

ELKS LODGE #572

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Members All

We are beginning to see a glimmer of light at the end of this dreary tunnel. We were able to open our doors for a "Welcome Back" Fish Fry on Friday, June 26th. We enjoyed seeing everyone that came, and I appreciate all those who have volunteered their time to cook, bartend, or serve as we try to get back on our feet. I would also like to thank Stacy and Amy Preston for pouring the new concrete you will find by the butt hut, as well as Zeke Guetersloh and Joey Bastien for offering the use of their tools.

If you have not made it down to the Lodge yet, it may please you to hear that we have reopened our doors with slightly changed hours. We are offering a limited menu of the most popular food items, along with frequently changing specials. We will not be open on Sunday or Monday until further notice, but the weekly drawing that takes place on Monday may be changed to another night if there are enough members in favor to do so. The Queen of Hearts drawing will resume on Tuesday, July 7th. If you had previously purchased tickets before we shut our doors, your tickets will still be eligible for the drawing. We will continue to serve wings on Wednesday nights, and the kitchen will be open on Thursdays and Fridays.

We would love for everyone to come back as soon as possible, but we understand the concerns and reservations some members may have. We will be working diligently to meet the health and safety standards set forth so that everyone feels comfortable in our Lodge, including more frequent cleaning, disposable items for dining, etc. We will also ask our members to please exercise caution when returning to the Lodge and attempt to abide by the distancing policies as well as you can.

We are relying heavily on volunteers to cover bartending and serving duties as we attempt to recalibrate to the new status quo. If you are interested in helping in any way, please contact me and we can make the arrangements. We are very fortunate to have a membership that comes together to promote the welfare of the Lodge, and I truly appreciate everyone who has volunteered their time to keep us engaged.

The Elks National Foundation has again awarded \$2000 to Lodge #572 in the form of the Spotlight Grant! This year, the money has been donated to the Carbondale Warming Center to aid in its Covid-19 relief efforts (see accompanying photo). Many people have been fed and clothed through this program, which was originally designed to only be open during the colder months of the year; the center elected to step up to address the large volume of residents affected by the pandemic, and it is outstanding to be able to assist with a mission of this sort within our local community. We were also fortunate enough to receive the Freedom Grant for \$2,500, which is intended to aid veterans within our community. We look forward to using this money to purchase food and supplies for these selfless individuals.

We will be initiating around a dozen new members on the third Wednesday of July, in conjunction with our regularly scheduled Lodge meeting. If you have not been to an initiation for some time, I invite you to come and witness our newest class of initiates taking their oath. We look forward to seeing the new faces around our Lodge!

As we strive toward establishing a new normal, let us be thankful for making it through these times, and empathetic to those who have not been so fortunate. I hope that you are all able to come visit, have a meal with your family, or grab a drink with a friend. Try to be the helping hand when you see someone in need, spread kindness, and remember: Elks Care, Elks Share!

Sincerely & Fraternaly,

Christian Rose, E.R.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



7/1 John Pugh	7/5 Kevin Beavers	7/12 Miguel Magallanes	7/18 Jacob Stewart	7/23 Lauren Stoelzle	7/30 Angela Epperheimer
7/2 Clarence Calandro	7/5 Mark Fager	7/13 Gene Schwebel	7/19 Dan Nolan	7/24 Lon Chaney	7/30 Elizabeth Francis
7/2 Sandra Herring	7/5 Todd Grissom	7/13 Merle Evans	7/19 Bert Ozburn	7/24 Cody Miffilin	7/30 Anthony Wiehardt
7/2 Earl Jacquot	7/6 Brad Doerr	7/14 Cynthia Canning	7/19 John Reid	7/25 Allen Bachmann	7/30 Josh Hamilton
7/2 Richard Lavell	7/6 Nancy Helsley	7/14 Lee Hollaway	7/19 Bobby D. Skidmore	7/25 Ben Fager	
7/2 Darrell Skeens	7/6 Joseph Summers	7/15 Rachel Baril	7/20 Ronald Dolwick	7/25 Joseph Patrick	
7/2 Jason Wright	7/7 Mike Clutts	7/15 Clinton Crews	7/20 Bruce Rademacher	7/25 Will Stephens	
7/3 Loyd Ebersohl	7/8 Richard Graff	7/15 James Mills	7/21 Karen Etherton	7/26 John Marks	
7/3 Randall Fricke	7/10 Thomas Jones	7/15 Cathy Rothe	7/21 Michele Myers	7/26 William Myers	
7/3 Cynthia Myers	7/10 Christian Rose	7/16 Brian Brown	7/21 George Swafford	7/27 Wilbert Braun	
7/4 Clifton Basden	7/12 Ron Burdick	7/16 Cynthia Holt	7/22 Mark Davis	7/27 Selena McBride	
7/4 Ken Jarrett	7/12 Anthony Herring	7/17 David Clarke	7/22 Justin Doerr	7/29 Gary Davis	



Murphysboro Lodge #572 Exalted Ruler, Christian Rose, presents a \$2,000.00 Check to Carnalita Cahill, Coordinator of the Warming Center, in Carbondale. The Center is a temporary shelter helping with homeless, especially during the ongoing COVID-19 Pandemic situation (including a special area for individuals who have been confirmed positive for COVID-19, but then released from the hospital). This donation will help with purchase of cleaning supplies, food, clothes, hygiene items, PPEs, etc., and is made possible through our Lodge's award of a 2020 - 2021 ENF Spotlight Grant. Your Lodge helping those of our area, who are in need:

Elks Care - Elks Share!

PHYSICAL THERAPY SCHOLARSHIP ANNOUNCED

Lodge #572 is pleased to report that CARLY CARRIL, of Evansville, IL., has been awarded a 3rd year of scholarship assistance by the Illinois Elks Children's Care Corporation, for 2020 - 2021. Sponsored by our Lodge, Carly is a Physical Therapy Major, at Maryville University, near St. Louis. This year's award amount is \$1,100.00 Carly sends a message to members of Lodge #572: **"Please tell them that I appreciate their hard work & contributions needed to make this Scholarship possible!"** To all of you who have helped in any way with our Lodge's support of the C. C. C., here is an example of your efforts paying off !!