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Our Mission Statement: To inculcate the principals of Charity, Justice,

Brotherly Love and Fidelity; to recognize a belief in God, to promote the welfare and enhance the happiness of its Members; to quicken the spirit of American patriotism; to cultivate good fellowship; to perpetuate itself as a fraternal organization, and to provide for its government, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America will serve the people and communities through benevolent programs, demonstrating that ELKS Care and ELKS Share.

FEBRUARY IS HEART HEALTHY MONTH Take care of your HEART Support ENF - the Great HEART of Elkdom

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The Danville Elks Lodge #332
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Members All,

At our Wednesday night dinner on January 18, 2012, Karen Luse and Jim Anderson, from the Provena Foundation, were our guests. After dinner they were given a check for \$575. The check was presented by Betty Linne, who represented the breast cancer fund raising committee. Mr. Anderson gave a short talk about how the donations to the Provena Foundation are used to improve their services and facilities for cancer patients here is Danville.

Approximately 350 individual size containers of body powder were delivered to the Illinois Elks Association State Meeting in Springfield, and were included in the boxes that were assembled for shipment to our men and women serving in Afghanistan. Donations to help pay for the costs of the body powder would be greatly appreciated. A "donation box" is at the bar. SUPPORT OUR SOLDIERS.

Come on down on February 5th for SUPER BOWL SUNDAY and for our chili cook off. The bar will be open at 1:30 pm and the Illinois vs. Northwestern basketball game will be on the big screen at 2:00 pm. At 4:00 pm the judges will start evaluating the chili submitted for the contest. After the judges have finished, everyone can try the chili and cast their vote for the "people's choice". The super bowl game will start at 5:00 pm. If you so desire, you can bring chili without entering the contest. Root for your favorite team and enjoy great chili at the same time. Guests are welcome.

We are going to celebrate Valentine day on Saturday 2-11-12 with a great dinner planned by DJ and her committee. You will have your choice of veal or chicken parmesan with all the trimmings, and champagne with dessert. Mike Harmon will entertain with music during the evening. Additional details are included in this newsletter. Make your reservations for you and your sweetie today. Guests are welcome.

Don't miss our famous spaghetti dinner on Saturday the 18th. Make your reservations now as we can only accommodate 100. Enjoy great food and great friends. If you can come down early, join us at 4:00 pm for the Illinois vs. Nebraska basketball game. Dinner will be served from 6:30 to 7:30 pm. Guests are welcome.

Remember, your participation in our lodge activities helps to support our lodge and our charitable projects. I noted above that guests are welcome at all three of the listed activities, as this will help to make people aware of who we are and what we do for the community. This can help us increase our membership. **ELKS CARE ELKS SHARE**

Fraternally, Don Luebbers, Exalted Ruler

DISTRICE HOOP SHOOT RESCHEDULED

The East Central District Hoop Shoot has been rescheduled for Saturday, February 4 in Effingham. The "Shoot" will be held at St. Anthony's Junior High School Gym The original "Shoot" was scheduled for January 16 at St. Anthony's HIGH SCHOOL and was canceled because of the ice and sleet storm. The Junior High School is 2 blocks south of the High School, just off of Route 45. Registration time is 12:00 noon, with the "Shoot" starting at 1:00. Best of luck to the students participating from our lodge! The STATE HOOP SHOOT will be held the following week, February 10th and 11th in Decatur. 'Shooters' and their families will met Friday evening and be housed at the Decatur Convention Center. On Saturday morning, participants will be bussed to Thomas Jefferson Middle School, where the "Shoot" will begin at 9am. Awards presentation and lunch WILLbe back at the Convention Center.

SWEETS FOR ELKS?

Of course! We want you to bring your sweetie to the Elks Valentine Dinner, Sat. Feb. 11.
We'll have a romantic dinner of salad, chicken or veal parmesan (your choice), green beans and garlic bread. Dessert is either cherry or strawberry cheesecake served with a glass of champagne. Dinner music will be provided by Mike Harmon. We'll open the doors at 5:30 and dinner will be at 6:00, Saturday, Feb 11.. Cost is \$12.50 each or \$25.00 per couple. Please make your reservations early and keep cupid happy.

SSSSSOUPER-SUPER BOWL SUNDAY

Join us for an afternoon and evening of games, food and fun! Doors will open for our SOUPERBOWL afternoon at 1:30 so you can watch the FIGHTING ILLINI take on NORTHWESTERN. After basketball, we'll have time for a bowl of homemade chili, and then it's on to the 5:00 SUPER BOWL GAME with the GIANTS vs. the PATRIOTS. This is our ANNUAL CHILE COOK-OFF CONTEST, so bring in a pot of your favorite chili. All CHILI entries should be set out by 4:00 so the judges can sample and make their decision of the BEST and the HOTTEST. Those in attendance will select the PEOPLE'S CHOICE. If you don't bring a pot of chili, please bring a snack or a dessert . For a break in basketball and football, other games will be available.

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Take advantage of our BIG Screen and root for your favorite team. Guests of members are welcome - Invite family and friends!!

SPAGHETTI SUPPER

Quale?- (What)- Annual Spaghetti Supper

Qunado?- (When)- Saturday, Feb 18, 2012. 6:30pm Serving

Perche?- (Why)- Because It's So Good

Dove?- (Where)- Villa 332 (Elks Lodge)

Buon Giorno (Hello) from the Three Sicilian Senoras—Cathy Bott, Patricia Cheney, Charlotte Luebbers. **Si** (yes) its that time again! For an evening of authentic (Breta Saladino's Recipe) spaghetti and meatballs, be sure to make reservations (442-0145) by noon on Tuesday February 14, 2012.

The menu includes—Spaghetti and Meatballs, Tossed Salad, Italian Bread and Butter, Elks Birthday Cake, Coffee or Iced Tea for \$10 per person. Bar opens at 3pm. Dinner is served from 6:30-7:30pm. Be sure to get your friends together for this ever popular event! Maximum attendance is 100! **A Più Tardi** (See you later)!

PS: Come early and watch Illinois play Nebraska at 4:00.

Feb 1 GUEST SPEAKER-Dr. Chris Robinson

Dr. Chris Robinson, Chiropractor in Danville since 2003, will kick off "Heart Healthy Month" with tips on staying healthy. His topic is "HOW TO STAY YOUNG IN THE FIRST 100 YEARS." If you know Dr. Chris, you know he will make an interesting, informative and fun presentation. Join us for dinner catered by Landuns and have a great evening!

LODGE OF SORROW

PER Monte G. Goodwin, Born October 13, 1933, Initiated into our Order on October 2, 1958 at Robinson Lodge #1188. Transferred to Danville Lodge #332 in 1865; Served His Lodge as Exalted Ruler in 1985-1986; Became an Honorary Life Member in 1986; Died January 18,2012

He has passed into the light which is beyond the valley of the shadow of death. The places that have known him shall know him no more, but his virtues are now written upon the tablets of love and memory.

NUT SALES TO END SOON

Be sure to get your supply of nuts now.
Several kinds are already out and will not be reordered.
This year's sale will end when the current supply is out! The reordering last year caused the 'sale' to last too long, and we ended up taking a loss on the last few cases. These fresh nuts are good for snacking and are great for baking. Stock up – put several bags in the freezer to enjoy later in the year!

C.C.C. - COIN BOXES

In January, you received a CCC Coin Box in your bulletin (at no extra postage expense). This a 5-month fundraising program for CHILDREN'S CARE that will end in May with a dinner at our lodge. Please bring the filled boxes to the office or bar and pick up an empty box for the next month. (slots will also receive folded paper money or checks) Please be generous - "It's For The KIDS!"

YE OL' SECRETARY SEZ...

It's that time of the year. 2012-2013 DUES STATEMENTS will be mailed out later this month. They are due by April 1st. According to Grand Lodge Statutes and the C.L.M.S. (GL Membership system) you are a 'delinquent member' if your dues are not paid by April 1st. We currently have 11 members who have not paid their 2011-2012 dues. They will be dropped from the membership roll on March 31 – before they become 2 years delinquent. All of our 'per capita' dues to the District, the State and the National Lodge are based on our April 1st membership count. That means we have already paid all dues and fees for the 11 members we will lose. What a shame. For your \$81 in dues, you help our Lodge make a good mark in our community. For every \$1.00 that goes to ENF, over \$2.60 is returned to the Lodges to use in their community or to help directly with Youth Scholarships, or to assist with all the Veteran's programs and activities. Where else can you get that return on your investment?

Please read your "dues statement" carefully and return the bottom portion in the lodge-addressed envelope with your payment. You will also have an opportunity to make a donation to CCC – "Children's Care Corporation," ENF – "Elks National Foundation," and our own building "Contingency Fund."

To help our record keeping: If you are a Veteran, please check the space marked <u>'VETERAN'</u> on your dues statement. MORE VETERAN'S NAMES omitted from the November Bulletin: John Leverenz, Don Mowers, and Jack Schingel (wrong spelling).

If you think we are 'just a bar,' that's O.K., too – but "there ain't no more doller drinks!" We need your \$81.00 so you can be a member of a private 'feel-good-bar'- you feel good when you are with friends having fun AND making donations helping others: Coats-4-Kids, S.O.S. for our overseas troops, Homeless Vets, Hospitalizes Vets, Youth Activities – essays, scholarships, Hoop Shoot, Soccer Shoot, Special Needs Activities, Easter Bunny visits to the Vets and to nursing homes, golf outings, cook-out and dances. Be proud that you are a member of the BPOE - Best People On Earth! Be part of a the "group-in-the-loop" – our daily 'regulars' who come in for their spirited fun and sign the book. They read the posters and bulletin board, talk with D.J. and chat about what's going on – and they are the first to buy the tickets that support our activities. Thanks to the Tuesday 'AA's', the Wednesday 'Diners,' the Thursday 'Cards' and the Friday 'Drawings!' Your support is great. Thank you all!

Please read the bulletin carefully. Activities have been planned for YOU! D.J. and her committee have a great "valentines" evening planned. The "Sicilian Sisters" have a great dinner planned. Sports fans can enjoy College Basketball, Professional Football, and NASCAR races on the big screen. "Leap Year" gives us 5 Wednesday night dinners to enjoy and get in on the "Members-All Drawing." (Note: the committee has a 'meatless' Ash Wednesday dinner.) Come in and celebrate something with someone- the groundhog, Cupid, a President, or just another Elk! – but come in and help chase away the winter 'blaaaazs.'

February Birthday's

02 Glen Kinney

04 Jack Walsh, Frank Young

05 Tom Kukla

06 Sherry Anderson

07 Doug Elliott, Kevin Krout, John Young

08 John Sant

10 Charles Albert, Tim Busby, Earle Steiner

11 Alice Downing, Robert Quick,

12 Steven Clapp

13 Homer Hilleary

14 Kendall Erskine

16 B.P.O.E., P Miller Boord, Eugene Smail

17 Sheila Huxted, John Ronchetto

18 William Pentecost

21 Barry Anders

22 Vern Ingalsbe

23 John Bromley

24 Joseph Pintar, Michael Smith, William Truax

26 Er Pape III

27 Robert Linn

Stop by for a free Birthday Drink! (During the week of your birthday)



GRAND LODGE is again offering an "ELKS VISA SIGNATURE CARD." Information is available in the office.

RESOLUTION: The 2012-2013 GRAND LODGE CONVENTION will be held in Austin, Texas on July 1-5. All Exalted Rulers, or their designate, are required to attend. All members are invited to attend. Information about the Grand Lodge Convention is available in the Office.

My thanks to those who have suggested a name for the monthly bulletin. To date we have received suggestions of: "THE 332 ANTLERS," "THE 332 ELK NEWS," "DANVILLE WAPITI TRAIL," "DANVILLE ELK'S NEWS," and "DANVILLE ELK'S TALE." (I had to look up "Wapiti" and found that it is the Algonquian word for ELK – largest of the North American deer with wide spreading antlers.)

Fraternally, Jim Beebe, Lodge Secretary

"RE-CREATION" COMES BACK TO THE V.A.

The award winning National touring musical ensemble "RE-CREATION" will again be performing at the Danville V.A. at 2:00 on Friday, March 16th. They will arrive in Danville on Thursday evening, and after checking into their motel, will come to the Elks for a pizza supper – (or whatever we plan). We are hoping to do a special concert in the area on Friday night, and are looking for sponsors to assist with their performance fee. (DAYS INN has already made a generous contribution) Their motel fee is paid for by the Elks State Veterans Commission and the East Central District Elks. The Pizza dinner is our responsibility – so we are asking for donations (homemade desserts would also be appreciated.) This tenmember ensemble presents an hour program of up-beat music and dancing (show-choir style) and will bring you to your feet with their good, clean "rah, rah- America" entertainment. These kids (college age) give up one year of their life to travel across the country and receive NO PAY! (More information in the March Bulletin)

Elks Lodge #332 Officer Nominees for Elected Offices 2012-2013

Note the list of Lodge Officers for the 2012 year who have been presented by the Nomination Committee. Nominations from the floor may be made at the February 13th meeting. Elections will be February 27th. If anyone is interested in filling any of the offices or appointed positions contact Jim Beebe or Don Luebbers.

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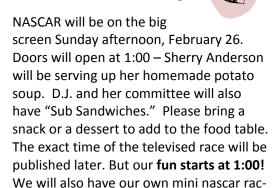
Trustees: John Leverenz

ENF GRANT MONEY RECEIVED

Your previous contributions to the ENF have made it possible for us to receive a \$1,000 grant by meeting our State goal of \$5.25 per member. Our Lodge will use that money to help the following youth groups: "Many Streams District Boy Scouts," "Girl Scouts Central III S.A.-2," "Vermilion County D.A.R.E.," and Danville High School "WE CAN DO ANYTHING CLUB." We have also been notified by Grand Lodge that we now qualify for a \$2,000 Community Grant – to be used helping with a major project in our community.

NASCAR RACE ON SUNDAY THE 26

friends!



es. So come on down for food and fun with

2012 – 2013 LODGE YEAR APPROACHES

Dues statements for the next lodge year will be mailed out later in the month. Your lodge dues will remain the same - \$81.00. You will also have an opportunity to add your donations to the CHILDRENS CARE CORPORATION, THE ENF (ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION), and our own LODGE/BUILDING CONTINGENCY FUND.

PER DOG RACES



Friday night, February 24 will be the 'running of the dogs' at TRACK 332. Race time is 7:00. Jim Beebe's Tomato soup and grilled cheese sandwiches will be served at 6:00. This is one of the PER Club's fundraisers. Proceeds from this activity are used by the PERs to help with lodge and building repairs and supplies. NOTE: This is also a "Friday Night Drawing" and a "LAST Friday Drawing." Join the fun and get in on the drawings. (Snacks and/or desserts are optional)

REPORT FROM RECENT STATE ELKS WINTER MEETING

Special Guest at the Mid-Winter Convention was Grand Exalted Ruler David Carr and First Lady Penny Carr. GER Carr attended all committee meetings and gave an inspiring speech at the Saturday night banquet. ER Don Luebbers presented our check for \$1,500 in donations to the State Major Project – CHILDREN'S CARE CORPORATION. Secretary Beebe attended the Secretaries Training Clinic and received new information on processing upcoming dues statements in CLMS. David Switzer attended the Veterans Service Commission and shared his story about "Wreaths Across America" and brought home information about the needs of our hospitalized Vets and changes in the National and State Veterans Programs. All 3 men and their wives helped pack the S.O.S. Boxes. Over 700 boxes containing over 37,000 items will be shipped from the Illinois Elks to our troops overseas. Thanks to ALL who donated "powder items" for this project! Charlotte, Joy and Sheila attended the "Volunteer Of The Year" luncheon, which next year will again be called ILLINOIS ELKS "LADY OF THE YEAR" program. The May State Convention will be held in Springfield on the 18, 19, AND 20. All Elks members can attend.

FEBRUARY SPECIAL!!!!

Every Friday Night- Bottle Beer \$1.75 excluding Ale and Corona)

Bring your friends and have a good time!

WEEKLY DRAWING

Don't forget— you can sign-up <u>every day</u> for our <u>weekly drawing</u>. Recent winners: 1/13 John Leverenz, 1/7 Don Mowers, 12/29 Don Mowers, 12/23 Terry Carpenter

Drawing is every Friday at 7pm. A Winner Every Week!!

February 2012

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Landuns BBQ Pulled Pork, Macaroni Salad, Fr. Green Beans, Pineapple Up- side Down Cake Guest Speaker– Dr. Chris Robinson	Day	Special, Special, Special Every Friday Night Bottle Beer \$1.75 (excludes Ale and Corona) Weekly Drawing	4 District Hoop Shoot in Effingham
5 VA Bingo Super Bowl Party Doors open 1:30 Illini Game 2pm Chili Cookoff 4pm Giants vs Partiots 5	6	7	8 Jocko's Chicken Pot Pies, Mashed Pot/Gravy, Slaw, Biscuits, Desserts	9	10 Special, Special, Special Every Friday Night Bottle Beer \$1.75 (excludes Ale and Corona) Weekly Drawing	11 Valentine Dinner at 6 Guests welcome Call for reservations State Hoop Shoot, Decatur
Gary Carter Memorial Bowling – Savoy	13 Prustees Meeting 6:30 pm Lodge Meeting 7:30 pm	14 Valentines Day	Count Market Beef & Noodles, Mashed Potatoes, Spinach Salad, Sheet Cake!	BPOE founded in 1868 – 144 years old!	17 Special, Special, Special Every Friday Night Bot- tle Beer \$1.75 (excludes Ale and Corona) Weekly Drawing	18 Spaghetti Dinner 6:30 Illini Game at 4 Bar open at 3
19	20 Presidents Day	21	22 Encore Tilapia Fish, Rice Pilaf, Broccoli Salad, Cherry Pie Ash Wednesday (Begin Meatless)		24 Special, Special Bo 25 tle Beer \$1.75 (excludes Ale & Corona). Last Friday and Weekly Drawing PER Dog Races 7 pm-Tomato Soup & Grilled Cheese	
NASCAR Races 1pm Sub Sand./ Potato Soup	27 Lodge Meeting 7:00 pm Initiation PER Night	28	Encore Italian Beef, Smashed Garlic Cheesy Potatoes, Lettuce Salad, Almond Puffs	Kemember	: Wednesday Din e due by noon on Call 442-0145	

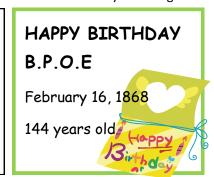
MEMBERS-ALL- WEDNESDAY NIGHT DRAWING

On December 28th, Jim Miller was the lucky winner. The 'pot' started over and is still growing because Homer Hillary, Florence Blevens, Beth Greco and Charles Clapp Jr. were not here to claim their winnings

There's more to Wednesday night than food! Come on in and sign up for both the MEMBERS-ALL and "The Weekly" drawings.











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FEBRUARY EVENTS

February 1- Guest Speaker, Dr. Chris Robinson

February 5- Bingo at the VA, SUPER BOWL PARTY/ Chili Cookoff

February 11– Valentines Day Dinner 6pm, doors open at 5:30

February 16- Birthday of our Order

February 24- "Last Friday" PER Dog Races 7pm

February 26- NASCAR Races 1pm

UPCOMING MARCH EVENTS

March 4- VA Bingo

March 15 & 16- Re-Creation at VA

Office hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. - noon

Club hours Tuesday-Friday 3:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m.

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Meeting Dates:

February 13, 2012– Trustee meeting 6:30 p.m. Lodge meeting 7:30 p.m.

February 27, 2012– Lodge Meeting at 7:00 p.m.