## **CHATTANOOGA 91**

**Monthly Newslette** 

June 2025

Meeting First & Third Tuesdays of each month

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May has been a very busy month with pool cleanup, the JROTC awards, the Armed Forces Day parade, and the Kentucky Derby party. Thank you to all of our Elks volunteers who helped with these projects. The pool has now opened, and Memorial Day has arrived where we remember the men and women who gave their lives in defense of our nation. These courageous individuals have given everything they had to defend our freedoms



and way of life. I would like to recognize Cindy Houser for her hard work and for being awarded her first grant. Cindy and Elizabeth are working together and have received almost ALL of the ENF grants that the Grand Lodge offers. Thanks to Marty Marter for filling the potholes in the gravel parking lot. The motion to purchase the dentist office was made by Secretary Reeda Hall on behalf of the Board of Directors and published. The floor will be open to any further discussion before the vote is called for during unfinished business. Thanks to David Thompson, Rich Daulton, and Dan Perkins for helping with the "new to us" picnic tables. The first food truck was a success, and we have more planned for certain Tuesdays (see the newsletter). If they continue to be supported, we will try to schedule more of them during the summer months. Be sure to join us for the Father's Day Celebration on June 15th. Fathers eat free! We have a new event scheduled for July 12th. We are calling it the "Black and Blue Ball, formerly known as the favorite Black Dress Party. Ladies wear their favorite black dress and men wear your blue jeans and a black sports coat. Cost will be \$25.00 per person. More details will be included in the July newsletter.

Fraternally yours,

Bill



# ~ Congratulations Dean Botting ~ VETERAN OF THE MONTH

As we continue to celebrate our Nation's heroes, this month we honor Dean Botting, a distinguished member of the Elks Lodge who has proudly served in the United States Marine Corps.

Throughout his four years of service, Dean demonstrated unwavering commitment, skill, and dedication to his country. Dean's journey began with Basic Training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot (MCRD) in California. From there, he moved on to 29 Palms, California, where he specialized in radio communications. His expertise in this field would become a cornerstone of his military career. Following his time in 29 Palms, Dean attended the School of Infantry at Camp Pendleton, CA. This rigorous training prepared him for the challenges ahead. Dean's next assignment took him to the US Naval Submarine Base in Bangor, Washington, where he served with the Security Forces, ensuring the safety and security of vital naval assets. Dean's exemplary skills and discipline earned him a place in the prestigious US Marine Corps Silent Drill Team. This elite unit is known for its precise drill movements and silent exhibition drills, showcasing the discipline and professionalism of the Marine Corps. Dean's journey continued as he joined the 1st Battalion, 5th Marines at Camp Pendleton. This assignment saw him deployed to Desert Storm, where he served with distinction aboard the USS Spartanburg. His dedication and bravery during this operation were a testament to his character and commitment to his fellow Marines. Dean Botting's career in the United States Marine Corps is a shining example of service and dedication. We are proud to recognize him as our Veteran of the Month and thank him for his unwavering commitment to our nation.

Let's take a moment to express our gratitude and appreciation for all our veterans, whose sacrifices ensure our freedom and security. Dean, we salute you!

We all thank you for your dedication, loyalty, and service to our country, and to your fellow Elks!

Join us at the Elks Lodge June 8th at 1pm for the 2025 Flag Day Ceremony. This event will be hosted by local Boy Scout Troop #115. If you have any questions please reach out to Elks host David Thompson.





I wanted to share more information regarding the notice you should have received detailing the motion and voting for the property adjacent to our building, which Dr. White owns. That motion allows us to purchase the property for a couple of key reasons: Parking - that property gives us 10 spots for our busy times and weekends; we have had access to that parking for a couple of years in exchange for maintaining the property's grounds. Dr. White allowed us to install



the key card gate for both security and access. Rental Income - We intend to use the property as additional rental income, as we do the salon now. And this will increase our footprint property-wise to help secure the future of our lodge. The Board of Directors has been diligently working on this project for several months, with the help of Lee Helton. Both Matt Brownfield and Earl Howell have been providing legal advice and direction to ensure that we follow the Grand Lodge guidelines for the purchase. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to any of the Board Members or me for information.

After the Vote on June 3<sup>rd</sup>, the required paperwork will be submitted to Grand Lodge for final approval. At that time, we can schedule the closing and begin the preparations on the property for rental.

Fraternally,

Reeda

## **NOTICE OF VOTING**

IMPORTANT DETAILS LISTED IN THE LETTER BELOW REGARDING AN UPCOMING VOTE

### MOTION REGARDING PURCHASE OF ADJACENT DENTIST PROPERTY

Pursuant to Section 16.050 of the Statutes of the Order, the undersigned moves that the Lodge approve the following:

- The purpose of the expenditure is to purchase the property at 1075 Graysville Road, .referred to as the "Dentist Office," adjacent to our (a) Lodge #91 property
- The cost to be expended is \$250,000.00, being the purchase price for the property, plus closing costs of \$1,500.00. (b)
- (c) No indebtedness will be incurred
- There will be no mortgage to secure the debt. (d)
- Persons authorized to act for the Lodge will be Secretary Reeda Hall, Treasurer Pam Cobb, Exalted Ruler Bill Cobb, and Leading Knight Mary Snellgrove, who may consult with and be assisted by counsel, including but not limited to, Mathew D. Brownfield and Earl
- No amount will be received by the Lodge, but only the adjacent (f) property.

#### NOTICE OF VOTING

This proposal has been submitted to the Lodge floor this 10 day of May, 2025, and this proposal will be voted upon at the regular Lodge meeting at Elks Lodge #91 at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 3, 2025.



Elks Lodge Annual Golf Tournament, Friday October 17th, 2025 **Details coming soon!** 



## June 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Brunch 11-2	2	3 Meeting 7pm	4 Pork Chops w/Dressing & Gravy, Turnip Greens & Fried Corn	5 Trivia	6 DJ Dino	7
8 Brunch 11-2 Flag Day Ceremony 1pm	9	10 Activities Committee 6pm Board Meeting 7pm	11 Cheese Burger & Fries Golf Event 7pm	12 Pizza	13 Family Enter- tainment	14  Veteran Expo 11-2  Veterans Eat Free
15 Fathers Day Buffet *See Menu Below	New Member Orientation 6:30 PM	17 Meeting & Initiation 7pm	18 Hamburger Steak, Green Beans, Mash Tators & Gravy, Broccoli Casserole	19 SINGO \$5 per player	20 DJ Dino Summer Solstice	21 New & Improved Game Night
22 Brunch 11-2	23	24 Smoke Sesh BBQ Food Truck	25 BBQ Chicken, Baked Beans, Cole Slaw, & Fried Okra	26 Pizza	27 Family Enter- tainment	28
29 Brunch 11-2	30					

## Fathers Day Buffet

Come celebrate and honor Dad by treating him to a deliciously designed special Father's Day buffet our wonderful chef David has created! The cost will be \$15 and Dad eats Free!. Be sure to also enjoy the Fathers Day drink special, Chef's Bloody Bull.

On the Buffet you will find:
Cowboy Breakfast Casserole
Baked French Pancakes
Rosemary Fried Potatoes
Crispy Chicken Wings in Chili Lime Butter
Broccoli Casserole
Fireside Pulled Pork & Beans
Brown Sugar Bacon Maple Muffins





July 12th, 2025 — <u>The Black & Blue Party</u> (formerly known as the Favorite Black Dress Party) Be sure to check the July 2025 Newsletter for additional details.





### Welcome Our New Members

On May 20th, 2025 our Lodge initiated its newest members into our Elks family. Please take a moment to introduce yourself and welcome them. Please help us encourage them to participate in our many community events along with our charitable and social activities.





Pictured Row 1— Left to Right: Randy Finnell, Steve Rhyne, Scott Renegar, Cassie Sanchez, Sandy Hays, Brittany Rogers

Pictured Row 2— Left to Right: Jim Jackson, John Haynes, Martin Fisher, James Taylor, Jeff McKinley, Mark Scott

### **Congratulations New Elks!**

### 2024 Dick Haynes Scholarship



Congratulations to Braylon Pritchett for being awarded the 2024 Dick Haynes Scholarship. Braylon and his mother Suzanne Pritchett were presented with the Scholarship Award on May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025.





- Front Gate does not open until the Elks Lodge opens each day.
- The Gate on the CVS side of the pool opens daily at 11 am.
- The rear Gate to the pool opens at 10 am
- Please be sure to pick up after yourself when visiting and using the pool and the area around the pool. There are garbage cans available for you to discard any unwanted items.
- If you open and table umbrella please be sure to <u>CLOSE the UM-BRELLA you used</u> when you leave!

Are you interested in Volunteering your time with our Elks Lodge? Many hands make light work and the Elks Lodge can never have too many volunteers to help with the many projects planned or currently underway. Ask any fellow veteran member of the lodge how to find out more about volunteer opportunities!

