

Membership Newsletter for the **High Point Elks Lodge # 1155** 700 Old Mill Road High Point, North Carolina 27265

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Some of the upcoming events at our Lodge this month: Breakfast with Santa • Open House • Member's Christmas Party Trivia & iTunes DJ Night • New Year's Eve-Eve-Eve Celebration

December Message from our Exalted Ruler

I hope all our members enjoyed the Thanksgiving break. Your Lodge had a great November. The month kicked off with a great chili cook-off that included a food drive run by the Antlers and a silent auction held by the Ladies Auxiliary to raise funds for the Lodge. Our steak and salmon dinner on the 17th was well attended. Thanks to all who helped plan and serve during the event. We also initiated over 30 new members as a result of our membership drive.

December is looking very busy as the holiday season gets into full swing. On December 1st the Ladies are hosting their annual breakfast with Santa. This is always a fun time for the kids and a great opportunity to get that elusive picture with Santa without having to wait in line at the mall.

The Lodge will host our annual Christmas Open House on December 8th. The ladies Auxiliary will serve a pasta meal from 5-7 PM. Please feel free to bring a guest to this event. This is an excellent time to promote the benefits of being a member of our Lodge.

The other event to put on your calendar is the members' only Christmas party. This will be held on December 19th starting at 6:30 PM. A steak dinner will be served for only \$10. Please make reservations for this event by December 12th.

The PER Association is working hard to raise funds for our Lodge. In addition to the weekly Queen of Hearts drawing in the Lounge, you should have received your PER raffle tickets for the TVs in the mail this past month. Please work on selling your tickets and returning them to the office. This is an easy way to support the Lodge with all proceeds going directly to the Lodge.

All of our events are posted on our website. Check the website for changes to events and make sure you are on our email blast list. The email blast is a great way to stay informed on Lodge activities. Anyone can sign up; just go to our website to subscribe.

I wish all of you a very healthy and happy holiday season.

Fraternally yours, Scott Webster Exalted Ruler

Lounge Hours Labor Day 2012 – Memorial Day 2013

Monday & Tuesday: Closed Wednesday: 5pm – 12am Thursday: 5pm – 9pm Friday: 5pm – 12am Saturday: 3pm – 12am Sunday: 12:30pm – 8pm

Hours are subject to change per the House Committee

Sign up for our weekly e-Blast

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 visit www.hpelks.com/subscribe to sign up for our weekly email. Spouses are also encouraged to sign up. You can unsubscribe at any time.

Member's Night Cornhole Tournaments Wednesday, December 5th @ 7:00pm

Enter in the Lounge the night of the tourney! Blind draw for teams

First place team wins \$20 in Elks Bucks!

Happy Birthday to all our November Elks

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Planning an Event?

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

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 the award winning Above and Beyond Catering

Contact Elizabeth for availability (869-7313)

Citizen of the Year Award

Each year our Lodge recognizes a 'Citizen of the Year' at the annual awards ceremony. This award may be presented to any member (not required to be an Elk) of the community. If you know someone in our community that you feel is deserving of this recognition, please submit their name and a brief explanation to the Lodge office.

Membership News

The October membership drive has completed and it was a great success. We were able to bring in over 30 new candidates for membership. A big thanks to everyone for all their hard work. A special thanks to Bob Gold and Scott Moore for bringing the membership drive idea to the table.

On November 1st 17 new members were initiated. We anticipate initiating the remainder of our new members on Thursday November 28. We'll conduct indoctrination immediately preceding initiation. Anyone wishing to take part please come by the lodge by 6:30 PM. You can also network with the candidates spouses in the lounge during initiation and enjoy family dining night at the same time. Be sure to come out that evening and extend a warm Elks welcome.

Anyone having ideas relating to membership retention and growth are encouraged to send suggestions to hpelks1155@triad.rr.com. Please include the word Membership in the subject or body to make sure it's routed properly.

Steve Martin Membership Chairman

P.E.R. HDTV Raffle

January 5th – Wildcard Playoff – 32 inch January 12th – Divisional Playoff – 32 inch January 20th – Conference Championship – 32 inch February 3rd – Super Bowl – 55 inch February 27th – Daytona 500 – 32 inch

\$25.00 each or 5 tickets for \$100.00

Each ticket gets you in ALL the drawings

See any PER, bartender or Elizabeth to purchase tickets

Breakfast with Santa



Saturday, December 1st Breakfast at 9am with Christmas Crafts and a visit from Santa

Don't forget to bring your cameras for pictures with Santa

Lodge Memorial Service Sunday, December 1st

Members, Families and guest are cordially invited to attend this most impressive service conducted by our Lodge Officers. This service is to remember and honor our departed Members.

The Memorial Service Program begins at 1pm.

Americanism Essay Contest

This year's Americanism Essay Contest will be based on the theme "What does the National Anthem mean to me". It is a simple essay of 250 words or less that is open to any child in grades 5-8. There are two divisions; grades 5-6 and grades 7-8. Our Lodge gives a \$25 gift card, a \$15 gift card and a \$10 gift card to Barnes and Noble for First, Second and Third Place on the Lodge level. The District and the State award gift cards and Savings Bonds.

All essays, plus an attached sheet with the contact info for the parents of the child and the grade level, should be at the lodge <u>no</u> later than 4pm on Thursday, January 3rd. I look forward to reading a lot of essays this year!

Good luck, Don Sheffield, Lodge Americanism Chair

Christmas Open House Saturday, December 8th

Please bring a prospective new member and join us for our traditional Christmas Open House on December 8th from 5pm – 7pm. The Lodge will be decorated for the holidays and we want to show it off!

This is the perfect time to promote our Lodge and the benefits of membership. This is also a great way to get into the holiday spirit(s) with friends.

Please RSVP 869-7313

Member's Christmas Party Wednesday, December 19th @ 6:30pm

Steak dinner for \$10. Dinner will be served in the Member's Lounge.

In order to guarantee a dinner you MUST RSVP by phoning the Lodge office or signing up in the Member's Lounge by Monday, December 10th.

Wednesday's are Member's nights at the Lodge. Please no guests.

Trivia Night Saturday, December 15th @ 7pm

Four rounds of mind boggling crazy excitement. Put together a team of up to four people and come test your knowledge of all things trivial!

No Entry Fee



Prizes for the winning team!

iTunes DJ Party Saturday, December 15th @ 9pm



Immediately following Trivia Night...

You're in control of the music. Grab your iPod Touch, iPhone or iPad. Don't have an Apple device? No worries. Just find the Lounge iPad and make your selections there.

With a large iTunes library to choose from – we're confident we'll have something for everyone!

P.E.R. HDTV Raffle

The Past Exalted Rulers Association is conducting our annual Big Screen TV giveaway this year. This is an <u>extremely important</u> fundraiser for our Lodge and we need all of our Members to participate.

We had a very successful Membership drive during the month of October which will help us significantly moving into next year. We appreciate everyone who participated and brought in a new Member. Please continue to promote the Lodge to your friends, co-workers and extended family so we may continue to increase our Membership heading into 2013.

While gaining these new Members will certainly help us moving forward we also need to get through the winter months. You can help us with this by attending Lodge functions and participating in the PER fundraiser. Tickets are \$25 each or 5 for \$100. Each ticket gets you in to all of the drawings. The income generated from the fundraiser will go directly toward paying Lodge bills for the rest of this year.

New Year's Eve-Eve-Eve Celebration

Saturday, December 29th @ 8pm

Ring in the New Year (a couple days early) with your friends at the High Point Elks Lodge!

Includes party favors, New Year's champagne toast and House DJ. Bring appetizers, your favorite dish or hors d'oeuvres for the feast.

No cover charge

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November Elk of the Month

This month's Elk of the Month is Jason Owen. Jason is an active member of the House Committee and has been a big help in running several House Committee sponsored events this past month. Jason is also a regular at our weekly Family Dining events. Congratulations Jason on being this month's Elk of the Month!

The Lodge would also like to THANK **Terry Herndon** for graciously donating a truck for an upcoming raffle.

Ladies Auxiliary President's Letter

How fast this time of the year creeps upon us. I hope you have been making a list and checking it twice.

On November 11th we had our 2nd Crockpot Wars. We want to congratulate Sherri Davenport on winning the best taste. Please check the Elks calendar to see when the next Crockpot Wars will be held.

Our Breakfast with Santa will be Saturday, December 1st from 9am – 11am. Breakfast will be served and the children can work on crafts and visit with Santa. Make sure to bring your cameras so you can take pictures with Santa.

We would love to have you at our next meeting Tuesday, December 4th at 6pm. This invitation is extended to all lady members, member spouses, Ladies Auxiliary members and any guest to our Annual Christmas Ornament Exchange. Please bring a wrapped Christmas ornament (minimum of \$10). We will be having a steak dinner with salad, baked potato and dessert. The dinner will cost \$10 and you must RSVP to Carol Hoover at HooverC @aetna.com or Theresa at thfranklin @triad.rr.com by Saturday, December 1st. We hope to see you there!

Theresa Franklin President, Ladies Auxiliary

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