



Sanford Elks Lodge #1679 The 1679'er News August 2023



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Chanda Coomer, Exalted Ruler

Dear Elks Families:

July was another great month. It started out with 6 members of our Lodge attending the 2023 National Elks Convention in Minneapolis. It was an awesome time of fellowship with nearly 6,000 other Elk members from the U.S. Here in Sanford we had another successful annual July 4th cookout for our members. We had a Trivia/Bingo night, sunny days (some rainy days) at the swimming pool and I would be remiss if I did not mention all the great food that our "twin towers" continue to provide for us each week.

This month we have the pleasure of being entertained by Ron & Paul, a fantastic live duo in the Clubroom bringing the nostalgic 60's, 70's and 80's to life with a pop-rock twist. Delivering iconic hits and chart-topping classics, blending timeless melodies with their own unique sound. Saturday, Aug 26th at 7pm.

We have collected a lot of great books for our five NC Veteran Homes and half of those books are on their way to Kernersville, Black Mountain and Salisbury as I type. The rest of the books will be making their way to Fayetteville and Kinston very soon. Thanks to all who donated for our Veterans.

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Lodge Officers

Exalted Ruler.....Chanda Coomer
Leading Knight.....Randall Mattingly
Loyal Knight.....Chris Setzer, PER
Lecturing Knight.....Tom Liddy, PDDGER
Secretary.....Steve Johnson, PDDGER
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1-Year Trustee.....Scott Pace, PSP

Committees

PER President.....Addison Johnson
Elks National Foundation.....Steve Johnson
Americanism.....Chanda Coomer
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Pool Manager.....Carolyn Lee



Elks Lodges bring so much more to their communities than just a building, golf course or pool. They are places where neighbors come together, families share meals, and children grow up.

Elks invest in their communities through programs that help children grow up healthy and drug-free, meet the needs of today's veterans, and improve the quality of life. Invite a friend to join today!

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Tip of the Antlers!

A great big "hoof clappin" Tip of the Antlers to:

- Glen Gunter for hauling off the daily trash while our clubroom manger was attending the Elks National Convention the week of July 4th.
- All that made our Annual July 4th Cookout a Success: Randall and Rachell Mattingly, Glen Gunter, Kym Smith, Jeremy Stack, Gus Gomez, Brandon Craig, Chris Setzer, Jason Scheller, Laura Stein and Jon Hackett.
- Chanda Coomer, Tim Sinnott, Tom and Madeline Liddy, Joe and Yenly Clancy for representing the Sanford Lodge at the Elks National Convention in Minneapolis.
- Chanda Coomer for representing the State of North Carolina in the 11 o'clock toast contest and scoring a 96.1.
- Joe and Yenly Clancy for hosting the North Carolina State Hospitality Room at the National Convention in Minneapolis. Great Job Yenly!!
- Kudos to Steve Johnson for his hard work with ongoing changes and additions to [our Elks Website](#). Our Lodge earned a 4 star award at the National Convention along with 10 other lodges. There were only 5 other Lodges in the U.S. that were awarded 5 stars. These 15 awards were selected out of more than 2,000 Lodges nationwide. Great job Steve!
- Rodney Cummings, Don Perry, Glenn Gunter, Jamie Kelly, Chris Black, Nick Trudell and Chanda Coomer for purchasing an underwater vacuum for our swimming pool that was very much needed.
- Jon Hackett for spraying, blowing and weed eating the pool deck. Much appreciated.
- Lee Littiken for picking up the donated books and coordinating the delivery to 3 of our 5 Veteran Homes.



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

"Elks Care-Elks Share".

ER Message continued...

Let me encourage every member to join the Elks National Foundation Fidelity Club. Donating to the ENF is what makes it possible for us to receive all of the grant money that is awarded to our Lodge and 100% of that money is given back to the members of our community through the different programs that we support. The Fidelity Club is the easiest way to support the ENF all year long by signing up for automatic, regularly scheduled donations through your bank account or credit card. These donations occur monthly and can be as little as \$5 per month. Becoming a member of the Fidelity Club is simple! Enroll online at enf.elks.org/recurring and start your gift to our community today. **At the end of the month we will be awarding a \$20 Clubroom gift certificate for a Fidelity Club Member.** If you join the Fidelity Club by the end of August, send an email to er@sanfordelks1679.org and your name will be included in the end of the month drawing. July's drawing went to member Madeline Liddy.

We have been including a random membership number in each newsletter since May. If it is your number and you find it within the current month, you get a free meal of your choice. Our steak dinners are amazing and it could be yours at no charge. Well worth a reading of the newsletter just to see if you are the lucky one for the month. I will tell you that the following members missed out: May- Johnny Wofford, June-Paul Utley and July-Paul Connell. Is the August Newsletter your lucky month?

As a reminder, our Lodge is primarily run by volunteers. If you see something that you feel needs done, VOLUNTEER! Talk to a board member and let them know you are willing to help or even chair an event. Volunteers are always needed and certainly appreciated. I want to extend a big thanks to all of the Elks who volunteered their time this past month to make our events successful.

See you at the Lodge,

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Sanford Elks 1679 New Members



On July 26, 2023 the Sanford Elks Lodge initiated 9 new members into their order. In no particular order they are: Sharon Bridges, Brittany Bronson, James Tatum, Megan Felicio, Brad Salmon, Brandon Allred, Megan James, Kevin Carter, and Pay Lyerly.



Most Valuable Student Scholarship

The 2024 application will open on August 1, 2023.
Applicants will be judged on scholarship, leadership, and financial need.

Eligibility:

- Current high school seniors, or the equivalent, who are citizens of the United States are eligible to apply.
- Applicants **do not** need to be related to a member of the Elks.
- High school graduates are not eligible to apply.
- Applicants must be citizens of the United States on the date their applications are submitted; permanent legal resident status does not qualify.

More details about MVS and other Scholarships can be found at <https://www.elks.org/scholars/default.cfm>



North Carolina State Elks Association Nursing Scholarship

This is a \$1,000.00, one year scholarship award.

The student must be in their high school senior year and participating in a school curriculum that involves health care activities. It is not necessary that the student already be accepted for enrollment in a post high school nursing program but he/she must have made application. If the student is not accepted to or pursuing a qualified post high school program in nursing, the award is forfeited.

**For more detail and the application download forms, visit
<https://ncelks.org/programs/nursing-scholarship/>**



Saturday, August 26, 2023

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District Deputy Clinic - Aug 20th

Michelle Delaire, District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler, will be holding her first clinic of the year on Sunday, August 20th at the Rocky Mount Elks Lodge. If you are interested in attending this event and finding out what's going on with Elkdom around our state, please let us know. There will be a group of people meeting at our lodge and heading that way early Sunday morning. Meeting will start at 10:30 am. (5787)



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Clubroom Menu

Club Room Hours
Monday thru Thursday 3-11pm, Friday 3-12pm • Saturday 12-11pm • Sunday 1-8pm

Monday Night Sandwiches

(Served 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm)

- Grilled Salmon - \$11
- Ribeye Steak - \$10
- Marinated Chicken - \$8
- Marinated Grilled Chicken Salad - \$8

All served with home fries



Every Day & Night

(Served 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm)
(4 - 6 pm on Saturdays)

- Pizza - \$8
- Soft Pretzel - \$3.25



Fryer Foods

Chicken Wings (18 oz.)	\$8.50
Chicken Tenders (10 oz.)	\$8.00
Black Bean Spring Rolls	\$5.50
Homemade Potato Chips	\$4.50
Mozzarella Sticks (5)	\$5.50
Crinkle Cut Fries (10 oz)	\$2.25
Pickle Chips (basket)	\$4.00
Onion Rings (8 oz.)	\$4.25
Jalapeno Poppers (5)	\$4.00
Fried Green Beans (8 oz.)	\$4.50
Fried Mushrooms	\$4.00
Soft Pretzel w/ Beer Cheese	\$3.50
Pizza: Supreme, Pepperoni, 4 Meat	\$8.50

August 2023

4TH – MEATLOAF \$12.00

An ample portion of Melissa's award-winning meatloaf accompanied by garlic mashed potatoes and green beans. Be certain to reserve your plates in advance as this is always a sell out!!!!

11TH – SHRIMP N GRITS \$14.00

Back by popular demand our one-of-a-kind culinary delight! Homemade stone ground grit cakes smothered with iron skillet fried collard greens, bacon, and Vidalia onions. Topped with cream sauce, cheddar cheese, scallions, and grilled shrimp.

18TH – CHICKEN N WAFFLES \$12.00

Ask and you shall receive! Per requests of our patrons here is another dish that really has become a favorite. Crispy fried chicken breast glazed in a finger licking sweet and spicy sauce. Served with a Belgian waffle topped with powdered sugar and a homemade strawberry butter with a side of rich Vermont maple syrup.

25TH – GRILLED SHRIMP BY THE ½ POUND \$14.00

Half pound of fresh shrimp grilled in garlic butter sauce. Served with parmesan encrusted red potatoes, homemade slaw, and cocktail sauce.

Order meals online (at least 24hrs in advance) at: <https://sanfordelks1679.org/monthly-menu>

Reminders: Families can eat in ladies lounge!

NOTE: Menu and prices subject to change.

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Dates to Remember**Aug 9**

Lodge Meeting 7:00

Aug 16

House Committee Meeting at 6:30

Aug 20

DD Clinic in Rocky Mt.

Aug 23

Lodge Meeting w / initiation at 7:00

Aug 26

Live Entertainment in the Clubroom

Happy Birthday August

01 Donald Suggs
02 Randy Jacobs
03 Joi Brown
03 Scott Garner
03 Curtis Ledford
04 Ronald Brown
04 Charles Garrison
04 Shawn Geist
06 Tommy Cameron
06 Tim Craig
06 Pam Lyerly
07 Brandon Ancona
08 Herbert Oldham Jr
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27 Joel Kelly
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