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### FEBRUARY 2021, E. R. MESSAGE

#### Members all.

If you have not already heard the news, Lodge #572 is reopening our clubroom activities! I would like to sincerely thank the people who have volunteered their time and effort over the last few months to ensure that our establishment would be able to keep its doors open; I am especially grateful for Misty McIntosh, Jane Rhoden, Jeff Eliasen, and Kelly Mifflin for going above and beyond to support this effort. I also appreciate the assistance offered by several of our Lodge Officers and House Committee members, who did not hesitate to pick up any duties that were asked of them.

With the physical reopening of our Lodge, we will begin serving food on Monday, February 8<sup>th</sup>. This will be the first day that the teams of volunteers will come in to cook, serve, and bartend. The team schedule is posted in the clubroom, so please be sure to check on it if you were part of a team in the past! Kitchen hours will be from 5-8 p.m. on Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, and wings will be served on Wednesday night. If you enjoy participating in the drawings, our weekly, monthly, and Queen of Hearts drawings will all begin on or after March 1<sup>st</sup>. We will be adhering to all the guidelines set forth to protect our members; proper sanitation and distancing will be a priority so that you may all feel safe as you enter the Lodge. We will keep the back hall available for overflow seating if the need arises, so there should be no conflict with finding space for yourself.

Even with our doors reopening, we will continue to offer a curbside option for food, to accommodate those who do not wish to dine in. This month, we will be having both a fish fry and a pork steak dinner to raise money for our Elks National Fund contribution. This fund is responsible for allocating the grant money we receive, which goes towards the benefit of our community. So, if you want an excellent meal while effortlessly contributing to the community, be sure to call in an order!

Hopefully, the reopening of the Lodge is a sign of better things to come. It has taken the dedication of many members and volunteers, but through all the challenges, Lodge #572 has stood strong. Nobody could have predicted how the last year would turn out, but I am proud of the adaptability and resilience that this Order has shown. We have continued to offer charity to our community, brotherly love to one another, and allegiance to our Lodge. It is heartwarming to be a part of such an organization!

Sincerely and Fraternally, Christian Rose, E.R.

#### **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 David Uffelman
- 2/6 Steve Zak
- 2/7 Curtis Thornton
- 2/7 Marty Will
- 2/8 Beau Nance
- 2/8 Gary Rowden
- 2/9 Tasha Penna
- 2/10 Harold Gibbs
- 2/10 James Knott
- 2/10 Elizabeth Weber
- 2/12 Thomas Aken
- 2/13 Don Johnson
- 2/13 Mandy Sitton
- 2/15 David Glen
- 2/15 John Tippy
- 2/17 Craig Mueller
- 2/17 David Smith
- 2/18 Justin Baril
- 2/18 Lee Chancey
- 2/18 Larry Wachsnicht
- 2/19 Kenneth Akins
- 2/21 David Blaise
- 2/21 Michael Hubbs
- 2/21 Eric Smith
- 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
- 2/26 Cheryl Endres
- 2/26 Chris Gray
- 2/26 Matthew Korando
- 2/27 Larry Brown
- 2/27 Jim Dallas
- 2/28 Neal Schemonia



Murphysboro Elks Lodge #572 is pleased to accept the DAR <u>Community Service Award</u>, for excellence in service to the community, in the year 2020. In an accompanying letter, the final paragraph summarizes: "The Jesse Gordon Chapter is very impressed by the community service activities of the Elks Lodge #572 of Murphysboro Illinois and is honored to award the Lodge with the DAR Community Service Award for outstanding community service. Thank you for your service to America."



## PORK STEAK DINNER

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18TH

TIME:  $5:30 \sim 8:00 \text{ P.M.}$ 

BY PATRIOTS: PORK STEAK, MASHED

POTATOES, & VEG. WITH ROLL

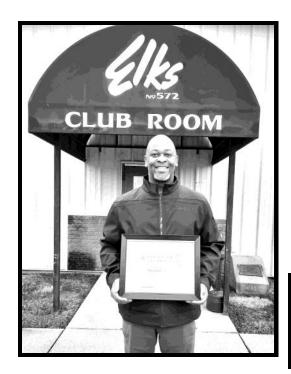
PRICE: \$10.00

DINE IN OR CARRY OUT/CURBSIDE

CALL AFTER 2:00. 684-4541 OR 521-6050 FOR PRE-ORDER



The pandemic has affected shelters that care for animals! Here, representatives of the Jackson County Humane Shelter accept delivery of food supplies provided by Lodge #572, through our ENF Gratitude Grant.



Michael Marks with Elks #572 Certificate of Service for Law Enforcement Officer work with area youth!