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FEBRUARY 2015 MESSAGE

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Members All

The month of January has been a busy one at #572. On the 11th, 5 Lodge Officers attended the Elks South District meeting in Benton. As always, we came away with some very good ideas and hope to use some of these in our own Lodge. Then, on the 20th, we traveled the Haven, the Veteran's Day Center and Retreat on Crab Orchard Lake. (As explained in earlier Bulletins and on our website, we have received a Beacon Grant from the ENF, to serve our Veterans at this location.) There were 35 disabled or needy Veterans and assisting staff present, along with 13 volunteer Elks from Lodge #572, who helped serve the meal, visit with these Vets, and take care of clean-up duties. A good time was had by all present! As per our 2014 - 2015 Beacon Grant, this service to our Veterans will occur on the 3rd Tuesday of each month, through July. Again, if you would like to help with one or more of the upcoming Tuesdays at the Haven, get in touch with myself or a Lodge Officer, as we are looking to have a list of volunteers from which to call, for scheduling a given month.

January 22 - 25, twelve Lodge Officers and members made the trip north for the Mid-Winter Illinois Elks Association Meeting in Springfield. It is always good to see what other Lodges in Illinois are doing, attend training seminars, meet with State and National Officers, and generally pick up on trends and issues facing each local Lodge. Officers staying current is essential to the success and strength of our Lodge.

February will see the start of our benefit shooting matches, to help raise our per-capita donation (\$5.50 per member) to the Elks National Foundation. The first one is scheduled for Sunday, Feb. 22, at Crazy Joe's Fish House. There will be a meat wheel, along with free food - so why not plan to attend and have a great time, even if you do not actually shoot in the match! (See related article & flyers at Lodge for more details).

Our 20th Annual C.C.C. Dart Tournament will be held on Saturday, March 7th. The planning committee is at work now, so if you want to help, please let me know as soon as possible, in that the date of this event is not far away. Or, contact B. J. Wyatt (618-684-3911), or Lynn Porter (618-534-5722. As this is our 20th tournament, we want to continue to do a good job with it and remain a leading Lodge in Illinois to support our State Major Project. Dart throwers, onlookers, auction participants, board sponsors, auction item donators......we need all of you!

Don't forget about the **Luck Of The Lodge Raffle**, the proceeds of which are used to <u>reduce the Mortgage</u> on our building. As noted in related articles in this and earlier Bulletins, the actual drawings, 2 hours of free drinks, appetizers, and music will be available to ticket holders on 3-14-15. (If you need tickets to buy, or sell, please ask a Lodge Officer, or inquire in the Club Room.)

At the Lodge meeting on February 4th, we will be taking nominations for Officers for the New Year. If **YOU** would like to become an Officer, or want more information therein, please contact myself of any Lodge Officer.

As per my earlier comments on our participation at the Haven, I want to say that it was great to see so many **Elks** willing to give their time and lend a helping hand. It reminds me of our National Obligation, that "So long as there are Veterans, The Elks will never forget them!" And, speaking of lending a hand, I want to applaud those Elks who helped with the M.H.S. Hall of Fame Banquet, held on 1/31/15 at our Lodge, with around 220 people in attendance.

Finally, remember that the food served in our Club Room is outstanding, and that Lodge #572 is a great place to see old friends....and maybe make some new ones!



IN MEMORY

In vain we call. They have passed into the light which is beyond the valley of the shadow of death. The places that have known them shall know them no more; but their virtues are written upon the tablets of love and memory.

RUTH ELLENBERG October 10, 1937 - January 18, 2015 FEBRUARY ELKS LODGE #572

BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Charley Mills
- 1 Michael Rothe
- 1 Michael Duncan
- 3 Tina Rathjen
- 3 Michelle Reames
- 3 Jeff Williams
- 4 Dan Dallas
- 4 David Uffelman
- 6 Steve Zak
- 7 Curtis Thornton
- 7 Marty Will
- 8 Beau Nance
- 8 Gary Rowden
- 9 Patrick Lustig
- 10 Harold Gibbs
- 12 Thomas Aken
- 12 Patricia Shields
- 13 Don Johnson, Jr.
- 13 Mandy Sitton
- 15 John Tippy
- 17 Joseph Martin
- 18 Lee Chancey
- 18 Pete Galati
- 18 James Ryan
- 19 John McDermott
- 19 Randy Skoffic
- 19 Gary Strothmann
- 19 Carrie Zucco
- 20 Randall Whitehead
- 21 Michael Hubbs
- 22 Wayne Alstat
- 22 Jeff Carter
- 22 Robert Chambers
- 22 Barbara Gillooly
- 22 Patsy Polete
- 23 Tim Cobin
- 23 Janet Faulkner
- 23 Michele Zimbleman
- 24 Michael Ewbank
- 25 Robert Roy
- 26 Matthew Korando
- 27 Larry Brown
- 27 Jim Dallas



ANOTHER GREAT HOOP SHOOT YEAR!

To all volunteers who helped Chairman, Craig Harris, with this year's Hoop Shoot Great Job! A total of 1,041 youth participated at their individual, 10 schools in the Lodge #572 area of jurisdiction. This number included some 507 girls and 534 boys. From these local schools, 38 then competed at our local Lodge Shoot, in December. The local winners listed in our December Bulletin (and on our website) next traveled to Goreville High School on January 3rd for South District Competition. Here are the names of those who won or placed at District: 8-9 Girls, 1st place, Camrynn Howie (Chester); 12-13 Girls, 2nd place, Destiny Williams (Chester); 10-11 Boys, 1st place, Drew Caldwell (Murphysboro). Congratulations to both our local Lodge, and South District Winners. Then, Good Luck to Camrynn and Drew, who now compete at the State Level in Decateur on Saturday, January 31

A LITTLE MEMBERSHIP HELP NEEDED

Out of our total membership of 636, only 19 Elks remain unpaid (delinquent) for this current year, which ends March 31. These members will be mailed, near the end of this month, required information (as per Grand Lodge Statute 14.160) relative to their options, before being dropped from membership in our Lodge, and the BPO Elks. We are including the names of our delinquents in this bulletin, in hopes that some of you may know them well, and speak to them regarding their membership. Encourage them to maintain their membership - or if there are extenuating circumstances involved in their situation, please see if they will talk to the E. R., or Lodge Secretary, to see if something can be worked out. As of publication date, unpaid members are: Earl Balsano, Jesse Barge, Gene Bryant, Gerald Cameron, Chad Carson, Chris Cochran, Ted Dalton, Robert Diehl, Ralph Ellett, Kellie Ellis, Tim Legere, Henry (Hank) Leischner, Jack Matherly, Michael McCrary, Cathy Porter, Veronica Roseberry, Scott Stanley, Angela Stanley, and Gary Strothman.



MURPHYSBORO ELKS SHOOTING MATCH SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22

CRAZY JOE'S FISH HOUSE SIGN-UP @ 12 NOON

(NO SCOPES OR PUCKER GUNS)

RAFFLES 50/50 DRAWINGS MEAT WHEEL FREE FOOD



FOR QUESTIONS CALL: RICK EHLERS @ 534-1689 (Proceeds will go toward our contribution to the Elks National Foundation.)

C.C.C. ORTHOPEDIC CLINIC SET FOR DUQUOIN

The South Dist. Elks, in cooperation with the Illinois Elks Children's Care Corporation (C.C.C.) are pleased to announce a free Orthopedic Assessment Clinic, to be held at Marshall Browning Hospital in DuQuoin, on Friday, 2/20/15, from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. Any child, age 0 - 21, is eligible to be seen by Dr. Alan Froehling. A parent or guardian should be present at time of appointment. For information, or to arrange an appointment, contact the C.C.C. office in Chatham, IL, weekdays, 9:00 a.m. - 4:p.m., at 1-800-272-0074. Elks Care ~ Elks Share.

LODGE #572 BY-LAWS AND HOUSE RULES APPROVED BY GRAND LODGE

We are pleased to announce to our membership, the approval of our Lodge By-Laws and House Rules, by Grand Lodge Committee on Judiciary. The date of approval was 1-11-15, and will remain in effect for 5 years, unless specific changes are submitted and approved in the interim. Thanks to all Officers who helped with this successful endeavor!

BINGO VOLUNTEERS

02/09 C. DeWulf, C. Canning (Paul)

02/16 J. Wayman, J. Erbes (Evans)

02/23 K. Evans, (TBA) (Hines)

03/02 M. Leslie, J. Clover (Givens)

PULL TAB VOLUNTEERS

02/09 L. Brown, T. Ferguson

02/16 G. Wilcox, D. Siefert

02/23 M. Sherman, S. Wheeler

03/02 T. Ferguson, S. Schemonia



LUCK OF THE LODGE RAFFLE

\$5,000 1ST PLACE PRIZE \$20 DONATION ONLY 800 TICKETS SOLD PRIZES AWARDED TO (9)

WINNERS & (9) SELLERS
DRAWING & COCKTAIL PARTY
FOR TICKET HOLDERS
3/14/2015

SEE TICKETS OR FLYERS FOR
COMPLETE DETAILS
IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO
PARTICIPATE IN SELLING
TICKETS, SEE
STEVE SCHEMONIA, E.R.



NUT SALES FOR LOCAL SCHOLARSHIP

Thanks to sellers and buyers alike, we are nearing the end of our 2014 - 2015 Holiday Nut Sale campaign, to provide a local scholarship to a "C" student (Senior) at Murphysboro High School. Now, we have a few bags of <u>Cashews</u> and <u>Pralines</u> still available in the Club Room. And, we also have a larger number of <u>English Walnuts</u> on hand. So, "come get em," so that we can get this scholarship ready to go!

MURPHYSBORO SOCCER FUNDRAISER



QUARTER AUCTION!

GUN RAFFLE!

AND MORE!

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28TH

@MURPHYSBORO ELKS LODGE

FOOD SERVED FROM 6-8 PM

QUARTER AUCTION STARTS @ 7:30 PM

DINNER TICKETS \$8.00 ADULTS/\$5 CHILDREN

ALL PROCEEDS WILL BENEFIT THE DEVELOPMENTS OF
THE NEW MURPHYSBORO SOCCER COMPLEX!

For more details email us at Murphysborosoccer@hotmail.com

February 2015

ELKS CLUB ROOM HOURS

MONDAY ~ THURSDAY 2:00 P.M. ~ 11:00 P.M. SATURDAY 12:00 P.M. ~ 12:00

A.M.

FRIDAY 2:00 P.M. ~ 12:00 A.M.

12:00 P.M. ~ 10:00

SUNDAY

COMING EVENTS

Feb. 4.... Lodge Mtg. 7:30— Nomination of Lodge Officers

Feb. 20....CCC Clinic at Marshall Browning Hospital, DuQuoin

Feb. 22...Shooting Match @Crazy Joe's Fish House

Feb. 28....M'boro Soccer Fund Raiser-Qtr. Auction & Raffle in Hall

March 7.....CCC Benefit Dart Tournament

March 14....Luck of the Lodge Raffle

March 15...Shooting Match @ Chester Eagles

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 BINGO 7:00 P.M.SPECIAL 5:30— 8:00 PM BBQ SAND. W/FRIES \$4.50 & FULL BINGO MENU	3 HORSESHOES, FF \$7.50	4 LODGE MTG. 7:30 PM NOMINA- TION OF OFFICERS HOT WINGS .50 EA. 6-8 P.M (Eat in or take out)	5 10 OZ RIB EYE \$14.95 ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT FRIED CHICKEN INC. MASHED POT., GRAVY/ VEG. & ROLL SALAD BAR \$8.00	6 SPECIAL! ALL YOU CAN EAT CATFISH W/FRIES, SLAW & HUSH PUPPIES \$8.00	7
8	9 BINGO 7:00 P.M.SPECIAL 5:30— 8:00 PM BBQ SAND. W/FRIES \$4.50 & FULL BINGO MENU	10 PHILLY STEAK, FF \$7.50	11 BOARD OF DIRECTORS 7:00 PM HOUSE MTG. 7:30 HOT WINGS .50 EA. 6-8 P.M (Eat in or take out)	12 10 OZ RIB EYE \$14.95 ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT FRIED CHICKEN INC. MASHED POT., GRAVY/ VEG. & ROLL SALAD BAR \$8.00	13 LIVER & ON- IONS, BAKED POT., VEG., ROLL \$8.00	14 Valentine's Day
15	16 BINGO 7:00 P.M.SPECIAL 5:30— 8:00 PM BBQ SAND. W/FRIES \$4.50 & FULL BINGO MENU	17 Po Boys w/ Fish & Shrimp Jambalaya w/ Chic. & Shrimp \$8.95	18 LODGE MTG. 7:30 PM ELECTION OF OFFICERS HOT WINGS .50 EA. 6-8 P.M (Eat in or take out)	19 10 OZ RIB EYE \$14.95 ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT FRIED CHICKEN INC. MASHED POT., GRAVY/VEG. & ROLL SALAD BAR \$8.00	20 BLACKENED TILAPIA, RICE, VEG., ROLL \$8.95	21
22 SHOOTING MATCH @ CRAZY JOE'S	23 BINGO 7:00 P.M.SPECIAL 5:30— 8:00 PM BBQ SAND. W/FRIES \$4.50 & FULL BINGO MENU	24 CHICKEN CLUBS, FF \$7.50	25 HOT WINGS .50 EA. 6-8 P.M (Eat in or take out)	26 10 OZ RIB EYE \$14.95 ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT FRIED CHICKEN INC. MASHED POT., GRAVY/ VEG. & ROLL SALAD BAR \$8.00	27 COUNTRY FRIED STEAK & BISCUT, GRAVY & EGGS \$8.00	28 M'BORO SOCCER FUND RAISER (FOOD, QTR. AUC- TION, GUN RAF- FLE)