



# The Roanoke Elks

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## JUNE 2010

For Current News and Events, Visit the Roanoke Elks Online at: <http://www.elks197.org>

| Sunday  | Monday       | Tuesday   | Wednesday                                    | Thursday            | Friday  | Saturday   |
|---|--------------|---|--|---------------------|---|--|
|   |              | 1<br>Auxiliary Board Meeting<br>Pool Closed             | 2<br>Wednesday Night Dinner<br>Pool Open 4-9 | 3<br>Pool Open 4-9  | 4<br>Friday Night Dinner Specials<br>Pool Open 4-9  | 5<br>Belmont Races Mini-Bufferet<br>Pool Open 11-9 |
| 6<br>Pool Open 11-8                           | 7<br>Closed  | 8<br>Trustee/Lodge Meeting<br>Pool Closed               | 9<br>Wednesday Night Dinner<br>Pool Open 4-9 | 10<br>Pool Open 4-9 | 11<br>Friday Night Dinner Specials<br>Pool Open 4-9 | 12<br>Pool Open 11-9                               |
| 13<br>Flag Day Ceremony 2pm<br>Pool Open 11-8 | 14<br>Closed | 15<br>Auxiliary Membership Meeting<br>Normal Pool Hours | 16<br>Wednesday Night Dinner                 | 17                  | 18<br>Friday Night Dinner Specials                  | 19   |
| 20  | 21<br>Closed | 22<br>Trustee/Lodge Meeting<br>Initiation               | 23<br>Wednesday Night Dinner                 | 24                  | 25<br>Friday Night Dinner Specials                  | 26<br>Adult Swim & Baby Back Rib Night 5:30        |
| 27  | 28<br>Closed | 29  | 30<br>Wednesday Night Dinner                 |                     |   |  |

# Roanoke Elks



# Lodge 197

## Adult Swim and Baby Back Rib Night!

Saturday, June 26<sup>th</sup>  
 5:30 PM until 11:00pm

You must be 21 years of age to attend.  
 Guest swim fees are \$6.00.  
 Rib Dinners \$11.00 / Person

**Reservations Required for Rib Dinners by June 18<sup>th</sup>.**  
 Call 345-8126 or see a Bartender.



### Manager's Corner

#### Just a few reminders for summer:

- We will be open Monday July 5<sup>th</sup> but closed on Tuesday July 6<sup>th</sup>.
- We will not be serving buffets throughout the course of the summer season, but we will continue to have dinner specials every Wednesday and Friday night. The inside dining room is non-smoking and will be set for these evenings. *Proper attire is required inside.*
- There will be drink specials and a mini buffet available for the Belmont Race in the lounge on June 5<sup>th</sup>.
- Flag Day Ceremony is June 13<sup>th</sup> at 2:00.

### FRIDAY NITE DINNER SPECIALS

5:30 to 7:30 or while supplies last.

Friday June 4<sup>th</sup> – Fish Fry with fries and slaw. \$6.95.

Friday June 11<sup>th</sup> – Pork Tenderloin, mac-n-cheese, vegetable medley and roll. \$6.95

Friday June 18<sup>th</sup> – Bacon-wrapped filets with baked potato and tossed salad. \$10.95 - **Reservations required.**

Friday June 25<sup>th</sup> – Grilled chicken breast smothered with mushrooms, onions, peppers, cheese and BBQ sauce, cheddar mashed potatoes and tossed salad. and roll. \$6.75

Friday July 2<sup>nd</sup> – Rib eye steak with tossed salad and twice-baked potatoes. \$10.95 - **Reservations required.**

### COMING IN JULY

**Independence Day Celebration** – The House Committee will be hosting a cook-out under the Pavilion - ¼-lb. burgers with all the fixin's for \$1.50, add cheese 25 cents. Hot Dogs \$1.00 with chips, add chili 25 cents. 11:30 to 1:00 PM.  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual "Best Decorated" Contest in July 4<sup>th</sup> theme! Prizes for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place. Cannon Ball Contest for the kids.  
 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Walk or Ride Parade! Calling all kids...bring your red wagon and ride in the parade or walk. Parade starts at 2:00 at the Pavilion and we cover the grassy area and the pool. Decorate your wagon and yourself in the Red, White and Blue! Favors for all the kids. Parents are encouraged to participate.

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## PORK PULL & CHICKEN BARBECUE

Saturday, July 31, 5:30 - 11:00

Music by Blaine Compton – featuring either Elvis or The Blue Brothers.  
 Adults: \$12.50 Pre-Sale - \$15.00 at the door. Children 6 to 12: \$6.00 Pre-Sale - \$8.00 at the door.

## Message from the Grand Exalted Ruler



I do not claim to know all there is to know about attracting new Members and holding onto them. However, I offer some thoughts on the subject.

In my book, membership boils down to what we do, how well we do it, and how what we do is perceived in the community. An active Lodge, working relevant projects, will draw interest. We then need to be geared to ask, "Are you an Elk? Would you like to be?"

We are all busy people. We spend much time working and child-rearing. We seem to have little time to do volunteer service activities. Yet, with all of that, there are some folks who would want to participate in a family-oriented Elks Lodge that has a Hoop Shoot Free-Throw Contest, a Drug Awareness Pool Party, a Veterans' Picnic, the Antlers, and so on. Why can't we find these people?

I am firmly convinced they are right there in front of us and (just) need to be asked. The problem is, some of us are older and do not have association with younger people. Some of us are burnt out and do not bother, even when a likely prospect is known to us. And some of us are social people and not Lodge people. So, what do we do?

The people who do all the work and are too busy to brainstorm membership must step back and realize, if we do not do this membership thing, we will soon not have a Lodge. I suggest the Exalted Ruler enlist the Past Exalted Rulers Association to form and man a Membership/Retention/Reinstatement Project. Make it the highest priority of the Lodge. Call it a Membership Drive.

However, do not neglect to integrate all new Members into the life of the Lodge. A new Member is fine, but we must actively work to keep that Member.

Organizations that grow are organizations that strike a responsive chord in the community. I believe our Order and your Lodge have lots of wonderful programs and are poised to do just that. Work your programs with enthusiasm. Tell your story. Membership will follow, so long as an Elk steps up and says, "Would you like to be an Elk?"

Sincerely and Fraternaly,

James L. Nicholson, Grand Exalted Ruler

Submitted by: Grand Lodge Newsletter

## Casseroles 'To Go'

The Lodge is now offering Casseroles "To Go". Try one of our delicious Beef & Noodle, Tuna, Chicken Tortilla, Chicken Spaghetti or Breakfast Casseroles (all 9x13). These casseroles will be \$8.00 each and prepared in our kitchen daily.

**Please call by noon for same day pick-up.**

## Exalted Ruler's Message

Congratulations to the 2009 House Committee for finishing the year without a loss. It was through your hard work and the club management keeping costs in line that this was achieved. Anyone that has ever been on the HC knows how difficult this is. Thanks again!

Congratulations also to Ann Marie Wood for collecting and sending over 1,100 golf clubs to the overseas military personnel. Excellent!

Two good events for the veterans at the care center and the hospital: we had more than 70 veterans from the hospital and care center at our lodge for dinner. Many thanks are due to the Elk volunteers and the scouts from troop 2 and troop 50. These scouts have been a mainstay in helping with the veterans. There was also a cook-out at the Virginia Veterans Care Center. Over 200 people were served with the help of 6 SW Virginia lodges and our local lodge and scouts. Thanks especially to Lynchburg Lodge for bringing the grill.

If you didn't participate in the "cook-your-own-steak" night, you missed a real great opportunity in associating with 19 members of the Elks National Home in Bedford. What a blast they were and I am looking forward to having them again.

The bocce tournament went well. I lost as usual. My partners should all get a special award for trying to win with me.

Howl at the Moon and the pool opening will have occurred by the time you read this, and I hope you had a great time. Don't forget to read the pool rules and **obey them**. These rules are put in place for your safety and to allow everyone to enjoy the pool. We have new outside management this year, and I am looking forward to working with them.

The DARE program is coming in July; please watch for the date in the next newsletter. The Annual Flag Day ceremony will be June 13<sup>th</sup>.

The State convention is coming in June, and the National is coming up in July. Anything you would like to know or have brought up, let me know.

Fraternaly Yours,

Vince Brandtner, Exalted Ruler



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## POOL HOURS – JUNE 2010

Open 4-9pm Wed., Thurs., and Friday  
June 2,3,4 and 9,10,11

Regular hours Saturdays and Sundays  
June 5,6, and 12,13

Start regular full schedule on Tuesday June 15

## SUMMER 2010 SWIM LESSONS AT THE ELKS LODGE



Aquatic Adventures is pleased to announce plans for the 2010 swim lesson program at Elks Pool. The 2010 summer season will begin the week of June 21st. Lessons will be held at 10:00 am and 11:00 am on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. There will also be classes at 5:15 and 6:00 on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. If there are not enough registrations to run both morning sections, there will be one combined session at 10:30. If there are not enough registrations for both evening sessions, there will be one combined session at 6:00. Lessons are available for Aquababies (4–18 mos.), toddlers (18-48 mos.) and those ages 4 years to adult. For those with special needs we offer both separate and inclusive opportunities. Check out spring programs at our Oak Grove location and register for the summer classes at our web page, [www.ijustswim.com](http://www.ijustswim.com).

## Veterans News

A special thank you to Iris Decal-Teijeiro, RN who donated a wheelchair to the Virginia Veterans Care Center, on behalf of Elks Lodge #197 in honor of her deceased husband, member Jesus Decal-Teijeiro.

Tim Shepherd, PER  
Chairman, Veterans Committee

## Auxiliary News

June 1<sup>st</sup> 7pm Board Meeting  
June 15<sup>th</sup> 7pm Membership Meeting

Annual dues of \$20 are now due.  
Please send to Blanche Henning.

## Balloting – June 8<sup>th</sup>

### Reinstatement

Elizabeth Bivens Thomas Watkins Lewis J. Pillis  
Elizabeth Dameron Daniel Hughes

### Membership

Sponsor: John Roche  
Sponsor: Michael Johnson  
Sponsor: Kathy Duncan  
Sponsor: David R. Brooks  
Sponsor: Justina Brown-Meade  
Sponsor: Jim Deyerle  
Sponsor: Mark Bowman  
Sponsor: Shauna Braaten  
Sponsor: Danny Beamer  
Sponsor: Thomas Watkins, Jr.  
Sponsor: Tom Roller  
Sponsor: Jim Batey  
Sponsor: John Wilson  
Sponsor: Melissa Godsey

*Elks Lodge #197 does not discriminate in its membership because of race, religion or sex. Any member of this lodge knowing good reason why any applicant mentioned above should not become a member of this order is conscience bound to make the same known to the Exalted Ruler, which information will be held strictly in confidence.*

## 2010 Pool Registration

Fill out form completely and mail with payment of **\$40.00** per registered person to Elks Lodge 197, Attn: Pool Committee or deliver to Lodge bartender on duty. **Be sure to include your Member Number on this application.**

Make checks payable to Elks Lodge 197.

**2010 ELKS POOL REGISTRATION**

Member's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Member # \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age XXXX  
Relationship \_\_\_\_\_  
Spouse \_\_\_\_\_

By signing below, I hereby confirm that I have read and understand all of the pool rules published in this bulletin by the Pool Committee, and will relay this information to anyone I am registering:

Members Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

This form must be completed, signed and returned with \$40.00 per registration. Use a separate piece of paper if additional space is needed. Baby sifter, Nanny and other special registrations are available.

## Wednesday Night Buffets

**5:30 - 7:30 pm**

Wednesday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> – Fried Chicken, country-style potato salad, collard greens and roll - \$6.95 per person.

Wednesday, June 9<sup>th</sup> – Meatball Sub and fries - \$5.95 per person.

Wednesday, June 16<sup>th</sup> – Baked Ham, baked sweet potatoes, green beans and roll - \$6.95 per person.

Wednesday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> – Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, corn, and dinner roll - \$5.95 per person.

Wednesday June 30<sup>th</sup> – Nachos Grande - \$5.95 per person.

Wednesday, July 7<sup>th</sup> – Sloppy Joe with fries - \$5.25 per person.



An RSVP would be appreciated by calling the lounge and letting us know how many will be in your party. This helps us to prepare the correct amount of food, but we always make extra, so if you decide at the last minute to come, please do. We also need 3-4 volunteers to help serve the buffet each week. \*Volunteers eat free!\* Call the lodge to let us know which week you want to volunteer. Please come out and support the buffets. The price is right and the food is delicious. The dining room is smoke-free and set up with linens to make the atmosphere pleasant.

**Bill Morse**  
Home Mortgage Consultant

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