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June Birthdays

Day	Name	Day	Name
01	Hatler, Thomas Ben	14	Wilson, John South
01	Robbins, Bennie	15	Giarraputo, Lindalou
01	Thomas, Tommy	15	Woods, Andy
03	Hughey, Kimberly D	16	Howard, Gregory D
04	Griffin, Chase	17	Grubbs, Clint B
06	Blom, Michael C	17	Scarbrough, Pat
06	Strawbridge, Allen	21	Matheny, Johnny
08	Hall, Steven Wayne	22	Grant, Kelly
09	Sadler, Mike	24	Thompson, David
10	Adkins, Adam	25	Boyden, Ronald
11	Bucy, John A	25	Scott, Michael
11	Williams, Brice	27	Belew, Daniel Lee
14	Stout, John David	27	Carroll, James Matthew (Matt)
		27	Montgomery, Dennis
		29	Gallimore, Byron L
		29	Logan, Kathryn



Come to the Lodge for Dinner.

Bring the family; Excellent accommodations and menu; Friendly atmosphere; Smoke Free; Family oriented.

Note Dinning Hours: Serving starts at 5 PM

Wednesday & Friday Night Meals: Full Menu includes Steaks, Burgers, Pork, Fish, Chicken, Seafood selections. **Chef's Specials also offered.** 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. This is a great opportunity to not cook and to come to the Lodge for an excellent meal.

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.*

Lodge Activities for June

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

See the Elks Face Book page for full details.



Businessmen's Dinner –There will be a dinner on the third **Monday in June (June 15)**. If you would like to get on the list to sponsor a group for the dinner, just give a call to **Richard Trevathan** at 731-514-1345 and he will be more than happy to sign you up. The dinner will be **Grilled Pork Chops** with trimmings.

The Lodge would like to thank all the **Faithful Sponsors**. Without their support we could not continue to host this important event. We appreciate their support.

Andy Mangrum, Dresden; 2) Terry Woodruff, Dresden; 3) Matt Carroll, H & R Agri Power; 4) Donny Smith, Dresden; 5) Trevathan Bros. Fabricating, Dresden; 6) Johnathon James, James Automotive, Greenfield 7) Mike Sanders, Rives; 8) Wade Pittman, Servall, Martin; 9) Charlie Davis, Davis Automotive, Martin; 10) Joseph Cross, Dresden; 11) Gary Eddings, Sharon; 12) Richard Killebrew, Dresden; 13) Van Dinning, Gleason, 14) David Lewellen, Dresden; 15) Terry McDade, WCSO.



WHY AN ELK?

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

BECAUSE we seek to bring into our Order only those who delight in wholesome associations with congenial companions, men and women who possess a deep sense of patriotism, fair play and dedication to noble causes. Our members find fulfillment in service to humanity, in feeding the hungry, sheltering the homeless, aiding those in distress and providing themselves to be true friends to all in need.

Because.... We question no one's religion, nor do we exclude anyone because of creed, educational attainment, vocation, material status or physical stature. We measure character by what one is and does, not by titles or position. We do not seek to impose different beliefs in place of personal commitments to God, Family, and Country, nor do we ask anyone to act in any manner contrary to the dictates of conscience.

The Order of Elks is committed to promoting the patriotic principles of individual freedom, opportunity, and dignity. In 1908 The Grand Lodge provided for the annual nationwide observance of **Flag Day** on June 14 each year. Thus, The Benevolent and Protective of Elks is the first and only national fraternal organization to require observance of Flag Day.

Committed to patriotism and charity, the Elks have now disbursed over \$5 billion in cash, goods, and services to the nation's youth, veterans, the disadvantaged and handicapped, victims of disaster, and in support of patriotic and civic programs. Elks support and contribute regularly to schools, veterans' organizations, hospitals, nursing homes, police, fire departments and emergency services. Elks assist the young and the needy throughout this great nation.

With its record of war service, its benefactions, freely and impartially bestowed, its tolerance and good fellowship, and its all-pervading spirit of good will, the Order makes an irresistible appeal to men and women who love their country and welcome the opportunity to serve in their communities.

This truly proves that **ELKs Care -- Elks Share.**

TN Elks Assoc. Trades School Scholarship – The TEA is offering twenty- two (22) \$1500 scholarships to attend a trade school to obtain a certificate or associate degree. For details go to tnelks.org.

Congratulations to the Recipients of the 2026 Dresden Elks #2373 Scholarships

Gracie Adams -- \$1000. Dresden High School; She is daughter of Carey (#1421) & Heather Adams.

Luke Lawrence – \$750. Gleason High School; He is the son of Lee & Amy Lawrence.

Curtis Mayo – \$500. Gleason High School; He is the son of Curt & Shannon Mayo and the grandson of Curtis (#192) & Judy Mayo.

Madison Dean -- \$500. Westview High School; She is the daughter of Adam Dean.

Congratulations to Paige Mallon

Paige E. Mallon, the 2022 Dresden Elks Lodge recipient of the Elks National Foundation Legacy Award, recently graduated from the University of Kentucky where she earned a BSc Degree in Agricultural and Medical Biotechnology while maintaining a 4.0 GPA. She has been accepted into UK's PhD studies program to farther her education. Paige is the daughter of Chris (#1166) & Amy Mallon and the granddaughter of Dr. Bob (#326) & Jo Page.

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 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.

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.

Our **District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler** for the Tennessee West District is Daron Hamm from the Waverly Lodge. He will be serving throughout the year of 2025-2026.

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

May meeting notes: Meetings were held on May 12 and 26.

Candidates proposed for membership:

Bryan Lester Culpepper, Dresden; Retired; Proposed by Curtis Doran.
Alex Sims, Dresden; RN; Proposed by Thomas Sims.
Jeremiah L. Smith, Martin; Railroad Engineer; Proposed by Dylan Pash.
James Ward, McKenzie; Investor; Proposed by Curtis Doran.

Candidates balloted upon and awaiting initiation:

Mary K. Brittingham, Dresden; Retired; Proposed by Alberta Vancleave
Jacob Lynn Vickery, Gleason; D B Trucking; Proposed by Ginger Randolph.

Financial reports were given. All bills against the Lodge were read, approved, and have been paid.

The **Business Men's Dinner** was held May 18. There were 105 sponsors and guests to enjoy the Fish & Ham dinner. There will be a dinner on June 15. The menu will be grilled pork chops.

The **Dresden Elks Lodge #2373 Corporation** meeting was held at the regular meeting May 26. All corporation business was conducted at that time.

The **West TN Vice President**, Robert Barker, Camden Lodge, made his official visit to the Lodge on May 12.

The year-end financial reports have been submitted to our accountant for the preparation of the Form 990 tax return. The return will be presented for approval by the Lodge in June and then sent to the IRS and Grand Lodge.

The **Grand Lodge National Convention** is scheduled to be held in Chicago, IL on July 5-8. Registration is due by June 1. Forms and information are available at the Lodge or on line at elks.org.

MEMBERSHIP

Dresden Lodge has 315 active members as of May 26. 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.**

*Membership Dues for all members for the current lodge year (2026/2027) were due on April 1. The amount for the dues is **\$109.00**. The breakdown of the dues is: Lodge dues \$70; Grand Lodge and State assessments are \$39.00 (Grand Lodge dues \$6.50; Liability insurance \$24.00; Elks Magazine \$5.50; State Association dues \$3.00). 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.



Don't forget **Father's Day** (June 21). Honor all fathers, living or dead.



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