

Your opportunity for a full, active, and
secure retirement -- the

ELKS NATIONAL HOME RETIREMENT COMMUNITY

*A BEAUTIFUL LOCATION
THAT YOU WILL BE PROUD
TO SHOW TO YOUR
FAMILY AND FRIENDS*

The Home is located on 200 acres nestled at the foot of the Peaks of Otter in the Blue Ridge Mountains of Virginia. There is beautiful scenery and plenty of space, yet downtown Bedford and a shopping center are only a short walk or ride away.

In 1998 the Board of Grand Trustees authorized a \$4.7 million dollar renovation program for the Elks National Home. The project was no cost to the Grand Lodge or membership of the Order. It was paid from the Home Fund, which is comprised of bequests and gifts made to the Home.

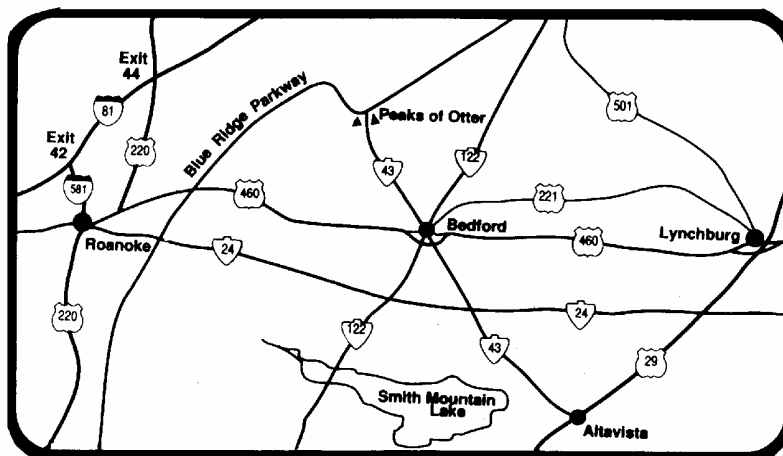
Buildings D, E, F, and G were renovated into 37 apartments for Elk singles and/or couples (married couples, siblings, parent/child). The lobby was completely renovated and improvements were made to the dining room and sun porch. In addition the porches that connect Buildings A to D and E to G were enclosed, carpeted, and equipped with heating and air conditioning.

There have been some questions regarding whether a lady must be an Elk member or if she can enter with her husband on his membership. The Grand Lodge Statutes rule that an applicant for residency at the Home must be a member of the Order in good standing. Therefore, the Board of Grand Trustees has ruled that if a lady wishes to apply, singly or with her husband, she must be a member of the Order.

Family and friends of residents are welcome to visit as often as they wish. We have overnight accommodations for visiting Elks and family members. There are excellent motels nearby for non-members. Non-Elks may have meals at the Home.

???? WHERE IS IT ????

Bedford, Virginia, is located on U. S. Route 460, midway between Roanoke and Lynchburg. From Interstate 81, take exit 150A. The nearest airports are in Roanoke and Lynchburg. Car rental agencies, taxi and limousine service are available at the airport. We regret that we are not able to furnish transportation from the airport for visitors.



QUALIFICATIONS

MEMBERSHIP

Applicants must be an Elk member in good standing for at least 5 consecutive years immediately prior to making application. (The 5-year tenure is subject to waiver in some cases by the Board of Grand Trustees.)

HEALTH

HEALTH CARE

You must be ambulatory and physically and mentally able to care for yourself without assistance or supervision, with no positive indication you are likely to need special care in the near future.

Although we cannot accept those already in need of assistance or supervision, we have a section for residents who become in need of assisted living care after they have passed a three month probationary period. Catered Care is also available. This is limited assistance given to a resident in his/her own room.

A physician is available to residents at scheduled office hours at the Home. The resident is responsible for all charges, which will be billed by the physician's office. The Home will bill for any medicines or supplies received. There is a charge of \$70.00 per day for inpatient care in the Special Care (assisted living care) unit in addition to the monthly service fee. Basic Catered Care is \$15.00 per day.

Bedford Memorial Hospital is located very near the Home for residents who need hospital care. Our medical records department will assist you in filing your Medicare and other insurance claims for outside medical treatment.

FINANCES

A REASONABLE COST STRUCTURE -- AND THE FREEDOM TO MANAGE YOUR OWN FINANCES

The rate sheets for the different living styles available here at the Home will give you detailed descriptions and charges for each type of accommodation, as well as what is included in the monthly fee.

For a reasonable fee, the Home will provide transportation on specified days to and from medical specialists, dentists, airport, etc. Appointments must be made through our medical department. (Residents are free to come and go as they please, and visit away from the Home whenever they wish.)

In order to qualify as a self-sustaining resident, your income and assets must be sufficient for you to be able to pay the monthly service fee, provide you with spending money, and meet any other expenses you may incur for supplemental insurance, special care, outside medical care, medicines, etc. The lodge accepts no financial responsibility for a self-sustaining resident. However, a portion of the application must be completed by the lodge.

A SELF-SUSTAINING RESIDENT **DOES NOT** HAVE TO TURN THEIR INCOME AND ASSETS OVER TO THE HOME

Those who do not have sufficient income and/or assets to meet the self-sustaining requirements may request a partial-maintenance application, which requires the lodge to accept financial responsibility for expenses the resident cannot pay. More details on this procedure are available from the Home.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE



To receive an application, complete the enclosed request form and return it to us. We ask that you make the request directly to us instead of your lodge, since we are continually updating and changing the forms due to government regulations. Consequently, your secretary may have an older version that would not be acceptable. You may also request an application by telephone, e-mail, or download the forms from our website at www.elkshome.org

The application includes:

- Self Sustaining Application to be completed by the applicant
- Medical Doctor's Certificate to be completed by the applicants' physician to demonstrate they are ambulatory and physically and mentally capable of caring for themselves without assistance or supervision.
- Financial disclosure to demonstrate the applicant has sufficient assets and income to be financially self-supporting.
- You must include a copy of your current Elks membership card.

It is very important that the application be completed correctly and completely in order to avoid delays and frustration on your part - and ours.

There is a non-refundable \$100.00 application processing fee, which is due at the time you submit your application to the Home. Please include a check for that amount when you mail your application to us.

INCOMPLETE INFORMATION WILL RESULT IN THE APPLICATION BEING RETURNED.

It takes us approximately one week to process a completed application after it is in our hands. Once the application is approved, an applicant has up to 60 days to arrive as a resident.

If you have any questions or desire an application, please telephone Nellie Martin, Sharon Jones, or Robin Wood, our Marketing Counselors, at 1-800-552-4140 Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time.

VISITING

We would be more than happy to have you visit with us for a few days to see for yourself. Any Elk in good standing may visit the Home for up to five days in any one month for a charge of only \$50.00 per day, plus tax. This includes your room and meals. Overnight visits for couples (one must be an Elk member, unless they are visiting a family member) must be arranged in advance through the marketing office due to a limited number of rooms. The charge for double occupancy is \$65.00 a night plus tax. Please be aware that our guest rooms do not have cable TV. There is a TV room where you can watch if you desire, and of course, there are lots of areas at the Home to enjoy, such as the library, pool tables, golf course, exercise room, walking on the grounds, etc. There are also interesting things to see in the city of Bedford and nearby area, such as the D-Day Memorial, the Bedford Museum, various antique and gift shops, Thomas Jefferson's Poplar Forest, and the Peaks of Otter.

We regret that we are not equipped to accept credit cards for payment. A personal check is fine.

Although the overnight visiting privilege is for Elk members and/or family, everyone is welcome for a tour and meals. It is recommended that anyone considering becoming a resident visit with us. Please note, there is a dress code for meals, for both residents and visitors. Dress for dinner as you would for dining out. Breakfast and lunch are casual. However, t-shirts, sweat suits, tank top shirts, or pajamas and slippers are not acceptable attire.

Non-Elks who wish to visit the "Home" may stay overnight at a local motel.

Days Inn (540) 586-8286

Super 8 (540) 587-0100



Thank you for your interest in the Elks National Home