

ELKS JOLLY CORKS PLAYBILL



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EL DORADO B.P.O.E. FOUNDATION BEEF RAFFLE

Raffling off 1/4 beef, for the remodeling of the Elks building. 1 ticket \$10, 3 tickets \$25, 7 tickets \$50. To purchase tickets and info call 316-321-9393 or 316-621-0512. (leave message)

LODGE MEETINGS

January 02, 2023
January 16, 2023
Initiation



CHRISTMAS VARIETY SHOW

This year's Christmas show was held on Friday and Saturday December 9 and 10 at 7:00 p.m. and also on Saturday at 2:00 p.m. The show was funny and the cast was amazing as always. I have a huge thank you to our kitchen staff, Marsha Cutsinger, Karen Andersen, Barbra Trent, Kathy Morrow, and Jane Mathias. This group of ladies is incredible. They served chicken casserole and it was delicious. Thank you to Jim Masters and Lisa Jack for running the bar and the Show drink special the Ho Ho Ho. Thank you to Stan Willis for working the door. Thank you to Deb and John Britt and the entire cast for such an incredible show. A special thank you to Sharon Decker and Kendra Wilkinson at Two Vintage Sisters for the use of the toys.

Here is the cast. Santa's Shorts by Lucy Williams SANTA..... Brad Ebbers, MRS. SANTA..... Angie Morris

Rapper's by Lucy Williams Madilyn Thomas, Caradee Bolton, Chloe Yenni-Adams, Elias Filbeck, Emberlyn Gorman, Eridan Gorman

Hank's Tree Farm by Lucy Williams Tom Storrer, John Britt

Rollin' in Dough in Mistletoe or... Don't Crack Jingle Bell Rock by Marietta Slater

HOLLY—Madilyn Thomas, CAROL HALL— Yevonne Gorman, MAYOR HALL— Brad Zimmerman, SHERIFF EVERGREEN—Janet Davis, RANDOLF (BOWLEGGED COWBOY) -

Brad Ebbers ROLLAND N. DOUGH —Mike Shryock SANDY CLAWS —Rose Wilson

Mom by Lucy Williams Madilyn Thomas, Caradee Bolton, Chloe Yenni-Adams, Elias Filbeck, Emberlyn Gorman, Eridan Gorman, Brad Zimmerman

Kringle, Krumple, and Kramer Attorneys at Law by Lucy Williams ATTORNEY— Mike Shrock, VICTIM —Rose Wilson, VICTIM - Deb Kirkpatrick, VICTIM - Eridan Gorman

'Twas The Night Before The Night Before Christmas' by Pat Cook BAILEY COX— Michelle Morse, BETH MASON - Madilyn Thomas, ALLAN WHITFIELD - Brad Ebbers, ELVIRA WHEELER - Janet Davis, CAMERON LOGAN - Tom Storrer, JESSIE SAWYER— Yevonne Gorman, HANNA SAWYER - Patricia Bolton, HUNTER OWENS - Roger Cutsinger, CASSANDRA CASEY - Angie Morris, CHARLOTTE THOMPSON - Rose Wilson

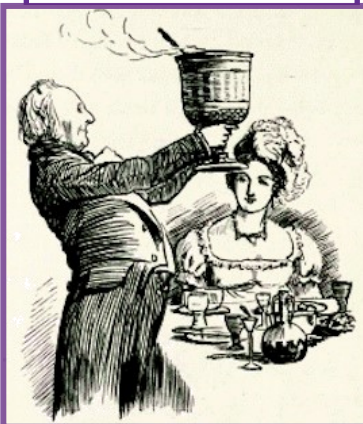
We hope to see you for the spring show. Break—a-leg! *Sean Cutsinger*



GAME NIGHT

Monday, December 12, Loren Anthony hosted another game night. If you want to challenge the winners this month and if you want the bragging rights, then come out and play on Monday, January 09. It is a fun time. They start the games at 6:00 p.m. Loren wants to see you all come out and play.

Sean Cutsinger



EVERY THURSDAY

at 7:00 p.m.

Early Bird at 6:00 p.m.

DOORS OPEN

at 5:00 p.m.



From the Desk of the Chaplain and Editor

Hello my fellow members. Another year is now in the books. It certainly went by fast. As the holiday season is starting to wind down, there are three types of people. Those that don't put up any decorations or tree, those that take their tree down Christmas night or the day after, or those like me who celebrate until the end of the traditional Christmas season which is on January 6th. Christmas isn't just a day it's a feeling. I love everything

about Christmas and what it means. Have you heard the song "the twelve days of Christmas"? It has a meaning. The first day is December 25 and ends on January 6 (Epiphany). Different traditions mark the date starting on December 25 or December 26. According to Christian tradition, January 5 or 6, is when the three kings arrived in Bethlehem after Jesus was born. The day is also known as The Feast of Epiphany, The Twelfth Night, or Three Kings Day. Tradition says it is also unlucky to take your tree down before January 6. I need all the luck I can get so I always leave mine up through January 6. This marks the end of the Christmas celebrations. However, holidays are not over just yet. January 6 is also the start of the Mardi Gras season. It is tradition to serve King Cake on January 6. Three Kings day is why it is called "king's cake" and why there is a tiny plastic baby placed inside. It is believed that whoever finds the baby in their piece of cake is the "king" or "queen, and it is considered Good Luck!

Wassailing is also part of Christmas and New Years, but do you know why? It is actually dated way back to the 1400's. It was a way of passing good wishes between friends and family. First, you may ask what is Wassail? Traditionally, it is hard liquor, crabapples, citrus, brandy, honey, and other spices. Crisps of bread were floated on top. This is where the "toast" salutation derived. There are many versions with liquor and without. It is served warm, usually from a large silver or pewter bowl, that would be passed around with the greeting, 'Wassail'. This is a drink that is meant to be shared. The term is an old English Saxon one. It was originally 'waes hael' meaning "be well". Saxton custom was that at midnight on New Years Eve that the lord of the manor would shout 'waes hael'. The party goers would shout back 'drinc hael', meaning 'drink and be healthy'. As time went by the tradition extended to party guests going from door to door carrying a bowl of wassail and giving good wishes for the new year. In return household would give them money, or food and it was believed that they would have good luck for the year ahead. You probably have heard the song that went like this: *Here we come a-wassailing, Among the leaves so green, Here we come a-wassailing, So fair to be seen: Love and joy come to you, And to you your wassail too, And God bless you and send you, A happy New Year, And God send you, A happy New Year.*

In the eighteenth century, farmers in the west of Great Britain toasted the good health of apple trees. This was for good wishes of great apple crops for the new year. Cider-soaked bread was placed in the tree branches to ward off evil spirits. Some villagers splashed the trees with wassail while beating on pots and pans while singing: Let every man take off his hat, And shout out to th'old apple tree, Old apple tree we wassail thee, And hoping thou will bear.

I pray that everyone have a healthy and prosperous New Year, with lots of love and peace. To my fellow members, family and friends, WASSAIL!!!!

My email is SeanCutsinger@gmail.com. **God Bless You and Happy New Year , Sean**

JANUARY

Birthdays of the Month

- 07 **David Wilson**
- 09 **Katy Wohlgemuth**
- 17 **Dwight Marcum**
- 20 **Charles Long Sr**
- 23 **Thomas Clark**
- 29 **Donald Storrer**
- 31 **Harold Phillips**



community and we prefer to do this hands off approach.

2023 Beacon Grant of \$4,000.00 was given to *The Safe House*. This organization provides a safe haven for abused, education for teens, a crises hot line, they help with protection from abuse orders. Here are some of the statistics on how many they served last year: Emergency Shelter Clients – 38 adults / 34 children emergency Hotel stays – 8 nights (4 clients) turned away due to being at capacity – 41 calls shelter Support group participants – 94 (held 3 X weekly) Assisted w / Protection Orders – 201 (+ 19 denied) Crisis Hotline calls - 826 Children's Prevention / Teen Dating Violence Prevention – 1043 students (This number is down from previous years due to COVID-19 but on the rise with 4 new rural area schools participating)

2023 Gratitude Grant of \$2,500.00 was given to the *Butler Homeless Initiative*. Butler Homeless Initiative provides a refuge for those in need who have no other place to go. At BHI you will always find a warm, dry bed, hot food, and helpful people. Additionally, guests also receive information on mental health treatment, resources on drug and alcohol addiction, housing and job searches. This is the only homeless support in our county. Often times homelessness is not a choice, but a result of unfortunate circumstances that lead to a homeless life and a feeling of hopelessness. BHI Has grown its program to not only provide a place to sleep and a hot meal, but makes a plan for the person or family to find a home and keep it.

Lisa Jack



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www.KSelks.org/ElDorado/ElDorado.asp

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ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION

The goal is \$4.80 per member. As of 12/26/2022 we have 14 lodges ahead of the goal. This is amazing as the lodges are really stepping up. Thank you. Kansas is rated #30 out of 48 states. The standings across the state are as follows.

MR. & MRS. BRITT

Help me to congratulate Deb (Kirkpatrick) and John Britt. They got married on December 17, 2022 at the lodge. Congratulations Deb and John. I wish you both all the best!

Sean Cutsinger

EVENT BOOKINGS

If you are planning a special event, like a Wedding, anniversary birthday party, or class reunions, please let a member know or call

316-321-9393

01 is **Overland Park** at \$38.66 To date they have donated \$7,344.85. They are currently #32 in the nation.

02 is **El Dorado** at \$21.83 and #97 in the nation.

03 is **Pratt** at \$14.57

04 is **Clay Center** at \$7.60

05 is **Parsons** at \$7.42

06 is **Atchison** at \$7.26

07 is **Osawatomie** at \$6.68

08 is **Abilene** at \$6.65

09 is **Salina** at \$6.28

10 is **Fort Scott** at \$5.92

11 is **Chanute** at \$5.85

12 is **Russell** at \$5.70

13 is **Junction City** at \$5.52

14 is **Garden City** at \$5.17

15 is **Goodland** at \$4.20

16 is **Iola** at \$3.16

17 is **Hoxie** at \$2.80

18 is **Ottawa** at \$2.25

19 is **Mc Pherson** at \$0.50

20 is **Virtual Lodge** at \$0.00

If you need help, let me know what I can do. ENF is how our programs and grants are funded. The easiest way to donate is to have it come out each month automatically, either from your bank account or credit card. Consider setting this up for \$10.00 or more a month. **I need to have a registered ENF chair listed for every lodge.**

You can register at enf.elks.org/volunteers. *Sean Cutsinger*

 <h1>January 2023</h1>						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 New Year's Day	2 Lodge Meeting 7:00 p.m. New Year's Day Observed	3	4	5 Lodge BINGO 6:00 p.m. Twelfth Night	6 Epiphany Three Kings Day	7 Mahayana New Year Orthodox Christmas Day
8 ACT I Players Meeting 4:00 p.m.	9	10	11	12 Lodge BINGO 6:00 p.m.	13	14 Karaoke Night 7:00 p.m.
15	16 Lodge Meeting 7:00 p.m. Martin Luther King Jr. Day	17	18	19 Lodge BINGO 6:00 p.m.	20	21
22	23	24	25	26 Lodge BINGO 6:00 p.m.	27	28
29	30 Main St. Meeting 12:00 p.m.	31				



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