ELKS NEWS



Gallipolis Elks Lodge #107 May 2025





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Lodge News

I want to thank everyone that helped and attended our 2025 Installation of Officers and to our PER Association for conducting the installation. We had about 65 members and guests present. Everyone seemed to enjoy the food and refreshments provided by the Emblem Club at the conclusion of the ceremony.

We again had a great turnout for the Easter Egg hunt this year with approximately 40 kids and 50 grownups. The weather was great and everybody had a great time. Thanks to the officers and volunteers for cooking and serving the hot dogs, chips, drinks and Donna's cookies.

The Past Exalted Rulers of our lodge have their 2025 scholarship applications available for graduating high school seniors. You can obtain the applications from the high school counselors and the completed applications are due to the lodge by the end of June 2025.

For upcoming events, we have Derby Day Saturday, May 3rd with betting starting Friday, May 2nd and continuing on Saturday. This is always a great event so make sure you come in and place your bet and enjoy some good food and drink. Cinco de Mayo is May 5th and Mother's Day brunch is on May 11th. Mothers eat free. Also, several officers will be attending the District meeting in Grove City `16-18 May. New Member orientation will take place on 18 May followed by Initiation at the Lodge meeting on 19 May. Busy month.

Ron Pitchford, Exalted Ruler

Emblem Club

Hello Emblem Members,

Our next meeting will be Thursday, May 8th at 7pm.

We will be holding election of officers for the 2025-2026 term along with nominating and voting on delegates for the Supreme 2025 Convention. If your dues have been paid for 2025 year, your Emblem card is at the bar. Please ask the bartender. All dues need to be paid by 30 June and if not, you will be dropped from membership.

On 14 May the Ohio Valley Bank Stockholders will be meeting. We have been tasked to provide the meal for the meeting and will be preparing it on Tuesday evening and serving on Wednesday. Please volunteer to help if you can.

Beth Stewart, President



The Vacant Chair **Jimmie Shato**



We shall meet, but we shall miss him. There will be the vacant chair. But though we no more possess him, Still our hearts his memory bear.

But a while ago we gathered, Friendship beaming in each eye. Now the golden cord is severed, He has passed to realms on high.

<u>Upcoming Lodge Events - May 2025</u>

3 May Derby Day! 5 May Lodge Mtg.

11 May Mother's Day Brunch

14 May Investigation

16-18 May Dist. Mtg. @ Grove City 18 May New Member Orientation 19 May Lodge Mtg. w/Initiation

KENTUCKY DERBY @ LODGE Saturday, May 3rd.

Lots of free food!!!



Pre-race selection will commence on Friday, 2 May from 6 to 8:30 PM. Race activities will then continue on Saturday, 3 May, at 2 PM.



Jason Roach 7-9 PM



Mother's Day Brunch May 11th

11:00 am-1:00 pm

\$10/person, Kids 12 and under \$5

Moms eat free

Lodge Officers 2025-2026

Exalted Ruler	Ron Pitchford
Leading Knight	Beth Stewart
Loyal Knight	Charles Cox
Lecturing Knight	Joe Evanich
Secretary	Tom Morgan
Treasurer	Bob Marchi
Esquire	Drew Rose
Tiler	Fred Bryant
Chaplain	Jonathan Elliott
Inner Guard	Justin Saxton
Organist	Nelson Dray
Trustee	Rick Van Gundy
Trustee	Mike Null
Trustee	Dan Bowman

Elks Lodge Wi-Fi password is elks107elks (lower case)

Gallipolis Elks Lodge

Lounge Hours

Sunday	Noon	- !	9PM
Monday - Thursday	.11AM -	. 1	1PM
Friday	11AM	-	1AM
Saturday	11AM	-	1AM

Happy Hour, M-W-T-F, 4 - 7 PM Happy Hour, Tuesday, 12 - 4 PM

Club Manager - Beth Stewart

Lodge Meetings are held on the first and third Mondays at 7:30 PM

Trustees meet on the first and third Mondays at 6:00 PM

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Kitchen Hours

Tuesday	11:30 AM- 8 PM
Wednesday	11:30 AM - 9 PM
Thursday	11:30 AM - 8 PM
Friday	11:30 AM - 9 PM
Saturday	1– 8 PM
Sunday	1– 8 PM

Every 2nd Friday's menu will include Prime Rib. Please call and reserve a prime rib meal by Wednesday of that week. Servings not reserved will be on a first come basis.

Credit Card Usage

There will be a minimum charge of \$10 when using a credit card at the bar.

Tabs should be paid prior to departing the lounge on the same day they were

started.



Monday Night Meals @ 6:00

5 May 19 May Chicken Alfredo Meatloaf

Friday and Saturday Night Meals

The menu for every Friday and Saturday night will include filets, NY strip steak and salmon. No prior sign-up is necessary.







Picture 1: Outgoing ER Dan Bowman presented Leading Knight Ron Pitchford with Officer of the Year award; Chaplin Jonathan Elliott a certificate of appreciation; David Martin the Grand Exalted Ruler Recognition of Achievement and Shawna Pitchford Elk of the Year award. Picture 2: Lodge Officers for 2025-2026: 1st row 1-r: Tiler Fred Bryant. Treasurer Bob Marchi, Organist Nelson Dray, Leading Knight Beth Stewart, Lecturing Knight Joe Evanich, Secretary Tom Morgan, Trustee Dan Bowman and Trustee Mike Null. 2nd row 1-r: Chaplin Jonathan Elliott, Loyal Knight Charles Cox, Inner Guard Justin Saxon, Trustee Rick Van Gundy and Exalted Ruler Ron Pitchford.

<u>Pictures 3 & 4:</u> Pictures of children and Easter Bunny (Amy Epling) at the Elks Easter Egg hunt at the Farm.



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Candidates to be Voted on 5 May 2025

Proposers are obligated to represent their candidate at this meeting

<u>Name</u>	Address	Occupation		<u>Proposer</u>
Tim Murphy	Gallipolis	Crisenbery Elect.	Reinstatement	Bob Crisenbery
Karey Slusser	Gallipolis	Elks Bartender		Nelson Dray
Violet Kay Fennell	Vinton	Bellisio Foods		James Ward
Hugh Graham	Gallipolis	Gallia-Vinton ESC		Brendan Carter
Travis Dennie	Gallipolis	ITSVOIP Communication	ons	Chris Davis
Greg Greenlee	Bidwell	Allard Excavating		Chris Davis
Luke Patrick	Gallipolis	Postmaster-Middleport		Chris Davis

Investigations 14 May 2025 @ 6:00 PM

The proposers are responsible to contact the individuals they propose and both the proposer and the applicant must attend Investigation Session. Any Lodge member that has concerns regarding any of the applicants should also attend this session.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Proposer</u>
Crystal Clonch	Pt. Pleasant	Elks Kitchen	Nelson Dray
Sandra Gills	Southside	Retired	Beth Stewart
Paul Lutton	Gallipolis	Retired	Billy Burdette, Jr.



Weekly Texas Holdem' Sunday, 5:15 PM



DERBY DAY

Saturday, May 3rd.

Derby Day activities will be the same as in previous years. Pre-race activities will commence on Friday, 2 May from 6 to 8:30 PM. Tables will be set up to help you with your horse selections. Race activities will continue on Saturday, 3 May, at 2 PM until race time. This is always a great event at the Lodge and should be again this year. Come on down and join the fun! To avoid any confusion, please record your race selections!! Jason Roach will play in the lounge after the race has concluded



CINCINNATI REDS

JUNE 7TH

\$130 PER TICKET
SIGN-UPS START ON 1 MARCH
MUST PAY WHEN SIGNING UP



Elks Scholarships Applications Now Being Accepted

Gallipolis Elks PER scholarships are now available for graduating high school seniors residing in Gallia and Meigs counties in Ohio and Mason county in WV.

Scholarship applications are only available at guidance counselor offices at high schools within the tri-county area. Awards will be based on the applicants' financial need, scholarship achievements and leadership qualities. Deadline for return of the application to the Gallipolis Elks Lodge is Wednesday, 2 July . Completed applications can be sent to: Gallipolis Elks Past Exalted Ruler's (PER) Association, PO Box 303, Gallipolis, Ohio 45631 or delivered to the Elks Lodge, 408 2nd Ave, Gallipolis, Oh.



PER Billy Richards presented outgoing ER Dan Bowman with the Elks ER Gavel Award for 2024-2025, PER Pin and two certificates of achievement from the Grand Lodge.

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May 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 * Pasta Night	2 * Steak Night	3 *Kentucky Derby @ Lodge
4	5 * Lodge Mtg. * Trustee Mtg	6 *Taco Tuesday	7 *Wing Night *Sign Up for Prime Rib	8 * Pasta Night *Emblem Meeting	9 * Steak Night *Prime Rib	10
11 *Mother's Day Brunch	12	13 *Taco Tuesday	14 *Wing Night *Investigations	15 * Pasta Night	16 * Steak Night *Dist. Mtg @ Grove City	17 *Dist. Mtg @ Grove City
18 * New Member Orientation *Dist. Mtg @ Grove City	19 * Lodge Mtg. w/Initiation * Trustee Mtg	20 *Taco Tuesday	21 * Wing Night	22 * Pasta Night	23 * Steak Night	24
25	26	27 *Taco Tuesday	28 * Wing Night	29 * Pasta Night	30 * Steak Night	31