HIGH POINT ELKS LODGE #1155

DECEMBER 2021

### TRAVELING GAVEL

The NC Elks West-Central district's "Traveling Gavel" tradition kicked off this year at our very own Lodge on Wednesday, November 10th. Pictured are District VP Toni Deal (L), Salisbury Elks Lodge #699 ER Archie Blythe(R), and HP Lodge PER Tom Connolly (C) standing in for ER Phil Driscoll.

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Each year in the fall, Lodge Members from our district take turns visiting each other to attend a Lodge meeting. The members carry the District Vice President's gavel with them and present it to the Exalted Ruler at the meeting. The Exalted Ruler must protect the gavel until he takes it to the next Lodge.

### LODGE Officers

Phil Driscoll...Exalted Ruler Richard Golden...Leading Knight Kevin Scott...Loyal Knight Vanessa Slack...Lecturing Knight Shari Driscoll...Secretary Deanna Vernon...Treasurer Mark Vernon...Esquire Chick Overby...Tiler Steve Perdue ...Inner Guard Tommy Fraizer...Chaplain

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Exalted Kulen Letter

November was another successful month at our Lodge with many of our events focused on our members and their families. Family Dining Night on Thursdays is a great way to enjoy great burgers at an affordable price. Our November PER Steak Night was well attended, and the steaks were, once again, perfect. If you have not been to the Lodge on Sundays during football season, you are missing out. We have multiple TVs to see all the NFL games and Mike's Wing are always available, along with other menu items. Special thanks to Bob Gold and and his son Brandon for installing the new projector and a new 70" screen TV. Our Lounge is a perfect way to spend weekends watching football or attending our numerous events.

Veterans are very important to the Elks and our Lodge supported several different Veterans Day events last month. Richard and Angie Golden attended the High Point University Veterans Day program and later that day attended an event at the Strafford Retirement Home honoring their veterans. Dawn Dwyer has participated for several years with the Triad Honor Flight and once again flew with a veteran to Washington, DC to see the military memorials.

Please see the flyers in the newsletter for all the different activities coming up in December. In particular, we want to make sure you are aware of our upcoming Memorial Service on December 5<sup>th</sup> remembering our Lodge members who passed away this year, our Christmas Party and Open House on December 12<sup>th</sup> and our Members Only Christmas Party December 15<sup>th</sup>.

Congratulations to Stewart McGlaughlin for being named our November Elk of the Month!

<u>Upcoming Events</u> – <u>E-blast Sign Up</u> – <u>Social Media</u> – <u>Event Calendar</u>



Fraternally Yours, Phil Driscoll Exalted Ruler

## ELK OF THE MONTH



Stewart McClaughlin

Please congratulate **Stewart McGlaughlin** on being November's Elk of the Month!

Stewart for numerous years has done a great job managing our overall social media. Stewart has been a frequent winner of Elk of the Month and was previously our Elk of the Year of for 2018-2019. He works diligently behind the scenes and participates on several committees and always is around to help the Lodge out and keep our members informed of all our great activities.

This month's award is special – for the first time ever our High Point Lodge won the NC State Elks Association Website of the Year. This is a well-deserved recognition!

Congratulations Stewart, thanks for all that you do!





## DID YOU KNOW...

### Why was the elk adopted as the symbol of the Order?

In 1868, the 15 founders of the fraternity desired a readily identifiable creature of stature, indigenous to America.

Eight members voted to adopt the elk, seven favored the buffalo.

And, as they say, "The rest is ELKS history."





Calling All 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> And 8<sup>th</sup> Graders! The Americanism Essay 2021-2022 question has been released. "What does it mean to love your country?"

Write a 300-word or less essay on what this means to you. Spelling, grammar and neatness counts toward your eligibility for winning. Prizes and money are awarded from our Lodge, our District, and State and National level.

This past year we had two entrants to make it to the National level after winning at our State level. The deadline this year is December 15, 2021.

Thank you, Deanna Vernon Americanism Essay Chairman





Hello everyone!

The holidays are here, and we have so much going on!

On December 7, we will be having our next meeting and annual Christmas Ornament Exchange and Dinner. Bring an ornament and see what happens, it's a lot of fun for everyone. We will also have Breakfast with Santa, December 11. I'd like to thank the members who stepped up to make this happen.

This time of year is about family, friends, and helping our community. In this spirit, we have adopted a family of three; a mom and her 2 sons. They are in desperate need of our help, so this year the Ladies Auxiliary and our Elks Lodge are united in helping this family. We have created a "Giving Tree" downstairs in the Lounge. The mom is very sick and goes to dialysis 3 to 4 times a week, and unfortunately, while she was in the hospital

the family became homeless. They are waiting on housing, hopefully before Christmas. Please read the story of this family and then take a tag off the tree. Return the item under the tree unwrapped for this family and we will have a Christmas card for all to sign.. I thank all of you for helping and getting this family on their feet. Let us all come together, let us show this family that we care

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Merry Christmas 🎄 and Happy Holidays!

Janice Kennedy Rodriguez Ladies Auxiliary President



#### **LADIES AUXILIARY OFFICERS**

President Janice Rodriguez

Vice President Rebecca Ingram

> **Treasurer** Lindy Hight

**Corresponding Secretary** Katie Pallaci

> Secretary Angie Conner

Parliamentarian Rebecca Ingram

Historian Angela Golden

**Chaplin** Deanna Vernon



## **VETERANS DAY 2021**



A big Thank You to Leading Knight Richard Golden and his wife Angie, as they attended multiple Veteran's Day events to represent our Lodge and to Thank the Hero's of yesterday, today and tomorrow.

"So long as there are veterans, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks will never forget them."







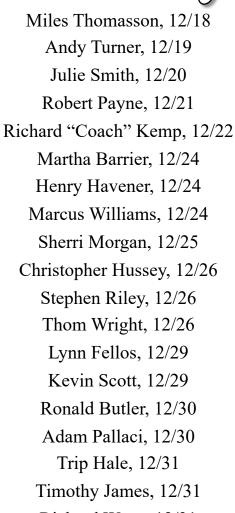






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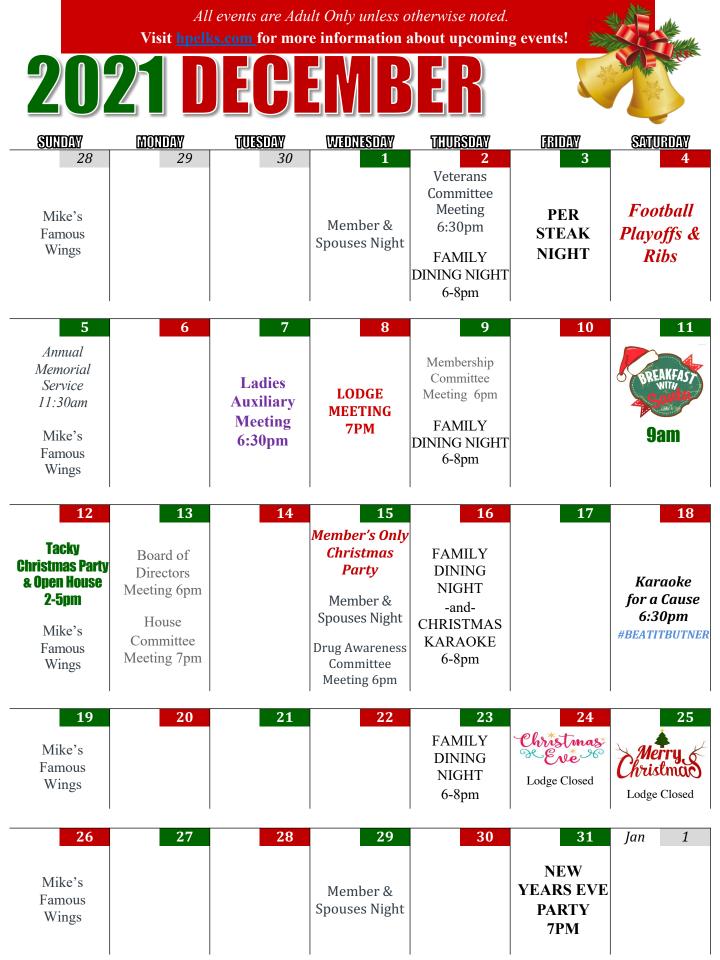
Billy Cannon, 12/2 Billy Trull, 12/2 Whitney Cook, 12/4 Jennifer Daniels, 12/4 George Grennan, 12/4 Rodney Kennedy, 12/4 Edmund Tucker, 12/4 Jaber Khan, 12/5 Scott Behe, 12/6 Terry Green, 12/6 Terry Herndon, 12/6 Russ Pallaci, 12/6 Angela Golden, 12/9 Angela Morgan, 12/9 Dareal Pearsall, 12/10 Erik Moon, 12/11 Scott Wilhelm, 12/11 Chic Overby, 12/12 David Labiak, 12/15 Shannon Kreuser, 12/16 Jeffrey Petroff, 12/16 Adrian Spell, 12/16 Kelly Sullivan, 12/16 Mark Anthony, 12/17

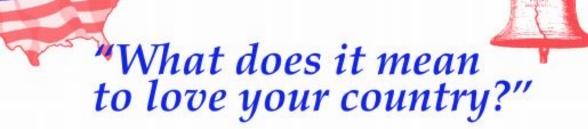


Richard Watts, 12/31









#### **Essay Contest**

Sponsored by Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of The United States of America

1. Eligible participants must be a student enrolled in the fifth, sixth, seventh or eighth grade during the normal 2021-22 school year, preceding June 30, 2022. Deadline: Must be submitted to High Point Elks Lodge by December 15, 2021.

2. Essay length is not to exceed 300 words.

Essay must be typed or legibly printed in ink. Also, Essay must be submitted as written (or typed)by the entrant.

 Entrant must be identified on essay by name, home address, grade, school attended and sponsoring Lodge. (Lodge may enter Lodge information on essay.)

5. Judging criteria: Originality: Avoid the use of trite or worn out words and phrases — 30 points Development of theme: Stay focused on ideas and thoughts. Don't ramble — 40 points Mechanics and neatness: Use proper spelling, grammar and punctuation — 30 points

#### AWARDS:

Plaques will be awarded by the Grand Lodge for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Place for national winning essays in Division I and Division II. Winners will be announced at the Grand Lodge Session in Atlanta, GA, June 3-6, 2022.

#### ENTRY DATE:

Essay should be submitted to local Elks Lodge on/before December 15, 2021 The Essay Contest Cover Sheet must be completed for each level of competition and remain attached to the Essay.

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#### Our Giving Tree Family The Hackley Family

LeTonya Hackley, the mother, takes dialysis three to four times a week. Jaalique, her oldest son, age 24, works through a temp agent. They have one car and she takes him to and from work. He is providing for his family and taking care of his little brother. His biggest wish for Christmas is anything with Patriots Football and Prayers that they find housing soon.

They are currently waiting on approval for a home they applied for recently. When they get housing, they will need towels, wash clothes, kitchen items, TV, etc. At present they are living in a motel. Any items they receive for starting over in housing will be held at Hand-to-Hand Pantry.

All of your generosity will be appreciated and treasured.

Please give as you feel led, and God Bless. The Giving Tree, in the lounge, is covered with Christmas tags and a present listed on the back.

Take a tag of your choice, purchase gift and bring back to the lodge unwrapped with tag attached by Friday December 17th. Please place gifts in the PER room. We will wrap the items and distribute the week of December 20th.

Thank you for your support.

# PER STEAK NIGHT

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2021 6-8 pm \$17 Per person

We look forward to seeing you at this very popular event! The hosts will be grilling either filet or ribeye, served with baked potato, salad, and dessert.

Reservations required - Please call the office 336.869.7313



DECEMBER P.E.R. HOSTS: TOM DAY, DOUG ORCUTT, and RUSS PALLACI

#### **GAME COLLEGE FOOTBALL** RIBS AND THINGS UNDER THE SHELTER

## **SATURDAY DECEMBER 4**

Come & enjoy samplings of ribs, pulled pork, wings and other treats while watching the big games!

#### FREE HOT DOGS FOR KIDS

#### \$10/Person

Conference Championship games including:

3:30 pm - Sun Belt Championship Appalachian State vs. #23 Louisiana

4:00pm - American Championship #4 Cincinnati vs. #19 Houston

> 4:00 pm - SEC Championship #1 Georgia vs. #3 Alabama

> > 8:00 pm Big Ten Championship

> > > 8:00 pm ACC Championship



Annual Memorial Service Sunday, December 5th 11:30am

Our Order has decreed that the first Sunday in December be set apart as a day for Elks to gather in memory of our fellow Members who have passed away.

To our absent Members

Robert P Bryson – 09/30/2021 Boyce E Vaughan – 08/15/2021 Mark D Infield – 07/02/2021 Chandler Chavis – 06/24/2021

All Members, families and friends are welcome to attend. Lunch will be provided following the service. Please RSVP 336-869-7313. High Point Elks Lodge #1155. 700 Old Mill Road

BREAKFAST

WITH

SANTA

## Saturday, December 11th 9:00 - 11:00 AM

Please make plans to join us This is a great opportunity to sit with Santa and let him know what's on your list this year. Parents, remember to bring your camera for photos. Come enjoy a FREE Continental Breakfast and Holiday crafts for the kids.



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BRING YOUR FAVORITE DISH TO SHARE ENJOY HOLIDAY TREATS & MUSIC WEAR YOUR TACKIEST HOLIDAY ATTIRE!







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Downstairs in conjunction with Family Grille Night.

Come out and sing your favorite Christmas Carols or Holiday tunes with your family at the Elks.

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Looking for fun that will give you feel-good vibes too? Look no further than Karaoke for a Cause, where you can step up to the mic and sing your heart out in support of Melissa Butner and family.

Sponsor a Song | Jello Shots | 50/50 Raffle

All proceeds benefit the Butner family and cancer foundation of their choice.

# **#BEATITBUTNER**

# NEW YEARS EVE PARTY

New Year



### Live Music, Dinner & Dancing

## CHAMPAGNE TOAST AT MIDNIGHT

7 PM \$20/PERSON

ONLY 100 TICKETS TO BE SOLD Tickets can be purchased in the Lounge or Office

## HIGH POINT ELKS LODGE

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# Family Dining Every Thursday (6pm-8pm) **Burger or Chicken** Tenders, Fries & Drink for only \$6

#hpelks #openallyear

# Mike's Famous Wings Every Sunday Afternoon 5 for \$6

## 5 Daytona\* for \$7

Buffalo • Hot Buffalo • Teriyaki Hot Teriyaki • Honey Mustard Kickin' Bourbon • Sweet & Spicy Spicy Habanero • Mango Habanero Parmesan Garlic • Mike's Hot Mike's Sauce • Mike's Undercover Sauce \* Fried then grilled (Add 50 cents for takeout orders)



