

FROM THE DESK OF THE EXALTED RULER

MARCH 2025

The first few days of February we heard that Punxsutawney Phil saw his shadow and we watched the Eagles win the Superbowl!

Watching the Superbowl at the lodge was great fun! If you didn't make it this year you might consider joining us next year.

Our first lodge meeting in February was eventful as the yearly nomination of officer's took place.

Happy to report that our membership continues to increase!

At our last meeting we voted on those who were previously proposed for membership and their initiation was scheduled for the last meeting in February.

Look for notes in the Secretary's corner of the Piedmont newsletter for information on new proposals and those recently initiated.

March brings us more exciting news regarding the renovation of our lodge and hopefully most of you joined us for the Town Hall meeting for questions and answers on the project. The Trustees will keep us all updated on the progress of our renovation at meetings and in each of our upcoming newsletters; look for updates in the Trustee's corner of the Piedmont newsletters.

See you at the lodge.

Fraternally,

Alawe Celli

Exalted Ruler





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Save The Dates!

March 2025

4th Trustees 6:00 PM

6th Elk/Doe Meeting 7:00 PM

(Dinner 6:00 PM)

7th Dinner 5:00 – 8:00 PM

14th Dinner 5:00 – 8:00 PM

18th Trustees 6:00 PM

20th Elk Meeting 7:00 PM

21st Dinner 5:00 – 8:00 PM

22nd VEA Training Richmond

28th Dinner 5:00 – 8:00 PM

April 2025

1st Trustees 6:00 PM

3rd Elk Meeting 7:00 PM

Member Appreciation Night

Dinner 6:00 PM

4th Dinner 5:00 -8:00 PM

5th DD Clinic Richmond

11th Dinner 5:00 – 8:00 PM

15th Trustees 6:00 PM

17th Elk/Doe Meeting 7:00 PM

Dinner 6:00 PM

18th Rededication Vietnam Memorial 11:00 AM

Dinner 5:00 - 8:00 PM

19th Doe Club Easter Egg Hunt 11:30 AM

25th Dinner 5:00 - 8:00 PM

May 2025

1st Elk/Doe Meeting 7:00 PM

Dinner 6:00 PM

2nd Dinner 5:00 – 8:00 PM

9th Dinner 5:00 – 8:00 PM

13th Trustees 6:00 PM

15th Elk Meeting 7:00 PM

16th Dinner 5:00 – 8:00 PM

23rd Dinner 5:00 – 8:00 PM

30th Dinner 5:00 - 8:00 PM

CHEF'S CORNER

LUNCH: Canteen Only

Noon – 2pm, Tues. – Fri.

Daily special in addition to regular menu

Dinner: Canteen & Lounge

5-8pm Friday

Nightly Special in addition to regular menu unless noted

Upcoming Meals in March 2025

3/6 Meeting Night - Spaghetti

3/7 Prime Rib Night – 1st Friday of Month

The kitchen might be closed if renovations begin

Friday night reservations are required

Lodge Hours

Saturday – Thursday: 12 noon – 7pm

Friday – 12 noon – 10pm



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SAVE THE DATES AND BULLETIN BACK PAGE CALENDAR

Members, after the approval of the Membership on December 5, 2024, the application was filed with the appropriate Grand Lodge Officials for a Permit to proceed with the renovations. We have received Permit approval to begin renovations.

SECRETARY'S CORNER

EMAIL ADDRESS UPDATE

We are in the process of updating all email addresses. Please notify the Lodge Secretary by email: secretary@ elks389.org, or call the Lodge Secretary's cell phone 434-996-2510.

This will assist us in getting out "RAPID" information to you if anything changes at the Lodge as well as allowing the Secretary to contact you if need be, rather than by postal mail, which we all know is now snail mail!!! Thanks everyone for your help in this matter.

Also if you have moved, be sure to notify the Secretary of your new address!

THANK YOU TO THOSE MEMBERS WHO HAVE CONTACTED THE LODGE SECRETARY TO VERIFY EMAIL ADDRESSES/MAILING ADDRESSES

BULLETIN SUBMISSION

As a reminder and at the direction of the Trustees, all monthly submissions for the Piedmont Bulletin must be sent to the Lodge Secretary at secretary@ elks389.org by the 10th of each month. Submissions sent after the 10th will NOT BE ACCEPTED.

BULLETIN ADVERTISING

Anyone interested in advertising in the Piedmont Bulletin please contact Nancy Guthrie, Lodge Secretary. If you are interested, the year runs from April 1, 2025 to March 31, 2026. The amount for 1 year of advertising is \$300.00. Those members who are currently advertising will receive an Invoice for the new advertising year in January, 2025.

DUES NOTICES FOR 2025-2026

DUES INVOICES FOR APRIL 1, 2025 THRU MARCH 31, 2026 WERE MAILED OUT THE FIRST PART OF FEBRUARY, 2025. THERE IS A \$4.00 DECREASE IN THE AMOUNT DUE. DUES HAVE NOT DECREASED BUT THE ASSESSMENT FROM GRAND LODGE AND STATE HAVE DECREASED BY \$4.00.

DINNER RESERVATIONS

If calling for dinner reservations and you get the answering machine, DO NOT LEAVE A MESSAGE. In order to have reservations for Friday night dinner, you must talk with the Bartender.

NEW MEMBERS

At our meeting on January 16, 2025, the following new members were elected to membership into our Order, Jilian Hatch, Tobin McCrilis, Stephan Dean and Dana Moss.

At our meeting on February 6, 2025, the following new members were elected to membership into our Order, Mary Lou Duquette, Jason Conrey and Diane Brooks. All with be initiated with others currently waiting at our meeting on February 20, 2025.

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ALL DATES AND CALENDARS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE UPON START OF RENOVATIONS



March Birthdays

- 03 Moore, Christopher T
- 05 Hoy, Kenneth W
- 06 Bickers, Walter A
- 06 Gabriel, Joe
- 06 Reich, Thomas
- 07 Catron, Mark P
- 08 Kincannon, Charles
- 08 Shaner, Earl W
- 08 Thomas, Jennie
- 09 McDuffie, Gregory C
- 10 Winston, Richard
- 11 Mundy, George I
- 11 Shipp, Debra M
- 11 Tanner, Katina
- 12 Cockerille, Mary
- 12 Vermillion, John C
- 13 Burgin, Linda
- 13 Meade, Andrew L
- 18 Campagnino, John
- 19 Brink, Gary J
- 21 Cable, Mark F
- 21 Thomas, Gerald R
- 23 Adcock, Roger T
- 23 Jones, Vernon
- 24 Fielding, Lawerence E
- 25 Hicks, Randy L
- 25 Marshall, Kevin S
- 25 Southall, Rodney M
- 27 Baird, Michael W
- 27 Guthrie, Nancy P
- 28 Carneal, Oddie L
- 28 Hall, David A
- 29 McDaniel, Clifton W
- 30 Farmer, Steven R



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NOTES FROM THE TRUSTEES

Finally! We have obtained Grand Lodge approval to go ahead with our Remodeling Project. We intend to sign the Contract with Martin-Horn very soon (this writing is on 2/9/2025). We expect to begin moving into our temporary bar area in the Ballroom during the next couple of weeks. By the time you read this, we will likely be completing this process. There's quite a bit of work to be done to move our gaming machines, beer boxes and bar needs. Watch for notices regarding our dining availability, as it will be limited or unavailable at times.

If you've visited the Lodge lately, you will note that we have purchased (and installed temporarily in the ballroom) seven new 65" Samsung flat-screen TV's. We are offering the members the opportunity to "sponsor" a TV for \$500. You can do an "In Memory of.." or you can do a "Donated by...", it's your choice. A plaque will be placed on the TV for all to see who provided the donation. Once the Remodel Project is near complete, we will move and install these TV's in the new bar area. Hurry, there is a limited number!

At the Lodge meeting on February 6, we were fortunate to have two nominees for the five year term of Trustee - R. S. Glass, Jr. and Mike Walker. Both of these individuals are qualified and enthusiastic about becoming a Trustee, and the Lodge is privileged to have them run. Whichever nominee wins – so does Lodge 389!

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The Eleventh Hour Donald E. Quesenberry

Initiated 8/20/1987 Passed 8-28-2024

Randolph W. Breeden
Initiated 3-17-1997 Passed 2-9-2025

"We will meet, but we shall miss them,
There will be the vacant chair,
But Though we no more possess them,
Still our hearts their memory bear,
But a while ago we gathered,
Friendship beaming in each eye,
Now the golden cord is severed,
They have passed to realms on high."

ELK OF THE MONTH

At the Lodge meeting on February 6, 2025, ER Alane Celli announced that the Elk of the Month for February, 2025 was Margaret "Sug" Sipe. Sug was recognized by ER Celli for her volunteer contributions at the Lodge, such as knitting personal items for the veterans, the safety glass program and for always willing to volunteer for other activities. When you see Sug at the Lodge, please congratulate her on a JOB WELL DONE!!!!!



The Doe Club

Elks Auxiliary

2024-25 OFFICERS

President – Mary Sue Biskup
Vice President – Janie Estes
Recording Secretary – Pam Hicks
Corresponding Secretary – Vickie Thomas
Treasurer – Rita Glass
Tiler – Pat Marshall
Chaplain – Becky Marshall
Parliamentarian – Delores Lushbaugh

SICK/VISITING

(January 3 - February 6)

Thinking of You card sent to Peggy Johnson (husband, Minor, in hospital); Sally Marshall Sympathy cards sent to Linda & Dick Oliva (death of Dick's mother, Peggy); Delores Lushbaugh (death of her aunt, Shirley North)

DOE CLUB LUNCHEONS 2025

March 20 April 10

MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

24 Brenda Graves

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

8 Stacey Trader

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

March 6 – Elk/Doe Meeting April 10 – Stuff Easter Eggs April 19 – Easter Egg Hunt

2025-2026 OFFICERS

The Nominating Committee (consisting of Sally Marshall (Chair), Nita Carter, Pat Duncan and Karen Wilson presented a slate of officers at the February 6 meeting and these ladies were voted on and accepted.

President – Mary Sue Biskup Vice President – Janie Estes Treasurer – Rita Glass Recording Secretary – Pam Hicks Corresponding Secretary – Vickie Thomas Chaplain – Becky Marshall Tiler - Vicki Miller

EASTER EGG HUNT

Our Easter Egg hunt is scheduled for April 19 at the shelter beginning promptly at 11:30a (pizza and drinks will be provided). This event is well attended and lots of candy is needed for the eggs! Please drop off your donations of candy at the lodge starting April 1 (no chocolate). Immediately following our luncheon on April 10 we will stuff all the eggs, so please plan to join us for lunch and stay after to help stuff eggs.

DUES REMINDER

Dues of \$25 are payable by April 1. Please make checks payable to Doe Club and mail to 389 Elk Dr. Cville 22911 Attn: Vickie Thomas. Dues not received by May 31 will be considered delinquent and your membership will be dropped. If you wish to be reinstated after this date you will need to include an additional \$10 reinstatement fee.

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Doe President's Letter

Dear Doe Sisters:

The February meeting was held on February 6, 2025. Thank you, Delores Lushbaugh, for presiding over the meeting in my absence.

Sally Marshall, Chair of the Nominating Committee along with the committee members proposed the following slate of officers for the 25-26 term.

President – Mary Sue Biskup
Vice President – Janie Estes
Recording Secretary – Pam Hicks
Corresponding Secretary – Vickie Thomas
Treasurer – Rita Glass
Tiler – Vicki Miller
Chaplin – Becky Marshall

All members in attendance voted and the incoming officers will be installed at the March 6th Meeting.

Vickie Thomas will be mailing out the invoices for 2025-26 membership dues soon. Dues are \$25.00 and are payable before the April meeting. Make checks payable to Doe Club and mail to 389 Elk Dr. Charlottesville VA 22911 Attn: Vickie Thomas

The March meeting will be held on March 6, 2025. Dinner is at 6pm and the Meeting is at 7pm.

Please join us at the Luncheon on March 20, 2025.

Sincerely,

Mary Sue Bískup President





2024-2025 Lodge Officers

Exalted Ruler Alane Celli
Leading Knight Margaret Sipe
Loyal Knight Tamara Bickers
Lecturing Knight Debbie Cash

Lodge Secretary Nancy Guthrie, PER

Treasurer Julian Taliaferro, PSP, PER, PDDGER

Esquire J. B. Geer, PER, PDDGER

Tiler A. J. Miller
Chaplain Wayne Snyder
Inner Guard Kathy Hughes
Trustee Chair Dabney Carter
Trustee Donna Barbour
Trustee William Craddock

Trustee Bradley Lushbaugh, PER, PDDGER

Trustee Tom Payne, PER

March 2025

Lunch is served **every** Tuesday through Friday in the Canteen Noon–2:00 pm
Dinner Buffet served the **first** Thursday meeting at 6:00 pm for \$15
Dinner from the Menu ~ Friday 5—8 pm Submissions for the Piedmont Elk
are due by the10th of the month.

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