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From The Exalted Ruler =====

PAUL RUSIEWSKI (2013-14)

Greetings All,

FAX: 618-532-7819

September is almost gone and we are about to start a busy time of year at our lodge! There are several upcoming events that we need volunteers to help make them a success! Please check the bulletin board for sign up sheets as well as your Antler for these future events.

Our lodge picnic was held at Jaycees field with a decent crowd in attendance. Those that didn't show missed a good time! I want to thank the staff and members that help make this day a great one. The state meeting in Springfield was held the 20-22 of September with our lodge being in charge of the South Central hospitality room! I will say they did a fantastic job and hope y'all are ready for the next one in January.

Another reminder our lodge has purchased the NFL package! I know there are football fans out there! So come up and catch a game! This is for you to enjoy and benefit our lodge. This is an idea to try and get members in the club room. Any input of any ideas to help better our facility is greatly appreciated.

In closing I just want to mention Use YOUR lodge! Grab a lunch or dinner. Enjoy a tasty beverage while va watch a sport of your choice. It is YOUR LODGE! Lets continue to make it the GREAT LODGE it is!

From The Secretary ===

— JOE RAY, PDDGER, PER (2013-14)

Our Annual Memorial Service will be held December 01st at 2:00 pm in the Lodge Room. All members and families are invited to attend the service. "An Elk is never forgotten, never forsaken.

But awhile ago we gathered, friendship beaming in each eye, now the golden cord is severed, they have passed to realms on high." To Our Absent Members: Gerald Leland Holmes, Kenneth Duane Jones, Orville F. Niehaus, Raymond 'Ray Ray' John Ray, & Stanley

There will be refreshments to follow, please plan to attend. This Memorial Service is for our departed members from December 01, 2012 through November 30, 2013. Should you know of someone not mentioned, please contact the Lodge at 532-5751.



Americanism ====

The Elks' Garrison Flag will be displayed at the Little Egypt Parade Saturday, October 05th and the Halloween Parade Saturday, October 26th. Pending participation, we would like to display the flag at more area football and basketball games as we can. If you have a school function you would like to see it presented at, please let us know.

We need all the help we can get, if you would like to be a part of the Flag display, sign up or call Mark Hayes 292-4269 &/or Tony "Cob" Korzenewski 201-7264, or the lodge 532-5751.

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From the Lady Elks President =

coming up in the next several months. October 7th, at 7:00 is meeting night.

Here it is October and the months are flying by so quickly. We have a lot of projects

The tentative date to decorate prior to the Halloween Parade will be the Thursday

More information and dates will be in the next ANTLER about projects for Novem-

I would like to thank Becky Luebben, for getting our vendors and setting up a great

The 2014 Most Valuable Student (MVS) Scholarship applications are now

available. Information is available in the guidance offices at the following area high

schools: Centralia, CORLHS, Central (Breese), Carlyle, Mater Dei, Nashville and

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available by download from the ENF website at www.elks.org/enf/scholars/mvs.cfm.

Applicants still will submit a hard-copy application to the Lodge by the December 6

deadline. Questions? Concerns? Contact Scholarship Chair Bill Luebben at 532-1758,

Contacts

before the parade which will be the 24th of October. October 21st, will be our 2nd

ber and December. Ladies, you help is really needed to help make these projects a big

night of fun for all the Ladies. I also want to thank all the Ladies that brought food and

Roseanna for the door prizes. A great time was had by all for our first LADIES' NIGHT OUT!

Karl D. Wilson Sales Consultant

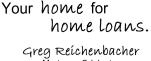
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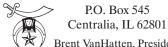
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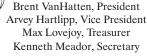
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@ 1:00 pm in Salem

October 6th Sunday Brunch @ 10:00 am

October 7th LOTE Meeting @ 7:00 pm

October 8th Lodge Meeting @ 7:30 pm

October 10th "OWC" Fried Chicken @ 6:00 pm

October 12th Saturday Morning Breakfast @ 8:00 am

October 13th Sunday Brunch @ 10:00 am

October 15th House Comm. & Trustees Meet. @ 7:00 pm

October 17th "OWC" Fried Fish @ 6:00 pm

October 19th Saturday Morning Breakfast @ 8:00 am

October 20th Sunday Brunch @ 10:00 am

October 21st LOTE Meeting @ 7:00 pm

October 22nd Lodge Meeting & DD Visit @ 7:30 pm

October 24th "OWC" Pork Rib Eye Steak @ 6:00 pm

October 26th Saturday Morning Breakfast @ 8:00 am

October 26th Fall Festival @ 9:00 am

October 26th Halloween Parade Flag Display @ 5:30 pm

October 26th Wiener Roast @ 6:00 pm

October 27th Sunday Brunch @ 10:00 am

October 31st "OWC" Italian Beef Sandwiches @ 6:00 pm

November 2nd Saturday Morning Breakfast @ 8:00 am

November 3rd Sunday Brunch @ 10:00 am

November 4th LOTE Meeting @ 7:00 pm

November 7th "OWC" Meat Loaf @ 6:00 pm

November 9th Saturday Morning Breakfast @ 8:00 am

November 10th Sunday Brunch @ 10:00 am

November 11th Veterans Day Breakfast @ 8:00 am

November 12th Lodge Meeting @ 7:30 pm

November 14th "OWC" Fried Fish @ 6:00 pm

November 23rd Thanksgiving Baskets @ 9:00 am

November 28th Happy Thanksgiving – Lodge Closed

December 01st Annual Memorial Service @ 2:00 pm

December 08th Annual Kids' Christmas Party @ 2:00 pm

December 14th Hoop Shoot @ 9:00 am

December 25th Merry Christmas – Lodge Closed

December 31st New Years Eve Dance @ 8:00 pm

January 1st Happy New Years - Lodge Closed

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From the Loyal Knight

Well another state meeting down and we lived through it. Want to say congratulations to Richard and everyone who helped with the hospitality room, everyone loved it and was well appreciated by the other districts! Several comments were made on how good it was and I know personally from visiting the other rooms, we had a bigger crowd than anyone.

Now back to reality. The officers, trustees and Dale have been trying constantly to find ways to make our club more efficient and not cut back any services or on employees. Times are tough, many clubs are cutting back on service to members and some are close to shutting down all together. There will be some changes coming soon, some you will see in this antler others will be forth coming. While our club is financially ok at the time, we can't keep up our current pace. The big solution is MORE MEMBER PARTICIPATION! We are very open to suggestions, and in saying that feel free to email the club, drop a note, stop an officer or trustee and give your comments, suggestions, and/or opinions. We all know not every suggestion can nor will work, but maybe it can help give us a lead. This Elk's lodge has some great people and is, to a lot of us, like another family! Please help us and all the members make this club as great as we all know it is. Come down have lunch or dinner, have a drink, play the new machines or just socialize. We rely on you like you rely on us. ELKS CARE-ELKS SHARE.

Gene Howe, Loyal Knight

Thank You, Thank You!!

I would like to thank everyone who helped at this past State Meeting in setting up and closing down the Hospitality Room. I have the responsibility of hosting the room and without all of you the chore would be much harder. Special thanks to Esther Norrenberns and Shelly Ray for making some of the goodies and keeping the food tables in fresh order. Thanks to Ruth Rakey of Mt. Vernon Lodge for decorating the room and making it in the festivity of the theme, Cards n Cubs. Thanks to all the guys and gals that helped lug everything up to the 29th floor and back down to the trailer for the return trip. I am looking forward to another fun time in January with a "Puttin on the Ritz" theme, hope to see you there!

Richard Wilkinson, Jr. Trustee South Central District

To All Members, Spouses & Widows ====

The Trustees, Officers, and the Club Manager have been working on ways to make the Club operations more efficient and profitable. Unfortunately, this is a big building with a large overhead and it has been a difficult task to make the daily operations a profitable one. Operations can not keep running the same without major financial repercussions down the road. Some ideas have been implemented and more are to come. Decisions in past have been made to not cut staff and/or services, but to try and cut costs and overheads where possible. There have been some bumps in the road during this process and things are changing weekly if not daily to adjust and compensate for this.

Some future ideas are to close the dining room on Saturday nights, but leave the service of serving dinner open to seating in the club room only. This would eliminate the need to heat or cool the dining room and would provide for less staff to serve you and still provide the service you desire. Also we have discussed cutting back on our linen service and do away with table cloths and napkins for Friday and Saturday dinners, doing away with free drinks after a meeting, discontinuing the Saturday Morning Breakfast, and another option on the table is to cut back the mailing of the Antler, and do more via the websites and e-mail. Currently the Antler is available in 2 locations, Centraliaelks.com or Elks.org using our lodge number 493 in the search box.

The Lodge is financially sound and this is not to create a panic in the membership, this is to give a heads up that you may be seeing changes around the club and why. Machines are up and running but have not held up to the financial expectations some had hoped, play is picking up but thus far not enough to offset the losses the club incurs.

If you have ideas or would like to opt out of the Antler mailing, we want to hear from you. What changes, if any, would you like to see? What do you want out of your lodge? What can you do to help your lodge? Give one of the officers a call or talk to the manager. Thanks to all for understanding and patience while we work out the details. Watch for more in the next ANTLER.

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- 2 Dale Aussieker Greg Marcum Gina Kessler
- 3 Joseph Pieron Jack Graham
- 4 Cassie McKay
- 5 Scott Whittenburg Jerry Cooksey Jim Grable
- Ellen Goodspeed Gary M. Garrison Tim McCoy 6 Jack Forth
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