

The Bugle

Staunton

December 2021



From the Exalted Ruler

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The leaves have fallen, and the winter weather is upon us.

November was a tough month for the Lodge, with the passing of three of our members, including two lifetime members. I hope that many of you will join us at 5:00pm on December 5th for our annual Memorial Service. Last year, due to COVID, we held an abbreviated service in the social quarters. This year we will have the full ritual service in McCaffrey Hall.

Central District Deputy, Rod Jones, and his delegation will be joining us on December 6th for dinner and our regular meeting. Please plan to attend the 7pm meeting to hear his message.

We will be packing up and moving out all those amazing Christmas Baskets on December 11th at 8:30am. Set up will be on the 10th. If you are planning on helping, please let us know. Hopefully, Joe's bar will be making an appearance again this year. Many thanks to all those who have stepped up to organize this very special Elks tradition.

Please mark your calendar for the first Christmas Social in our new Social Quarters on December 18th at 4:00pm.

Thank you to everyone who attended the Veterans Day Service. We had a great turnout with more participation than I have seen in a long time.

Check out the Charitable giving for the month of November. I have also added year to date total Charitable giving donations and volunteer hours.

Nominations for new officers will be accepted at the February 7th regular meeting and will be voted on at the March 7th regular meeting. Please remember that there will be two lodge meetings, first and third Monday of the month, February, March & April as required by Grand Lodge.

Please note the Lodge holiday hours on the calendar.

Kim and I wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and a happy and healthy New Year!

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

Hope everyone has a wonderful Merry
Christmas!

Membership

AWAITING INITIATION

John Bourgeois
Joe Boyer
Chrsitopher Morrison
Brock Yeago

READY FOR BALLOT

Barbara Hirtriter

READY TO BE READ ON FLOOR

Tracy Garland
Nancy Wagoner
Chad Welcher

The Joy of Giving

Coats for kids \$5,752
National Child Safety Council \$300
Veterans Support \$1,300
Total Charitable giving since 4/1
\$30,383
Total number of Elk Volunteer hours
since 4/1 394

Dues Notice

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 you 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 explanation. The new cards are plain plastic and have your membership status electronically uploaded to your card. Simply swipe card across the sensor 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!**

December Birthdays

- 2 Decker, Douglas
- Lafon, Terry
- 5 Doksa, Edward
- Hinegardner, Randall
- 6 Davis, G R
- Miller, Michael
- 7 Long, Marilyn
- Wiseman, Kenneth
- 10 Butler, Brian
- 13 Smith, Melanie
- 14 Kebeck, Denise
- Lindamood, Randy
- 16 White , Wesley
- 18 Knopp, Daniel

- 19 Seery, Larey
- Vanpelt, Christine
- 20 Carpenter, Jason
- 21 Hinegardner, Chad
- Riley, John
- Sheehan, Karen
- Varner, Patricia
- 22 Sexton, Everett
- Zimmerman, Richard
- 23 Eavey, Wesley
- Smiley, Travis
- 24 Fountaine, Fred
- Myers, Michael
- 25 Mc donagh, Kathleen
- See, Parker Wayne
- 26 Thomas, Jerry
- 27 Toft, Brian Patric
- 28 Mithell, Shaun
- 30 Boase, Kevin
- Emswiler, Myron
- Krusz, Brandon
- Welch, Timothy
- 31 Erskine, Benjamin
- Martin, Paul

Happy Birthday!

ELKS CARE ELKS SHARE!

The Community Activities Committee had a very busy November making three different trips to Costco to purchase items for this years “Coats for Kids” project. This year Staunton Lodge provide a winter coat, hat, pair of pajamas, an entire outfit, and a book to 111 deserving children. This was an increase of 39 from the prior year. A bag for each child was delivered on November 12th to Dixon Elementary School. Another wonderful Elks Tradition.



THE TREE IS UP!

If you haven't been to the Lodge in a week or so, you need to come see the amazing Christmas spirit created by our fantastic Community Activities Committee with a little help from a few Santa's they know.



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SUN MON TUE WED THU FRI SAT

			1 Dinner Special	2 Lunch Special	3 Lunch Special	4 No Breakfast Queen of Hearts
5 Memorial Service 5pm	6 DD Vist Lodge meeting	7 Taco Tuesday	8 Dinner Special	9 Lunch Special	10 Lunch Special	11 Queen of Hearts
12	13	14 Taco Tuesday	15 Dinner Special	16 Staff Party Lodge closed	17 Lunch Special Christmas Social 4-7	18 Queen of Hearts
19	20	21 Taco Tuesday	22 Dinner Special	23 Lunch Special	24 Breakfast Lodge closes @ 5pm Christmas Eve	25 Lodge Closed Merry Christmas
26	27	28 Taco Tuesday	29 Dinner Special	30 Lunch Special	31 Lunch Special	

