

# The Bulletin

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## MARCH 2016

### Message from the Exalted Ruler

Happy March,

Congratulations to all the new BPOE 95 officers that were elected at the last meeting, Bud Lokey will be replacing me as Exalted Ruler in April of 2016. Please get to know Bud and give him your support. I will list all the incoming officers in the next bulletin.

It has been quite a long time since BPOE 95 has had a Hoop Shoot shooter to advance to the regionals in Valdosta, Georgia. Regionals will be held on March 19, 2016. Our shooter is Anthony McCloud and he is amazing in his shooting abilities. I do believe he is in the 8-9 year old category. Wish Anthony a lot of luck and I know he will represent Vicksburg Lodge well!

BPOE #95 had a float in the Vicksburg Mardi Gras Parade on February 6th, We won another trophy, this trophy was for best Civic Organization Float. Congratulations to all that worked so hard on the float and those that participated in any way.

The ENF Valentine Lobster and Steak Dinner was February 13th at the Lodge and was a huge success!!! Thanks to Richard and Cindy Price for the huge effort they made to make this success a wonderful ENF event.

**Jacob Downey's (son of member Todd and Brittani Downey) Fund Raiser will be March 12th ,from 11 AM to 2 PM.** The blood drive bus will be at the Lodge also. We need volunteers for this event. Another planning meeting will be held March 3rd at 5:45 pm at the Lodge. Tickets are available to purchase and sell from Angela Jackson.

Other dates to mark on you calendar to consider attending: District Deputy meeting in Canton April 3rd, 2016. Mississippi Elks State Convention is May 6,7 and 8th.

Richard Price still has tickets to the one unique rifles he is raffling for ENF. This rifle has unique serial number and will be a great addition to anyone's collection. Get your tickets at the Social Quarters.

Thanks to all that have been helping in the Lodge with cooking, serving meal, bar tending, cleaning and any other chore that makes this lodge run and function.

Please remember our sick members in your thoughts, prayers, and deeds, as we have several that need your support! Remember our service personnel and support them also. If you would like to keep more up to date on Lodge activities, please visit the Vicksburg BPOE #95 Facebook site, where you can read updates, and post messages and pictures of Lodge activities.

**Yours in Elkdom,**  
**Michael Dorsett, Exalted Ruler, 2015-2016**

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**VA NEWS**

On February 16th, a non-Elk and I visited the State Veterans Retirement Home and the Sonny Montgomery VA Hospital for our regular monthly visits. We had 23 vets at the Retirement Home, 8 at the mental ward and 22 in the assisted living ward. All enjoyed the Bingo games, cookies, brownies and other snacks. Our next scheduled visit will be March 15th.

As in the past, the show group of young volunteers "Re-Creation Show Invitation" will be performing at Jackson Veterans Retirement Home on March 23, 2016 at 10:00 A.M. Also, performing at the G.V. Sonny Montgomery VA Medical Center at 7:00 P.M. All lodge members and guests are invited. There is no charge for these performances.

The travel expenses for the group are being provided by the Elks National Veterans Service Commission. The meals for the group are furnished by the respective centers. Eight performances throughout the state will be performed by the group and are sponsored by local lodges.

The van program is progressing. We leave Vicksburg at 7:30 a.m. on Tuesday and Thursday. Anyone wishing to help or travel to the VA Hospital may call 601 415-5605 or 601 519-5113.

**Yours in Elkdom,**  
**Sid Ervin, Chairman Miss. State Elks Association**  
**National Veterans Service Commission**

**Elks National Foundation News**

Thanks to all who supported ENF at the Valentines Dinner with your participation, help and donations!!!! Congratulations to Leila Breithaupt on winning the special BPOE#95 serial numbered 22 rifle!! The MS ELKS 22 GOLDEN BOY rifle will be drawn at the Miss State Elks Convention in May, so get your tickets soon, if you have not done so.

Also, the ENF year ends in mid March, so get your donations in by mail or online to get credit for this year.

**Yours in Elkdom,**  
**Richard A Price, ENF Chairman 601-831-1203**

**ELKS OFFICERS 2015-1016**

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**Many Thanks and appreciation to all those who cooked, served and cleaned for the month of February;**

Sherry & Melanie: Lasgana, green beans, salad, rolls & dessert

Bubba McNeil & team: Fried catfish, baked catfish turnip greens, French fries, cole slaw


Jacques: Roast beef with mushroom sauce, roasted potatoes, bread & dessert

Jacques: Beef tips and chicken tenderloin over rice, carrots, garlic bread, bread pudding

**BPOE Lodge #95 636-8241**



**March 2016**

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Please email to me, by the <b>3rd Thursday</b> (or thereabouts) if you would like anything published in the bulletin! My email is: <a href="mailto:mississippi.queen_85@yahoo.com">mississippi.queen_85@yahoo.com</a> Thanks, Kelly Franco			<b>2</b> 6:15 G'ving Board & Trustee MTG	<b>3</b> 7:00 Sherry & Melanie Spaghetti & Meatballs	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> 7:00 Regular Business	<b>10</b> 7:00 Bubba McNeil & Crew Catfish	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> 11:00—2:00 Benefit Pork Dinner for Jacob Downey
<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15 V.A. Visit</b> 	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> 6:15 Ladies AUX MTG  7:00 Richard & Cindy Sheppards Pie	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> 7:00 Regular Business	<b>24</b> 7:00 Jacques Chicken Cordon Bleu	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>  7:00 TBA	<b>April</b>	<b>1</b> <b>2</b>

**I would like to extend many thanks to the patrons of the Lodge who supports us every week in buying the meals that is provided by our volunteers on Thursday nights. It certainly provides incentive to the ones that cook and clean and donate their time and prepare some excellent meals at a reasonable cost. Also thanks to all that help buy food, clean, prepared and take money. Your help is always greatly appreciated.**

**Thanks! Jacques Parmegiani, Kitchen Coordinator**

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## AUXILIARY NEWS — March 2016

Dear Ladies,

Spring is just around the corner and we have a new year upon us, it is once again time for nominations and election of officers for the Ladies Auxiliary. We will cover this in our meeting this month.

**Thursday, March 10th** is our monthly **cake raffle**, this month the cakes are compliments of **Cindy Price & Lou McDuff**, so be sure and get your tickets, just 50-cents each (available on catfish night). Thank you for your continuing to support us with this fund raiser.

**Saturday, March 12th** the Lodge is hosting a **Benefit Dinner for Jacob Downey**, son of Todd and Brittani Downey, and we need baked goods to sell at the benefit, anything you can contribute will be greatly appreciated. We encourage any lady who is a member of the Lodge, spouse of a member or single daughter of a member to attend and be part of our BPOE Lodge #95 Ladies Auxiliary organization (DOES).

**Our next meeting will Thursday, March 17th @ 6:15pm.** We would be honored to have you join us! A reminder, the Auxiliary Cookbooks are available at the lodge and around town for just \$7.00 – get yours today. Wishing you all a very happy and prosperous New Year!!

**ANGELA JACKSON, Ladies Auxiliary President 2015-2016**

**2015-2016**

### LADIES AUXILIARY OFFICERS

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