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E.R. MESSAGE

Members all.

We have seen a handful of unfortunate events in the final month before the new year, but as always, Elks remain resilient! The tornadoes that swept through the Midwest in early December bared devastating results to many families and their homes. The Illinois Elks South District banded together to provide much needed relief to these families in the form of supplies and assistance when possible. These efforts made an immediate impact on those affected by the disasters, and the members who answered the call for help exemplify the morals that we all strive for as Elks.

A little closer to home, the club room recently took on its own damage Christmas Day. Our faithful members have already begun preliminary repairs to keep the hall functional, and permanent repairs are being pursued as soon as possible. I would like to sincerely thank all members who responded to the crash and those who have assisted in the repairs since. The willingness of our membership to help the Lodge in times like these speaks volumes on the faithfulness and dedication of our members, and I am proud to know so many people who answer the call for help when there is nothing for them to personally gain in return. There is no shortage of members at Lodge #572 that demonstrate these behaviors, from repairing the cook shed and the back hall wall, donating food, volunteering to cook/clean at fundraising events, or consistently committing to serve burgers and fries on Monday nights. It really is inspiring to see the consistent devotion and commitment to helping the Lodge in any way possible, and the time spent volunteering does not go unnoticed.

In upcoming events, the first shooting match of the year is quickly approaching! It will be held at Shiloh Hill on January 16th and will be open to anyone who would like to participate. All proceeds from the shooting match and raffles will be contributed to our Elks National Fund donation, where the ENF is responsible for providing many of the grant monies that we are awarded. The Luck of the Lodge event will also return to its normal timeframe and is scheduled for March 12th! Tickets have been printed and can be purchased from the bar of the Lodge or any member who may be selling them. If you have any interest in selling tickets and earning chances to win additional prizes, please see Sue Givens (618-534-8102) or ask a bartender the next time you are in the Lodge.

Recently, we were awarded the Gratitude Grant from the ENF, which was determined to be distributed as \$500 to the MHS Devil Dazzlers Dance team, \$500 to BSA Troop 7004G, \$500 to the MHS Trap Shoot Club, and \$500 to the Murphysboro Junior Tackle Football Program. Along with the ENF, the Illinois Elks Association has offered a State President's Grant which was recently allocated to several other local entities: \$500 to the Murphysboro Senior Citizens Center, \$500 to the Humane Society of Southern Illinois, and \$500 to the St. Francis Animal Shelter.

At the turn of the year, I would like to highlight a truly inimitable member whose help over the last year has been priceless. Merle Evans, the ever-loyal Lodge Secretary, is one of the most knowledgeable and helpful members of our Murphysboro Lodge. His knowledge of Elks history and policy is unmatched, and he has never turned away anyone who has asked for help. As an inexperienced Exalted Ruler, Merle has been there to guide me through every obstacle as it arisen, and I truly do not know where the Lodge would be without him. He has not only offered invaluable advice, but he has kept me updated when I have been absent and sent countless friendly reminders to keep me on track. The affinity that Merle has for the Lodge, and for the Elks organization in general, can not be questioned.

With the coming of this New Year, let us continue to improve our Lodge and the community around it. I am very excited to see more opportunities for fundraisers and grant allocations that will continue to benefit our community, and I look forward to seeing the ideas of our members put into action.

Sincerely & Fraternally,

Christian Rose, E.R.

TICKETS NOW ON SALE FOR 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 3/12/2022 SEE LODGE WEBSITE FOR COMPLETE DETAILS OR CONTACT: SUE GIVENS 618-534-8102



IN MEMORY

In vain we call. They have passed into the light which is beyond the valley of the shadow of death. The places that have known them shall know them no more; but

their virtues are written upon the tablets of love and memory.

BEVERLY CONRAD

September 1, 1931 - December 23, 2021

HAPPY BIRTHDAY ELKS LODGE #572

- 03 Martin, Richard
- 04 Grammer, Chuck
- 04 Wagner, Roland
- 05 Doerner, Bradley K
- 05 Todd, William E
- 05 Valdez, Alvin J
- 06 Ferguson, Heather
- 06 Nippe, Monica Ann
- 07 Tindall, Debra Denise
- 08 Beckmann, Randall G
- 08 Knope, Robert
- 09 Jones, Preston Michael
- 10 Stewart, Craig E
- 11 Arbeiter, Holly
- 11 Reiman, Benjamin
- 12 Kunce, Stephen T
- 13 Pullis, Dan
- 13 Sheffer, Harold
- 13 Swetland, Bob
- 14 Mason, Cathy I
- 14 Schimpf, Dale R
- 15 Huppert, Jack W
- 15 Knust, Tonya
- 15 Pfeaster, Derek S
- 15 Roberts, Julie
- 16 Alstat, Daniel T
- 16 Bogenpohl, Russell
- 17 Strothmann, Mary
- 18 Cashman, Truman D
- 18 Herron, Michael W
- 19 Erbes, Andrew F
- 19 Ihle, Carolyn
- 19 Terry, William A
- 20 Davenport, Brian
- 20 Martin, Bruce M
- 22 Ciganovich, David
- 22 Wepsiec, Michael
- 23 Lee, Faye E
- 24 Butler, Marcia R
- 25 McDowell, David L
- 25 Varner, Richard
- 26 Korando, Brian J
- 26 Mc Laughlin, Edwin L
- 27 Polete, Rick P
- 27 Sunny, Praveen
- 30 Pierson, Mark
- 31 Ehlers, Janice
- 31 Paul, Kelsey Rae

QUEEN OF HEARTS UPDATE

As of this Newsletter's publication, no one has yet picked the right card number, for Miss Queen of Hearts! Queen Draw is at 7:00 p.m, each Tuesday, with 50/50 at 7:15 and Dinner for 2 Draw at 7:30. Let's up our Elk turn out for this fun evening! Current Queen value stands at \$1,749.00! Here are results, since those reported in our December Newsletter:

11/30 Bruce Martin \$25 on Name Draw; No win on Card Draw 12/7 Jeff Marnati \$25 on Name Draw; \$30 on Card Draw 12/14 Loreen Mason \$25 on Name Draw; No win on Card Draw 12/21 Jim Ferguson \$25 on Name Draw; No win on Card Draw



ENF Shooting Match January 16th at Shiloh Hill Tavern

Sign-up starts at 12:00 — shooting match starts at 1:00 pm

Free food — Meat Wheel — 50/50 Drawings

Field guns only! No scopes or pucker guns

For directions or more information contact Rick Ehlers (618)534-1689



Hoop Shoot Results

Shown above are the Hoop Shoot Winners from our local competition. First place winners will go on to the District Hoop Shoot and hopefully on to further levels of competition. First row: Jay Block 8/9 1st, Gage Lunde 8/9 2nd, Jackson Fager 10/11 1st, Owen Kueker 10/11 2nd, Daniel Nnamdi 12/13 1st; Second row: Shelby Peterein 10/11 1st, Norah Bailey 12/13 1st, Aubrey Armstrong 12/13 2nd. Congratulations to all our shooters!



Glo Bingo

Saturday January 15th
Doors open at 5:30 pm
Play starts at 7:00 pm
\$20 in advance
(tickets available at the Lodge)
\$25 at the door



FLAG SERVICE READY FOR 2022!

Elks #572 will kick off a full year of placing flags along Main Street, and throughout the Murphysboro area, on January 17th, 2022, Martin Luther King Day, weather permitting. I will be calling Elks on our volunteer list to let everyone know when we will start the process. And, THANKS to our volunteers, for your help in getting a new process rolling, this past year!...Steve Schemonia



Members of Lodge 572 joined with other Elks at Mounds National Cemetery to lay wreaths at the graves of Veterans to let them know they are never forgotten.



We do it because we are Elks.

We do it because it is the

right thing to do.

We do it because if we don't do it...who

will??

SERVING VETERANS AT THE HAVEN

During the Christmas Season just ended, Murphysboro Elks Lodge filled 23 Gift Requests with everything these Vets asked for, and More! Once again, the Covid situation prevented our holding a party in person, so we had to deliver these gifts to where each individual lives. The appreciation of Lodge Members all, go out to those who helped with the Veterans' Gift Tree; the ladies who baked the cookies; and the members who helped stuff the candy and fruit sacks. Our Elks Lodge again proved why we are a leading organization in our service to Veterans. You made a lot of veterans happy, and know that someone still cares!...Steve Schemonia. Lodge Veterans Chair / VAVS Representative



Members of Lodge 572 coordinated with Marion Illinois Lodge 800 and Marshall County Kentucky Elks to help the needy victims of the Mayfield tornado get what they needed. Members in our area delivered 3 shipments of supplies to help those in need.



Member of Lodge 572 visited with veterans in Southern Illinois veteran living facilities. They delivered presents and made everyone feel welcome and appreciated.

ELKS CLUB ROOM HOURS

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

SATURDAY

2:00 P.M. — 12:00 A.M.

FRIDAY

SUNDAY

2:00 P.M. — 12:00 A.M. 12:00 — 8:00 P.M.

January 2022

COMING EVENTS

February 26 — CCC Dart Tournament March 12 — Luck of the Lodge Raffle April 3 — South District Meeting

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
THURSDAY & FI	– 8 P.M. RIDAY SERVING	PLEASE NOTE: FOR PARTIES OF 8 OR MORE RESERVATIONS ARE APPRECIATED				1
2 CLUB OPEN 12 P.M. NFL FOOTBALL FREE FOOD	3 WEEKLY DRAWING 7:00 PM BURGER & FRIES PREPARED BY VOLUNTEERS	4 QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00 PM ITALIAN BEEF \$9.00	5 LODGE MTG. 7:30 PM HOT WINGS APPETIZER SPECIALS 5-8 PM	6 BEEF STROGANOFF \$10.00	7 ALL YOU CAN EAT FISH \$10.00 + BURGERS, SANDWICHES + APPETIZERS	8
9 CLUB OPEN 12 P.M. FOOTBALL & FOOD DISTRICT MEETING, ANNA/JONESBORO	10 WEEKLY DRAWING 7:00 PM BURGER & FRIES PREPARED BY VOLUNTEERS	11 QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00 PM SHRIMP PO' BOY \$10.00	12 BOARD OF DIRECTORS 7:00 PM HOUSE MTG. 7:30 PM HOT WINGS APPETIZER SPECIALS 5-8 PM	13 CABBAGE ROLLS \$10.00	14 RIBS ½ RACK: \$13.95 FULL RACK: \$20.95	15 GLO BINGO
16 CLUB OPEN 12 PM FOOTBALL & FOOD ENF SHOOTING MATCH, SHILOH	17 WEEKLY DRAWING 7:00 PM BURGER & FRIES PREPARED BY VOLUNTEERS	18 QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00 PM TACO TUESDAY	19 LODGE MTG. 7:30 PM HOT WINGS APPETIZER SPECIALS 5-8 PM	20 ALL YOU CAN EAT FRIED CHICKEN DINNER \$11.00	21 SALMON \$13.00 IEA MEETING, SPRI	22 INGFIELD
23 CLUB OPEN 12 P.M. NFL FOOTBALL FREE FOOD	24 WEEKLY DRAWING 7:00 PM BURGER & FRIES PREPARED BY VOLUNTEERS	25 QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00 PM SLOPPY JOE'S \$9.00	26 HOT WINGS APPETIZER SPECIALS 5-8 PM	27 SPAGHETTI & MEATBALLS \$10.00	28 PRIME RIB \$21.95	29
30 CLUB OPEN 12 P.M. NFL FOOTBALL FREE FOOD	31 WEEKLY DRAWING 7:00 PM BURGER & FRIES PREPARED BY VOLUNTEERS					