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FEBRUARY 2025 E. R. MESSAGE

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Greetings, Members All !

I sure did like seeing the great turnout at this Lodge year's first Benefit shooting Match in January, at the Carbon Lake Club, here in Murphysboro! Thank you to all those Elks who helped in any way, or just came to fellowship with other members. The next one will be held on Sunday, February 16th (see article). Hope to see another great attendance!

Think Valentine's Day....Bring your 'Sweetie' in to the Club Room for a Prime Rib Dinner with dessert on Friday, February 14th (reservations suggested/appreciated).

MAJOR DATE CHANGE: The upcoming date for our 29th Annual CCC Dart Tournament & Auction has been changed to Saturday, March 1st ! Please consider helping in some way (donating Silent Auction items / Time / Money / Attending / bidding / contacting Board Sponsors, etc.). There are sooo may ways YOU can help make this worthy fundraiser a success!! Contact BJ Wyatt at 618-967-9432 or Lynn Porter at 618-534-5722 (Lynn especially invites our newer members, or members who have maybe just been thinking about helping our Lodge in some way...but have not actually done so yet...to CALL her!!).

Luck Of The Lodge is right around the corner, on Saturday, March 8th. Grab your tickets, as they are going quickly! For questions, or to inquire as to names of ticket sellers, please contact, or call PER, Steve Schemonia, at 618-713-3248.

Later, on Sunday, March 23rd (Date Change from Last Newsletter), our Antlers will be holding a Fish Fry Fundraiser, from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Menu will include baked beans, coleslaw, and hush puppies. This is an early announcement, as Antler members are pre selling tickets, and they are also available in Club Room. Hope you will support this antler event, as they are often supporting Elk activities, local veterans and community programs, and more (Example: Soon presenting two K9 Rescue & First Aid Kits to the Jackson Co. Sheriff's K9 Unit.)

Have YOU taken time, yet, to put the 'MY Elks' Mobile App on your phone? It is a great tool to stay current - esp. with quick access to our Lodge Calendar (Thanks to our 'My Elks' App Administrator, Orval Rowe, who does a great job with this Communications option.).

Finally, weather conditions prevented our Flag placement around Murphysboro, in January, as well as the monthly Veterans' meal at the Haven. Weather permitting, Flags will be placed on Presidents Day, February 17th, and the Haven Meal will resume on Tuesday, Feb. 11th.

Sincerely and Fraternally Yours,
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.


JACKIE LINDSEY
December 28, 1934 — January 11, 2025

LARRY G. HORNICK
September 10, 1938 — January 16, 2025

NORMAN BECKMAN
November 15, 1939 — January 20, 2025

- 1 Cutler, Scott
- 1 Mills, Charley T
- 2 Rothe, Michael W
- 3 Duncan, Michael L
- 3 Rathjen, Tina J
- 3 Reames, Michelle
- 3 Williams, Jeffery D
- 4 Dallas, Dan C
- 4 Uffelman, David J
- 6 Zak, Steven T
- 7 Heller, Scott
- 7 Thornton, Curtis
- 7 Will, Marty J
- 8 Nance, Beau
- 8 Rowden, Gary R
- 8 Tinsley, Ed
- 9 Lustig, Patrick
- 10 Gibbs, Harold W
- 10 Knott, James R
- 12 Aken, Thomas
- 13 Heller, Diana
- 13 Johnson Jr, Don
- 13 Sitton, Mandy
- 13 Stark, Randy B
- 14 Padgett, Bradley A
- 15 Glen, David
- 15 Tippy, John W
- 16 Schaldemose, Julie
- 17 Carson, Ashley
- 17 Mueller, Craig
- 17 Smith, David R
- 18 Baril, Justin
- 18 Chancey, Lee
- 18 Hubbs, Steve
- 18 Schnautz, Michael
- 18 Wachslicht, Larry
- 19 Akins, Kenneth
- 21 Hubbs, Michael G
- 21 Smith, Eric D
- 22 Carter, Jeff A
- 22 Chambers, Robert
- 22 Chylewski, Andrew
- 22 Guetersloh, Christopher W
- 22 Seyferth, Kevin
- 23 Clendenin, Colin
- 23 Cobin, Tim
- 24 Ewbank, Michael
- 25 Mills, Thomas Darrin
- 26 Endres, Cheryl
- 26 Gray, Chris
- 26 Korando, Matthew
- 27 Brown, Larry
- 27 Dallas, Jim P
- 28 Schemonia, Neal

**29TH ANNUAL CCC DART TOURNAMENT
TO BENEFIT ILLINOIS ELKS CHILDREN’S CARE CORPORATION**



SATURDAY, MARCH 1ST, 2025

BLIND DRAW / 501 / CRICKET / CHOICE

SIGN-UP 12:00-1:30 P.M.
PLAY BEGINS AT 2:00 P.M.

\$10.00 ENTRY FEE

GUARANTEED \$1000 PAYOUT!

FOOD PROVIDED AT 1:00 P.M. BY “GREAT BOARDS OF FIRE”

**** PRIZE WHEEL ****
**** 50/50 DRAWING ****
**** GUN RAFFLE ****
**** BAR OLYMPICS ****
**** SILENT AUCTION (ITEMS NEEDED) ****
**** LIVE AUCTION AT APPROXIMATELY 6:00 P.M. ****

MEMBERS: WE NEED

- AUCTION DONATIONS
- ELKS & THEIR GUESTS/FRIENDS IN ATTENDANCE
- BIDDERS AT AUCTION TIME
- BOARD SPONSORS

**IF YOU WANT TO HELP YOUR LODGE MAKE A DIFFERENCE,
THIS IS YOUR CHANCE!**

**Donations, Sponsorships or Questions contact:
Lynn Porter (618)534-5722 or BJ Wyatt at (618)967-9432**

MURPHYSBORO ELKS ENF BENEFIT SHOOTING MATCHES

Sunday, February 16 Carbon Lake Club
Sunday, March 16 Carbon Lake Club

Sign-up @ 12 noon, competition starts at 1:00 pm

(NO SCOPES OR PUCKER GUNS ALLOWED, .670 MAXIMUM CHOKE)

Each event includes various raffles, 50/50 drawings, and free food

Questions: Contact Rick Ehlers at (618)534-1689

(Proceeds will go toward our contribution to the Elks National Foundation)

Even if you don’t plan to shoot - Come enjoy the raffle events, drawings and fun with fellow Elks — all while helping our Lodge meet our ENF per-capita for the year, and qualify for our ENF Grants!



QUEEN OF HEARTS SURVIVES JANUARY!

Miss Queen was not located by Elks enjoying the search, camaraderie, and good food & beverage this past month! So, the Tuesday, 7:00 p.m. search continues, followed by 50/50 Drawing at 7:15 p.m. and 2 free-meal certificates at 7:30. The Queen's value, going into February, is \$8,211. Here are the drawing results for January, 2025:

01/07	(No Drawing, due to severe weather conditions)	
01/14	Jim Ferguson	\$100 on Name Draw; No Win on Card Draw
01/21	Shirley Summers	\$100 on Name Draw; No Win on Card Draw
01/28	Billy Korando	\$100 on Name Draw; No Win on Card Draw

Valentine Dinner Special

Friday February 14th

Prime Rib Dinner \$25.00 includes potato, salad bar, roll, and dessert

Reservations suggested & appreciated

LUCK OF THE LODGE RAFFLE UPDATE



Tickets still available in Club Room or from sellers for \$20 each.

- Only 900 tickets will be sold.
- 9 prizes including \$5000 first prize.
- Need not be present to win.

Party and drawings will take place Saturday March 8th 4:00 — 6:00 pm with music by Route 3 Ramblers to follow.

See tickets or flyers for complete details. For questions, or to inquire as to names of ticket sellers, please contact PER Steve Schemonia, at (618)713-3248.



MEMBERSHIP GAIN POSSIBLE

Lodge #572 would like to finish this 2020-2025 year with strong membership numbers! If you have a new candidate(s) that you are ready to sponsor, be sure to help them complete an application and then get it to Lodge Secretary by the February 19th Lodge meeting, at the very latest. Needless to say, if you are 1 of our 35 still-unpaid members, please take care of this as soon as you can - or contact Lodge Secretary if special circumstances warrant. Let's end this current year, on March 31, in the Positive Membership column!

Lodge #572 members All: You can certainly take pride in this beautiful Flag Retirement Drop Box, now operational near the Northeast corner of the Lodge and along the roadway between our facility and the Patriots Bravo building. Recall that this structure was the result of our Elks working in coordination with a local Boy Scout, to complete his Eagle Project. Please pass the word - this Drop Box is to serve all residents of Murphysboro and the surrounding area.

ELKS CLUB ROOM HOURS
MONDAY ~ THURSDAY **SATURDAY**
 2:00 P.M. ~ 11:00 P.M. 2:00 P.M. ~ 12:00 A.M.

FRIDAY **SUNDAY**
 2:00 P.M. ~ 12:00 A.M. 12:00 — CLOSE

KITCHEN HOURS
MONDAY 5:00 P.M. — 8:00 P.M.
TUESDAY—FRIDAY 5:00 P.M. — 9:00 P.M.

February 2025

COMING EVENTS
 March 1...CCC Dart Tournament
 March 8...Luck of the Lodge Drawing
 March 23...Antlers Fish Fry
 April 1...New Elk year begins
 April 6...South District Meeting @ Herrin Lodge #1146
 May 18...IL Elks Annual Meeting in Springfield

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<u>EVERY WEDNESDAY</u> WINGS APPETIZERS SANDWICHES SALAD BAR						1
2	3 WEEKLY DRAWING 7:00 PM BURGERS & FRIES BY VOLUNTEERS	4 QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00 PM TACO TUESDAY	5 HOUSE MTG 6:45 LODGE MTG 7:30 OFFICER NOMINATIONS ROTISSERIE CHICKEN \$13.00	6 LASAGNA \$12.00	7 ALL YOU CAN EAT FISH \$13.00 FROG LEGS \$16.00 FISH & FROG LEG COMBO \$16.00	8
9	10 WEEKLY DRAWING 7:00 PM BURGERS & FRIES BY VOLUNTEERS	11 QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00 PM HOMEMADE SLOPPY JOES \$9.00 HAVEN VETS MEAL	12 SPAGHETTI & MEATBALLS \$11.00	13 ALL YOU CAN EAT CHICKEN \$13.00	14 PRIME RIB DINNER \$25.00 <i>(Valentine Special)</i>	15
16 ENF Shooting Match @ Carbon Lake Club, Murphysboro	17 WEEKLY DRAWING 7:00 PM BURGERS & FRIES BY VOLUNTEERS	18 QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00 PM CHILI CHEESE DOGS \$9.00 START DANCE	19 BOARD MTG 6:45 LODGE MTG 7:30 OFFICER ELECTIONS CHICKEN POT PIE \$12.00	20 POT ROAST \$14.00	21 HALF-RACK RIB DINNER \$15.00	22
23	24 WEEKLY DRAWING 7:00 PM BURGERS & FRIES BY VOLUNTEERS	25 QUEEN OF HEARTS 7:00 PM GOULASH \$9.00	26 BLACKENED TILAPIA \$13.00	27 ALL YOU CAN EAT CHICKEN \$13.00	28 RIBEYE \$22.00 FILET \$25.00 SIRLOIN TIPS \$16.00 GRILLED SHRIMP \$16.00	