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The 1679'er News

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Exalted Ruler: Kevin Cleary



Sanford Lodge For Sale

Members Needed

Now that I have your attention let me explain. Every member is being challenged to sell our Lodge to a new member. On Saturday, June 4 all interested applicants are invited to the Lodge to try us out.

The pool will be open from 10:00 AM to 8:00 PM to potential applicants and their families (on that day only). The Lodge will be open starting at 12 Noon.

On that day, we will have a pig pickin with potato salad, slaw and a roll by Billy Boaz and crew. Food will be free and served from 1:00 to 4:00. All guests must register at a table in the screened porch area before using the pool.

WE NEED NEW MEMBERS TO SURVIVE. This is a great opportunity to allow us to sell the Elks to your friends, relatives, co-workers, neighbors, anyone you think would be worthy of being a member.

We are also looking for help with the food and Ambassadors to help promote our lodge.

Contact Kevin Cleary, Mike McGraw, Billy Boaz, or sign up in the club room.

Mike McGraw, PER
Lodge Membership Chairman

Elks National Youth Week

Every year during the first full week in May, Elks Lodges across the nation celebrate our youth. This year May 1-7 is Elks National Youth Week. Our Lodge will honor our outstanding youth with a Youth Appreciation Banquet on Thursday, May 5, 2011. Please come out and help us celebrate our youth.



PER's Scholarship Fund Raiser

The Past Exalted Rulers (PER) association at the Sanford Elks Lodge is holding its 3rd annual BBQ Chicken Dinner Scholarship Fund Raiser on Thursday, **May 19th**. If you would like to help your lodge raise money for such a worthy cause, please contact Mike Gonella, PER president and let him know how you can help out. Mike's email address is mike.gonella@sanfordelks1679.org. We will need help cooking, serving, delivery and cleanup.

NC State Elks Convention

Make plans now to attend the NC State Elks Association 2011 Spring Convention. The convention will be held May 6th - 8th at the Crowne Plaza Hotels & Resorts in Asheville, NC. Registration forms can be found at www.ncelks.org.

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A Message From the ER.....

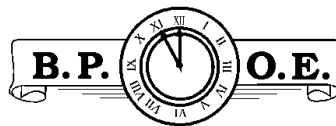
To my fellow Elks and families:

The Sanford Elks lodge and Lee County are going thru some historically tough times due to the recent tornado's that hit our communities on April 16th. We as ELKS have done a remarkable job already of responding to the disaster and living up to our creed "*Elks Care, Elks Share*"! We are still receiving information in regards to families and ELKS that have been affected by this storm. Myself and the officers of this lodge will dedicate May's planning meetings and activities to assuring that this lodge is represented in an honorable way.

We have already made monetary donations to Red Cross as well as donated some food and drink items to two local out-reach programs and the community of St. Andrew's. The community will need more from us to rebuild the houses of families in need, so I ask the members to please support any future fund raising efforts as well as potential "community aid" days in the months ahead. I would love to have a member step up and chair a disaster relief committee considering the community will need help for at least six months. If your interested in heading that committee, please send me an e-mail me at er@sanfordelks1679.org. We already have some good ideas floating around.

The Month of May will also be the month for the pool opening and the member guest golf tournament. If your family enjoys the pool or if you have a pressure washer and would like to come join the efforts with pool clean-up...please reserve the 14th day of May starting at 8:30 am until 12 pm to help us get the pool in good/clean shape for the season.

Fraternally,
Kevin Cleary, Exalted Ruler
Email: er@sanfordelks1679.org



Sanford Elks Lodge Officers

Exalted Ruler – Kevin Cleary
Esteemed Leading Knight – Eddie Brannan
Est. Loyal Knight – Mark Tyler
Est. Lecturing Knight – David McCracken
Secretary – Barry Gunter
Treasurer – Dennis Oliver
Esquire – Steve Johnson, PER
Chaplain – Dave Maloof
Inner Guard – Joe Hawksby
Tiler – Stephen Thomas
1-Year Trustee – Wallie Tyler, PER
2-Year Trustee – Lee Littiken, PSP
3-Year Trustee – Mike McGraw, PER

Presiding Justice - Jerry Stephens
Mediator - Clay Moretz

Committees

Auditing & Accounting / PER President

Mike Gonella, PER

Elks National Foundation

Steve Johnson, PER

Americanism

Todd Pace

National Veterans Service Coordinator

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Memorial Day Service

Eddie Brannan

Public Relations

Wallie Tyler, PER

Drug Awareness Program

David McCracken

Lodge Activities

Eddy Ray Thomas

Risk Management & Inspection

Brent Smith

Pool Chairman

Steve Johnson, PER

Youth

Drew Sullivan

Community Activity

Larry Gattis

Membership

Mike McGraw, PER

Golf

David Wicker, Wayne Freeman

Club Manager - Julie Hamrick

Pool Manger - Debi Setzer

Cookbooks For Sale

The North Carolina Elks are selling cookbooks to raise money for the NC Elks Charitable Trust.

Purchase your cookbook in the clubroom or contact Steve and June Gunter (steve.gunter@sanfordelks1679.org) or Lee Littiken (lee.littiken@sanfordelks1679.org).

INCENTIVE PROGRAM

Membership: Propose and initiate one new member in the current Elk year, the proposer will receive one free steak night. If you propose and initiate three new members in the current Elk year, the proposer will receive a free lodge function for two. At the end of the year the proposer who initiates the most new members will receive a very nice gift certificate.

Attendance: Attend six lodge meetings during the current Elk year, (April-March) and receive a free lodge functions for two. (You must sign in to get credited for attendance).

Tip of the Antlers!



A great big “hoof clappin” Tip of the Antlers to:

- Eddy Ray and Gail Thomas, Dave and Jan Maloof , Randall Godfrey, Bill and Pat Shaw, Jo Bauerband, Pattie Porter, Joyce Shoreline and Cora Ferguson for a job well done with the Thursday night “Breakfast for Dinner” the last week of March.
- Tramway Body Shop, Darrell Gunter, Bost Distributing and Eddy Ray Thomas for their generous donations that went toward the breakfast items.
- Monty Frelich for organizing and running the Texas Hold’em tournament the last week of March.
- Eddy Ray Thomas, David McCracken, Joe Hawksby, Stephen Thomas and Mike McGraw for doing the cooking and cleanup for the District Deputy clinic which was hosted by the Sanford Elks Lodge.
- June Gunter and Annie Brewer for organizing the ladies activities during the District Deputy clinic.
- Steve Johnson and Mike McGraw for their help with the disaster relief planning after the recent tornado’s in Lee County. Also to the members of our neighboring Elks Lodges that made donations toward the relief fund.
- David Riddle Jr. for organizing the recent “Installation of Officers” at our Lodge and to all the PERs that participated in this event (Lee Littiken, Steve Gunter II, Vince Wenger, Bill Holt Jr., Edwin Foushee, Scott Pace, D. Steve Gunter, Mike Gonella).

**This is what makes our Lodge successful!!! It takes lots and lots of volunteers. Thanks again to everyone that take time out of their busy schedule to help our Lodge continue to demonstrate
*Elks Care, Elks Share!***



Member-Guest Charity Golf Tournament

The 2011 Member-Guest Charity Golf Tournament has been scheduled for **May 21st and 22nd** at Quail Ridge Golf Course. The team signup are underway. Be sure to get your applications in early. The golf committee is hard at work to make this a very exciting and fun filled tournament. If you have any question or are willing to help out with the tournament, please contact committee chairmen David Wicker and Wayne Freeman via email at golf@sanfordelks1679.org.

Pool News

We will have a **pool and Lodge porch cleaning day** on Saturday, May 14th. We need members to help. We can not open the pool unless we come together and get everything ready. The pool itself is taken care of by Harvey - so we’re not asking you to climb into the cold water. We need pressure washers - blowers - and people. We need to set out the chairs and get everything cleaned up and ready to go. This is also when we clean the screened in porch at the Lodge. We will start at 8:30 AM - the more help we have the quicker we’ll get’er done!

Pool will open on **Saturday May 21**. Please take time to review the pool rules and let’s all help pool manager, Debi Setzer and her staff have a safe and enjoyable summer.

Please remember, the pool is for **PAID MEMBERS** and their family (see pool rules for clarity of eligible family members and out of town quest).

Departed Member

Let’s all please take a moment to remember our departed members, **Payton Williamson, PER** and **Norb Eichelsbacher**. Our thoughts and prayers go out to their families during this time of bereavement. An Elk is never forgotten, never forsaken!

“The faults of our members we write upon the sands, their virtues upon the tables of love and memory.”

NC Elks 415 Tornado Relief Committee

President Billy Hood has appointed D. Steve Gunter the Chairmen of the **NC Elks 416 Tornado Relief Committee**, effective this past Friday, April 22, 2011. To find out how you can help Steve in the relief efforts, please contact him via email at steve.gunter@sanfordelks1679.org.

Looking Forward to Next Month

- Membership Drive
- Flag Day Celebration
- Family Swim Nights begin for the season
- Friday Night burgers for club room patriots
- Lodge Meetings and New Member Initiation

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Start of Youth Week	2 Chicken / Steak Sandwiches 7-8 pm	3	4	5 Youth Banquet @ 6:30	6 State Convention Cook your own hamburgers!	7 State Convention
8 State Convention	9 Chicken / Steak Sandwiches 7-8 pm	10 PER Meeting @ 6:30	11 Lodge Meeting @ 7:30	12	13 Cook your own hamburgers! Bar Only	14 Pool Clean-up @ 8:30 am
15	16 Chicken / Steak Sandwiches 7-8 pm	17	18 House Committee Meeting @ 6:30	19 PER Fund Raiser	20 Cook your own hamburgers! Bar Only	21 Member-Guest Golf Tour. Pool Opens
22 Member-Guest Golf Tour.	23 Chicken / Steak Sandwiches 7-8 pm	24	25 Meeting with meal & initiation @ 6:30	26	27 Cook your own hamburgers! Bar Only	28
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