



The Bugle

Staunton Elks Lodge #351

November 2019

From the Exalted Ruler

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

November is upon us. Soon the trees will be bare, frost will glisten on the grass, and our home fires will be burning warm and bright as families gather together to celebrate this special time of year.

I want to thank the nearly 60 members who attended the Informal State of the Lodge Meeting on October 29. The meeting was an opportunity to have your member voice heard, and for the Officers and Trustees to answer any questions. I think that everyone who attended would agree that it was a productive hour and fifteen minutes, and that the future of the Staunton Lodge 351 is as bright as ever.

I also want to thank everyone who attended our Comedy Night on October 12th. It was a fun evening. However, we had 75 people sign up for the dinner and show, and only 48 attended. Since the event was catered, we had to plan and pay for 75 dinners. If it were not for our generous sponsors the event would have lost money. If you signed up for an event and find that you are unable to attend, please give the lodge a call and let us know. Thank you.

November is not just a time to gather for a feast and football, it is also the month that we honor, thank, and embrace our Veterans. This is one of the most important

things that we, as Elks do. Elks ensure we never forget their service to our Country, and we never let a Veteran go hungry, homeless, or impoverished.

George Washington may have put it best. "The willingness with which our young people are likely to serve in any war, no matter how justified, shall be directly proportional to how they perceive the Veterans of earlier wars were treated and appreciated by our Nation."

In our Lodge we have many hero's who served and sacrificed. We will celebrate that service on Sunday, November 10th at Twelve O'clock. Our speaker will be Commander Larry Green. I encourage you to sign up for the lunch. I hope you will plan to join us.

Please note that the Lodge will be closed on Thursday, November 28th for Thanksgiving.

November is also special to all the avid hunters in our lodge family. We all wish you a safe and bountiful season.

Happy Thanksgiving to all our members and their families.
Cheers!

Fraternally yours,

Justin Reiter, Exalted Ruler

SPECIALS

Please call the Lodge for the Friday Night Dinner Specials. If you would like to receive weekly emails for the Dinner Specials, please let the bar staff know.

You can also check the Lodge's Facebook page for an update!



We're on Facebook!!!!

Make sure you check us out!!

Staunton Elks 351

To keep up with the events and happenings around the lodge.

Lodge Officers

Exalted Ruler	Justin Reiter
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Newsletter Information

Please email all newsletter submissions to Katy Avoli-Miller by the 20th of each month

kamiller@staunton.k12.va.us

November Birthdays

November 2	Philip Mohler	November 14	Ryan McCray
November 4	Finley McClure	November 16	Jeremy Eavers
November 6	Roger Baker	November 18	Richard Landis
	David Dove	November 21	Richard Dickerson
November 7	Dennis Rankin	November 25	Richard Davis
November 10	Skip Showker	November 27	Alec Christian Jr
November 13	James Coffey	November 29	Eddie Byrd
	Bradley Houff		
	Charles Kehoe		



The Joy of Giving

The lodge recently made purchases of warm clothing and accessories for the Dixon Education Center with funds provided by the Elks National Foundation. The total for this purchase was \$4700.00.

The Lodge will be receiving \$8500.00 this year in grants from the Elks National Foundation for community service.

As we approach the holidays, we are reminded of the personal sacrifices made by our nations veterans and force currently serving abroad and unable to celebrate with their loved ones.

Thanksgiving is a day that allows us to reflect upon the blessings we share with friends and family.

May our gratitude for the blessings of freedom, abundance, and family continue throughout the rest of the year.

For God and Country, Larry Green

Membership—Awaiting Initiation & Ballot

No initiation this month

Reinstatement

Patricia Varner

Please sign your card

Second notices and Six Month dues notices are being sent out. Please respond in a timely manner.

If you have any questions concerning your status, please contact Secretary Mike Miller (540) 280-3942 or at mmiller24401@yahoo.com

REMINDER: New member application fee \$45.00

Application for reinstatement \$35.00

These two fees are currently being reimbursed to the Lodge by Powerhouse Gaming. No money needed with application!

News from the Lodge

Staunton 351 Delivers Warm Winter Clothing to 79 Pre-Schoolers



With funds from ENF Beacon and Promise Grants, Staunton 351 Community Activities Committee purchased and delivered warm winter coats and hats and sweat suits to seventy-nine Head Start and Pre-School students at Dixon Educational Center in Staunton. The Committee shopped on September 23 for all the clothing, plus a Snoopy Dog toy and story book. They gathered October 28 at the Lodge and packed the clothing and toy in individual bags labeled for each child. On October 29 they delivered the bags of clothes to each child; the children wanted so much to open their bags, but, for obvious reasons, the staff made them wait until they got home this afternoon to open them. A member of the Dixon staff mentioned

that some of the children were still wearing the sweat suits and coats the Elks distributed last year, albeit they were a little small.



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Dinner 5:30-9PM	2
3	4 Lodge Meeting 7:30PM	5 Pot Luck	6	7 Corn Hole Fun 6:30PM	8 Dinner 5:30-9PM	9
10 Veterans Day Lunch 12:00PM	11 House Committee Meeting 7PM	12 Pot Luck	13	14 Corn Hole Fun 6:30PM	15 Dinner 5:30-9PM	16
17	18 Lodge Meeting 7:30PM	19 Pot Luck	20	21 Corn Hole Fun 6:30PM	22 Dinner 5:30-9PM	23
24	25 Trustees Meeting	26 State of Lodge Meeting	27	28 Thanksgiving Lodge is Closed	29	30



VETERANS DAY

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2019

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