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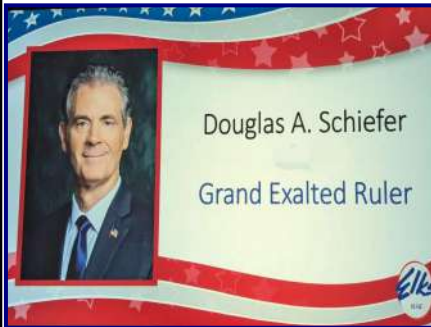
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"Volunteers Make It Happen"

New Grand Lodge Officers Installed



Douglas A. Schiefer
Grand Exalted Ruler

At the Grand Lodge Convention in Austin, TX Jul '24, Douglas Schiefer was installed as the Elks Grand Exalted Ruler.

Kerrville's ER Mike Adams with the new Southwest District Grand Exalted Ruler, Craig Melms, of San Antonio Lodge # 216



New Leading Knight

Kerrville Elks #2081 now has a full complement of Officers! Member Jeff Bowman stepped up and was elected/installed as the Esteemed Leading Knight. Jeff is also a member of the House & Maintenance committees. Welcome Jeff!



Recognizing our Members



Rick Trzcinski and others were recognized as Elk of the Quarter in July. Others, not pictured, recognized were Jeff Bowman, Brad Rider, Dana Adams, Wayne Argence and Bridget Dale.



In July, Jim Dudley, Lisa Allen and Virgil Allen were Initiated into our lodge. Welcome to the 2081!

GER Membership Pin Awards

Recipients Bridget Dale, Jeff Bowman, Dana Adams, and Ashley Caliendo received this special Grand Lodge pin for sponsoring at least 3 new members during the 2023-2024 Elk Lodge Year. Congratulations!

MEMBERSHIP MATTERS!



Lodge Scholarships

The lodge awarded two local students with \$3000 scholarships. Mileidy Araiza, Harper High School, will attend

Angelo State and work towards Dental Hygiene. Joshua Lara, Tivy High School, will attend Texas A & M and work towards going to Medical School.

From The ER Podium Notes from Your Secretary



Greetings fellow Elks,
 Goodness gracious its August, just wow! School will be starting in a few weeks but also means football is right around the corner. I would like to thank George Moore, Brad Rider and everybody else who stepped in to

help lead the lodge meetings while I was at the State Convention and attending to a family crisis. The National convention was an exciting time as we voted in our New Grand Exalted Ruler Doug Schiefer from Ohio. We also have a new District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler for our district in Craig Melms. Mr. Melms was a past Exalted Ruler here at the Kerrville lodge. Mr. Ron Holm has completed his tour of duty. Ron, thank you for your guidance and confidence in me these last few months.

In August, we will hit the ground running, August 2nd & 3rd is the Kerrville Business Expo. We have secured a booth and have a great opportunity for us to showcase the ELKS, what we do, and pick up a few new members. If you can, come out and work the booth with us or just say "HI!". Also, on August 3rd and the 10th is the fabulous program run by Herb Grubbs, "Shoes for Kids". Both days are from 9-12 at the Shoe Dept.

We have a new member of the team Jeff Bowman who has stepped up to take the position of Leading Knight, congratulations Jeff! You are going to be an outstanding officer. I need to mention our gun raffle. Tickets are still available and can be purchased at the bar from Ashley. Please consider signing up and help us sell tickets and meet the people of our great community. The raffle drawing will be held SEPT 4th.

Fraternally,

Mike Adams

Exalted Ruler



Notes from Your Secretary

By: Kathy Rider

Membership Statistics as of
 22 July 2024

Current Membership Total: 294
 Candidates in waiting: 0
 Delinquent Members: 31

Proposed for Membership:

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Balloting: Jim Dudley, Lisa Allen and Virgil Allen were balloted and approved for membership

Initiation: Jim Dudley, Lisa Allen and Virgil Allen were initiated

Leading Knight Jeff Bowman was installed in July.

Friendly reminder Lodge Business hours are every Tuesday from 9:00A.M. – Noon. Please notify the Secretary's Office of any address or phone number changes. It will save your lodge money on postage for returned mail!

Committee Chairpersons are reminded that committee reports are to be submitted to the Lodge Secretary, in writing, immediately after the presentation of this information during Regular Lodge Meetings. This policy is also true for those Members wishing to introduce New Business or Good of the Order items on the floor of the Lodge.)



VA Bingo!

July 2nd Elk volunteers Ron Holm, Barbara Zwald, Frank Bertagnolli, Bekki & Jimmy Hutto, Barbara Webber and (photo by)

Janice Seiler assisted 21 Kerrville VA Hospital patients play Bingo. JOIN US EVERY 1st Tuesday of the month to continue this monthly Veterans' bingo sponsored by Kerrville Elks Lodge.

Elks Care - Elks Share

House Committee Report



The House Committee is pleased to report that the Lounge and Kitchen Financials are continuing to look good.

The House Committee has had a few members step off the committee. We are seeking 2 more members to help manage the social quarters. Please contact Mike or Dana Adams if interested. We appreciate your continued support. We welcome Neal Ward to the team!

We have a another full Friday night dinner schedule this month. The first member to contact Dana, after reading this article, will win a free Friday night dinner. Thanks to the House Committee members & PERs for stepping up to host these dinners.

If you are a Lodge Committee and would like to make money for your committee (Veterans, Scholarships, Youth, Sweetheart, etc), hosting a Friday night dinner is a great way to do that! Let us know when you want to be scheduled. We also need help on Wednesdays in the kitchen and burger cooking. It is an enjoyable few hours to volunteer your time.

The next meeting is 8 August at 5:30pm. All are welcome to attend!



Leading Knight—Dr Sara Jackson Scholarship Update

Believe it or not, the new school year is right around the corner, and fund raising will begin for the scholarships from our lodge for the 2024-2025 school year. This year Elks Lodge 2081 has been able to award two scholarships of \$3000 each to two graduating seniors in Kerr County. I want to thank the members who so generously contributed to our King of Hearts fund-raising efforts. This would not have been possible without your continuous support!

The response for the various Elks scholarships this year was a bit disappointing, and we will need your help this coming Fall to make sure we get the word out about the Most Valuable Student scholarships. These are four-year scholarships, and the competition is national. The Texas Elks Scholarship applications are due in the Spring. The deadlines as well as the applications are available online and information about all scholarships will be posted at the lodge.

For those of you who have grandchildren who will be graduating from high school in 2025, please encourage them to apply for the Legacy scholarships. The competition for these is open only to those who are related to Elks members. I will be reminding you about all the scholarships as the deadlines approach. Please let me know if you have questions or want additional information.

LODGE #2081, YOU DID IT AGAIN!!

Once again, Kerrville Lodge 2081 was awarded 1st place, in Texas Division I, and 1st place nationally in Division III for the ENF Chairman's Challenge! Thanks to all who donate to the Elks National Foundation to keep Kerrville on top!



Elks National Foundation Report

The month of August is Fidelity Club Month and in recognition of those who are already members we Appreciate You and Thank You. These Elk Members make an automatic donation every month or once a quarter to help support the many activities of the Elks Community Projects. These projects include Grants, Scholarships, Hoop Shoot and Veterans Services Programs to name only a few. Also included is a very generous donation from the Elks National Foundation to the Texas State Project, the Children's Camp at Ottine.

To find out more about the Fidelity Program and how to participate go to www.elks.org and click the donate button. In addition to those who make one-time donations which are appreciated, we currently have 17 Lodge Members in the Fidelity Club which include:

Dana Adams	Michael Adams	Ron Ballard
Dr. Pam Clark	Ron Holm	Jimmy Hutto
Dr. Sara Jackson	Bill Morgenstern	Marvin Marrow
Brad Rider	Terry Schultz	Kirk Storey
Brian Ward	Barbara Webber	Norma Wickenhauser
Connie Wisniewski	Barbara Zwald	

In July we received great news, the Kerrville Elks Lodge has been awarded a Beacon Grant of \$6,000 to support our Shoes for Kids Program. This adds to the \$1,000 we received for the Veteran's Freedom Grant received earlier. We are now also eligible for the \$3,500 Gratitude Grant for a local community project still to be determined.

At the 2024 Elks National Convention our Kerrville Elks Lodge was recognized as being Number One in the Nation for our division of the Chairmans Challenge. Our Lodge has received this honor Nine out of the last Ten Years.

There is a lot happening in our local community supporting our Lodge's Elks National Foundation Projects so please come to the Monthly Lodge Meetings and find out how you can help and participate.

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Sickness and Distress

Please keep our members and friends in your thoughts and prayers:

Members: Daniel Thompson, Ann Krieger, James Cadman, Terry Harp, Kathy Nesbitt, George Moore, Ann Matthews and Gary Dickson

Non-Members: Mike Worth (Terry Schultz's brother), Maria Stickney (wife of Ken Stickney)

For those Lodge Members who are battling health issues or are in distress and do not wish to draw attention to their struggles, we want YOU to know that....

"You are in our thoughts and prayers"

TO OUR ABSENT MEMBERS.....

.... In vain we call. He has passed Into the Light, which is beyond the Valley of the Shadow of Death. The Places that have known him shall know him no more; but his Virtues are written upon the Tablets of Love and Memory...

Thankfully, we lost No Members in July 2024

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2024 UPCOMING EVENTS

Aug 2-3	Fri-Sat	Business Expo— Events Center
Aug 3 & 10	Sat	Shoes For Kids Project
Aug 10 & 24	Sat	Firearms Raffle Sales (Gibson's)
Aug 24-25	Sat-Sun	SWDD Clinic—San Angelo
Sept 2	Monday	Labor Day
Sept 4	Wednesday	Gun Raffle Drawing
Sept 21	Saturday	TESA Homecoming—Ottine
Oct 4-6	Fri-Sun	Veterans Retreat—Ottine

August Important Events:

Aug 1	Board of Directors	5:30 PM
Aug 1	Lodge Mtg	7:00 PM
Aug 6	Elks VA Bingo	2:00 PM
Aug 8	House Committee Mtg	5:30 PM
Aug 8	New Member Orientation	7:00 PM
Aug 15	Lodge Mtg	7:00 PM
Aug 16	New Members Social	5:30 PM
Aug 20	Membership Committee Mtg	11:00 AM



ELKS LODGE HALL RENTALS

We offer the Hall, Lounge or Game Room rentals! Designed for big events in the Hall or small classes/game groups (less than 30 people) in the Lounge or game room. If you are looking to host an event, the Elks Lodge Hall or smaller rooms are available for rental. Please contact the Lodge at (830) 895-4554 for available dates and details!

August Birthdays!



1 Guthrie, Lou Ann	16 Dickson, Gary	25 Brown, Kenneth
2 Blevins, Ronald	16 McClay, Linda	26 Hutto, Rebecca
3 Baumann, Marsha	18 Caliendo, Ashley	28 Gillin, Cathy
4 Allen, Virgil	18 May, Dorinda	28 Holder, Kayla
4 Masson, Christopher	21 Watson, Jackie	29 Brooner, Doris
7 Ince, Roger	22 Beene, Catherine	29 Harjen, Diane
7 Pieraccini, Michael	22 Fleming, Joe C	30 Shemack, Teresa
8 Berg, Mickey	23 Guzman, Miguel	
13 Albritton, Evelyn	23 Magrill, Michael	
14 Meek, T Wade	24 Cormier, LJ	



Complimentary Birthday Drink—The drink may be a well liquor, beer, glass of wine or non-alcoholic beverage and is good during your birthday month!



Friday Dinner Menu



AUG 2ND

\$13

Chili Dogs and Tots

(Jeff/Carrie Bowman)



AUG 9TH

\$13

Lasagna

(Bridget Dale)



AUG 16TH

\$13

Chicken Caesar Salad

(Dana/Mike Adams)



AUG 23RD

\$13

Spaghetti Dinner

(Bridget Dale)



AUG 30TH

\$15

PER Fundraiser Fish Fry



Elks Care - Elks Share

Crying Towel!

For Friday Night Membership Drawing

- 6/28 Marilyn Ketcherside**
- 7/5 Ron Ballard**
- 7/12 Billy Bluemel**
- 7/19 Jeffery Hansen**
- 7/26 April Massey**



Members must sign-up at the Friday night dinner for \$1

BECOME A \$\$ WINNER

Attention all Members—RV Park Repairs Needed

Our Lodge is in need of RV electrical improvements—Guest have complained of bowing and waving in the electrical system. One guest donated \$100 to start a fund for these repairs. He stated that Elk



RVerS know of this issue and once it is resolved, our RV park business will drastically increase. We have started this fund and will soon get a bid for repairs. Interested in donating? A jar has been placed at the bar or contact Mike Adams or the secretary.

For Kerr Klarion advertising possibilities contact Lodge Secretary Kathy Rider at (830) 895-4554



HEAVY DUTY TRUCK

2620 Junction Hwy.
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(830) 367-5712

CARQUEST AUTO PARTS KERRVILLE

Monday – Friday
7:30 a.m.- 5:30 p.m.
Saturday 7:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

**TRAILER PARTS
Dupont Paints**

Jason Waller
carquestofkerrville@gmail.com

Fall Veterans Retreat



Calling all Veterans! The next Veterans Retreat will be held in Ottline 4-6 Oct. ALL VETERANS are eligible to attend. Applications will be accepted through 1 Sept '24. Come enjoy this relaxing, fun adventure. See a Lodge officer for information.



Sweetheart Corner:

I am building a Sweetheart basket for the San Angelo clinic. I am asking for donations of fall decor and liquor.

In Sept, I will be taking a live auction item to the Sweetheart Homecoming and items are needed. I will also be having another Sweetheart dinner in Sept!



Thank you and **FEED THOSE PIGS!**
- Angie Ballesteros

Kerrville Elks Firearms Raffle

- Ruger Precision Bolt Action .22
- Sig Sauer p322 .22 pistol
- Sig Sauer p365 X Macro 9 mm
- Kimber 1911 .45 pistol
- Centerpoint Crossbow cp c006
- Mossberg Maverick 88 12 Guage

Tickets \$20 each or 6 tickets for \$100

Drawing 4 Sept '24/Tickets available at the Bar

We need help selling tickets at Gibsons— Aug 10th and 24th!!

August ELK LADIES Lunch



Los Jimadores Mexican Grill & Bar
1550 Junction Hwy
11:30
Wednesday, August 7th

\$1.00 Sweetheart Donation





Lodge Contact Information LODGE YEAR 2024-2025



OFFICERS and APPOINTEES

Exalted Ruler—Mike Adams (830) 955-6716
 Leading Knight— Jeff Bowman (830) 459-3472
 Loyal Knight—Sara Jackson (210) 710-5700
 Lecturing Knight—Tracy Ward (360) 682-8447
 Secretary—Kathy Rider (912) 536-1760
 Treasurer—Jackie (Grubb) Logan (707) 484-2165
 Chaplain—Mac Anderson (830) 459-3366
 Esquire—Ashley Caliendo (830) 343-6006
 Inner Guard—Bill Morgenstern (505) 850-8188
 Tiler—Wayne Argence (504) 382-2615
 Three Year Trustee—Terry Schultz (832) 689-4548
 Two Year Trustee—Brian Ward (830) 377-7592
 One Year Trustee—Ron Ballard (505) 259-1075

LODGE OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday 9 AM – 12 NOON

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HALL RENTALS

Contact the Lodge (830) 895-4554

Friday Dinner Reservations (830) 895-4554

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Ron Ballard - President

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Dana Adams - Editor

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Dana Adams – (575)-636-9339

LODGE COMMITTEES & CHAIRPERSONS

Auditing & Accounting Committee – Barbara Zwald

Activities Committees: Tracy Ward

Public Relations Program – Dana Adams

Youth Activities – Sean Gore

Scholarship Program – Sara Jackson

Drug Awareness Program – Terry Schultz

Hoop Shoot Program – Sean Gore/Mac Anderson

Special Grant Program – Pat Kelly

Community Activities – Mac Anderson

Fraternal Committees: Sara Jackson

Americanism Program – Deborah Stamm

Elks National Foundation – Ron Holm

Lodge Activities Committee – House Committee

Ritualistic Program – Tracy Ward

Membership Committee – Barbara Zwald

Veterans Committee – Frank Bertagnolli

Sweetheart Program— Angie Ballesteros

Standing Relief Committee – Mike Adams, ER

Accident Prevention Program – Sara Jackson

Board of Directors – Ron Ballard

LODGE MAINTENANCE

Jeff Bowman | Marvin Morrow | Doug Wagner

PAST EXALTED RULER ASSOCIATION

President – Dana Adams, PER

Secretary – Barbara Zwald, PER

Kirk Storey, Past Grand Esquire

(1999-2000) (2000-2001)

Arlie Lammers, PDDGER

(2001-2002) (2002-2003)

Barry Shaw, PER

(2008-2009)

George Moore, PER

(2015-2016)

Ron Holm, PPDGER

(2015-2016)

Doug Wagner, PER

(2016-2017)

Barbara Zwald, PER

(2019-2020)

Brad Rider, PER

(2020-2021)

Brian Ward, PER

(2021-2022) (2022-2023)

Dana Adams, PER

(2023-2024)

Southwest District Officers

Craig Melms, DDGER (830) 285-1023

Richard Lowery Vice Pres, (210) 439-6935

HOUSE COMMITTEE

Dana Adams (Chairman) 575-636-9339

Tracy Ward

Bridget Dale

Jeff Bowman

Neal Ward

Mike Adams

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