



January 2024 BULLETIN

Shreveport Elks 122

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Exalted Rulers Message:

Happy New Year Everyone! What a whirlwind month we had in December! So many great events and opportunities for fellowship and doing good. The homeless Veterans' dinner was so special. Auxiliary and lodge officers turned out to participate. Our state president, Don Baye and his wife, Karen attended and were impressed. The District Deputy visit on Dec. 14 went well. District Deputy GER, Brian Baye and his team had nothing but good things to say about our lodge. The membership appreciation Christmas party was very well attended and again, I heard only positive comments. Thank you to the Cades and their team for the cooking. Also, the PERs had their Christmas celebration and everyone was happy with the event. Finally, the children's Christmas party was very fun and enjoyed by all. Thanks to Heather Hogan Porter and her crew for a very enjoyable time for the little ones.

January promises to be a fun month for you here at the lodge. If you have children or grandchildren in the right age brackets, bring them to the HOOP SHOOT on Jan. 20 at the First Baptist Church. This is a free and fun event for our youth and is sponsored by the Elks National organization. January 20 is also the date for the Midseason Conference in Opelousas. This 1-day event is available to all Elks who wish to attend. Many of your officers will be going. We have trivia on Tuesdays, music bingo on Saturdays, and of course food, fun and football throughout the month in addition to our musical Wednesdays and Fridays. So, bring a friend you want to become an Elk and invite them to something. Recruitment is our business all year long.

Fraternally yours,
Ruby Blackwell, Exalted Ruler

Elk of the Month for December is **Joey Vaught**.

Joey is always there when we need him. Joey is very helpful to us when the plumbing needs attention as it so often does. He gives us a good deal on pricing and does a lot of things for us without charge. Joey is also instrumental in helping us get a good deal on our fireworks for special events such as the New Year's Eve party. He goes with Loyal Knight, Shannon McDaniel to purchase them and we always get extra for our money. Congratulations and thank you Joey! He will get his pin at our lodge meeting.

Officer of the Month for December is Esteemed

Lecturing Knight, **Melissa Hogue**. Melissa is heart of the Board and is always ready to help Elks in need. Without being asked she will hop in to help behind the bar, clean the kitchen & coolers. Most recently, she contacted SWEPCO for lighting in the dark corner of our parking lot and it was done promptly. Melissa's husband, Jake, also volunteers for just about everything. The two of them are the dynamic duo of the lodge. Thank you both for all you do. Melissa will receive her pin at the lodge meeting.

Happy New Year!

Happenin' at Lodge 122

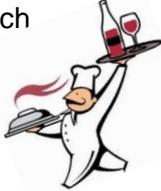
Cookin' in the Kitchen

Tuesday Lunch Served 11am-2pm

Jan 2: Chopped Brisket Sandwich
 Jan 9: Liver & Onions or Hamburger Steaks
 Jan 16: Chicken Parmesan
 Jan 23: Chicken & Dumplings
 Jan 30: Open Roast Beef Sandwich

Friday Dinners

Jan 5: Catfish
 Jan 12: Steak
 Jan 19: Shrimp Creole
 Jan 26: Chicken Piccata



Rockin' in the Lounge

Tuesdays: Trivia Night 6:30

Wednesdays: Live Music **Fridays:** Live Music

Jan 3: Jimmy Wooten	Jan 5: Old Skool
Jan 10: DeArmond	Jan 12: Graveyard
Jan 17: Bo Smith	Jan 19: Raven
Jan 24: DeArmond	Jan 26: Pocket Change
Jan 31: Hali Brown	

Saturdays: Music Bingo 6:30

Game Room & Around the Bar

*Darts *Billiards *Video Poker

*Open every day at 11:00 a.m.

*Cork Fee \$10.00

*Come in on your anniversary with your spouse for a free bottle of champagne!

*Come in on your Birthday for a free cocktail.



SATURDAY, JANUARY 20 Elk's Lodge #122

Hoop Shoot Free Throw Contest

FOR BOYS & GIRLS Ages 8-13

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH IN SHREVEPORT

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!!
 SCAN BELOW TO REGISTER AND FOR MORE INFORMATION

THIS IS A FREE EVENT
 TROPHIES FOR 1ST-3RD PLACE WINNERS AND
 GOODIES BAGS FOR ALL PARTICIPANTS

LOCAL WINNERS WILL ADVANCE TO
 STATE CHAMPIONSHIP




Auxiliary News:

What a wonderful year this has been for the Auxiliary! We have been busy with our fundraising events throughout the year and I want to thank each of you members for your help and dedication! Lodge 122 is a better place thanks to you!!!

I wish you all a very Happy New Year! I look forward to seeing what WE can do in 2024!!!

Karen Stough
 Auxiliary President 23-24
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 #elksdo
 #auxiliary122rocks



The Auxiliary donated to the Salvation Army Angel Tree. They sponsored 3 families which included 10 children.

Valentines Day February 14th
Prime Rib dinner with baked potatoes & vegetable medley.
Tickets on sale February 1st – 9th
\$25 Single - \$50.00 couple
Champagne Setups are available for additional cost.
Tickets available at the bar.
Call Lisa Cade at 318-820-5932
with any questions



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Elks Scholarship Opportunities

These college scholarships are open now for high school seniors to apply:

- a) Student of the Month – **Only 4 more months for us to accept 2023-2024 Elk of the Month Scholarship Applications!** We award TWO \$1,000 Scholarships each month to area high school seniors. Deadline is the 15th of every month through April. Applications available through senior counselors & in the lodge lobby. Please encourage children, grandchildren, friends, neighbors to apply for this scholarship! If you have questions, call Karen Davis at 318-286-1797.
- b) Auxiliary Scholarships - for Elks Lodge #122 members' children, stepchildren, or grandchildren. Applications are available at the auxiliary bulletin board in the Lodge foyer. Applications are due by April 15. Contact Gloria Howard at 504-202-7174 or gloriahoward754@yahoo.com if you have questions.
- c) PER Heritage Scholarships - for Elks Lodge #122 members' children, stepchildren, and grandchildren. Applications may be picked up in the Lodge office and returned by April 15. Contact Richard Jones, PER at rjones53@outlook.com.

**THANK YOU,
For Collecting Pop Tabs!**



Little things mean a lot...money from recycling aluminum pop tabs help keep families close to their sick child.



**PUT YOUR
POP TABS
HERE!**



Thank you for helping families stay together



Look for these signs on collection jugs around the lodge

Christmas cheers with Mr. John Dickson and his amazing special egnog recipe! And of course, the Grinch!



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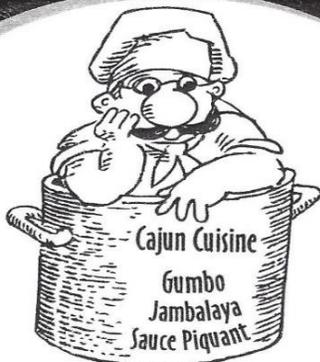
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PER Christmas party - Merry Christmas from your past ERs and present one! Special thanks to Lisa and Jim Cade for cooking, for Mr. John Dickson for bartending, and Jena Blair and Richard for serving





"Ring the Bell" day for the Salvation Army!



Smitty Brown and Billy Pugh Vets helping Vets! Delivering blankets, honey hams and Christmas decorations to Woody's Home for Veterans!



Retired Service Dog Cheesy Christmas Fundraiser.



Working behind the scenes for Member Appreciation Dinner.



Richard Gibbs , Veterans Committee Deputy, Brandi A Hayden, NWLA VETERANS Home State Rep. and Committee members donating to the NWLA Veterans Home. Thank you Ernest Orleans Restaurant for the food donations.




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Homeless Veterans Program
Christmas Party



Childrens Christmas Party



2023—2024
Lodge Officers

Exalted Ruler

Ruby Blackwell

**Esteemed Leading
Knight**

Jena Blair

Esteemed Loyal Knight

Shannon McDaniel

**Esteemed Lecturing
Knight**

Melissa Hogue

Lodge Secretary

Debbie Krepak

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Tiler

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Gary Colvin

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Esquire

Laura Nations

1 Year Trustee

Joe Davis

2 Year Trustee

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3 Year Trustee

Rob Cox

4 Year Trustee

Tony Nations

5 Year Trustee

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LEA Trustee

Tracey Belanger

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SHREVEPORT ELKS LODGE #122



Hours of Operation

Office Hours

Monday – Thursday

11am – 1pm

Lounge Hours

Daily

11am - Till

Facility Rental

Need to host a party or event? The Lodge Room and Dining Room are available for rent. For rentals contact the office.

Lodge Meetings

The regular session of the Lodge shall be held on the second and fourth Thursday at 7pm each month except in July, November and December, when sessions of the Lodge shall be held only the second Thursday of the month at 7pm.

RV Park

We have 50-amp service, water, and sewer service for all 6 RV sites. Rental is \$25 per night. To make a reservation, we require a payment for two nights. Call the office for reservations.

From EDITOR'S Desk

Elk messages, articles and/or pictures for the Elks monthly bulletin must be sent by E-MAIL to miriambynum@aol.com by the 25th of each month Please do NOT send anything in a PDF format.



Promotional items available for
purchase:

Koozie \$5.00 Hat \$15.00

Window Cling \$1.00 License Plate \$2.00

Or get the package deal (1 of each)
\$20.00

We also have Reloadable Gift Cards
available from \$5-\$500



Lodge 122 T-shirts, ready for
purchase at the bar!

*Only color is gray and sizes
S, M, L and XL are \$20

*Size 2XL or bigger is \$23



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“And now we welcome the new year. Full of things that have never been.” – Rainer Rilke

January 2024						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 Chopped Brisket Sandwich Trivia	3 Jimmy Wooten	4 Board Meeting	5 Cattfish Old Skool	6 Music Bingo
7 Saints VS Falcons	8	9 Liver & Onions or Hamburger Steak Trivia	10 DeArmond	11 Lodge Meeting	12 Steak Graveyard	13 Music Bingo
14	15	16 Chicken Parmesan Trivia	17 Bo Smith	18	19 Shrimp Creole Raven	20 Hoop Shoot Midseason Conference Music Bingo
21	22 Auxiliary Meeting	23 Chicken & Dumplings Trivia	24 DeArmond	25 Lodge Meeting	26 Chicken Piccata Pocket Change	27 Music Bingo
28	29	30 Open Roast Beef Sandwich Trivia	31 Hali Brown			