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FEBRUARY 2019, E. R. MESSAGE

Members All,

The Elk Year is coming close to its end. So, as always, there is a major focus on membership. This was the case at the IEA State Meeting in Springfield, from which your Lodge Officers have just returned. One of the slogans, which you may have seen printed or posted in numerous locations, is that "**Membership Matters.**" Upon thought, this statement has many different angles.

In Springfield, there was a lot of conversation about inspiring our membership with the amount of money raised for all charities by their Lodge, for the lifetime of their Lodge (That number is \$ 4.4 **MILLION FOR MURPHYSBORO #572 !!!**). These lifetime Lodge figures are very inspiring when you hear stories of children who were thought to have such debilitating issues that their quality of life would have been limited, but are now graduating from college, thanks to medical help through the ELKS! Or, perhaps a student who is now making remarkable strides in cancer research, as a result of having been awarded a scholarship from the ELKS!

Additional conversations revolved around the amount of money raised for our local community organizations, or for Elk donations directed toward local community needs. Along that same path, how about the number of **volunteer hours** we Elks have put in for local events (At #572, this would include parades; flag days; community nights out; treat bags; food / meals prepared; raffle baskets; START program events; Hoop Shoots; Soccer Shoots;and we can keep going..... marching shoes for the High School's Crimson Express; items to keep our Veterans warm; our recent Veterans' Wish Tree for Christmas; Animal Shelters; Food Pantries; Scouts; 4-H; Community Christmas Dinner; Liberty Theater repair; people in need - including hosting and assisting with fundraisers for children or adults with diseases and medical bills; and so many more for which there is not room for listing in this message! Elks Care - Elks Share. And as I have said before, Murphysboro #572 Elks go above and beyond!

Now - the one thing that all these things have in common is **MEMBERSHIP**. Without Membership (**YOU**), those things I have just mentioned - and more - could not take place! Without **YOU**, all these people would not be able to obtain the assistance they need, whether it be the children who need assistance; the Veterans who could use a little help; the student who would not otherwise be able to attend college; or the animal shelter that is running out of food. The ELKS, as an Organization, has made thousands of lives better, because of the things it does - but without **YOU**, our members, none of this would have been, is, or would be possible. "**MEMBERSHIP MATTERS.**"

Therefore, next time there is an Elk activity, or next time you are just visiting the Lodge for dinner or some social event, maybe invite a member who has not been as active as they used to be. Encourage them to get involved again. Remind them of how much the Elks at Murphysboro already do, and then imagine what that could be if there were twice as many Elks involved! I am already proud to say that I am a member of the Murphysboro Lodge - but especially at our State Meetings, where a Lodge of our modest size can accomplish all that it does....Amazing. Scattered throughout Illinois, Lodges - from much larger, to smaller - are aware of some of our accomplishments. So, give yourselves a pat on the back, as these things happen because of you. Thanks again, for ALL you do!

All the above being said...lets get out there for the C.C.C. Dart Tourney / Auction, which is coming soon, followed by the Luck of the Lodge, shortly thereafter.

Darcie Hastings, Exalted Ruler

As part of our 2018-2019 ENF Gratitude Grant, Lodge #572 has been able to apply \$1,000.00 toward much needed, new carpeting for the Historic Liberty Theater. Elks will be involved in the actual procurement of this requested item, to help restore this historic, Murphysboro building. Leading Knight, Richard Martin, presents check to Mary LaRue, while Lodge Secretary, Merle Evans, and Liberty Theater's, Anna Clover looks on.



BIRTHDAYS

- 2/1 Scott Cutler
- 2/1 Charley Mills
- 2/2 James Hoppenstedt
- 2/2 Michael Rothe
- 2/3 Michael Duncan
- 2/3 Tina Rathjen
- 2/3 Michelle Reames
- 2/3 Jeffery Williams
- 2/4 Dan Dallas
- 2/4 Ryan Stillman
- 2/4 David Uffelman
- 2/6 Steve Zak
- 2/7 Curtis Thornton
- 2/7 Marty Will
- 2/8 Beau Nance
- 2/8 Gary Rowden
- 2/10 Gary Dennison
- 2/10 Harold Gibbs
- 2/10 James Knott
- 2/10 Elizabeth Weber
- 2/12 Thomas Aken
- 2/12 Patricia Mills
- 2/13 Don Johnson
- 2/13 Mandy Sitton
- 2/15 John Tippy
- 2/17 David Smith
- 2/18 Justin Baril
- 2/18 Lee Chancey
- 2/18 Pete Galati
- 2/19 Kenneth Akins
- 2/21 David Blaise
- 2/21 Michael Hubbs
- 2/21 Eric Smith
- 2/22 Wayne Alstat
- 2/22 Michael Baggott
- 2/22 Jeff Carter
- 2/22 Robert Chambers
- 2/22 Chris Guetersloh
- 2/22 Patsy Polete
- 2/23 Colin Clendenin
- 2/23 Tim Cobin
- 2/24 Michael Ewbank
- 2/25 Thomas Mills
- 2/25 Robert Roy
- 2/26 Cheryl Endres
- 2/26 Matthew Korando
- 2/27 Larry Brown
- 2/27 Jim Dallas
- 2/28 Neal Schemonia



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
3/9/2019
SEE TICKETS OR FLYERS FOR
COMPLETE DETAILS
(IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO
PARTICIPATE IN SELLING
TICKETS, SEE
SUE GIVENS, DIANE CHAMNESS & E. R, DARCIE

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.

UPDATES FROM LODGE
SECRETARY'S OFFICE

This February will see issuance of the 2019 - 2020 Dues Notices. There will only be a small difference from last year's amounts, due to State, IEA dues increasing by \$1. Thus, Regular Member dues will be \$68.25, and Life Members dues will be \$31.25. (If you wish, these amounts may be submitted before notices are mailed, by leaving payment at the Bar. If leaving cash, I suggest you request a receipt. Ask that checks and cash payments be placed in an envelope, **marked for Secretary**. Credit card payments can also be made on site, using Master Card, Visa, Discover, or American Express. (Dues notices will indicate targeted application of any extra amounts that you might choose to include.)

As to our 39 Delinquent Members - the end of your Elk membership is quickly approaching. Contacts have been made, and will continue for a short time, yet.. However, as required by Statute, a final letter will be issued, around the end of February, setting forth the final, closing stages of membership, and options therein. (Note that delinquent #572 members are **not** to be in the Club Room or Lodge, or participate in any Elk event, even as the guest of a paid-up member! This rule will continue indefinitely, until reinstatement, if you become a "Dropped" member.) Names of delinquent members are posted at the Lodge. Current members, please help us in encouraging these individuals to bring their membership to current status!



QUEEN OF HEARTS

Still, as of this writing, the Queen remains (Somewhere) on the current Raffle Board! A nice group of Elks have been attending our Tuesday, 7:00 p.m. Drawings. Good member / friendship associations; good food; good 50/50 amounts; good fun...Come join in! Due to this year's Christmas & New Years calendar, no draws were conducted on 12/25/18 & 1/1/19. Results, following these dates, are as follows:

- 01/08 Debbie Sauer, \$100 Name Draw; No win on Card Draw
- 01/15 Sue Givens, \$200 Name Draw; No win on Card Draw
- 01/22 Lauren Stoelzle, \$200 Name Draw; No win on Card Draw
- 01/29 BJ Korando \$200 Name Draw; \$250 King Draw

Thus, Value of the Queen, following the 01/22 Drawing, stands at **\$10,282.00!!**



VALENTINE'S DINNER & DANCE

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9TH

MUSIC 8:00 - 11:00

FEATURING THE BAND 'RADIO DAYS'

DINNER SPECIALS

RIBEYE STEAK.....\$21.95

CHICKEN IMPERIAL...\$18.95

FRIED SHRIMP.....\$12.95

ALL MEALS SERVED WITH SOUP,

BAKED POTATO, SALAD & DESSERT

DINNER SERVED 6:00 - 9:30

RESERVATIONS ARE REQUESTED

LODGE PHONE IS 618-684-4541

TREAT YOUR VALENTINE TO DINNER, DANCE AND A

VALENTINE ROSE!



ONLY ONE LEFT!!!!

**ENF BENEFIT
SHOOTING MATCH**

CRAZY JOE'S FISH HOUSE

FEBRUARY 10TH

SIGN-UP 12 NOON

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

FREE FOOD

RAFFLES

50/50 DRAWINGS

QUESTIONS: CALL RICK EHLERS

(618) 534-1689



**24TH ANNUAL DART TOURNAMENT
TO BENEFIT ILLINOIS ELKS CHILDREN'S CARE CORPORATION**

**ELK MEMBERS ARE INVITED TO JOIN PLANNING MEETING - TUES-
DAY (2/5, 2/12, & 2/19, 2019), IN CLUB ROOM, FOLLOWING QUEEN OF
HEARTS DRAWING (OR AS OTHER WISE ANNOUNCED).**

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23RD, 2019

BLIND DRAW / 501 / CRICKET / CHOICE

SIGN-UP 1:00-2:30 P.M. PLAY BEGINS AT 3:00 P.M.

\$10.00 ENTRY FEE

GUARANTEED \$1000 PAYOUT!

FOOD PROVIDED AT 1:00 P.M. BY "GREAT BOARDS OF FIRE"

PRIZE WHEEL

50/50 DRAWING

GUN RAFFLE

SILENT AUCTION (LIVE AUCTION AT APPROX. 5:00 P.M.)

Donations, Sponsorships or Questions: Contact Murphysboro Elks 618-684-4541 or

BJ Wyatt at: 618-684-3911

ELKS CLUB ROOM HOURS

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

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

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

SUNDAY
12 Noon ~ 10:00 P.M.

February 2019

COMING EVENTS

2/6/19 - LODGE MTG.: NOMINATION FOR OFFICES
2/10/19 - SHOOTING MATCH AT CRAZY JOE'S
2/20/19 - LODGE MTG.: ELECTION OF OFFICES
2/23/19 - C.C.C.DART TOURNNEY & AUCTION
3/9/19 - LUCK OF THE LODGE
4/7/19 - SO. DIST. MTG AT WEST FRANKFORT
4/13/19 - SO. DIST. GLO BINGO - BENTON ELKS

Sun

Mon





Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

 <p>THURSDAY & FRIDAY 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 & FRIDAY</p>			<p>1 4 ALL YOU CAN EAT CATFISH \$8.50 <u>OR FULL MENU</u></p>	2
3 SUPER BOWL PARTY	4 WEEKLY DRAWING 7:00	5 QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00 50/50 7:15 TACO TUESDAY	6 LODGE MTG. 7:30 PM & NOMINATION FOR OFFICERS HOT WWINGS .50 EA & APPETIZER SPECIALS 6-8 PM	7 RIB EYE STEAK, POT., SALAD BAR, ROLL \$16.95 ALL YOU CAN EAT CHICKEN; INC, MASHED POT., GRAVY/VEG., ROLL \$10.00 <u>Or FULL MENU</u>	8 SPAGHETTI, SALAD, GARLIC BREAD <u>OR FULL MENU</u>	9 VALENTINE DAY MEAL RADIO DAYS 
10 SHOOTING-MATCH AT CRAZY JOE'S	11 WEEKLY DRAWING 7:00	12 QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00 50/50 7:15 HORSE SHOE SAND.	13 BOARD OF DIRECTORS 7:00 PM HOUSE MTG. 7:30 HOT WWINGS .50 EA & APPETIZER SPECIALS 6-8	14 RIB EYE STEAK, POT., SALAD BAR, ROLL \$16.95 ALL YOU CAN EAT CHICKEN; INC, MASHED POT., GRAVY/VEG., ROLL \$10.00 <u>Or FULL MENU</u>	15 TERIYAKI CHICKEN <u>OR FULL MENU</u>	16
17	18 WEEKLY DRAWING 7:00	19 QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00 50/50 7:15 SLOPPY JOES	20 LODGE MTG. 7:30 PM & ELECTIONS OF OFFICERS HOT WWINGS .50 EA & APPETIZER SPECIALS 6-8 PM	21 RIB EYE STEAK, POT., SALAD BAR, ROLL \$16.95 ALL YOU CAN EAT CHICKEN; INC, MASHED POT., GRAVY/VEG., ROLL \$10.00 <u>Or FULL MENU</u>	22 FRITO TACONESS LEWIS CREEK UNPLUGGED CLUB ROOM 7:30 PM ~ 10:30 PM	23 CCC DART TOURNMENT & AUCTION 
24	25 WEEKLY DRAWING 7:00	26 QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00 50/50 7:15 ENCHILADA BAKE	27 HOT WWINGS .50 EA & APPETIZER SPECIALS	28 RIB EYE STEAK, POT., SALAD BAR, ROLL \$16.95 ALL YOU CAN EAT CHICKEN; INC, MASHED POT., GRAVY/VEG., ROLL \$10.00 <u>Or FULL MENU</u>		