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Members All,

Well, back to school time means cheering on our favorite Murphysboro High School Red Devils! Speaking of Red Devils...be sure to check out the new shoes that the Crimson Express Band Members are sporting, donated by our very own Murphysboro Lodge #572. Also, take a look at our sponsor sign at Doc Bencini Field. You can compliment yourself for these things, as your membership is essential in enabling our Elks Lodge to make such contributions!

Congratulations and welcome to our group of new members initiated on August 14th. (See Photo & Names). Members all - Let's keep 'em coming....Be a Sponsor!! (We have plenty of applications on hand for you to use, at the Lodge - Just ask.) Special thanks to all Lodge #572 members who helped with the recent DCFS Picnic at the DuQuoin State Fair, along with two of our Antler (See Photos.)

September is already filling up with events that you can join in with, or show support for. The Lodge Flag Team will be at the Marion Veterans on Parade on Saturday, *September 7*; Likewise on the *7th*, the South District Golf Scramble will be under way at Union County Golf Club in Anna (Team entry forms available at the Lodge); Volunteers will be serving a noon meal to veterans at the Haven on *September 10*; Also on the *10th*, we need #572 Elks to help (along with other South Dist. Elks) display our large American Flag for Vets returning from the Honor Flight, to Veterans' Airport in Marion, 6 - 9 pm range; *September 14th* will find our Flag Team leading the Apple Festival Parade; the Illinois Elks State Elks Convention will be occurring on *September 20-22*; and there's always Monday Burger Nights - if you're interested in joining a Burger Team, or even creating your own Team, contact a Lodge Officer. For helping with the Flag Team, check in with Steve Zak. To help with Veterans, Steve Schemonia is ready to get you on board. Thanks in advance, everyone!

Happy Fall, Y'all ! Sincerely & Fraternally Yours, Todd Doody, Exalted Ruler



MY ELKS

**Have YOU placed the 'My Elks' Mobile App on your phone, yet?  
If not - Take a few minutes to do so! Give #572 as your Lodge.**



- 1 Joseph Jones
- 1 Toni Kennedy
- 2 James Brasel Jr
- 2 Chardale Carroll
- 2 Michael Davis
- 2 Robert Hahn
- 3 Mike Mulholland
- 4 Erin Mileur
- 4 Jake Ferguson
- 5 Stephen Jines
- 6 David Camden
- 6 Susan Moore
- 6 Oliver Rathjen
- 6 John Spradling
- 7 Bruce Dallas
- 7 David Marks
- 8 Mike Raney
- 10 Robert Biggs
- 10 Patty Grammer
- 10 Wm. Holloway
- 10 Larry Hornick
- 10 John Joiner
- 10 Darrell Knust
- 10 Marlene Loera
- 11 Ronald Milton
- 11 Sandra Schenk
- 11 Glenn Wilcox
- 12 Jeffery Eliassen
- 13 Robert Davenport
- 13 Chad Dewaard
- 14 Edward Heller
- 15 James Contes
- 15 Kathy Guetersloh
- 15 Eugene Novara
- 15 Victor White
- 16 Brian Alexander
- 16 Bill Crawshaw
- 16 Tracey Ferguson
- 16 Danny Gould
- 16 Gayl Page
- 17 Robert Martin
- 18 Alan Bush
- 18 Robert Catt
- 18 Jeremy Norman
- 19 Darell Ewbank
- 19 Tina Phillips
- 19 Kim Stearns
- 20 Larry Falaster
- 20 Stacey Preston
- 21 Richard Allison
- 21 Brad Etherton
- 21 Wayne Kimmel
- 21 Patrick Poiter
- 22 Jim Stewart
- 23 Debbie Sauer
- 24 Les Hall
- 24 Jerry Willett
- 25 Robb Graeff
- 25 James Lawder

- 27 Chris Ahart
- 27 William Archer
- 29 Ashley Ferguson
- 29 Kurt Presley
- 30 Gary Chamness
- 30 Julia Harper
- 30 Tara Landers
- 30 Gene Pettett



Congratulations to our NEW MEMBERS! Having completed Orientation on August 8th, and then Initiation on August 14, the following individuals are now members of BPO Elks, and Murphysboro Lodge #572: (Pictured, L-R after E.R. Todd Doody): **Kenneth Goetz; Daryl Mowell; Merinda Eisenhauer; Robert Carlisle; Ted Baker; and Andrew Brown.** Members All - please *welcome* these new Elks, as you see or speak with them!

The Murphysboro High School Crimson Express is marching on **NEW SHOES** this season, thanks to a \$2,000 donation by Lodge #572. An ENF Gratitude Grant enabled this gift to a very deserving group. Lodge Secretary, Merle Evans (L) and E. R., Todd Doody, join band members, Bonnie Chen and Elijah Kimmel, who are displaying the new shoes. Elks - supporting youth in our community!



**ENF SCHOLARSHIPS OPEN TO HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS**

**MVS** (Most Valuable Student) competition is open, online, to all High School Seniors (Need not be related to an Elk Member), who are U.S. citizens, until **November 12, 2024**. These are 4-yr. awards, and are based on Scholarship, Leadership, and Financial Need. Information / Applications available at: [www.elks.org/MVS](http://www.elks.org/MVS).

**LEGACY:** A very limited number of these \$4,000 Scholarships are open to application by *children & grandchildren of active Elk Members*, who are High School Seniors. Judging based on core Elk National Foundation values of *Knowledge; Charity; Community; and Integrity.* (Note all conditions and/or stipulations listed on website.) *Deadline to apply is February 3, 2025.* Go to [www.enf.elks.org/leg](http://www.enf.elks.org/leg) for details & application guidelines. Local contact for information: Don Siefert, at 618-201-4184. **ELKS - Supporting YOUTH in America!**



Murphysboro #572 E. R, Todd Doody, and Lodge member, Mike Layne, work on the "Lunch Bag" assembly line at the August 24th DCFS Picnic at the Du Quoin State Fair. Our Lodge contributed a \$200 donation toward the event, along with providing 5 Elks and 2 Antlers to work on site. In related photo, literally hundreds of sack lunches await foster & adoptive parents and children! (Go to Illinois Elks Association Facebook Page for more photos.) Elks contributed nearly \$10,000 to help DCFS provide this yearly event at the Fair proving once again that

**Elks Care - Elks Share!!**

**QUEEN OF HEARTS UPDATE**

It is always a fun and friendly group of Elks who enjoy the Queen of Hearts & related activity in the Club Room at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesdays; the 50/50 which is drawn at 7:15; and the draw for 2 dinner Tickets at 7:30. Hope to see **YOU** on Tuesdays, upcoming!! Here is what has happened since the last Newsletter publication (Queen's value stands at **\$\$3,903** as of this publication date.):



|      |                 |  |
|------|-----------------|--|
| 7/30 | Norm Wayman     | \$25 on Name Draw; No Win on Card Draw |
| 8/06 | Todd Doody      | \$25 on Name Draw; No Win on Card Draw |
| 8/13 | Joe Summers     | \$50 on Card Draw; \$60 on Card Draw!  |
| 8/20 | Shirley Summers | \$50 on Card Draw; \$60 on Card Draw!  |
| 8/27 | Steve Ferguson  | \$50 on Card Draw; No Win on Card Draw |

**FLAG SERVICE / HAVEN UPDATE**

Flags adorned Murphysboro this just-past Labor Day Weekend, and will do so on the upcoming Columbus Day, Election Day, and Veterans Day, to round out the calendar year for our Elks' Flag Service. Thanks to all who help in this important and patriotic undertaking! Over at the Haven Vets' Day Center, our next great meal will be served on Tuesday, September 10th. Fruit & Veggie baskets, along with personal items, also go home with these Veterans. See Steve Schemonia if you have questions, or want to help!

**BREAST CANCER BENEFIT**  
**FOR MEMBER, SELENA**  
**McBRIDE**

**Saturday, September 21**  
**4 - 7 P.M. Lodge Hall**  
1/2 Fried Chicken Dinner, \$12  
silent and Live Auction  
Music and Cash Bar



**ELKS CLUB ROOM HOURS**

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

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

KITCHEN HOURS  
MONDAY  
TUESDAY—FRIDAY

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



SUNDAY  
12:00—CLOSE

5:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.  
5:00 P.M.-9:00 P.M.

# September 2024

**COMING EVENTS**

Oct. 3.....Thursday, Orientation 7:00 p.m.  
 Oct. 8.....START Dance In Hall  
 Oct. 9.....Initiation  
 Oct. 14....Flags Out For Columbus Day  
 Oct. 20.... Chester Fall Harvest Festival (Flag Team)  
 November 3....District Meeting in Carbondale #1243

| Sun  | Mon  | Tue  | Wed   | Thu                                | Fri  | Sat   |
|--|--|--|---|------------------------------------|--|---|
| 1 <u>EVERY WEDNESDAY</u><br>WINGS<br>APPETIZERS<br>SANDWICHES<br>SALAD BAR | 2 CLUB OPEN<br><br>NO FOOD<br>NO DRAWING                       | 3 QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00 PM<br><br>TACO TUESDAY                    | 4 HOUSE MTG. 6:45 PM<br>LODGE MTG. 7:30 PM<br><br>LASAGNA \$11.00             | 5 CHICKEN & DUMPLINGS \$13.00      | 6 ALL YOU CAN EAT FISH \$13.00<br>FROG LEGS \$16.00<br>FISH & FROG LEGS COMBO \$16.00  | 7 FLAG TEAM AT VETERANS ON PARADE, MARION<br>      |
| 8  | 9 WEEKLY DRAWING 7:00 PM<br><br>BURGERS & FRIES BY VOLUNTEERS  | 10 QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00 PM<br><br>SMOKED CHICKEN SANDWICH \$9.00 | 11 MEATLOAF \$12.00   | 12 ALL YOU CAN EAT CHICKEN \$13.00 | 13 SALMON \$13.00  | 14 FLAG TEAM IN APPLE FESTIVAL PARADE 11:00 AM<br> |
| 15   | 16 WEEKLY DRAWING 7:00 PM<br><br>BURGERS & FRIES BY VOLUNTEERS | 17 QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00 PM                                       | 18 BOARD MTG. 6:45 PM<br>LODGE MTG. 7:30 PM<br><br>ROTISSERIE CHICKEN \$12.00 | 19 PORK LOIN \$13.00               | 20 CHICKEN CORDON BLEU \$12.00   | 21  |
| <b>IEA STATE MEETING 19th THRU 22nd</b>                                    |  |  |   |                                    |  |   |
| 22   | 23 WEEKLY DRAWING 7:00 PM<br><br>BURGERS & FRIES BY VOLUNTEERS | 24 QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00 PM                                       | 25 SPAGHETTI W/ MEATBALLS \$10.00   | 26 ALL YOU CAN EAT CHICKEN \$13.00 | 27 RIBEYES \$22.00<br>FILETS \$25.00<br>SIRLOIN TIPS \$16.00<br>GRILLED SHRIMP \$16.00 | 28  |
| 29   | 30 WEEKLY DRAWING 7:00 PM<br><br>BURGERS & FRIES BY VOLUNTEERS | OCT. 1 QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00 PM<br><br>TACO TUESDAY               | 2 HOUSE MTG. 6:45 PM<br>LODGE MTG. 7:30 PM<br><br>BEEF STROGANOFF \$12.00     | 3 SMOKED CHICKEN \$12.00           | 4 ALL YOU CAN EAT FISH \$13.00<br>FROG LEGS \$16.00<br>FISH & FROG LEGS COMBO \$16.00  | 5   |