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E. R. MESSAGE

IN MEMORY



“An Elk is never forsaken, never forgotten. His virtues are written on the Tablets of Love and Memory”

Lester Blake, PER
4/25/1936– 1/9/2012

William Bost, PER
11/27/1930 -1/21/2012

Arthur Faulkner
1/21/1916 - 7/10/2012

Donald Gregory
7/21/1948 - 1/20/2012

Shirley Grissom
8/27/1942 - 4/3/2012

William Hanna
10/5/1934 - 8/31/2012

James P. Harris
1/28/1924 - 12/1/2011

Glenn Jennings
12/31/1940 - 10/8/12

James P. Kerley
6/23/1921– 4/6/2012

Brent Moore
1/28/1942 - 7/6/2012

David Phelps, PER
1/5/1938 - 6/22/2012

Jack Shepard
3/6/1927—12/13/2011

It's hard to believe another month has come and gone. I hope everyone had a HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

On Thursday, November 8th, we hosted our 2nd annual Christmas Showcase. Attendance was very good, and several shoppers got a head start on their Christmas lists. Thanks to Patty Stokes and all of her little “Elves” who made this event so successful.

Rounding out the week was our community Veteran's Day Meal and Program, on Sunday, Nov. 11th. While we have, for a number of years, hosted a smaller-version dinner for Lodge Veterans, in the Club Room, this year's expanded event was made possible by an Elks National Foundation, Beacon Grant of \$1,000. A BIG salute goes out to Leading Knight, Darcie Hastings Smyth, for helping write the grant and spearheading the event. Also, I would like to thank: Loyal Knight, Steve Schemonia, and all his helpers, for preparing a great meal; Bob Hall and the Murphysboro Key Club, for their help in serving the meal; the General John A. Logan 5th Grade Chorus for the patriotic musical selections they provided; Elk's PDDGER, Steve Steiner, for his Veteran's Comments; the Murphysboro VFW for their support and assistance; and everyone else who lent a hand to help show Veteran's that we remember and appreciate them all. We are already looking forward to next November, as we will again apply for the Beacon Grant.

On Sunday, December 2, Lodge Officers will conduct the Annual Memorial Service to remember our departed brothers and sisters who has passed away since our 2011 Service. This Ceremony (about 25 minutes) will begin at 12:30, in the Lodge Hall. Members All...please consider attending!

As we move into the Christmas Season, I would like to remind everyone to mark your calendar for Saturday, December 15th. We will be holding our annual Members Christmas Party, from

5:30 - 7:30 in the Club Room. Food and free cocktails will be served during this time. Also, if anyone would like to donate an appetizer, it would be greatly appreciated.

Sunday, December 16th is the date of our Children's Christmas Party, beginning at 12:30 p.m. We will have food, games, balloon animals, and yes, a visit from Santa and Mrs. Claus. Please bring your children, grandchildren, neighbors and friends, and enjoy all the fun. Also, if anyone has any slightly used children's books that they would like to donate to the party, to be given as prizes – please feel free to bring them to the Lodge. Later in the evening, we will also be hosting our annual START Christmas Dinner. As always, VOLUNTEERS are needed and appreciated, to help make both of these events a success. Let me know if you can help!

Don't forget to make your reservation for the New Year's Eve Party to be held in our Lodge Hall. Advance ticket price is \$15 per person, until Dec. 15th. Thereafter, the price will go up to \$20 per person. JACKSON JUNCTION will be on stage! Doors open at 6:00 p.m. and music starts at 8:30. Hors d' Oeuvres will be served.

Remember the Luck of the Lodge Raffle! Don't get left out. Tickets are \$20 each, with first prize being \$5,000. These tickets would make great stocking stuffers for your friends and family. Only 800 tickets will be sold, and the drawing will be held March 16th, 2013. Also, all members selling winning tickets will also be awarded cash prizes. Anyone interested in selling tickets, please contact Mark Davis at 618-684-4541, during hours of business.

Our annual, Holiday Nut Sale is underway! We have pecan halves, dry-roasted and salted pista-

chios in the shell, English walnuts, toasted & salted cashews, chocolate-covered pecan halves, and praline pecans. All nuts are \$9 a bag. If you are interested in placing an order, please contact the club at 618 -684-4541, or for more information, see our website at www.elks572.org. Portions of the proceeds provide a \$600 Scholarship to help an MHS Senior student, as selected by the Guidance Dept., who holds an average grade-point and who shows good potential for furthering their education after high school.

Do not forget to mark your calendars for our upcoming Shooting Matches for the Elk's National Foundation. Confirmed dates are 1/27/13 at Crazy Joe's Fish House and 2/24/13 at the Bull Pen in Jacob. Arrangements are being made for a 3rd match, to be held at the Chester Eagles.

For the latest information on all of our activities – log on to our Grand Lodge 5-Star Website at www.elks572.org

Finally, let me take this opportunity to wish everyone a Happy, Safe, and Healthy Holiday Season.

Fraternally Yours,

Debbie Sauer, Exalted Ruler

MEMORIAL SERVICE DEC. 2, 2012

Lodge Officers will conduct this very meaningful ritual at 12:30 p.m. **SUNDAY, DEC. 2 IN THE LODGE HALL.** We hope you will make this an Elk Member priority! (Note—Club Room will NOT open until service is concluded)



BIRTHDAYS

12/2	John Eaton
12/2	Donald Kidd
12/3	Lindsay Legere
12/3	Mary Ann Reichert
12/4	Renee Evans
12/4	Gary Huppert
12/4	Larry Miles
12/4	John Stewart
12/5	Justin Raines
12/6	John Ferguson
12/6	Darryl Huppert
12/7	Randy Bateman
12/7	Kellie Ellis
12/7	William Jones
12/7	Daniel Reardon
12/7	Kevin Tuttle
12/8	Nancy Tillitt
12/9	Chuck Fager
12/9	Jeffrey Hill
12/9	Ray Pritchett
12/9	Ashley Salamone
12/9	Sterling Stiegman
12/10	Carol Coventry
12/10	Jarrod Karnes
12/12	William Sutton
12/13	Patrick Burke
12/14	Jane Rhoden
12/15	Jacqueline Clover
12/16	Marilyn Daniel
12/16	Geoffrey Spears
12/18	Buddy Ferguson
12/19	Mike Humm
12/20	Thomas Cox
12/20	Brad Rife
12/22	Bruce Doerr
12/22	Warren Grammer
12/22	David McClure
12/22	Charles Murphy
12/22	Seth Schemonia
12/23	Bruce Chancey
12/24	Bob Hall
12/24	Janet Mandis
12/24	David Mifflin
12/24	Charles Naegele
12/25	Joseph Balsano
12/25	Hudson Mugge
12/26	Stanley Schneider
12/27	Charles McClure
12/27	Jerry Wright
12/28	Jackie Lindsey
12/29	Tammy Ryan
12/29	Janie Wright
12/30	Ralph Perry
12/30	Brian Roberts

STILL NEED NUTS???

Yes, for those Holiday Baking and/or Party needs, as listed in the November Bulletin, we still have plenty! Need information or an order sheet? Just go to Elks572.org Or, call "Nut Chairperson", Bonnie Whiteside, at 303-6909. or 684-6909. Better yet, stop by the Club Room and purchase directly, from the person on duty!

ELKS HOOP SHOOT

WHEN: SATURDAY, DEC. 15
WHERE: MHS GYMNASIUM
TIME: SIGN-UP @ 1:00 PM
CONTEST: APPROX. 1:30 P.M.
VOLUNTEERS: WE NEED YOU.
QUESTIONS? SEE CHAIRMAN,
CRAIG HARRIS
(684-6483) or (967-9135)



KIDS CHRISTMAS PARTY

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16
***BEGINNING AT 12:30**
WITH FOOD

(HOT DOGS, CHIPS, SOFT DRINKS, etc.)

***VARIETY OF KID'S GAMES TO FOLLOW**
***FINALE WILL BE THE ARRIVAL OF SANTA & MRS. CLAUS!**

DADS, MOMS, GRANDPARENTS, AND OLDER SIBLINGS ARE WELCOME!
(YOU MAY INVITE GUESTS, TOO.)



KEY CLUB TOY & FOOD DRIVE

Your Lodge is a collection point for the MHS Key Club, Christmas Toy & Food Drive. A box is located to right of Club Room entry door!

MEMBER HELP WANTED!

Want to follow through on any thought on giving a little time to your Lodge? We have need of 3 or 4 more people for both the Bingo Table & the Pull Tabs Counter, on Mondays. Easy work, good interaction with fellow membership and Bingo Players...and you do NOT have to be an experienced Bingo or Tabs player. Please inquire of any current worker, or Lodge Secretary.



ANNUAL START CHRISTMAS DINNER

Again this year, we will provide the clients of START, as well as some from Shelter Workshops in surrounding counties (i.e., those who also attend our monthly dances), with a Christmas Meal and Party. We will need Kitchen and serving volunteers! (Doors open at 5:30, meal at 6:00, Santa to follow.)



LOOKING FOR A CHRISTMAS GIFT? HOW ABOUT AN ELK'S GIFT CERTIFICATE? SEE CLUB MANAGER MARK DAVIS.

WEEKLY DRAWING

10/30 Mike Hunsperger NR
Mandy Sitton RP!!!
11/6 Nancy Tillitt NR
11/13 Sheila Stewart NR
11/20 Bob Diehl NR
Curt Graff NR

RAFFLE WORKERS

12/3 J. Clover, L. Graff (Givens)
12/10 R. Ellenberg, K. Evans (Evans)
12/17 C. DeWulf, J. Erbes (Paul)
12/24 and 12/31 No Raffle
1/7 L. Graff, J. Clover (Hines)

PULL TAB WORKERS

12/3 G. Wilcox, D. Siefert
12/10 J. Patrick, S. Schemonia
12/17 J. Patrick, S. Schemonia
12/24 and 12/31 No Raffle
1/7 S. Wheeler, TBA

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ELKS CLUB ROOM HOURS

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




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

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

SUNDAY
12:00 P.M. ~ 10:00

COMING EVENTS

DEC. 2....MEMORIAL SERVICE 12:30 PM
DEC. 14...KARAOKE IN CLUB ROOM
DEC. 15...MEMBER CHRISTMAS PARTY
DEC. 16...KID'S CHRISTMAS PARTY 12:30; START DINNER 6:00 PM
DEC. 25...MERRY CHRISTMAS (CLUB CLOSED)
DEC. 31...SURF & TURF IN CLUB ROOM 5:30—9:00 JACKSON JUNCTION/NEWYEAR'S EVE CELEBRATION IN HALL 8:30 - 12:30 PM

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						
<p>THURSDAY & FRIDAY SERVING 5:30 PM ~ 9:00 PM</p>						
<p>2 MEMORIAL SERVICE LODGE HALL 12:30 PM (CLUB ROOM OPEN AT 1:00 PM)</p>	<p>3 RAFFLE 7:00 P.M. SPECIAL 5:30—8:00 PM BBQ SAND. W/FRIES \$4.50 MON. NIGHT FOOT-</p>	<p>4 WEEKLY DRAWING 7:00 PM BUILD A BERGER W/FRIES \$6.95</p>	<p>5 NO LODGE MTG. HOT WINGS .50 EA. 6-8 P.M (Eat in or take out)</p>	<p>6 10 OZ RIB EYE \$12.95 ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT FRIED CHICKEN INC. MASHED POT., GRAVY/VEG. & ROLL SALAD BAR \$8.00</p>	<p>7 SPECIAL! ALL YOU CAN EAT CAT-FISH W/FRIES, SLAW & HUSH PUPPIES \$8.00</p>	1
<p>9 ELKS CARIBBEAN CRUISE PARTY 2:00 - 5:00 pm</p>	<p>10 RAFFLE 7:00 P.M. SPECIAL 5:30—8:00 PM BBQ SAND. W/FRIES \$4.50 MON. NIGHT FOOT-</p>	<p>11 WEEKLY DRAWING 7:00 PM PULLED CHICKEN SANDWICH W/ HOME STYLE</p>	<p>12 BOARD OF DIRECTORS 7:00 PM HOUSE MTG. 7:30 HOT WINGS .50 EA. 6-8 P.M</p>	<p>13 10 OZ RIB EYE \$12.95 ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT FRIED CHICKEN INC. MASHED POT., GRAVY/VEG. & ROLL SALAD BAR \$8.00</p>	<p>14 FETTUCCINE AL-FREDO, CHICKEN, BEEF, OR SHRIMP & GARLIC BREAD, SALAD BAR \$6.95 KARAOKE</p>	<p>15 MEMBER CHRISTMAS PARTY 5:30 - 7:30 HOOP SHOOT REG. 1:00 PM SHOOT BEGINS AT 1:30 PM</p>
<p>16 KID'S CHRISTMAS PARTY 12:30 START CHRISTMAS DINNER 5:30 PM</p>	<p>17 RAFFLE 7:00 P.M. SPECIAL 5:30—8:00 PM BBQ SAND. W/FRIES \$4.50 MON. NIGHT FOOT-</p>	<p>18 WEEKLY DRAWING 7:00 PM TACO SALAD, CHICKEN, BEEF, OR STEAK W/ REFRIED BEANS \$5.95</p>	<p>19 LODGE MTG. 7:30 PM HOT WINGS .50 EA. 6-8 P.M (Eat in or take out)</p>	<p>20 10 OZ RIB EYE \$12.95 ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT FRIED CHICKEN INC. MASHED POT., GRAVY/VEG. & ROLL SALAD BAR \$8.00</p>	<p>21 SLICED PORK TENDERLOIN W/ BAKED POTATO & SALAD BAR</p>	22
23	<p>24 RAFFLE 7:00 P.M. SPECIAL 5:30—8:00 PM BBQ SAND. W/FRIES \$4.50 MON. NIGHT FOOT-</p>	<p>25 MERRY CHRISTMAS CLUB CLOSED</p> 	<p>26 HOT WINGS .50 EA. 6-8 P.M (Eat in or take out)</p>	<p>27 10 OZ RIB EYE \$12.95 ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT FRIED CHICKEN INC. MASHED POT., GRAVY/VEG. & ROLL SALAD BAR \$8.00</p>	<p>28 SPECIAL! FISH; BAKED POTATO, & SALAD BAR \$15.95</p>	29
30	<p>31 NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY (NO RAFFLE)</p> 	<p>JAN. 1 HAM & BEANS</p>	<p>NEW YEAR'S EVE SURF & TURF CELEBRATION 5:30- 9:00 PRICE: \$19.95 (CALL AHEAD FOR RESERVATIONS 684-4541) JACKSON JUNCTION WILL BE FEATURED IN HALL PARTY FAVORS; CHAMPAGNE; APPETIZERS, INCLUDED IN THIS NEW YEAR'S PARTY. TICKETS \$15 PER PERSON UNTIL 12/15; \$20 AFTER THE 15TH.</p>			