



March 2024

Cumberland County Lodge #2751 Newsletter

Greetings From Your Exalted Ruler:

Well, we have made it through another year. The new Elk's year starts on April first. This has been an interesting year to say the least. There were some changes made with the dinners due to rising costs of food and supplies. Pizza nights and taco nights have been going great. I want to say **THANK YOU** to all the volunteers that have stepped up to help with all the events this past year.

The Veterans committee has done an excellent job in helping the homeless veterans into an apartment. Thank you, Angie, and your committee.

New officers were elected and will be ready to take over on April first. So please continue to help them make our lodge bigger and better. The membership has grown from 326 to, as of this writing, 404 members. Lodge 2751 is one of two lodges in the Middle District that has an increase in membership. Great work.

The dues notices have been sent out, so when you pay your dues do not forget a donation to the Elks National

Foundation (ENF) and Tennessee Elks Benevolent Trust (TEBT). They both do great work.

It has been a pleasure serving as your Exalted Ruler this past year.

In Solidarity,

Alton Grubb, PER, Exalted Ruler

March 19th is last date to sign up for ER Dinner

Kevin's Famous Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner! Price TBD

Friday, March 15th 4 PM till 7 PM (or gone!)
First 50 names on Sign Up Sheet will be confirmed dinners

**Corned Beef
Dinner with all the
fixins!**



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March Birthdays

01 McGee, Charles

02 Brown, Scott

02 Roberts, Gerald H

03 Cannon, Bruce

03 Carlton, Andrew A

03 Kappel, Robert

04 Kingston, Roger L

05 Rogers, Alfred P

05 Strayer, Charles B

05 Underwood, Benjamin

07 Mays, Edwin M

08 Bates, Willa

08 Pantea, Robert G

09 Barnes, J

09 Knowles, Rick

09 Pryson, Chadwick J

11 Adler, Gary

11 Aronson, Bruce

12 Warren, Judy Ann

14 Brown, Noal S

15 Cunningham, Jan J

15 Wolcott, Joe

16 Napier, Jack D

17 Garvey, Timothy P

19 Mailhiot, Marianne

20 Springsteen, Richard

21 Anderson, James J

21 McDonald, Glenn

22 Dunn, Fred R

22 McCarthy, Terence

22 Rabenda, Zenon

23 Hufford, Gary

24 Kleimola, Fred

25 Newcome, Larry E

26 Grubb, Alton

28 Custer, William

28 Flaherty, Edward

28 Neves, Victoria

28 Walker, Paulette

31 Hailey, Kenneth L



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Other Items:

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Jay Londre Steve Kampershroer

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Esteemed Loyal Knight: Bill Wisniewski
Esteemed Lecturing Knight: Vacant
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Tiler: Lynn Strohm
Esquire: Ray Strohm

Subordinate Forum:

Presiding Justice: Jeffrey Vires

House Committee:

Chairperson: Roger Murphy
Secretary: Chrissy Warren
Dining Room Manager:
Bar Manager: Ben Yospur
Kitchen Manager: Vacant
Volunteer Coordinator: Vacant
Veteran's Committee Chair: Angie Lamie
Newsletter: Nola Apley, Editor;
Chrissy Warren, Graphic Design
Items for Newsletter:
Nola: ccelks2751@benlomand.net
Chrissy: cmwarren212@gmail.com

**The ER Appreciation Dinner is on
Wednesday, March 27th at 5:30 PM.
Please note that the Dinner is Sign Up
Only. The last date to sign up is
Tuesday, March 19th.**

**Starting in April, Burgers and More
will move to the first
Wednesdays of the Month.**

**The Lodge is in need of someone who
is willing to be our New ER and we
also need someone to head up the
House Committee until a new ER is
elected. The position of
Treasurer is also open.**

**We also need a
Kitchen Manager,
a Dining Room Manager and
a Volunteer Coordinator.
If anyone is interested, please
see one of the Officers.**

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What Is On The Secretary's Desk?:

Well, there is a lot going on with the renewal of memberships for the April 1, 2024 – March 31, 2025 Elk year. I agree; it is hard to believe that 2025 is just months away.

I have also been running into questions lately that have led me to the following “Did you know” items:

Did you know that your membership card should travel with you when you are out of the area? Your membership card will serve as your invitation when visiting other lodges.

Did you know that there is a \$10.00 charge to replace any lost membership cards? This also applies to “my dog ate my card” and “I left it in my pocket when I did the laundry”.

- ♦ *Did you know* that prices of drinks and food only go up when the House Committee needs to raise the price due to cost increases from our vendors. (A trip to the grocery store will verify this.)
- ♦ *Did you know* that the popcorn machine is a Veterans Fund Raiser? So, please drop some change (or more) into the red canister when enjoying the popcorn.
- ♦ *Did you know* that when the lodge opens, the outside door/porch lights are turned on.

- ♦ *Did you know* what directions the Exalted Ruler's gavel can provide? One rap calls the Lodge meeting to order or signals all to returning to seating when standing. Two raps call up the officers and three raps call up all in attendance at a meeting.

- ♦ *Did you know* that, as of this writing, your Lodge still has openings for the 2024/2025 Exalted Ruler, the Treasurer; Kitchen Manager, Dining Room Manager, and a Volunteer Coordinator. So, please consider stepping up and stepping in.

This one is more of a reminder: Please remember that our cooks and wait staff are all volunteers. They are giving of their time so that the rest of us can be at our Lodge for a meal out with friends. Please be courteous and know that a smile and a “thank-you” goes a long way.

I am sure there are more items that you just thought of, so let me know what I can put into print for the benefit of all. Thanks for allowing me to serve as your 2023/2024 secretary. I will be looking forward to next year.

Fraternally yours,

Nola Apley, Secretary

From The Veteran's Committee:

We are hosting our annual **Veterans Free Lunch/Dinner on 12th March 2024, at 3pm, and celebrating WWII Army Veteran SSgt Rogers' 102 birthday.** Menu is German Meatballs, Gravy, Potatoes, Vegetable, Salad, Rolls and Carrot Cake.

At the Elks members luncheon, 18 February, I mistakenly stated the Veteran dinner will be on the 13th. I apologize for my error. Posters will be posted in the lounge.

Only Veterans eat free, guests are \$7.00 per plate. We will serve until the food is gone. Please come on time and enjoy the comradery.



As of now, we have delivered furniture to 22 homeless veterans. Thanks to all the committee members who have diligently worked to accomplish our mission. We are

the only Elks Veteran Committee who provide this service in the state of Tennessee.

Points of Contact for Veteran Transportation:

Beneficiary Travel: 615.225.2849

Special Mode Transport: 615.225.2904

Uber Health Connect: 615.225.6893

Veterans Transportation Service: 615.225.5617

For further information contact the **VSO office:** 931.456.0090.

The Department of Veterans Affairs has determined approximately 96,000 Post Vietnam Era Veterans or their dependents may be entitled to a refund of contributions they made to the Veterans Educational Assistance Program (VEAP), contributions totaling up to \$2,700. The VA data base has info for 25%, they need to reach the other 75% and need your help. If you know anyone who may be eligible for a refund call 888.442.4551.



The entire month of March Vicki Garvey is making shamrock pudding shots for \$1.00. All proceeds go to the veteran fund. Come and enjoy a shot and help the veteran furniture initiative.

Our March Veteran's Meeting is on Monday, March 25th at 4 PM. I hope to see everyone there.

As always, the Committee thanks you for your support.

Angelika Lamie, USAF Retired Veteran

Still Serving, harleyscull@aol.com

In Sickness and Distress:

We survived another winter! Hat's off to you for staying healthy.

Lodge of Sorrow was held for Gilbert Ghearing. Our condolences sent to his wife Dolly and family. Kind words of sympathy to Dan Bolles and Randy Cobb for their loss of family members. ***Eternal Rest Grant unto them Lord, and may Perpetual Light Shine upon them.*** Get well greetings to Harry DeLorme, the Elk's chef!!

Remember to give me a call or send me a note when you hear of a member or a spouse that could use a bit of cheering up. Lets continue to pray for all service men and women, healthcare providers and all law enforcement personnel.

"The most wonderful places to be in the world are, in someone's thoughts and prayers and someone's heart."

Carol Bishop, Chaplain

dudes@charter.net, 931-456-9165

Thank you to all who came to the

TOM and JERRY
Party!

Christmas Cheer and holiday gatherings came together at our Lodge on Christmas Day. A big and warm "thank-you" is being sent out to all that were able to make the "Tom & Jerry" occasion such an enjoyable time. When Elks get together, there seems to be a true spirit of celebration. With approximately 85 joyful souls, smiles were bright and bartenders were busy. Again, thanks to all.

Who are The Elks?

Have you ever been asked this question? This is from The Elks official website, and the answer is good to know so that we can all reply to this question to the best of our abilities.

We are...

- ♦ A fraternal order with more than 750,000 members and a 150+ year history.
- ♦ A network of nearly 2000 lodges in communities all over the country.
- ♦ A generous charitable foundation that each year gives millions in scholarships, an inspiration to youth, a friend to veterans and more.

Our Mission

To inculcate the principles of Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity; to recognize a belief in God; to promote the welfare and enhance the happiness of its Members; to quicken the spirit of American patriotism; to cultivate good fellowship; to perpetuate itself as a fraternal organization, and to provide for its government, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America will serve the people and communities through benevolent programs, demonstrating that Elks Care and Elks Share.

Origin

The Elks organization was founded in New York City on February 16, 1868 under the name "Jolly Corks" by 15 actors, entertainers and others associated with the theater. In ensuing years, membership expanded to other professions.

Purposes

This Fraternal Order was founded "To promote and practice the four cardinal virtues of Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity; to promote the welfare and enhance the happiness of its members; to quicken the spirit of American Patriotism and cultivate good fellowship."

Membership

The Order is a non-political, non-sectarian and strictly American fraternity. Proposal for membership in the Order is only by invitation of a member in good standing. To be accepted as a member, one must be an American citizen, believe in God, be of good moral character and be at least 21 years old.

What We Do

The Order spends more than \$80,000,000 every year for benevolent, educational and patriotic community-minded programs in such fields as benefitting special needs children, sponsoring Elks National Foundation scholarships, scouting, athletic teams, veterans' works, a national "Hoop Shoot" free-throw contest involving more than 3 million children, physical and occupational therapy programs and patriotic programs.

The youth of our country have always been important to the Order. It is for this reason the Elks Drug Awareness Education Program was launched to warn primary grade students and their parents of the dangers in drug use. Additionally, every lodge observes June 14th as Flag Day, a tradition which the Elks began in 1907 and was later adopted by the Congress as an official observance.



Tear off and put on your Refrigerator!

March 2024 Calendar

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3	4 Board of Directors Meeting 5:30 PM	5 Burgers & More 4-7 PM Trivia Night 6-9 PM How Smart are you?	6	7 Lodge Meeting 7 PM	8 Fish Fry 4-7 PM	9 Lodge is closed
10	11 House Committee Meeting 5:30 PM	12 Veteran's Appreciation Dinner, along with a 102nd Birthday Celebration for Sgt Alfred Rogers 3PM Vets Free, Non Vets \$7	13 Fireman Pizza Night 4 PM till gone	14	15 Kevin's Famous Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner Price TBD 4 PM - 7 PM or till gone First 50 Names on Sign Up sheet will be confirmed dinners Game Night 5 PM	16 Bingo 3 PM Philly Cheese 4-7 PM Music: Dennis Long 6-9 PM
17 Happy St. Patrick's Day	18	19 Shriners Last Day to Sign Up for ER Appreciation Dinner	20 Taco Night 4-7 PM Indoctrination	21 Lodge Meeting 7 PM Initiation	22 Fish Fry 4-7 PM	23 Lodge is closed
24	25 Veteran's Committee 4 PM House Committee Meeting 5:30 PM	26	27 Game Time 2 PM till 4 PM ER Appreciation Dinner with Installation of Officers 5:30 PM	28	29	30 Lodge is closed
31 Happy Easter						



April 2024 Calendar

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7 Memorial Service for Ken Apley 1:30 PM	8 House Committee Meeting 5:30 PM	9	10 Fireman Pizza Night 4 PM till gone	11	12 Fish Fry 4-7 PM	13
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28 6	29 Board of Directors Meeting 5:30 PM For May	30	NOTE: This calendar may change, as it is TENTATIVE			

Looking for members to help with our Variety Show!

The Elks will be having a Variety Show coming up in late 2024, date to be determined fairly soon. Carlena Hesters is in charge of this event so you know it will be a wonderful, fun-filled show! Do you have the urge to act, sing, dance or make people laugh? Carlena is looking for Actors, Singers, Dancers & Comedians. Do you have any Construction, Sewing or Craft Abilities? Or just want

to help out? She is also getting a group together that will be the backstage crew who will be in charge of ticket sales, construction of the stage, and costumes for the Actors. This is gonna be a "Really BIG Show" so anyone interested in this "show business" please contact Carlena at 931-787-7468.

A message to all of our returning Snowbirds...



If you have returned home, please contact the Lodge at (931) 484-0150 to have your Elks Newsletter started up again, so that you can be updated on all our latest news and upcoming events happening around here.

Or you can send an email to the Lodge at the following email address:
cclks2751@benlomand.net.

We are very happy you are home and look forward to seeing you soon at the Lodge!

Thank you to Our Newsletter Boosters

Ames, Robert E.	02/01/2024	Doherty, Sandra	02/01/2024	Rabenda, Zenon	02/01/2025
Apley, Ken & Nola	06/01/2025	Gilliland, Frank	12/01/2023	Roberson, Dean A	04/01/2024
Arcaro, Robbie	01/01/2024	Gordon, Richard	11/01/2026	Rogers, Alfred	05/01/2032
Bacon, Stuart	10/01/2024	Hammond, Leroy	11/01/2025	Selen, Lyn	10/01/2025
Brown, Scott	05/01/2024	& Janet		Thomas, Sandy	05/01/2024
Bryan, Carolyn	02/01/2024	Hesters, Carlena	02/01/2024	& Wayne	
Camp, Bob	09/01/2026	Kappel, Susan	07/01/2024	Wicker, Jim	04/01/2024
Campbell, Jennifer	02/01/2025	Londre, Jay	02/01/2025	Vody, Pauline	01/01/2025
Carlton, Randy	05/01/2024	Moler, Jeff	01/01/2025	Yager, Robert	11/01/2024
Cooke, Ellen	11/01/2024	Momsen, Dick	10/01/2023		
Cunningham, Jan	02/01/2024	Oshry, Carolyn	09/01/2024		

Your Lodge Newsletter is an important benefit to you since it provides information on the active people and events of the Lodge each month. A calendar of current month events and a tentative calendar for the coming month are a great way to keep up with all that is going on in your Lodge.

Please support your Lodge by adding your name to the Booster Club with a yearly contribution of just \$12.00. Drop off your donation at the Lodge or complete the form below and mail it in today.

Name: _____

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Lodge 2751 Delinquent Members

Adler, Gary	Gates, David	Milligan, Emily	Stevens, Jackie M
Anderson, Mary G	Graves, James Clayton	Moon, Dave	Stewart, Tommy Junior
Baetz, Diane	Hughes, Henry	Nelson, Barbara J	Turner, Kyle
Bear, Denise	Johnson, Lyle T "Tom"	Nelson, Douglas A	Warner, Christie
Breeding, Jr., Tommy Lee	Lyon, Tiffany	Pappacena, Gary	Wolcott, Joe
Brown, Noal S	Mayo, PER, Edward D	Roberts, Gerald H	Wright, Jim
Carrico, Dee	Mays, Edwin M	Ross, Judith K "Judy"	Wynn, William
Daumiller, Robert L	McClain, Ron "Jay"	Shelton, Virgie Gaynelle	
Frazee, Cheyanne	McClain, Tammie Lynn	Smith, Matthew	Total Members: 37
Garrison, Kenneth K	Metcalf, John	Stephens, Kim	

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email newsletters are in color! Also, if you have dropped your landline phone and are now just using a mobile phone, let us know. Leave a message clearly stating your name, and your mobile number or email that information to us. As you know, postage has gone up—so every update to addresses helps. Thank you!

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Printed Name: _____

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