



Claremore Elks Community

July 2016

Elks Lodge #1230

A Fraternal Organization

1820 Summit Drive
Claremore, OK 74017

(918) 341-0850

Reminders

- Grill Night
Every Tuesday
6:00 – 7:30
- Thursday Night
Lodge Meetings
All Elk Members
are
Encouraged to
attend
2nd Thursday
Initiation
4th Thursday
Business Meeting
- Friday Night Dining
Sign up required
Dinner served
6:00 – 8:00
- Claremore Elks
Lodge
Webpage at
Claremoreelks.org

Submit stories and pictures to
the newsletter via email or text.

claremoreelksnews@yahoo.com

Text: 918-706-7577

Please provide your name and
return phone # or email.

Send requests for a mailed copy
of the newsletter to the above
email or phone number. Please
leave full name and address if
contacting by voicemail.



From the desk of the Exalted Ruler

Elks, what are we really.

A lot of times when I'm out and about, I'm asked what elks are and what do we do. So, I go into detail about our various charities and work we do for the community. They usually are surprised. More than one person has said to me that I thought you guys were like a country club or a place to get a cheap drink. That's when I start telling them the true meaning of being an Elk.

Our local lodge supports the veterans, such as our fishing tournament and fish fry we recently held at our veterans' center. If you missed it, try not to miss next year. We spent time helping our veterans by just spending time with them and helping them fish. Many of our veterans receive few visitors and enjoy any form of conversation with people. We fed them all the fish and sides they could eat. Some clapped their hand and a few even got out of their wheel chairs to the music provided by our fellow member Monty Lowe. I had one veteran tell me it was the best day for him for some time and he was going to take a nap. As he shook my hand, to see a smile on his face was all the thanks I needed.

Our A.C.T.S. Committee is committed to helping Bit By Bit, a therapeutic equestrian opportunity for kids with disabilities. If you've ever seen a smile on a child's face who is battling cancer or disabilities it warms your heart. The committee has also ran with our Christmas In July event. A fundraiser for Blue Star Mothers to send care packages to our servicemen and women overseas.

There are many more, the lodge has formed a motorcycle group who represent us and are responsible for our toy run to benefit kids in Rogers County that would have a not so great Christmas without it.

This is only on the local level. We area also tied in with the Oklahoma Elks Association on various projects such as the Special Olympics and The Cadet Lawman Academy.

So I ask you when someone asks you why are you an Elk, What is your answer? Because if they ask me I hope, they're not in a hurry.

Johnie Dudley
Exalted Ruler

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**2015-2016
Claremore Elks BPOE # 1230
LODGE OFFICERS**

- Exalted Ruler – Johnie Dudley
 - Frances Dudley
- Leading Knight – Danielle East
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- Loyal Knight – Bill Wass
- Lecturing Knight – Jimmy Gaghins
 - Denise Gaghins
- Esquire – Dan Braswell
 - Summer Braswell
- Chaplain – Scott Countryman
 - Stacey Countryman
- Innerguard – Susette Collins
- Tiler – John Yoesting
 - Jennifer Yoesting
- Secretary – Jack Hepler
 - Sharon Hepler
- Treasurer – Mike Zodrow
 - Dana Zodrow
- 5 year Trustee – Larry East
 - Christy East
- 4 year Trustee – Billy Williams
- 3 year Trustee – Mike Davis
 - Celina Davis
- 2 year Trustee – Bill Hanks
 - Sherry Hanks
- 1 year Trustee – Sammy Charloe
 - Gina Charloe

ACTS COMMITTEE

(Advancing Communication Through Support)

- President – Terry Thompson
- Vice President – Denise Gaghins
- Secretary – Gina Charloe
- Treasurer – Nancy Welch

All Committee Chairs will provided in next month's Newsletter

PER OFFICERS

- President – Jimmy Gaghins
- Secretary/Treasurer –
Elks National Foundation

- TBA

Public Relations

- TBA

Veterans Committee

- Chuck Overgard

Americanism

- TBA

Drug Awareness

- TBA

Auditing

- TBA

Membership

- TBA

Investigating

- TBA

Indoctrination

- TBA

Lodge Activities

- TBA

Hoop Shoot

- Danny Smart

Soccer Shoot

- TBA

Accident Prevention

- TBA

OK Major Projects

- TBA

From the Desk of the Lodge Secretary Jack Hepler



New members are

**Brandon Clark
Michael Muhle
Nathan Franklin
Ryan Alexander
Sherry Alexander
Wesley Factor
Jennifer Flores**

Reinstated

**John Hinson
Shawn King**

Transfer from Tulsa

Laura Monhan

Sickness

**Ray Duran is in the hospital in Ft Worth, with lung problems.
John & Jennifer Yoesting daughter had Gall Bladder surgery.
Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers.**

**Check and see if your membership card has a red backing on it if not you
need to pay your 2016-2017 dues.**

Thanks

Jack Hepler

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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, by undertaking projects that address unmet need, and by honoring the service and sacrifice of our veterans.

Elk's members come from every walk of life & join together for common goals including supporting our Veterans, our youth and our local communities. With over 9,000 members in 37 cities throughout Oklahoma, the odds are good that you know or have met an Elk.

Newsletter News

All Committees, Members and Spouses:

Please send in your letter, story and pictures to have your events added to the newsletter each month.

All Flyers can be sent in, along with stories and pictures of past events and upcoming ones.

This is a great way to reach out to the lodge and provide details on what you are getting ready to do and what you have already accomplished.

Meeting dates when provided, will be added to the Calendar as well.

Please note that anyone may write and add a story about an event that they participated in. Please share your stories with the rest of the lodge.

Please send to: claremoreelksnews@yahoo.com

Thank you!

The Newsletter Committee

Christmas in July

Benefiting the Rogers County



Claremore Elks
Lodge
July 30, 2016
5:30 pm—10:00 pm

Make plans to attend the 12th annual Christmas in July Veterans Appreciation Event. Proceeds from this event go to the Oklahoma Chapter 20 Blue Star Mothers to assist them in the shipping of Freedom Boxes to our troops overseas. Enjoy great food and inspirational speakers while participating in silent and live auctions.



Claremore Veterans News

Veterans Chairman: Chuck Overgard

Veterans Monthly Activities

If you would like to participate in these Lodge Sponsored Events, please join us at Claremore Veterans Center.

1st Monday @ 6:00am – Donuts for the Veterans – Please meet in the Dining Room of the Veterans Center

4th Friday 1:30pm – Bingo – Please come to the Veterans Center Auditorium

Fraternally Yours, Chuck Overgard, Veteran's Chairman



Elks District and State Events Upcoming

August 13

State Softball Tournament

McAlester, OK

August 28

NE District Golf Tournament

Sequoyah State Park

Check the state website okelks.org for details on all of these events!

July

					1 <i>No Find The Lady</i> <i>Pizza night with</i> <i>Lodge Jukebox</i>	2 <i>Lodge Open</i> <i>2-9</i>
3 <i>Lodge Open 2-6</i>	4 <i>4th of July Party</i>	5 <i>Grill Night</i> <i>w/PER's</i> <i>NO PER</i> <i>Meeting</i>	6 <i>Lodge Open 2-9</i>	7 <i>Board of</i> <i>Directors</i>	8 <i>Find the Lady</i> <i>German Night</i> <i>Todd Elton</i> <i>Karaoke</i>	9 <i>Lodge Open</i> <i>2-9</i>
10 <i>Lodge Open 2-6</i>	11 <i>Lodge Open 2-7</i>	12 <i>Grill Night</i> <i>w/Officer's</i>	13 <i>Lodge Open 2-9</i>	14 <i>Lodge Meeting</i> <i>Initiation</i>	15 <i>Find the Lady</i> <i>Dori G Special</i> <i>The Blue Dawgs</i>	16 <i>Lodge Open</i> <i>2-9</i>
17 <i>Lodge Open 2-6</i>	18 <i>Lodge Open 2-7</i>	19 <i>Grill Night w/</i> <i>Johnie's Crew</i>	20 <i>Lodge Open 2-9</i>	21 <i>Lodge Meeting</i>	22 <i>Find the Lady</i> <i>TBD</i> <i>Karaoke Mike from</i> <i>Tahlequah</i>	23 <i>Lodge Open</i> <i>2-9</i>
24 <i>Lodge Open 2-6</i>	25 <i>Lodge Open 2-7</i>	26 <i>Grill Night w/</i> <i>Jimmy's Crew</i>	27 <i>Lodge Open 2-9</i>	28 <i>Lodge Business</i> <i>Meeting</i>	29 <i>Find the Lady</i> <i>Filets</i> <i>The Full Monty</i>	30 <i>Christmas in</i> <i>July</i>

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