

THE STAG LINE



Exalted Ruler's Corner

Hello Members,

This will be my last newsletter. It has been an honor and privilege serving as your Exalted Ruler for the past year.

I would like to thank the officers. I appreciate all of your hard work and support. And thank you to the Trustees, PER's and the House Committee for their help and support.

The PER Ball will be March 23, 2024. Cocktails and socialization will be at 5:00 P.M., dinner at 6:00 P.M. followed by awards. We will have a DJ afterwards. Please sign up on a sheet in the hall by the bathrooms to help get a headcount.

Finally, I want to congratulate all the officers who were elected for the 2024-2025 year. I am sure they will do an outstanding job for the Lodge next year.

Elks Care, Elks Share
Best Regards,
Avan Solomon, Exalted Ruler



LOOKING FOR OLD LODGE PINS

We would like to collect old Lodge pins (Elk or Elkette) to put on display for the 50th Anniversary Gala.

Preferably from 1970 through 2005.

Please indicate whether the pin (or pins) are a donation to the Lodge or if you would like the pin (or pins) returned.

If you have a pin (or pins) for the display, please contact Frank Kerby or Maria Stiles

UNDER THE SEA

PER BALL

Saturday March 23, 2024

5:00 p.m. Cocktails

6:00 p.m. Dinner

7:00 p.m. Program & Awards

8:00 p.m. DJ/Dance

There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board if you would like to attend.



Blue Springs Lodge 50th Anniversary Gala

April 27, 2024 5:30 P.M.

Semi-Formal



State and Grand Lodge dignitaries will be present at the anniversary event.

Sign up for the event is limited to the first 150 members (including guests)

We will be making tickets for the event as well and can be picked up at the Lodge in order to verify our attendance counts. Please make every effort to pick them up prior to the event.

Event Assistance Needed:

The event will need volunteers in several areas.

Event set up and decorating on April 26th

Assistance during the event clearing tables and dignitary assistance on April 27th.

Event tear down and clean up on April 28th.

Sign up sheets are on the bulletin board.

Fraternally, Erik Grotenhuis,
50th Anniversary Committee Chairman



2024 STATE
BOWLING
TOURNAMENT
March 2-3

Host Lodge Perryville #2701
KC Bowling Center
304 W South Street, Perryville, MO



**GUYLA 9 PIN NO TAP
BOWLING TOURNAMENT**

Blue Springs Bowl
Saturday March 9, 2024

\$20.00 Per Person

Raffle and 50/50

Sign in at 12:00 P.M.

Bowling begins at 1:00 P.M.

Cash only

Sign Up Sheets are posted at the
Lodge

Event sponsored by the Elkettes



**LUCK OF THE DRAW
DART TOURNAMENT**

Saturday March 16, 2024

Sign up at 6:00 P.M.

Drawing of teams at 7:00 P.M.

\$15 Entry Fee.

Half of entry fee goes towards the
Christmas Baskets.

Half goes into prize money with the
House Committee matching.

Pay out: 1st, 2nd and 3rd

Boards will not be covered.

February Winner: Dan Harper

YOUTH EASTER EGG HUNT

Saturday March 30, 2024

10:00 A.M.

Sign up Sheet by Office



KEGS AND EGGS

Adult Easter

Egg Hunt

Saturday

March 30, 2024

Register at 4:30 P.M.

Begins at 5:00 P.M.

\$10.00 Per Person

ADULTS ONLY!!!

Hunt-Easter Basket Contest-Prizes

Donations are needed for the hunt.

Donation suggestions: mini bottles of alco-
hol, candy, candles, spring decorations,
wine, lotions, men items.

Items can be left by the ATM machine
marked Kegs and Eggs.

Event sponsored by the Elkettes

ELKETTE NEWS...WE MAKE A DIFFERENCE!!!
NEXT ELKETTE MEETING THURSDAY 3/14/2024 7:00 P.M.

Elkettes Annual Membership Dues are Due!!!

This is a reminder that our new Elkettes year is beginning in April 2024 and our membership dues are due by 3/31/2024.

According to our By-Laws (Article II, Section 3), dues shall be \$25.00 annually, payable at the end of the March meeting each year. Any member three (3) months delinquent in their dues may be dropped from membership.

Please contact Roxy Herman, Treasurer or Patty Dresser, Recording Secretary to pay your dues on or before March 31, 2024.

Also, you can pay your dues in the following ways:

1. Mail them to Elkettes, 100 NE Brizendine Road, Blue Springs, MO 64014
2. Leave your dues in the lockable Elkettes mailbox in the Main hallway at the Lodge
3. Pay via Venmo @Elk_Ladies_2509

Also we would like everyone to complete a new membership form so we can make sure everything is up to date. You can find them hanging on the Elkettes Bulletin board located in the back hallway.

Thank you in advance and we are all really looking forward to enjoying a great year with each other.

Sincerely,

Patty Dresser, Recording Secretary 816-461-9776
 Roxy Herman, Treasurer 816-305-1022



Our hearts are saddened by the sudden loss of our fellow Elkettes member Cathy Postlethwait.

Our thoughts and prayers are with her husband David and the Postlethwait family.

Thinking of You

Jim MacKay
 Gary O'Hare
 Theresa McGraw
 Don Lyons



Sympathy

David Postlethwait and family (Wife Cathy passed away)
 Michael Moore and family (Mike's mother Joanne passed away)
 Family of CJ Jenkins

COOKING TEAMS

March 1

**Nancy Mickelson
 & LeeAnn Nelson**

**Chicken Spiedini with Sauce
 Pasta, Salad, Vegetable,
 Bread & Dessert**

March 13

Elkettes Officers

TBA

FEBRUARY MEETING

WINNERS

Cash Drawing:

Laurie Doult

Gift Card:

Rene Shalon

50/50:

Kim Osborne

CONGRATULATIONS ELKETTE

OF THE MONTH

Fran Sousley

HAPPY MARCH ELKETTE BIRTHDAYS!

3/1 John Phillips, 3/4 Lisa Patrick,
 3/7 Dana Showalter, 3/9 Toni Eckman,
 3/12 Helen Williamson, 3/18 Jeanne Schnieder,
 3/20 Marsha Rieck, 3/23 Phyllis Clevenger,
 3/24 Lori Crutcher, 3/28 Mary Ellis

INVESTIGATION REPORT FEBRUARY 15, 2024

3 TO BE READ FOR INITIATION

Marilyn Moots
 Eddie Davis
 Charles Jones

1 TO BE READ FOR REINSTATEMENT

Matt Harvard

1 TO BE READ FOR AFFILIATION

Kristin Cooksey

2 TO BE

INVESTIGATED/INTERVIEWED

Timothy Olah
 James Roberts

11 TO BE VOTED ON FOR INITIATION

Zachary Davis Katharine Lochman
 Kenneth Ballinger Christina Ballinger
 John Haynie Susan Sarna
 Robert Sarna Ricky LeGrotte
 Justin Wulff Jon Brown
 Jennifer Bond

1 TO BE VOTED ON FOR AFFILIATION

Doug Suthoff Lodge #1034

Submitted by Frank Kerby

19 TO BE INDOCTRINATED

Kyle Jarnagin Amanda Cavan
 Jeremy Schaefer Mark Thompson
 Preston Snider Chester Piotrowski
 Mattison Meyers II Karey Feightner
 Kim Best Charles Johnston
 Joseph Brunner Jr Carol Sinn
 Michelle Jones Mark Elliott
 Anthony Hawkins Frank Rodak
 Joshua Limberg Ann Tharp
 Mark Boos



RAFFLE!

Final Drive for
Benevolent Trust Per Capita Goal

1st Place: \$50 in Scratcher Tickets PLUS
\$50 Quick Trip and \$50 Fazoli Gift Cards

2nd Place: 7 Quart Stock Pot

3rd Place: Desk Top Dart Board

Tickets \$2 Each or 6 for \$10

See Curt Zollers or the bartenders for tickets.

First Responder News



The First Responder Committee is proud to announce the \$10,000 Impact Grant was renewed for a second year!

We will be partnering with CJCFPD again this year to provide CPR, Safe Sitter and new this year...Grandparent Safe Sitter classes. We will continue to assist with CPR Classes for Blue Springs High School Freshmen, Smoke Detector Installation and providing safety equipment for our first responders.

If you have any questions about the grant or wish to become a member of the First Responder committee, please reach out to Virginia DeBoard, Tony Lopez, Bill Sweeney, Tosha Grotenhuis or email firstresponder2509@gmail.com

Submitted by Tosha Grotenhuis

The First Responder Committee will be making a presentation to recognize area first responder nominees before dinner on Friday March 1st.

Please join the First Responder Committee.
Next meeting March 6th at 6:00 P.M.

FIRST RESPONDERS FUNDRAISER

Cold Fire Extinguishers are for sale at \$40 each. These are small and put out an amazing fire. Contact any member of the First Responders Committee and they will point you in the right direction so you can get yours.

Virginia DeBoard
virginiadeboard@gmail.com



Veterans Meeting

Please join our team!

New members are welcome!

Next Meeting March 6, 2024 5:00 P.M.

See Ed Rieck for questions

Drug Awareness News

Overdosing Poster→



←Meth Mouth
Visual Aid

Marijuana Vaping
Stand↓

The Drug Awareness Committee with some help from the First Responder Committee was able to purchase several visual aids for our Lodge to use when attending community events.



**LOOKING FOR A
PERSON TO BE
RESPONSIBLE FOR
INTERIOR
MAINTENANCE**

Please see
Frank Kerby or
Kevin Etris

**MISSOURI STATE ELKS
SPRING CONVENTION**

March 15-17-2024



MISSOURI *Elks* PASSPORT PROGRAM

Passports are in!

If you ordered a passport, please see
Avan Solomon for pick up.

Do you enjoy visiting other Lodges in our great state?

The Missouri Elks Passport Program is just for you!!!

Collect all 71 stamps for special prizes.

This project is a major state benevolent trust fundraiser.

If you would like to order a passport, please see Avan
before March 15th (State Convention).

Passports are \$15.00

More information can be found on their facebook page:

Missouri Elks Passport Program

or contact Theresa Suda at

moelkspassportprogram@gmail.com



NOTICE: BACK ROOM RENTAL

Sunday-Thursday \$40.00

Friday-Saturday \$175.00

Contact Kevin Huff

CHRISTMAS BASKET HELP NEEDED FOR 2024

The Christmas Basket Committee is looking for
someone to help with the **CALLING** portion of the
process. This person will need to be available
from middle of September until the week of
DELIVERY. October will be your busiest time.

If interested, please contact Debby Aliff at
816-456-7760 or daliff1967@gmail.com



MEMBERSHIP

Are you interested in assisting
with the process of bringing
new members into our Lodge?

Do you enjoy meeting new
people and sharing details
about our Lodge and the
history of our order?

The Membership Committee has opportunities for you!

The more folks we can get involved in this important
committee, the better we can serve our Lodge.

Please contact any of the Lodge officers or
Frank Kerby, secretary to find out more.

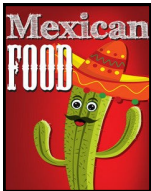

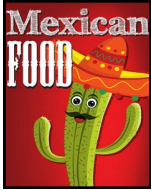
*****The following members will be dropped if their 2023/2024 dues are not paid by 3-15-2024*****

If your name is on the list and you've paid your dues, please contact Frank Kerby immediately to get resolved.

Submitted by Frank Kerby, PDDGER/PER, Secretary

Andrew Adkins	James Edwards	Lance Homer	Cris Mart	Joseph Sewell
Steven Allen	Jeremy Fajen	Rick Howard	Eric Mason	Stephanie Shelton
Jacob "Max" Austin	Pamela Ferguson	Larry Jennings Jr	Brandy McCauslin	Kelly Sloan
Robert Ballard	Iva Fossett	Shannon Johnson	Anthony "Tony" McCullough	Tom Smith
Diana Basinger	Erica Franke	Steven Johnson	Jacob "Jake" Michael	Michael Spiegel
Randy Behrens	Vincent Franklin Jr	Billy Jones	John Murdock	Robert Sternberg
Daniel Bolin	Donald Haley	PAST DUE	Richard Musgrave	William Stratton
Frederick "Fred" Brown	Jerry Hanlan		Shane Musgrave	Harley "Mike" Sweeney
Evan Carter	Diana Harvell	David Jones	Kevin Newlon	Mark Tadlock
Carl "Toby" Contreras	Terry Hefta	Steve Kimball	Joe Panza	Kenneth Tharp
Matthew Coulson	Chris Heier	Thomas King	Danillo Quick	Douglas Thompson
William "David" Courtright	Markus Henderson	Christopher Knox	Paul Quick	Tom Tryon
Jeremy Curless	Hugh Henke	Thomas Lee	Matt Riley	Lowell Warden
Leo Deistler	Larry Hester	Jordan Lichte	Dale Robinson	Tammy Weber
Matthew Dresslaer	Chris Hickman	Kaylee Lull	Tina Sawyers	Chuck Welch

MARCH 2024

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
Lodge Anniversary Gala April 27					1 First Responder Presentation before dinner Dinner Nancy Mickelson & LeeAnn Nelson Chicken Spiedini	2 State Bowling Tournament
3 Breakfast &7 Classic Breakfast State Bowling Tournament	4 DAP Essay, Poster & Video Contest Due	5	6 Dinner Veterans Mtg 5PM First Responder Meeting 6PM	7 Lodge Meeting 7 PM	8 Dinner	9 Guyla 9 Pin No Tap Bowling Tournament
10 Breakfast \$7 Classic Breakfast	11 	12	13 Dinner Elkette Officers	14 Elkette Meeting 7PM	15 Dinner State Convention	16 Dart Tournament State Convention
17 NO Breakfast State Convention  Happy Patrick's Day!	18	19	20 Dinner	21 Lodge Meeting 7PM	22 Dinner News Due	23 PER Ball
24 Breakfast \$7 Sandi's Crew 31 NO Breakfast Easter	25 	26	27 Dinner	28	29 Dinner	30 Youth Easter Egg Hunt Kegs and Eggs

MARCH BREAKFAST —Breakfast served 8:30-11:00 A.M.

3/3 \$7: Classic Breakfast

3/10 \$7: Classic Breakfast

3/17: NO BREAKFAST-STATE CONVENTION

3/24 \$7: Sandi's Crew-Benefit for Scholarship Funds-Eggs, B&G or
Toast, Bacon or Sausage, Hash Browns

3/31: NO BREAKFAST-EASTER

NEWS ARTICLES for the April newsletter
are due **Friday MARCH 22, 2024**

Articles may be left in the newsletter mailbox
in the Lodge Secretary's office or sent via email to
loueechee@sbcglobal.net or
bpoe2509news@gmail.com
Thank you, Dawn Sweeney, Editor

MARCH BIRTHDAYS					
	4-Scott Williams	9-Judy Landrum	16-Howard Heck	22-Vincent Franklin	25-Cheryl Rose
1-Lyle Irwin	5-Addyson Shaw	9-Robert Little	16-Paul Nager	22-Aaron Habben	25-Justin Starr
1-Kenneth Tharp	6-Phillip Bartolotta	9-Lorelei Schieferdecker	17-Mark Constance	22-Bruce Hart	25-Mark Williams
2-Travis Chambers	6-William Chapman	9-James Schuberth	17-Linda Duckworth	22-Kevin Huff	26-George Austin
2-Rodney Embree	6-John Frederico	9-Brian Smith	17-Ian Evans	22-Rodney Jones	26-George Cruz
2-Brandy McCauslin	6-John Martin	10-Michael Bebout	17-Stephanie Lockler	22-Joseph Sewell	26-Chris Hickman
2-Ann Mollenhour	6-David Rees	10-Harold Epps	17-Gabriel Lutes	22-Douglas Thompson	26-Connie Kenig
2-James Norman	6-Bruce Stone	10-Carly Helmandollar	18-Pamela Ferguson	23-Frank Cardello	26-Billie Tallman
2-Jim O'Hare	6-Ronald Toles	10-Ronald Hollingsworth	18-Vicki Hogan	23-David Korotev	29-James Bottiger
2-Bryon Stacy	7-Deanna Baugher	10-Matthew Neuweg	18-Lewis Prater	23-Ed Parkhurst	29-David Jones
3-James McKay	7-William Blyler	11-Gary Molitor	19-Richard Casey	23-William Reigel	29-Thomas Maerhofer
3-John Robinson	7-Larry Jennings	11-Greg Nelson	20-Rodger Kirk	24-John Gress	29-Tammy Weber
3-Eric Root	7-Stephen Parnell	12-John Love	20-Sarah Nickell	24-Rick Watkins	30-Anthony Guinn
3-Verlan Stockton	7-Mark Prather	13-Tara Reiter	20-Kevin Steele	24-Edward Wise	30-Stanley Wells
3-Skyler Wirsig	7-Dana Showalter	13-Steve Russell	21-Harold Brown	25-Buzz Atkinson	30-Kevin Wright
3-Coralitor Zades	8-Russell Cook	15-David Pettet	21-Curt Cavanaugh	25-Mark Creswell	31-Bradley Clark
4-John Crump	8-Dennis Yesenosky	15-Terry Richardson	21-Donald Lyons	25-Mark Kenna	31-Thomas Lapour
4-Richard Rose	8-Curtis Zollers	15-Gary Showalter	22-Dana Ellis	25-John Maele	31-Curtis Tadlock
MARCH SPOUSE BIRTHDAYS					
1-Rosalinda Simpson	7-Nancy Pouche	11-Julie Magel	17-Kim Mahan	19-Barbara Hubbard	25-Todd Rose
2-Kristy Harper	7-Heather Rooney	11-Lesa McDowell	17-Patty Webb	20-Marsha Rieck	26-Ann Erickson
3-Dawn Michael	8-Teresa Russell	14-Pam Constance	17-Tammy Sullivan	22-Jessica McKinley	27-Amy Droege
6-Shana Bledsoe	8-Susi Snyder	15-Dana Greco	18-Patricia Collier	22-Amanda Pollard	27-Carrie Ramsey
6-Connie Outlaw	8-Ann Williams	16-Charlotte Hawkins	18-Karla Denish	24-Lori Crutcher	28-Mary Ellis
7-Teresa Childress	9-Toni Eckman	16-Jaime Huerter	18-Deborah Moore	24-Patty Dillon	29-Lonny Borchers
7-Amanda Fajen	10-Teresa Aber	16-Debbie Kerby	18-Jeanne Schneider	24-Stephanie Portlance	29-Becky Kellis
MARCH WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES					
2-Larry & Deanna Baugher	10-Christopher & Linda Bell		19-Lawrence & Deedra Bosworth	23-Curtis & Megan Mercer	
2-Jeff & Mary Lawhon	10-Gregg & Kelli Morrison		19-Scott & Jessica McKinley	24-Matthew & Deena Coulson	
2-James & Donna Sullivan	11-Lee & Dawn Anderson		19-Ricky & Renee Shalon	24-Cris & JJ Mart	
3-Justin & Dyan Zimmerman	13-David & Margaret Longstreet		20-Alfred & Tammy Stansfield	25-Nilesh & Tara Patel	
5-Christopher & Laura Martin	14-Nicholas & Marissa Caldron	16-Jason & Stephanie King	21-John & Audrey Frederico	27-Russell & Buffy Wyman	
5-Russell & Kristy Revis	14-Richard & Gloria Rose	17-Joe & Valerie Becker	21-Billy & Tish Roberts	28-Richard & Pamela Cocke	
5-Timothy & Avan Solomon	15-Gabriel & Courtney Lutes	17-Gregory & Glenna Rehkow	21-Aaron & Dana Willetts	28-John & Julie Short	
6-Jeffrey & Chandra Wilp	15-Carl & Anita Wenke	18-James & Debra Alleman	22-William & Linda Courtright	29-John & Cheri Lund	
9-Everett & Terri Nelson	16-Jared & Shelly Hardin	18-Travis & Shauna Crutcher	23-Randy & Mary Bergquist	29-Luke & Andrea Nay	
LOOKING FOR A WAY TO GET INVOLVED WITH YOUR ELKS LODGE? JOIN A COMMITTEE!!!					
BPOE "BEST PEOPLE ON EARTH" COME JOIN US AND GET INVOLVED!!!					
MARCH 2024		Blue Springs Elks Lodge No. 2509			7

Benevolent & Protective Order of Elks
Blue Springs Lodge #2509
 100 NE Brizendine Road
 Blue Springs, MO 64014
 Telephone: 816-229-6081
 Fax: 816-229-2867

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PERMIT #16

Instituted: March 11, 1974
 Lodge Meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays Monthly at 7:00 p.m.
 Lodge Opens: 2:00 p.m.—10:00 p.m. Monday—Friday
 Lodge Opens: 11:30 a.m.—10:00 p.m. Saturday and Sunday

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



2023-2024 Lodge Officers	
Exalted Ruler	Avan Solomon
Esteemed Leading Knight	Kevin Etris
Esteemed Loyal Knight	Erik Grotenhuis
Esteemed Lecturing Knight	James Griffin
Secretary	Frank M. Kerby, PDDGER/PER
Treasurer	Jennifer Atkinson
Esquire	Shane Stiles
Chaplain	Betty Deterding
Inner Guard	Ed Rieck
Tiler	Rose Heier
5 Year Trustee	Steve Solomon, PER
4 Year Trustee	Ken Billups, PER/PDDGER/PST
3 Year Trustee	Buzz Atkinson, PER/PDDGER
2 Year Trustee	Dana Duckworth
1 Year Trustee	Debby Aliff, PER

2023-2024 Elkettes Officers	
President	Gina Lee
Vice President	Lee Ann Nelson
Recording Secretary	Patty Dresser
Treasurer	Roxy Herman
Corresponding Secretary	Tricia Sharp
Historian	Renee McKay
Sgt.-at-Arms	Rhonda Sullivan
2023-2024 House Committee Upstairs Chairman: Committee: Kevin Doult, Shawn Stark, Jeff Walker, Brian Arant, Chris States, Jeremy Nickell, Tony Guinn & Joe Hilton Bar Manager: Gregg Feightner	
Kitchen Manager: Chip Miller	
Entertainment Committee: Julie Musgrove, Christina Miller, Gina Lee, Kim Lichte, Kylene Hefley, Lissa Stark, Lori Bukaty, Roxy Herman, Sammi Schmidt, Toni Eckman, Tricia Sharp & Renee McKay	
Downstairs Elks Charities: Logan Sousley	