



# Christian County Elks #2777

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## ELKS BUGLE

### March 2020

### 2020 OFFICERS

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Trustees:  
Ernie Smith  
Frank Smith  
Jeff Holt  
Ted Chambers  
Bill Beauchamp

### EXALTED RULER YEAR END THOUGHTS

Well members this will be my last writing as the Exalted Ruler. I believe we've left the Lodge in good shape. The new slate of incoming officers will be installed March 27<sup>th</sup> in an evening ceremony. Make plans to attend and welcome these people in to run our Lodge in the ensuing year.

Looking back, I've seen progress made in our income statements. Rentals, E-Raffle and bar receipts have all made nice gains thanks to efforts of many people. Our financial holdings are healthy, and we stand in good respect with other Lodges in the district. I'm proud of how the July school clothing projects has blossomed and the regards it has given us in the community. Our social media presence has improved leaps and bounds this year thanks to Mike Klinger: Good Job MIKE!!! So, in closing, I believe the transition to our next Lodge year is set for a smooth ride. Very capable people will take over and continue our positive trend.

Thank you for your support and backing last year!

Fraternally,  
Scotty Butler, ER

### VIETNAM VETERANS REPORT

Hello Elks members and families. Well 2019 was a rough year for my family but also a great blessing as my wife went thru surgery for stag 4 cancer and we spent 3 months in Houston Texas at MD Anderson plus trips back for chemo treatments. Thank You all for your prayers she is doing great. The Vietnam Veterans had a very good year and big plans for 2020 starting off with a Steak cook off here at the Lodge on March 28<sup>th</sup>. Come out that afternoon and enjoy some wonderful steak samples. I am looking forward to getting back to also helping with things around here.

Charles Hopkins President

Vietnam Veterans of American Chapter 952. 417 693 6298

## ELKS AND DRUG ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION COLLABORATE WITH FBE TO PREMIERE EMOTIONAL DRUG AWARENESS CAMPAIGN

ELKS Drug Awareness Program (DAP), the nation's largest all-volunteer drug education group, has partnered with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) to launch a national anti-drug educational video "Teens React To Conversations With Survivors of Addiction", to spotlight the effects of drugs on teenagers. The video premiered on FBE, a multi-platform digital studio that serves over 34 million subscribers, with additional content running on their Twitter and Facebook pages using hashtag #ElksDAP and #DEA.

The video features teens and their parents watching interviews from a diverse group of adults who describe their journey into addiction and road to recovery. Once having seen the footage, the teens and their parents meet the interview subjects in person and further explore their experiences.

Ahead of the nationwide campaign, teens from all over the country participated in the Elks Anti-Drug Video Contest - the 2019 winning entry Sunshine by El Modena High School Sr. Sandy Beach, which elicited very strong and emotional reactions, was then watched by the teens, parents and individuals in recovery as seen in the video. Following this, the group then engage in a candid and heartfelt discussion that is a must watch for parents and their children. It is at times lighthearted and other times heart wrenching as the parents, teens and people in recovery connect on a truly human level.

The video, while being very engaging also provides information for teens and parents on how to handle peer pressure, conversations with your kids, signs that someone you care about might have a problem and many other important subjects critical to keeping kids safe and drug free. The video also encourages parents, kids and teens to visit [www.elkskidzone.com](http://www.elkskidzone.com), the Elks DAP Kids site, [www.justthinktwice.com](http://www.justthinktwice.com), DEA's website for teens and [www.getsmartaboutdrugs.com](http://www.getsmartaboutdrugs.com) - DEA's website for parents, educators, and caregivers all of which provides access to a wide array of education and treatment resources.

"FBE is dedicated to sharing stories that make an impact," said Marc Hustvedt, CEO of FBE. "Our wide array of content often ignites emotional responses and this effort really provided a human spotlight on a very serious issue. We look forward to sparking an important conversation with our community and draw attention to the powerful resources like ELKS and the DEA who are there to help. You are not alone."

The Project was once again created by Sunny Day Entertainment who has previously partnered with the DEA and ELKS DAP on several anti-drug videos with SMOSH in 2017 and 2018. The Elks have also created several comic books including ones with the New York Fire Department (FDNY) and Marvel which are available on [www.Elkskidzone.com](http://www.Elkskidzone.com). Kent Gade National Director of The Elks DAP said "The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks is committed to finding unique and effective tools to provide education about illegal drug use and legalized drug abuse by our children and adults. We are very proud of our relationship with the Drug Enforcement Administration and excited to partner with FBE on this project!"

"The Elks are outstanding, long-time partners with DEA in raising awareness about substance abuse and its destructive effects on families throughout the United States," said DEA Acting Administration Uttam Dhillon. "I commend the Elks for their continued efforts to engage as many teenagers and parents as possible to prevent drug addiction before it starts."





**Christian County  
Elks 2777 Hoop  
Shoot winner for  
Boys 10-11,  
Kylan Pickren,  
won District and  
State and now  
travels to compete  
in Regionals in  
Paducah Kentucky  
March 14!  
Good Luck to  
Kylan!**



**Are You Feeling  
Lucky?  
Thursday Night  
Poker  
Christian County  
Elks 2777  
Come enjoy dinner  
at 6pm with Poker  
following dinner**

### **Mission Statement**

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 - Elks Share.**

### **NOTE FROM THE SECRETARY**

The total Per Capital for Grand Lodge Elks Magazine and Insurance is \$19.00 per Member. The breakdown of the total Grand Lodge Per Capita and Assessments for the 2020-2021 fraternal year is as follows:

Grand Lodge Expense and operations	\$ 6.50
Subscription to Elks Magazine	\$ 5.50
General Liability Insurance Assessment	\$ 7.00
REMIT following dues with report	\$19.00

The above figures as well as what you have entered in your CLMS2 Dues and Fees program for State association dues results in an increase of \$2.00 to your annual membership dues.

Tom Shelton,  
Secretary

## AUXILLARY MONTHLY REPORT

The February 11th meeting of the Auxiliary was held at the Lodge with A's thru K's bringing the delicious food. All reports were accepted as printed.

The Gun Show will be held on Feb. 28th, 29th and Mar. 1st. Help is always needed so any who could were asked to volunteer. Our Bunco party fund raiser is scheduled for March 19th. Spread the word to all your friends and let's try to get a large crowd. Our proceeds from this event will go to the

Lodge to help with the Back to School Shopping next summer and any upcoming Veterans Events scheduled. The dessert auction held on the first Friday, (PER steak night) was a rousing success. Many thanks to all who furnished desserts for this event. We give all credit for our success that night to our super auctioneer, Gary Estes. He is one fast talking dude. Lots of laughs brought in good money. Anyone interested in joining our group, please get in touch with me at 848-2763.

Mary Angell, President

## AUXILLARY FUND RAISER!!

Woo Hoo! Dessert Fundraiser February 7th generated \$883. Pies, assorted cakes, peanut butter fudge and more were auctioned off by Pro Auctioneer and CC Elks member Gary Estes. Thank you to everyone who attended and donated to our Lodge. That's the SPIRIT!



happy  
birthday!

2<sup>nd</sup> Robert Quimby  
4<sup>th</sup> Mike Klinger  
9<sup>th</sup> Tara Bruenger  
10<sup>th</sup> Robin Dewerd

18<sup>th</sup> Bill Beauchamp  
26<sup>th</sup> Patrick Steele  
28<sup>th</sup> Debbie Tangora  
31<sup>st</sup> Ron Caughlan

## ENF FUTURE EVENTS

May 9<sup>th</sup>

Annual Kite Day

June 14<sup>th</sup>

Annual Flag Day Events

Back to School Shopping

Starts July 11<sup>th</sup>. Following with subsequent dates: July 18<sup>th</sup>, July 25<sup>th</sup> and August 1<sup>st</sup>.

## TRUSTEE REPORT

We had a successful workday! The fans were moved and the sound on the TVs 📺 were fixed.

## VETERANS REPORT

Just a reminder: the Veterans Golf Tournament will be September 19<sup>th</sup> at the Island Green Golf Course in Republic.



**OH NO!!!! LOOK WHO WAS ABSENT AND MISSED OUT WHEN THEIR NAMES WERE CALLED AT THE MEETING!!**

**Roger Campbell and Reuben Smith**

**Attend the meetings!!! We have a blast!**



**Thursday  
March 19th**  
Join Members and  
guests in a GREAT  
Game of Bunco  
Games start after  
dinner



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Saturday  
TBA Special Events

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BREAKING NEWS 4 hours ago ENF Mission 2 days ago Spring Convention Schedule 2 days ago National in Baltimore 3 days ago Kylan Pickren to Regionals 2

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