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MARCH 2019, E. R. MESSAGE

Members All,

Well, my last month as your E. R. is here. Let me take a moment to thank everyone who assisted with our ENF, Benefit Shooting Matches these past two months!! This would include Janice & Rick Ehlers; Patty Stokes; Steve McGee (Fibber); Debbie Sauer, Eric & Linda Clendenin; Neil Holley; Jeff Williams; Marilyn & Steve Zak; Sue Givens; Joe & Linda Patrick; Dianne Chamness; Bethann Jacquot; Jane Rhoden; and all of you who participated and supported these events. As most of you know, proceeds from these events support our Lodge's yearly ENF contribution (which supports a majority of National Elk programs, such as Hoop Shoot; Scholarships; Drug Awareness; Scholarships; and on and on). It is so important that we meet our ENF Goal, as doing so is what enables us to apply for all the ENF Grants that we use here in our own community! Since we no longer run our Holiday Nut Sales, money earned from these matches also now funds our local "C Student" scholarship to a Murphysboro High School Senior. Also falling into the "Thank You" category are all of our members who have provided food for Sunday Football. And, very recently, Scott Stanley, who kindly volunteered to install a new Hot Water Heater for the Lodge!

Now, to steal some words from Cairo Lodge 651's E. R., Kevin McNulty....."Our membership is vibrant, active and representative of what Elks are all about. This is not due to the efforts of one person, or even a couple. It takes a whole membership. However, now is not the time to rest on our laurels and be content. Every member of this Lodge should reflect on their past contributions and consider what else they can do to promote the spirit of Elksdom. How many other charitable entities could we help support; what problems in our community could we assist in alleviating; where could grant money be used most beneficially; how many local students could benefit from an Elks' scholarship; what innovative fund-raising events could we be hosting? Every member has a voice in the direction this Lodge will be taking, but your voice is silent unless we hear you at a meeting." I could NOT have said that better myself! And I really mean....I COULD NOT HAVE....he sounds so much better than I! I know that we have done many good things in our community and for our Veterans, but as Kevin said....what **MORE** could we be doing? As an organization, we can accomplish amazing things! Much food for Elk thought!

Next, I would again like to remind you to check our Newsletter, our Website, the Club Room, and our Face book page for events. We have some fun and beneficial events coming up in March, so please check them out - let's keep our benevolence active!

As my year closes, **THANK YOU ALL** for the assistance and support you have provided me, and I hope I have served you and this Lodge well!

Thank You, Darcie Hastings, E. R.



ELK MEMBERS ALL - THIS IS THE TYPE OF COMMUNITY SUPPORT WE CAN PROVIDE THROUGH OUR ENF GRANT MONIES. "ELKS CARE - ELKS SHARE !"

BIRTHDAYS

3/1	John Caldwell	3/25	Esequiel Reyes
3/1	Jack Camden	3/25	Frederick Thompson
3/1	Thomas Shields	3/26	Joseph Rains
3/3	Billy Dallas	3/28	Ray Burroughs
3/3	Curt Pierson	3/28	Seth Mileur
3/3	Gary Raines	3/28	Jerry Nance
3/3	Jeff Daniel	3/29	Steven Ramsey
3/3	Jakob Guetersloh	3/30	Russell Brown
3/4	Michael Roberts		
3/4	Emmett Whitacre		
3/5	Richard Green		
3/5	William Reardon		
3/6	Donald Cochran		
3/6	Herbert Dougan		
3/6	Linda Patrick		
3/6	Lawrence Reardon		
3/7	Mike Dickerson		
3/8	Richard Ehlers		
3/8	Joe Roth		
3/10	Sylvester Stiegman		
3/11	Joan Cox		
3/11	Steve Ridings		
3/13	Andrew Belobraydic		
3/13	Everett Blackwell		
3/13	Audrey Eden		
3/13	Todd Lirley		
3/13	David Trimble		
3/13	Melissa Ferguson		
3/13	Charles Johnson		
3/14	Joe Sendek		
3/15	Bob Abbott		
3/15	Scott Wheeler		
3/17	Danny Lawson		
3/18	Jennifer Canning		
3/18	Clay Cochran		
3/18	Charles Fisher		
3/18	Travis Smith		
3/19	Alan Gordon		
3/19	Gary Tennison		
3/20	Fred Carter		
3/20	Lori Graff		
3/20	Craig Keller		
3/20	William Moeglin		
3/20	Ted Rose		
3/20	Michael Ryan		
3/21	Benjamin Howard		
3/21	Dennis Johnson		
3/21	Brian Mifflin		
3/23	Dale Alstat		
3/23	Dale Mifflin		
3/23	Tim Schenk		
3/23	Kevin Bost		
3/23	Adam Korando		
3/24	Robert Diehl		
3/24	Terry Gerlach		
3/24	Faithann Howard		
3/24	Joy McAllister		
3/24	Rick Raney		
3/25	Eric Clendenin		
3/25	Esequiel Reyes		
3/35	Frederick Thompson		
3/36	Joseph Rains		
3/38	Ray Burroughs		

**24TH ANNUAL DART TOURNEY RESULTS**

Stay Tuned.....As we are still tabulating results from this event. We can report a very high participation by Dart Throwers, who numbered 80 ! **Look for a summary in April Newsletter**, or possibly earlier, on our Website or Face book.

**QUEEN OF HEARTS**

Our Queen was finally discovered.....Lurking under card # 2 !! The lucky winner, on 2/5/19, was Linda Patrick. Value of the Queen, on this draw was **\$10,282.00** (Before applicable Taxes and 10% Lodge Share). Thus, a New Raffle Board began on 2/12/19, starting at \$345.00. Drawing results since starting our New Queen Board are as follows

02/12 Bruce Dallas, \$25 Name Draw; No win on Card

02/19 Linda Patrick, \$25 Name Draw; No win on Card

Value, as of this printing, stands at **\$531.00** Why not plan on enjoying some of your Tuesday evenings at the Lodge - Get in on the Queen of Hearts; 50 / 50 Drawing; and Free Dinner Drawing - all the while visiting with fellow Elks and maybe enjoying some great food from our very capable kitchen! And, remember, the more active the Queen search, the quicker her value increases. Fun for you, while simultaneously supporting your own, Local Lodge!

**LETS HELP OUR FELLOW LODGE
HERE IN THE SOUTH DISTRICT!!**

Numerous Lodges, here in the South District, have stepped up to assist the State's Newest Lodge, **Johnson County #2880**, in getting established, and into a Lodge Building. Having purchased an older building in Vienna, renovation projects abound - including bringing in a new water supply system. We, at Lodge #572 can help!

What: **Rib Eye Steak Sandwich / Sides Special**

When: Sunday, March 24th, at 1:00 p.m.

Where: Elks #572 Club Room

Cost: \$10

Note - These Sandwiches & Side are being Donated to us by members! But, be advised - supply is limited.....so maybe be timely in your arrival ! All proceeds will go to Johnson County Elks. If "Elks Care - Elks Share," is true, this should certainly apply to helping a fellow Lodge get going!!



WHO DONE IT AT LODGE #572???

That question is to be answered on **Saturday Evening, March 30th!** Come and find out at our **MURDER MYSTERY PARTY**, starting at 6:30 p.m., in Lodge Hall. Enjoy a **Mardi Gras Theme Dinner**, while keeping an eye on several "Suspects" who may have perpetrated the dastardly deed! Total cost of this Fun Evening and meal: Only \$20 per person. Will you see YOU there?

MARCH MADNESS IN THE CLUB ROOM

Well, "Basketball Madness" games will be viewed in the Club Room, to be more exact! We are opening at 12 Noon on Sundays in March, for the pleasure of our Elk Hoop enthusiasts. As was true for the NFL football season, food will be provided by various members. Come join the fun.....maybe even sign up to bring in a food dish, on a given Sunday.

NEW LODGE YEAR 2019 BEGINS APRIL 1

Dues Notices will be arriving shortly, except for those members who have already paid in advance. Key cards for the coming year will be BLUE, and will match the membership cards. Our 3 Key Card Readers will be changed to operate with these cards, on April 1. Remember - a new, 2019 - 2020 Card is required for attendance at all Lodge, House, and Board of Directors' Meetings, starting this date. (**Special Note** - Due to awaiting a vote on changing the State dues assessment at the January IEA Meeting in Springfield, your notices are running behind schedule this year. Thus, there will likely be a backlog of getting all cards out, by the April 1 date, for those paying the last week or two in March. We ask your patience in this situation. If you pay before April 1, but do not receive your card by then, you may have to ring in to Club Room for a short period, until we are caught up! Where necessary, Secretary can verify current dues payment, for purpose of Meeting attendance.

Except for April, you must NOT be on a given Month's CLMS Delinquent list (as of day 1 of the month) in order to participate in the Queen of Hearts Raffle, or Monthly, or Daily Drawings, for the entirety of that month (April exception is due to logistics of card issuance.). And, usually around June 1, we enforce the "No Club Room Privileges" for delinquent members. Reminders & particulars will appear in Newsletter, the month prior to enforcement.



LUCK OF THE LODGE RAFFLE IS HERE SATURDAY, MARCH 9

1ST PLACE \$5,000

\$20 DONATION

8 ADDITIONAL WINNERS

PARTY & DRAWINGS IN LODGE HALL

DOORS OPEN AT 4:00 PM: DRAWS ARE 5-6 PM

OPEN TO THOSE WITH TICKET STUBS

LEWIS CREEK BAND FOLLOWS, AFTER COMPLETING DRAWINGS

NOTE: As of this publication time, the only remaining tickets are in the hands of our volunteer sellers. Some may be returned in the next few days, prior to March 9. A small number might be available at the door—but no guarantee! To check on ticket status, call Sue Givens (618-534-8102).

2019-2020 ELECTED & APPOINTED OFFICERS OF #572

From nominations received at the February 6th and 20th Lodge Meetings, the following elected and appointed positions were filled for the coming year.

ELECTED:

Exalted Ruler — Richard Martin

Leading Knight — Christian Rose

Lecturing Knight — (Open)

Secretary — Merle Evans

Treasurer — Sandy Schenk

Trustee (5 Yr.) Darcie Hastings

Trustee (4 Yr.) Steve Schemonia

**** Note - Continuing Trustees are:** Patty Stokes (3 - Yr.); Jim Ferguson (2 - Yr.); and Jerry Willett (1 - Yr.)

The appointed positions of Tiler, Inner Guard, Chaplin, and Esquire will soon be filled by Exalted Ruler Elect, Richard Martin.

Also, Committee Chairpersons and other positions required by Grand Lodge, or Illinois Elks Association, are in the process of being appointed by Exalted Ruler elect, Richard. Installation will occur at 7:00 p.m., April 3rd, 2019 just prior to the regular Lodge Meeting of that date. Please congratulate these new Officers, and thank them, in advance, for their time and commitment to the continued success of our Lodge!

ELKS CLUB ROOM HOURS

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

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




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

SUNDAY
12 Noon ~ 10:00 P.M.

March 2019

COMING EVENTS

3/9/19 - LUCK OF THE LODGE
3/14/19 - ORIENTATION 6:30 P. M.
3/20/19 - INITIATION 7:30 P.M.
4/3/19 - INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS, 7:00 P.M.
4/7/19 - SOUTH DISTRICT MTG AT WEST FRANKFORT
4/13/19 - SOUTH DISTRICT GLO BINGO - BENTON ELKS
5/17 ~ 5/19/19 - IEA ANNUAL MTG. IN SPRINGFIELD

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 <p>THURSDAY & FRIDAY SERVING 5:00 PM ~ 9:00 PM FULL MENU + SPECIALS</p>		 <p>BREAKFAST IS SERVED ANYTIME FROM 5:00 PM~ 9:00 PM EVERY TUESDAY, THURSDAY & FRIDAY</p>			<p><i>1 ALL YOU CAN EAT CATFISH \$9.50 <u>OR FULL MENU</u></i></p>	<p><i>2 ST. FRANCIS TRIVIA 6:00 ~ 10:00 PM.</i></p>
<p><i>3 ENJOY MARCH MADNESS & MEM- BER PREPARED FOOD OPEN 12 NOON</i></p>	<p><i>4 WEEKLY DRAWING 7:00</i></p>	<p><i>5 QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00 50/50 7:15 FAT TUESDAY SPECIAL JAMBALAYA</i></p>	<p><i>6 LODGE MTG. 7:30 PM HOT WINGS .65 EA & APPETIZER SPECIALS 6-8 PM</i></p>	<p><i>7 RIB EYE STEAK, POT., SALAD BAR, ROLL <u>\$16.95</u> ALL YOU CAN EAT CHICK- EN; INC, MASHED POT., GRAVY/VEG., ROLL \$10.00 or FULL MENU</i></p>	<p><i>8 CHICKEN PROVEL <u>OR FULL MENU</u></i></p>	<p><i>9 LUCK OF THE LODGE</i></p> 
<p><i>10 ENJOY MARCH MADNESS & MEM- BER PREPARED FOOD OPEN 12 NOON</i></p>	<p><i>11 WEEKLY DRAWING 7:00</i></p>	<p><i>12 QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00 50/50 7:15 BLT ON TOAST OR WRAP</i></p>	<p><i>13 BOARD OF DIREC- TORS 7:00 PM HOUSE MTG. 7:30 HOT WINGS .65 EA & APPETIZER SPECIALS 6-8 PM</i></p>	<p><i>14 RIB EYE STEAK, POT., SALAD BAR, ROLL <u>\$16.95</u> ALL YOU CAN EAT CHICKEN; INC, MASHED POT., GRA- VY/VEG., ROLL \$10.00 or FULL MENU (ORIENTATION 6:30 PM)</i></p>	<p><i>15 CORNED BEEF & CABBAGE <u>OR FULL MENU</u></i></p>	<p><i>16</i></p>
<p><i>17 ENJOY MARCH MADNESS & MEM- BER PREPARED FOOD OPEN 12 NOON</i></p>	<p><i>18 WEEKLY DRAWING 7:00</i></p>	<p><i>19 QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00 50/50 7:15 CHEF SALAD</i></p>	<p><i>20 LODGE MTG. 7:30 PM & INITIA- TION HOT WINGS .65 EA & APPETIZER SPECIALS</i></p>	<p><i>21 RIB EYE STEAK, POT., SALAD BAR, ROLL <u>\$16.95</u> ALL YOU CAN EAT CHICK- EN; INC, MASHED POT., GRAVY/VEG., ROLL \$10.00 or FULL MENU</i></p>	<p><i>22 LASAGNA <u>OR FULL MENU</u></i></p>	<p><i>23 BACK HALL RENTED</i></p>
<p><i>24 MARCH MADNESS 12 NOON RIB-EYE STEAK SPE- CIAL 1:00 P.M.</i></p>	<p><i>25 WEEKLY DRAWING 7:00</i></p>	<p><i>26 QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00 50/50 7:15 CHICKEN BACON RANCH</i></p>	<p><i>27 HOT WINGS .65 EA & APPETIZER SPECIALS</i></p>	<p><i>28 RIB EYE STEAK, POT., SALAD BAR, ROLL <u>\$16.95</u> ALL YOU CAN EAT CHICK- EN; INC, MASHED POT., GRAVY/VEG., ROLL \$10.00 or FULL MENU</i></p>	<p><i>29 POLISH SAUSAGE & KRAUT <u>OR FULL MENU</u></i></p>	<p><i>30 MURDER MYSTERY DINNER PARTY 6:30 P.M.</i></p>
<p><i>31 ENJOY MARCH MADNESS & MEM- BER PREPARED FOOD OPEN 12 NOON</i></p>						