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MAY 2022, E. R. MESSAGE

Hello, Members All,

We have successfully made it through the first month of the new, 2022 - 2023 Elk Year. With that said, several of our members have put in a lot of hours and work, planning and organizing events for the Lodge. Please look for information elsewhere in this newsletter, and in upcoming newsletters, as the year progresses. If you would like to lend some time and talent to help make some of our events a success, please reach out to the project chairperson, or any Lodge Officer, who will then provide you additional information or direct you to the appropriate person. Thank you, in advance, for your support!

A new thing taking place at the Lodge is a Junior Antler Program. This program allows youth, under the age of 21, to join and learn more about the Elks. Hopefully, some of our future Elk members and leaders will come from this group. We also believe that Lodge #572 will be only the 2nd Lodge in the state to have a functioning Antlers Program. Thanks to Darcie Hastings for the hard work and dedication to get this program started. Any questions - please ask Darcie.

Our appointed and elected Officer positions for 2022 - 2023 are all complete, as the two final openings have now been filled as follows. The April Newsletter listed Steve Shields as Tiler. However, due to further analysis of schedule conflicts with meeting dates, Steve unfortunately had to decline the position. I have since appointed Joseph J. Bastien (J. J.) as Lodge Tiler. And, at the April 20th Lodge Meeting, Gene Schwebel was elected to the 3-year Trustee position. We appreciate the willingness of all Officers, to work for our Lodge!

On May 13 - 15, several of our Officers, PERs, and interested members will be attending the Spring Meeting of the Illinois Elks Association in Springfield. We will be attending meetings and talking informally with other Elks from throughout Illinois, and hopefully learning new ideas and keeping current on Elk programs and business requirements. Also, we will witness the installation of the South District's own Todd Lindsay, of Herrin Lodge #1146, as State President. Congratulations, Todd! Additionally, as a result of being elected earlier this month as Junior Trustee for the South District, Darcie Hastings, of Murphysboro #572, will be installed to said position. Congratulations, Darcie!

Finally, and as always, any ideas for events / activities / community support projects / etc. - please reach out to myself, or any other Lodge Officer!

Sincerely & Fraternally,
Richard Martin, E. R.

Please note:
The Lodge will be
closed on Monday, May
30th for Memorial Day



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.

PHIL GREEN

August 14, 1953 - April 22, 2022

BIRTHDAYS

01 Pittman, William J
 03 Rosson, James W
 04 Camfield, Tyler B
 05 Barone, Michael S
 05 Imhoff, Scott
 07 Sherman, Michael E
 08 Pulcher, Thomas E
 08 Stokes, Rebecca Bess
 09 Hartmann, Beth A
 10 Heins, David
 10 Korando, Dale E
 10 Roach, Robert J
 12 Figueroa, Julio Garcia
 13 Bastien, Joseph J
 13 Jones, William Ray
 13 Mills, Landess L
 13 Polete, Linda K
 14 Marks, Michael T
 14 Phoenix, Jesy
 15 Reed, Pamela A
 16 Mason, Loreen
 17 Miner, Russell L
 17 Tuttle, Ron
 18 Bastien, Mike
 18 Ferguson, James C
 18 Rendleman, Keith
 19 Bambic, Lauralee
 21 Allard, Robert H
 21 Humm, Debbie
 22 Sumner, Eric
 23 Canning, Blake B
 24 Anderson, Jennifer L
 25 Leslie, Dan J
 25 Wayman, Norman R
 27 Rowald, Greg A
 28 Blake, Richard L
 28 Harris, Keith C
 29 Eisert, Charlie
 29 Germann, Christopher
 30 Cox, Roy Richard

Last Year's Beacon Grant Repurposed



Because of the Covid shutdown, our Lodge was unable to use last year's ENF Beacon Grant to feed veterans visiting the Haven on Crab Orchard Lake each month. After some discussion with Grand Lodge ENF personnel, we were given permission to give the \$3,500.00 directly to the Haven for purchase of supplies, repairs, and other needed items. Shown in the picture are (left to right) Bill Slider, representative for the Egyptian Chapter of Illinois American Legion Past Commanders Club, and Haven caretakers Donna and Mark Bowlby. Finding a way to utilize the money rather than returning it helps ensure that our Lodge will continue receiving the ENF Beacon Grant each year for our support of the Haven.



ELKS TO PLACE FLAGS IN COMMUNITY FOR MEMORIAL DAY

American flags will again grace businesses in and around Murphysboro, this upcoming Memorial Day weekend. Our volunteers will place these in front of participating businesses on Friday, May 27th. They will be picked up on Tuesday, May 31st. Any Elk member interested in helping, call me at (618) 713-3248, or leave me a note at the Lodge. Thanks in advance! Steve Schemonia, Flag Service Coordinator



QUEEN OF HEARTS REPORT

No one has found the Queen this past April, so her value is climbing! Why not come to the Lodge on Tuesdays for the 7 pm Draw, and also enjoy good company, some laughs, a 50/50 drawing, and even a meal-for-two drawing...all occurring while delicious food specials and regular short-order menu items are available to one and all. Here is the scoop on where the Queen of Hearts Drawing stands as of publication time.... Queen Value standing at \$1,725.00!!

04/05	Jeff Marnati	\$25 on Name Draw; No win on Card Draw
04/12	Sue Givens	\$25 on Name Draw; No win on Card Draw
04/19	Bob Hall	\$25 on Name Draw; No win on Card Draw
04/26	Jim Ferguson	\$25 on Name Draw; No win on Card Draw

HAVEN VETERANS ARE BACK!!

After a long Covid delay, compounded by other obstacles at the Haven, Veterans' Day Center on Crab Orchard Lake, the Veterans made a long-awaited return on Tuesday, April 26th! Around 25 people were present for lunch (see photo), paid for through our Lodge's Beacon Grant, and served by our own Elks #572 volunteers. They were very excited to be back and see their Elk friends. And, each veteran in attendance received a Gift Card, to help buy personal items that they might need. Looking ahead, our Elk volunteers will see them again on Tuesday, May 17th, at 10:30 a.m. for the next Haven meal. If you are interested in helping, please contact me, at (618)713-3248. Our plan is to continue these 2nd Tuesday meals monthly for the rest of this Lodge year! Elks will never forget our Veterans!

Steve Schemonia, Lodge Veterans Chairman



MOTHERS DAY BRUNCH

Sunday, May 8th

9:00 am - 1:00 pm

IN THE BACK HALL

EVERYONE INVITED

MOTHERS EAT FREE

ADULTS \$7.00

CHILDREN 3 - 12 \$4.00

(under 3, free)

ELKS BLOOD DRIVE

We will be hosting an American Red Cross blood drive in the Lodge Hall on Monday, May 23, from 1:30 to 5:30 pm.



The Red Cross is currently experiencing the lowest blood supplies in over a decade, causing many hospitals to have to postpone important surgeries, and yet that hasn't stopped the fact that someone needs blood in the U.S., every 2 seconds. Over 4 million Americans would die each year without blood transfusions. The World Health Organization says "Blood is the most precious gift anyone can give to another person." Our motto is "Elks Care - Elks Share." So, please come and share the precious gift of your blood at this drive at #572, and help save three lives!

Please contact Gene Schwebel at (618)521-0879 to schedule an appointment, or go to REDCROSSBLOOD.org Also, if you can volunteer to help out or make some homemade snacks for the canteen area, they are always appreciated.

Please consider coming to the Lodge's Blood Drive and "Give the Gift of Life"!!!

ELKS CLUB ROOM HOURS

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

SATURDAY
2:00 P.M. ~ 12:00 A.M.


FRIDAY
2:00 P.M. ~ 12:00 A.M.

SUNDAY
12:00—8:00 P.M.

May 2022

COMING EVENTS

May 23 Red Cross Blood Drive in Back Hall
June 5 South District Meeting, Harrisburg
June 11 Elk Flag Day Observance
June 11 Lodge 572 Bocce Tournament
July 3-6 Grand Lodge Convention, Atlanta, Georgia

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 CLUB OPEN AT 12— ENJOY NASCAR & VOLUNTEER FOOD	2 WEEKLY DRAWING 7:00 PM BURGER & FRIES 5-8 PM	3 QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00 PM ITALIAN BEEF \$9.00	4 LODGE MTG. 7:30 P.M. HOT WINGS APPETIZER SPECIALS 5-9:30 PM	5 CINCO DE MAYO FAJITAS TACOS NACHOS	6 ALL YOU CAN EAT FISH \$10.00	7 FLAG TEAM AT MBI
8 MOTHERS DAY BRUNCH CLUB OPEN AT 12:00	9 WEEKLY DRAWING 7:00 PM BURGER & FRIES 5-8 PM	10 QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00 PM BBQ BAKED POTATO \$8.50	11 BOARD OF DIRECTORS 7:00 P.M. HOUSE MTG. 7:30 P.M. HOT WINGS APPETIZER SPECIALS 5-9:30 PM	12 LASAGNA \$10.00	13 CHICKEN & DUMPLINGS \$11.00 <div>IEA STATE MEETING</div>	14
15 CLUB OPEN AT 12— ENJOY NASCAR & VOLUNTEER FOOD HALL RENTED	16 WEEKLY DRAWING 7:00 PM BURGER & FRIES 5-8 PM	17 QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00 PM MEATBALLL SUBS \$8.50	18 LODGE MTG. 7:30 P.M. HOT WINGS APPETIZER SPECIALS 5-9:30 PM	19 ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT FRIED CHICKEN \$11.00	20 SALMON PATTIES \$11.00	21
22 CLUB OPEN AT 12 MHS MILITARY SENDOFF IN BACK HALL	23 WEEKLY DRAWING 7:00 PM BURGER & FRIES 5-8 PM BLOOD DRIVE	24 QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00 PM GRILLED OR CRISPY CHICKEN WRAP \$8.00	25 HOT WINGS APPETIZER SPECIALS 5-9:30 PM	26 MEATLOAF \$11.00	27 PRIME RIB \$18.95	28 HALL RENTED
29 CLUB OPEN AT 12— ENJOY NASCAR & VOLUNTEER FOOD HALL RENTED	30 LODGE CLOSED MEMORIAL DAY	31 QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00 PM SHRIMP PO' BOY \$8.50			<div>  <p>FOOD SERVICE: MONDAY & TUESDAY 5 — 8 P.M. WEDNESDAY 5 — 9:30 P.M. THURSDAY & FRIDAY 5 — 9 P.M.</p> </div>	