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High Point Elks Lodge

Breakfast W^{ith} Santa

December 2nd 9:00am
700 Old Mill Road High Point, NC



YOUR LODGE OFFICERS

Bob Gold...Exalted Ruler
Tommy Frazier...Leading Knight
Britt Moore...Loyal Knight
Tom Connolly...Lecturing Knight
Shari Driscoll...Secretary

Vanessa Slack...Treasurer
Mark Vernon...Esquire
Blaire Weavil...Tiler
Stewart Wright...Inner Guard
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Exalted Rulen Letten

December is upon us and what a month do we have planned! November provided us with our Annual Chili Cook-Off and it was a tremendous success. The weather cooperated and the event was very well attended. Congratulations to the winners and to all the teams who helped us provide a day of fun and fellowship for our Elk Members and their families.

December is going to be filled with tons of events and I hope to see you there. Before I highlight the upcoming December events, I want to update you on some efforts that are taking shape in and around our Lodge. Today we were successful in refinancing our mortgage with our new bank (First Citizens Bank). We are moving our banking relationship to them as we feel this is a much better fit for our organization. They understand the value we provide to the community and are committed to working with us for the long haul. The refinance also helps us significantly with our cash-flow and has freed up funds for us to make much needed upgrades to two of our HVAC units that are on their last legs. That work will be completed in the next two weeks. Thank you to Phil Driscoll, Board Chairman, Shari Driscoll, Lodge Secretary, and our entire Board of Directors who worked hard in evaluating the best way forward for Lodge. We continue to look at critical areas that need to be repaired, replaced, or upgraded to make sure that your Lodge is in good working order.

Last month our Membership Committee sent out surveys to gather your feedback about our Lodge. We received 94 responses and the committee is reviewing the information you provided, discussing common themes, and making recommendations to the Board of Directors. We want to do what we can, if we can, to implement good ideas. We're committed to finding ways that will improve the Lodge, enhance your Membership experience, and increase our visibility in the community. Thank you to those who shared your ideas with us. More to come.

Make sure to join us for some of our biggest events in December! Check the website, your e-blast, Facebook, etc. to stay up to date on what we have going on. In addition to our Wings & Football Sundays, our Members/Guests on Wednesdays and our Family Grille Nights on Thursdays, here are a few of the big events you won't want to miss:

- <u>Friday, December 1</u>: ER Steak Night 6:30 8:30pm. Join me on the first Friday of every month as I work the grill to prepare your NY Strip the way you like it! \$10/pp.
- <u>Saturday, December 2</u>: Breakfast with Santa. Let the kids share their wish list with the Big Man and enjoy a free breakfast and crafts. 9am 11am.
- <u>Saturday, December 2</u>: Football Championship Day. Come join the action all day. Bring your favorite food. New gas grill outside available for your use.
- Sunday, December 3: Inside Tailgate Wars, Wings and Football in the Lounge. Panthers play at 1pm.
- <u>Sunday, December 10</u>: Open House & Christmas Party in the Lounge. 2-5pm. Bring a covered dish and enjoy the NFL games. Wear your ugly Christmas sweater!!
- <u>Saturday, December 16</u>: Band Night with the Pop Guns. 8pm. Back by popular demand. You don't want to miss these guys! Members \$5, Guests: \$7.
- <u>Wednesday, December 20</u>: Annual Members Only Christmas Party & Steak Dinner. Join us for fun and games and along with a great steak! (no spouses or guests). \$8/pp
- <u>Thursday, December 21</u>: Family Karaoke in the Lounge. 7pm after Family Grille Night. Come watch the kids (and the BIG kids) sing their favorite Christmas songs.
- <u>Sunday, December 31</u>: New Year's Eve Party with Atlantic Coast Highway Band. BBQ chicken dinner. \$15 per person/\$25 per couple.

On behalf of myself and the entire Board of Directors, we want to wish you and your family a very Merry Christmas. We hope to celebrate with you at the Lodge in December!



My very best, Bob Gold, Jr., Exalted Ruler

ELK(S) OF THE MONTH





Chuck Minear & Stewart McClaughlin

The volunteerism is amazing at the Lodge these days! For the second month in a row I must choose TWO Elks of the Month for November! Congratulations to Chuck Minear and Stewart McGlaughlin for providing us with significant and meaningful endeavors that helped us have a great November!

Chuck Minear, who has a strong background as an electrician, worked for days over the past few months (along with our Leading Knight Tommy Frazier) to install the beautiful new canned lights in the Lounge. Now we have the option to dim the lighting which is a big improvement! No more evenings of us having to suffer with classroom lighting! Chuck worked very hard to secure the permits, the materials and install the lights. This has been a project we have discussed for years and now it is finally done! Thank you Chuck for taking so much time to make sure this upgrade to our Lounge was complete. Thank you also to Tommy who helped every step of the way and to those who donated money to help offset the costs. It looks great in our Lounge!

Stewart McGlaughlin once again "chaired" our Annual Chili Cook-off on November 18th. This was probably our most well attended and well organized Chili Cook-Off in years. We had seven teams participate and the entries were delicious. The themes were awesome too! Tom Connolly, our Lecturing Knight emceed the event and directed the judges. Gary Feldner, our House Committee Chairman also helped make sure all the supplies were available and was on the go all day. Many volunteers were needed to pull this off and Stewart made sure every little detail was taken care of. This is our headlining event each fall so it's important that is goes well, and it certainly did! Thank you Stewart for another job well done and for being named Elk of the Month for the 2nd time this year!

-Bob Gold, ER

New Year's Ene Celebration

DECEMBER 31

Panny Pierce & The Atlantic Coast Highway Band

[R&B/Soul/Blues/Philly Soul/ Beach Music/Light Jazz]

Danny Pierce has shared the stage with many soul and rock music icons including The Beach Boys, ZZ Top, Jr. Walker & The All Stars, and others. Danny performs as lead vocalist, saxophonist, and BMI songwriter with the Part Time Party Band, The Catalinas, The Collegiates, and the original Cannonball Band.

COME JOIN US FOR THE ATLANTIC COAST HIGHWAY BAND!

\$15 per person, \$25 per couple BBQ Chicken Dinner at 7pm Music begins at 8:30pm



Champagne Toast at Midnight



Planning an Event?

The High Point Elks Lodge offers meeting and banquet facilities for 10 to 200+ people. Great for HOA meetings, school and alumni functions, dance groups, holiday and birthday parties, weddings, and more. Competitive room rates to fit your needs!

Catering by the award winning Above and Beyond Catering.

Please contact the Lodge office for availability @ 336.869.7313



Our meetings for the year are in full swing but we *always* welcome new members.

The Ladies Auxiliary helps to support the Elks and Lodge #1155 in many capacities and is a strong and active organization. We invite you to consider volunteering at some of our events and to attend one of our month meetings. This is the best way to get to know other members. Ladies only meet once per month on the first Tuesday of each month October-May. Socials begin at 6:00pm, Dinner 6:30 followed our 7:00 meeting.

Thank you to the ladies and their families who helped transform our lodge into a Christmas wonderland!

We are currently accepting donations for our veterans. Please see the Veterans Tree in the lounge to see how you can help.

Please bring your family and friends to enjoy breakfast with Santa on December 2nd. This is a free event. Crafts and an continental breakfast are provided by the Ladies Auxiliary. Don't forget your camera!

Here's wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! Wishing you lots of love, joy and happiness. May your Christmas sparkle with moments of love, laughter and goodwill, and may the year ahead be full of contentment and joy.

-Jennifer Daniels, Ladies Auxiliary President

LADIES AUXILIARY OFFICERS

Secretary Kara Henson

PresidentJennifer Daniels

Treasurer April McEntire

Parliamentarian Staci Bensel

Vice President Robyn Feldner

Corresponding Secretary
Kara Henson

Chaplin Deanna Vernon



VETERANS DAY 2017

On November 11th, Veterans Day, Applebee's restaurant on John Gordon Lane in High Point not only opened their doors to honor Veterans with a free meal and to thank them for their service, they allowed Members of our Elks Lodge #1155 to help out as well. ER Bob Gold and his family, Leading Knight Tommy Frazier and his wife, and Lecturing Knight Tom Connolly and his children all "split shifts" from 11am until 6pm to make sure the Veterans were greeted warmly at the entrance, had a personal hand-shake with a "thank you" for their service from our Lodge, and to make their time there, on their special day, as enjoyable as possible.

Both former and current service members alike appreciated the effort on behalf of Applebee's and your High Point Elks Lodge. There was a lot of smiles, laughter, and stories told, and the restaurant even let some of our family members take part in customer calls to help answer any questions about the Veterans Day special menu that Applebee's created. It was also our pleasure to offer a Veteran a ride back to his home when it turned out his scheduled ride couldn't arrive to bring him back for another couple of hours.

Thank you to all of our volunteers for taking extra special care of the Veterans in our community!











"So long as there are Veterans, the Benevolent and Protective Orden of Elks will neven forget them."

SPREAD SOME HOLIDAY CHEER TO OUR LOCAL VETERANS

Please select a gift to purchase from our Veteran's tree in the Member's Lounge. Bring items to the Lodge, <u>unwrapped</u>, by December 9th.

We will deliver gifts to the VA Hospital on December 14th. All Members and their families are welcome to join us! Please call the Lodge Office for details.

Elks Care - Elks Share

2017 DECEMBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
26	27	28	29	30	1	2
NFL & WINGS			Members & Spouses Night	Family Grille Night	ER Steak Night 6:30pm	Breakfast with Santa 9am
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Annual Memorial Service 12pm NFL & WINGS		Ladies Auxiliary 6pm	Members & Spouses Night	Family Grille Night	· ·	
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Christmas Open House 2-5pm Antler's Meeting 2pm NFL & WINGS	Board of Directors Meeting 6pm House Committee Meeting – 7pm		LODGE MEETING 7:30PM	Family Grille Night		Band Night with The Pop Guns 8pm
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
NFL & WINGS	10		Member's Christmas Party 6pm	Family Grille Night Family Christmas Karaoke Ipm		
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
	LODGE CLOSED Merry ehristmas		Member's & Spouses Night	Family Grille Night		
31	1	2	3	4	5	6
New Year's Eve with Atlantic Coast Highway	Family New Year's Day in the Lounge		Member's & Spouses Night	Family Grille Night		

Visit hpelks.com for more information about upcoming events!

December Birthalys

Billy Cannon, 12/2 Milton Kraus, 12/3 James Messengale, 12/3 Tom Buie, 12/4 Whitney Cook, 12/4 George Coppedge II, 12/4 Jennifer Daniels, 12/4 George Grennan, 12/4 Rodney Kennedy, 12/4 Edmund Tucker, 12/4 Scott Behe, 12/6 Terry Green, 12/6 Terry Herndon, 12/6 Mark Infield, 12/6 Russ Pallaci, 12/6 Suart Crawford, 12/7 Bob Malpass, 12/7 Eddie Whitman, 12/8 David Waeschle, 12/9 Debbie Fain, 12/10 Dareal Pearsall, 12/10 Mary Hines, 12/11

Erik Moon, 12/11 Richard Forrester, 12/12 Sarah Nix-Denmark, 12/12 Chic Overby, 12/12 Gabriela Warwick, 12/14 Richard Daughety, 12/15 David Labiak, 12/15 Michael Blackney, 12/16 Jeffrey Petroff, 12/16 Kelly Sullivan, 12/16 Mark Anthony, 12/17 Mac Thomasson, 12/18 Howard Parsley, 12/19 Brad Isenhour, 12/20 Robert Payne, 12/21 Richard Kemp, 12/22 Allen Warren, 12/22 Henry Havener, 12/24 Marcus Williams, 12/24 Sherri Morgan, 12/25 Michael Ellis, 12/26

Stephen Riley, 12/26

Thom Wright, 12/26
Andy Stroud, 12/28
Robert Theriault, 12/28
Lynn Fellos, 12/29
Gary Lee, 12/29
Ronald Butler, 12/30
Thomas Hedrick, 12/30
Adam Pallaci, 12/30
Trip Hale, 12/31
Richard Watts, 12/31







Member's Christmas Party

SO STERN DINNER

Please RSVP by December 17th in our Member's Lounge or Lodge Office

This is a Members Only event. Spouses, guests, & children are not permitted.





HIGH POINT ELKS LODGE #1155

Christmas Open House

POT LUCK & UGLY CHRISTMAS SWEATER PARTY

December 10th 2-5 PM

Bring A Dish, Bring A Friend, And Wear Your Tackiest Holiday Attire!

