the entire family. All ages are welcome!

Elk Gift Cards

They are the perfect gift for all your Elk friends, spouses and kids too!! Gift Cards are available for any amount \$25 or more. Cards are redeemable for all Lounge, Grill, and Concession purchases.

Long Term Specials

We are offering two long term Gift Card specials! Spend \$1,000 and receive a \$50 Gift Card every month for 2 years (total value of \$1,200)

Spend \$500 and receive a \$25 Gift Card every month for 2 years (total value of \$600)

Purchase your Gift Cards in the Lounge or in the Office.

Gift Cards may not be used for Membership Dues or Pool Dues.

Opening Weekend Hot Dog Cookout Friday, May 27th

Pool opens @ 4pm. The Pool Committee will be serving FREE hot dogs starting @ 6pm.



2011 Swim Meet Schedule

Home – Tuesday, 06/07 (Lake Jeanette) Away – Tuesday, 06/14 (Friendly) Home – Tuesday, 06/21 (Hamilton Lakes) Home – Tuesday, 06/28 (Greensboro Country Club) Away – Tuesday, 07/05 (Sherwood)

CSA League Championships 07/07 – 07/09 (07/10 rain date) Lindley Pool

From the Americanism Chair When It Rains It Pours

Before I started to write this, I tried to remember how long I've been the Americanism Chair for the High Point Elks Lodge. Five, six, eight years? I can't remember. But during that time, we, as a lodge, have developed a reputation for submitting essays to the District and for having at least one entry place in the District competition every year. Linda Brown, the District Chair, knows that she can count on High Point to participate in the Americanism Essay Contest each year. It has been a little disturbing that while our entries have placed or even won at District level and one was even read on the floor at the State Convention, we had never had anyone representing our Lodge to place at the State level. That drought ended this year!

Katherine Quinn, who came in second in our Lodge contest, won First Place in the District contest and will receive a \$100 savings bond from the district. She also came in THIRD PLACE in the STATE and will receive a \$100 savings bond from them.

And when it rains it pours.

Ritika Anandwade, who finished third at our Lodge, came in second in the District and will get a \$50.00 savings bond. And guess what. SHE FINISHED FIRST IN THE STATE IN DIVISION II 7th & 8th GRADE!!!!! She will receive a \$300 savings bond from the state.

And it gets better! Both essays advance to the GRAND LODGE CONTEST! So our participants this year have won \$550 from the state and our lodge gave a \$25, \$15 and a \$10 Barnes & Noble gift card to the top three entries in each division. Sadly, we did not have anyone enter in Division I, 5th & 6th grade this year.

I hope that Shari Driscoll, our ER, has the privilege of standing beside one of these young ladies at the Grand Lodge this year as she reads her winning essay, which is shorter than this letter.

Fraternally and Proud

Don Sheffield, Lodge Americanism Chair

High Point Lodge Americanism Winners

On Thursday, December 16th 2010, I officially became an American citizen. For years, I had longed to officially be an American. Not just a girl with a green card that enables her to live here, but an American, a real American. When I took that oath to protect my country, and as I was signing my name on the certificate, I was filled with pride to live in a beautiful place like America.

I am proud to be an American because I am proud of America. What isn't there in America to be proud of? We have brave soldiers who go to war for our safety. We have an excellent government that makes our laws. We have the Pacific and Atlantic oceans at the coasts. We have wonderful mountains, the Great Lakes, and the Mississippi river.

All of these are great, but when I narrow it down, I am proud to be an American because of our accomplishments and people. Without George Washington, we wouldn't be free from the British. Without Abraham Lincoln, we would still have slavery. Without Thomas Edison, there wouldn't be light bulbs. Without Martin Luther King Jr. African Americans wouldn't have all of their rights.

We have great minds that work together to solve problems. Like when President Roosevelt made the New Deal during the Great Depression.

I might move to another country in the future, but inside, I'll know that I'm an American and I am and always will be proud to be one.

When I hear proud, I automatically think of being an American. How fortunate am I to be in the Land of Opportunity. In America, I am able to speak my mind and make my own life style decisions. Life began for me in a small, poor village in northern Vietnam. It is a miracle for me to be living in America. In Vietnam, I could not say my opinions and had to work in the fields at a young age of three. Coming to America has changed my life. The thought that I am in America, the country where dreams come true, where anything is possible, the place where there is limitless education, makes me a proud American.

While I live the American Dream, many kids worldwide suffer. Knowing how challenging life is for my birth family, my opportunities in America has improved their lives in Vietnam. I have given then better housing and a chance to get an education. America makes it possible for me to share with others so they too can obtain their dreams. I'm in the place that invents and discovers the world, the country that lives in harmony with its people, the place where a small village girl can become a successful student and help others in need, and the place where you can be you. This is why I'm proud to be an American.

Member's Night Cornhole Tournaments

Wednesday, May 4th & 18th @ 7:00pm Enter in the Lounge the night of the tourney! Blind draw for teams

First place team wins \$20.00 in Elks Bucks!



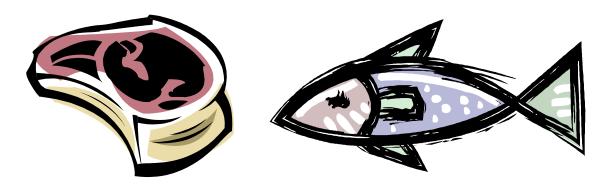
Thank you all for donating for the Easter Egg Hunt we had on April 16th. Even with the rain we had people show and those kids that did arrive had a great time hunting for eggs inside. Thank you Andrew Lyon & Angie Thomson for providing us a lovely background for our Easter bunny (Drew Albertson) to be photographed.

Angie Conner & Grace Albertson



Steak & Salmon Dinner

Saturday, May 21st @ 6:00pm



Come out and enjoy a cooked to order steak and salmon dinner, baked potato, salad and roll \$13.

Please purchase your tickets in the Lounge by Saturday, May 14th. Tickets are the ONLY guarantee that you will have a dinner. This is an adult only event.

Veterans Hospital May Day Cookout Wednesday, May 11th

We will leave around 10:30am on Wednesday, May 11th to go to VA Hospital in Salisbury and serve hot dogs and burgers. We need volunteers. Please call Beth Hawks if you can help or if you have any questions. We will be back around 3pm.



Mother's Day Buffet

Sunday, May 8th (11am - 2pm)

Parmesan Encrusted Chicken with Parmesan Cream Sauce
Maple Glazed Ham
Mandarin Ginger Tilapia
Caribbean Flank Steak with Corn Salsa & Red Pepper Salsa
Basmati Rice
Mac and Cheese
Red Skinned Mashed Potatoes
Vegetable Medley
Greens Beans
Lima Beans and Corn
Oriental Cashew Asparagus Salad

Bread Display

Assorted House-made Desserts

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Cookbooks are available for purchase (\$25) in the office or the Lounge.

High Point Pony League Family Day

May 7^{th} (8:30 – 2:30pm)







The High Point Elks Lodge is helping sponsor the 8th Annual High Point Pony League Family Day

We will cook hamburgers and hot dogs for about 1100 people and need volunteers to help set up, cook, serve and break down on that Saturday. We will meet at the Johnson Street ball park at 8:30am and should be finished by 2:30pm. Come for the day or any part you can contribute. Please sign up in the Lounge, call the office or contact **Tom Adams** or **Ronnie Lassiter**.

Fundraiser Dinner for Lisa Shelley-McEntire and her battle with ALS - Lou Gehrig's Disease -

Buffet Dinner Tickets \$10.00

Saturday, May 14th 2011 High Point Elk's Lodge

> 700 Old Mill Road High Point NC 27265 336-869-7414

> > 5:30pm - until



BBQ Pork & Chicken Take Out Available

Raffle Silent Auction Door Prize Drawing

Donations can be made to the High Point Elk's Lodge & are tax deductible

Tickets may be purchased by contacting: Jerry McEntire 336-803-1884 or the Elk's Lodge office

Upcoming Swim Team Events

Signups

Signups are upstairs in the ballroom. Checks or exact change only – no credit cards. It's \$55 per swimmer with a maximum of \$135 per family. Items available for purchase/order include t-shirts, swim suits, caps, etc.

Saturday, April 30th (8:30am – 10:00am) Saturday, May 7th (8:30am – 10:00am) Sunday, May 8th (7:00pm – 8:30pm)

Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser

Saturday, May 28th (5:00pm – 7:30pm)

Tickets available in the Lounge and Office \$5 per person
Served downstairs near the grill

Thanks in advance for supporting our swim team! 10% of the revenue will go to the American Cancer Society and our Swim for Cancer fundraiser.

Time Trial Meet with Greensboro Elks

Saturday, June 4th (8am – 11am)

Elks Day with Greensboro Swim Team

Saturday, June 4th (1pm – 5pm)

After the swim meet trial we will have a huge BBQ cookout, cake auction, moonwalk and dunking tank. Everyone is welcome!

Dignity Memorial Escape School



Dear Parents:

Each year, more than 58,000 children are abducted from their families. In order to arm you and your children with ways to recognize, avoid or escape these potentially dangerous situations, we encourage you to attend a nationally recognized safety program, Dignity Memorial Escape School, which we are sponsoring on May 14th from 10am to 11am. This presentation is hosted by the High Point Elks Lodge and presented by Sechrest Funeral Service, a member of the Dignity Memorial Provider network.

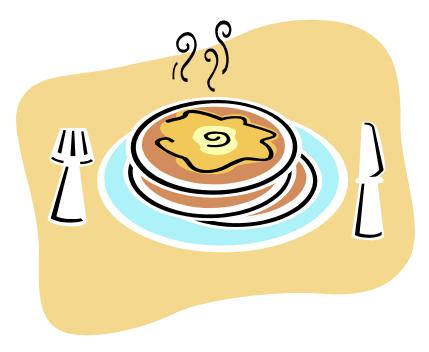
Dignity Memorial Escape School is offered in an entertaining and non-threatening manner. The program teaches children how to differentiate between good and bad strangers, the common lures abductors use, how to get away, right away and how to find help when needed. In addition to teaching key concepts, presenters engage children in demonstrations featuring several simple yet highly effective techniques for escaping dangerous situations.

Since its inception in 1996, Dignity Memorial Escape School has been presented to over 5 million people, and seven children and one adult have credited this program with saving their lives. We want to continue making a difference and therefore would like to encourage you to attend this program with your children. By combining forces, we will get the message through to our kids and they will be able to better understand the ways to escape a dangerous situation.

Website - www.escapeschool.com

Pancake Breakfast

Saturday, May 14th (8 – 11am)



Pancakes & bacon \$5 for adult, \$3.50 for children 6 and under

March ELK OF THE MONTH

Our April Elk of the Month is **Tom Adams**. Tom's presence is constant; he is always there to lend a hand. He can always be counted on to help prepare for an event. He helps clean, set up, and is usually sitting at the door to greet everyone, collect money, and hand out wristbands. Tom chairs our Youth Committee and is responsible for our annual Hoop Shoot and Pony League Family Day Cookout. Tom has also agreed to serve on the House Committee this year. Thank you Tom, we appreciate all you do!

Ladies Auxiliary President's Letter

WOW!!!! It is hard to believe that the pool opens for the summer is in less than 30 days. What is even a bigger wow is that I have been a Ladies Auxiliary member for 11 years and I am finally stepping up to be the President. I know I have big shoes to fill as we have had many wonderful past presidents. I am looking forward to the challenge.

On April 11th the Lodge had their DD Clinic and I want to thank Linda Camp, Carol Newman, Shelly Capra, Carol Hoover and Angie Conner for all their help. I know the women had a great time.

I know it turned out to be a not so good Saturday but on April 16th we had our annual Easter Egg Hunt. I want to give a big thanks to Angie Thompson and Andrew Lyon for being there to take pictures of the children with the Easter Bunny who was played by Drew Albertson. I want to thank Angie Conner and her crew for all the help with the Hunt.

I hope that you join us in some of the activities that we have planned for the summer around the pool. Check your newsletter for our upcoming events.

Please feel free to join us in our meetings and see how the Ladies Auxiliary helps our Lodge and our community. We meet September thru May on the first Tuesday of the month.

Theresa Franklin President, Ladies Auxiliary, High Point Elks Lodge #1155 HP Lodge Calendar www.hpelks.com/calendar

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