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JUNE 2024 E. R. MESSAGE

June Greetings – Elks All!

As usual, May was a busy month with the end of the school year, high school and college graduations, summer sports kicking off, and so forth! No different at our Lodge!

Thanks to Elks volunteers and an Antler volunteer who helped provide a delicious meal and to those who attended our annual Mother’s Day Brunch. We had 162 members with family celebrate all forms of Mother on this special day.

Over 60 attended the end of the year START pizza party in May. Their monthly celebrations that our Lodge supports will resume in October.

Thanks to fellow members who attended the IEA Annual Meeting in Springfield the third weekend in May. Proud of our Lodge for bringing home two plaques for our great efforts supporting the CCC. (P.S. Our Chaplain, Diane Chamness, and Leading Knight, Sue Givens, were locked in their hotel room at one point!)

I’m sure you all enjoyed the display of flags down Walnut to honor our veterans and servicemen and servicewomen over Memorial Day weekend. Great job and thanks to Steve Schemonia and his flag team!

The next Super South District meeting will be June 2nd at the Harrisburg Lodge. Our Lodge is represented on the District Board by Darcy Hastings who will now be our District Vice President. Remember, all Elks members are welcome to attend. We would love to have the most members present for a change!

I’d like to congratulate and welcome our newest members initiated on May 29.

Reminder, if you are still interested in Elks #572 apparel, you can ask a bartender for the order form.

Additional upcoming events are: Flag Day Observance, June 14 weekend (tba) and Grand Lodge in Austin, Texas, June 30-July 3.

Fraternally and Sincerely, Todd Doody,
Exalted Ruler



In vain we call. They have passed into the light which is beyond the valley of the shadow of death. The places that have known them shall know them no more; but their virtues are written upon the tablets of love and memory.

RICHARD A. LAVELL
July 2, 1956 - May 18, 2024



Please welcome our 9 newest Lodge members, just initiated on May 29th! L-R are Chris Nelson; James Contes; Henry Wongamon; Rhese McGriff; James Comingore; Steve Hubbs; John Hobbs; Jeff Harmon; and Dan Blacklock.



- 6/1 Lynn Porter
- 6/1 Melinda Stuhrenberg
- 6/2 John Ferguson II
- 6/3 Patrick Gladson
- 6/3 Jeff Holloway
- 6/3 Lisa Marks
- 6/4 Kevin Mezo
- 6/5 Scott Stanley
- 6/5 Patricia Wright
- 6/6 Kenneth Carr
- 6/6 Michael Dosch
- 6/7 Kirk Caskey
- 6/7 Fallon Cochran
- 6/8 Randy Cauble
- 6/8 Tracy Hagston
- 6/8 Mark Williams
- 6/9 Gary Apgar
- 6/9 Kassandra Spiller
- 6/9 Kevin Spring
- 6/10 James Hand
- 6/10 Shyler Mathis
- 6/12 Elisa Rea
- 6/12 Kevin Stratton
- 6/13 Janice Porter
- 6/14 Barry Threlkeld
- 6/15 Mike Etherton
- 6/15 Jerry Worthen
- 6/16 Ray Whiteside
- 6/17 Todd Doody
- 6/17 YeYo Granados
- 6/17 Richard Pautler
- 6/17 Justin Whitacre
- 6/18 James Craig
- 6/19 Kenton Schafer
- 6/21 Peter Baird
- 6/21 John Hudgins
- 6/21 Jay Wittenborn
- 6/22 Tim Hall
- 6/22 Donald Siefert
- 6/23 Bruce Francis
- 6/23 Janet Drone
- 6/23 Billy Woosley
- 6/23 Paul Zemlyn
- 6/24 Jeeri Eicher
- 6/24 Marimar Robertson
- 6/24 Diane Schwinn
- 6/26 David Degenhardt
- 6/26 David Roseland
- 6/28 Johnathan Guetersloh
- 6/29 Cam Donahue
- 6/29 Elizabeth Kiel
- 6/29 Thomas Welten
- 6/30 Dennis Fager

SERVING VETS AND HONORING AMERICA

The Flag Service of Lodge #572 was able to grace Murphysboro's Main Street, and numerous other businesses throughout town, with many American flags, Menorial Day weekend, just passed. Our Lodge has received many, many compliments for our honoring of the flag, and the beauty it adds to our community. Thanks go out to our faithful Elk volunteers, and to great cooperation of businesses and the city of Murphysboro.

Additionally, some 20 Veterans assembled at the Haven, on Crab Orchard Lake, on May 14th, to enjoy not only a great meal (Our ENF Beacon Grant in action), but also to have folks (Elks) to talk to, interact with, and let them know **we will not forget** what they have done!

Want to help on either of the above? Contact Veterans' Chairman, Steve Schemonia (618-713-3248).



**ELKS #572 LOCAL SCHOLARSHIP
AWARDED TO MHS SENIOR**

This year's Lodge #572, Local Scholarship has been awarded to **Kaylie Spann**, a 2024 Graduate of Murphysboro High School. Kaylie is using her **\$1,000** scholarship at Southern Illinois University, Carbondale. She has enrolled in the College of Education, with a major in English.

This yearly scholarship is made possible by local fund raising efforts here at Lodge #572, and in particular through joint efforts with ENF (Elks National Foundation) benefit events and activities. Kaylie was announced as winner of our Lodge #572 Scholarship, at the MHS Senior Awards Night, held in May.

At the Murphysboro City Council meeting, held on May 14, 2024, Lodge Inner Guard, Jay Wittenborn, presented Mayor Will Stephens with our Citizen of the Year award. Congratulations, Mayor Stephens!

QUEEN OF HEARTS STILL RESISTING DETECTION

Remember - Draws for the Queen occur each **TUESDAY**, at 7:p.m. Then, 50/50 is at 7:15, with 2 certificates for a free meal in club room, follows at 7:30. Come and enjoy good food, fellow Elks, and a chance to win! As of this printing, the Queen's value stands at **\$12,040**. Recent results are:

- 4/30 Debbie Sauer \$100 on Name Draw; No Win on Card Draw
- 5/07 Steve Schemonia \$200 on Name Draw; No Win on Card Draw
- 5/14 Mike Sherman \$200 on Name Draw; No Win on Card Draw
- 5/21 Dodie Stratton \$200 on Name Draw; \$250 on Card Draw!
- 5/28 Mike Sherman \$200 on Name Draw; No Win on Card Draw



Awarded at the recent State Convention in Springfield, this plaque acknowledges that Murphysboro Lodge #572 placed First in the South District, for total contributions in 2023-2024!

For the entire state of Illinois, our Murphysboro Lodge placed Second, this past Elk year, with total donations of \$14,994.00. Thanks, Members All, for your great support of the Illinois Elks Children's Care Corporation, our state major project!



Progress is being made on two RV parking spaces, on south side of Lodge building. Current Elk members (only) will be able to utilize these facilities, which include electrical hookups and water availability. Suggested donation will be \$25 / night. We will be listed on national Elk, social media and Website locations. Lodge #572 will be one of the few Lodges in Illinois to offer this option to our fellow, traveling Elks!

RV SPACES FUND RAISER
SATURDAY EVENING
JUNE 29 . 5 - 8 PM
IN CLUB ROOM
 For purpose of helping underwrite costs associated with developing two RV parking spaces on south side of Lodge building (See photo, this Newsletter), the Ziegler/Nolan Monday Burger Team is tentatively planning a Fund Raising Cook, as listed above. Come on in and help out the cause, while enjoying Burgers, Bacon-wrapped Hot Dogs, and Fries. **You know it will be delicious!!**

ELKS CLUB ROOM HOURS	
MONDAY ~ THURSDAY 2:00 P.M. ~ 11:00 P.M.	SATURDAY 2:00 P.M. ~ 12:00 A.M.
FRIDAY 2:00 P.M. ~ 12:00 A.M.	SUNDAY 12:00—CLOSE
KITCHEN HOURS	
MONDAY	5:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.
TUESDAY—FRIDAY	5:00 P.M.-9:00 P.M.

June 2024

COMING EVENTS
June 30 - July 3Grand Lodge Convention, Austin, TX.
July 13 (Saturday)Richard Martin Memorial Golf Scramble
August 11 (Sunday)Dist. Mtg. / DD Clinic at Cairo #651
September 18 - 22IEA State Meeting, Springfield

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<i>EVERY WEDNESDAY</i> <i>WINGS</i> <i>APPETIZERS</i> <i>SANDWICHES</i> <i>SALAD BAR</i>						1
2 <i>DIST. ORGANIZATION MTG., HAR-RISBURG</i>	3 <i>WEEKLY DRAWING</i> 7:00 PM <i>BURGERS & FRIES</i> <i>BY VOLUNTEERS</i>	4 <i>QUEEN OF HEARTS</i> 7:00 PM <i>TACO TUESDAY</i>	5 <i>HOUSE MTG.</i> 6:45 PM <i>LODGE MTG.</i> 7:30 PM <i>SALISBURY STEAK</i> \$12.00	6 <i>AYCE CHICKEN</i> \$13.00	7 <i>ALL YOU CAN EAT FISH</i> \$13.00 <i>FROG LEGS</i> \$16.00 <i>FISH & FROG LEGS COMBO</i> \$16.00	8
9	10 <i>WEEKLY DRAWING</i> 7:00 PM <i>BURGERS & FRIES</i> <i>BY VOLUNTEERS</i>	11 <i>QUEEN OF HEARTS</i> 7:00 PM <i>SHRIMP 'PO' BOY</i> \$10.00	12 <i>ROTISSERIE CHICKEN</i> \$12.00	13 <i>MEATLOAF</i> \$12.00	14 <i>FLAG DAY</i> <i>RIBEYE</i> \$22 <i>FILET</i> \$25 <i>SIRLOIN TIPS</i> \$16.00 <i>GRILLED SHRIMP</i> 16.00 \$16.00	15
16 <i>FATHER'S DAY</i>	17 <i>WEEKLY DRAWING</i> 7:00 PM <i>BURGERS & FRIES</i> <i>BY VOLUNTEERS</i>	18 <i>QUEEN OF HEARTS</i> 7:00 PM <i>CHICKEN FAJITAS</i> \$10.00	19 <i>BOARD MTG.</i> 6:45 <i>LODGE MTG.</i> 7:30 PM <i>SHRIMP FETTUCCHINE</i> \$12.00	20 <i>AYCE CHICKEN</i> \$13.00	21 <i>STUFFED PORK CHOPS</i> \$13.00	22
23	24 <i>WEEKLY DRAWING</i> 7:00 PM <i>BURGERS & FRIES</i> <i>BY VOLUNTEERS</i>	25 <i>QUEEN OF HEARTS</i> 7:00 PM <i>CHICKEN SALAD WRAP/SAND.</i> \$9.00	26 <i>POT ROAST</i> \$13.00	27 <i>LASAGNA</i> \$11.00	28 <i>CHICKEN CORDON BLEU</i> \$13.00	29 <i>RV FUND-RAISER</i> 5-8 PM IN <i>CLUB ROOM</i>
30 <i>GRAND LODGE CONVENTION</i> 6-30 THRU JULY 3 <i>AUSTIN, TX.</i>	1	2	3	4	5	6