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117th SPRING KEA CONVENTION WICHITA, KS

The spring KEA convention took place at the Doubletree By Hilton Hotel Wichita Airport in Wichita, Kansas on May 4 to May 7, 2023. On Thursday May 4, Grand Exalted Ruler Hon. Bruce Hidley and Helen arrived. They toured

KETCH, then went to an early arrival social time. Friday May 5, registration opened, then in the following order: KETCH board met, KEA advisory board meeting, Ladies committee chairs and PSP wives coffee, KETCH annual meeting and awards, KEA budget meeting, Sponsors meeting with lodges, Grand Lodge cocktail party, Grand Lodge dinner, and the evening wrapped up with Friday night social "Life Without Parole with the Elks" game night. Our lodge played Left Right Center. I had the privilege of playing with the GER Bruce Hidley and his wife Helen. The weekend raised around \$20,000.00 for KETCH. Saturday May 6, the morning started with the KEA business meeting, then broke for lunch, after the 11 o'clock toast / Tribute to the Flag contest, followed by the KEA Committee chairman's meeting, Grand Lodge attendees meeting, Grand Lodge officers - KEA officers - Past State Presidents - Exalted Rulers Cocktail Party. The KEA Banquet started the main evening where dinner was served. Introduction of head table, Introduction of remainder State Officers and DDGER, Special Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler, Hon. Frank Springer spoke. Introduction of Past Grand Exalted Ruler Hon. James McQuillan, Sponsor. Next, Hon. Bruce Hidley, Grand Exalted Ruler gave a speech. Presentation of Special Gifts were given to Hon. Bruce Hidley, Grand Exalted Ruler. The Kansas State President Bruce Boone gave a speech, followed by introduction of Committee Chairmen and Members.

Devin Neal of Abilene Lodge #1675 was awarded Kansas Elk of the Year 2022-2023. Congratulations Devin!

Installation of New KEA Officers, State President Roger Slief of Pratt Lodge #1451, First Vice President Kerry Toomey of Ottawa Lodge #0803, Second Vice President Kathy Clark of El Dorado Lodge #1407, Secretary Hon. Frank Springer of Chanute Lodge #806, General Chair Gail Welden. President-Elect Roger Slief was presented with the "Big Knocker". Then President-Elect Roger Slief gave his remarks and introduced his family. A Reception for President-Elect Roger Slief and his family was held immediately after the closing of the Banquet. Cake and Punch were served. Celebration and Social Mixer was held in the hospitality room and the 11 o'clock toast closed the evening.

Sunday May 8, 2022 was the Scholarship Winner's Breakfast, Awards Ceremony, Memorial Service and Recognition of New KEA officers closed the Convention. The scholarship winners gave a speech. Jim Masters introduced the winner that we sponsored. Then I gave out awards for ENF. Aldie Ensminger was my helper and I introduced him as the new ENF State Chairman. I am pleased to announce that El Dorado received the award for first place in the Southeast District for ENF per capita. Way to go El Dorado! Loren Anthony handed out certificates to the lodges that participated in the Soccer Shoot. *Sean Cuttlinger*



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First Responders Luncheon

June 21st, 2023
11:00am to 1:30pm

Elks Lodge
121 E. Pine Ave
El Dorado, KS 67042

LODGE MEETINGS

June 05, 2023
June 19, 2023
Initiation
All members invited.



GAME NIGHT

Each month will be themed game nights. They will have players and teachers 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 and their guests are welcome to play. This past month May 08, they learned how to play cribbage. Jackie Anthony was the big winner of the evening. They play again on June, 12 for another exciting game to learn.

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 and News Writer

Hello my fellow members. I hope you all are well. June has a lot of things that go on in this month, I want to talk about one significant one that often gets overlooked. By now you have probably heard about Juneteenth. President Abraham Lincoln issued The Emancipation Proclamation on September 22, 1862, "all persons held as slaves within any State, the people whereof shall then be in rebellion against the United States, shall be then, thence forward, and forever free." It was made effective on January 1, 1863, making enslaved people in Confederate states legally free. However, for many people in these Confederate States were still enslaved. Also, The Emancipation Proclamation only applied to the areas in the Confederacy. In Maryland, that was a Union State, where there were people who were enslavers refused to succeed in the Civil War. President Lincoln knew there had to be a constitutional amendment in order to guarantee the abolishment of slavery. The 13th Amendment passed at the end of the Civil War before the Southern states were restored to the Union. It passed in the Senate in 1864 but lost in the House. President Lincoln insisted that the passage of the 13th Amendment be added to the Republican Party platform for the upcoming 1864 Presidential election. He was successful and the house passed the bill in January of 1865, with a vote of 119-56.

There were not enough troops to enforce the Emancipation Proclamation. For these people it took another two years. Finally, on June 18, 1865, 2,000 Union troops arrived in Galveston Bay, Texas. On June 19, General Gordon Granger announced that more than 250,000 enslaved black people in the state of Texas were free by order of the President of the United States. The former slaves in Texas named June 19th, as Juneteenth and held the first Juneteenth celebration. This is actually our countries second Independence Day. This is the oldest holiday that commemorates the end of slavery in the United States. Then in December 06, 1865 The Thirteenth Amendment was ratified, making all enslaved people free in the entire United States. Three fourths of the necessary states ratified it. The 13th Amendment to the United States Constitution provides that "Neither slavery nor involuntary servitude, except as punishment for crime whereof the party shall have been duly convicted, shall exist within the United States, or any place subject to their jurisdiction." The 13th Amendment along with the 14th and 15th Amendments are the trio of Civil War amendments that expanded the civil rights of all Americans.

After the first Juneteenth celebration, the holiday started to spread across Texas and surrounding states. By the early 1900's it was no longer as popular as it once was. It gained in popularity again in the 1950's and 1960's. In 1980 it became an official state holiday in Texas. At the current time it is currently in a movement to be recognized and to make this a Federal Holiday. Right now 47 states and Washington D.C. recognize Juneteenth. This holiday is generally celebrated with educational activities for children, parades, concerts, beauty pageants, and readings of the Emancipation Proclamation. It is traditional to eat and drink red food to symbolize the blood that has been spilt. Two staples are strawberry soda pop and red velvet cake. This June 19th and every June 19th, remember what these brave people went through to guarantee our freedoms. Please be kind to one another, treat each other with respect and decency.

My email is SeanCutsinger@gmail.com. **God Bless and Happy Juneteenth!!!, Sean**

JUNE

Birthdays of the Month

- 02 **Abram Elam**
- 03 **Donald Adlesperger**
- 03 **Debra Kendall**
- 06 **Missy Storrer**
- 08 **Kyle Willhite**
- 15 **Judy Lowmaster**
- 24 **Angie Adlesperger**
- 25 **Kathy Clark**
- 26 **Sheila Hoyt**

PILLBOX DRAWING

Must be present at meetings to win.

05-01-23 \$50.00

Ed Lang

05-15-23 \$60.00

Bob Reed

06-05-23 \$70.00

FLEA MARKET

The Lodge flea market will be June 24. A 10 x 10 space outside is \$20 and a table and two chairs are available if needed. Inside space is \$35 and there's limited space available on the inside. If you want to reserve space for the flea market, please call me at 316-303-7140.

Deb Kirkpatrick

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

May 13th at the
El Dorado Elks Lodge
121 E. Pine
El Dorado, Ks

40 PLAYS
in **40 MINUTES** Performed by the
Act 1 Players
at 7:00pm

BINGO

at 8:00pm

OPEN BAR

40 PLAYS IN 40 MINUTES

Saturday, May 13, the Act 1 Players performed for a free will donation. 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 are 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. Bingo followed the play. It was a great and fun evening. *Sean Cutsinger*



ACT 1 PLAYERS

Our next show will be sometime in August or first part of September. We are pairing up with the Wichita Toy Train Club and Museum, for a fund raiser for both of us. We will be performing in Wichita and in El Dorado. We still have to work out some details and dates. The show will be a melodrama, *The Great Denver Railroad Scam*, by Douglas Kotwica. I will be directing this show. I am going to go ahead and hold auditions later this month on Tuesday and Wednesday June 27-28 at 6:30 at the lodge. We will start rehearsals after July 4.

Sean Cutsinger

ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION



# 01 Pratt at \$5.53	# 10 Ottawa at \$0.71
# 02 Russell at \$5.13	# 11 Garden City at \$0.58
# 03 El Dorado at \$4.47	# 12 Goodland at \$0.44
# 04 Salina at \$3.86	# 13 Clay Center at \$0.36
# 05 Atchison at \$2.51	# 14 Hoxie at \$0.13
# 06 Abilene at \$2.04	# 15 Osawatomie at \$0.04
# 07 Overland Park at \$1.50	# 16 Junction City at \$0.00
# 08 Chanute at \$1.48	# 17 Iola at \$0.00
# 09 Parsons at \$0.92	# 18 is Fort Scott at \$0.00

As of 05-28-2023 the State of Kansas as a whole has donated \$6,861.36 to date. That is \$1.50 per member of the 4,586 members in the state. The new ENF goal will not be set until the National Convention in July. I will keep you posted as to what we will need for this year.

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. *Sean Cutsinger*



June 2023



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www.Elks.org www.KSelks.org/El Dorado/El Dorado.asp www.facebook.com/ElDoradoelks				1 Lodge BINGO 6:00 p.m.	2	3 Lodge Golf Tournament
4	5 Lodge Meeting 7:00 p.m.	6	7	8 Lodge BINGO 6:00 p.m.	9	10 Bingo Karaoke 7:00 p.m.
11	12 Game Night 6:00 p.m.	13 Monterey Dinner Noon 11 to 1, Evening 5 to 7, delivery available	14 FLAG DAY	15 Lodge BINGO 6:00 p.m.	16	17
18 HAPPY Father's DAY	19 Lodge Meeting 7:00 p.m. Juneteenth	20	21 First Responders Lunch 12:00 p.m.	22 Lodge BINGO 6:00 p.m.	23	24 Flea Market
25	26 Main St. Meeting 12:00	27 Play Auditions 6:30 p.m.	28 Play Auditions 6:30 p.m.	29 Lodge BINGO 6:00 p.m.	30	



LODGE OFFICERS

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