

FROM THE DESK OF THE EXALTED RULER

APRIL 2025

Welcome Spring! We have lots going on at the lodge, yes during renovations!

I am looking forward to serving another term as your ER for our lodge. Thank you for your vote of confidence and your support.

Our lodge officers were officially initiated at the lodge meeting held on March 6, 2025. Many of our members were there to witness the ceremony!

Congratulations and thank you to all those who will serve another term in their current positions, and to those officers who were elected to serve in a new chair position and also to those who are serving their very first year!

Our Social Activities committee has already planned several fun music events!

You won't want to miss these! Two have been scheduled for March and two for April. Information can be found in our newsletter, on Facebook and at the dining tables located in the ballroom area.

Remember also to check out the Doe's events on the last page of the bulletin!

Please be patient with the new ballroom surroundings, while we all adjust to our new style of food service, game playing and meeting room areas. Best efforts were put forth to make this transition as smooth as possible.

See you at the lodge.

Fraternally,
Alane Celli
Exalted Ruler



Elks Care - *Elks* Share

**151ST KENTUCKY DERBY
RUNNING OF THE ROSES****- May 3rd 2025 -****Come join Elks #389 for the big race!**

Doors Open 4 PM – 7 PM. There Will Be No Entry Fee.

\$10.00 To Eat, \$2.00 Domestic Beer.

Hat Contest: 3rd Place \$10, 2nd Place \$15, 1st Place \$25

Betting on the horses together with side games

Come out, enjoy the derby, and socialize
with your brothers and sisters!

Save The Dates!

April 2025

1st	Trustees 6 PM
3rd	Elk Meeting 7 PM Member Appreciation Night Dinner 6 PM*
4th	Dinner 5–8 PM*
5th	DD Clinic Richmond
9th	80's-90's Night (DJ): 7–10 PM (Food TBD)
10th	Bulletin Deadline
11th	Dinner 5–8PM*
15th	Trustees 6 PM
17th	Elk/Doe Meeting 7 PM Dinner 6 PM*
18th	Rededication Vietnam Memorial 11 AM Dinner 5–8 PM*
19th	Doe Club Easter Egg Hunt 11:30 AM
23rd	Bailey Hayes (Guitar Singer) 5–8 PM (Food TBD)
25th	Dinner 5–8 PM*
29th	Trustees 6 PM

May 2025

1st	Elk/Doe Meeting 7 PM Dinner 6 PM*
2nd	Dinner 5–8 PM*
3rd	Kentucky Derby Party 4–7 PM
9th	Dinner 5–8 PM*
10th	Bulletin Deadline
11th	Mother's Day Breakfast*
13th	Trustees 6 PM
15th	Elk Meeting 7 PM
16th	Dinner 5–8 PM*
23rd	Dinner 5–8 PM*
30th	Dinner 5–8 PM*

June 2025

1st	Flag Day Ceremony 2 PM
3rd	Trustees 6 PM
5th	Elk/Doe Meeting 7 PM Dinner 6 PM*
6th	Dinner 5–8 PM*
10th	Bulletin Deadline
13th	Dinner 5–8 PM*
13th	15th – Vea Conventiion Roanoke
15th	Doe Father's Day Breakfast*
17th	Trustees 6 PM
19th	Elk Meeting 7 PM
20th	Dinner 5–8 PM*
27th	Dinner 5–8 PM*
29th-7/2	Grand Lodge Conventiion Kansas City, MO

* **To Be Determined Due To Renovation**

CHEF'S CORNER

Renovations are now underway with all food served in the ballroom only. Reservations can no longer be accepted due to limited seating. All seating in the Ballroom will be first come first serve until renovations are completed.

LUNCH Ballroom:

Noon – 2pm, Tues. – Fri.

Daily special in addition to regular menu

Dinner Ballroom:

Friday Only, 5-8pm

Nightly specials with a limited menu during renovations

Upcoming Meals in April 2025

TBD

From time to time this kitchen may be closed during renovations. If you want to come for food, please call the lodge prior to make sure food is being served.

Friday night reservations are required

Lodge Hours

Saturday – Thursday: 12 noon – 7pm
Friday – 12 noon – 10pm

DATES MAY CHANGE
ALL DATES AND CALENDAR ARE SUBJECT TO
CHANGE UPON START OF RENOVATIONS

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

ELK OF THE MONTH



At the Lodge meeting on March 6, 2025, ER Alane Celli announced that the Elk of the Month for March, 2025 was John Hughes.. John was recognized by ER Celli for his tireless support and commitment to our lodge, one who is always willing to get things done

and for his outstanding work with the Holiday Food Basket Committee for the past 6 years. When you see John at the Lodge, please congratulate him on a JOB WELL DONE!!!

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.

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

Due to renovations, please see Chef's Corner regarding meals and reservations.

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PROPOSED MEMBERS

At our meeting on March 6, 2025 the following Applications for Reinstatement of membership were read on the floor, Francis Hunt proposed by Gerald Thomas and David Proctor, proposed by Dabney Carter. Both applications will be voted on by the membership at our meeting on March 20, 2025.

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.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

At the PER meeting night on March 6, 2025 the Officers for 2025-2026 were Installed:

Alane Celli Exalted Ruler, Leading Knight Tamara Bickers, Loyal Knight Debbie Cash, Lecturing Knight Devon Dean, Secretary Nancy Guthrie, Treasurer Julian Taliaferro, Esquire J.B. Geer, Chaplain Wayne Snyder, Tiler A.J. Miller, Inner Guard Kathy Hughes and 5 year Trustee R. S. Glass.

Thank you for agreeing to serve our Order this new year!

April Birthdays

01 Glass, Robert S
 02 Duprey, Preston J
 03 Johnson, Steven
 03 Lee, Jonathan R E
 04 Dean, Devon Denise
 04 Durham, Charles R
 05 Garcia, Risa P
 05 Gibson, Donald R
 05 Polson, Allan W
 05 Whyte, M O
 06 Shiflett, Kari
 07 Napier, James L
 07 Smith, Shannon R
 08 McKenzie, Paige P
 08 Woodson, Brittany Nicole
 10 Gibson, Gary
 10 Neofotis, Trudy
 11 Hale, Kenneth G
 11 Morgan, Teresa W
 11 Underwood, William R
 12 Letner, Carolyn A
 15 Londeree, George W
 15 Woodzell, Norris
 16 Birckhead, Linda L
 16 Hawkins, Phillip E
 20 Brunac, John J
 20 Carter, Dabney W
 20 Walker, Corey B
 22 Roberts, Betty Lee
 23 Heil, Steven L
 23 Miller, Carroll W
 23 Schoolcraft, Charles W
 24 Loeser, Warren C
 24 Mundy, Larry F
 25 Dickinson, Ricky
 26 Goolsby, Amy S
 27 Bishop, Robert L
 27 Bryant, Harry L
 27 Droney, Jennifer G
 28 Rosta, Terry D
 29 Danagher, Norman B
 29 Wood, Earl E
 30 Oliva, Michael J

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE FOLLOWING:

- Americanism Committee • Youth Camp • Scholarship •
- Virginia Elks Youth Camp Work Weekend (May 16-18) •

Please TEXT Linda Burgin at 609-827-7554

NOTES FROM THE TRUSTEES

There's much news to share. As many of you know, we have moved the bar into our temporary quarters – which is the front portion of the ballroom. Those who have visited seem to like the light and spacious feel – which is also what the new bar will offer. As part of the move, we are now offering Happy Hour from 4-6 pm every day, with \$2 domestic bottled, canned and draft beer. Come down, bring a friend (potential new member), and see what is happening.

By the time this reaches you, we should be well underway with the Remodeling Project. Construction was set to begin March 3, but due to some contractor issues and a delay in obtaining our Grand Lodge Permit, it has been pushed to March 17. Our contractor will use the week before to move needed materials and equipment on site. The schedule of Lodge closures and/or limited or no restaurant service is a fluid item. Due to dust, electric and sewer disruptions during construction we may not be able to offer full services, and unfortunately, we may not have much advanced notice. Check the Charlottesville Elks 389 Facebook page for updates and other information. Along these lines, also be aware that there will be certain times when the poolside handicap ramp and entrance may be unavailable for access. During those times, handicap entry can be through the ballroom doors. Martin-Horn has requested that members refrain from entering the construction area. Unauthorized entrance will disrupt construction activities and perhaps create a safety issue.

We are going to offer some entertainment on select Wednesday evenings, as in the past. One benefit of our temporary quarters will be the additional space we have available for the entertainers and members/guests. Kudos to Sara Thomas and her Entertainment Committee for their efforts on this. See a listing of dates and performers elsewhere in this Piedmont Elk.

The Trustees have decided that Pool use will be free again this year. Members are reminded that they must accompany their guests, and that they are responsible for their behavior. Last year, we had complaints about inappropriate and foul language, as well as trash being thrown over the fence, and glass in the pool area. We intend to monitor this matter, and violators may be asked to leave for the day and/or be referred to the House Committee for handling.

We still have a few TV sets which you can sponsor or dedicate "in memory of" someone. Only one name/plaque will be placed on each TV. Sponsorship costs \$500.

On a personal note, I have enjoyed serving as Trustee this past five years, and wish to thank my fellow Trustees, and all of you who supported and gave me suggestions - as well as complaints. We are an organization of almost 450 members, and everyone has a vote and opinion that should be shared and considered. This will be my last "Trustee's Notes", and I have appreciated the opportunity to share information on YOUR Lodge.

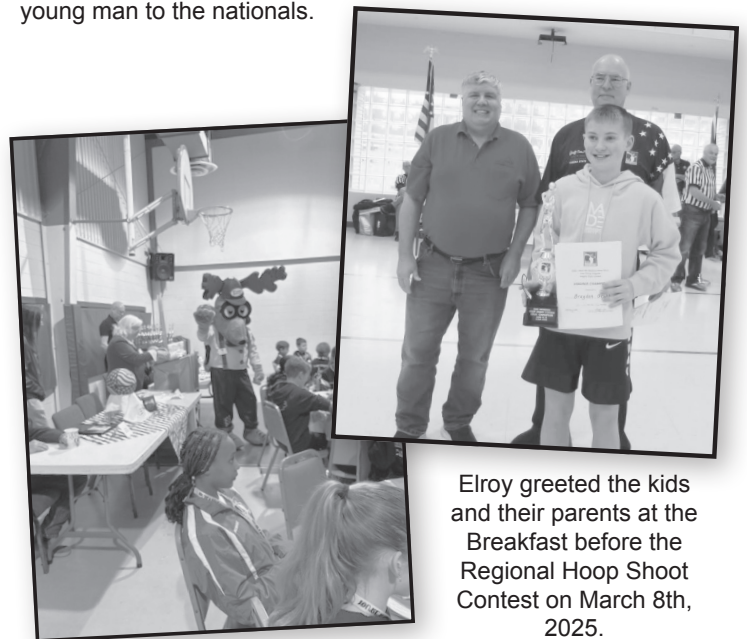
Brad Lushbaugh

NEW MEMBERS

On February 20, 2025 Charlottesville Elks #389 initiated 9 new members into our Order. Surrounding ER Alane Celli, but not in specific order are Stephenie Dean, Dana Moss, Diana Brooks, Mark Shifflett, Aaron Thomas, Tobin McCrillis, Jason Conrey, and Joe Patella. Not pictured is Jilian Hatch. If you see them in the Lodge please introduce yourself and welcome them.



Brayden, the young man below, is representing Lodge 389 in this year's hoop shoot. He has won our local event. He went to the district and also won the district. He then went to the state and won the state. He will be competing in the regionals on March 8. He is a very talented young man and we are so excited that he is representing 389. If he wins March 8, then we will be sending this young man to the nationals.



Elroy greeted the kids and their parents at the Breakfast before the Regional Hoop Shoot Contest on March 8th, 2025.

The Doe Club

Elks Auxiliary

2025-26 OFFICERS

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

SICK/VISITING

(February 7 - March 6)

Get Well cards sent to Sally Marshall and Delores Lushbaugh; *Thinking of You* card sent to Peggy Johnson (husband, Minor, in hospital)

DOE CLUB LUNCHEONS 2025

April 10

APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

4 Anne Bondurant
5 Pat Marshall, Brenda Neitz

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

3 Sherri Sullivan
8 Heather Parks
18 Kathleen Gragg
24 Jess Marshall
25 Becky Marshall
30 Alma Haar

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

April 10 – stuff Easter Eggs
(immediately following luncheon)
April 19 – Easter Egg Hunt

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 peanuts or peanut butter). 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

Invoices were mailed in late February for your \$25 dues now 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.

WELCOME NEW MEMBER

We'd like to welcome our new member, Brenda Neitz (husband, Robert). We look forward to working with Brenda this year!

THANK YOU...

...to the Nominating Committee for submitting the list of newly-elected officers for 2025-26!

The Doe Club

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Doe President's Letter

Dear Doe Sisters,

Happy Spring everyone!

Our March meeting was held Thursday March 6th. We installed new member, Brenda Neitz. Please make her feel welcome when you see her at the lodge. We look forward to having her in the club and working with her in our events.

Thank you to the Nominating Committee: Sally Marshall, Karen Wilson, Pat Duncan, Jane Riddle and Nita Carter.

Officers for 2025-2026 were installed by Past President Delores Lushbaugh:

President – Mary Sue Biskup

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Delores Lushbaugh was installed as Parliamentarian by President Mary Sue Biskup

The collection for the Food Bank was \$30 in February and \$50 was collected at the March meeting.

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

The April Luncheon is scheduled for April 10th. After lunch members will be stuffing easter eggs. We will need lots of candy, please bring them to the lodge starting April 1st. The Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Saturday April 19th. All ages 0-12 are welcome. Hunt starts promptly at 11:30 am. Pizza and drinks will be provided.

April's meeting is scheduled for April 17th.

Sincerely,

Mary Sue Biskup
President

Piedmont Elk

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Leading Knight	Margaret Sipe
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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

April 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 the 10th of the month.

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
		1 TRUSTEES 6 PM	2	3 Elk Meeting 6 PM* Member Appreciation Night Dinner 6 PM*	4 Dinner 5-8 PM*	5 DD Clinic Richmond
6	7	8	9 Canteen DJ 7-10PM	10	11 Dinner 5-8 PM*	12
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