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A WORD FROM THE EXALTED RULER

This fall seemed to start off a little slow but has turned out to be very productive for BA Elks. The Louise Davidson Golf Tournament raised over \$15,000 for cancer research; the Antlers donated \$2500 to the BAHS lunch program; our BA Riders collected a lot of toys and raised over \$8000 for more toys; and Halloween Trunk or Treat/Haunted Hayride was a huge success. Let's not forget those who helped with Maintenance Day so our Lodge can continue to look as good as it does. Thank you to all who came out and supported everything we do! Now, let's keep our charitable momentum going through the remainder of the year.

November is going to be a great month to come out and help your Lodge be successful.

We will have the Veterans Day Parade on the 2nd; the ENF Chili Cook Off on the 9th; Hoop Shoot and the OEMP Chicken or Beef contest on the 16th; and the Ladies Beer, Booze, & Brushes on the 17th. Broken Arrow Elks started the Veteran's Day parade in downtown Broken Arrow to honor those who have served our country so come out and show your love! The ENF Chili Cookoff is being held to raise money for Elks National Foundation which goes to scholarships, grants, Veterans, and many others. We can do so much more with the support this provides so cook up some chili and come compete. The OEMP Chicken and Beef contest raises money for Oklahoma Elks Major Projects. All this money stays within our state to help our youth and first responders. Cook up your best chicken or beef or both dishes and show our lodge what you got and help us raise money for another good cause. Then the Lady Elks Beer, Booze, and Brushes; who doesn't love to paint and sip a beverage at the same time, so come out and show your support.

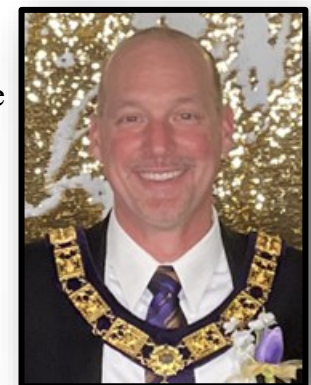
Don't forget our OK State Veterans Banquet on November 9th in Kingfisher. This is a great opportunity to show your support for our veterans on a state level.

The Lounge will be closed for Thanksgiving but will open up at 3:00 pm on Black Friday, so when you're bored or just want to get out of the house; come out and see us. Sorry Wacky Wednesday or Steak Night the week of Thanksgiving.

"We can't help everyone, but everyone can help someone" **Ronald Reagan**

Fraternally,

Joe Anderson
Exalted Ruler 2024-2025



Charity-Justice-Brotherly Love-Fidelity



Elk of the Month: RANDY SUTORUS

Let's congratulate Randy Sutorus as our Elk of the Month.

Randy was initiated into our order in February of 2018 by Michael Hubbard. Since then, Randy has helped out with numerous events, especially the car show. He has been there to help with Great Pretenders, cook nights, and other events that we host. Randy is always willing to help and you will find him jumping in when asked without hesitation. Other times, you will just look up and there he is lending a hand and helping out.

Randy loves to come up to the Lodge to just relax and enjoy the fellowship of the Elks. He enjoys sitting around watching football and is always willing to sit and carry on a conversation. So when you see Randy, congratulate him, thank him, and visit with him. Get to know Randy and you will learn he is willing to help whenever you need it.

Thanks for all you do Randy.



Officer Spotlight: DUKE OVERHOLT

Let me introduce your Lodge Inner Guard for this year, Duke Overholt. Duke was initiated in 2010, but he didn't get really involved till later. Duke is now involved in a multitude of Elk activities, including being the NE District Youth Chairman, Antler Chairman, and almost every committee within our Lodge. Duke has served as our Lodge youth chairman, Esquire, and Tiler previously, as well as being named the State Elk of the Year in 2021.

Duke is very passionate concerning our youth and was instrumental in establishing the state's first Antler program at our lodge. Since that time he has helped other Lodges in our state establish an Antler program. Duke is very busy on a local level and state level within the Elks, helping to promote and support the Elks.

When you get a moment and see Duke, since he is at the Lodge all the time willing to help, stop by and thank him for all his efforts and dedication to being an Elk.



Elks Care - **Elks** Share

~ Lady Elks ~

Hello Ladies!!

November is going to be a very busy month. November 2nd is the annual Veterans parade, so come show your support to our veterans and our Lodge. The following week brings Book Club on November 5th and PLP cook night on November 6th.

Get your favorite chili recipes out and join in on the ENF chili cookoff November 9th from 3-6pm. The competition will be super easy - cook your chili at home and bring in to be judged.

Bring your chicken and/or beef recipe and join in on the OEMP cookoff on November 16th from 5pm until 7pm. We had some great winners last year!!

Now since all the talk about food is over let's get together for Beer, Booze and Brushes on Sunday, November 17th 3-6pm. Come and join in to get some instructions on painting a Christmas picture, enjoying a refreshing beverage and a snack.

Next meeting November 21st at 7:30pm see you there!!!!

Upcoming dates to mark down: Elks Memorial Service ~ December 1st & Lady's Christmas party ~ December 7th

Nan Speaks
Lady Elk President 2024-2025

LADY ELK OF THE MONTH ... BRENDA HOLT

Retirement has brought this kind lady back into more active roles within the Lodge. Brenda stepped in as our Lady Elks Chaplin when the position became vacant. She loves to perform in Great Pretenders and is willing to help with any events within our Lodge. She also helps on officer cook night plus will step in on other cook night when needed.

Thanks for all you do!!! Enjoy your parking space.



VETERANS

October was a fairly slow month with very little activity. We conducted a Veterans/Medicare Benefits seminar on October 26th. The event was organized and conducted by Johnny Stamper. Thank you, Johnny, for a very informative program.

Our veterans cooked for Wacky Wednesday on October 16th to great success. Our next cook date is November 20th.

The annual Veterans Day parade will be on Saturday, November 2nd. I hope to see lots of veterans and supporters there. And, don't forget our annual Veterans Day celebration back at the Lodge after the parade for a free taco lunch and various celebrations for our veterans, including a 50-50 drawing, the annual dart contest and presentations for Veteran and Minute Man and Rosie of the Year awards.

The Oklahoma State Elks Association will conduct its annual Veterans Appreciation Banquet at the Kingfisher Elks Lodge #2416 on Saturday, November 9th. The dinner is free for veterans and spouse or \$20 for non-veterans. Doors open by 6pm with dinner at 7pm.

Once again, thanks to all for your support and for your continued support in the future.

VE-VO (Volunteer Early-Volunteer Often).

Larry Markaverich, Veteran Chairman

November Honorees:

JAMES PARSONS, JOHNNY STAMPER, VICKIE INMAN

Our Veteran of the Month is James Parsons, a USMC veteran. James volunteers for many projects around the Lodge and for our veterans. Please join me in a big thank you to James for his efforts around the Lodge and to thank him for his service.

Our Veteran Minute Man Supporter of the Month for October is Johnny Stamper. He volunteers for many projects and chaired the recent Veterans/Medicare information Q&A.

Our Veteran Supporter Rosie of the Month for October is Vickie Inman. Vickie volunteers for lots of activities around the lodge and in support of our veterans, primarily where she helps to prepare the supplies for Wacky Wednesday on the nights that our veterans cook. Thank you, Vickie, for all that you do.



"As long as there are veterans, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks will never forget them."

THANK YOU to all of our, Santa's Helpers, Poker Run Stops, and amazing volunteers! You guys made this another great year to be an ELK. Our final count of monies is \$8300!! All funds go towards the purchase of Christmas Presents, plus all the toys donated for the kids of Deployed Men and Women of Oklahoma. Chris Tharp, you once again out did yourself with the food provided that day! And we can never express enough how much this means to all, for your all-day slave in the kitchen.

Thank you to our ER, Joe Anderson and Mark "Sparky" Lee for being a good sport and letting Phillip Price and Nan Speaks throw those pies in your face! Monies were all raised for the children.

We are waiting on the list of kids in need this year with the hopes to have this by end of October and then let the shopping begin!

If anyone would like to volunteer for next years Toy Run, please keep an eye out for post on our page for the next meeting. This will be some-time in the Spring 2025.

Wendy Johnson
BA Elk Riders



NOVEMBER is Veterans Remembrance Month

So long as there are Veterans
the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks
will never forget them



GOD BLESS OUR VETERANS

THANK YOU
for
YOUR SERVICE



Elks Care - Elks Share



Top Left: BA Riders “Santa’s Elves”; **Top Center:** Joe Anderson receiving a pie in the face from Phillip Price; **Top Right:** Sparky getting a pie in the face from Nan Speaks; **Center :** Donations collected for the those in need in Tennessee; **Right:** James Parsons, traffic barrel; **Bottom:** Winning trunk during Trunk or Treat; **Center Left:** Veterans Q&A conversation.

BROKEN ARROW
 5th Annual
Broken Arrow Elks Lodge #2673
Veterans Day Parade
Saturday November 2nd, 2024
10am

Schedule for Saturday, November 2nd, 2024
 Parade Starts @ 10:00 AM / Lineup 9AM
 Route starts at Main and College St.
 proceeds South, then ends at the Community Center.

After Parade Activities @ the Broken Arrow Elks Lodge #2673
 Taco Bar Lunch followed by:
 Awards Ceremony, 50/50 Raffle
 10266 S 241st E Ave. Broken Arrow, OK 74034

To register please go to:
<https://form.jotform.com/baveteransparade/2024>
 Contact us: baveteransparade@gmail.com
 Visit us: <https://www.facebook.com/baveteransparade/>
 Or Call: 918-770-6662

CHILI COOK-OFF

FREE TO ENTER **\$10 TASTER KITS**

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9TH
KITS ON SALE @ 3:00PM

MONEY RAISED WILL GO TOWARD ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION

COMPETITORS WILL PREPARE CHILI AT HOME AND FINISH UP AT THE LODGE

CALL TIM HOLT FOR MORE INFORMATION (918) 671-6797

Broken Arrow Elks Lodge
Hoop Shoot
 Basketball free throw contest
Saturday, November 16th
 Location: Coweta High School Gymnasium
 14607 S. 305th E. Ave, Coweta

Open for boys and girls age 8-13
 Registration starts at 8:00am

- 8-9 year olds shoot from 9:00-10:00
- 10-11 year olds shoot from 10:00-11:00
- 12-13 year olds shoot from 11:00-12:00

Please arrive 30 minutes prior to shoot off times

Participants will shoot a total of 25 Free Throws
 Winners in each age group can advance to the District competition
FREE TO PARTICIPATE!!!!

Oklahoma Elks Major Projects

GROUND BEEF VS CHICKEN

COOKING COMPETITION
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16TH
5:00PM

Awards given to best 1-2 person team in each category.
 Taster kits for \$10!!!

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL MAUREEN ORTIZ 918 695-8704

Join the Lady Elks for
Beer, Booze, and Brushes
November 17, 3:00

\$20/ person
 11x14 canvas, paint and brushes supplied
 Heath Wilson will demonstrate proper technique to create this painting
 The lounge will be open to purchase refreshing beverages

Contact Cheryl 918-693-2290
 to reserve your canvas. Pre-payment required.



NOVEMBER Drink Specials

MELON BALLS
 Vodka, Melon Liqueur & Pineapple Juice
\$4.50

APEROL SPRITZ
 Aperol, Prosecco, Soda & Orange
\$6.00

Seasonal Beer
 MARSHALL DUNKEL LAGER
 SAM ADAMS OKTOBERFEST PAULANER HEFE WEIZEN

Ask about our **\$2.50 Beer Sale**
\$3.50 SHOTS
 RUMCHATA COCONUT RUMCHATA PINEAPPLE
 HOT DAMN CROWN WHISKEY SOUR

PLEASE DRINK RESPONSIBLY

RUB CANS \$2.00
 BATTLESHAKES \$3.00
 JELLO SHOTS \$1.00

ELK OFFICERS		
Exalted Ruler:	Joe Anderson	918 271-1473
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Treasurer:	Brett Burton	918 810-4863
Chaplain:	Tim Holt	918 671-6797
Esquire:	Billy Gates	918 269-7873
Inner Guard:	Duke Overholt	918 934-8834
Tiler:	Tom Luce	918 407-0431

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