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JANUARY 2018 MESSAGE

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Members All.

Hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

December was a very busy month at Murphysboro #572. Thank You, everyone who volunteered your time to help with the Hoop Shoot; the Kids Christmas Party; and also the START Christmas Dinner. It takes volunteers to make all of our Lodge activities a success. (Just to let everyone know, our Murphysboro Lodge is sometimes teased as being the "Lodge of the Universe" by fellow Lodges in the South District, due to the hard work of all of our members!)

Congratulations to Rosemary Bastien on winning our Christmas Lottery Raffle Board. We trust Rosemary had fun scratching off all those tickets, and I also hope some were good winners! I have had several members express interest in having another Lottery Board. So, look for another one to be posted by about the middle of January, for a Drawing to be held on Valentines Day.

With the beginning of a new calendar year, we are coming up on the last quarter of our Elk year. I would like to ask the 30 of you (4.5% of our 680 total) who have not paid your 2017 - 2018 dues, to do so as soon as possible. If you are undecided as to whether or not you are going to pay your dues, please take a moment to think about the <u>reason you became an Elk</u>. Think about all we do for our **Community**, our **Veterans**, and our **Children**. If there is a problem that is keeping you from paying your dues, please let me know and maybe I can help resolve the problem.

Don't forget about our Shooting Matches, to help our Lodge reach our goals for the Elks National Foundation (See Article!). We do need volunteers to help sell raffle tickets, accomplish needed tasks, or just come out for some great fun! Speaking of needed help - if anyone is interested in selling 50 / 50 Raffle tickets on our Tuesday night Queen of Hearts Drawing, please let myself or Richard Martin know. Tickets are sold from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. Monies raised on this 50 / 50 Raffle go into the Lodge Building Fund, to help make needed repairs. Thank you, everyone who participates in this Raffle.

Have you noticed that we have a Monday Lunch Menu? Serving is from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The menu consists of sandwiches, fries, salads, and a different soup every week. And, also on Mondays, recall that we have a Weekly Drawing, at 7:00 p.m. Remember to sign up when you are in the Club Room.

Last, but not least, I just want everyone to know that I am enjoying seeing our crowds pick up, now that winter has set in. I know summer and fall can be very busy for many of us, but when you don't come in to the Lodge, you are missed!

Fraternally, Debbie Sauer, Exalted Ruler

PHYSICAL & OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY SCHOLARSHIPS

Do you know a High School Senior who is planning to major in Physical or Occupational Therapy (or PT/OT Physical therapy Assistant, 2-year Programs)? If so, let them know that the Illinois Elks Children's Care Corporation's Scholarship Program is now open. Information / Applications are available online, at illinoiselksccc.org You can also call the C.C.C. for information at 1-800-272-0074. Deadline to submit completed application, to Local Lodge, is March 9, 2018.



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.

JOHN R. QUIGLY

April 2, 1953 - December 23, 2017

ELKS HELPING OUR VETERANS

In December, we served an especially large group of Vets at our monthly Haven meal. From our Christmas Showcase, we were able to donate \$302 for the 1344th National Guard, Children's Christmas Party. Then, PER's, Ed Fisher and Steve Schemonia, teamed up to visit veterans in assisted living and residential facilities in Randolph and Jackson Counties. Lap Blankets, Christmas Cards from our Lodge, and Candy Canes were handed out to over 60 veterans, in total. Maybe most appreciated, was just the **visits by Caring Elks**.

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS ELKS LODGE #572

- 1 Tina Phoenix
- 3 Richard Martin
- 4 James Carlock
- 4 Lonnie Choate
- 4 Chuck Grammer
- 4 Roland Wagner
- 5 Bradley Doerner
- 5 Donald McBride
- 5 William Todd
- 5 Alvin Valdez
- 6 Monica Nippe
- 7 Robert Etherton
- 7 Debra Tindall
- 8 Randall Beckman
- 8 Richard Kiel
- 8 Robert Knope
- 9 Mike Jones
- 10 Craig Stewart
- 11 Holly Arbeiter
- 12 Rockford Stiegman
- 13 Dan Pullis
- 13 Harold Sheffer
- 13 Bob Swetland
- 14 Cathy Mason
- 14 Dale Schimpf
- 15 Jack Huppert
- 15 Tonya Knust
- 15 Derek Pfeaster
- Julie Roberts
- 16 Daniel Alstat
- 16 Russell Bogenpohl
- 17 Claude Stanton
- 17 Mary Strothmann
- 18 Truman Cashman
- 18 Michael Herron
- 19 Andrew Erbes
- 19 Carolyn Ihle
- 19 William Terry20 Brian Davenport
- 20 Bruce Martin
- 22 David Ciganovich
- 22 Michael Wepsiec
- 23 Faye Lee
- 24 Marcia Butler
- 25 David McDowell
- 25 Richard Varner
- 26 Randall Heins
- 26 Brian Korando
- 26 Edwin McLaughlin
- 27 Rick Polete
- 27 Praveen Sunny
- 28 Ronald Schemonia
- 30 Mark Pierson31 Janice Ehlers
- 31 Kelsey Paul





"What shall I ask for?" appears to be on the mind of this young lady, at our Annual "Kid's Christmas Party."

for this year's Hoop Shoot competition was held on Saturday, December 9th. The total number of participants was down, but it was wonderful to see participants from our hometown of Murphysboro!! First place winners in each group will compete at the district competition in Anna on January 13th. If one of the winners cannot go to the district competition, the runner-up will serve as an alternate. This year's winners were: (front row) Elly Buch, Kylie Zipfel,

The local competition

This year's winners were: (front row) Elly Buch, Kylie Zipfel, Avery Roberts, Ashlyn Colvis, Joanna Niepert (back row) Kaden Langston, Owen Gremmels, Trey Gillespie, Trent Sternberg, Chase Hurst, Nathan McSmith.



Santa and Mrs. Clause share a Merry Moment with an invited Guest, at our Annual START Christmas Dinner.

NUT SALE STATUS



This event which funds our yearly, local Elk's #572 Scholarship to a "C" student (Senior), at Murphysboro High School, has been doing well! Thanks to all of you who have sold and/or purchased our fresh and popular selections, direct from the

Thames Pecan Co. in Georgia. We have completely sold out of our supply of Gourmet Mixed Nuts and Cashews. We do, as of this publication date, still have: Pecan Halves; Pecan Pieces; English Walnuts; Whole Almonds; Chocolate Pecans; Pralines; & Glazed Pecans. Please consider a purchase - in person, if you are at the Lodge or check with "Nut Chairperson," Chris Paul, at 618-924-3507. Come getem!!

TICKETS NOW ON SALE LUCK OF THE LODGE RAFFLE \$5,000 1ST PLACE PRIZE \$20 DONATION

ONLY 800 TICKETS SOLD PRIZES AWARDED TO

(9) WINNERS & (9) SELLERS

DRAWING & PARTY FOR TICKET HOLDERS

> 3/10/2018 SEE TICKETS OR FLYERS FOR COMPLETE DETAILS (IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PARTICIPATE IN SELLING TICKETS, SEE DIANE CHAMNESS)

Mail-In Request Ticket Cut me out & mail me in !!

Name: Address

> Include \$20 Check / Ticket MAIL TO:

> > Elks Lodge #572 Luck of the Lodge P. O. Box 787

Murphysboro, IL 62966 Actual, Numbered Ticket Stub will be mailed back to you.



MURPHYSBORO ELKS ENF BENEFIT SHOOTING **MATCHES**

SUNDAY, JANUARY 7 SHILOH HILL SIGN-UP @ 12 NOON

(NO SCOPES OR PUCKER GUNS ALLOWED - 6.70 MAXIMUM CHOKE)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21 & FEBRUARY 25 CRAZY JOE'S FISH HOUSE SIGN-UP 12 NOON

(NO SCOPES OR PUCKER GUNS ALLOWED - 6.70 MAXIMUM CHOKE) ********

FOR QUESTIONS CALL: RICK EHLERS @534-1689

(Proceeds will go toward our contribution to the **Elks National Foundation**)

EVENTS INCLUDE: VARIOUS RAFFLES 50/50 DRAWING FREE FOOD

Even if you don't plan to shoot

- Come enjoy the day, Raffle Events, Drawings, and fun with fellow Elks - all while helping our Lodge meet our ENF Per-Capita for the year, and qualify for our

QUEEN OF HEARTS RAFFLE REPORT

11/28 Jay Ziegler: \$100 Name Draw; No win on Card Draw

12/05 Sue Nordstrom: \$100 Name Draw; No win on Card Draw

12/12 Maggie Walker: \$100 Name Draw; No win on Card Draw

12/19 Janice Ehlers: \$100 Name Draw; No win on Card Draw

12/26 Gretchen Mager: \$100 Name Draw; No win on Card Draw

As you can see, as of this publication date, the Queen is still around....with 12 cards remaining on the Board! Value on January 2nd drawing is projected at just over \$7,000.00. Remember - Queen Drawing is at 7:00 p. m.; 50 / 50 is at 7:15; and Dinner for 2, at 7:30.

C.C.C. BENEFIT CALENDARS AVAILABLE AT LODGE

Some weeks ago, the Illinois Elks Children's Care Corp. sent out order letters for the 2018 Illinois Elks Children's Benefit Calendar. If you did not take advantage of this mail-in option, we now have a supply at the Lodge. They are \$20 each, and include making you eligible for 262 drawings, ranging from 246 week-day \$50 prizes, to one top prize of \$5,000. Total money is \$21,500.00 Inquire in the Club Room.



After being voted to candidacy status and completing their indoctrination session, we are very pleased to have received into membership on December 20, 2017, the following new members (left to right) beside E. R., Deb Sauer: Jacob Stewart, and Cassandra McCann.

ELKS CLUB ROOM HOURS

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

SATURDAY

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

FRIDAY

SUNDAY

2:00 P.M. ~ 12:00 A.M. 2:00 P.M. ~ 10:00 P.M. January 2018

COMING EVENTS

Jan. 7 - So. Dist. Elks Mtg.; DuQuoin #884
Jan. 13th - Dist. Hoop Shoot Anna-Jonesboro High School
Jan. 26-28 IEA Mid-Winter Mtg., Springfield
ENF Shooting Matches: Jan. 21 & Feb. 25 @ Crazy Joes Fish House
Feb. 24 CCC Dart Tournament

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| THURSDAY & FRIDAY SERVING 5:00 PM ~ 9:00 PM | 1 HAPPY NEW YEAR (CLUB OPEN 4-8 PM) WEEKLY DRAWING 7:00 | 2 QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00 50/50 7:15 COUNTRY FRIED CHICKEN \$7.50 | 3 LODGE MTG. 7:30 PM HOT WWINGS .50 EA & APPETIZER SPECIALS 6-8 PM | 4 RIB EYE STEAK \$15.95 ALL YOU CAN EAT CHICK-EN; INC, MASHED POT., GRAVY/VEG., ROLL & SALAD BAR \$10.00 | 5 ALL YOU CAN EAT CATFISH \$8.50 1/2 FRIED CHICKEN \$9.50 | 6 |
| 7 CCC BENEFIT SHOOTING MATCH & SCHILOH HILL | 8 LUNCH 11:00 AM TO 2:00 PM WEEKLY DRAWING 7:00 | 9 QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00 50/50 7:15 MEATLOAF \$7.50 | 10 BOARD OF DIRECTORS 7:00 PM HOUSE MTG. 7:30 HOT WWINGS .50 EA & APPETIZER SPECIALS 6-8 | 11 RIB EYE STEAK \$15.95 ALL YOU CAN EAT CHICK-EN; INC, MASHED POT., GRAVY/VEG., ROLL & SALAD BAR \$10.00 | 12 1/2 FRIED CHICKEN \$9.50 SMOTHERED CHICKEN \$7.50 | 13 |
| 14 | 15 LUNCH 11:00 AM TO 2:00 PM WEEKLY DRAWING 7:00 | 16 QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00 50/50 7:15 TACO TUES. \$7.50 | 17 LODGE MTG. 7:30 PM HOT WWINGS .50 EA & APPETIZER SPECIALS 6-8 PM | 18 RIB EYE STEAK \$15.95 ALL YOU CAN EAT CHICK-EN; INC, MASHED POT., GRAVY/VEG., ROLL & SALAD BAR \$10.00 | 19 1/2 FRIED CHICK- EN \$9.50 BREAKFAST \$6.50 | 20 |
| 21 CCC BENEFIT SHOOTING MATCH @ CRAZY JOES FISH HOUSE | 22 LUNCH 11:00 AM TO 2:00 PM WEEKLY DRAWING 7:00 | 23 QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00 50/50 7:15 CHICKEN ALA KING \$7.50 | 24 HOT WWINGS .50 EA & APPETIZER SPECIALS 6-8 PM | 25 RIB EYE STEAK \$15.95 ALL YOU CAN EAT CHICK-EN; INC, MASHED POT., GRAVY/VEG., ROLL & SALAD BAR \$10.00 IEA MID - WINTER | 26 1/2 FRIED CHICK- EN \$9.50 ITALIAN BEEF \$7.50 MEETING, SPRINGF | 27 BACK HALL RENTED |
| 28 | 29 LUNCH 11:00 AM TO 2:00 PM WEEKLY DRAWING 7:00 | 30 QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00 50/50 7:15 COUNTRY FRIED STEAK \$7.50 | 31 HOT WWINGS .50 EA & APPETIZER SPECIALS 6-8 PM | BREAKFAST IS PM EVERY T | SERVED ANYTIME F TUESDAY, THURSDAY | ROM 5:00 ~ 9:00 Y & FRIDAY |