



THE DRESDEN ANTLER

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May Birthdays

Day	Name	Day	Name
01	Pierpoint, Roy	21	Bolding, Dale
03	Capps, Joe Bradley	21	Davidson, Donald A
04	Adams, Trent	23	Crawford, James
04	Austin, Royce V	23	Rhodes, Bryant
04	Hutcherson, Paul Tyler	25	Francisco, Jimmy
09	Dilday, David	25	Killebrew, Kerry
11	Chappell, Mickey	25	Wilhite, Andrew B
11	Killebrew, Adam	26	Adams, Cary B
14	Maxey, Allison	26	Cashion, Shannon Blase
15	Lewellen, William D	29	Oliver, Zachary
17	Bennett, Kenneth	30	Moore, Jared James
18	Kendall, Ben	30	Menzies, Dustin
18	Moore, C J	31	Aery, Suamaira



Note Dinning Hours: Serving starts at 5 PM

Wednesday & Friday Night Meals: Full Menu includes Steaks, Burgers, Pork, Fish, Chicken, Seafood selections, and Pizza. We serve the best rib eye steaks around. **Rib eye steak** with sides and salad is featured. Try the new bacon wrapped **Pork Filet**; you will be very pleased. If you would like **Appetizers**, we have a fresh supply of breaded mushrooms, mozzarella sticks, cheese curds, fried green beans, onion skins, deep fried pickles, fried tomatoes, buffalo chicken wings, and more. Come to the Lodge for a social hour and try the menu. **Chef's Special**; Chicken Parmesan only \$14.95.

Carry-out service for the menu is available. It is always great if you can come to the lodge for dinner and a visit, but if you can't stay for some reason just come by the Lodge or call at 364-9841 and your meal will be prepared for you to take out at a time that is convenient for you. (This would be a great way of having a delicious meal after attending prayer- meeting on Wednesday night).

Please Note!!! The Lodge is now accepting credit and debit cards for payment.

Cards can be accepted only from members in good standing, no guest payments. There will be a 5% convenience fee added to the total bill to cover the card company's service charges. Also, an **ATM** is available in the front lobby to use to obtain cash.

Lounge Activities

The Lounge will be open all week (Tue. – Sat.) during normal hours (4pm – 10 / 11pm).

Pool Table, Dart Board, and Juke box available for games and entertainment.

Come by the Lodge to visit with fellow Elks and participate in the activities.

NOTE!! The Lodge will be closed on May 29 for the Memorial Day Holiday.



Businessmen's Dinner – There will be a dinner on the third Monday in May (May 15). The menu will be **Fish & Country Ham**. If you would like to get on the list to sponsor a group for the dinner, just give a call to Gary Pittman at 731-514-2149 and he will be more than happy to sign you up.

The Lodge would like to thank all the **Faithful Sponsors of the April Business Men's Dinner**.

Without their support we could not continue to host this important event. We appreciate your support:

- 1) Gary Eddings; 2) Mike Taylor, Taylor Automotive, Martin; 3) Tommy Thomas, Dresden; 4) Johnathan James, James Motors, Greenfield; 5) Donny Smith, Dresden; 6) Richard Trevathan, Trevathan Brothers Fabrication, Dresden; 7) Jerry Spain, Dresden; 8); Jeff Cosby, Weakley County Road Supervisor, Gleason; 9) Larry Alexander, Martin; 10) Richard Killebrew, Dresden.

Dresden Iris Festival Elks Sponsored Bar B Q Cookoff, Friday May 5 on Moore Street (street between Cemetery and Framers Market. Cooking Friday night, judging Saturday morning. See the Elks Face Book page for full details.



WHY AN ELK?

WHY BE A MEMBER of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks?

BECAUSE... We Elks are a nationwide community-service organization of nearly a million American citizens. We love our Country and desire to preserve its cherished institutions, traditions, and values. We respect our neighbors and constantly seek to promote their well-being. We love and enjoy life and believe this enjoyment is increased by sharing it with family, friends and all with whom we come in contact.

Because.... We lead no one to our doors with any promised material benefits or fame. We pledge no advancement of personal or career ambitions; instead, we vow to help each other become better and happier persons. We believe in not merely wishing others well but in manifesting this belief by deeds, seeking to serve rather than to be served. To Elks, laughter is better than tears, and a kind word is more powerful than a frown. The dream of a better world becomes reality when shaped by enough willing hearts and hands.



MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONIES – Put May 29th on your calendar for the remembrance of those who gave the supreme sacrifice for our freedoms and our American way of life that all of us enjoy so much. Many Elk members in conjunction with the Veterans Service Officer and members of the American Legion usually conduct a Memorial Day Program on the court square in Dresden. The time is 11:00 am. . It is always an impressive program. Make it a priority to attend the ceremony if it is conducted and show your gratitude. Remember the Elk motto; ***“As long as there are Veterans Elks will not forget them”***.

Sickness and Distress

Please remember to call Bob Page or send an email when you hear of someone who needs to be mentioned under Sickness or Distress or could use a card or a call.

The **Grand Lodge National Convention** is scheduled to be held in Minneapolis, MN, July 1-5. Registration is due by June 1. Forms and information are available at the Lodge or on line at elks.org.

STATE CONVENTION

The Tennessee Elks Association **2022 Annual Convention** was held at the Edgewater Hotel, Gatlinburg, TN on Apr 13 thru 15. Matt Carroll, Wade Pittman, James Washburn, Ryan Doughty, Richard Trevathan, (along with their wives), and Donny Smith attended the convention and represented the Lodge.

Congratulations to Matt Carroll for being elected the West TN Vice President of the Tennessee Elks Association.

GRANTS AWARDED

Two grants were recently awarded our Lodge from the Elks National Foundation.

A **Gratitude Grant** in the amount of \$2000 was awarded for meeting this year's ENF donation goal. The grant will be used to support the different youth sports venues of Weakley County.

A **Beacon Grant** in the amount of \$3000 and a **Sunset Grant** of \$3000 was awarded. These funds will be used to support the Weakley County Back Pack Program.



Don't forget **Mother's Day** (May 14). Honor your mother.

Our **District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler** for the Tennessee West District is **Alan Martin** from the Huntingdon Lodge. He will be serving throughout the coming year of 2022-2023. He can be contacted at 731-358-2619 or dawnmartin72@gmail.com

All members should register on the **official Elks web sites**. You go to elks.org or TNelks.org and select the member's only tab. You then enter a user name and password. The TN Elks password is "Elks". There is a wealth of information provided to you through the website.

If you know of someone that would make a good Elk, ask them to join our Order.

Meeting Nights — 2nd Tuesday May 9 & 4th Tuesday May 23
Meeting time is 7:00 pm. Refreshments to be served following the meeting.

April meeting notes: Meetings were held on Apr 11 and 25.

Candidates recently initiated. **Welcome our new members:**

Roy Brasfield Herron, Dresden: attorney; proposed by Tommy Moore.
Travis Ray Davis, Martin; Army; proposed by Donny Smith.
Amy Lewellen, Dresden: Banking; proposed by Alex Bynum.
Seamaira Aery, Gleason; Massage Therapist; proposed by Joseph Rother.
Dustin Menzies, Martin; TN Highway Patrol; proposed by Gary Eddings, Jr.
McKenzie Carroll, Dresden; Forecast analyst, Square; proposed by Matt Carroll.

Member Reinstated:

Jeff Hammonds, Jackson; Hammonds Maintenance; proposed by Donny Smith.

Candidates proposed for membership:

Keith Newton, Dresden; 4N Fuel and Farm Supply; proposed by Paul Hutcherson.
Doyle Cox, Dresden; Retired; proposed by Gary Pittman.
Jonathan Cianfurani, Dresden; Autobody repair; proposed by Jerry Gallimore.
Clint B. Grubbs, Dresden; Heavy equipment operator; proposed by Richard Trevathan.
Phillip W. Davis, Dresden; retire, Heating & Air; proposed by Donny Smith.
Phillip Jenkins, Martin; UTM Baseball coach; proposed by Patrick Dilday.

Candidate proposed for Reinstatement:

Timothy McKenzie, Gleason; USDA Inspector; proposed by Thomas Sims.

Candidates balloted on and awaiting initiation:

Jamison Peevyhouse, Martin; Public Safety; proposed by Jason Hypes.

Financial reports were given. All bills against the Lodge were read, approved, and have been paid. Grand Lodge and State dues of \$97295 were paid. The Property insurance of \$5110.00 was paid.

The **House Committee** met on April 25 to review the Lodge's financial status and business activity for the past year. Gary Pittman will continue as the Lounge Manager. The proposed budgets for 20223/2024 were discussed.

The **Business Men's Dinner** was held April 17. There were 68 sponsors and guests to enjoy the Country Style Ribs dinner. There will be a dinner on May 15. The menu will be fish and country ham.

A **District Deputy Clinic** was hosted by the Huntingdon Lodge on Apr 23. All 9 Lodges in West Tn. were represented at the meeting. Russ Finney, Donny Smith, and Bob Page attended the clinic.

200 TN Elks Charitable Trust Lottery tickets were sold. The proceeds will go to help with the TEBT Nursing Scholarships and Veterans programs. The winners were **Richard Trevathan** - \$500; **Alex Bynum** - \$500; The Dresden Lodge will receive \$1,000.00 for our efforts in conducting the lottery.

MEMBERSHIP

Dresden Lodge has 319 active members as of April 1. Look at your Elks membership as a means **for a better future for our youth; a better future for your community; a better future for our veterans; a better future for our nation.** If you know of someone that would make a good Elk, ask them to join our Order.

Membership Dues for all members for the current lodge year (2023/2024) are due and payable **now**. The amount for the dues is **\$100.50**. The breakdown of the dues is: Lodge dues \$70; Grand Lodge and State assessments are \$30.50 (Grand Lodge dues \$6.50; Liability insurance \$17.00; Elks Magazine \$5.50; State Association dues \$1.50). The Lodge is now accepting payment. Please pay as soon as possible. You can renew your membership for the coming year by making payment to Dresden Elks Lodge # 2373 and mailing to 449 South Poplar St., Dresden, TN 38225. Better yet, bring them to the Lodge and see what is happening.

** Do not forget to also include a contribution to ENF. (Our Lodge receives nearly \$5 back for every dollar donated). Thank you for your prompt attention and support.



The Dresden Antler is now available by e-mail! Just e-mail dresdenelks@gmail.com with your name in the subject line to sign up! This would save much paper and postage. We can also get you the bulletin much quicker than by snail mail.



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