

June 24, 2012

Bedford 2844 holds Flag Day Program, 6-10-12



Members of Girl Scout Troop #848 from Montvale, Virginia, lead the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Bedford 2844 held a ceremony to honor our American Flag, Sunday, June 10 in the Fred Harper Theater, Elks National Home, along with members of the choir from Home Lodge 8081. Approximately sixty people attended. We mourned the loss of our member, Warren Holmes Updike, a Veteran from World War II who fought with General George Patton in the European Conflict. Exalted Ruler Bob Humphreys opened the program by leading the audience in the "Pledge of Allegiance" to the American Flag. Lodge member Lee Willis read the history of our Flags as Girl Scout Troop 848 marched in with each flag. VEA Tiler John Owen, PER, PDDGER, spoke on the purpose of the flag in peace and in war time. Chaplin Rob Jarvis led in prayer. The ceremony was concluded in the Elks Home dining room with food, refreshments and fellowship. God Bless America.