

The Bugle

Staunton

September 2021



From the Exalted Ruler

Dear Brothers and Sisters,
September 2021 Exalted Ruler Note

Wow! It is September already. It feels like the year has gone by quickly.

Another great month of August at the Lodge. Great music from Southern Hospitality and lots of great meals coming out of the kitchen. Don't we have an amazing staff? I certainly think so.

Please check out the calendar to see everything going on at the Lodge in September, including no lunch service on September 3 and no breakfast service on September 4. There is also a Pig Roast, a Golf Tournament, the return of Queen of Hearts and Joe Knott is back on September 17. Whew. Lot going on at 351!

A few folks have been asking about our mask policy with the uptick in Covid cases. Our policy has not changed. We follow the rules set by the Governor's Office and monitor all CDC guidelines. If you have been fully vaccinated you may choose not to wear a mask. If you have been around someone with Covid please stay away from the Lodge for a minimum of 10 days. If you have not been vaccinated, we ask that you please wear a mask except when eating or drinking. We take our members safety as a serious matter. If our policy needs to change based on CDC or the Governor's Office changing the rules, we will notify the membership as quickly as possible.

Several weeks ago, Secretary Archer, Trustee Chair McQuain and I attended the District Deputy Clinic at the Waynesboro Lodge. DDGER Jones put together an ambitious agenda and pulled it off. Many Lodges are having difficulty coming out of Covid. I was very happy to report that Staunton 351 is "Rock'n and Roll'n!"

The Virginia Elks Charitable Trust is holding a raffle for a fishing trip an overnight for two on the Chesapeake Bay. Tickets are only \$5. You can purchase tickets at the bar. The drawing will be at the VEA Fall Convention in Portsmouth on October 9. You do not need to be present to win.

Speaking of the Fall Convention, it is being held at the Renaissance Portsmouth-Norfolk Waterfront Hotel. We were there a few years ago and it is really nice and there is lots to do in the area. There is a Casino Night on Friday and a Dinner Cruise on Saturday night. Registration and Hotel information can be found at virginiaelks.org

Hope to see many of you around the Lodge this month.

Fraternally yours,

Justin

Lodge Officers

Exalted Ruler	Justin Reiter
Leading Knight	Matt Sutton
Loyal Knight	Diana Craig
Lecturing Knight	Eva Garber
Secretary	Chuck Archer
Treasurer	Carolyn Curry
Inner Guard	Eric Cobb
Esquire	Edgar Jones
Tiler	Joe Mader
Chaplain	Rader Dod

Trustees

Trustee Chair:
Gary McQuain
Kenny Oaks
Mike Myers
Nancy Dickerson
Jeff Byrd

House Committee

Robbie Miller- Chairman
Alie Neal
Diane Craig
Cliff Edwards
Rader Dod
Joe Mader
Matt Sutton



Don't forget about our facebook page!!
Staunton elks 351

FYI

Check out www.stauntonelks351.com
for updates on social quarters renovation,
past issues of the bugle, and more!

If you want to be on the email list send your
contact info to hcelks@gmail.com

Special Notice

Attention all Elks Members
Human Trafficking Program

Given by Annette Cox from U.S. Department of Justice/Victim Witness Assistance Program

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2021 @7:00pm

ELKS GUEST are welcome (they will need to sign in
and follow by-laws)

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COMMITTEE

PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND THIS FREE AND IN-
FORMATIVE PROGRAM

Membership

AWAITING INITIATION

Stephen Coffman
Brian Toft
Christopher Walker

Waiting on Orientation

Joe Boyer
Alicia Cash
Robert Kite
Shawn Toman

To Be Read on The Floor

Christopher Morrison

The Joy of Giving

\$500 Stony Creek Freedom Fest/
Wounded Warriors

Dues notices will be coming from the Grand Lodge
and will look different from we have been using.
Our dues have not increased and are still \$75.00 per
year (April 1-March 31) but the Grand Lodge is
adding the National per capita and VEA per capita
to the bill. This accounts for the \$24.00 difference.
Members will now be able to pay their dues by credit
card with a small fee charged by the Grand Lodge.
You may also remit your dues as in the past by mail or
leaving at the lodge. Please contact Secretary.

Key Cards

It has come to my attention that some of the
new key cards for the new security system were
mailed to paid members without any explana-
tion. The new cards are plain plastic and have
your membership status electronically uploaded
to your card. Simply swipe card across the sen-
sor and open door while it is buzzing.

You will continue to receive a printed
card with your name, number, number of years,
etc. for each year but you will not be receiving a
new key card. If you lose or damage either the
key card or your membership card, contact the
Secretary for another.

Please Sign Your Card

If you have any questions concerning your status,
please contact Secretary

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!
DUES ARE PAST DUE. PLEASE REMIT YOUR
DUES NOW!

September Birthdays

2	Cox, Steve
	Erskine, Wayne
3	Drumheller, Charles
	White, Warren
4	Baxley, Daniel
5	Beasley, Robert
	McQuain, Debra
7	Baker, Kenneth
11	Cook, William
12	Herron, Peter
13	Brown, Gary
14	Mitchell, Brian
15	Craun, Munday
	Holley, Otis
16	Gentry, Jack
17	Haaf, Keith
	Heatwole, Ronald
	19 Digrassie, Michael
	20 Shenk, Jonathan
	Vigil, Angie
	21 Fridley, David
	22 Moyer, Ronald
	Sheets, Douglas
	Trott, Reva
	23 Coffey, Richard
	Pack, Robert
	24 Byrd, David
	Earman, David
	McNeal, Jason
	25 Cox, Billy
	26 Dorton, Billy
	27 Miller Jr, Max B
	Robinson, Larry
	28 Back, Calvin
	29 Ashby, Fred
	McDonough, Frank
	30 Doughty, Kent
	Kelly, Patrick

Happy Birthday!



Charlie and Vicki Drumheller Deliver Tab

Charlie and Vicki Drumheller delivered 11 pounds of tab tops to the Ronald McDonald House Charities in Charlottesville on Tuesday, August 17th. How many tab tops might that be, one may ask? Approximately, 12,408 tabs! That's a lot. Most all of the tab tops came from the Elks and the members.

So why tab tops and what does this do for the Ronald McDonald House? The tab tops have little odor and are denser than using whole cans. The charity sends the tab tops to a recycling company from which the proceeds are used towards the utility bills. Each house collects enough tab tops each year to provide about \$6000 that is used towards paying their utility bills.

We thank all the members who have contributed in any way. We encourage you to save your tab tops from home and bring them to the lodge. If you know of others who could provide extra tabs, collect them also.

The Ronald McDonald House provides free/low-cost lodging for family members of hospitalized patients undergoing serious procedures. Perhaps, you know of a family who has been the recipient of this very worthwhile charity.

September 2021

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1	2	3 No lunch open at 3pm	4 No Breakfast
5	6 Labor Day	7 Taco Tuesday	8 Dinner Specials	9	10 Lunch Dinner Specials	11 Pig Roast Golf Tourny Queen of hearts
12 Golf Tourny	13	14 Taco Tuesday	15 Dinner Specials	16 Power House	17 Joe Knott 6:30-9:30 Lunch Dinner	18
19	20 Regular Meeting 6:30	21 Taco Tuesday	22 Dinner Specials	23	24 Lunch Dinner Specials	25
26	27	28 Taco Tuesday	29 Dinner Specials	30		

Never Forget



Illustration by Janet Ali.