# \* Happy Labor Day! CORKS PLAYBI



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#### **LODGE MEETINGS**

September 09, 2024 September 23 2024 Initiation All members invited.



# From the Desk of the Exalted Ruler

September is upon us; August was a full month for me having my eye surgeries which both had wonderful outcomes. I can now read and work on the computer without glasses. How cool is that. The Lodge sponsored a Monterey lunch and dinner. Thank you, Lisa and Deb, for all your prep work and thanks to everyone who came in to help put them together and serve them. Barb Trent, Karen Andersen, John Steinbacher and myself worked. We all worked hard but we

had a great time cutting up, Laughing and having fun. It's great when folks can work together and have a good time doing it. The Dinner had a few more attendees than lunch. We also had Dollar Tacos night with Goldfish races. The Kids that attended sure had a great time. Each Lodge have been asked to have a fundraiser for KETCH, Loren Anthony came up with having a Yahtzee Tournament on August 12. Unfortunately, it had to be postponed due to the folks from KETCH who had a conflict that evening. The players that showed up went ahead and played Yahtzee and had a great time. So, watch for the next flyer and come on down and join in on the fun. It's five dollars a person and the proceeds go to KETCH.

I would like to make a plea to our members to come and get involved in the Lodge. El Dorado Elks have created a name of excellence for being a very active lodge, and we are one of the most active in the State. However, without members helping with our activities we are struggling greatly. A very small handful of people are doing everything and they are wearing out. Burnout is common in volunteer groups due to the few that do all the work. It takes all of us doing these things to make it work. I know some are just physically unable. I know some have children to deal with and all their activities. I'm not talking about spending long hours doing tasks, maybe an hour or two during the event or, help with planning and coordinating, working from home for an hour to make flyers, or call members to remind them of meetings and events We could use someone to take flyers downtown and put in stores for people to see. All these things make a huge difference and can help your Lodge more than you know. Get involved. Where to start? Attend a meeting to learn what is going on, or look at the calendar, read your newsletter, or ask another member what I can do to help. Currently We need an Entertainment Coordinator. Deb Kirkpatrick-Britt has gone above and beyond; however, has felt pressured, criticized and burn-out just set in. It was a very sad evening when she stepped down. It Is time to STEP UP someone. The same is true with the position of Bar Manager. We need help. If I may plagiarize from the late president J.F.K. Ask not what your Lodge can do for you but ask what you can do for your Lodge. Wise words, THINK ABOUT IT. End of rant .

God Bless you all may he keep you safe.

Fraternally, Phil Wickwire. Exalted Ruler

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# IMPORTANT DATE CHANGES

Since our first lodge meeting in September is on Labor Day, the meeting dates were both moved to the next Mondays, which will be September 9 and September 23. Please keep this in mind and plan accordingly. We want to see you there.

Sean Cutsinger



Please keep our members and their families who are having some health issues or just some difficulties, in your thoughts and prayers. I am a firm believer in the power of prayer. Sometimes we all need a little help.

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 & News Writer



Hello my fellow members. Fall is almost here, can you believe it? September 17 is Constitution Day as well as Citizenship Day. This day commemorates the signing of the U.S. Constitution in Philadelphia on September 17, 1787. 39 delegates signed the Constitution. This is a day that is easily skipped over but why should we celebrate a government

document anyway? Well, the best reason to celebrate this day is because the Constitution was written for us the people. This part is from an article I found in Pacific Legal Foundation "The generations of Americans who came after the founding, who pursued happiness and flexed our freedoms while the Constitution protected us from tyranny. It's a document whose chief purpose isn't to establish government control but to limit it—to ensure Americans have room to live, work, trade, and innovate without government breathing down our necks." Another reason to celebrate Constitution Day is along with the Bill of Rights, is a historical legal means by which "We the People" guarantees that the government secures our rights without abusing their powers. The Constitution was enacted by the people for the people. On January 5, 1776, New Hampshire's provincial congress adopted the first state constitution. In 1939, William Randolph Hearst, who was a New York City news tycoon, suggested that a holiday to celebrate American citizenship be created. He had a lot of political pull and a lot of readers of his newspaper. In 1940 congress chose the third Sunday in May as "I am an American Day", and President Harry Trumans presented the resolution to honor the American people. This day quickly got the support and popularity of the people. Within five years a state proclamation was issued by the governors of the forty eight states and made it a National Holiday. In 1952 Olga T. Weber, an Ohio resident, petitioned to have the date changed to correspond with the anniversary of the signing of the United States Constitution. After it passed the local she took it to the state of Ohio, and in 1953 Olga went to DC and presented it to the United States Congress and the House of Representatives. They approved it and Dwight D. Eisenhower signed it into law and the original holiday was moved to September 17. According to ConstitutionFacts.com "Constitution Day, along with Independence Day and Presidents' Day, are an important part of the cultural heritage of the United States of America. These holidays recognized the values of the American experiment, and the success of a nation of free people whose rights and liberties are protected by a written Constitution." Happy Constitution Day Everyone!!!

My email SeanCutsinger@gmail.com. God Bless You, and Our Order!!!, Sean

## **MONTEREY LUNCH OR DINNER**

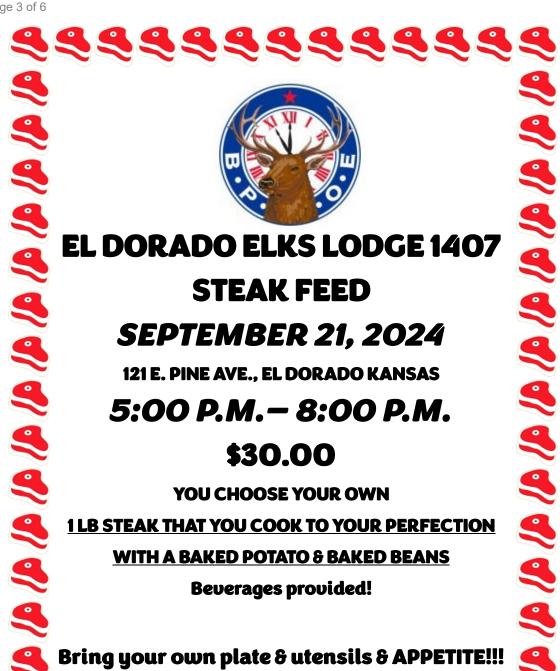
On behalf of the Lodge, we want to thank Lisa Jack and Deb Kirkpatrick-Britt for the prep work of getting the Monterey's done. Thank you to Barbra Trent, Karen Andersen, John Steinbacher and Phil Wickwire for helping with the Monterey's. They served people at lunch and at dinner that evening. Without all of you this event couldn't have been done. Thank you to those that came to the lodge to have some great food. Thank you to all of our members who support the lodge and put long hours in to do these events. Sean Cutsinger



- Sept 07 Ken Schaffer Golf tournament in **Junction City**
- Sept 14 **Golf Tournament**
- Sept 21 Bi-annual steak feed
- Oct 19-20 Mid Winter meeting Junction City
- Oct 26 **Rusty Rierson** concert
- Oct 31 Trick-or-Treat down Main Street
- Nov 8 **Essay contest**
- **Nov 10** Chicken & Noodle Feed
- Dec 1 **Annual Memorial**
- DEC 6,7,13,14 **Christmas Play**

### **ACT I PLAYERS**

The Players will be holding auditions for the Christmas play. Tuesday, October 8 at 6:00 pm. For more information contact Deb Kirkpatrick-Britt at 316-303-7140.



Bring your own plate & utensils & APPETITE!!!

# **ELKS LODGE ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT**

**EXTRA. EXTRA. READ ALL ABOUT IT!** 

Mark your calendars. September 14 the lodge will be having hosting the tournament at Prairie Trails Country Club. Located at 1100 Country Club Lane in El Dorado. Shotgun start at 8:00a.m. 20 four person teams. Entry fee is \$320/Team or \$80/Player. Team sponsorships are \$100. Lunch and prizes will be given after the tournament. For more information contact the chairman, Tom Clark at 316-737-1947 or Lisa Jack at 316-253-2379.







Yahtzee
tournament!
Prizes will be
given and
bragging
rights.

El Dorado Elks Lodge 121 E Pine Ave

If you plan to attend please call Loren Anthony to make reservations so we know how many tables to set up.

For reservations call Loren at 316-322-5789

All proceeds go to Ketch.

September
16
6:00 pm.
\$5.00
donation





- 04 Ronald Farnsworth
- 05 Gerald Wall
- 06 Mark Bryant
- 08 Christopher Karn
- 09 David Morisset
- 11 Leon Bean
- 11 Scott Hackler
- 13 Larry Boggs
- 13 Jim Fox
- 18 Karen Hastings
- 23 Ernie Zuech
- 24 Lauryn Arasmith
- 29 Loren Anthony

#### **PILLBOX DRAWING**

Must be present at meetings to win. 08-05-24 \$30.00

Mark Bryant 08-19-24 \$40.00

Carrol Argyle 09-09-24 \$50.00



#### **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

# KETCH YAHTZEE TOURNAMENT

Monday August 12 we met at the lodge to play some Yahtzee. Unfortunately, the people from Ketch had a conflict and couldn't be there. So Loren said we would postpone the actual tournament until September 16. Those of us that were there, went ahead and played anyway. We worked out how the actual tournament will actually play out. We had a great time. Those in attendance were Loren and Jackie Anthony, Angie Adlesperger, Aspen Adlesperger, Stan Willis, Jimmy Orman, Roger and Marsha Cutsinger and myself. We played three different rounds that evening. Marsha Cutsinger and Jackie Anthony tied to be the big winners and they have the bragging rights. This month will

be the actual KETCH Tournament. It costs \$5.00 to enter and all proceeds will be donated to KETCH. Thank you to Loren for coming up with this great idea. It was a blast. The winner receives the pictured trophy. Please tell your friends and come on down and have a great time. Sean Cutsinger

# **TACO NIGHT AND GOLDFISH RACES**

Friday August 23, the lodge had a dollar taco night with goldfish races. Thank you to Lisa Jack, Jim Masters, Deb & John Britt and Kay Wickwire for the fixing the tacos and running the goldfish races. Everyone that attended had a really great time. The kids always have fun. Thank you to all the members and public for coming out and supporting the lodge.

Sean Cutsinger



# 01 **El Dorado** at \$15.22

# 02 **Overland Park** at \$13.75

# 03 **Garden City** at \$10.22

# 04 **Abilene** at \$9.06

# 05 **Iola** at \$7.81

# 06 **Russell** at \$7.67

# 07 **Chanute** at \$7.08

# 08 **Pratt** at \$6.88

# 09 **Clay Center** at \$6.28

# 10 **Goodland** at \$6.11

# 11 **Hoxie** at \$6.02

# 12 **Parsons** at \$5.13

# 13 **Atchison** at \$2.97

# 14 **Ottawa** at \$2.93

# 15 **Junction City** at \$1.85

# 16 **Osawatomie** at \$0.64

# 17 **Fort Scott** at \$0.43

# 18 **Salina** at \$0.00

# **ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION**

Thank you everyone for your continued support. As of **08-25-2024** the State of Kansas as a whole has donated \$25,252.26 to date. That is \$6.07 per member of the 4,162 members in the state. The new ENF goal is \$5.00 per member. ENF is how our programs and grants are funded. The easiest way to donate is to become a Club Member. This is a monthly recurring donation that will come out each month automatically, either from your bank account or credit card. *Gean Cutsinger* 



# September 2024



Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

1	LABOR DAY	3	4	5 Lodge BINGO 6:00 p.m. Kitchen: Lisa Thankful Thurs	6 Bar Open 6:00 p.m.	7 Ken Schaffer Golf Tournament in Junction City
8	9 Lodge Meeting 7:00 p.m.	10	11	12 Lodge BINGO 6:00 p.m. Kitchen: Deb	13 Bar Open 6:00 p.m.	14 Golf Tournament 8:00 a.m.
15	16 Game Night Ketch Yahtzee Tournament 6:00 p.m.	we we Leople	18	19 Lodge BINGO 6:00 p.m. Kitchen: Barbara	20 Bar Open 6:00 p.m.	21 Bi-Annual Steak Feed 5:00 p.m.
22	23 Lodge Meeting 7:00 p.m.	24 Main St Meeting 12:00 p.m.	25	26 Lodge BINGO 6:00 p.m. Kitchen: Yevonne	27 Bar Open 6:00 p.m.	28 Gold Fest all day. Circle 1969 Class Reunion
29	30	1	2	3 Lodge BINGO 6:00 p.m. Kitchen: Lisa Thankful Thurs	4 El Dorado 1964 Class Reunion	5 El Dorado 1964 Class Reunion Act I Players perform for ent.







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