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UPCOMING EVENTS

3/1 Ladies Bingo	10:00a
3/1 Officers Mtg	7:00p
3/1 BOD Meeting	8:00p
3/2 Investigating Committee	7:00p
3/3 Food Night – Fish Fry	4:00p
3/5 NO MEAT SHOOT	
3/6 Entertainment Committee	6:30p
3/7 Bingo	4:30p
3/8 Ladies Bingo	10:00a
3/8 Ladies Dinner	6:30p
3/8 S&CO Meeting	7:15p
3/8 Ladies Mtg	7:30p
3/9 Lodge Meeting	7:30p
3/10 Food Night–Fish Fry	4:00p
3/12 Meat Shoot	12:00p
3/14 Bingo	4:30p
3/15 Ladies Bingo	10:00a
3/16 PER Meeting	7:00p
3/17 Food Night – Fish Fry	5:30p
3/19 Meat Shoot	12:00p
3/19 US Coast Guard Reserve Birthday	
3/21 Bingo	4:30p
3/22 Ladies Bingo	10:00a
3/23 Lodge Meeting	7:30p
3/24 Food Night – Fish Fry	5:30p
3/26 Meat Shoot	12:00p
3/27 House Committee	7:00p
3/28 Bingo	4:30p
3/31 Food Night – Fish Fry	4:00p
4/2 Meat Shoot	12:00p
4/4 Bingo	4:30p



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

Hello everyone!

This Elks year is coming to an end, but we still start with new officers and new ideas.

Thank you for your support and keep growing Elkdom. These new officers are ready to grow our lodge.

Please support our state project, Benevolent Trust which pays for the dental mobile on our parking lot currently. We have met our ENF per capita, thanks to all who helped get us there.

I hope to see many of you at Inaugural Ball.

Thanks to all the committee chairs and everyone on those committees.

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



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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



Esteemed Leading Knight
 Tracy Frame

Thank you everyone for a good year. I have enjoyed being your Leading Knight and look forward to serving as your Exalted Ruler.

Please join us in thanking JT for all of his hard work and everything he has done as this years Exalted Ruler and kick off my year by attending this year’s Inaugural Ball “Prom”. It is \$25 per person. You can sign up and pay behind the bar. Dust off that old Prom dress or grab a new one. Also, if you were an Elk of the Month this past Elk year, please plan to attend on March 25th, 6pm-midnight.

Installation of the new Elk officers as well as the Ladies Auxiliary officers will take place that morning for those interested in attending.

Thanks again, and I hope to see you all there. I look forward to an amazing year.

Tracy Frame



Esteemed Loyal Knight
 Dave Lafeber

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Esteemed Lecturing Knight
 Ken “Kenny” Motzkus



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Ladies Corner



We celebrated seven Past Lady Presidents at our February dinner meeting. The meal was fantastic and we appreciated all the effort to make them feel special. The table decorations made us all feel the love.

Unfinished Business – We are planning to do a St. Patricks Day float next year at the Florissant Day Parade. There was not enough time to plan one this year. A new member pamphlet is being designed by Pat Jackson and her committee. Hopefully we will be able to invite ladies to our group who may not be aware of the organization and allow them an opportunity to see all that we do.

New Business – We welcome new member Tabitha Goodman this month! The Friendship Room has been donated by the Sherwin-Williams store on Lindbergh. We appreciate their support and hope to be using it soon. New flooring will also be added soon. VP Tiffany Taylor will attend the Spring Convention Mar. 10-12, 2023 in Jefferson City.

Good of the Order – A slate of new officers was voted on and accepted by the membership. All officers remain the same except for Sgt. at arms, Mary Struebing and 3rd yr. Trustee Vicky Heady....thank you ladies for continuing to serve in your given offices. Installation will be held on March 25 at 2 pm.

Our March meeting will be in honor of Pres. Vickie LaFeber at 6 p.m. Please join us as we show our appreciation to Vickie as she takes office for another term. The Ladies Pool Tournament is April 22...see Tiffany Taylor for sign up and times.

Standing Committee Reports:

Bingo – Bev Wann reported that we will be audited soon and should pass with flying colors. Attendance remains good and she welcomes help at any time.

Drug Awareness – No Report

Ways and Means – We will be selling bake goods at the Fish Frys beginning Feb. 17. Please have your items at the Lodge kitchen on Thurs. afternoons so that they can be wrapped and plated. A Raffle Basket is also planned and includes some nice spring/summer items.

Veterans – Bingo help is need on the last Friday of the month at the Veterans Home...contact Darlene Rootz if you can help from 1-3p.m.

Cheers and Visitation – Prayers for the family of Past President Nickie Wilson on her passing. Cindy Powers is in need of healing after her shoulder surgery.

Respectfully Submitted
Barb Bast
Recording Secretary

2022 – 2023

Ladies Auxiliary Officers

President.....Vicki Lafeber
Vice President.....Tiffany Taylor
Recording Secretary Colleen Peck
Corresponding Sec’yBarb Bast
Treasurer.....Cathy Wilkins
Chaplain.....Helen Burkett
Parliamentarian.....Barb Bast
Historian.....Susan Sipe
Sergeant at Arms.....MaryStruebing
Senior TrusteeKellye Jones
2 Year Trustee.....Carole Jones
3 Year Trustee.....Vicky Heady
Past President AdvisorMarcie Tolias

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Carol Jones 1
Pat Jackson 10
Marge Ryan 19
Dee McBride 23

MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

Margaret/Wayne Reed 1
Mary/Charles Ave 5
Pat/tom Jackson 28
Maureen/Tom Williams 28

Attendance – Debbie Syros
Volunteer – Debbie Syros
50/50 – Kellye Jones

Dates to Remember

Mar 4/5 – MO Elks Bowling
Tournament - Blue Springs
Mar 18 – Officer Installation
Mar 25 – Inaugural Ball
Apr 22 – Ladies Pool Tournament

The Following Officers for the 2023-2024 year have been nominated and elected.
If you are interested in filling any of the OPEN positions, please see Tracy Frame.

Elected Position	Name
Exalted Ruler	Tracy Frame
Esteemed Leading Knight	OPEN
Esteemed Loyal Knight	OPEN
Esteemed Lecturing Knight	Dan Metz
Secretary	Peggy Dussold
Treasurer	Mike McGaughey

Appointed Position	Name
Tiler	OPEN
Esquire	Joe Brady
Chaplain	Lorie Anne Otz
Inner Guard	OPEN

Trustees	Name
5 Year Trustee	Curt Chappie
4 Year Trustee	Mike “That Guys Here” Schymos
3 Year Trustee	Kevin Motzkus
2 Year Trustee	Tony Johns
1 Year Trustee	Marie Ruebel

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Meet our Newest Members



John “Q” Quargnenti

Heidi Runge

Janet Brantigan

Gary Taylor

Hugh Snell

Lodge Happenings for March

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!

March 17th – April 21st



Fish Fry Fridays
are back!!!



Save the Date
 Sunday June 4th
 Golf Fore Vets



9 hole Charity Golf Tournament

March 2023

Upcoming Elk's Happenings

Mar 3-5 – Missouri Elks Bowling Tournament

- This year is in **Blue Springs!**

Mar 10-12 – Missouri State Elks Convention

- Flyer on bulletin board within the Lodge.

Mar 11th – St. Patrick's Day Party

- See flyer below for more info!

March 25th – Installation of Officers – 1pm

- More info to come

March 25th – Inaugural Ball – 6pm

- Tickets behind the bar

May 13th – District Golf Tournament

- Florissant Golf Club

Aug 11-13 – Missouri State Golf Tournament

- Joplin Lodge to host

St. Patrick's Day Party Saturday, March 11th

Corned Beef dinner - \$9

Attendance Prize | 50/50 | DJ/Karaoke



Dinner 5:30 – 8pm

Dancers – 6:15 – 6:45pm

DJ / Karaoke – 7pm – 11pm

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MARCH 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Ladies Bingo Officers Mtg 7p BOD Mtg 8p	2 Investigating Comm Mtg 7p	3 Food Night Fish Fry Navy Reserve Birthday Queen of Hearts	4
5 NO Meat Shoot	6 Entertainment Committee – 6:30pm	7 Bingo	8 Ladies Bingo Ladies Dinner 6:30p S&CQ Mtg 7:15p Ladies Mtg 7:30p	9 Lodge Meeting 7:30p	10 Food Night Fish Fry Queen of Hearts	11
12 Meat Shoot 12p	13 K9 Veterans Day	14 Bingo	15 Ladies Bingo PER Meeting 7p	16	17 Food Night Fish Fry Queen of Hearts	18
19 Meat Shoot 12p	20 Presidents Day	21 Bingo	22 Ladies Bingo	23 Lodge Meeting 7:30p	24 Food Night Fish Fry Queen of Hearts	25 Officer Installation 1pm Inaugural Ball 6pm
26 Meat Shoot 12p	27 House Committee	28 Bingo	29 Ladies Bingo Vietnam Veterans Day	30	31 Food Night Fish Fry Queen of Hearts	1
2 Meat Shoot 12p	3	4 Bingo	5 Ladies Bingo Officers Mtg 7p BOD Mtg 8p	6 Investigating Comm Mtg 7p	7 Food Night Fish Fry Queen of Hearts	8

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Kevin J Fischer	01	Lindell O Bast	09	Leonard J Tocco	18	Charles P Lograsso	22
Jeffrey C Butler	02	Laura Sue Goodwin	12	Richard Mark	19	Christina Roberson	23
Justin M Henderson	03	Thomas J Luebbert	12	Joseph Craig	21	James E Kuehnlein Sr	25
Gregory A Moritz	03	Donald D Donaldson	13	James L Farr	21	Donald E Posey	28
Kenneth Koelling	05	Ray “Tall Guy” Giguere	16	Thomas Charles Wade	21	Christopher Wojkowski	31
Patricia A Smith	05	Robert T Reese	18				



Veterans Committee
Happy 108th Birthday



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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

We would like to welcome the following gentleman back into the Trustees!

Tony Johns
Curt Chappie

Come re-live your Prom at
Inaugural Ball
March 25, 2023 6pm - Midnight
 \$25/person. Come enjoy awards, dinner, live music, dancing, and so much fun. Sign up and pay at the bar. Menu coming soon!



March 2023



State President Visit - Sunday, 2/19



Super Bowl Party – Chair winner!



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