

# Georgia Elks Association Activities Committee Cyndi Russell 864-247-5768

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# LODGE ACTIVITIES:

Important to the success of every lodge

# 1. Mandatory

Mandatory activities are those requires by statue, and include the special activities for Flag Day and Memorial Day

### 2. Prescribed

Fraternal prescribed activities include ritual; participation in the most valuable student contest; support of other programs of the exalted ruler and support and participation in State Association programs.

#### 3. Non-prescribed or local activities

- 1. Social
  - : Dances, picnics, game nights, corn hole or horse shoes, trivia, karaoke,
- 2. Community
- : Community service- law enforcement dinner, participate in health fairs, 5 k's to stop drug abuse, host drug take back day
  - 3. Public Programs
- : help with sponsoring community celebrations, working with the community to feed on Thanksgiving, participate in town festivals
  - 4; Fraternal Activities

Hosting a Veteran's luncheon, boy/ girl scouts award nights, public service official dinner (sheriffs department, fire department, mayor, first responders)

# **ADVERTISING, PLANNING and PROMOTING is ESSENTIAL!!**

- Bill Boards
- Lodge Newsletter
- Newspaper
- Lodge mass email
- Social media- Facebook offers free events on your lodge web page
- Hang a flyer on the mirror in the restrooms
- Lodge bulletin boards
- Mail a post card with save the date information
- THINK OUTSIDE THE BOX



To: All Elks Lodge Exalted Rulers, Secretaries and Activity Committees
Elks Lodge Activity Contest

## **ENTRY FORM**

Lodge Name	Lodge Number
District Membership as o	f April 1 <sup>st</sup>
Chairman of Activities	
Description of Activity	
(Attach pictures please)	
Number of Lodge Members involved	
Number of Man Hours total	
Number of Newspaper reports	
Number of social media post	

Send any event you have hosted between April 1st and October 1st for the award to be presented at the Fall Meeting in Toccoa.



#### CONTEST FOR ALL GEA LODGE:

Participate in all 3 categories.

- Send me a picture of your participation
- Include how many Elk participated
- Tell me how many ways you promoted the event
- How many non-members participated
- The more activities you do the better chance you have of winning.

## Example:

Lodge ABC held a mandatory Flag day, we had 12 Elk participate in the ceremony and promoted it in the newspaper, Facebook, email blast, newsletter. Public attendance was 65 people. That would be worth 82 points. But I want to see pictures also.

The categories for the winner are as follows:

- Division 1 (1-100 members)
- Division 2 (101-200 members)
- Division 3 (201-300 members)
- Division 4 (301+ members)

Exalted Rulers Name and Email	
Activities Chair Name and Email	

Submit to Cyndilay@yahoo.com or Mail to 334 Pump House Rd
Westminster SC 29693
864-247-5768 for any questions\

DO:

Don't:

Plan

Use over worked volunteers

Be consistent

Be negative

Ask for help

Wait until the week of to advertise

Plan

Procrastinate

**Promote** 

Be afraid to try something new in the lodge

Advertise early

Forget to have fun!!!

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## Example:

Lodge ABC held a mandatory Flag day, we had 12 Elk participate in the ceremony and promoted it in the newspaper, Facebook, email blast, newsletter. That would be worth 17 points. But I want to see pictures also.

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- Division 1 (1-100 members)
- Division 2 (101-200 members)
- Division 3 (201-300 members)
- Division 4 (301+ members)

Submit to Cyndilay@yahoo.com by October 1st. Awards presented at the GA Elks Association Fall Meeting in Toccoa October 22-23