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Members All

It is my sad duty to announce that we have been forced to close our doors once more due to the orders of the Governor. Some may find this an unnecessary precaution, but the directives from the Elks leadership were clear in that we are recommended to follow the guidelines set out by public authorities. We are aware of the current situation at other establishments and we are meeting frequently to discuss our options for opening.

As many of you witnessed, our Monday nights had really started to bring in a fun crowd. Lucky members are being called every week and the pots have remained high! For those who are participating on a volunteer team, thank you for the time and effort you put in to cook and serve for your fellow members. We will be resuming the rotation starting from the first team (Coot and Jerry) as soon as we can reopen the Lodge. We will be sure to announce the opening dates along with the dates that drawings will resume as soon as that information is determined. Keep an eye on the website (www.elks572.org) or on Facebook under the Murphysboro Elks Lodge Page.

Along with the normal drawings, the building fund raffle, which was set for October 24th, was unfortunately postponed. This date will be determined as soon as possible, so make sure you get your chance to win a cash prize if you did not have the opportunity yet. Tickets will remain on sale until the new date of the event, and any additional tickets you sell can be submitted to Sue Givens. Remember, this raffle is an attempt to raise money to replace the incessantly pleading air-conditioning unit for the back hall.

With the Lodge closing again, it may seem as though we have lost all the progress we have worked so hard to make. I assure you that this is not the case, and the Lodge will once again provide a safe environment for all our members as soon as the restrictions are lifted or it is deemed appropriate. We have learned to operate under the new conditions, and we plan to pick up where we left off as soon as possible.

I would like to take this time to urge each of you to consider becoming a registered organ donor. It may be a sensitive subject for some, but every day there are people in need of transplants and you could potentially change someone's entire life. As always, remember our motto: **Elks Care, Elks Share.**

Sincerely and Fraternaly,
Christian Rose, E.R.

- 1 Suzanne Nordstrom
- 1 Richard Siefert
- 1 Timothy Smith
- 2 Wiley Bost
- 2 Maria Kay Dallas
- 2 Matthew Pate
- 3 Michele Allard
- 4 Robert Moore
- 4 Angela Stanley
- 5 Michael Cripps
- 5 Mary Falaster
- 7 Jenny Granados
- 8 Pam Hoppenstedt
- 8 Charles Nance
- 10 Phillip McMurphy
- 11 Jerry Giffin
- 12 Julie Erbes
- 12 Steve Ferguson
- 12 Darcie Hastings
- 12 Travis Stewart
- 13 Steven McGee
- 13 Amy Preston
- 14 Robt. Eggemeyer
- 14 Kim McRoberts
- 14 William Schwartz
- 15 Norm Beckman
- 16 Casey Bloodworth
- 16 Oliva Martin
- 16 Kenneth Meadows
- 16 Jay Ziegler
- 17 Robert Richards
- 18 James Brown
- 18 Jordan Padgett
- 19 Scott Uffelman
- 20 Angie Hanna
- 20 Janice Hines
- 20 Jeff Kerkhover
- 21 James Ellis
- 21 Neil Voss
- 22 Kendra Evans
- 22 John Hochheimer
- 22 Tom Kupferer
- 23 Ricky Barringer
- 24 David Sullivan
- 25 Michael Niesel
- 25 Nicholas Sabell
- 25 Tammy Tuttle
- 26 Ronald Reeder
- 27 Raymond Holley
- 28 Donald Brewer
- 28 Allen Gale
- 29 Theodore Ferguson
- 29 Ossie Fink
- 29 Donald Hulick
- 29 Joe Melvin
- 29 Shirley Summers
- 29 Nathaniel Vaughn



**WREATHS
ACROSS
AMERICA**

Lodge #572 is again participating in this program, for 2020-2021. As in prior years, we are requesting donations of \$5.00 or more, which goes toward procuring wreaths for Veterans' Graves at Mounds National Cemetery. If covid-19 mitigation regulations allow opening of the Club Room, paper wreaths (with your name, or a name selected by you) will be displayed. Also, names will be posted on our Lodge face book page. If open, you can leave your donation at the Lodge. You may also send donation to our P. O. Box 787, here in Murphysboro. Deadline is Saturday, Dec. 12. Elks All, thanks in advance.



**YOUR LODGE HELPING
VETERANS!**

Thanks to a Veterans' Grant from the Illinois Elks Association, we are pleased to report the following: **\$500.00** is being forwarded to a fund being accumulated in our South District Elks, to provide new flat screen T.V.s for residents of the State Veterans' Home in Anna (Their current models are small and outdated!). Then, another **\$500** is being directed to the Haven (Veterans' Day Center) on Crab Orchard Lake. This donation will help in facility / grounds upgrades that are currently being attended to at the Haven.

And, looking ahead, #572 Veterans' Chair, Steve Schemonia, has indicated that planning is underway for distributing Christmas gifts to Veterans & families, this season. This year's approach will be similar to last year's efforts, including the 'Angel Tree' option, made available in our Club Room. However, Covid-19 will alter parameters. More information will be forthcoming

**ORIENTATION & INITIATION
NOW SCHEDULED**

After delays brought about by Covid-19 adjustments at the Lodge, we are happy to report that dates are now set for for some 7 candidates to complete steps necessary to become fellow Elk Members (Note that under current mitigation guidelines, meetings can still be held if limited to less than 25, and if safety guidelines are in place.). **Orientation** will be held in Lodge Hall on Thursday, November 12, starting at 7:00 p.m. Then, **Initiation** will be conducted at the regular Lodge Meeting on Wednesday evening, November 18th, at 7:30 p.m. Note also, that November 18 is our scheduled District Deputy Visit date. DDGER, Craig Smith, and his team will arrive at 5:30, complete their evaluations, and be present at our Lodge Meeting & Initiation. It should be a busy, but productive evening...ending up with our adding 7 new members to our Lodge, and the BPO Elks!

QUEEN OF HEARTS UPDATE



Here is the latest data from our Tuesday, Queen of Hearts Raffle Drawings. Due to Covid-19 Mitigation closure requirements, the last draw was held on 10/20/20. As of this Newsletter publication, The Queen Raffle is on hold, until the Club Room can reopen. Hopefully, this will be soon! Current Queen Value: **\$4,424.00**

- 09/28 Jerry Miller \$50 on Name Draw; No win on Card Draw
- 10/06 Sue Givens \$50 on Name Draw; No win on Card Draw
- 10/13 Steve Schemonia \$50 on Name Draw; No win on Card Draw
- 10/20 Craig Mueller \$50 on Name Draw; No win on Card Draw



Lodge #572, Junior Teen-of-the-Year 2019-2020 Maggie Williams, with certificate and \$100 check.

IN MEMORY



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

11/26/1991	Luke M Bryant	12/01/2019
06/08/1936	Gordon Felt	03/03/2020
09/11/1932	Robert Hardy, Jr	02/23/2020
10/03/1952	Deborah Jones	08/22/2020
05/18/1941	Donald Keipp	12/22/2019
12/24/1945	David Mifflin	02/14/2020
12/25/1970	Hudson Mugge	01/30/2020
07/01/1942	Dr. Michael Mugge	12/06/2019
02/25/1949	Robert Roy	08/19/2020
04/27/1936	John Uffelman	08/21/2020

Lodge Officers will conduct this very meaningful **RITUAL 11:30 A.M. SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6 IN THE LODGE HALL..** All members & Guests are welcome & encouraged to attend.



Lodge #572 Teen-of-the-Year, Ashley Jarrett, with plaque and \$100 check. Ashley also won South District for an additional \$500 award.



Elks #572 Flag Team at Veterans on Parade, in Marion, on Oct. 17th.