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CLEVELAND ELKS NEWSLETTER

MAY 2009

Hitting the Ground Running!

The new lodge year is getting off to a fast start.

Message from the Exalted Ruler

Fellow Elks,

What a busy month it has been. I feel sometimes the best way to learn how to do a position is baptism by fire, and that I have had. Between the Elk's state convention in Nashville and our Club Manager, Gina, keeping things hopping at the lodge; it has been quiet a busy time in my first month as Exalted Ruler.

The State Convention was held in Nashville on April 2nd-5th. I had the honor of being there on the 3rd-5th. It was a very good time, and a great learning experience. My wife truly enjoyed it, as she is an avid supporter of Elksdom. Friday consisted of a business meeting from 1-5, dinner at 7 and karaoke in the hospitality pavilion to close out the evening. Saturday was meetings, a nice lunch, the evening awards banquet, site seeing, and more karaoke in the hospitality pavilion. Sunday we made our way back home. After meeting some great Elks and making new friends I am looking forward to Portland for the National Convention in July.

The Lodge has had a busy month as well. The new officer's have stepped in and hit the ground running. Milan Blake is a younger Steve Hixson with his ability to keep the Secretary's position in check and make sure everything is going as planned. Gina has really kept us busy with activities. We all

know what a wonderful time Friday's already are at the Lodge, with Chip's great cooking and the upbeat fast paced entertainment from Joel. On top of that we had the Collin's Brothers perform for a packed house on April the 10th, on the 18th Gina went out on a limb and had a successful Saturday Vegas Night. We all know the Saturday evening crowd has been very low in the past, so Gina is making it her mission to pick up attendance on Saturdays. The 24th saw another good Draw down happen. I was unable to attend it due to being out of town, but I heard it was a good time for all who attended.

We have created an activities committee. We want to have a slamming summer with lots of fun and entertainment. Anyone with ideas or things they would like to see pushed in this summer, please contact Gina or me before the calendar gets full. Keep in mind there is now a shuffle board table, and dart boards for all Elks and their guests to enjoy. In closing I would like to thank Cheryl for keeping me on track and helping me through this transition. It would be hard without her help.

Faternally,
Jeff
Jeff Yarber

The Mother of Mother's Day



Julia Ward Howe

Anna Marie Jarvis (May 1, 1864, Webster, West Virginia – November 24, 1948, West Chester, Pennsylvania) is recognized as the founder of the Mother's Day holiday in the United States of America.

On May 12, 1907, two years after her mother's death, she held a memorial to her mother and thereafter embarked upon a campaign to make "Mother's Day" a recognized holiday. She succeeded in making this nationally recognized in 1914. The International Mother's Day Shrine was established in Grafton to commemorate her accomplishment.

By the 1920s, Anna Jarvis had become soured on the commercialization of the holiday. She incorporated herself as the Mother's Day International Association, claimed copyright on the second Sunday of May, and was once arrested for disturbing the peace. She and her sister Ellsinore spent their family inheritance campaigning against the holiday. Both died in poverty. Jarvis, says her New York Times obituary, became embittered because too many people sent their mothers a printed greeting card. As she said, "A printed card means nothing except that you are too lazy to write to the woman who has done more for you than anyone in the world. And candy! You take a box to Mother – and then eat most of it yourself. A pretty sentiment!"

Anna Marie Jarvis never married and had no children. She died in West Chester, Pennsylvania, and is buried in West Laurel Hill Cemetery, Bala Cynwyd, Pennsylvania.

A Note From Gina

Upcoming Lodge Events

CELEBRATE MOTHERS DAY AT THE LODGE!!

Mothers Day, Sunday May, 10th
Lunch Served 11:30 to 1:30
(RESERVATIONS ONLY)

- Adults \$12.95
- Children 4-11 \$6.95
- Children 3 & under free



Elks National Youth Week

First Week in May is Elks National Youth Week. We will be honoring two Tennessee Elks Association "State Most Valuable Student" Scholarship Winners.

- Callie M. Booher
- Nicholas G. Reason

Thursday May, 7th 6:00 we will honor these students and their families with a special dinner.

- Wine Tasting - Tuesday, May 19th
Call Gina for details. (476-5781)
- Golf Tournament - Saturday, May 23rd
- Tuesday Night Darts
- Wednesday Night Wii Games
- Vegas Night - Saturday, June 6th

Join us for *Wine Tasting* at the Lodge!

Tuesday, May 19th



Join us for Friday's at the Lodge!

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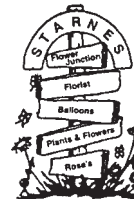
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LODGE NEWS

May 2009

The following application for reinstatement has been forwarded to the investigating committee and will be voted on at the May 20th meeting

Rodger D. Poteet
6742 River Stream Drive
Harrison, TN 37341
Self Employed: Economy Rentals

The following application for membership has been forwarded to the investigating committee and will be voted on at the May 20th meeting:

Jan Grape
3637 Varnell Ln SE
Cleveland, TN 37323
Employed by: Epicor Software Corp.
Proposed by: Jeff Yarber

The following application for membership have been returned favorably from the investigating committee and will be voted on at the May 7th meeting:

Stacy Smith
144 Mapleton Ridge Drive NW
Cleveland, TN 37312
Employer: City of Cleveland
Proposed by: Jeff Yarber

Bobby R. Keith
4247 Spring Place Rd SE
Cleveland, TN 37323
Employer: Keith Rock Hauling
Proposed by: Charles Thurman

The following Request for Life Membership has been received and will be voted on at the May 21st meeting.

Gary K. Smith
2306 Harris Circle
Cleveland, TN 37311

National News

Last Surviving D-Day 'Bedford Boy' Dies at Elks National Home

Ray Nance, World War II veteran and D-Day survivor, died this month at the age of 94 at the Elks National Home in Bedford, Va. He was the last surviving "Bedford Boy," one of 34 servicemen from the Bedford area who landed on the beaches of Normandy in the first wave of the largest land, air and sea invasion in military history.



On June 6, 1944, 19 of the 34 men from Bedford in Company A of the 116th Infantry were killed on Omaha Beach. The death toll is thought to be the largest per capita death toll suffered by any American community during the war. Nance and others from the community were members of the Virginia National Guard and had never before seen combat.

Nance, the last surviving officer of Company A, had trained many of the home town boys. He felt responsible for their safety was plagued by survivor's guilt, post-traumatic stress disorder and frequent nightmares.

After the war, he returned to Bedford and worked as a postal carrier. Although he encountered much opposition, Nance successfully reorganized Company A in an effort to honor the dead soldiers. By 1948, 124 men had joined the re-formed National Guard unit. Nance was the company's first post-World War II commander.

After retirement, he and wife moved to the Elks National Home, and they frequently visited the National D-Day memorial which opened in Bedford in 2001. His wife, also a Bedford native, was an Army nurse. They married in 1944.

Officials estimate that the youngest living D-Day veteran will be 83 years old for the 65th anniversary in June, making it more important than ever to get their stories and share them with the next generation.

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Loyal Knight	Tim Posey	Inner Guard	Spec Dunaway
Lecturing Knight	Michael Williamson	Trustee	Andy Figlestahler
Secretary	Milan Blake	Trustee	Larry Presswood
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Elks Golf Tournament
Rescheduled to Sat. May 23rd

Course: Chatata Valley Golf Club Includes Golf, Cart, Lunch and
Cost: \$50.00 per person Beverages on the course, plus
Format: 4 person select shot many prizes and much fun.

May 2009 Calendar of Events

26	27	28	29	30	1	2
					Music by Joel Clyde	
3 <i>Elks National Youth Week</i>	4	5 <i>Cinco de Mayo</i>	6	7 <i>Most Valuable Students Dinner</i> 7:00 PM Lodge Meeting*	8	9
		<i>Dart Nite</i>	<i>Wii Nite</i>		Music by Joel Clyde	
10 <i>Celebrate Mother's Day at the Lodge</i> Lunch 11:30 - 1:30 PM	11	12 <i>Dart Nite</i>	13 <i>Wii Nite</i>	14	15	16 <i>Armed Forces Day</i>
					Music by Joel Clyde	
17	18	19 <i>Wine Tasting</i> <i>Dart Nite</i>	20 <i>Wii Nite</i>	21 7:00 PM Lodge Meeting**	22	23 <i>Elks Golf Tournament</i>
					Music by Joel Clyde	
24	25 <i>Memorial Day</i>	26 <i>Dart Nite</i>	27 <i>Wii Nite</i>	28	29	30
					Music by Joel Clyde	
31	1	2 <i>Dart Nite</i>	3 <i>Wii Nite</i>	4 7:00 PM Lodge Meeting*	5	6 <i>Vegas Nite</i>
					Music by Joel Clyde	

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* Trustee monthly report to lodge. Membership / Lapsation committee report to lodge. Monthly report of Social Facility to lodge.
** ENF & TEBT committee report.