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Members All,

2015 is quickly coming to a close. It has been a great year here at Elks #572. All of the Officers would like to thank everyone for all their help and time given to our Lodge.

As you can see by the Calendar, we will have a busy December (as usual), and will begin 2016 in much the same manner. We will be asking for all the help we can get, to make all these events work well for everyone.

The Lodge Hoop Shoot will be held at the Murphysboro H. S. Gym. If you can help, be there about 3:00 p.m. on Sat., 12/12/15. Any Questions - ask me, or Secretary, Merle.

Our Kid's Christmas Party will be held on 12/20/15 at 12:00 noon. Bring the Kids, Grand Kids, Nieces, & Nephews for snacks, fun, and a Santa Visit at 1:00 pm! Later that evening, Santa will return to greet the START folks and have a great time, again. Want to help with either of these events? Let me know!

Funded by a 2015-2016 ENF Beacon Grant, our monthly Veteran's Lunch will be held again at the Haven, on Crab Orchard Lake. We will be preparing and serving a Christmas Lunch for area, disabled Vets who come to the Haven on the 3rd Tuesday of the month, as part of their MHICM program. This will be our "Christmas Lunch" for these deserving individuals. Come on over and lend a hand if you have an hour or two to give.....we will start at about 11:00 a.m. on December 15th.

On New Year's Eve, we will be listening and / or dancing to the tunes of the Lewis Creek Band. There will be snacks and hats & horns for all. The festivities start at about 8:00 p.m. and last through midnight. (As noted elsewhere in this Newsletter, a separate Surf & Turf Dinner will be available, in the Club Room, starting at 5:00 p. m.) Cover Charge for the Dance is \$15 / Single, and \$25 / Couple.

To help raise our Lodge's Per-Capita goal for the Elks National Foundation (ENF), we have scheduled (to date), Benefit Shooting Matches as follows: Chester Eagles on 1/17/16; Shiloh Hill on 1/31/16, and Crazy Joes Fish House on 2/28/16. We are also looking into the possibility of a date for Bottoms Up, in Neunhert.

The Luck-of-the-Lodge Raffle will be held on 3/12/16. Watch for more information at the Lodge and elsewhere in this and upcoming Newsletters.

Our 21st C.C.C. Dart Tournament for IL. Elks Children's Care Corp. will be held on 2/27/16. More details will be forthcoming, via Newsletter, flyers, letters, and other media. Put this date on your calendar - respond to calls for volunteers, sponsors, etc. Let's all work together to make it happen again!!

On Sunday, 12/6/15, we will hold our Memorial Service for our departed members of this past year. This service, conducted by Lodge Officers, will start at 12:00 Noon, and conclude at about 12:20. The list of these departed members is found in this Newsletter. I hope you will consider taking the time to attend!

In closing, I want to thank Patty Stokes and everyone who helped put on the Christmas Shopping Showcase. We had a good turn out and everyone seemed to have a great time!

Thanks again, and have a Happy and Safe Holiday Season,

Steve Schemonia, E. R.



IN MEMORY

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

06/28/1925	Sylvester Balsano	03/01/2015
09/27/1933	Leon Biggs	08/29/2015
09/05/1923	Leon Bryan	04/30/2015
08/17/1938	Frankie Edwards	10/27/2015
10/10/1937	Ruth Ellenberg	01/15/2015
01/02/1935	Robert Graeff, PER	10/23/2015
07/17/1944	John Hudson	05/20/2015
09/21/1922	Joseph Mileur	12/29/2014
06/21/1940	Philip Spielmacher	12/21/2014
04/27/1941	Dr. James Wille	11/09/2015

Lodge Officers will conduct this very meaningful **RITUAL at 12:00 p.m. SUNDAY, DEC. 6 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 Michael Adams
- 12/5 Kim Brombosz
- 12/5 Justin Raines
- 12/6 John Ferguson
- 12/6 Darryl Huppert
- 12/7 Randy Bateman
- 12/7 Kellie Ellis
- 12/7 Daniel Reardon
- 12/7 Kevin Tuttle
- 12/8 Nancy Tillitt
- 12/9 Chuck Fager
- 12/9 Jeffrey Hill
- 12/9 Ashley Hosselton
- 12/9 Ray Pritchett
- 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 Jacqualine Clover
- 12/16 Marilyn Daniel
- 12/16 Geoffrey Spears
- 12/18 Buddy Ferguson
- 12/18 Jim Ritcheson
- 12/19 Mike Humm
- 12/20 Thomas Cox
- 12/20 Kenneth Parnell
- 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 David Mifflin
- 12/24 Dillon Rushing
- 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 Brian Roberts

QUEEN OF HEARTS RESULTS

10/27 Steve McGee - \$25 Name Draw Win. No Win on Card Draw.
 11/03 Joe Summers - \$25 Name Draw Win. No Win on Card Draw.
 11/10 John Ferguson - \$25 Name Draw Win. No Win on Card Draw.
 11/17 Debbie Sauer - \$25 Name Draw Win. No Win on Card Draw.
 11/24 Debbie Sauer - \$25 Name Draw Win. No Win on Card Draw

Note - As Queen Draw is now over \$3,000.00, we go to Stage 2 of the Raffle, which means that name draws double to \$50.00; Joker Card Draws double to \$100.00; and Ace or King Card Draws double to \$60!



ANNUAL START

CHRISTMAS DINNER

On Sunday, Dec. 20, again 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.)



KIDS CHRISTMAS PARTY

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20

*** BEGINNING AT 12:00**

WITH HOT DOGS, CHIPS, SOFT DRINKS, etc.

***VARIETY OF KID'S GAMES TO FOLLOW**

***FINALE WILL BE THE ARRIVAL OF SANTA & MRS. CLAUS AT APPROX. 1:00 PM**

DADS, MOMS, GRANDPARENTS, ARE WELCOME!

MEMBERS YOU MAY INVITE GUESTS, TOO

ELK CLUB ROOM GIFT CERTIFICATES ARE AVAILABLE FOR STOCKING STUFFERS! (ASK IN CLUB ROOM).



After being voted to candidacy status and completing their indoctrination session, we are very pleased to have received into membership on November 4, 2015, the following new members: Eric Clendenin, Clarence Sherman, Steve Schemonia (Exalted Ruler), Jack Huppert III, Dillon Rushing, and Kenneth Parnell.



ELKS HOOP SHOOT

WHEN: SATURDAY, DEC. 12
WHERE: MHS GYMNASIUM
TIME: SIGN-UP @ 3:00 PM

CONTEST: APPROX. 3:30 P.M.

VOLUNTEERS: WE NEED YOU. TO SIGN-UP TO HELP, OR IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS, CALL E. R. Steve Schemonia (713-8458)



LOCAL SCHOLARSHIP NUT SALES
RUNNING AHEAD OF SCHEDULE!

If you want them, we advise ordering or purchasing them soon! Here is an update from our November Newsletter article: Sold out = Almonds, Walnuts and Glazed Pecans; Limited supply = Pecan Halves, Pecan Pieces, Cashews, Gourmet Mix, and Cinnamon & Spice Pecans; Fair supply = Chocolate-covered Pecans, and Praline Pecans. (As Christmas is now in view, remember that these attractively-packed, fresh selections from Georgia make great Christmas Gifts.) All items are \$10 ea., with proceeds going to our "C-Student" Scholarship at MHS. To order, call the Lodge (684-4541), Chris Paul (924-3507), or stop by the Lodge, in person, to make your purchase.



KEY CLUB
TOY & FOOD DRIVE

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

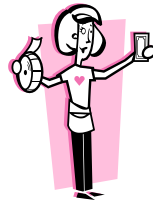


BINGO VOLUNTEERS

- 12/07 J. Wayman, D. Chamness (Leslie)
- 12/14 J. Clover, C. Myers (Hines)
- 12/21 C. DeWulf, T. Bastien (Paul)
- 12/28 (No Bingo)
- 01/04 J. Wayman, M. Butler (Leslie)

PULL TAB VOLUNTEERS

- 12/07 Seth S., L. Elliott
- 12/14 M. Sherman, D. Marks
- 12/21 L. Brown, T. Ferguson
- 12/28 (No Bingo)
- 01/04 S. Wilcox, D. Siefert



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
3/12/2016

SEE TICKETS OR FLYERS FOR
COMPLETE DETAILS
IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO
PARTICIPATE IN SELLING
TICKETS, SEE
STEVE SCHEMONIA, E.R.

Mail-In Request Ticket

Cut me out & mail me in !!

Name: _____

Address _____

Include \$20 Check / Ticket

MAIL TO:

Elks Lodge #572

Luck of the Lodge

P. O. Box 787

Murphysboro, IL 62966

Actual, Numbered Ticket Stub will be mailed back to you.



NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY TO
FEATURE
LEWIS CREEK BAND!

Tickets are now on sale for New Year's Eve at the Lodge. Hall Doors will open at 7:00 pm, and Hors d'oeuvres will be served at 8:00 p.m. The LEWIS CREEK BAND will begin at 8:30, and play into the New Year. Champagne & Favors will be provided. (Note - the Dec. 31 Dining Option, in the Club Room is **SEPARATE** from the New Year's Eve Party in the Hall. See Article in this Newsletter for details.) Tickets for the Party and Dance are \$15 / Person, or \$25 / Couple. Members and Guests - Plan on a fun evening at Elks #572, and get your tickets in hand!

SURF & TURF DINNER OPTION FOR NEW YEAR'S EVE

We are again offering our popular Surf & Turf Dinner Special, in the Club Room, beginning at 5:00 p.m., and running to 8:30p.m. Menu includes Surf & Turf entrees, with choice of Potato, Salad & Soup, & Roll for \$20.95 Fried Shrimp Dinner, with same side choices as Surf & Turf, for \$15.95. For large groups, please call for a Reservation. (Remember - the Party / Band option in the Hall is **NOT** included in the Dinner option in the Club Room.)

ELKS CLUB ROOM HOURS

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

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

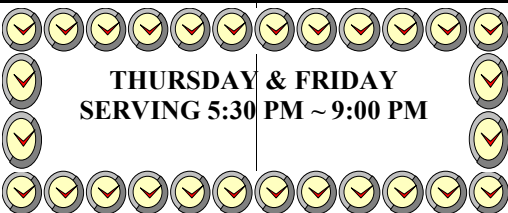






SATURDAY
12:00 P.M. ~ 12:00

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

December 2015

COMING EVENTS

12/12 - HOOP SHOOT MHS SIGN-UP 3:00 PM
12/15 - HAVENS CHRISTMAS DINNER FOR VETERANS
12/20 - KIDS CHRISTMAS PARTY 12:00 - START CHRISTMAS 5:30 PM
1/17 - SHOOTING MATCH @ CHESTER
1/31 - SHOOTING MATCH @ SHILO
2/28 - SHOOTING MATCH @ CRAZY JOE'S
2/27 - CCC DART TOURN..... 3/12- LUCK OF THE LODGE

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 <p>THURSDAY & FRIDAY SERVING 5:30 PM ~ 9:00 PM</p>		 <p>QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00</p> <p>CHILI DOGS & CHILI MAC/FF \$7.00</p>	<p>2 NO LODGE MTG.</p> <p>HOT WINGS .50 EA. 6-8 P.M (Eat in or take out)</p>	<p>3 10 OZ STRIP STEAK <u>\$14.95</u> 1/4 FRIED CHICKEN \$6.95 1/2 FRIED CHICKEN \$7.95 INC. MASHED POT., GRAVY/VEG., ROLL & SALAD BAR</p>	<p>4 SPECIAL! ALL YOU CAN EAT CATFISH W/FRIES, SLAW & HUSH PUPPIES \$8.00</p>	<p>5 BACK HALL RENTED</p>
6	7 BINGO 7:00 P.M.SPECIAL 5:30— 8:00 PM BBQ SAND. W/FRIES \$4.50 & FULL BINGO MENU	 <p>QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00</p> <p>STEACK SAND. W/ FF \$9.00</p>	9 BOARD OF DIRECTORS 7:00 PM HOUSE MTG. 7:30 HOT WINGS .50 EA. 6-8 P.M	10 10 OZ STRIP STEAK <u>\$14.95</u> 1/4 FRIED CHICKEN \$6.95 1/2 FRIED CHICKEN \$7.95 INC. MASHED POT., GRAVY/VEG., ROLL & SALAD BAR	11 SPECIAL! HAM & BEANS, FRIED POTATOES, CORN BREAD \$8.00 BACK HALL RENTED	12 HOOP SHOOT MHS 3:00 PM BACK HALL RENTED
13 HALL RENTED	14 BINGO 7:00 P.M.SPECIAL 5:30— 8:00 PM BBQ SAND. W/FRIES \$4.50 & FULL BINGO MENU	 <p>QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00</p> <p>TURKEY CLUB/FF \$7.50</p>	16 LODGE MTG. 7:30 PM HOT WINGS .50 EA. 6-8 P.M (Eat in or take out)	17 10 OZ STRIP STEAK <u>\$14.95</u> 1/4 FRIED CHICKEN \$6.95 1/2 FRIED CHICKEN \$7.95 INC. MASHED POT., GRAVY/VEG., ROLL & SALAD BAR	18 SPECIAL! CHICKEN & DUMPLINGS/W MASHED POT., GREEN BEANS \$8.00 BACK HALL RENTED	19
20 KIDS XMAS PARTY 12:00 NOON START XMAS PARTY 5:30 pm	21 BINGO 7:00 P.M.SPECIAL 5:30 — 8:00 PM BBQ SAND. W/FRIES \$4.50 & FULL BINGO MENU	 <p>QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00</p> <p>BABY ELK BURGER W/FF \$7.50</p>	23 HOT WINGS .50 EA. 6-8 P.M (Eat in or take out)	24 KITCHEN CLOSED LODGE CLOSES EARLY 7:00 PM	25 CLUB CLOSED 	26
27	28 NO BINGO	 <p>QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00</p> <p>SMOKED SAUS. W. KRAT, FF. \$7.50</p>	30 HOT WINGS .50 EA. 6-8 P.M (Eat in or take out)	31 LEWIS CREEK BAND SURF & TURF DINNER IN CLUB ROOM HAPPY NEW YEAR!		