

Virginia Elks Association News

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Fredericksburg 875's Kidwell Competes in National Hoop Shoot



Justice Kidwell represented the Fredericksburg Lodge at the Elks National Hoop Shoot Competition held at the Naismith Basketball Hall of Fame and Western New England University on April 11 and 12. Justice was one of 72 Champions from across the Country to survive the Local, District, State, and Regional Competitions and make the trip, along with their families, to Springfield, MA, for the Finals. The Final Hoop Shoot consisted of 12 contestants in each of the six Divisions. Justice was accompanied by his father, David Kidwell, but his mother was unable to make the trip. The Finalists and their families were entertained and treated royally by the Elks, including a Friday Night Dinner and Tour at the Hall of Fame, and a Saturday Night Banquet and Awards Ceremony at the Headquarters Hotel.

Justice competed in the Boys 12-13 Division, which proved to be the toughest competition of the entire Finals. In the first round, Justice only missed one shot, but there were three others who missed only one shot, and four who were perfect. In the second round, Justice missed four shots to finish outside the top three contestants, which included the only perfect score of the weekend (25 for 25) and a five-overtime shootout for second and third place. As a 12-year old, Justice will be eligible to compete again next year.

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