

**Greetings Members of Elks Lodge 1576****September 2026**

Hello Fellow Elks,

What I had planned for my September newsletter drastically changed with the sudden and unexpected passing of Ron Ebann, our Lodge Secretary and friend. We are still dealing with the realization that our friend will no longer be sitting at the end of the bar with his large mug of ice water and saltshaker waiting for one of our dinners or his Secretary Corner in the newsletter filled with his witty sense of humor. He was always asking, "where's the cookies"! He loved his sweets. He was a great mentor for me and kept me and all the officers on track this year in our Lodge Meetings. His knowledge of the Elks and of our local Lodge is going to be greatly missed.

Let's keep in mind, stop by and see your family, friends or neighbor-you never know when that opportunity will no longer be there. If you haven't seen or heard from your family, friend or neighbor, do a wellness check. Two of our members did just that when it was apparent Ron's usual habits for the day did not happen. Thank you to Crystal Durham and AJ Workman -that is what Elks do for each other.

As we enter September, we have a full calendar of activities, and I hope to see you at the Lodge. Check Lodge Happenings for what is happening each week.

One thing that is also happening is construction on the front entry, yes, it is finally happening the week of September 21st! We will send instructions on entry location and dates.

As our Grand Exalted Rulers slogan for this year- READY ELKS-LET'S GO! Let's go to the Elks, ask how you can help and learn about who the Elks are and not just a bar. The kids, veterans and community benefits from what the Elks provide.

Keep Safe,
Debbie Allen
Exalted Ruler

26-27**OFFICERS****Exalted Ruler****Debbie Allen****Leading Knight****Sherri Hurd****Loyal Knight****Stacy Guinn****Lecturing Knight****Diana Ahlm****Esquire****Bridget Rendon****Secretary****James Antone****Treasurer****Crystal Durham****Inner Guard****Michael Euritt****Tiler****Luis Moreno****Chaplain****Marlene Hinman****Trustees****Michael Allen****Adrian Rendon****Frank Hinman**

SEPTEMBER EVENTS

Lodge Open Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday (lodge meeting nights only), and Friday at 4 p.m. until ?

September 3: Lodge Meeting 7 p.m.

September 12: First Responder Dinner 6 p.m.

September 17: Lodge Meeting 7 p.m.

September 18: POW/MIA Remembrance Ceremony 6 p.m.

House Committee

Hello Members,

As we enter September, hopefully we can welcome cooler temps and our winter visitors back.

September is going to be very busy. We have events planned for the following:

9/7-Starts our Patriotism Week. We will be serving burgers, potato salad and corn on the cob for dinner., 4:30-6:00. The cost is \$10 but free to veterans. All Veterans are welcome to the lodge for the dinner.

9/12-1st Responders dinner-we will be serving barbacoa, mac salad, beans, tortillas and cake. The cost will be \$15 but will be free to all

1st Responders and their families. Come in and thank the Responders and enjoy Adrian's world famous barbacoa!

9/18-We will be conducting a POW/MIA Remembrance Ceremony, 6 PM

Light refreshments served following ceremony.

9/19-the Ajo School Volleyball dinner will be at the Lodge.

We can always use volunteers so please see the House Committee if you would like to volunteer.

Of course, we have Monday burgers/hot dogs and Wednesday menu varies. Watch the weekly Lodge Happenings for what is being offered and Fridays will have occasional dinners. Our first Friday dinner in Sept will be September 4th-Salisbury Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Green Beans \$12.

Don't forget our Lodge Meetings on 9/3 and 9/17 this month.

Stay safe and cool.

House Committee





September



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Pool Tournament	2 Queen of Hearts & Fish or Shrimp	3 Lodge Meeting	4 Salisbury Steak Dinner	5
6	7 Patriotism Week Meal Hamburgers & Sides	8 Pool Tournament	9 Queen of Hearts & Fish or Shrimp	10	11	13 First Responder Dinner
13	14 Hamburgers & Hot dogs	15 Pool Tournament	16 Queen of Hearts & Meal	17 Lodge Meeting	18 POW/MIA Remembrance Ceremony	19
20	21 Hamburgers & Hot dogs	22	23 Queen of Hearts & Meal	24 Lodge Closed	25 Lodge Closed	26 Lodge Closed
27	28 Hamburgers & Hot dogs	29 Pool Tournament	30 Queen of Hearts & Meal			

September Birthdays

1 Brandi Benjamin
1 Kevin Tallant
1 James White
2 John Phillips
2 Richard Trump
3 Debra Allen
3 Lorraine Goldbach

3 Kenneth Ziemba
4 George Gray
4 Pamela Tallant
5 Kori Miklos
9 Teresa Barker
9 Ronald Potter
13 Daniel O'Connor

15 David Renner
18 Todd Allen
18 Mary Pat Jennings
20 Armando Morales
22 Vee Marlin Sevy
23 Ray Valdez
25 Judy Godwin

26 Steve O'Bosky
30 Scott Boyd



Secretary's Corner

Greetings all,

I wish I was writing this under different circumstances, but that's not how life works out sometimes. I am here in place of Ron because as many of you may know, Ron is no longer with us. His sudden passing has left a void that no other person can fill. He was a great Elk, Secretary, and most of all, a great friend. I think I can speak for everyone when I say that he will be truly missed.

He was a staple in our Lodge, and his absence will be felt immensely. But, as in all loss, life must go on, and we must learn to pick up the pieces and accept what has come to pass. So, be there for each other. Share stories, laugh at the good memories, and perhaps shed some tears. No matter what it is, remember to be there for one another.

We'll take it from here Ronbo. We'll keep doing the good work to which our order is dedicated. And, as we do for all those who have gone before us, we'll do it in honor of you.

May God bless your eternal soul. We love you.

James Antone, PER

Secretary



Save the Date!
SATURDAY OCTOBER 24, 2026

ALL DAY EVENT!

Ajo Elks Lodge # 1576



12th and BEST EVER ANNUAL

JEEP RUN / DESERT SCAVENGER HUNT / POKER RUN

CASH PRIZES and Raffles

8 am to 10 am – Jeep Run Registration- \$25.00 per vehicle

(pick up sack lunch, Poker Run Bead, Desert Scavenger Hunt List and **NEW** Map)

(All Jeep Contestants must be back at the lodge by 2 pm.)

3 pm – Corn Hole Tournament- \$15.00 per person

Cash prize for winner

6 pm – Dinner: \$25.00 per person – Rib Dinner

Pie and Cake Auction

(Out of town participants are welcome to bring auction or raffle item)

50/50 Raffle

JEEP RUN/DESERT SCAVENGER HUNT/POKER RUN

\$25.00 for first two people in Vehicle.

\$10.00 an additional person(s) (INCLUDES SACK LUNCH FOR ALL)

Cash prize for best Highest and Lowest Poker Hand.

Proceeds donated to A.E.M.P.

DESERT
SCAVENGER HUNT

R.S.V.P with
Debbie Allen
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P.E.R. Ron Ebann



Rest In Peace

TO OUR ABSENT MEMBERS!



As the clock each night tolls forth the hour of eleven, and each stroke sounds like the rap of the gavel of fate, tender memories of our departed friends will come to us. In spirit worlds we will clasp hands, and time will pause while we visit.

The final sound of that last stroke of that sacred hour will die slowly away, only to waken to sound the kneel of another day.

What a sacred hour! Whose heart is not made richer, sweeter by these nightly visits with departed brothers? Dwell on, sweet memory; linger with me until the breaking of another day.

To Our Absent Members!

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Social Quarter

Hours: Open 4 pm to ??

Mon Wed Thurs Friday

Secretary's Hours

5:00-7:00 PM

Wednesday

Newsletter

To submit information for the newsletter, email to mpage1230@gmail.com Forms and a drop box for hand-written information are available near the office. Information is due the 21st of the month for the next month's newsletter.

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