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DECEMBER 2019 E. R. MESSAGE

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Hello Members All,

Another busy month at the Lodge has come and gone. Hard to believe it's almost a new year - seems 2019 really flew by. Hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving with family and friends, and looking ahead, that Santa will be nice to you and yours on Christmas day.

As Winter seriously sets in, come to the Lodge to stay warm and spend some time with friends and fellow Elk members of #572. Remember, we do open at noon on Sundays for NFL football. Thank you to all who provide food for these Sunday afternoon games. Hope to see YOU there!

Moving on to upcoming Lodge events - by receipt of this Newsletter, we will have held our annual **Memorial Service** on the First Sunday in December, as do all Elk Lodges across the Nation. (If you missed it, names of those honored appeared on the November Newsletter.) On the **9th**, we have our "**Cookie Exchange**." (Note date change, that was incorrectly listed in November Newsletter.) Bring a dozen of your favorite, homemade cookies to share and try other Members' favorites! The **15th** is the date for our Kid's Christmas party, in the Lodge Hall (See Article), followed later that day by the Christmas party we provide to clients of START and other workshops in the area that normally attend our monthly dances (Begins at around 5:30). As always, we are looking for volunteers for all events at the Lodge. It's a great way to help the Lodge and spend some time with fellow Elks!

As mentioned in last month's Newsletter, our 25th Annual C. C. C. Dart Tournament & Auction is scheduled for February 29th, 2020. We've already had a few responses to my challenge for each member to donate \$25 in honor of this milestone. Thank You, to those who have done so, to date. Submit your donation and get your name in position for the eventual Honor Roll of Donors, which will also include Dart Board Sponsors. We are trying to get an early start on this year's special event, so we are also looking for Auction Donations, and volunteers. Please contact Lynn Porter if you have questions, want to know of planning meeting dates & times, or just to let her know you are set to volunteer. Lynn can be contacted at 618-534-5722, or at mlp1986@clearwave.com. Also, don't forget about our upcoming Benefit Shooting Matches, which are major fund raisers in meeting our ENF per-capita goals, that in turn, assure our eligibility for particular ENF Grants, for use in our community.

If you have not been to the Club Room on a Thursday or Friday night for a steak in a while, you should consider doing so. We are now hand-cutting our steaks 1" thick and cooking to your desired temperature. We've had a lot of complements on them. Come try one - or one of our other delicious menu selections!

Outside the Lodge, a Thank You to Donnie Cochran for sealing the south end of our parking lot. Also to Stephanie Spicer for her help at the recent Murder Mystery Dinner. And...to ALL of you have donated time, effort, money to our many activities! Mentioning donations - we have issued a \$1,000.00 "Helping Hand Grant" (Provided by Illinois Elks Assoc.) to the Haven, to assist in improvements to their foyer area. And, we continue to use ENF Beacon Grant monies to provide 3rd Tuesday meals to Veterans at the Haven - Thanks, all of you who volunteer to assist our Vets (See photos).

Finally, remember to donate to local blood drives in your area and to thank our Veterans wherever / whenever you can! And, to tip your Bartenders & Servers, please.

Merry Christmas to You and Yours, and a Happy News Year!

Richard Martin, Exalted Ruler



LODGE HOOP SHOOT

This year's Hoop Shoot will occur on Saturday, **Dec 14th**, at Murphysboro High School. Registration starts at 12:00 Noon, with competition to begin at 12:30. 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); by phone at (618) 967-0529; or by e-mail chris@tbc.com. You may also see E. R. Richard Martin. Thanks in advance!



**NEW YEAR'S
EVE DINNER
SPECIALS IN**

CLUB ROOM

Time: 5pm—9 pm

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

PRIME RIB - \$23.95

RIBEYE STEAK - \$20.95

FRIED SHRIMP \$15.95

SHRIMP SCAMPI \$16.95

(ADD A SIDE OF SHRIMP TO THE DINNER FOR \$5.00)

Reservations Suggested!

- 12/2 John Eaton
- 12/2 Donald Kidd
- 12/3 Jordan Ellis
- 12/3 Larry Klink
- 12/3 Mary Ann Reichert
- 12/4 Renee Evans
- 12/4 Gary Huppert
- 12/4 Larry Miles
- 12/5 Justin Raines
- 12/6 Darryl Huppert
- 12/7 Kellie Ellis
- 12/7 William Jones
- 12/7 Daniel Reardon
- 12/7 Kevin Tuttle
- 12/8 Nancy Tillitt
- 12/9 Jeffrey Hill
- 12/9 Sterling Stiegman
- 12/10 Jack Anstett
- 12/10 Ann McMurphy
- 12/11 Tom Coleman
- 12/11 Glenna Stein
- 12/12 William Sutton
- 12/13 Patrick Burke
- 12/14 Jane Rhoden
- 12/15 Jacqualine Clover
- 12/16 Marilyn Daniel
- 12/16 Michael Lewsader
- 12/16 Geoffrey Spears
- 12/18 Buddy Ferguson
- 12/19 Mike Humm
- 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 Mary Lou Hunziker
- 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



KIDS CHRISTMAS PARTY
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15
*** 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!

**GLO
BINGO**

**COMING TO
LODGE #572
ON
JAN. 18, 2020.
TICKETS &
INFO. AVAILA-
BLE SOON.
WATCH FOR
DETAILS!**



Lodge #572 Exalted Ruler, Richard Martin, hands \$1,000 check to Brenda and Rick Gendron, caretakers of the Haven, Veteran's Day Center, on Crab Orchard Lake. This donation was made possible through a special "Helping Hands" Grant, given out this year by the Illinois Elks Association. This donation will help this Veterans' facility with a much-needed upgrade of its entrance and foyer area!



Murphysboro Lodge volunteers are shown serving our monthly, 3rd Tuesday lunches to Vets, at the Haven. We continue to support our National Elks theme, that " So long as there are Veterans, the Elks will never forget them ."

ANNUAL START CHRISTMAS DINNER

On Sunday, Dec.15, 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. (Doors open at 5:30, meal at 6:00, Santa to follow.)



TIME TO START PLANNING FOR CCC DART TOURNAMENT

We are asking for Lodge members to start planning for our **25th** Annual Fund Raiser for Illinois Elks Children's Care Corp., which will occur on **February 25, 2020**. As in our prior, 24 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? Please go to the E R. Message, in this newsletter, for details on doing so. Also, please consider the Exalted Ruler's \$25 per member challenge!

**CONGRATULATIONS TO LODGE 572
NOVEMBER 2019 CLASS**



After being voted to candidacy status and completing their indoctrination session, we are very pleased to have received into membership on November 6, 2019, the following new members (left to right): (Exalted Ruler Richard Martin), Marlene Loera, William Todd Doody, Bethany Kerley, Matthew Pate, and Jack Anstett.

MURPHYBORO ELKS ENF BENEFIT SHOOTING MATCHES

FIRST MATCH—SUNDAY JANUARY 5, 2020

SHILOH HILL—SIGN-UP 12 NOON

CRAZY JOE'S—JANUARY 12; 26; & FEBRUARY 9

EVENTS INCLUDE: MEAT WHEEL RAFFLE; 50/50 DRAWINGS; 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!

QUEEN OF HEARTS UPDATE

As of the last drawing in November, She is still there..... Somewhere !! Thus, the search continues, on Tuesdays, at 7:00 p.m. Also, 50 / 50 drawing occurs at 7:15. The Queen's value, as of this Newsletter's publication, stands at **\$10,364.00**. Come join in with fellow Elks & friends - delicious food options to enjoy, also. Here is a report, since last month's Newsletter:

- 10/29 Janice Ehlers \$100 Name Draw; **\$200** Win on Joker Draw !
- 11/05 Monica Nippe \$100 Name Draw; No Win on Card Draw
- 11/12 Ashley Ferguson \$200 Name Draw; No Win on Card Draw
- 11/19 Ted Ferguson \$200 Name Draw; No Win on Card Draw
- 11/26 Patty Stokes \$200 Name Draw; **\$400** Win on Joker Draw !

**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
3/07/2020**

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

**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.**

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 :00 NOON. ~ 8:00 P.M.

December 2019

DATES TO REMEMBER

12/9 - COOKIE EXCHANGE IN CLUB ROOM
12/10 - HAVEN CHRISTMAS DINNER
12/14 - HOOP SHOOT, MURPHYSBORO HIGH SCHOOL 12 NOON
12/15 - KID'S CHRISTMAS PARTY; START CHRISTMAS PARTY
1/5/20 - FIRST ENF SHOOTING MATCH SHILOH HILL
1/12/20- SECOND ENF SHOOTING MATCH CRAZY JOE'S FISH HOUSE
1/12/20- DIST. MEETING AT CARIO #651

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|--|---|---|--|---|---|---------------------------|
| 1 <u>MEMORIAL SERVICE 11:30 A.M.</u> ENJOY AN AFTERNOON AT THE LODGE WATCHING THE NFL GAMES | 2 WEEKLY DRAWING 7:00  COOKIE EXCHANGE | 3 QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00 50/50 7:15 TACO TUES. | 4 <u>NO LODGE MEETING</u> HOT WINGS .65 EA & APPETIZER SPECIALS 6-9:00 | 5 RIB EYE STEAK, POT., SALAD BAR, ROLL \$16.95 ALL YOU CAN EAT CHICKEN; INC, MASHED POT., GRAVY/VEG., ROLL \$10.00 or FULL MENU | 6 ALL YOU CAN EAT CATFISH \$9.50 <u>OR FULL MENU</u> | 7 |
| 8 ENJOY AN AFTERNOON AT THE LODGE WATCHING THE NFL GAMES OPEN AT 12:00 NOON | 9 WEEKLY DRAWING 7:00  COOKIE EXCHANGE | 10 QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00 50/50 7:15 <u>WING BASKET</u> CUB SCOUT PARTY IN HALL HAVEN XMAS DINNER | 11 BOARD OF DIRECTORS 7:00 PM HOUSE MTG. 7:30 HOT WINGS .65 EA & APPETIZER SPECIALS 6-9:00 | 12 RIB EYE STEAK, POT., SALAD BAR, ROLL \$16.95 ALL YOU CAN EAT CHICKEN; INC, MASHED POT., GRAVY/VEG., ROLL \$10.00 or FULL MENU | 13 TACO AL PASTOR <u>OR FULL MENU</u> | 14 HOOP SHOOT MHS 12 NOON |
| 15 ENJOY AN AFTERNOON AT THE LODGE WATCHING THE NFL GAMES. OPEN AT 12:00 <u>KIDS XMAS PARTY</u> | 16 WEEKLY DRAWING 7:00 | 17 QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00 50/50 7:15 TURKEY CLUB | 18 LODGE MTG. 7:30 PM HOT WINGS .65 EA & APPETIZER SPECIALS 6-9:00 | 19 RIB EYE STEAK, POT., SALAD BAR, ROLL \$16.95 ALL YOU CAN EAT CHICKEN; INC, MASHED POT., GRAVY/VEG., ROLL \$10.00 or FULL MENU | 20 SEAFOOD BASKET <u>OR FULL MENU</u> | 21 |
| 22 ENJOY AN AFTERNOON AT THE LODGE WATCHING THE NFL GAMES OPEN AT 12:00 NOON | 23 WEEKLY DRAWING 7:00 | 24 QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00 50/50 7:15 <u>NO FOOD</u> | 25  CLUB CLOSED | 26 RIB EYE STEAK, POT., SALAD BAR, ROLL \$16.95 ALL YOU CAN EAT CHICKEN; INC, MASHED POT., GRAVY/VEG., ROLL \$10.00 or FULL MENU | 27 COUNTRY FRIED STEAK <u>OR FULL MENU</u> | 28 |
| 29 ENJOY AN AFTERNOON AT THE LODGE WATCHING THE NFL GAMES OPEN AT 12:00 NOON | 30 WEEKLY DRAWING 7:00 | 31 DINNER SPECIAL IN CLUB ROOM  |  BREAKFAST IS SERVED ANYTIME FROM 5:00 PM~ 9:30 PM EVERY THURSDAY & FRIDAY TUESDAY, THURSDAY & FRIDAY | |  THURSDAY & FRIDAY SERVING 5:00 PM ~ 9:30 PM FULL MENU + SPECIALS | |