

## Membership Newsletter for the

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

#### **Officers**

Exalted Ruler - Andy Albertson Leading Knight - Steve Martin Loyal Knight - Gary Hutchins Lecturing Knight - Steven Hall Secretary - Shari Driscoll Treasurer - Terry Herndon Esquire - Ellen Pickett Tiler - Ronnie Payne Inner Guard - John McGaha Chaplain - Tommy Frazier

### **Ladies Auxiliary**

President - Laura Pallaci Vice President - Monica Pallaci Secretary - Jennifer Daniels Treasurer - Vanessa Slack Chaplin - Joanne Crawford Parliamentarian - Kathy Pascavage Historian -

#### **House Committee**

Adam Pallaci
Ben Adams
Bob Gold
Brian Lehman
Carlton Davenport
Jason Owen
Jerry McEntire
John Pascavage (Co-chair)
Mark Vernon
Mike Cockerham (Co-chair)
Mike Slack
Stewart McGlaughlin
Tommy Frazier

#### **Trustees**

Doug Orcutt, 1 year Stewart McGlaughlin, 2 years Mike Tennis, 3 years Scott Webster, 4 years - Chair Bob Gold, 5 years

## Some of the upcoming events at our Lodge this month:

Lodge Memorial Service • Breakfast with Santa • Member/Guest Christmas Party

Member's Christmas Party • New Year's Eve Celebration

#### **Message from our Exalted Ruler**

There were some very meaningful and fun events that we enjoyed in November! I would like to thank Bob Jones for organizing everything for the fundraiser benefiting David Turner and his family. I would also like to thank all those that participated as I know many people contributed to assist our Brother.

A great time was had by all at the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Chili Cook Off! Interesting turn of events at the McDonald farm! Thanks to all the teams who cooked and especially those that came to taste!

December will be a very busy month as well. December 1<sup>st</sup> at 1pm is our Memorial Service that will include lunch. We will be remembering our Elks that have passed away during the past year.

December 7<sup>th</sup> is Breakfast with Santa and always a great time for our children! Santa will be glad to see you at this event! Thanks to the Ladies Auxiliary for getting Santa to come and visit!

December 14<sup>th</sup> is the Member/Guest Christmas Party and the Member's Only Christmas Party is on December 18<sup>th</sup>. Please RSVP to the Lodge office for the Member's Party by December 13<sup>th</sup> as we will be providing steaks (the sides as well) and need to know how many to cook.

New Year's Eve Mezza Voce will be playing for the Ladies Auxiliary party. I am sure this will be a great time!

You should have received the raffle tickets for the Annual PER TV Raffle. This is a great fundraiser for our Lodge and went a long way to financially turning things around last year. Although our financial outlook is extremely better than in years past, there are a number of repairs and updates that the Lodge desperately needs due to the unavailability of funds in previous years. The Lodge needs your help with the sales of these tickets. Please help out by selling all the tickets you receive.

Please remember that all our events are posted on the website, so please visit it frequently so you can stay up to date on the events at our Lodge. I wish you all a very Happy Holiday Season!

See you at the Lodge!

Fraternally yours, Andy Albertson Exalted Ruler

#### **Lounge Hours**

Labor Day 2013 - Memorial Day 2014

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

#### **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. Competitive room rates to fit your needs! Catering by the award winning **Above and Beyond Catering.** Please contact the Lodge office for availability.

## Member's Night Cornhole Tournaments Wednesday 12/04 & 12/18 @ 7pm

Enter in the Lounge the night of the tournament. Blind draw for teams. Winning team will receive a \$20 gift card.

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#### **Membership News**

The holidays are quickly approaching and there are some fun events going on for Members in the next couple of months. A couple of note are the Members and guest golf outing the Friday after Thanksgiving, the Member and guest Christmas party to be held on Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup>, and the New Year's Eve party on December 31<sup>st</sup>. Please be sure to keep an eye on www.hpelks.com for additional details to be posted. These are fun events not to be missed this holiday season.

As Elks we always want to invite potential Member candidates to enjoy any events that are not designated as Member only events. When doing so, please remember that all guests must be signed in by the Elk Member. This practice is required by Elks rules and also more importantly by law, since we are a private organization. Thanks to everyone for helping out to comply with these rules.

Anyone having ideas relating to membership retention and growth are encouraged to send suggestions to mr.steve35@gmail.com. Please include the words "Elks Membership" in the subject line.

Steve Martin Membership Chair

#### PER (Past Exalted Ruler) HDTV Raffle

January 19<sup>th</sup> – Conference Playoff – 32" February 2<sup>nd</sup> – Super Bowl – 55" February 23<sup>rd</sup> – Daytona 500 – 32"

\$20 per ticket or 3 tickets for \$50. Each ticket gets you in ALL the drawings. See any PER or bartender to purchase tickets.

#### **Member Birthdays**

Bob Vroom 1. Billy Cannon 2. Shawnie Bryant 3, Milton Kraus 3, James Massengale 3, Tom Buie 4, George Coppedge II 4, Whitney Driscoll 4, Rodney Kennedy 4, Edmund Tucker 4, Scott Behe 6, Edwin Colev 6, Terry Green 6, Terry Herndon 6, Brian Hollins 6, Mark Infield 6, Russ Pallaci 6, Stuart Crawford 7, Robert Malpass 7, Samuel Averett 8, David Kemp 8, Eddie Whitman 8, Chris Patrick 9, William Casazza 10, Debbie Fain 10. Ben Robinson 10. David Turner 10, Charles Jester 11, Richard Forrester 12, Sarah Nix-Denmark 12, James Collins 12, Christopher Horne 13, Richard Daughety 15, David Labiak 15, Richard Whelan 15, Michael Blackney 16, William Burns 16, David Privette 16, Kelly Sullivan 16, Mark Anthony 17, Howard Parsley 19, Andy Turner 19, Richard Kemp 22. Allen Warren 22. Brian Buchanan 23, Henry Havener 24, Thomas Warth 25, Michael Ellis 26, Nathan Cobb 27, Robert Theriault 28, Gary Lee 29, Ronald Butler 30, Brian Chisholm 30, Kelsey Dumoulin 30, Thomas Hedrick 30, Adam Pallaci 30

#### 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.

#### **Lodge Memorial Service Sunday, December 1**<sup>st</sup>

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.

#### **Breakfast with Santa**

#### Saturday, December 7th (8am-10am)

Tis the season to be jolly! What child doesn't dream of having just a few precious moments with Santa Claus to whisper in his ear their special holiday wish? Have breakfast with Santa as he arrives early this December at the High Point Elk's Lodge.

# Member/Guest Christmas Party Saturday, December 14th

Please bring a prospective new member and join us for our traditional Christmas Party @ 8pm. The Lodge will be decorated for the holidays and we want to show it off! We will also have live music from Vern & Tuck as well as hors d'oeuvres. 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 18th @ 6:30pm

Steak dinner for just \$5. Dinner will be served in the Member's Lounge. In order to guarantee a dinner you <u>must RSVP</u> by phoning the Lodge office or signing up in the Member's Lounge by Friday, December 13<sup>th</sup>. Wednesday's are Member's nights at the Lodge. No guests allowed.

#### New Year's Eve Celebration Tuesday, December 31st @ 7pm

Featuring live music from Mezza Voce with heavy hors d'oeuvres & Champagne. Members and guests welcome. Ring in the New Year with your friends at the High Point Elks Lodge! Tickets on sale until December 28<sup>th</sup>. No tickets will be sold at the door. \$15 for individuals, \$25 per couple.

# Bowl Day Breakfast & Family PJ Party Wednesday, January 1st

Come enjoy College Football's Bowl Day tradition! 11:30am Breakfast Buffet featuring: Scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, biscuits & pancakes. \$5 Adults / \$2.50 Kids.

Since the Lounge opens early, Pajamas are welcome. The big screen will be filled with Wii entertainment for those whose favorite teams are not playing. Board games (Trivial Pursuit, Apples to Apples, Scategories, etc.) are also welcome. We'll also have Bloody Mary and Screwdriver specials!

#### 2013 Chili Cook-Off Winners

Salsa – Team Pallaci White Chili – Team Carolina Texas Chili – Damn Yankees Open Chili – Damn Yankees Ribs – Phil McDonald's Farm Theme – Phil McDonald's Farm

#### **Americanism Essay Contest**

This year's Americanism Essay Contest will be based on the theme "What Veteran's Day Means 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 from Barnes and Noble to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners in each division on the Lodge level. The District and the State award gift cards and Savings Bonds. Last year, we had two district winners from our Lodge. Participants do not need to be children of Members.

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 later than 4pm on Friday, January 17, 2014</u>. I look forward to reading a lot of essays this year!

Good luck, **Don Sheffield Americanism Chair** 

#### **Message from our Ladies Auxiliary President**

Fall has finally Fallen on us. To be honest this is my favorite time of year. T-Shirts and Sweatshirts during the day and Bon Fires at night. This has been a wonderful and full last month and a half for our Ladies Auxiliary.

The Ladies yet again pulled off a very successful convention! I am so grateful to the following ladies that once again always have my back and for that I am so blessed. Robin, Ashley, Grace, Monica, Jen, Gloria..... You are so gracious with your time that you give to this lodge and our community and I am very appreciative.

We also took part in the Wing Fest that the House Committee hosted and did a Fall Festival. The kids all had such a wonderful time and we are hoping that this is something we can continue to do each and every year. As a lodge we are so lucky we have the Antlers Program. There are many times that we need these Middle/High Schoolers to help us with events like this. The following Antlers I would like to recognize and say Thank You for your time, Claudia Hicks, Maggie Whitman, Emmie McGlaughlin, Abbey Durr, McKenna Reece, Luke Crocker, Carson Day, Nora Conner & Matt Pascavage. Our Ladies were there as well setting up, breaking down, and selling wristbands. Vanessa, Jennifer & Susan... you rock!

The Lodge just had the Chili Cook-off this past Saturday and HOLY MOLY it was so much fun!! Great Salsa, Chili & Ribs all the way around! My favorite is the teams and the themes that they come up with are always so awesome. If you haven't attended this event you don't want to miss is next year! Patti, Ashley, Jennifer, Robin Thank You for your help!

Get your calendars ready because we have a lot of events coming up!

HP Christmas Parade – November 24<sup>th</sup> = contact me if you have any questions 337-4244

Decorating the Lodge – November 30<sup>th</sup> = contact Monica Pallaci Holiday Ladies Meeting/Ornament Exchange – December 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 6pm

If you are new to the Ladies you need to trust me this is a meeting that you won't want to miss. We do our formal dinner and a brief meeting and then the fun begins with a "Dirty Ornament" Exchange down in the lounge.

Breakfast with Santa – December 7<sup>th</sup> @ 8am This is Always a Wonderful event. Should you have any questions Karen & Grace are your contact for this.

New Year's Eve - December 31st
WOOOOHOOOO I am so excited!!! Line up those
Babysitters because this is going to be a LARGE
Time!!!! We are teaming up with the House
Committee to do this event. We haven't had a NYE
like this in a long time. We have a band, food,
champagne toast. Tickets on sell in the Lounge or
contact myself or Tonya. Tonya is the contact for
this event.

There are two things that are the most important part to me every time I do this letter. One is to always remember to THANK all those to help, I am human and I am sure there are people that I forget about. Two is to always take the time to make our New Members feel welcomed, without them we can't grow and to grow is so extremely important. I have really enjoyed getting better acquainted with all of you over these last few months & I have also enjoy so much all of the wonderful & creative new things and suggestions you have brought to the table. With that said.... Laura, Karen, Christy, Kara, Staci, Katherine, Jennifer M, Susan, Gloria, I am enjoying you all so much and you should know that if you ever need anything I am here!

Sincerely,

Laura Pallaci President, Ladies Auxiliary

#### November Elk of the Month

The October Elk of the Month is Adam Pallaci. Adam has been a member of the House Committee for the past couple of years. He organized the very enjoyable and tasty Fall Wing Fest. Due to the fun and flavor, I am sure we will continue this most competitive and pleasurable event! Please join me in congratulating Adam on Elk of the Month!

#### Elks Care, Elks Share.

Elks Lodges bring so much more to their communities than just a building or pool. They are places where neighbors come together, families share meals, and children grow up. Elks invest in their communities through programs that help children grow up healthy and drugfree, by undertaking projects that address unmet needs, and by honoring the service and sacrifice of our veterans.

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