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UPCOMING EVENTS

2/1 Ladies Bingo	10:00a
2/1 Officers Mtg	7:00p
2/1 BOD Meeting	8:00p
2/2 Investigating Committee	7:00p
2/3 Food Night – Pizzas	5:30p
2/5 Meat Shoot	12:00p
2/6 Entertainment Committee	6:30p
2/7 Bingo	4:30p
2/8 Ladies Bingo	10:00a
2/8 Ladies Dinner	6:30p
2/8 S&CO Meeting	7:15p
2/8 Ladies Mtg	7:30p
2/9 Lodge Meeting	7:30p
2/10 Food Night–Chicken Night	5:30p
2/12 Meat Shoot	12:00p
2/14 Bingo	4:30p
2/15 Ladies Bingo	10:00a
2/16 PER Meeting	7:00p
2/17 Food Night – Fish Fry	5:30p
2/19 Meat Shoot	12:00p
2/19 US Coast Guard Reserve Birthday	
2/21 Bingo	4:30p
2/22 Ladies Bingo	10:00a
2/23 Lodge Meeting	7:30p
2/24 Food Night – Fish Fry	5:30p
2/26 Meat Shoot	12:00p
2/26 – State President’s Brunch	????
2/27 House Committee	7:00p
2/28 Bingo	4:30p



From the Station of the Exalted Ruler  
John “JT” Taylor

Hello everyone!

It is February already. The Elk year is ending. I would like to thank all people who have helped this year welcoming new members as they find their way in Elkdom.

Remind everyone we still have some delinquent members. If you know one, encourage them to pay and help us in our work. We have lots of new members joining in the next couple of months. Welcome them and include them in what is going on.

We need officers for the upcoming year and committee chairs. Please see where you can help us grow and continue to help our community.

JT  
Exalted Ruler



**OUR PAST**



**OUR PRESENT**

**OUR FUTURE**



SO LONG AS THERE ARE VETERANS, THE BENEVOLENT AND PROTECTIVE ORDER  
OF THE ELKS WILL NEVER FORGET THEM



2023-2023

LODGE OFFICERS

Exalted Ruler*	John JT Taylor
Leading Knight*	Tracy Frame
Loyal Knight	Dave Lafeber
Lecturing Knight*	Kenny Motzkus
Secretary	Peggy Dussold
Treasurer	Mike McGaughey
Tiler	OPEN
Esquire	Joe Brady
Chaplain	OPEN
Inner Guard	OPEN

TRUSTEES

5 year*	Mike Schymos
4 year*	Kevin Motzkus
3 year*	OPEN
2 year*	Marie Ruebel
1 year*	OPEN

\* Board of Directors

Past Exalted Rulers

Bill Haley	2021-2023
Sandi Mohl	2020-2021
Rob Tudor	2020
Scott Kempf	2019-2020
Dave Lafeber	2018-2019
Jeff Burke	2017-2018
Scott Frame	2016-2017
Tony Johns	2015-2016
Dennis Struebing	2014-2015
John (J.T.) Taylor	2013-2014
Al Bruenning	2012-2013
Patricia Smith	2011-2012
John Shields	2010-2011
Tom Jackson	2009-2010
	2008-2009
Tony Dalske	2007-2008
Bob Spangenberg	2006-2007
Dan Rike	2005-2006
Forest "Butch" Beeman	2004-2005
R. Dennis Spangenberg	2003-2004
George Frame Jr	2002-2003
Andrew "Joe" Corzine	2001-2002
Roy Crangle	2000-2001
Thomas DeGeare Sr	1999-2000
Jerry F. O'Shea	1998-1999
Dan K. McBride	1997-1998
John J. Wiesehan, Sr	1996-1997
R. Dennis Spangenberg	1995-1996
John J. Gatz	1994-1995
Gary Edwards	1993-1994
John M. Eccleston	1992-1993
Edward H. Ellerbrake	1991-1992
John E. Still	1990-1991
Richard E. Crump	1989-1990
Steve Collison	1988-1989
Calvin Wyatt	1987-1988
Charles Aue	1986-1987
Morris Catani	1985-1986
Guy D. Ross	1984-1985
Robert E. Mathis	1983-1984
Phillip Bemis	1982-1983
Bud E.V. Johnson	1981-1982
John H. Johns	1980-1981
Eugene S. Tass	1979-1980
Basil R. Ledgerwood	1978-1979
Charles W. Horsey	1977-1978
Wilfred Halbruegge	1976-1977
Harold Toennies	1975-1976
James T. Wilson	1974-1975
Raymond Hayne	1973-1974
George Hollocher	1972-1973
John F. Watson, Jr	1971-1972
James J. Bloomfield	1970-1971
Joe V. Sadler	1969-1970
Gene Watson	1968-1969
Charles LoGrasso	1967-1968
Bill Ryall	1966-1967
O.M. Trotter	1965-1966



Estemed Leading Knight  
Tracey Frame

Happy Valentine’s Day everyone!

Tracy Frame



Estemed Loyal Knight  
Dave Lafeber

If you are able to provide any help  
towards the various jobs needed for  
Bingo, please see Craig, JT or Tracy!



Estemed Lecturing Knight  
Ken “Kenny” Motzkus

Don’t forget we always need help during Fish Fry Fridays

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# Ladies Corner



Happy New Year to All and Happy Valentines Day this month.

We had another delicious meal and enjoyed the fellowship of all who attended in January. The weather cooperated too so it was a great way to start the New Year.

**Unfinished Business** – Peanut Brittle candy is still available. Profits from this were good. Thank you to all the Ladies who helped make this event successful. We will also make Peanut Brittle & Chocolate available at the Fish Fry starting Feb 17<sup>th</sup>, so get yours while they last.

We are inviting any spouses, widows, or adult single daughters of Elks members to join us at upcoming meetings. We do a lot to support our Elks and the community and offer you an opportunity to serve. Please consider coming to a meeting the second Wednesday of each month and/or contact a member of our Ladies club for more information. We would love to have you!

**New Business** – We will nominate officers at our February meeting. Voting will be held in March.

**Good of the Order** – Looking back on the success of our Community Christmas Party last year, we would like to again thank Bev Wann and her workers who generated monies which made this event possible. Volunteers are always needed on Wednesdays to help generate funds for this activity and without them, we could not have provided for the needy families.

Recent donations to our Charity Account were also added this month.

Officers have been auditioning colors and flooring for our Friendship Room. We hope to freshen up the space and add counters in the future.

The Past Presidents Dinner will be held Feb.8. Come join us as we honor the women who have served as our President. cost is \$8 call President Vickie Lafeber for a reservation.

Mark your calendars for the Inaugural Ball March 25 and the Ladies Pool Tournament Apr. 22

## Standing Committee Reports:

- Bingo** – No Report
- Drug Awareness** – No Report
- Ways and Means** – No Report
- Veterans** – No Report
- Cheers and Visitation** – No Report

Respectfully Submitted  
Barb Bast  
Recording Secretary

2022 – 2023

## Ladies Auxiliary Officers

President.....Vicki Lafeber  
Vice President.....Tiffany Taylor  
Recording Secretary ..... Colleen Peck  
Corresponding Sec’y .....Barb Bast  
Treasurer.....Cathy Wilkins  
Chaplain.....Helen Burkett  
Parliamentarian.....Barb Bast  
Historian.....Susan Sipe  
Sergeant at Arms.....Alice Bachman  
Senior Trustee .....Kellye Jones  
2 Year Trustee.....Carole Jones  
3 Year Trustee.....Mary Sudbeck  
Past President Advisor .....Marcie Tolias

## FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Karen Klein..... 12

## FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

None.....

## Winners

Attendance: -  
Volunteer: -  
50/50: -

## Dates to Remember

Feb 8 – Past Presidents Dinner  
Feb 17 – Fish Fry Fridays  
Mar 8 – Voting of Officers  
Mar 25 – Inaugural Ball  
Apr 22 – Ladies Pool Tournament

## From the Desk of the Lodge Secretary

Please consider having the newsletter emailed to you by requesting to be placed on the email list. You will get the newsletter faster.

We are getting so many labelled as “Cannot Deliver” or “Addressee Unknown”. Please see the Lodge Secretary to get your address updated or added to email listing.



**Save the Date**  
**Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup>**  
**Golf-Fore-Vets**  
**9 Hole Charity Golf Tournament**



**Would like to give thanks**  
**for all that came out for our Birthday**  
**Happy New Year**

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# Lodge Happenings for February

## Lounge Information

Mon/Tues/Thurs/Fri – 2p to 12a  
Wednesday – 12p to 12a  
Saturday – 12p to 12a  
Sunday – 12p to 8a

- Margarita's Monday, \$2 all evening 2PM to midnight
- Tuesday – Bar patrons can order food from kitchen
- Wednesdays, \$2 well drinks all day
- Thursdays, Hang out for happy hour
- Fridays, Food and sometimes Music/Karaoke
- Saturday or Sunday are great for booking special events in the bar and patio areas

Come on out and support your lodge. Enjoy Happy Hour prices and \$2 beers all the time.

## 3 Ball Pool Tournament

**Every Monday – 7pm**

Cost: \$1 Per Player / Per Round

Low Score wins round!



## Friday Food Night!

**February 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**Pizzas**

Sabina Boys!

**February 10<sup>th</sup>**

**Chicken Night**

**February 17<sup>th</sup> – April 21<sup>st</sup>**

**Fish Fry Fridays are back!!!**

If able to spare a few hours to help  
it would be greatly appreciated

## Need BINGO Chairpersons!!!

An idea has been presented that instead of 1 person running the whole show, that we get 4/5 folks involved with the various aspects of Bingo and they manage that portion of the event. This will help spread out the responsibility as well as prevent you from having to commit to Bingo every week – as we all have other lives 😊

If interested in chairing a portion of Bingo, please contact Craig Palmer, JT or Tracy Frame.

# Upcoming Elk's Happenings

## Feb 12<sup>th</sup> – Super Bowl Party

- See flyer at the bar, on the tables or on bulletin board

## Feb 17<sup>th</sup> – April 21<sup>st</sup> – Fish Fry Friday's

- Can always use volunteers for this money maker

## Feb 19<sup>th</sup> – State President's Brunch

- Officers should be there – Casual Dress – Polos, khaki's
- Everyone else is welcome to attend

## Mar 3-5 – Missouri Elks Bowling Tournament

- This year is in **Blue Springs!**
- Get a team together and lets go on a road trip of fun!
- Or just come on out and support the teams representing our lodge!

## Mar 10-12 – Missouri State Elks Convention

- Flyer on bulletin board within the Lodge.

## Mar 11<sup>th</sup> – St. Patrick's Day Party

- More info to come – See Peggy Geguire for more info

## March 25<sup>th</sup> – Inaugural Ball

- More info to come

## St. Patrick's Day Party

**Saturday, March 11<sup>th</sup>**

**6pm Dinner is Served**

**DJ from 7 to 11**

**Corned Beef dinner - \$9**

**Attendance Prize | 50/50 | DJ/Karaoke**





FEBRUARY 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1  Ladies Bingo  Officers Mtg 7p BOD Mtg 8p	2  Investigating Comm Mtg 7p	3 <b>Food Night</b> Pizzas  Queen of Hearts	4
5 <b>Meat Shoot 12p</b>	6 <b>Entertainment Committee – 6:30pm</b>	7 Bingo	8 Ladies Bingo  Ladies Dinner 6:30p S&CQ Mtg 7:15p Ladies Mtg 7:30p	9 <b>Lodge Meeting 7:30p</b>	10 <b>Food Night</b> Chicken Night  Queen of Hearts	11
12 <b>Meat Shoot 12p</b>  <b>Super Bowl Party</b>	13	14 Bingo	15 <b>Ladies Bingo</b>  PER Meeting 7p	16	17 <b>Food Night</b> Fish Fry  Queen of Hearts	18
19 <b>Meat Shoot 12p</b>  Coast Guard Reserves Birthday  <b>State President’s Brunch</b>	20 <b>Presidents Day</b>	21 Bingo	22 Ladies Bingo	23 <b>Lodge Meeting 7:30p</b>	24 <b>Food Night</b> Fish Fry  Queen of Hearts	25
26 <b>Meat Shoot 12p</b>	27 <b>House Committee</b>	28 Bingo	1 Ladies Bingo  Officers Mtg 7p BOD Mtg 8p	2  Investigating Comm Mtg 7p	3 <b>Food Night</b> Fish Fry  MO Elks bowling – Blue Springs	4  MO Elks bowling – Blue Springs
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FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Zachary C Williams	02	Kenneth D Hansel	13	Ronald A Battelle	18	Joseph M Branstetter	26
Donald E Wojtkowski	02	David P Lafeber	14	John G Shields	18	Diane Gilley	26
Charles E Tharp	09	Eugene Rohr	15	James L Sago	21	Glen J Thompson	26
Larry Bumgarner	11	Patrick Doss	16	Jeffery A Morrow	23	Scot Tumbarello	26
Jennifer Frame	12	William H Garig	17	George D Frame	24	Dave James	27
Robert Byers	13	Margaret Giguere	17			William E Jablon	28



Veterans Committee  
Happy 82<sup>nd</sup> Birthday



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Order of Elks of the U.S.A.  
A Fraternal Organization

**Mission Statement**

*To inculcate the principles 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,*

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**Janitorial/Event Notes**

As a courtesy, if you are reserving the front hall for a function and need extra tables or chairs set up, please specify the quantity when your contract is turned in. If they need to be set up a certain way, please specify that as well.

Thank You!  
**Kevin Motzkus**  
Head of Janitorial/Maintenance

**BOD and Trustee Notes**

If there are any repairs needed within or outside of the lodge, please bring them to **ANY** of the Trustee's!

Thanks!



Sunday Sunday Sunday

February 12<sup>th</sup> – 4pm – 10pm

Lodge will stay open until the end of game!

Squares

**Food provided - \$5 pp**

Jambalaya | Pastalaya

Chicken Spiedini

Chili | Wings

Hotdogs | Brats

50/50

Don't forget to bring snacks for your table.

Squares are available now at the lodge.

More will be sold until start of game  
or until all are sold out.

We are bringing back the Lucky Chair Board  
Whoever ends up with the winning score  
brings it home!!!

## State President Visit Sunday, 2/19

11am doors open

11:30 Brunch will be served

\$5 cover

Officers should be there – Casual Dress – Polos, Khaki's  
Everyone else is welcome to attend



**Steven Green**

### Now Hiring!!!

The Lodge is looking to hire janitorial staff. The job entails cleaning bathrooms, mopping floors, vacuuming, window cleaning, trash removal and other light work. Main days of work are, Tuesday evenings, Wednesday afternoons, Friday's and various weekend days depending on event schedule. Must be at least 18 years old and reliable work record.

Please call for an appointment 314 921 2316 ext secretary/treasurer office.

Pay rate is substantial and competitive.

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