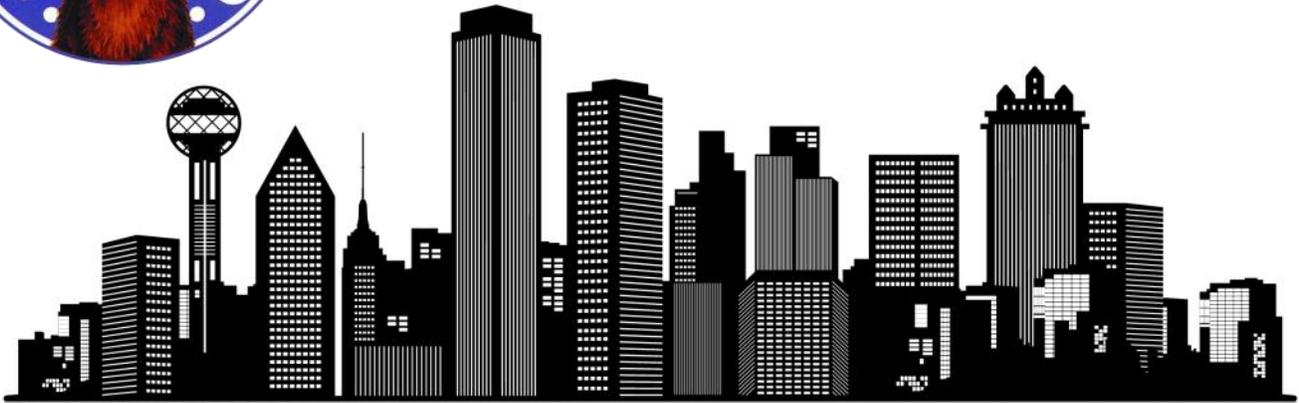


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Message from Exalted Ruler Steve Conway

I'd like to address some feedback I received concerning an email we sent out with the Dial My Calls message in which I stated, "Remember we are a lodge with a pool, not a pool with a lodge". Some people thought I was bashing the members that have joined the Lodge because of the pool but believe me, that was not the intent.

I joined the lodge for the pool 10 years ago, to lose weight and exercise without straining my knees. Over a few years, I saw the good things that were happening and learned about the programs being supported. At the same time, I saw that some decisions made and actions taken were not very positive toward pool members. That was one of the reasons I decided to get into leadership at the Lodge. I wanted to be involved with something BIGGER than myself. How can I unite the surrounding neighborhoods and make the Lodge a HUB for our community

In the last 5 years, we have started to do that. I have believed in asking two questions when making decisions, and I stress that to all the officers. First, how will it help the Lodge? and second, How will it affect the membership? Yes, we do need volunteers, and yes I do understand that with young children and busy schedules, that can be difficult at times .

If anyone took offense to what I wrote, I apologize. I just want you to understand that when summer is over and the pool is less active, you can still participate and help out. The Lodge needs your support. Send us suggestions for activities you think would engage people. I believe that every member is important! It's your Lodge, get involved where you can to make it better for everyone, and try doing a random act of kindness once a day. Hold a door for someone or help someone load groceries in their car. Watch the look of appreciation on their face and the thanks you get. Let's make our community a better place for everyone.

Esteemed Leading Knight—Jeff McHargue



September already? Where did the year go? Our Lodge is coming to life every day, but with the spikes in Covid cases, I urge each member to take care of yourselves. Wear your mask if you feel the need, use the hand sanitizers we have located throughout the Lodge, and do what you feel is best for you to stay healthy.

I want to put this out there as early as I can—on October 30th we are having a big Halloween party at the Lodge. There will be karaoke, a costume contest, and some other fun games for the adults in the ballroom and a party for our young crowd in the lounge. We will have a sound system set up so they can have music playing, and we may even have a movie on for them to watch. This is a party for the whole family, so come on out and enjoy our Lodge. Admission to the adults' party will be a \$10 donation to the Sweetheart program, and the kids' party will be hosted by our very own Robin Miller for \$10 per kid. See you at the Lodge

Esteemed Loyal Knight—Julie North



Wow, here's another school year in the making. We will continue to have events throughout the year, so be looking at the calendar. If you have any suggestions for new events, please let me know. You can call me at 214-802-5095. We will do our best to get them on the calendar.

Homecoming in Ottine is one of our major fundraisers for Kids Camp. If you get a chance, come down and help and see what all the hubbub is about. It's near Gonzales, about 70 miles east of San Antonio. We will have a BBQ cooking competition and a commando cooking challenge, where teams have timed dishes to prepare whatever is in the basket. Please stay safe, have patience, and live your life and love your life for today.



ELKS OF THE MONTH

My Elk of the Month for September is Tammy McHargue, who has stepped up to help me organize events and coordinate planning for fundraising. Great job Tammy.

My Officer of the month is Kim McDermott. Kim has shown dedication in her position as Lodge Secretary. And even having to travel so much and her other responsibilities as State First Lady, she's not missed a beat in keeping up with duties at 71. Great job, Kim.

—Steve Conway, ER

Sickness & Distress

Please keep these Elks in your thoughts and prayers:

- Tim Miller, who is recovering from pneumonia
- Tracy Settini, whose father took a fall and is in rehab.
- Bob and Julie North, who are going through some medical needs

Tell us about sickness and distress at bpoe71@dallaselks.org or 214-349-1971.



Remember, we ask each Lodge member to donate to three programs. That breaks as \$20 to Sweetheart fund, \$20 to Community Activities. and \$20 to ENF. You can make your donations online or the office or the bar when closing out your tab.

September Birthdays



1	Charles O'Reilly	17	Charles Bradford
2	Albert Berumen		Kenneth Jones
	Grant Wallin		Holly Potter
4	Paul Wagner	18	Mary Ann Teague
5	Jaclyn Davies	19	Mary Merendino
6	George Albin	20	Gary Buckner
	Christy Alfertig	21	John Wilson
7	Chester Manley		John Woodard
	Cecilia Reed	22	William Driggs
8	Bob Finch	23	Jodi Cozzolino
	Bonnie McShan Bryan		R.F. Gray
9	Rodger Warren		John Guerra
10	Pete Puckett	24	Sarah Evans
11	Albert Tyler	25	Gerald Fegette
12	Larra Keel		Bruce Richards
	Ned Shelton	26	Carolyn Heal
13	Judy Myers		Laurie Lambrecht
14	Crystal Bedsole	28	Brian Schupp
	David Hardt	29	Joshua Willis
16	James Brown		
	Raymond Steinhauer		

Kelly's Corner

The Elks have been around for many years, and lodges become the social center for so many people. A lot of times as the social center, we forget what the Elks are all about. In Texas, our major state project is the children's camp in the town of Ottine, TX. In a couple of weeks, Elks from all over the state are going to gather to celebrate our successes giving children with special needs a week of fun. Our camp's motto is "where having a difference doesn't make a difference." I would encourage anyone who would like to see what we actually do to attend the homecoming September 18. It will be an eye-opening experience to see the history of what the Elks have done for children in our great state. Contact Kim McDermott, Steve Conway, or any of the many members who are posting about our Sweetheart program to learn how to get involved in a few weeks. Homecoming has golf tournaments, cooking challenges, auctions, raffles, and many other activities. Come down and join us and be part of the fun.

—Kelly McDermott

HOMECOMING

♥♥♥♥ SEPTEMBER 17 - 18, 2021 ♥♥♥♥

TEXAS ELKS CARING AND SHARING FOR 75 YEARS!
ATTEND HOMECOMING AND HELP US CELEBRATE!

COOK-OFF ■ GOLF TOURNEY ■ TRIPLE C CHALLENGE ■ AUCTIONS ■ RAFFLES ■ TRAP SHOOT

TEXAS ELKS CAMP ♥ GONZALES, TX



TEXAS ELKS
Fall Conference
OCTOBER 29 - 31, 2021
MARRIOTT QUORUM IN ADDISON

Register online at texaselks.org



(Top) Dallas 71 members and officers represented us at the Elks National Convention in Tampa. (Bottom) N. District members modeled their Elks polo shirts at Interlodge in August. Dallas 71's color is purple. Contact Russell Scott if you'd like to order a shirt.

We're looking to start a second bingo game on Sundays to help our charities, and we need a few people willing to volunteer one or more times each month. The hours for volunteers would be 2:15-5:30. High-school kids are welcome to help with picking up used game cards and sanitizing tables afterwards.

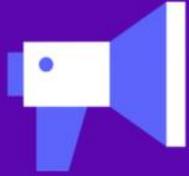
Feel free to contact me at amystpeter@yahoo.com if you are interested in helping out. We couldn't pull off bingo without our volunteers!



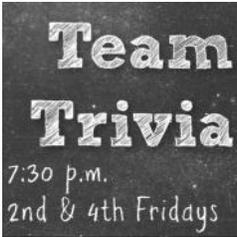
—Amy St. Peter,
Bingo Coordinator



Dallas Elks showed how they roll at the Bowling Extravaganza, a 71 PER event benefiting our pool fund.



Dallas Elks Lodge 71 September 2021 Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p style="text-align: center;">All events are subject to change. Check our Facebook page or call the Lodge for the most current info.</p>			1	2	3	4
			<p>Bridge: 9 a.m. *****</p> <p>FEED LAKE HIGHLANDS 12:30–6:30 p.m. shifts</p> <p>Bar opens 5 p.m. Acting Class—Ballroom 6 p.m.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <p>DINNER 6:00–7:30 \$8/\$4 KIDS</p> </div>	<p>Bar opens 5 p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">BINGO 7 p.m.</p>	<p>Bridge: 9 a.m. *****</p> <p>Bar opens 5 p.m.</p> <p>Low-Stakes Hold'Em 7:30 p.m.</p> 	<p>Bar opens 1 p.m.</p> <p>Woodworking 1 p.m.</p> <p>Bar opens 1 p.m.</p>
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
<p>Bar opens 1 p.m.</p> 	<p>71 Steppers: 9 a.m. Bridge: 9 a.m. *****</p> <p>Bar opens 5 p.m. Boy Scouts 7 p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">HAPPY LABOR DAY</p> 	<p>Bar opens 5 p.m.</p> <p>BOARD OF DIRECTORS 6:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Bridge: 9 a.m. *****</p> <p>FEED LAKE HIGHLANDS 12:30–6:30 p.m. shifts</p> <p>Bar opens 5 p.m. Acting Class—Ballroom 6 p.m.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <p>DINNER 6:00–7:30 \$8/\$4 KIDS</p> </div>	<p>Bar opens 5 p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">BINGO 7 p.m.</p>	<p>Bridge: 9 a.m. *****</p> <p>Bar opens 5 p.m.</p>  <p>Team trivia 7:30 p.m. Babysitting available</p>	<p>Monthly Breakfast 8:30 a.m.</p> <p>Bar opens 1 p.m. Ballroom Rental 4 p.m.</p> 

12	13	14	15	16	17	18
<p>Bar opens 1 p.m. YMSL 4 p.m.</p>	<p>71 Steppers: 9 a.m. Bridge: 9 a.m. *****</p> <p>Bar opens 5 p.m. Boy Scouts 7 p.m.</p>	<p>Bar opens 5 p.m.</p> <p>LODGE MEETING 7:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Bridge: 9 a.m. *****</p> <p>FEED LAKE HIGHLANDS 12:30–6:30 p.m. shifts</p> <p>Bar opens 5 p.m. Acting Class—Ballroom 6 p.m.</p> <p>DINNER 6:00–7:30 \$8/\$4 KIDS</p>	<p>Bar opens 5 p.m.</p> <p>BINGO 7 p.m.</p>	<p>HOMECOMING-OTTINE, TX Bridge: 9 a.m. *****</p> <p>Bar opens 5 p.m.</p> 	<p>HOMECOMING-OTTINE, TX Dallas Gourd Group 9 a.m.</p> <p>Bar opens 1 p.m.</p> <p>Ballroom Rental Lounge Rental</p>
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
<p>HOMECOMING-OTTINE, TX Bar opens 1 p.m.</p>	<p>71 Steppers: 9 a.m. Bridge: 9 a.m. *****</p> <p>Bar opens 5 p.m. Boy Scouts 7 p.m.</p>	<p>Bar opens 5 p.m.</p> <p>Conference Room Rental 7:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Bridge: 9 a.m. *****</p> <p>FEED LAKE HIGHLANDS 12:30–6:30 p.m. shifts</p> <p>Bar opens 5 p.m. Acting Class—Ballroom 6 p.m.</p> <p>DINNER 6:00–7:30 \$8/\$4 KIDS</p>	<p>Nimble Thimbles 9 a.m.</p> <p>Bar opens 5 p.m.</p> <p>BINGO 7 p.m.</p>	<p>Bridge: 9 a.m. Bar opens 5 p.m.</p>  <p>Trivia 7:30 p.m.</p>	<p>LHHS Cross Country Event 6 a.m.</p> <p>Bar opens 1 p.m.</p>
26	27	28	29	30		
<p>Bar opens 1 p.m.</p>	<p>71 Steppers: 9 a.m. Bridge: 9 a.m. *****</p> <p>Bar opens 5 p.m. Boy Scouts 7 p.m.</p> <p>House Committee 7 p.m.</p>	<p>District DD, VP, Auditor, Esquire visit 4 p.m.</p> <p>Bar opens 5 p.m.</p> <p>LODGE MEETING 7:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Bridge: 9 a.m. *****</p> <p>Bar opens 5 p.m. Acting Class—Ballroom 6 p.m.</p> <p>DINNER 6:00–7:30 \$8/\$4 KIDS</p>	<p>Bar opens 5 p.m.</p> <p>BINGO 7 p.m.</p>		

Membership Update

September 2021

Current active members: **542**

Candidates: **14**

Delinquent members: **78**



A big welcome to our newest Elks! We initiated 10 members in August.

From Tracy Settimi, Chaplain & Membership Chair



Membership message

Membership- Hey folks—great job!! Keep up the good work! I'm so proud of our Lodge and how far we have come!

I ask that you keep inviting people to the Lodge. Find a new member and plug them in somewhere. Invite them to events and make them feel welcome. Tell them what you do and how you volunteer!! Everyone wants to feel welcomed and involved! Let's make it happen!

Chaplain's message

What a crazy world we are living in. Please keep our armed service men and women and their families in your prayers. Stay safe out there... Be vigilant! Always remember that I am here to sit with you, talk with you or pray with you. Please let me know if someone needs me to call them or pray with them. You are my eyes and ears out there!

I appreciate every one of you and look forward to helping you in any way I can. Blessings today and always!

Sweetheart Committee Volunteers Needed!

This year our Lodge has adopted a committee to handle sweetheart duties. Feel free to come to any of us to suggest a way to raise money or if there's something you'd like to volunteer to help with.

In this edition of our Elks Press, I'd like to introduce you to your committee: Tammy McHargue, Jeff McHargue, Tracy Settimi, Bonnie Buttolph, Steve Conway, Kim McDermott, Mindy Rowland-Hess, Shane Kennett, Russell Scott, Chris Bradley and Robin Weiss.

Here are some events we have coming up: glow-in-the-dark swim party, homecoming in Ottine, fundraiser dinner at Taco Joint, ice cream sundae Sunday, t-shirts, dances, raffle baskets, basketball shoot out, costume karaoke party, and a poker run. And this is just in the next two months! We have tons planned, and we're going to need volunteers and people to attend the events.

Watch our Facebook page for details about these events. It's going to be an exciting year! We hope to have our Lodge back us up and help raise much-needed funds for our special needs kids!

—Tammy McHargue, Sweetheart Committee



Elk someone today! Contact Tammy McHargue or a member of the Sweetheart Committee to learn how.



Feed Lake Highlands

Sayonara, summer! As kids return to school, so do many of our Feed Lake Highlands helpers. Youth groups, students looking for volunteer hours, college kids who've returned home for their break ... these groups offer many hands of help during the summer. But as they rejoin their studies, we often find ourselves short-handed at the food pantry. We'd love to have you work a shift!

So far this month, we've helped 137 families— 497 neighbors—with food, fresh produce, school supplies, and paper products. If you haven't experienced the grateful smile of a family in need, you're missing out! There are lots of ways to pitch in. We are now serving on the first four Wednesdays of every month, and FeedLH needs help unloading groceries after our food pantry pickups. The Lodge hopes to host a dedicated food drive soon, so please watch this space for details. And we'll offer coloring in the sitter room during trivia, in support of the Kairos Prison Ministry.

Remember, you can help by volunteering for a Wednesday shift, making a donation on the FeedLH website, dropping goods at the New Room on Tuesdays, or placing them in the donation box here at the Lodge. If you opt for Lodge drop-off, please give me a heads-up, so that I can collect and deliver your items in a timely manner. And if you've volunteered or donated this month, THANK YOU for blessing others with your time, your talents, and your support. For more information, or to sign up for a shift, please reach out to me. Thank you, Dallas #71, for lifting up our community with brotherly love and charity.

—Ashley Miller, Community Activities Chair

Youth Activities

In September we sponsor the LHHS Cross Country Invitational and help man stations around the route. The race is on September 25, 7:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. If you can help, please contact Steve Conway. It's great for the kids to come out and help, and it's a good way to support our Lodge and the community around us.

—Steve Conway, E.R.



Our ENF donations are up to \$7.58 per member. We increased our average donation last month by \$1.02 per person. If everyone does their share, we can be well over our \$20 per-person goal for the year. We ranked 43 out of 58 lodges in Texas last year, and I know we can improve our ranking.

Also, remember that if you're an Elk in good standing, your child is eligible for a scholarship up to \$4,000 (the Legacy Scholarship).

Go to dallaselks.org to make your donation, or donate next time you're at the bar. The Lodge's charities benefit from grants provided by Grand Lodge ENF. Last year, we received \$7,500.00 in grants. Please make your donation today.

—Steve Conway, E.R.

SWEETHEART GOLF TOURNEY
NOV 13

Save the Date

BEAR CREEK GOLF COURSE
BENEFITTING THE TX ELKS CAMP

TIME: TBD BUT IN THE MORNING. PROBABLY 8AM

ENTRY FEE: \$95. INCLUDES GOLF, CART, AND LUNCH
THE COURSE GETS \$70. WE KEEP \$25 FOR SWEETHEARTS

FLAGSHIP: \$2500 - TOURNAMENT SPONSOR. OR CO-SPONSOR. TOP BANNER ON WEB PAGE AND FLYERS. INCLUDES 8 GOLFERS

PLATINUM: \$1000 - NAME & LOGO ON WEB PAGE AND FLYERS. AND JUMBO SIGNAGE (36" W X 24" H) AT A TEE BOX. FIRST COME FIRST CHOICE. INCLUDES 4 GOLFERS

GOLD: \$500 - NAME & LOGO ON WEB PAGE AND FLYERS. AND STANDARD SIGNAGE (24" W X 18" H) AT A TEE BOX. INCLUDES 1 GOLFER

SILVER: \$250 - NAME & LOG ON WEB PAGE, FLYERS AND BANNERS, AND ECONOMY SIGNAGE (18" W X 12" H) AT A TEE BOX

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LABOR DAY WEEKEND

POOL PARTY

Sunday, September 5 **1-5 p.m.**

BURGERS & HOT DOGS • DRINK SPECIALS



Sundae Sunday!

\$3 a bowl
self-serve toppings

Proceeds go to our
Sweetheart fund, benefiting
Texas Elks Camp



Glow in the Dark

POOL PARTY

SAT SEPT 11

6:30 - 9 PM



**\$10/child; includes pizza, cold drink,
popsicle, glowstick**

Adults can purchase pizza \$3/slice

Bar will be open

No drop offs (parents need to be on site)

Cash at the door or pay by credit card at the bar

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BINGO

EVERY THURSDAY
DALLAS ELKS LODGE 

Gameplay
Starts

7PM

DOORS OPEN AT 6PM

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FOOD & FULL BAR

NON SMOKING

FAMILY FRIENDLY

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Dance it up Friday Night

September 17th

DJ - KM Keith McCulloch

8pm-12am

BABYSITTING AVAILABLE



\$10 per person
\$15 per couple

DALLAS ELKS 71

OKTOBERFEST



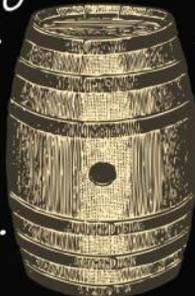
FOOD :: BEER :: TRIVIA

Food @ 6 p.m. Trivia @ 7:30 p.m.

babysitting available for trivia



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SEPT. 24



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6 P.M.
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BINGO

Thursdays at 7 p.m.

TRIVIA

Sept. 10 and 24 at 7:30 p.m.

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