

# MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

**SEPTEMBER 2025**

**Suffolk  
Elks**



**Lodge  
685**

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Gene Leonard Exalted Ruler  
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# ELK NEWS

## CONVENTION COMMITTEE REPORT-PAUL SHOEMAKER

216 REGISTERED

TIME IS RUNNING OUT TO REGISTER FOR THE FALL CONVENTION. THIS YEARS VEC WILL BE HELD ON OCTOBER 22-26<sup>TH</sup> AT THE SHERATON OCEANFRONT 3501 ATLANTIC AVE, VIRGINIA BEACH VA 23451

THE JUNE CONVENTION IN ROANOKE WILL BE

BACK AT THE SHERATON IN OCTOBER 2025 & OCTOBER 2026

THANK YOU FOR TAKING CARE OF YOUR RESERVATIONS AND REGISTRATIONS EARLY

YOUR VIRGINIA ELKS CHARITABLE TRUST WILL HOLD A DRAW DOWN FUNDRAISER ON FRIDAY NIGHT, OCTOBER 25TH, FROM 6:00 TO 9:00PM IN THE CAPE FEAR ROOM AT OUR STATE CONVENTION IN VIRGINIA BEACH.

WE WILL SELL 150 TICKETS AT \$100 EACH. WINNERS DO NOT HAVE TO BE PRESENT FOR THE DRAWING. HALF OF THE PROCEEDS WILL BE PAID BACK IN PRIZES AND THE OTHER HALF WILL GO TO THE TRUST FUND, WITH THE TOP PRIZE BEING \$2000. FAYE WILLARD WILL BE MAILING TICKETS TO THE EXALTER RULERS OF THE LODGES TO SELL.

PLEASE MAKE SURE EACH TICKET HAS A NAME, CONTACT NUMBER AND LODGE NUMBER. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR NEED ADDITIONAL TICKETS, PLEASE CONTACT FAYE!

**4/1/2023-3/31/2024**

**22 OF 25 LODGES WON AWARDS:**

**ONE STAR:**  
**SUFFOLK LODGE**

**TWO STAR:**  
**NEWPORT NEWS**

**THREE STAR:**  
**BEDFORD LODGE**  
**CHARLOTTESVILLE LODGE**  
**FREDERICKSBURG LODGE**  
**HAMPTON LODGE**  
**HARRISONBURG LODGE**  
**LOUDOUN LODGE**  
**MARTINSVILLE LODGE**  
**NORFOLK LODGE**  
**ONANCOCK LODGE**  
**RICHMOND LODGE**  
**VIRGINIA BEACH LODGE**

**FOUR STAR:**  
**CLIFTON FORGE LODGE**  
**FRONT ROYAL LODGE**  
**ROANOKE LODGE**  
**WAYNESBORO LODGE**  
**WOODBRIIDGE LODGE**

**FIVE STAR:**  
**ALEXANDRIA LODGE**  
**ARLINGTON-FAIRFAX LODGE**  
**STAUNTON LODGE**  
**WINCHESTER LODGE**



# BIRTHDAY LIST

SEPTEMBER 01 LEAH C POWELL  
 SEPTEMBER 03 KELLY GRIFFIN  
 SEPTEMBER 07 ROBERT BARRY  
 SEPTEMBER 08 JERRY ROBINSON  
 SEPTEMBER 09 KAREN ROBERTSON  
 SEPTEMBER 11 DAVID LAYTON



SEPTEMBER 13 JOHN COUNCIL  
 SEPTEMBER 13 JAMIE C WEAVER  
 SEPTEMBER 19 MELINDA (MINDY) HEWITT  
 SEPTEMBER 22 DAVID DARDEN  
 SEPTEMBER 22 JASON LEONARD  
 SEPTEMBER 29 ERIC THOMPSON

**JOIN US IN WISHING ALL OF OUR FELLOW ELKS A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

## 2025 September

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11 BOARD MEETING WITH DINNER	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20 CHICKEN DINNER
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				