



The Bugle



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Shari Driscoll...Secretary	Terry Herndon...Chaplain



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Exalted Ruler Letter

January is in the books and we enjoyed another fun month at the Lodge. From NFL Playoff games to ER Steak Night to the ever popular Name That Tune Trivia, there were a lot of fun nights to enjoy.

Before I get into February, I would like to congratulate our Esteemed Secretary, Shari Driscoll (PER) who was recently elected by the West Central District to serve as our State President for the 2019-2020 Elk year. Shari will be the first ever woman to hold the office as State President for North Carolina. Her contributions to our Lodge and the State's leadership are monumental. We couldn't be more proud to have Shari represent our Lodge as State President. She will be the fifth High Point Elk to serve in this capacity. Let it be known that High Point also had the very first State President, PC Smith in 1939-40. Other State Presidents from High Point were Wiley Pritchett (1956-57), Paul Hampton (1979-80) and Ed Roberson (1995-1996). Congratulations Shari! We know you will do a phenomenal job!

I would like to thank everyone for their support of our ER Steak Nights. We had our third one on February 2nd with our largest turnout yet. We served 65 Members and their guests and everyone had a great time! Thank you to our volunteers that help me to host this event on the first Friday of the month. My last one will be Friday, March 2nd and we will combine this with a 150th Birthday celebration for the Elks. That's right! It's our 150th birthday and I'm working on the details to make it special for us. Stay tuned for more details.

Now is the best time to talk to your friends, neighbors and folks on social media about joining our Lodge. Pool season will be here before you know it (T-113 days as of 02/01) and there are lot of folks out there that may very well be interested in joining our Lodge. The High Point Elks Lodge has one of the largest pools in the Triad, a great swim team and a fun family atmosphere. We have a Membership special that goes through the end of February where new Member's initiation fee is only \$1! We are also the best deal in town and open 12 months a year! Please invite everyone to check out our Lodge!

Please mark your calendar for Saturday, March 3rd at 5 pm. We will have a family friendly event co-hosted with the HP Shrine Club upstairs in the ballroom. We will welcome Herb McCandless, Jr who will entertain us with a Hypnosis Comedy Show that should be a lot of fun for everyone. This is a charity event benefiting the Shriners and the NC Elks Charitable Trust. If you've ever seen one of these shows on a cruise ship, you know it's a can't miss! Tickets are only \$10 each and can purchased in the Lounge from the bartenders or in the office upstairs.

On February 7th, nominations will be accepted at our Lodge Meeting at 7 pm. (no meeting on the 14th). If you have someone in mind that you would like to serve in a leadership capacity this the meeting to attend. Elections for new offices will be at our Lodge meeting February 28th at 7:30 pm. When attending a Lodge Meeting, please be sure to bring your signed Membership card for admittance.

The House Committee is actively planning other February and March events. Please check your weekly e-blast, the website and Facebook for details to come. See you at the Lodge in February!

Finally, congratulations to Mike Cockerham for being named our January Elk of the Month.



Fraternally yours,
Bob Gold, Jr.
Exalted Ruler

ELK OF THE MONTH

Mike Cockerham



I am proud to announce our January Elk of the Month is **Mike Cockerham**. With the NFL season just about over, let's remember that Mike worked the grille each and every Sunday of the season to ensure that our football fans not only had a bar to serve them during the games, but a grille that served wings (and other goodies) for them to enjoy. This was a huge commitment of time and service.

Most of our weekends were very well attended as folks looked forward to enjoying Mike's Famous Wings while they watched their favorite team. Contributions like this are very rare and greatly appreciated! Mike has served as a very valuable Member of our

House Committee for years and is always there to help with a myriad of functions that are important to our everyday operations of the Lodge. This is the 2nd time this Elk year that Mike has been given this honor. Thank you Mike for all you do and for taking care of us each and every Sunday during the NFL season!

Congratulations on being named our January Elk of the Month!

-Bob Gold



A Note from the Office



April 1st is just around the corner and our new Elk year will be here before we know it!

2018-19 Member Dues invoices and 2018 Pool information will be mailed to you by the end of February. Remember, your Lodge member dues are due by April 1st and must be current before any 2018 pool dues will be accepted.

Pool dues may be paid any time before the pool opens on May 25th. The office will close at 2:00pm that day so we can make sure everyone's cards are ready. As a courtesy to our office staff and volunteers, please do not wait until pool opening day to pay pool dues. We want to enjoy that afternoon at the pool with you too!

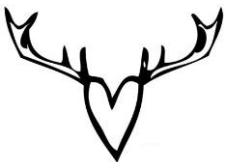
Our Lodge is certainly having a positive year in regards to membership, however, we still have about 40 members that have not yet paid their 2017-18 dues. Unfortunately, we will have no choice but to drop those members by the end of March. A list of these delinquent members is posted on the bulletin board in the members lounge. We never want to lose our members, so please take a moment to review this list and reach out to someone you know that will be dropped. Refer them to a Lodge Officer so we can work to retain their membership. In the end, we're all on the membership committee!

A special THANK YOU to Gary Feldner, Tim Hight, and John Harkey for rescuing our old Lodge records from the back of the storage room (it's a dark, scary room and there are A LOT of records)! We will be going through each drawer and file as we move the records back upstairs for easier access. Thank you also to Tommy Frazier and Phil Driscoll for expanding our upstairs storage space to fit all of these files.

As always, feel free to contact the office with any questions you may have. Kelly and I are happy to help you any way we can!

Sincerely,

Shari Driscoll



Ladies Auxiliary

Happy New Year!

We are excited about 2018 and all the wonderful things we are hoping to bring together for our Lodge and the community. Thank you so much to all the

Ladies that helped make the holiday events and decorations such a success! If you missed our holiday gatherings this year, I recommend not missing out next year!

As important as it is for our Lodge to always be bringing in new members, it's just as important that the Ladies Auxiliary continue to grow and thrive. Please join us as we nominate new officers for 2018-2019. These next couple meetings are important as we are starting to plan out our summer events. We would love to see some new faces.

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 monthly meetings. This is the best way to get to know other members. Ladies only meet once per month while the Elks meet twice. We meet the first Tuesday of each month October-May.

-Jennifer Daniels, Ladies Auxiliary President



LADIES AUXILIARY OFFICERS

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Jennifer Daniels

Vice President

Robyn Feldner

Treasurer

April McEntire

Corresponding Secretary

Kara Henson

Secretary

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Parliamentarian

Staci Bensel

Chaplin

Deanna Vernon



All events are Adult Only unless otherwise noted.

2018 FEBRUARY

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
			Member's & Spouses Night	Family Grille Night	ER Steak Night	
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
SUPER BOWL PARTY POT-LUCK Mike's Famous Wings			Lodge Meeting 7:00pm	Family Grille Night	Winter Olympics Opening Ceremony	
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Antler's Meeting 2pm Mike's Famous Wings	Board of Directors Meeting 6pm House Committee Meeting - 7pm		Member's & Spouses Night <i>Happy Valentine's Day</i>	Family Grille Night		
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Mike's Famous Wings DAYTONA 500			Member's & Spouses Night	VA HOSPITAL VISIT Family Grille Night		
25	26	27	28	1	2	3
Winter Olympics Closing Ceremony Mike's Famous Wings			Lodge Meeting 7:30pm	Family Grille Night	ER Steak Night	

Visit hpelks.com for more information about upcoming events!

February Birthdays

Jeffrey Dale, 2/2
George Biggs, 2/3
Brian Hall, 2/3
Amy Holdren, 2/3
Vanessa Sullens, 2/3
Molly Jordan, 2/4
Ronnie Lassiter, 2/4
Kenneth Hughes, 2/7
Gary Wayne Perdue, 2/4
Thomas "TD" Stump, 2/8
Jeffrey Turner, 2/8
Christopher Cox, 2/9
Laurie Crawford, 2/9
Christine Jo Thornsby, 2/9
Anthony Bense, 2/11
Britt Moore, 2/11
Michael Fritts, 2/12
Rusty Morris, 2/12

Chad Braica, 2/15
Jason Wyatt, 2/15
Andrew Pearman, 2/18
Peter Chaisson, 2/19
Jerry Hill, 2/20
Cathy Vernon, 2/20
Barre Borgeson, 2/22
Doug Jones, 2/23
Leigh Anne Bassinger, 2/25
Gregory Domingue, 2/25
Byron Miller, 2/25
Michael Secor, 2/25
Tammy Joyce, 2/26
Brent Moore, 2/26
Phil Pope, 2/26
Richard Smith, 2/27
Gregory Leimone, 2/28

HAPPY
BIRTHDAY



EXPLORE ^{THE} HISTORY
HONOR ^{THE} TRADITION



CELEBRATE ^{THE} BENEVOLENCE

See ya at the Elks!

