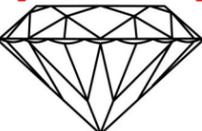


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MESSAGE FROM YOUR EXALTED RULER

Hello again my Brothers and Sisters,

Fall is here already. Have you ever heard the saying; Time Flies when you are having fun? That must be a true statement for the Elks because time is flying and we are having fun. Laugh out Loud!!!!

We initiated 10 new members on September 20th; when you see someone you don't know, they probably are new, so make them wELKome.

Laura Clifford (our District Deputy) and her husband (Jeff) made her official visit on September 20th. She was very impressed by our Lodge and how we performed our Initiation. She spoke on membership gain and Strengthening Elkdom through Community Awareness. I challenge everyone to bring in one new member or bring one back that's been gone and volunteer an hour at a community event.



Our "Kids with Cancer" annual poker run was Sept. 23rd and was very successful again this year. Thank you to Jon Marshall and your committee for always doing a great job and making sure everyone is safe while on the ride.

The Old Timers dinner was October 11th. It was an honor to stand before them as the Exalted Ruler knowing that each one of them took the obligation to our ELK Family and have been committed to serving our Community, our State and our Country. Each one of them has guided their course in life by practicing the cardinal principals of our order through Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity. Thank you for your 25 and some 25+ years.

Our breast cancer awareness fundraising event was held on October 13th and all the proceeds went to the Pretty in Pink foundation at OLBH. Thank you to all that came out and gave your support.

The Breeders Cup Horse race will be on Saturday, November 4th. Come down and make your bets and have a day filled with racing and fun.

The Christmas Parade will be on Nov. 21st. I would like to take the Drug Awareness trailer and about 20 members this year. Please keep this in mind so you can volunteer to walk beside the trailer and give out candy. I don't have any information yet but when I do I will post a sign-up sheet at the Lodge.

Let's not forget Thanksgiving and Christmas Dinners this year. Volunteers are needed for all the preparation the week before and Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day. Mark your calendars for an hour of community service if you can. We will post times needed for Volunteers.

Memorial Service will be on Sunday, December 3rd at 1:00 p.m. in the Lodge Room.

Children's Christmas Party on Sunday, December 10th at 12:30 p.m. in the Lodge Room.

Members' Appreciation Day on Sunday, December 24th from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

And Last, New Year's Eve Dance on Sunday, December 31st in the Club Room. Please keep these dates in mind and attend or volunteer when you can.

In closing I would like to say Thank You again and that I appreciate all of my Elk Brothers and Sisters for all of the support that you give me and the volunteering that you do for **OUR** Lodge.

Fraternally Yours,
 Sherry Suttles. Exalted Ruler

Children's Christmas Party



Our Children's Christmas will be held on Sunday, December 10 at 12:30pm in the Lodge Room. We will have over 200 names sent to us by the Families Resource Centers in the area schools. These kids are considered "AT RISK" kids that need Organizations like the Elks to provide a little something special for them at Christmas. We are also providing for 400 preschool kids in the Ashland, Boyd County and Fairview school systems. These will be taken to the schools and presented to the kids there. All of this is made possible by the generous donations by "You", our members. There will be a sign up sheet at the Bar for you to sign when you make your donation. We will serve hot dogs, hamburgers, potato chips, cookies and ice cream to the kids, siblings, parents or guardians. We always need help in fixing the food, serving and clean up afterwards. Santa (Richard Hughes) will be here to pass out the presents to every child. Peanut (Keith Salisbury) will be making his balloon creations much to the delight of everyone. Volunteer and Give - there is no better way to get that Christmas Spirit.

Holiday Dinners



Thanksgiving and Christmas will be here before we know it. We will open our Lodge Room and Kitchen so we can prepare and serve our Annual Thanksgiving and Christmas Dinners to our Community. These dinners are not only for those who need a good meal served by a Happy and Thankful group of Elks but also for anyone who would just like to share these two very special days with someone. We also provide delivery service for those who cannot make it to the Lodge. If you would like to help, stop by the Lodge and sign the work sheet at the Bar. You don't have to be a member to lend a hand. We have had several of our friends and neighbors volunteer to help. This is a great way to start the Holiday Season.

NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY



The Lodge will hold it's New Year's Eve Party on Sunday, December the 31st. The dance will be held in the Club Room and the admission is free. There will be snacks and party favors. Bro. Bill says "Get your group together and make your plans early to welcome in the New Year of 2018"

Breeder's Cup



Our Annual Breeder's Cup Party will be held on Saturday, November 4th. There will be free food for lunch and plenty of cold drinks. We will cover the races when they are available. We have several big screen TVs to watch the races on and a special menu in the dining room for your evening meal. Come out and enjoy an afternoon and evening at the races.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

The Grand Lodge mandates that each Lodge is to hold a Memorial Service the first Sunday in December. This year our Lodge will hold its Service on **Sunday, December 3rd** in the Lodge Room at **1:00 PM**. The Ritual Service will be conducted by the Lodge Officers for our Members who have passed away since last December. This Service allows our Lodge to pay a final Tribute to the Memory of our Departed Members and to their families. This service is open to the public as well as Elks and their families. Refreshments will be served after the ceremony

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KITCHEN
 Lunch Monday thru Friday 11 - 2

DINNER
 Thursday - Saturday 6 - 9

DRAWINGS
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Summer has ended and winter is fast approaching. I look forward to seeing all of you at the many events we have coming in the following months until the end of this year.

- November 4th, we have the Breeders Cup.
- November 5th, is Steens Veteran's Appreciation Luncheon.
- November 23, Thanksgiving Dinner is served at the Lodge for our Community
- December 3rd, the Elk's Memorial service will be held to remember the member's that passed during the year and year's past.
- December 10th, is the Children's Christmas Party.
- December 24th, is Member's Appreciation Day.
- December 25th, Christmas Dinner will be served to the community.
- December 31st, is our New Year's Eve Party.

Take Care & God Bless
 William B. Grace, Manager

OLD TIMER'S DINNER



We again held our Annual Old Timer's Night on Wednesday, October 11th. We have about 460 members who are eligible to attend, those with 25 years or more in the Order. We only average about 100 of those who attend. For the rest of you who are eligible, you miss out on a very enjoyable evening to renew old friendships and make new ones. Our speaker for the evening was retired Marine Lt. Col. Vance Houston, a 22 year veteran who served 3 Tours of Duty in Vietnam. Lt. Col. Houston also was a helicopter pilot who served the White House and flew President Kennedy, his staff and his family throughout the country.

Connie Messer and her kitchen staff prepared our "350 Extra Special" meal of pork chops, while Keith Adkins and his Food Committee served and cleaned up like a well oiled machine. Thanks to both crews.

We had 8 members who were eligible for their 50 year Pins and Certificates. We only had one who could make the dinner but we found out who Roland Miller is, Chip Miller. The others eligible were James Booten, Larry Cripple, Alan Reams, James Carroll, Bill Turner, Bob Woolery and Ken "Black Cat" Suttin.

We recognized 22 of our departed members from October of 2016.

Chuck Schubert	38 yrs.	Robert Huff	58 yrs.	Tom Leake	56 yrs.
Tom Phipps	48 yrs.	Jim Smith	43 yrs.	Dick Naughle	44 yrs.
Leroy Penix	39 yrs.	W. W. Dawson	39 yrs.	Jack Brown Sr.	43 yrs.
Leland Creed	36 yrs.	Jack Goodwin	42 yrs.	Steve Tremel	38 yrs.
Gary Sheffield	36 yrs.	Charles Conley	45 yrs.	Sam Huston	49 yrs.
Charles Bennett	68 yrs.	Joe Gates	50 yrs.	Don Payne	36 yrs.
Joe Sorrentino	26 yrs.	David Justice	34 yrs.	Bill Brown	40 yrs.
Greg Arnett	27 yrs.				

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Members Appreciation Day

Sunday, December 24 will be our annual Appreciation Day. There will be free food and drinks from **1 p.m. until 5 p.m.** This is the Lodge's way to say **THANKS** to our Members for their support during this past year. Come out and enjoy an afternoon with your friends.

Elks Most Valuable Student Scholarships

The applications are available on line at elks.org/scholars. Deadline is November 27th. Family scholarship applications are on the bulletin board. Student of the month applications are due January 5, 2018.

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To Our Departed Members

We are again saddened by the passing of SIX of our members.

David Justice Bill Brown Greg Arnett
John Blankenship William W. Wheeler George Quillen

"Living or Dead, Elks are Never Forgotten, Never Forsaken."

Morning and noon may pass them by, the light of day sink heedlessly in the West but ere the shadows of midnight shall fall, the chimes of memory will be pealing forth the friendly message. . . .

"To Our Absent Members."

Reminder
 Ashland Elks Lodge has a very simple and reverent Lodge of Sorrow which we provide for our departed members. It is about a fifteen minute service in which we pay our last respects to our members who have left us for a while. The Family must request this service. Contact your Funeral Director or call the Lodge direct.

Tuesday Men's Golf League

I want to start out by thanking all the golfers for making this year's golf league run so smooth. We had another successful golf season. We had another hole in one. Bill Phillips holed #12 with a 5 hybrid. We had 50 golfers in our year ending Scratch and Handicap Tournament and pic-nic. Everyone seemed to have a really good time. Come out and join the fun, We will start our 2018 golf league on March 27th Start time will be at 4:00. Show up time will be at 3:30. This gives us time to find who we are playing with and get on a cart so we can be ready to start play by 4:00 sharp.

This year's winners:
 Scratch Champion: Mike Simmons, Mike shot 71
 Handicap Champion: Dennis Miller, Dennis shot 65
 Elks Cup Champion: Jack Ferguson, Jack shot 33, 39, 36
 Last Man Standing: Snook Bryan

Scratch	Handicap
1st-Flight Justin Skaggs 72	1st-Flight Roy Stewart 66
2nd-Flight Randy Skaggs 80	2nd-Flight Jon Webb 69
3rd-Flight David Arthur 81	3rd-Flight John Holmes 72
4th-Flight Brian Young 91	4th-Flight Roger Ross 71
Seniors 1st-Flight Mike Simmons 71	Seniors 1st-Flight Dennis Miller 65
Seniors 2nd-Flight Daren McKenzie 92	Seniors 2nd-Flight Richard Moore 72

2017 Kids with Cancer Poker Run



On, September 23, 2017, we held our annual Kids with Cancer Poker Run. Luck was on our side this year with beautiful riding weather. We had 23 bikes show up for the ride with about 32 participants. Jack led us on a scenic ride thru Greenup County, over to Portsmouth to eat, then thru the Ohio countryside and back to the Lodge. We gave out trophies and door prizes and then closed our silent auction. Some really generous bids were made on the items for a great cause (Thanks Rich!) All said and done we raised about \$5,000.00 for our state major project. Thanks to Jack, C.C., Stacey, Sherry, Rhonda, Krisi, Tish, Rhonda, and Billy for all the work it takes to put this on. A special thanks to all who donated items for the silent auction.

Till next time, John Marshall

LODGE CALENDAR

NOVEMBER

1 LODGE MEETING
 4 BREEDERS CUP
 5 STEEN'S VETERANS APPRECIATION DAY
 15 LODGE MEETING
 23 THANKSGIVING DINNER

DECEMBER

3 MEMORIAL SERVICE
 6 LODGE MEETING (INITIATION)
 10 CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY
 20 LODGE MEETING
 24 MEMBER'S ONLY APPRECIATION DAY
 25 CHRISTMAS DINNER
 31 NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY

Trustees

Trustee meetings are now on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6: p.m.

NEW MEMBERS

We Initiated 10 new members on September 20th. If you know any of them or see them in the Lodge, make them feel welcome help them become active members.

Tonia Bodkins	Julie Crum
Scott Crum	Thomas Fenwick
Donald Hanners	Susan Heald
Rodney Hillard	Thomas Leadingham
Terry Meadows	Danny Maynard

Transferred

Michael Ray Stanley was recently transferred to our Lodge. Make him feel at home in his new Lodge.

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Wit and Wisdom

Subject: Apple Juice

Harold was an old man, he was sick, and he was in the hospital. Anyway, there was this one young nurse that just drove him crazy. Every time she came in, she would talk to him like he was a little child. She would say in a patronizing tone of voice, "and how are we doing this morning, or are we ready for a bath, or are we hungry?" Old Harold had had enough of this particular nurse. One day, Old Harold had received breakfast, and pulled the juice off the tray, and put it on his bedside stand. He had been given a urine bottle to fill for testing. The juice was apple juice. So . . . You know where the juice went. Well, the nurse came in a little later and picked up the urine bottle. She looks a it, "My, but it seems a little cloudy today . . ." At this, Old Harold snatched the bottle out of her hand, pops off the top, and drinks it down, saying, "Well, I'll run it through again, and maybe I can filter it better this time." The nurse fainted . . . Old Harold just smiled . . .

The strong young man at the construction site was bragging that he could outdo anyone in a feat of strength. He made a special case of making fun of one of the older workmen. After several minutes, the older worker had had enough. "Why don't you put your money where your mouth is," he said. "I will bet a weeks wages that I can haul something in a wheelbarrow over to that outbuilding that you won't be able to wheel back." You're on old man," the braggart replied. "Let's see what you got." The old man reached out and grabbed the wheelbarrow by the handles. Then, nodding to the young man, he said, "All right. Get in."

And with that, I will leave you with this . . .
 As we slide down the banister of life,
 May the splinters never point the wrong way
 By now, C.C.W.

