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**West Virginia Elks Association**

April 9, 2018

TO: Exalted Rulers, Lodge Secretaries, District Deputies Designate, State Officers and all interested Elks

Dear Members:

Arrangements are now complete for the Grand Lodge Convention to be held July 1-4, 2018 in San Antonio, TX. West Virginia and Pennsylvania State Associations have been assigned to The Westin Riverwalk Hotel and Resort, San Antonio, TX. The room rates, as negotiated by the Grand Lodge Convention Committee, will be \$127.26 per room per day including 16.75% service charge for single or double occupancy. Free internet service and coffee maker in room. Transportation from Airport is available each way by shuttle for \$36.00 round trip and/or taxi service is \$27.00 one way. Hotel parking is \$18.00 and valet parking is \$39.00.

**IMPORTANT**

All housing reservation requests for the West Virginia Elks **MUST** be made through the office of the West Virginia Elks State Secretary. The enclosed reservation form must be completed in its entirety and mailed,  
Along with your

**credit card information or a check for \$ 127.26**

**made payable to the Grand Westin Riverwalk**

**2018-2019 DDGER's must use form but send no payment**

**Mail check and reservation form to:  
Howard D. Boyd, WV Elks Secretary  
7 Hogan Court, Shallotte, NC 28470**

**BEFORE June 7, 2018**

**NOTE: Transportation to San Antonio is the responsibility of each individual. It is recommended to make your flight reservations as early as possible. There will be bussing for the delegates between outlying Hotels and the convention center.**

The **Social Function** being planned for the West Virginia and Pennsylvania attendees will consist of a formal cocktail party and dinner on Monday, July 2, 2018. The cost of the Monday reception and dinner will be \$75.00 per person which includes two drinks. Social Function tickets will be handled through the West Virginia Elks State Secretary and will be forwarded to you prior to the Convention. **Checks for the Monday Social Function should be made payable to the West Virginia Elks Association.** No credit cards will be accepted for the Social Function. Enclosed you will find the Order Form for the Social Function. Fill out the form and return it to Howard Boyd, WV State Secretary, 7 Hogan Court, Shallotte NC 28470 along with remittance.

The West Virginia and Pennsylvania Elks will have separate Hospitality Rooms. Information on the West Virginia Hospitality Room and location will be available later.

### **OPENING SESSION**

**Sunday, July 1, 2018 – 3:00 p.m.** Harry B. Gonzalez Convention Center 900 E. Market Street, San Antonio, TX 78205

### **West Virginia/Pennsylvania Reception**

**Monday, July 2, 2018 – 6:00 p.m.** Westin Riverwalk, Navarro Ballroom.

### **West Virginia/Pennsylvania Dinner**

**Monday, July 2, 2018 – 7:00 p.m.** The reception will end at 7:00 p.m. at which time dinner will be served.

### **ATTIRE**

For the Monday evening cocktail reception and dinner the dress will be optional, with white dinner jackets suggested, if available.

### **District Deputies**

The 2018-2019 District Deputies will serve as door checkers for the Monday evening Social Function and will coordinate with the West Virginia Hospitality Room Chairperson in scheduling and supervising their respective bartenders in the Hospitality Room. The District Deputies will also see that the delegates get to the Convention business sessions and sit together throughout those sessions. The District Deputies will have received complete instructions from PGER Hess at the Annual State Convention of the West Virginia Elks Association at Canaan Valley Resort, Davis, West Virginia.

Our State Sponsor, PGER Lester C. Hess, Jr., will expect all delegates to report to their respective District Deputies each day in order that an accurate roll call of the delegates can be taken for all Sessions of the Convention.

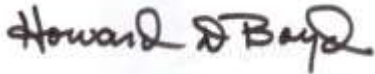
### **Additional Information**

Please check program or signage at convention to confirm times/locations of Grand Lodge functions.

1. The Grand Lodge headquarters hotel is the Grand Hyatt, San Antonio.
2. The Opening Ceremony will be 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Sunday July 1 at the Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center. The 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration will follow the opening ceremony.

3. The opening, business and closing sessions will take place at the Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center on Monday and Tuesday from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon and Wednesday from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
4. The Seminars for Special Deputies, District Deputy Designates, State Presidents, State Secretaries and Exalted Rulers have been incorporated in to the General Session program. Please be prepared to attend all sessions.
5. The Exalted Rulers Ball will be held Tuesday evening, July 3, 2018 at the Grand Hyatt, San Antonio from 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m..
6. Ritual Competition will be held at the Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center.
7. Registration and Exhibits will be set up at the Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center.
8. District Deputy Designate seminar will be held at the Henry. B. Gonzalez Convention Center on Monday, July 2, 2018 at 1:00 p.m.

Sincerely and fraternally

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Howard D. Boyd Sr." in a cursive style.

Howard D. Boyd Sr, Secretary  
West Virginia Elks Association

Enclosures (5)

Cc: Lester C. Hess, Jr., PGER  
John H. Penn., State President

**SOCIAL FUNCTION  
(RESERVATION FORM)**

**WEST VIRGINIA & PENNSYLVANIA ELKS DINNER  
Monday July 2, 2018 6PM**

**Westin Riverwalk  
Navarro Ballroom  
San Antonio, TX**

**COST OF TICKETS**

Tickets are \$75.00 per person includes both the reception (two drinks per person) and dinner

Number of Tickets Requested: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$75.00 per person (Reception and Dinner)

**Dinner Entrée Choices**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Pecan Crusted Chicken**

**OR**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Grilled Salmon**

Amount of Remittance: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (no credit cards for this event)

Make remittance payable to: WEST VIRGINIA ELKS ASSOCIATION

Deadline by **June 7, 2018** Mail to:

**Howard Boyd  
7 Hogan Court  
Shallotte, NC 28470**

Mail Tickets To:

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

Lodge Name and Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

**WEST VIRGINIA ELKS—HOTEL RESERVATION FORM  
(PLEASE FILL IN ALL INFORMATION)**

**ELKS NATIONAL CONVENTION**

**July 1-4, 2018  
San Antonio, TX**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_ (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ (for confirmation number)

LODGE NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ LODGE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

ARRIVAL DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ARRIVAL TIME: \_\_\_\_\_

DEPARTURE DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ DEPARTURE TIME: \_\_\_\_\_

NUMBER OF PEOPLE IN ROOM: \_\_\_\_\_. One (1) or Two (2) Beds \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIAL REQUEST: HANDICAP: \_\_\_\_\_ OTHER: \_\_\_\_\_

**ALL ROOMS ARE NON-SMOKING**

**COST OF ROOM (FOR EITHER CHOICE) IS \$ 127.26, INCLUDING TAX**

**HOTEL REQUIRES ONE NIGHT'S DEPOSIT IN ADVANCE** (either by check or credit card)

- I will be paying with a CHECK for \$127.26 payable to:  
**Westin Riverwalk, San Antonio, TX**

- I will be paying with a **CREDIT CARD**:

Am. Exp. \_\_\_\_\_ MC \_\_\_\_\_ Visa \_\_\_\_\_ Discover \_\_\_\_\_

Full Name on Credit Card: \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please fill out this form with one (1) night's lodging and return by June 7, 2018 to:**

**Howard Boyd, Secretary  
West Virginia Elks Association  
7 Hogan Court  
Shalotte, NC 28470**