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E. R. MESSAGE - MAY

Members All,

As summer weather approaches (hopefully), we are putting together events at the Lodge, including our own Golf Scramble on June 9th, at Hickory Ridge Golf Course. Details are available at the Lodge, or on our Facebook page. (Speaking of - we are currently working on making the Murphysboro Elk Lodge's Facebook page **more active**, so be sure to "**like**" it and check it often for details.) Additional events, upcoming, include our Cinco de Mayo Dinner, Mother's Day Brunch, and joint participation in a Murphysboro "Caddyshack Crawl." Details are located elsewhere, on all these items.

I am pleased to report that all Lodge Offices (both elected and appointed) have been filled for the 2018 - 2019 year. Congratulations and Thank You to the following, who join the Officers listed in our March Newsletter: Appointed are **Kirk Caskey**, Chaplain; **Sue Givens**, Inner Guard; **Christian Rose**, Tiler, and **Jerry Willett, PER**, 2-yr. Trustee. All will be working to benefit our Lodge!

And, notice the Easter Bunny photos in this Newsletter. Thanks to our Bartender, **Jeff**, who is inside the Rabbit Suit! He did a great Job!

Fraternally, Darcie Hastings, E. R.

MEMBERSHIP ON THE MOVE!

Since two members, who were dropped on March 31st, have taken the "60-Day Reinstatement Option," as per Grand Lodge Statute, our starting membership has actually grown to 666, as opposed to the 664 reported in last month's Newsletter - an even higher, historic number! And, **9 new applications** are in process, and / or scheduled for floor reading or vote at the next Lodge meeting! Remember - it takes **YOU**, our current members, to propose new members, or sponsor reinstatements! (Regarding this process - there is often uncertainty about which application to use: New candidates - Never before been an Elk - use a standard application form, available at the Lodge, in which you fill out your portion, then help candidate fill out their section....plus two Elk Member references, OTHER than yourself, as proposer; Reinstatements of former members of this Lodge require a different form; If you are working with a current member of another Lodge, who is interested in transferring to this Lodge - have them speak with Lodge Secretary of either Lodge, as electronic data transfer is required on the CLMS system; If you are speaking with someone who has been dropped from another Lodge, again, they will need to speak with Lodge Secretary, as a Certificate of Release / CLMS data transfer are then both required. It's not that difficult, if started in the correct fashion - don't be afraid to inquire of the Lodge Secretary!

ARE YOUR DUES PAID UP?

As all Elk Members know - the deadline for yearly membership dues is always **April 1**. Thereafter, you are considered delinquent! Grand Lodge Statutes then allow all local Lodges to exclude said delinquent members from Club Room privileges, Elk activities & events, and most certainly, all Elk meetings, as of the April 1 date.

While the meeting exclusion has been in effect at #572, since April 1, be advised that enforcement of "Club Room Privileges" will be vigorously enforced, starting **June 1** !! This includes food and beverage purchase, event attendance, and all related. (Also, reminder that if you are on the CLMS delinquency list, **MAY 1**, you are **not eligible** for the Queen of Hearts, or any Raffle or Drawing, the the entire month of May....or entirety of any month, thereafter, if on CLMS delinquency list, the 1st day of that month.) While it is not the intention of Lodge Officers or Staff to embarrass a delinquent member seeking Club Privileges after June 1 - do expect to be reminded of the problem, and put on notice, therein!

Think of it from the perspective of paid-up members - if delinquent, why should you enjoy benefits which **their dues** are underwriting?

**BIRTHDAYS**

5/1 Gretchen Mager
5/1 William Pittman
5/3 James Deming
5/3 James Rosson
5/5 Michael Barone
5/5 Scott Imhoff
5/6 Douglas Carr
5/7 Mike Sherman
5/8 Tom Pulcher
5/8 Rebecca Stokes
5/9 Beth Hartman
5/9 William Ryan
5/10 Dale Korando
5/10 Robert Roach
5/12 Julio Figueroa
5/13 William Jones
5/13 Landess Mills
5/13 Linda Polete
5/14 Michael Marks
5/14 Jesy Phoenix
5/15 Pamela Reed
5/17 Russell Miner
5/17 Ron Tuttle
5/18 Mike Bastien
5/18 Phillip Cline
5/18 Jim Ferguson
5/18 Donald Keipp
5/18 Keith Rendleman
5/19 Lauralee Ryan
5/21 Robert Allard
5/21 Debbie Humm
5/22 Larry Elliott
5/22 Eric Sumner
5/23 Blake Canning
5/25 Dan Leslie
5/25 Norman Wayman
5/26 Josh Cochran
5/28 Richard Blake
5/28 Keith Harris
5/29 Chris German
5/30 Joe Bastien
5/30 Richard Cox

QUEEN OF HEARTS UPDATE

Remember - Drawing is at 7:00 p.m., on each Tuesday. Ticket sales (\$1 each) continue until 6:45. Also, 50 / 50 Raffle tickets are sold from 5 - 7 p.m., with draw at 7:15. From Queen tickets, a "Dinner for Two" is drawn at 7:30. Many selections and specials are available from our kitchen, to enhance your "Queen of Hearts Evening." Get your tickets - come and Enjoy! As of this Newsletter writing, the Queen value for May 1: **\$2,098.00**. Results, since our last Newsletter are as follows:

04/03 **Dan Bilderback**, \$25 Name Draw; No win on Card Draw
04/10 **Jim Ferguson**, \$25 Name Draw; No win on Card Draw
04/17 **Scott Wheeler**, \$25 Name Draw; \$30 on on King Draw
04/24 **Dale Alstat**, \$25 Name Draw; No win on Card Draw

Congratulations to Lodge 572 March 2018 Initiation Class

After being voted to candidacy status and completing their indoctrination session, we are very pleased to have received into membership on March 7, 2018, the following new members (left to right): Shyler Mathis, Timothy Smith, Christian Rose, Justin Baril, Colin Clendenin, (2017-2018 Exalted Ruler, Deb Sauer), and Jakob Guetersloh.

This class was our final one for the 2017-2018 Lodge Year, and was a major factor in our year's Membership Gain, and record, membership start for the current, 2018-2019 year!

**MURPHYSBORO ELKS GOLF SCRAMBLE**

Date: 06/09/18

Hickory Ridge Golf Course

Sign-up @ 11, Tee Off @ 12

\$65 / Person; 4-person team

Dinner & Prizes in Club Room

1st 20 paid Teams to register at Lodge

Info. Contacts: (618) Donnie @303-0451;

Richard @791-9245;

Harold @559-9214; or

Darcie @521-6050



BRUNCH
MAY 13, 2018
9:00 am – 1:00 pm
IN THE BACK HALL
EVERYONE
INVITED
MOTHERS EAT FREE

ADULTS \$7.00
CHILDREN 3 - 12 \$4.00
(under 3, free)



**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
 FISHING EXPEDITION FOR
 SPECIAL POPULATIONS**

WED, MAY 9, 2018
8:30 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.
BLEYER'S LAKE

For more information or to sign up as a volunteer, please call The Bank of Carbondale at (618) 549-2181 or email elizabeth@tboc.com



BUFFET

Saturday, May 5, in Club Room
5:00 - 8:00 p.m.
\$10.00 per person
Come join in & enjoy!!!



ELKS PARTICIPATE IN CADDYSHACK CRAWL

Saturday, May 19th, is the date for this Fund Raiser for School Dist. #186. Proceeds will go to the PBIS program (Good Behavior / student of the Month). Check-in begins at 10:45 a.m., at the American Legion, with Tee Off at Noon. Four-person teams / \$20 per person; T-shirts, goodie bag, 10 rounds of Putt-Putt Golf, prize for best-dressed team; Cash Prizes: 1st = \$500, 2nd = \$300, 3rd = \$200; Caddies (Designated Drivers) suggested; Murphysboro establishments participating: American Legion, Corner Tavern, Jack's Meat Market, 17th St. Warehouse, Elks #572, VFW, Brews Brothers, Big Muddy Brewery, DaNite Tavern, and Carbon Lake Club. Sign-up & pay at Corner Tavern, before May 14th! Sounds like a unique and great day of fun - all while helping out a good program for our students! Informational flyers are available at the Lodge.



#572 Elk's Bunny brings Easter Cheer to Manor Court at Liberty Village in Carbondale.

