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#### MARCH 2022, E. R. MESSAGE

#### Members All,

In the last month, we were able to distribute many of the donations to the organizations that were designated to receive our ENF grants. You may find in this newsletter a collection of photos which display some of these recipients. Improving the community around us is one of the staples of our organization, and these donations typify just that. If you would like to be involved in the planning or distribution of these grants, please come to one of the Lodge meetings on the first and third Wednesday of every month!

The dart tournament held for the Children's Care Corporation was well received in its return! I was unfortunately not able to make the event, but please take the time to see the attached post for details about the tournament along with an ongoing raffle. I would like to thank BJ Wyatt, Lynn Porter, and the many others who were able to make this great event happen.

The Luck of the Lodge event is right around the corner; if you still have not purchased your tickets, be sure to find some as quickly as possible before they are sold out. Don't miss out on this opportunity for prizes, raffles, and a lot of fun!

On Saturday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, we will be hosting a 5K race to benefit the children and families of St. Jude Children's Hospital. In the evening following, we will be having a live and silent auction, a cake walk, heads or tails 50/50, and plenty of dessert! If you are interested in participating in the race, please visit https://runsignup.com/Race/IL/Murphysboro/ElksStampedeforStJude. If you would like to donate any items or would like to assist with the events please contact me at 217-855-7081.

This will be my last message as the Exalted Ruler of Lodge #572. Over the last two years, I have learned a tremendous amount about the organization. I have seen firsthand the amount of positivity and joy that this Lodge can bring to members of the community, and I have seen the hard work of many dedicated volunteers who ask for nothing in return. It is warming to see so many people who come together out of a mutual interest for their community and a desire to help those less fortunate. I would like to sincerely thank all of the Lodge Officers, Trustees, and the Loyal Lodge Secretary for keeping me in line and donating so much of their time helping this Lodge succeed. I would also like to thank all the members who have donated any time, money, or effort over the last years. It is truly the motivation of the membership that makes Lodge #572 one of the best lodges in the state. Thank you all for your support, and I look forward to seeing you in the clubroom.

Sincerely & Fraternally, Christian Rose, E.R.



Murphysboro Elk's Lodge #572 donates \$500 to the M'boro Jr. Football Program and \$500 to the "Devil Dazzlers" Dance Team. Pictured (L. -R.) Dazzler Coach Carleigh Schimpf, Jr. Football Coach, Danny Gould and Elks Representative Tonya Knust..

# WATCH MAIL FOR DUES NOTICES

Various items, including Key Card delivery delayed by Covid issues, has put our issuance of Dues Notices behind schedule. However, watch your mail...you will see them shortly. Due to a \$5 increase in Grand Lodge Insurance, regular dues for 2022 - 2023, will be \$75.25, and Life Member dues will be \$38.25. Details will be found in your notice! Thank You - Lodge Secretary

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

John Caldwell 3/28 Ray Burroughs

3/30 Russell Brown

- Jack Camden 3/1
- 3/28 Seth Mileur 3/1 Thomas Shields 3/28 Jerry Nance
- 3/2
- Curt Pierson Gary Raines
- Jeff Daniel 3/3

3/2

- 3/3 Jakob Guetersloh
- 3/4 Michael Roberts
- 3/4 Emmett Whitacre
- Richard Green 3/5
- William Reardon 3/5
- Donald Cochran 3/6
- Herbert Dougan 3/6 Linda Patrick 3/6
- 3/6 Lawrence Reardon
- 3/7 Mike Dickerson
- Richard Ehlers 3/8
- 3/8 Joe Roth
- 3/11 Joan Cox
- 3/11 Steve Ridings
- Andrew Belobraydic 3/13
- Everett Blackwell 3/13
- 3/13 Audrey Eden
- 3/13 Todd Lirely
- 3/13 David Trimble
- 3/13 Melissa Ferguson
- 3/13 Charles Johnson
- 3/15 Bob Abbott
- Scott Wheeler 3/15
- Diana Dietz 3/17
- Danny Lawson 3/17
- 3/18 Clay Cochran
- 3/18 Charles Fisher
- Alan Gordon 3/19
- 3/19 Gary Tennison
- 3/20 Fred Carter
- 3/20 Lori Graff
- Craig Keller 3/20
- William Moeglin 3/20
- 3/20 Ted Rose
- 3/20 Michael Ryan
- Benjamin Howard 3/21
- Dennis Johnson 3/21
- Brian Mifflin 3/21
- Dale Alstat 3/23
- 3/23 Dale Mifflin
- 3/22 Don Rendleman
- 3/23 Tim Schenk
- 3/23 Kevin Bost
- 3/23 Adam Korando
- Robert Diehl 3/24
- Terry Gerlach 3/24
- 3/24 Faithann Howard
- Joy McAllister 3/24
- 3/24 Rick Raney 3/25 Chad Bower
- Eric Clendenin 3/25
- Frederick Thompson 3/25
- Joseph Rains 3/26
- 3/28 Ray Burroughs
- 3/38 Jerry Nance
- 3/30 Russell Brown
- Shawn Imhoff 3/30



#### **QUEEN OF HEARTS REPORT**

Well - Board #9 didn't last long! On 2/1/22, the *QUEEN* was uncovered on just the 2nd Draw, under Card #6, by Joe Summers! Joe was magnanimous and accepted only the \$25 card-draw award, thus helping put a \$253 Queen value in place for the first draw on Board #10, on 2/8/22. Hey Elks, remember that Tuesdays also have our 50/50 Draws, as well as an Elk's Dinner -For-Two Certificate Draw! Here are the latest results from remainder of February (Queen Value at \$610.00):

02/08 Merle Evans \$25 Name Draw; No Win on Card Draw 02/15 \$25 Name Draw; No Win on Card Draw Beth Francis 02/22 Jim Ferguson \$25 Name Draw; No Win on Card Draw



#### **ELKS FLAG SERVICE REPORT**

Snow, Ice, Sleet, Rain - the winter weather has not been cooperative with our attempts to place American Flags on the last two national holidays! However, we are now planning to make our scheduled placements in front of businesses on Main Street, and in & around Murphysboro, Memorial Day, May 30th. The plan is to set them out on Saturday, and leave them for the entre weekend. Again, thanks to everyone who has helped this year, and hope to see many of you May! Steve Schemonia, Chairman



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.

#### DR. CLAY T. BREWER

August 29, 1964 - February 19, 2022

#### **HAVEN SUPPORT CONTINUES!**

To date, Lodge Support of Veterans attending monthly meetings at the Haven, on Crab Orchard Lake, has been curtailed this ENF, Beacon Grant Year, due to both Covid restrictions, and low water on the Lake. If the V.A. allows attendance again, starting this month, our support efforts will have to be compressed in some major manner, to meet Grant guidelines. Details will be forthcoming, as we look at possible options. Steve Schemonia, Veterans' Chair

# PRELIMINARY REPORT 26TH ANNUAL CCC DART **TOURNEY & AUCTIONS**

From all appearances, this year's event for our State Major Project, The Childrens Care Corporation, was a great success! A large field of Dart Throwers turned out; the Silent Auction had a good selection of Donations; the LIVE Auction was very "Lively" and great fun; Board Sponsorship was excellent...and, one item is still ongoing / continuing: A CCC RAFFLE, with 3 **DRAWINGS** as follows: \$100; \$100; and Top Prize of \$300. Only 100 tickets to be sold; Drawing to be held after all tickets are sold; Need NOT be present to Win...Purchase tickets in Club Room, from a member selling, or the person on duty! (This would be a great way to help, if you were not able to attend the Dart Tournament & Auction, itself!) Stay Tuned...More detailed results will appear in the April Newsletter



#### FINAL ENF FUNDRAISER OF THIS LODGE YEAR

Sunday, March 13, at Shiloh Hill is the Place - 12:00 Noon, Sign-Up begins, with shoot beginning at 1:00 p.m. Go to elks572.org for details...same as listed in our January Newsletter. Or call Rick Ehlers at 618-534-1689. Come participate / watch / socialize / have fun, all while helping us meet our National Foundation Per-Capita Goal, which then funds our Thousands in Community Investment Grants! Hope to SEE you there.

# 2022-2023 ELECTED & APPOINTED OFFICERS OF #572

Nominated and elected at the February 16, Lodge meeting were :

Exalted Ruler — Richard Martin Leading Knight — Nicole Hertter Loyal Knight — Sue Givens

Lecturing Knight — Orval Rowe

Secretary — Merle Evans

Treasurer — Sandy Schenk

Trustee (5 Yr.) — (OPEN)

\*\* Note — Trustees in continuing terms are: Darcie Hastings, Jim Ferguson and Jerry Willett. The positions of Tiler, Inner Guard, Chaplain, and Esquire are all to be appointed by incoming E. R., Richard Martin, and appointments made will be reported in our April, or Newsletter.

Also, Committee Chairpersons and other positions required by Grand Lodge, Illinois Elks Association, or South District Elks are in the process of being selected/appointed by E. R. elect, Martin.



Representative (and Resident) of Humane Society of Southern Illinois display Elk's #572 Check for \$500, from Grant funding.

## LUCK OF THE LODGE ALMOST HERE!!

ALL tickets are out to Members who are selling them! It appears we will again have a great event, with the free-refreshment / food party (for ticket holders) running from 4 - 6 p.m. on Saturday, March 12. Our 9 Prize drawings will begin at 5 p.m., starting from smallest to the largest (Grand Prize = \$5,000.00). At around 5:30, the Band, COUNTRY THUNDER, will be starting up for everyone's listening pleasure!

Do remember that you can purchase tickets, but attendance is **NOT** required to win any of the 9 prizes, if your ticket is drawn! Sellers - you need to turn in your tickets to Steve Schemonia, or Sue Givens, so they can get them counted, and get unsold ones to people on our ticket request list, or to the Club Room for direct purchases at the Bar. Finally, if you are wanting tickets, or have any questions, contact Steve (618) 713-3248, or Sue at (618) 534-8102. Remember that full details are listed in last month's Newsletter, and on our Website, elks572.org. Think GREEN - March is Here!



E. R., Christian Rose, poses with a 'Resident' of St. Francis Animal Care, after presenting \$500 Donation from Lodge #572 Grant funds.

#### **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.

# March 2022

# COMING EVENTS

Sat. April 2 — 5K Run for St. Judes

Sun. April 3 — Dist. Meeting at Benton Lodge #1224 Sat. April 9 — Glo Bingo in Lodge Hall

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
5:P.M. – THURSDAY & FI	ESDAY SERVING  - 8 P.M.  RIDAY SERVING  - 9 P.M.	1 QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00 PM GUMBO \$8.00	2 LODGE MTG. 7:30 P.M. HOT WINGS APPETIZER SPECIALS 5-8 PM	3 CHICKEN & DUMPLINGS \$11.00	4 ALL YOU CAN EAT FISH \$10.00 + BURGERS, SANDWICHES + APPETIZERS	5
6 COME ENJOY NASCAR & VOLUNTEER FOOD	7 WEEKLY DRAWING 7:00 PM BURGERS & FRIES PREPARED BY VOLUNTEERS	8 QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00 PM PRIME RIB SANDWICH \$9.00	9BOARD OF DIRECTORS 7:00 P.M. HOUSE MTG. 7:30 HOT WINGS APPETIZER SPECIALS	10 ORIENTATION 6:30 PORK STEAKS \$10.00	11 CHICKEN IMPERIAL \$11.00	12 LUCK OF THE LODGE!!
13 COME ENJOY NASCAR & VOLUNTEER FOOD	14 WEEKLY DRAWING 7:00 PM BURGERS & FRIES PREPARED BY VOLUNTEERS	15 QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00 PM TACO TUESDAY	16 LODGE MTG. & INITATION 7:30 P.M. HOT WINGS APPETIZER SPECIALS 5-8 PM	17 FRIED CHICKEN OR CORN BEEF & CABBAGE \$11.00	18 LONDON BROIL \$18.75	19 HALL RENTED
20 COME ENJOY NASCAR & VOLUNTEER FOOD HALL RENTED	21 WEEKLY DRAWING 7:00 PM BURGERS & FRIES PREPARED BY VOLUNTEERS	22 QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00 PM GRILLED CRISPY CHICKEN SANDWICH \$8.50	23 HOT WINGS APPETIZER SPECIALS 5-8 PM	24 SALISBURY STEAK \$11.00	25 SALMON \$11.00	26
27 COME ENJOY NASCAR & VOLUNTEER FOOD	28 WEEKLY DRAWING 7:00 PM BURGERS & FRIES PREPARED BY VOLUNTEERS	29 QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00 PM SLOPPY JOES \$8.00	30 HOT WINGS APPETIZER SPECIALS 5-8 PM	31 HAM STEAK W/ SWEET POTATOES \$11.00		