



Del Rio Elk's Tale



Lodge Meeting

1st & 3rd Wednesday
of every month

Lodge Officers 2013-2014

Exalted Ruler
Robert "Bob" Lohr

Est. Leading Knight
Bill Johnson

Est. Loyal Knight
Dawn Pelotte

Est. Lecturing Knight
Dave Rosser

Lodge Secretary
John Burns, PDDGER

Lodge Treasurer
Nancy Johnson

Lodge Tiler
Chris Molitor

Lodge Esquire
Terry King

Lodge Chaplain
Mel Voss

Lodge Inner Guard
Carolyn Palmer

Lodge Trustees
5 Yr. - Shane Quinn
4 Yr. - Bette Basse
3 Yr. - Steve Rosalez
2 Yr. - Steve Doring
1 Yr. - Alan Alexander

Exalted Ruler's Message

Fellow Elks,

I spent all last week in Reno at the Elks National Convention. It made me feel proud to be an Elks. There are a whole lot of Elks all around the country doing projects to help the veterans and their communities with special projects. I was proud to tell them about some of our projects like visiting the veterans in Kerrville, refurbishing the children's center, building a new roof at the Casa De La Cultura and future projects like buying new equipment for the High School ROTC program, providing grant money for the Boy and Girl Scouts and the Food Pantry. This is what we do as Elks. Service to the community. Volunteer when you can. It makes the work load easier when it is divided among many. I hope you all made it to the Lodge on Saturday July 27 when the Casa De La Cultura had the children's projects on display.

*Thank you for being an Elk!
Elks Care - Elks Share*

Robert "Bob" Lohr,

Exalted Ruler

**Think what we could do IF
Everyone recruited a new
Member**

Lodge Secretary's Mailbox

The following individuals are in the membership process

Initiated July 3rd

Irma E Avalos proposed by Lupita Celaya

Awaiting Initiation

Roberto Robles proposed by Alan Alexander

Ruby Jasco proposed by Steve Rosalez

Awaiting Orientation

Joe M Mancha proposed by Steve Doring

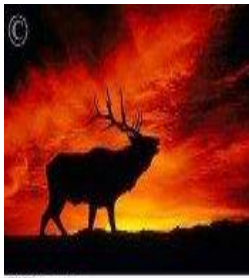
Somer Fernandez proposed by Alan Alexander

We still have 39 members that have not paid their dues for this lodge year. If you are a proposer please consult the listing on the lodge bulletin board in the lodge. Remember all dues are payable before April 1st

Hope you consider getting on board for the Trip to New Orleans for Grand Lodge session there in July 2014. Already a lot of questions are being asked. We have 5 couples already talking about the trip. I will have some recreation suggestions in the next Elks Tale

John J. Burns, P.D.D.G.E.R.

Lodge Secretary



Lodge Committee Reports

Board of Directors (BOD): No report submitted

Hoop Shoot Committee School will be starting soon and I hope to start early working with all the schools Athletic Departments and see if we can make next year's Hoop Shoot something to remember

Community Activities No Report Submitted

Lodge Sweetheart

Greetings from Omega.

The August Basket is on sale at the Lodge. There is a picture of the Basket posted in the Lodge (I couldn't display the Basket because of the Booze.

Tickets are \$ 1.00 each, 6 for \$5.00, 13 for \$10.00 and 27 for \$20.00

Thanks for your continued support

Ps. The Basket will be raffled in San Angelo on August 17th. Hopefully I will Hopefully bring it back to Del Rio

A House Divided
Against Itself can
Not Stand

Omega Quinn
Sweet Heart Chairperson





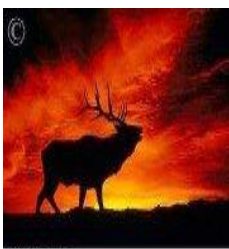
**Elks
National
Foundation, Inc.**

At its meeting in San Antonio on February 13, 2013, the ENF Board of Trustees approved appropriations and distributions for the 2013-14 fiscal year totaling a **record \$26 million**, an increase of 10 percent over the current year.

<u>Community Investments Program</u>	\$8.5 million
<u>State Elks Association Grants</u>	\$8 million
<u>Scholarship Programs</u>	\$3.74 million
<u>Elks National Veterans Service Program</u>	\$1.144 million
<u>Elks Hoop Shoot Free Throw Contest</u>	\$692,750
<u>Elks Drug Awareness Program</u>	\$682,200
<u>Elks Memorial Building Maintenance</u>	\$653,380

**We have received a grant to be presented to the High School ROTC Program
Alan Alexander - PER
ENF Committee Chainman**

Trustee's Report



Hello Fellow Elks .

Another month bites the dust. Can hardly believe it's August already. We have a Clinic in San Angelo 16-17-18th of August. Hopefully I will learn some good stuff to bring back. The big October Raffle tickets are on sale. \$100.00 each and well worth it (Just ask anyone that attended last year's event)

- 1st Prize - \$5,000.00 Gift Certificate
- 2nd Prize - \$1,000.00 Gift Certificate
- 3rd Prize - \$1,000.00 Gift Certificate
- 4th Prize - \$1,000.00 Gift Certificate

Thanks for all the support

Shane Quinn
Trustee Chairman



Veterans Affairs

Four members of Elks Lodge 837 made the trip to the Kerrville VA Hospital. As always, the patients were very thankful that we made the long trip. We handed out the goodies and went through about ten games of BINGO with the patients. Once again, thanks to all that participated in the 50/50 drawings (more coming) and to "Chubs" for the donations of personal toiletries.

Here is the schedule for upcoming visits to the Kerrville VA Hospital:

Steve Rosalez
Americanism Chairman

August 31st

November 30th

Year 2014 - To be announced at a later date.

Americanism



Steve Rosalez

I Fly Atop the World

*I fly atop the world's tallest buildings; I stand watch in America's halls of justice
I fly majestically over institutions of learning; I stand guard with power in the world
Look up and see me, I stand for peace, honor, truth, and justice
I stand for freedom, I am confident, I am arrogant, and yes I am proud
When I am flown with my fellow banners, my head is always a little higher
My colors a little brighter, I bow to no one! I am recognized all over the world, I am saluted
I am worshipped, I am loved, I am revered, I am respected, and yes I am feared
I have fought in every battle of every war for more than 200 years
I was flown at Valley Forge, Gettysburg, Shiloh, and Appomattox. I was there at San Juan Hill*

*And in the trenches of the Argonne Forest, Anzio, Rome and the beaches of Normandy, Guam, Okinawa, Korea
And Khesan, Saigon, and Vietnam know me.
I am presently in the mountains of Afghanistan and the hot and dusty deserts of Iraq and wherever freedom is needed
I led my troops, I was dirty, battle worn and tired but my soldiers cheered me and I was proud
I have been burned, spat upon, torn and trampled on the streets of countries I have tried to help to set free
It does not hurt because I am invincible
I have been soiled upon, burned, torn and trampled on in the streets of my own country
And when it is done by those I served in battle, it hurts.
But I shall overcome, for I am strong
I have slipped the bonds of earth and stood watch over the uncharted frontiers of space from the advantage point on
The moon
I have borne witness to all of America's finest hours, but my finest hours are yet to come
When I am torn into strips and used as bandages for my wounded comrades on the battlefield
When I am flown at half-mast to honor my soldiers
Or when I lie in the trembling arms of a grieving parent at the grave of a fallen son or daughter
I am Proud
I am Old Glory
I AM the Flag of the United States of America.*

BE LOUD. BE PROUD. KEEP IT VISIBLE



ELKs History Lesson

Go to www.elks.org and check it out

In 1871, a fire devastated the city of Chicago, and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks quickly organized and staged a benefit to provide financial assistance to those residents most affected by the disaster. Since then, the Order has responded to every major catastrophe (natural or man-made) and played a leading role in providing relief and comfort

In 1889, the Elks, offered financial assistance to families who suffered as a result of flooding in Johnstown, Pennsylvania, and fires in Seattle, Washington. In 1892, the BPO Elks began working with the American Red Cross when it and the Order provided monies for those suffering from famine in Russia. To this day, the Elks have maintained a partnership with the American Red Cross and developed similar partnerships with other relief agencies

B.P.O.E. Happenings

-TESA Fall conference will be Held in Kerrville Tx.17-20 of October, at the Y-O Ranch Resort

House Committee & Social Quarter Highlights

Remember Sundays we have reduced prices on all beverages and snacks. Come out and watch one of the new TV's; we have four screens for all to have their favorite event on.

Next House meeting will be August 19th beginning at 5:30 PM. Remember all Elk are welcome to attend; so come on out and give us your input on what you would like to see happening at your lodge.

Participation pot continues to grow. Try to put Saturday, 5:45 on your schedule to stop by and take a chance on being the one who claims the prize.

Participation Pot for July: Still no winner as of July 27th; we have \$333.00 in the pot awaiting some member to be present and take \$300 away with them.

Participation Pot

July	06	Jerry Smith	1992	294.00	NSI
July	13	Lee Elrod	1652	305.00	NSI
July	20	Carlos Cruz	2068	319.00	NSI
July	27	Royce Coe	1282	333.00	NSI

Sickness and Distress

"Always In Order in Our Lodge"

Happy to report that no sickness or distress reported this past period. Wish continued health & happiness to all



The 11 o'clock toast to the absent: an Elk custom

Elk's Tale Editor Briefing

Committee Chairpersons

You are the backbone of this E-Tale. It is impossible for 1 person to know what is happening in the Lodge but with your input we can inform the Members of what is going on in the Lodge. I need your input in order to report the LODGE activities, so please send me inputs. You do not have to wait, as you get information, send it to me and I will compile the data until I compose the new edition of the E-Tale. Through this medium we can keep all the members informed

If you would like to enter something for the good of the Lodge please do so

Please send input by 22 of the Month to mvooss@stx.rr.com

Mel Voss

Elk's Tale Publisher & Editor In Chief

2013-14 Committee Chairmen

Americanism / Flag Day / Veterans
Steve Rosalez

Youth Activities / Drug Awareness / Scholarships
Lupita Celaya

Member Service / Public Relations
Alan Alexander

Indoctrination / Lapsation / Membership / Memorial Day
John Burns

Auditing & Accounting – Sally Donnelly

Community Activities – Ken Wickliff

PER Association / ENF – Alan Alexander

Hoop Shoot – Mel Voss

House / Social Quarters – John Burns

Lodge Activities – John Burns

Ritualistic – Frank Denny

Visitation – Dave Rosser

Accident Prevention – Denny Harris

State Major Project – Omega Quinn

Standing Relief/Government Relations – Bob Lohr

August Birthdays

(If your name is on this VIP list, come on down to the lodge anytime in August for an adult beverage of your choice, on the house! It doesn't get any better than that!)

August 01	Reggie Esquivel	August 21	Jeff White
August 05	D'Wayne Jernigan	August 24	Ralph Beard III
August 08	John Leschuk	August 25	John Pendergras
August 10	Frank Denny Jr.	August 25	Roger Dixon
August 11	William Fry	August 25	Ernest Schoenfeld
August 14	Charles Dugan	August 28	Joe Alvair
August 14	Victor Garcia	August 28	Jack Bloom
August 18	Britten Gambrel	August 31	Carol Garcia
August 19	Chester Rutigliano		



Happy Birthday to Each of YOU

August 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
						Participation Pot 6 p.m.
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Attitude Adjustment All Day			Lodge Meeting 7 p.m. ----- Happy Hour 8-9 p.			Participation Pot 6 p.m. -----
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Attitude Adjustment All Day						Participation Pot 6 p.m.
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Attitude Adjustment All Day	House Committee Meeting 5:30.		No Meeting			Participation Pot 6 p.m.
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
Attitude Adjustment All Day						Participation Pot 6 p.m.

Why don't sheep shrink when it rains?

September 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
			Lodge Meeting 7 p.m. Attitude Adjustment All Day 8-9 p			Participation Pot 6 p.m.
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Attitude Adjustment All Day						Participation Pot 6 p.m.
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Attitude Adjustment All Day	House Committee Meeting 5:30		Lodge Meeting 7 p.m. Attitude Adjustment All Day 8-9			Cleanup Day Participation Pot 6 p.m. -----
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
Attitude Adjustment All Day						Participation Pot 6 p.m.
29	30					
Attitude Adjustment All Day						

Why is the man who invests all your money called a Broker?



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*“A man never stood so tall as when
He stoops to help a crippled child”*

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