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Message from Exalted Ruler Steve Conway



HAPPY NEW YEAR, as we start this year as we ended last year. COVID is still here, but at least we can slowly see things changing now that a vaccine is out more is coming. The predictions that I have heard say that by mid-summer, 80% of the population should be vaccinated. With that being said, everyone will still need to do whatever it takes to be safe. As the new year goes on, we are working on outdoor activities

to do around the Lodge. We have a movie screen that can be set up in the parking lot to watch movies or do trivia and anything else we can think of. Watch the February Elks Press for updates on the pool status. Let's have a great new year as best we can. And remember, sanitize, sanitize, sanitize.

Stay safe, everyone.

Esteemed Leading Knight—Jeff McHargue



We finally made it to 2021—nobody touch anything, and hopefully this year will be a better year for all of us.

I hope everyone had a safe and merry Christmas.

With the ringing in of the new year, our Lodge is still moving forward with plans to improve our outdoor pool area. We have the outdoor movie screen up and working, so keep your eyes on our Facebook

page to see what's coming up.

Esteemed Loyal Knight—Julie North



Happy New Year and stay safe!!! Let's thank our officers and volunteers, because they keep our Lodge running smoothly in this crazy world. 2021 will be a better year. It may not be looking that way right now, but in a couple of months things will settle down.

Bob and I had a blast doing drive-by Santa. This is what it's all about—members supporting our events. Hopefully, we can get back to opening the Lodge with more events soon. I want to thank Tammy and Jeff for all

they do behind the scenes. Jeff does a tremendous amount at our Lodge, so if you see him and Tammy please shout out a big thanks. We all know Steve Kennedy has kept the Lodge looking great outside and is a great cook in the kitchen. Thank you, Steve, for everything. Our ER Steve Conway is always a dedicated volunteer and keeps the Lodge running. Larra, you have done an awesome job on the newsletter. Let us make 2021 fun again at our Lodge.

Please stay safe, have patience, and live your life and love your life for today.

Esteemed Lecturing Knight — Steve Kennedy



We made it through another Christmas, and no matter what the future brings, 2020 will go down in infamy. Lodge 71 has proved we can take our knocks and still move forward in a positive way.

2021 harkens as a year of improvement, yet to be. Lodge improvements are on the horizon, and they'll encourage our membership to grow. Stay positive and remember that a little

Brotherly Love goes a long way.





The McHargues and the Norths

A big thank you goes out to Jeff and Tammy McHargue and Bob and Julie North for their efforts in putting together the Drive-by Santa event in December. Great job!

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Robert Feil

Patricia Laskowski

Aren Morris

Josh Yingling

12 Hugh Wallace

Ann Tate

Ann went out and purchased 20 chickens for 20 families at Feed Lake Highlands. A big Elkdom thank you goes out to Ann and her family for their contribution. you

Groceries at Feed Lake Highlands, bagged and ready to go.

Sickness & Distress

Please keep the following Elks in your thoughts and prayers:

- ♥ Loree Jackson had a medical procedure and is doing well.
- ♥ Jaime Garner had another procedure on his back and is recovering well
- ♥ Steve Conway is being treated for throat cancer.
- ♥ Bonnie Buttolph is being treated for skin tumors.
- ♥ Alan Everts is on the mend.
- **♥** Tony Kickirllo is recovering from his treatment.

Email the office at <u>bpoe71@dallaselks.org</u> or call 214-349-1971 if you have information about an ailing member.

Membership Update

January 2021

Current active members: 479

Candidates: 2

Delinquent Members: 88



January Birthdays



1	Allen Scott	Ronald Reeves
	Michael Snyder	James Webb

- **Ray Gomez** 16 Gerald Orr Jennifer Parr Callie Sewell
- 20 Andrea Cook Vernon White **Eric Jenkins Richard Duncan**
- **Christian Dotson** 21 Nathan Fitzgerald **Johnnie Denison Joyce Morris**
- 23 Dennis Adkins **Jay Rutherford Melissa Crow Peter Irestone Alan Hamilton** John Keel Sacha Troxler **Chuck Berry**
- 24 Shirley G. Selman Kees **Gaylene Bright**
 - 26 James Hutchinson
- John Rudebeck 27 Phillip Dunnet **John Faris Betty Killion Dorothy Finch** Jennifer Kilpatrick
 - 28 Charles Brice
 - 29 Chelsea Dixon **Matthew Gilpin Heather Morris**

30 Katie Mellus

13 Charles Birchfield **Paul Brewer Don Robinson** 15 Nicolaus Jantzen **Chad Swank** 31 Katherine Noll Donna O'Reilly

To ensure the safety of our members and guests, Bingo is on hold for now.

We're working to resume our weekly Bingo games as soon as safely possible. Watch Facebook for updates (and tell your friends)!





January 2021 Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
All events are subject to change. Check our Facebook page or call the Lodge for updates.					Bar opens 5 p.m.	Bar opens 1 p.m. Ballroom rental 5 – 10 p.m.
Bar opens 1 p.m.	Bridge: 10 a.m. ****** Bar opens 5 p.m. Boy Scouts 7 p.m. Dallas Elks 71 MONDAY JAM SESSIONS BRING YOUR INSTRUMENT OR JUST ENJOY THE SHOW! FROM 6 GRINK SPECIALS STARTS AT 7PM	Bridge: 10 a.m. ****** Bar opens 5 p.m. BOARD OF DIRECTORS 6:30 p.m.	Bridge: 10 a.m. **** FEED LAKE HIGHLANDS 12:30—6:30 p.m. shifts Bar opens 5 p.m.	Bar opens 5 p.m.	Bar opens 5 p.m.	Woodworking 1 p.m. Bar opens 1 p.m.

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Ballroom Rental 9 a.m.—3 p.m. Bar opens 1 p.m.	Bridge: 10 a.m. ****** Bar opens 5 p.m. Boy Scouts 7 p.m. Dallas Elks 71 MONDAY JAM SESSIONS BRING YOUR INSTRUMENT OR JUST ENJOY THE SHOW! FOOD 8 DRINK SPECIALS STARTS AT 7PM	Bridge: 10 a.m. ****** Bar opens 5 p.m. LODGE MEETING 7:30 p.m.	Bridge: 10 a.m. **** Bar opens 5 p.m	Bar opens 5 p.m.	Bar opens 5 p.m.	Dallas Gourd Patch 9 a.m. ******* Bar opens 1 p.m.
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Feed Lake Highlands

Christmas is a time for giving and reflection, and what better way to recognize how blessed we are than to spend a day in service of others? The holidays are a very busy time for our community partner, Feed Lake Highlands, and this year we served more local families than ever because of the pandemic. Elks #71 helps by providing food, volunteer hours, and warm scarves and hats to needy neighbors. We saw many friendly faces for our last service of 2020 and were able to supply each family with groceries and a sense of hope for the holidays. I'm proud to be a part of this outreach effort, and I thank each of you for making it possible.

Finally, I'd like to extend a big 'thank you' to two very special fellow Elks. Ann Tate donated cases of frozen chickens for our Christmas service on December 16. Several families were able to enjoy a hearty meal because of her generosity. And Amy St. Peter is my steadfast volunteer, tirelessly working weekly shifts to distribute food to our program members. Thank you, ladies, for exemplifying the Elk tenets of brotherly love and charity.

Join us in serving your community in the new year.

National

Right now, our member average in donations is up to \$5.21. We've made good progress but still hope to reach our goal of \$20 per member. You can still buy Dallas 71 face masks as part of our ENF fundraiser. For a \$10 donation, you'll get a Foundation cloth face mask with our logo and adjustable ear loops, and you'll be hallway to your \$20 donation. If you pay

online at dallaselks.org, please make a copy of your transaction to collect your mask. Our Lodge's charities benefit from grants provided by Grand Lodge ENF.



The reminder bracelets are back. The "Choose to Make Good Choices" campaign encompasses all aspects of growing up, including saying no to drugs, anti-bullying, ending hate. Bracelets are available in the lounge for \$1 each. Try it, it might be the start of something big that starts right here.

I'm more than happy to donate to classrooms for the kids in school. If you want to donate to this program, specify Drug Awareness on your donation.

-Steve Conway, E.R.

-Ashley Miller, Community Activities Chair

Shane Kennett—Esquire and Sweetheart



Sweetheart's message

WELCOME TO 2021! Dallas 71 will be gettin' it DONE in 21! To kick things off, we'll host a Super Bowl party on Feb.7, which will include a Texas Hold 'Em tournament. There's a \$50 entry fee, with on-time bonus, 2X rebuys, add-on, and donation chip bonuses available. Register by Feb. 4 for chip bonus. For more information or to register, contact Mark Hensel at mchensel@gmail.com or 972-814-4655 and prepay by Venmo, PayPal, etc.

The tournament starts at 3 p.m., with COVID-19 rules in effect (masks at all times and frequent sanitizing).

We will also have a mega cash raffle for \$5 a ticket. Contact Shane Kennett at mshanekennett@gmail.com or 214-629-8101 for more information. Finally, we are hoping to have a BBQ competition: Grill your meat on Saturday at home and bring it to the Lodge for the competition. Contact Shane if you are interested, and watch our Facebook page for updates.



TO OUR ABSENT MEMBERS

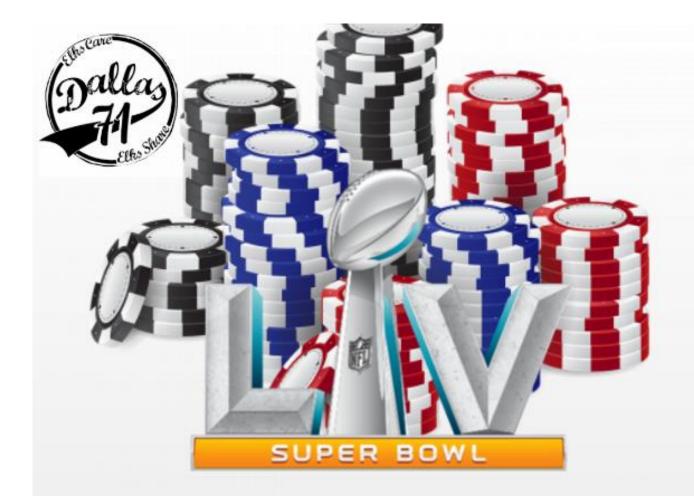
"They have passed through the valley of the shadows, into the sunlight of eternal morning, the place that have known them no more, but upon our tablets of love and memory, their names shall endure forever."

Date of birth: April 22, 1937 | Initiation date: March 26, 1991 | Date of death: January 1, 2020

Herman Roesler

Date of birth: August 2, 1923 | Initiation date: September 28, 1982 | Date of death: February 20, 2020

We apologize that we had to cancel our annual memorial service because of the increase in COVID-19 cases. We will honor these members formally at our next scheduled memorial service on Dec. 4, 2021, at 2 p.m.



TEXAS HOLD'EM

★ TOURNAMENT ★

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