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#### STATE CONVENTION

Remember that the State Convention is May 4 through the 7, 2023. The convention will be in Wichita at the Doubletree by Hilton Hotel Wichita Airport. Please plan on attending. Especially all officers should attend as it is a great time and you can meet other Elks from around the state. Sean Cutsinger

#### **LODGE MEETINGS**

May 01, 2023 May 15, 2023 Initiation All members invited.



## JIMMY HOLMES AS ELVIS

The lodge and our community had the great pleasure of having Jimmy Holmes perform for us on Friday and Saturday evenings of April 14 and 15. This is now the third time that Jimmy has performed at our lodge. "Jimmy Holmes is an award-winning Elvis Tribute Artist from Demotte, Indiana. He has traveled across the USA and abroad showcasing his authentic tribute to the King. Attendees are left mesmerized by his ability to embody Elvis in the early 1970s. He has taken the Elvis industry by storm with his attention to detail and show-stopping performances leading to offers from promoters worldwide, citing his unique ability to create an illusion of Elvis like none other. He has won numerous awards in the ETA industry but his most cherished is when he was awarded the Dream King trophy on the Westgate stage in Las Vegas. The same stage where Elvis played his hundreds of sold-out shows during his Las Vegas reign. Jimmy considers it an honor and a dream come true to be able to travel the world paying tribute to the greatest entertainer of all time." This was taken from the www.jimmyholmeseta.com website. Jimmy brought his wife Kaylin and his mom and dad, Jim and Jennie Holmes. Jimmy said he loves to come to El Dorado because he gets to sing some of Elvis's other 700 plus songs that he doesn't normally get to sing. In contests he has a set of songs that are required. During intermission his dad Jim Holmes performed for us both nights. He used to be an Elvis impersonator himself. They both entertained the audience and we even had some patrons get up and dance in the isles. On Saturday Jimmy had to eat at Jimmy's Egg. They even got a souvenir to take home. There was a meet and greet before the performance on Saturday. The Act One Players had Jimmy Holmes Kansas Fan Club T-shirts made up. Jimmy will be back again in 2024. Please stay tuned as to exact dates. Thank you to the Holmes family for a great weekend. Sean Cutsinger



## TLC HOSPICE UNIT AT DOLE VA HOSPITAL

Stan Willis and Loren Anthony went to the birthday party for the patients. Loren asked what they would like to have or needed. They said they needed some color. With the funds from the aluminum can program, that Loren started years ago with the WWII museum, the guys purchased this flower bed cart and some flowering plants. Thank you. Sean Gutsinger



## **GAME NIGHT**

## EXTRA, EXTRA!!!!!!!

I have some exciting news about game night, Each month will be themed game nights. They have players will teachers and available. Each month going forward if you want to learn or teach a certain game, then you should contact Loren Anthony. It sounds like it will be a great time. They start the games at 6:00 p.m. Loren wants to see you all come out and play. So, come learn how to play a new game and have a great time with your fellow Elks. All members their and guests are welcome to This past play. month April 10, they learned how to play cribbage.

Sean Cutsinger





et 7:00 p.m.
Early Bird at 6:00 p.m.

at 5:00 p.m.

## From the Desk of the Chaplain and News Writer



Hello my fellow members. I hope you all are well. Memorial Day is the unofficial start of summer. An American holiday observed on the last Monday in May, to honor the brave men and women who passed while serving in the U.S. military. It was

originally called Decoration Day. This began in the early 1860's, during the American Civil War. Citizens would place flowers on the graves of the fallen soldiers killed in battle. It is unclear as to how it really got started. One of the earliest observances took place in Charleston, South Carolina, less than a month after the Confederacy surrendered in 1865. This was organized by a group of formerly enslaved people. On May 5, 1868, General John A. Logan, leader of the Northern Civil War Veterans, wanted to hold a nationwide day of remembrance. He proclaimed "The 30th of May, 1868, is designated for the purpose of strewing with flowers, or otherwise decorating the graves of comrades who died in defense of their country during the late rebellion, and whose bodies now lie in almost every city, village and hamlet churchyard in the land." He chose this date because it wasn't the anniversary of any particular battle. This first Decoration Day, General James Garfield made a speech at the Arlington National Cemetery, where 5,000 participants decorated the graves of 20,000 Civil War soldiers buried there. Several of the Northern states also held Decoration Day events and they quickly made it a yearly tradition. By 1890 the Northern States made it an official state holiday. The southern states held their own remembrances on different dates. This did not change until after World War I. After this war the holiday evolved to include all military personnel who passed in all wars. This later included World War II, The Vietnam War, The Korean War, The Iraq and Afghanistan Wars. Decoration day was always held on May 30, until congress passed the Uniform Monday Holiday Act, in 1968. This was to allow federal employees to have a three day weekend. So the last Monday of the month of May was established as Memorial Day. It went into effect in 1971, also making it a federal holiday. The American flag is also to be at half staff until noon on Memorial Day, then raised to full staff. In 2000, U.S. congress passed legislation, that all Americans are to pause at 3:00 p.m. their local time, drop whatever they are doing and observe a National Moment of Remembrance.

My email is SeanCutsinger@gmail.com. To Our Absent Members! God Bless, Sean



40 PLAYS IN 40 MINUTES Thursday, March 30 the Act I Players performed tor a private group at the Butler Community College. It was a race against the clock in this madcap challenge to perform 40 plays in only 40 minutes! Guaranteed to generate lots of laughs — it's like putting a joke book on stage! Janet Davis directed and the cast is the following: Eriden Gorman, Jane Mathias, Yevonne Gorman, Emberlyn Gorman, Chance Fields, Sheila Hoyt, Tom Storrer, Roger Cutsinger, Deb Kirkpatrick, Michelle Morse, and John Britt. Public performance will be, May 13. \*\*Sean \*\*Cutsinger\*\*



- 02 Kelly Herzet
- 04 David Greene
- 04 Kevin Lowmaster
- 06 Jed Morse
- 14 Theodore Gill
- 17 Valarie Bean
- 23 Darlene Laing
- 23 Brian Vermillion
- 24 Michelle Morse
- 25 Eddie Neubecker
- 26 Richard King
- 26 Stanley Willis

## DILLIONS & AMAZON SMILE DONATIONS

You can register your Dillon's card and your Amazon account under the El Dorado BPOE Foundation. We get a percentage kicked back to us. This is free money for the foundation. You can register online for both and the Dillon's is www.dillons.com.

Amazon is under Amazon Smile and it does not affect your Prime membership. I urge all of you to register your accounts. If you need help setting up your accounts, please stop by Jack Insurance and let them help you set it up. Mon-Fri 9am-5pm. Just have your Dillon's card Number and phone number. Lisa Fack

### **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



#### MURDER BY NATURAL CAUSES

Tim Kelly. "Produced by special arrangement with THE DRAMATIC PUBLISHING COMPANY of Woodstock, Illinois" The Act I Players performed this stylish and witty suspense thriller that has some twists and turns in this ingenious plot. The show was Friday and Saturday April 21 and 22 with two shows on Saturday at 2 and 7 p.m. "Arthur Sinclair, (played by the brilliant Mike Shryock), is a successful world-famous mentalist in the

tradition of Dunninger. His beautiful wife Allison (played by Angie Morris) plots his murder for the commonest of all motives -- greed. She enlists the aid of a struggling young actor, (played by Jaydyn Drake). Her foolproof murder plan cannot possibly misfire as it's too skillfully inventive -- or is it? After all, Arthur (as everyone knows) has psychic gifts. But does he? Once the killing scheme is set in motion, the plot begins to twist and turn. Nothing is as it seems. Is mind reading possible? Can the future be foretold? Just when the audience figures out what will happen next, there is an unexpected shock to complicate matters in an amusing and scary fashion. The mystery builds to an exciting climax where Arthur's gifts not only saves his life but also create a devilish new puzzle that will keep the audience on the edge of its collective seat. It will take all of your mental powers to solve this wildly clever and entertaining thriller." The rest of the cast consists of Chance Fields, Roger Cutsinger, Jane Mathias, Michelle Morse, and Deb Kirkpatrick. Brad Zimmerman and Rose Wilson directed this amazing show. Marsha Cutsinger, Barbara Trent, Karen Andersen, and Stan Willis cooked Ham, Cheesy Oven Baked Potatoes, cinnamon apple sauce jello and poke-cake for desert. Thank you to Jim Masters and Lisa Jack for working the bar. Thank you to Jed Morse, Dallas Britt, John Steinbacher, and Kathy Morrow for serving. I did some of the sound effects and created the show flyer and programs. Thank you to Faith Noonan, Annabelle and Grace Wise for

running lights. Thank you to everyone who came out to support us. Sean Gutsinger





## **ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION**

I want to thank each and every one of you, for an amazing year. We couldn't have done this without all of your support. The goal for the year was set by GER Bruce Hidley. Kansas goal was \$4.80 per member. As of 03-31-2023, all eighteen lodges, met their per member goal. The State of Kansas as a whole has donated \$48,035.02 our goal was set at \$22,012.80. That is \$10.47 per member of the 4,586 members in the state. For the 22-23 year

Kansas was ranked 21 out of the 48 states.

#### The standings in the state as follows:

# 01 is **Overland Park** at # 10 is **Osawa** 

\$42.68 and #50 in the nation. #02 is **El Dorado** at \$31.60

# 03 is **Pratt** at \$17.26

# 04 is **Ottawa** at \$16.38

# 05 is **Parsons** at \$10.98

# 06 is **Atchison** at \$9.84

# 07 is **Clay Center** at \$8.14

# 08 is **Abilene** at \$8.00

# 09 is **Salina** at \$6.84

# 10 is **Osawatomie** at \$6.84

# 11 is **Chanute** at \$6.34

# 12 is Fort Scott at \$6.10

# 13 is **Russell** at \$6.06

# 14 is **Garden City** at \$6.03

# 15 is **Iola** at \$6.03

# 16 is **Junction City** at \$5.55

# 17 is **Hoxie** at \$5.34

# 18 is **Goodland** at \$4.96

ENF is how our programs and grants are funded. The easiest way to donate is to become a Fidelity Club Member. This is a monthly donation that will come out each month automatically, either from your bank account or credit card. Consider setting this up for \$10.00 or more a month. \*\*Gean \*\*Cutsinger\*\*



# May 2023



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
	1 Lodge Meeting 7:00 p.m. MAY DAY	2	3	4 Lodge BINGO 6:00 p.m.	5 State Convention in Wichita	6 State Convention in Wichita	
7 State Convention in Wichita	8 Game Night 6:00 p.m.	9	10	11 Lodge BINGO 6:00 p.m.	12	13 40 Plays in 40 Minutes 7:00 p.m.	
14 MOTHER'S DAY	15 Lodge Meeting 7:00 p.m.	16	17	18 Lodge BINGO 6:00 p.m. ASCENTION	19	20 ARMED FORCES DAY	
21	22 Main St. Meeting 12:00	23	24	25 Lodge BINGO 6:00 p.m.	26	27	
28	29	30	31		.org ks.org/El Dorado/El Dorado.asp pook.com/ElDoradoelks		







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