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**AUGUST 2020, E. R. MESSAGE**

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Members All,

As you may by now know, we have been able to reopen our doors thanks to the time and dedication of many volunteers. I am deeply grateful to all who have volunteered to assist in keeping our organization afloat over these last few months; however, we are not quite out of the woods yet.

If you were not aware, the Lodge did not qualify for any of the small business grants that were awarded to struggling businesses during this time due to the non-profit nature of our organization. Though we have had an incredible amount of support from our members, the Lodge is still feeling the financial burden of the pandemic. With the intent of supporting the Lodge, we will begin selling raffle tickets in the later part of August. These raffle tickets will be ten dollars each, for a chance at winning one of three cash prizes: \$500, \$250, \$100. The tickets can be sold to anyone as long as they are sold by a member of the Lodge, and the drawing will take place in the early part of September. Keep an eye out to buy your ticket and learn more about the drawing!

Business aside, there has been more good news for Lodge #572 in the month of July! We have received a plaque from Grand Lodge in recognition of the Murphysboro Lodge website, [www.elks572.org](http://www.elks572.org), being among five other lodges as the top tier Elks websites in the country! Make sure to congratulate/thank Steve Zak for his excellent work on maintaining the site. I can not recommend visiting it enough! We were also able to initiate eight new members into our Order on July 15<sup>th</sup> (see photo). Be sure to make them feel welcomed in our Lodge if you see them around!

We hope to reopen on Sundays and Mondays in the month of September, and we also want to increase the crowd on Monday night with a friendly cooking/serving competition before the drawing. We would like to have all shifts on Monday and Wednesday night volunteered, and we would love your help to do so. Please see the section calling for volunteers to find information on how to join one of the cooking teams, bartend for a night, or fry a few chicken wings. Check back at our website to see the final schedule and find the best time to come give your favorite members behind the bar a hard time.

Due to the delay in the lodge opening, members who have not yet paid their dues have been eligible to participate in drawings up until August 1<sup>st</sup>. However, with the Lodge now open, we must return to enforcing the regulations of our Order, along with our own House rules which require that members must not be on the CLIMS delinquent list, on the first day of the month, in order to participate in any drawing that month. Each dues payment received reduces the financial burden of the Lodge, as National, State, and District per capita for all members are paid for in April. We appreciate your assistance in this matter!

Finally, I would like to especially thank all the employees who volunteered their shifts to help the Lodge through the last month. Understandably, they will not be able to continue volunteering their time in the month of August. Other than this change, the month of August will continue with the same operation strategy as we implemented in July.

Fraternally, Christian Rose E. R.



- 1 John Allard
- 1 Don Grammer
- 1 Norma Rathjen
- 1 Margaret Walker
- 2 Venita Freeman
- 2 Debbie Hudson
- 3 Denis Overturf
- 4 Cassie Deaver
- 4 James Doss
- 4 James Taylor
- 7 Linda Harnetiaux
- 7 Shawn Stearns
- 8 Daniel Baker
- 8 Alan Bense
- 8 David Flowers
- 8 Kenneth Jarrett
- 9 Craig Brashear
- 9 Wm. Korando
- 10 Joey Bastien
- 10 Michael Garlinghouse
- 10 Greg Hughes
- 10 Keith Miley
- 11 Dennis Brock
- 11 Megan Hysom
- 12 Jason Buser
- 12 Dianne Chamness
- 12 Butch Cheatham
- 12 Allen Lawless
- 12 Michael Martin
- 13 Edward Conrad
- 13 Naomi O'Neal
- 14 Philip Green
- 14 Cathy Lilley
- 14 Julia Moore
- 14 John M. Tweedy
- 15 Jeff Brown
- 15 Richard Counce
- 15 Jim Jenkins
- 16 Michael Bergant
- 16 Steve Kimbro
- 16 Steve Swafford
- 17 Sheree Swanson
- 19 Brent Middendorf
- 20 Paul Dondi
- 20 Robert Fenwick
- 20 Lloyd Hanna
- 21 Curt Graff
- 21 Daisy Grammer
- 21 Corey Jarrett
- 21 Jerry Miller
- 22 Carl Cauble
- 23 Earl Imhoff
- 23 Rachel Nehring
- 23 Alan Sabo
- 23 Gail Thomas
- 24 Lynn Elwell
- 25 Michael Evans
- 25 Brenda Law
- 25 Charles McCann
- 25 Mary Alice Moss
- 25 William Paul
- 26 Veronica Roseberry
- 27 Dustin Bencoter
- 27 Adam Brenning
- 27 Edward Taylor
- 28 Robin Blake

- 28 Clay Brewer
- 28 Robin Blake
- 29 Bernard Clover
- 29 Barbara Dallas



After being voted to candidacy status and completing their indoctrination session, we are very pleased to have received into membership on July 15, 2020, the following new members (left to right): **(Exalted Ruler Christian Rose), Val Boucher, David Glen, Michael Ellis, Orval Rowe, Travis Stewart, Gary Chamness, Craig Mueller, and John Farrish.**

Due to Lodge closure for Covid-19, some of these new members have been waiting for an extraordinary length of time to join our Lodge, and the BPO Elks. We appreciate the patience and understanding of these new members, and likewise, that of their sponsors. Thank you, everyone!

Even in this unusual and challenging year, we already have 2 new applications submitted, for the next round of Orientation / Initiation. Members, keep these sponsorships going! And, if you have any questions concerning how to sponsor a new member; assist someone with reinstatement procedures; or how a Lodge transfer is accomplished, do not hesitate to contact the Lodge Secretary for information.

### Call for Volunteers

We are looking to put together volunteer teams which will be responsible for cooking, serving, and bartending on one Monday per month, as well as volunteers to cook wings on Wednesday nights. We hope to spark a friendly competition between the teams regarding who provides the best service! To sign up for a team, please call/text Christian Rose at 217-855-7081. We need as many volunteers as possible, so please don't hesitate to sign up!

**Comments from Lodge Secretary**

Indeed, it has been a most unusual Elk year, to date! That said, here are some figures, as to where we currently are on membership and related items. Of 662 active members, 523 of you are paid for 2020-2021 (right at 80%). This is somewhat below the average for #572, at this point. However, given employment disruptions; all the uncertainties / interruptions of Covid-19; and temporary close-down of Illinois, and our Lodge, this is to be expected! Dues payments are continuing to trickle in, on a daily basis, as members are able to take care of this matter, in their given situations. A reminder letter will soon be issued to those who are not yet paid, by the Lodge Secretary.

Here is a timely, and positive figure! This year, so far, many of you have graciously given extra dollars to our **Building Maintenance fund!** As of this writing, said amount stands at \$3,539.00! And, as it turns out, this has been most timely, in that a major replacement of the refrigeration component of our walk-in freezer is immediately required! So, Thank you, everyone who has chosen to, or been able to provide a little extra with your dues payment. We have some great and supportive members at Murphysboro #572!

**QUEEN OF HEARTS REPORT**



The Queen has returned! Four drawings have been held, this past month. Attendance for this popular, weekly event has been good, and the potential award for finding the Queen is growing (Current value is \$2,126.00!) Also, our 50 / 50 draws, held at 7:15, are yielding attractive amounts. Join in with fellow Elks, on Tuesdays, for a fun & enjoyable time. Here are recent results:

- 07/07 Janice Hines \$25 Name Draw; No Win on Card Draw
- 07/14 Edward Conrad \$25 Name Draw; \$30 on Ace Draw  
(Total Win: \$55.00)
- 07/21 Herbie Dougan \$25 Name Draw; No Win on Card Draw
- 07/28 Jim Ferguson \$25 Name Draw, No Win on Card Draw

**FINAL RESULTS OF LODGE #572'S CONTRIBUTION  
TO IL ELKS CHILDREN'S CARE CORPORATION**

This past year's effort included our **25th** Annual Dart Tourney & Auction, Ho-Do pin sales, Calendar sales, state-wide drawing, and member / memorial donations. Covid-19 eliminated our normal spring, IEA State Convention activities in Springfield, and thus publication in the Newsette & elsewhere of how local Lodges, Districts, and the State, as a whole, did in terms of monetary support of the C.C.C.

We have now received a report on our efforts, here at the Murphysboro Lodge:

- Lodge #572 Donation for 2019 2020: \$ 20,448.00
- Rank in State: #2 (of 69 Lodges in Illinois)
- Member Per-Capita Donation: \$30.34
- Rank in South District: #1

And, we should all remember - **100%** of our year's donation goes to **help children in need!** Thank you, Members All !

**ELKS CLUB ROOM HOURS**

**MONDAY**  
CLOSED THIS MONTH  
(COVID)

**FRIDAY**  
2:00 P.M. ~ 10:00 P.M.


**SATURDAY**  
2:00 P.M. ~10:00 P.M.

**SUNDAY**  
CLOSED THIS MONTH  
(COVID)

# August 2020

**COMING EVENTS**

(Given the fluid situation resulting from covid -19, we are not listing future events, at this time. Stay tuned!)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				 <p><b>CLUB HOURS THIS MONTH</b> 2-10 P.M.</p>		<p><b>1 CLUB OPEN</b> 2-10 P.M.</p>
<p><b>2 CLUB CLOSED THIS MONTH (COVID)</b></p>	<p><b>3 CLUB CLOSED THIS MONTH (COVID)</b></p>	<p><b>4 QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00 P.M. 50/50 7:15 P.M. KITCHEN OPEN (5-9) SPECIALS</b></p>	<p><b>5 NO LODGE MTG. IN AUG. WINGS (5-9) (CALL AFTER 8)</b></p>	<p><b>6 KITCHEN OPEN 5-8 P.M. LIMITED MENU</b></p>	<p><b>7 KITCHEN OPEN 5-9 P.M. LIMITED MENU + SPECIALS</b></p>	<p><b>8 CLUB OPEN 2-10 P.M.</b></p>
<p><b>9 CLUB CLOSED THIS MONTH (COVID)</b></p>	<p><b>10 CLUB CLOSED THIS MONTH (COVID)</b></p>	<p><b>11 QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00 P.M. 50/50 7:15 P.M. KITCHEN OPEN (5-9) SPECIALS</b></p>	<p><b>12 BOARD OF DIRECTORS 7:00 P.M. HOUSE MTG. 7:30 WINGS (5-9) (CALL AFTER 8)</b></p>	<p><b>13 KITCHEN OPEN 5-8 P.M. LIMITED MENU</b></p>	<p><b>14 KITCHEN OPEN 5-9 P.M. LIMITED MENU + SPECIALS</b></p>	<p><b>15 CLUB OPEN 2-10 P.M.</b></p>
<p><b>16 CLUB CLOSED THIS MONTH (COVID)</b></p>	<p><b>17 CLUB CLOSED THIS MONTH (COVID)</b></p>	<p><b>18 QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00 P.M. 50/50 7:15 P.M. KITCHEN OPEN (5-9) SPECIALS</b></p>	<p><b>19 LODGE MTG. 7:30 P.M. WINGS (5-9) (CALL AFTER 8)</b></p>	<p><b>20 KITCHEN OPEN 5-8 P.M. LIMITED MENU</b></p>	<p><b>21 KITCHEN OPEN 5-9 P.M. LIMITED MENU + SPECIALS</b></p>	<p><b>22 CLUB OPEN 2-10 P.M.</b></p>
<p><b>23 CLUB CLOSED THIS MONTH (COVID)</b></p>	<p><b>24 CLUB CLOSED THIS MONTH (COVID)</b></p>	<p><b>25 QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00 P.M. 50/50 7:15 P.M. KITCHEN OPEN (5-9) SPECIALS</b></p>	<p><b>26 WINGS (5-9) (CALL AFTER 8)</b></p>	<p><b>27 KITCHEN OPEN 5-8 P.M. LIMITED MENU</b></p>	<p><b>28 KITCHEN OPEN 5-9 P.M. LIMITED MENU + SPECIALS</b></p>	<p><b>29 CLUB OPEN 2-10 P.M.</b></p>
<p><b>30 CLUB CLOSED THIS MONTH (COVID)</b></p>	<p><b>31 CLUB CLOSED THIS MONTH (COVID)</b></p>	<p><b>1. QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00 P.M. 50/50 7:15 P.M. KITCHEN OPEN (5-9) SPECIALS</b></p>	<p><b>2. LODGE MTG. 7:30 P.M. WINGS (5-9) (CALL AFTER 8)</b></p>	<p><b>3. KITCHEN OPEN 5-8 P.M. LIMITED MENU</b></p>	<p><b>4. KITCHEN OPEN 5-9 P.M. LIMITED MENU + SPECIALS</b></p>	<p><b>5. CLUB OPEN 2-10 P.M.</b></p>