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MARCH 2014, E. R. MESSAGE

As the end of my year approaches, I want to thank everyone for their support and help in making this a great year for Murphysboro Elks Lodge #572.

There are, however, a few more big events on tap, before this Elk's Year ends: Our 19th Annual CCC Dart Tourney & Auction is March 1. Come and support the Kids. Also, thank you, Keith Roberts, Julie Roberts, and a loyal group of volunteers for again planning, organizing, and running this great event. Also, much appreciation is extended to Shirley Summers and Gillenberg Furniture, for the Dryer, donated for the auction!

On March 8, all Elk members are invited to join in on some laughs and help the animals at the Humane Shelter of Southern Illinois (AKA Jackson Co. Humane Shelter). This fund raiser will be held in the Lodge Hall (See article).

For the Elks National Foundation, we have 2 more shooting matches upcoming - March 23 and March 30 (See articles). Remember, these events are for the ENF, the "Great Heart of Elkdom," and are key to our making our National and State per-capita goals. Come help out!

Last, but not least, support your Lodge (and its mortgage reduction) through purchase of Luck of the Lodge Raffle Tickets - then enjoy the March 15th Drawing / Party extravaganza, FREE to those who have their ticket stubs in hand.

I hope to see **YOU** at all of these events. Let us finish this year **STRONG!**
Elks Care, Elks Share!
Thank You
Darcie



NASHVILLE FLEA MKT. ADVENTURE

Advance Notice! You read it right...Your Lodge is sponsoring a Bus Trip to Nashville's "Spring Extravaganza" on Saturday, April 26. Not only check out 117 acres with 1,200 vendors from 30 states, but go with Elks, your friends, and other Elk Guests. Brown bag breakfast & Dinner; Bus Bingo; Bring your own 6-pack cooler; Many other amenities...too many to mention here. Bus will leave Elks at 6 a.m., and return around 8:30 - 9:00 P.M. More details available on Flyers posted in Club Room, on www.elks572.org, or from Kathy Guetersloh, at 618-924-5115. Cost is \$40. Reservations suggested early, as Bus seats are anticipated to fill up quickly! April Newsletter will also include an update on reservation availability and additional information.

Destiny Williams, sponsored by Murphysboro Elks Lodge #572, has won the Elks Hoop Shoot, state title for the girls division, ages 12-13. Williams won the title on Saturday, Feb. 15, in Peoria. She will now advance, to represent Illinois, at the National Regionals, in Iowa City, in March. Destiny, who attends school in Chester, advanced all the way to National Competition, in 2011, at the Basketball Hall of Fame, in Springfield, Mass. There, she missed the National Elks Hoop Shoot title by only 1 free throw! She hopes to again reach the National level, and this time, take home the Title and Trophy! (In the photo, she is accompanied by Coy Cockrum, 1st Vice President, of the Illinois Elks Association.)

GREAT PROGRESS ON BUILDING LOAN!

Your Lodge Officers are pleased to report that in the past 12 months, we have been **able to apply some \$40,000.00 to our building loan!!** Considering that our normal payment would have been \$24,000 for the period, you can see what extra efforts have achieved. Of course, many of you, our Members, have

helped achieve this mark - in so many different ways: including donated **time and talents**; attendance at events; Club Room participation; Bingo Program volunteers; Shooting Match volunteers; Dart Tourney planners / workers / sponsors / players / attendees; Raffle ticket

purchasers; Direct Donors of cash or materials needed around the Lodge; Special and Fund-Raising Event planning / organizing; work around and on the building; timely Dues payments and / or extra amounts forwarded; and on an on..... Great job, everyone!!

BIRTHDAYS



- 3/1 John Caldwell
- 3/1 Jack Camden
- 3/2 Robert Bateman
- 3/2 Billy Dallas
- 3/2 Gary Raines
- 3/3 Jeff Daniel
- 3/4 Emmett Whitacre
- 3/5 Richard Green
- 3/5 Adam Welsh
- 3/6 Donald Cochran
- 3/6 Herbert Dougan
- 3/7 Mike Dickerson
- 3/8 Richard Ehlers
- 3/9 Marvin Rust
- 3/10 Sylvester Stiegman
- 3/11 Joan Cox
- 3/11 Steve Ridings
- 3/12 Andrew Belobraydic
- 3/12 Everett Blackwell
- 3/12 Todd Lirely
- 3/12 David Trimble
- 3/13 Melissa Ferguson
- 3/13 Charles Johnson
- 3/13 William Phillips
- 3/14 Joe Sendek
- 3/15 Bob Abbott
- 3/15 Scott Wheeler
- 3/17 Danny Lawson
- 3/16 Clay Cochran
- 3/18 Scott Ebersohl
- 3/18 Charles Fisher
- 3/18 Jennifer Ihle
- 3/18 Travis Smith
- 3/19 Alan Gordon
- 3/19 Gary Tennison
- 3/20 Lori Graff
- 3/20 Craig Keller
- 3/20 William Moeglin
- 3/20 Michael Ryan
- 3/21 Benjamin Howard
- 3/21 Dennis Johnson
- 3/21 Brian Mifflin
- 3/22 Dale Alstat
- 3/22 Dale Mifflin
- 3/22 Tim Schenk
- 3/23 Kevin Bost
- 3/23 Adam Korando
- 3/24 Robert Diehl
- 3/24 Terry Gerlach
- 3/24 Joy McAllister
- 3/25 Frederick Thompson
- 3/26 Joseph Rains
- 3/28 Jerry Nance
- 3/30 Russell Brown
- 3/30 Shawn Imhoff

PHYSICAL UPGRADES AROUND IN THE LODGE

There is much to report on this front....thanks to a lot of members giving of time, talent and funds! First of all, the old tables which were in the Club Room have all been sold and replaced by new, lighter versions. The new tables will make it easier for our janitor and staff to move and arrange, and do not have the heavy, rusted bottoms which have been damaging the wax and tile. Ted Ferguson deserves a big hand for volunteering to repair damaged drywall throughout the building. He has also painted (multiple coats) the main hallway, as well as one office. Ted also has a new door frame ready for the smoking facility, if warm weather ever arrives! Chris Paul and Cherie DeWulf recently replaced the worn & damaged tile in the center office (Chris then "enlisted" the help of husband, Bill, to assemble a new desk for said office.). Temporary sealing around roof vents has been accomplished, and replacement is just awaiting some warm weather - thanks to Chuck Fager (who is also working on an improved method of displaying C.C.C. Award Plaques, in main hallway). Then, a long flow of effort has seen all 7 of the old, tube-type T.V.'s in the Lodge Hall, replaced with 32" Flat Screens! E. R., Darcie Hastings, persuaded some brave friends to help stand in line at Wal-Mart on "Black Friday", to purchase 4 of these brand-name units @ \$99 ea. Noting these purchases, Terry & Sue Givens then purchased another T.V., followed by Jim Ferguson, who did likewise. The Board of Directors, noting only 2 more units needed for total replacement, then authorized their purchase. Dennis Brock and Merle Evans combined to purchase 7 mounting brackets. Kie Dallas donated Red Oak for bracket mounting. Bruce Dallas was responsible for finishing the Oak plates, and then, assisted by Ted Ferguson, headed up the hanging and set-up of all the new Flat Screens. Done! This last episode is a great example of members, Officers, volunteers, and charitable Elks working together, to get things done!

MENU NOTES FROM THE CLUB

Tuesday, March 4, will see a return of our popular **CAJUN BUFFET**, from 6-8 p.m (A limited, regular Tue. menu also available). Then, for the Lenten Season, Tina will be preparing the following **specials on Fridays: Shrimp & Fish Poor Boys, with Fries. Or,**

Shrimp skewers, with Rice / Veg. & Roll. (These will be options, in addition to full Friday Menu, and Special as listed on calendar.)



COMEDY NIGHT FOR HUMANE SHELTER OF SO. IL.

On Saturday, March 8, the Lodge is host to a Comedy Night fund raiser for the Humane Shelter of Southern Illinois (A.K.A., Jackson Co. Humane Shelter). This event, to be held in the Lodge Hall, will feature a stand-up comedian from Indiana. Tickets are \$15 each, and food will be available for donations. Doors open at 6:00 p.m., with comedy commencing at 7:00 p.m. Tickets will be available at the Door. Also, if you want to reserve tickets, or need additional information, call E. R., Darcie Hastings, at 618-521-6050.

LODGE MEMBERSHIP UP-DATE

Murphysboro #572 WILL have a membership GAIN this 2013-2014 year, which ends on March 31! With only 24 of 626 members (3.8%) delinquent as of this printing; 4 transfers awaiting vote, and several applications in progress, your Lodge will increase in membership. We still hope that several of "the 24" will take care of their past-due payment, before Grand

Lodge Statutes are applied, and their membership is terminated, as per Lodge Meeting on March 19, 2014. (Reminder to all - once dropped, former members are NOT allowed, by Grand Lodge Statutes, to participate in Lodge activities, be in, or access Club privileges, even as the guest of a paid-up member. We encourage everyone to re-member this Nation-wide,

Elk Rule!) And, if you know, or even sponsored one of these 24 delinquent members, please give them some encouragement on this matter!



LUCK OF THE LODGE
RAFFLE

\$5,000 1ST PLACE PRIZE
\$20 DONATION
ONLY 800 TICKETS SOLD
PRIZES AWARDED TO (9)
WINNERS & (9) SELLERS

DRAWING & COCKTAIL PARTY FOR TICKET HOLDERS
3/15/2014

SEE TICKETS OR FLYERS FOR COMPLETE DETAILS

YOU MAY PURCHASE TICKETS IN THE CLUB ROOM
(IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO CHECK OUT TICKETS TO SELL,
SEE CLUB MGR., CHRISTINE, OR ANY
LODGE OFFICER.)

19TH ANNUAL
CHILDREN'S CARE DART TOURNAMENT
SAT., March 1, 2014

BLIND DRAW/CHICAGO STYLE
\$10.00 ENTRY FEE

SIGN-UP 1:00 – 3:00 P.M. PLAY BEGINS AT 3:30

GUARANTEED \$500 PAYOUT!

EVERYBODY WELCOME
FOOD PROVIDED AT 2:00 BY:

“ GREAT BOARS OF FIRE”

LIVE AUCTION,
(approx. 7:00 pm)

SILENT AUCTION AND RAFFLES

RAFFLE FOR MAYTAG DRYER, DONATED BY
GILLENBERG FURNITURE & APPLIANCE

&
AUCTION OF 8, ORIGINAL INK DOT ARTWORK PIECES
BY DICK CRAINE

DONATIONS, SPONSORSHIPS or QUESTIONS CALL

KEITH ROBERTS 687-3359 or
LYNN PORTER @ 618-534-5722

BINGO WORKERS

- 3/03 C. DeWulf, C. Canning (Paul)
- 3/10 N. Green, J. Clover (Givens)
- 3/17 J. Erbes, R. Sendek (Hines)
- 3/24 J. Wayman, J. Clover (Evans)
- 3/31 C. DeWulf, C. Canning (Paul)
- 4/07 J. Wayman, R. Sendek (Givens)

PULL TAB WORKERS

- 3/03 S. Wheeler, St. Schemonia
- 3/10 St. Schemonia, T. Ferguson
- 3/17 M. Sherman, L. Brown
- 3/24 G. Wilcox, D. Siefert
- 3/31 St. Schemonia, L. Brown
- 4/07 S. Wheeler, T. Ferguson



ELKS ENF
SHOOTING MATCH

CARBON LAKE CLUB
SUNDAY MARCH 23, 2014

10 MATCHES
50/50 DRAWINGS
MEAT WHEEL

FREE FOOD

FOR MORE INFORMTION CONTACT:
RICK EHLERS
618-534-1689



ELKS ENF
SHOOTING MATCH

CHESTER EAGLES
(PUCKER GUNS & SCOPES ARE ALLOWED)
SUNDAY MARCH 30, 2014

10 MATCHES
50/50 DRAWINGS
MEAT WHEEL

FREE FOOD

FOR MORE INFORMTION CONTACT:
RICK EHLERS
618-534-1689

March 2014

ELKS CLUB ROOM HOURS

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

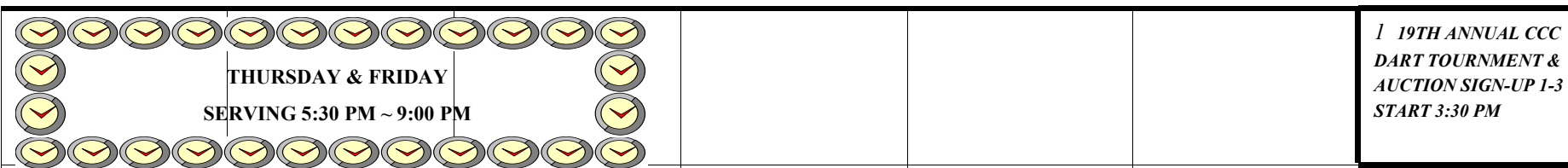
SATURDAY
12:00 P.M. ~ 12:00

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

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

COMING EVENTS

Sat. Mar. 1 - CCC Dart Tournament & Auction
Tues. Mar. 4 - Fat Tuesday Cajun Buffet in Club Room
Sat. Mar. 15 - Luck of Lodge Party/Drawing/Music (free to ticket holders)
Sun. Mar. 23 - Shooting Match @ Carbon Lake Club, 12 Noon Sign-Up
Sun. Mar. 30 - Elks Shooting Match, Chester Eagles 12 Noon Sign-Up
Tues. Apr. 1 - Elk Year, 2014-2015, Begins. Dues Due! Key Card Orange
Sat. April 26 - Nashville Flea Mkt. - Elks Bus Trip

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						
THURSDAY & FRIDAY SERVING 5:30 PM ~ 9:00 PM						
2	3 BINGO 7:00 P.M.SPECIAL 5:30— 8:00 PM BBQ SAND. W/FRIES \$4.50 & FULL BINGO MENU	4 WEEKLY DRAWING 7:00 PM FAT TUES. CAJUN BUFFET 6-8 \$10 (ALSO,LIMITED REG. MENU)	5 LODGE MTG. 7:30 PM HOT WINGS .50 EA. 6-8 P.M (Eat in or take out)	6 10 OZ RIB EYE \$12.95 ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT FRIED CHICKEN INC. MASHED POT., GRAVY/VEG. & ROLL SALAD BAR \$8.00	7 SPECIAL! ALL YOU CAN EAT CATFISH W/FRIES, SLAW & HUSH PUPPIES \$8.00 + LENT SPECIALS	1 19TH ANNUAL CCC DART TOURNMENT & AUCTION SIGN-UP 1-3 START 3:30 PM
9	10 BINGO 7:00 P.M.SPECIAL 5:30— 8:00 PM BBQ SAND. W/FRIES \$4.50 & FULL BINGO MENU	11 WEEKLY DRAW- ING 7:00 PM PATTY MELT & FRIES OR HORSESHOES	12 BOARD OF DIRECTORS 7:00 PM HOUSE MTG. 7:30 HOT WINGS .50 EA. 6-8 P.M	13 10 OZ RIB EYE \$12. FRIED CHICKEN INC. MASHED POT., GRAVY/ VEG. & ROLL SALAD BAR \$8.00	14 CHICKEN POT PIE & SALAD BAR \$7.50 + LENT SPECIALS	15 LUCK-OF-LODGE (FREE TO TICKET HOLDERS) 3-5 PM IN HALL. (MUSIC TO FOL- LOW)
16	17 BINGO 7:00 P.M.SPECIAL 5:30— 8:00 PM BBQ SAND. W/FRIES \$4.50 & FULL BINGO MENU	18 WEEKLY DRAW- ING 7:00 PM MEXICAN NIGHT	19 LODGE MTG. & INITIATION 7:30 HOT WINGS .50 EA. 6-8 P.M (Eat in or take out)	20 10 OZ RIB EYE \$12.95 ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT FRIED CHICKEN INC. MASHED POT., GRAVY/VEG. & ROLL SALAD BAR \$8.00	21 BLACKENED TI- LAPIA & RICE VEG. ROLL \$9.95 + LENT SPECIALS	22
23 SHOOTING MATCH @ CARBON LAKE CLUB 12 NOON SIGN-UP 1:00 SHOOT	24 BINGO 7:00 P.M.SPECIAL 5:30— 8:00 PM BBQ SAND. W/FRIES \$4.50 & FULL BINGO MENU	25 WEEKLY DRAW- ING 7:00 PM TURKEY CLUB OR BRATS, FRIES	26 HOT WINGS .50 EA. 6-8 P.M (Eat in or take out)	27 10 OZ RIB EYE \$12.95 ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT FRIED CHICKEN INC. MASHED POT., GRAVY/VEG. & ROLL SALAD BAR \$8.00	28 OPEN FACE TUR- KEY/OR ROAST BEEF, MASHED POT., SLAW \$7.50 + LENT SPECIALS	29
30 SHOOTING MATCH @ CHESTER EAGLES 12 NOON SIGN-UP SHOOT 12:30	31 BINGO 7:00 P.M.SPECIAL 5:30— 8:00 PM BBQ SAND. W/FRIES \$4.50 & FULL BINGO MENU	4/1 APRIL 2014-2015 ELK YR. BEGINS. <u>ORANGE KEY</u> CARD FOR DOOR!				