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## DECEMBER 2018 E. R. MESSAGE

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Members All,

The holiday season is here! I know that we all get very busy with events, but if you find yourself with some extra time, remember that we have some upcoming Lodge activities that are important in our world of Elkdom, including: Our local Hoop Shoot; Kid's Christmas Party; START Christmas Party; Haven / Veterans Christmas Dinner; and more! See [articles](#) in this issue for who to contact if you want to get on board.

Speaking of the START Christmas party - THANK YOU to everyone who participated in November's Beer & Chicken Dance! (It will be a great help in being able to put on this year's event for our START friends, and I hear that they are already excited about it!) I also want to hand out special accolades to Mary Falaster and Freida Doody for helping serve (again), and to B. J. Korando and his very capable team for frying all the chicken. It was delicious! And, all the sides were incredible! I have to say, I loved the sharing.....being my first experience with a Beer & Chicken dance, I had to ask details on how everything needed to happen. I was told that people bring dishes to share with their table. This information, I then passed along to everyone I could. Upon walking into the Lodge Hall, I observed people putting their dishes on the front table with the chicken. I reiterated to them - you don't **have to**.....but every response I received was.....we **want to**! Back to our motto: *Elks Care - Elks Share*! Makes me proud to be an Elk!

I know that there are times when I / we ask a lot from our members, but our members (YOU) always step up for the challenge! Every time I walked by the "Veterans' Tree" in the Club Room, more and more tags were gone, with Elks buying gifts for them (this, after everyone was so generous at the prior pork steak dinner, which provided apparel to help keep area Veterans warm, this winter season.). And, when we asked for help raising funds for the START Christmas, YOU stepped up again. Furthermore, when I challenged everyone to donate for Wreaths for Veteran graves at Mounds & Carterville, I walked into the Club Room to see a long line of paper wreaths spanning the wall behind the Bar. Bottom line - when we need volunteers, desserts, extra hands, donations - YOU are always there. As was featured in our October Newsletter & other, recent Elk publications...**ELKS DO!** What can I say? At Murphysboro Lodge #572, **ELKS DEFINITELY DO!** As I always say, things are not accomplished by just one - it takes *EVERYONE!*

Finally, my appreciations having been extended to all of you who have recently pitched in as Elk members.....let me challenge those of you who have, perhaps, not yet been able to do so, to come out and join in. This is your Elk's Lodge. Enjoy your membership in it, but also take pride in all that you, our members, do to make it strong and successful!

Happy Holidays, Darcie Hastings, Exalted Ruler



Murphysboro Mayor and Lodge #572 Elk Member, Will Stephens, presents Sarah Lavender Brashear the "Honor Our Flag" Certificate, as provided by the Grand Lodge Activities Committee. Sarah brings honor and respect to the American Flag, through a beautiful display at her local restaurant business, "One Hot Cookie."



Murphysboro Lodge #572 recently donated \$1,200 from ENF Anniversary Grant Funds to the High School Marching Band, the Crimson Express. Accepting check, L - R, are Peggy Riemer, Band Booster parent, and Michael Moreland, Band Director. E. R., Darcie Hastings, and Chaplain, Kirk Caskey, make the presentation.

12/2 John Eaton  
 12/2 Donald Kidd  
 12/3 Larry Klink  
 12/3 Mary Ann Reichert  
 12/4 Renee Evans  
 12/4 Gary Huppert  
 12/4 Larry Miles  
 12/4 Michael Adams  
 12/5 Justin Raines  
 12/6 Darryl Huppert  
 12/7 Kellie Ellis  
 12/7 Daniel Reardon  
 12/7 Kevin Tuttle  
 12/8 Nancy Tillitt  
 12/9 Jeffrey Hill  
 12/9 Ashley Hosselton  
 12/9 Sterling Stiegman  
 12/11 Tom Coleman  
 12/11 Glenna Stein  
 12/12 William Sutton  
 12/13 Patrick Burke  
 12/14 Jane Rhoden  
 12/15 Jacqueline Clover  
 12/16 Marilyn Daniel  
 12/16 Michael Lewsader  
 12/16 Geoffrey Spears  
 12/18 Buddy Ferguson  
 12/19 Mike Humm  
 12/20 Thomas Cox  
 12/20 Kenneth Parnell  
 12/20 Brad Rife  
 12/22 Bruce Doerr  
 12/22 Sue Givens  
 12/22 Warren Grammer  
 12/22 David McClure  
 12/22 Charles Murphy  
 12/22 Seth Schemonia  
 12/24 Bob Hall  
 12/24 David Mifflin  
 12/24 Dillon Rushing  
 12/25 Joseph Balsano  
 12/25 Hudson Mugge  
 12/26 Stanley Schneider  
 12/27 Charles McClure  
 12/27 Jerry Wright  
 12/28 Dan Bilderback  
 12/28 Jackie Lindsey  
 12/28 Larry Quigley  
 12/29 Tammy Ryan  
 12/29 Janie Wright  
 12/30 Brian Roberts

### QUEEN OF HEARTS UPDATE

As of this publication date, the Queen still resides on our Raffle Board, with a value of **\$8,090.00 !!** Remember - Queen draw is at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, with 50/50 to follow at 7:15, and Dinner for 2, at 7:30. Also, good food from our kitchen, and lots of fellow Elks with whom to visit & socialize. Results, since last Newsletter publication:

11/06 **Mike Sherman**, \$100 Name Draw; No win on Card Draw  
 11/13 **Janice Hines**, \$100 Name Draw; No win on Card Draw  
 11/20 **Linda Patrick**, \$100 Name Draw; **\$125** for Ace Draw  
 11/27 **Herb Dougan**, \$100 Name Draw; No Win on Card Draw



**KIDS CHRISTMAS PARTY**  
**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16**  
**\* BEGINNING AT 1:00**  
**WITH HOT DOGS, CHIPS,**  
**SOFT DRINKS, etc.**  
**\* VARIETY OF KID'S GAMES**  
**TO FOLLOW**  
**SANTA ARRIVES**  
**AT APPROX. 2:00 PM**  
**ALL MEMBERS AND GUESTS**  
**ARE WELCOME!**

### LAST CALL ON WREATH CHALLENGE

December 10 is the deadline to donate to our Exalted Ruler's Challenge for donations to the Honor Wreaths Across America Program in our area, which will help fund wreath placements on Veterans' Graves at Mounds and Carterville Cemeteries. Make your donations in the Club Room - and, your name can be placed on a paper wreath, if you would like.



After being voted to candidacy status and completing their indoctrination session, we are very pleased to have received into membership on November 7, 2018, the following new members (left to right): Thomas Ince, James Hoppenstedt, Michael Roberts, Joanna Beth Tweedy, (Exalted Ruler Darcie Hastings), Jessica Lynn Morse, Mark Dolan, Allen Lawless, Mary Lou Hunziker, and Jeffrey Eliason.

## ANNUAL START CHRISTMAS DINNER

On Sunday, Dec. 16, again we will provide the clients of START, as well as some from Shelter Workshops in surrounding counties (i.e., those who also attend our monthly dances), with a Christmas Meal and Party. If you would like to volunteer, see Club Manager, Dianne. (Doors open at 5:30, meal at 6:00, Santa to follow.)



## TIME TO START PLANNING FOR CCC DART TOURNAMENT

Our Tournament Organizer, B. J. Wyatt, is asking for Lodge members to start planning for our 24th Annual Fund Raiser for Illinois Elks Children's Care Corp., which will occur on **February 23, 2019**. As in our prior, 23 years, we will need Board Sponsors, Silent & Live Auction Items, Event Workers, Dart Throwers, and very importantly - Elks and Guests to **Attend**! Want to help out? The first Planning Meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, January 8th**, in Club Room (or Hall), following Queen of Hearts Drawing. Advance Questions? See B. J., Patty Stokes, or E.R., Darcie Hastings.

## MURPHYBORO ELKS ENF BENEFIT SHOOTING MATCH

**FIRST MATCH—SUNDAY JANUARY 6, 2019**

**SHILOH HILL—SIGN-UP 12 NOON**

**EVENTS INCLUDE: VARIOUS RAFFLES; 50/50 DRAWING; FREE FOOD**

**FOR QUESTIONS CALL: RICK EHLERS (534-1689)**

Even if you don't plan to shoot— come enjoy the day, and have fun with fellow Elks - all while helping our Lodge meet our ENF per-capita for the year, and qualify for our Grants!

**TICKETS NOW ON SALE**  
**LUCK OF THE LODGE RAFFLE**  
(THESE MAKE GREAT STOCKING STUFFERS)

**\$5,000 1ST PLACE PRIZE**

**\$20 DONATION**

**ONLY 800 TICKETS SOLD; PRIZES AWARDED TO (9) WINNERS & (9) SELLERS; DRAWING & PARTY FOR TICKET HOLDERS**

**3/9/2019**

**SEE TICKETS OR FLYERS FOR  
COMPLETE DETAILS (IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO  
PARTICIPATE IN SELLING TICKETS,  
CONTACT: SUE GIVENS 618-534-8102)**

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**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.**

## NEW YEAR'S EVE DINNER SPECIALS IN CLUB ROOM

**Time: 5pm—9 pm**

**All come with soup, salad, baked pot.,  
and dessert,**

**PRIME RIB - \$22.95**

**RIBEYE STEAK - \$19.95**

**FRIED SHRIMP \$14.95**

(Reservations suggested / appreciated)

(Note: The Lodge HALL Celebration is **NOT** included with these Club Room Meals. A separate ticket is required for the Hall Celebration.)

## GIFT CERTIFICATES

Remember that these are available for our Club Room - Perfect Christmas Gifts or Stocking Stuffers! See Club Manager, Dianne!

## 2019 NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY TO FEATURE 50'S ERA & "GREASE" THEMES



Tickets are now on sale for our New Year's Eve Party, which will be held in the Lodge Hall. (Please note that this event is SEPARATE from the Dining Option, being offered in the Club Room. But, it is your option to do both, if you wish.) Hall doors open at 7:00 p.m., with Hors d'oeuvres beginning at 9:00 p.m. Music for the evening will be provided by Davis DJ Sound and Lighting from 8:00 pm ~ 1:00 am. Tickets are a reasonable \$20 each, and available to all Elks & Guests. This will be a flexible, fun evening! You could dress as a "Grease" character; dress in general 50's apparel; or dress upscale in more traditional New Year's Eve fashion. Normal, Midnight celebratory items will, of course, be available. And, a portion of any proceeds of the evening will go to the Crimson Express, Murphysboro High School Marching Band.

## LODGE HOOP SHOOT

This year's Hoop Shoot will occur on Saturday, **Dec 8th**, at Murphysboro High School. Registration starts at 10:00 a.m., with competition to begin at 10:30. Contestants will be composed of age-group winners of Preliminary Contests, held by various individual schools in Jackson and Randolph counties. As in previous years, **volunteers** will be needed for the registration table; scoring; and rebounding. To sign up to help, ask questions, etc., please contact Hoop Shoot Chairman, Chris Germann, at the Murphysboro Banking Center (Bank of Carbondale); or by phone at (618) 967-0529 or by e-mail [chris@tboc.com](mailto:chris@tboc.com). Thanks in advance.



# ELKS CLUB ROOM HOURS

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

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





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

**SUNDAY**  
12 Noon ~ 10:00 P.M.  
(During NFL Season)

# December 2018

# COMING EVENTS

1/6/19; 1/11/19; 1/27/19; 2/10/19 - ENF SHOOTING MATCHES  
1/6/19 - SO. DIST. ELKS MTG. @ LODGE #572  
1/12/19 - SO. DIST. HOOP SHOOT, ANNA; SIGN-UP @ 10: AM  
1/25/19 - IL ELKS STATE MTG. IN SPRINGFIELD  
2/23/19 - C.C.C.DART TOURNEY & AUCTION  
3/9/19 - LUCK OF THE LODGE

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 <p><b>THURSDAY &amp; FRIDAY</b> SERVING 5:00 PM ~ 9:00 PM FULL MENU + SPECIALS</p>		 <p>BREAKFAST IS SERVED ANYTIME FROM 5:00 PM~ 9:00 PM EVERY TUESDAY, THURSDAY &amp; FRIDAY</p>				1 <b>BACK HALL RENTED</b>
2 <b>MEMORIAL SERVICE 11:30 AM</b>  NFL 12:00 NOON	3 <b>WEEKLY DRAWING 7:00</b>	4 <b>QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00</b> 50/50 7:15 TACO TUES.	5 <b>NO LODGE MTG.</b>  HOT WINGS .50 EA & APPETIZER SPECIALS 6-8 PM	6 <b>RIB EYE STEAK \$16.95</b> ALL YOU CAN EAT CHICKEN; INC, MASHED POT., GRAVY/VEG., ROLL & SALAD BAR \$10.00 <u>Or FULL MENU</u>	7 <b>ALL YOU CAN EAT CATFISH \$8.50</b>  <u>OR FULL MENU</u> BACK HALL RENTED	8 <b>BACK HALL RENTED</b>
9  NFL 12:00 NOON	10 <b>WEEKLY DRAWING 7:00</b>	11 <b>QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00</b> 50/50 7:15 HAVEN VETS XMAS DINNER COUNTRY FRIED STEAK	12 <b>BOARD OF DIRECTORS 7:00 PM</b> HOUSE MTG. 7:30  HOT WINGS .50 EA & APPETIZER SPECIALS 6-8	13 <b>RIB EYE STEAK \$16.95</b> ALL YOU CAN EAT CHICKEN; INC, MASHED POT., GRAVY/VEG., ROLL & SALAD BAR \$10.00 <u>Or FULL MENU</u>	14 <b>MEATLOAF</b>  BACK HALL RENTED	15 <b>BACK HALL RENTED</b>
16 <b>KIDS XMAS PARTY 1-3</b> START XMAS PARTY 6 PM-8 PM NFL 12:00 NOON	17 <b>WEEKLY DRAWING 7:00</b>	18 <b>QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00</b> 50/50 7:15	19 <b>LODGE MTG. 7:30 PM</b> HOT WINGS .50 EA & APPETIZER SPECIALS 6-8 PM	20 <b>RIB EYE STEAK \$16.95</b> ALL YOU CAN EAT CHICKEN; INC, MASHED POT., GRAVY/VEG., ROLL & SALAD BAR \$10.00 <u>Or FULL MENU</u>	21 <b>CHICKEN &amp; DUMPLINGS</b>	22
23 <b>BACK HALL RENTED</b>  NFL 12:00 NOON	24 <b>WEEKLY DRAWING 7:00</b>	25   CLUB CLOSED	26  HOT WINGS .50 EA & APPETIZER SPECIALS 6-8 PM	27 <b>RIB EYE STEAK \$16.95</b> ALL YOU CAN EAT CHICKEN; INC, MASHED POT., GRAVY/VEG., ROLL & SALAD BAR \$10.00 <u>Or FULL MENU</u>	28 <b>BLACKENED TILAPIA OR SALMON</b>	29
30  NFL 12:00 NOON	31  DINNER OPTION/CLUB PARTY OPTION/HALL					