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Exalted Ruler's Message



LODGE OFFICERS

Exalted Ruler: Becky Chester
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Vicki Lloyd, Chairperson
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 Kurt Schimmel
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 Barb DeLuca
 Bob Chester

House Committee Meetings:
 1st Tuesday of the month
 at 9:30 a.m.

LOUNGE HOURS

Mon-Thurs 2:00 pm - 9:00 pm
 Fri 2:00 pm - 10:00 pm
 Sat 2:00 - 7:00 pm
 Sun 1:00 - 7:00 pm
 Happy Hour: Daily 2:00 - 4:00 pm
 And All Day Sunday
 (hours of operation subject to
 change)
 Check Newsletter for Specials

Welcome to the beginning of a new year!

Our Lodge has voted in several new officers and committee members. In the upcoming months we will have a “Meet & Greet” on a Saturday which will include all members and spouses. It will be a great opportunity to put faces to names.

We have some awesome events coming up. On May 5th the Golf Tournament will be taking place at Bear Creek. Hopefully you already have a foursome signed up. Proceeds from the tournament event will go to our scholarship fund. Contact the Lodge to either volunteer or sign up to play. There are registration forms at the bar.

Save the date for May 11th for our second annual fish fry. If you have some crappie that you wish to add to this event, please contact Bob Chester 314-265-2243 or Randy Davidson 319-541-8648. This is an eating frenzy for all of those participating, so bring a dish to share along with your appetite!

May 12th we will have a Mother’s Day ceremony in the Social Quarters at 11am. There will be sweets and flowers provided. This is a beautiful way to honor your mother, past or present. This is not a requirement, it should be an honor!

June 22nd our lodge is celebrating its 50th anniversary. One of the many ideas that the committee has come up with is to have a wall of Elks members pictures with the Caption “How Many Years Have You Been A Member?” Please get your pictures to Ruth AnnYarbrough.

Since it’s your Lodge I encourage you to step up and step into this upcoming year. Do something that you haven’t done in a while. Whether it’s volunteering for a new committee, working in (1968) the kitchen or coming to a meeting. We have over 800 members and initiate more every month. Come in just to meet someone new and welcome our new members into our Elk family.

In closing, I’d like to thank everyone in advance for the support and positive reinforcement that you are offering to your new Lodge officers and members!

ER *Becky Chester*

Remember the past but let’s concentrate on the future!

BAGS RESULTS

2/21	1st Place	Brandon Dziadosz/Andrew Steward
	2nd Place	Bobby Baird/Chris Harlan
	3rd Place	Bryan Reinke/Ron Aiello
2/28	1st Place	Brandon Dziadosz/Chris Harlan
	2nd Place	Bryan Reinke/Aaron Tull
	3rd Place	Bobby Baird/Rob Cline
3/6	1st Place	Terry Bailey/Bobby Baird
	2nd Place	Omar Banks/Chris Harlan
	3rd Place	Brandon Dziadosz/Greg Sellers
3/13	1st Place	Brandon Dziadosz/Rob Cline
	2nd Place	Bryan Reinke/Crystal Tull
	3rd Place	Helen Gross/Bobby Baird

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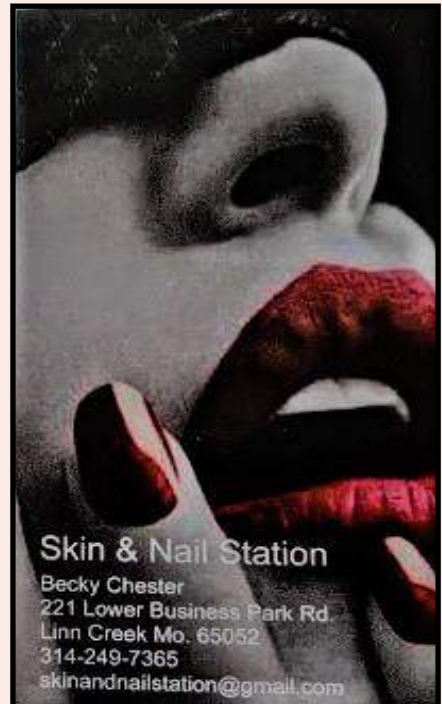
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IN MEMORIAM TO OUR ABSENT MEMBER

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APRIL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

APRIL ENTERTAINMENT

April 5th Helen Russell
 April 19th Kyle Lee Wiles
 April 26th Steven Scott

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Hamburger Cheese Burger Pork Tenderloin French Fries Chef Salad Chef Special Shuffleboard	2 PER Mtg-5pm Board Mtg-5:30 Membership Mtg 7:00 pm Casual Dress House Committee Meeting 9:30 am	3 Chicken Club Hot Ham & Cheese BAGS 6pm Queen of Hearts	4 Show Me The Money 6pm	5 Baby Back Ribs BBQ Beans Coleslaw Biscuit ENTERTAINMENT	6  Mouse Races 2 pm
7 BINGO DOORS OPEN AT 12:15 BINGO STARTS AT 2 Team 1 works	8 Hamburger Cheese Burger Pork Tenderloin French Fries Chef Salad Chef Special Shuffleboard	9 Veterans Meeting 3 pm	10 Baked Mostaccioli Garlic Bread Chicken Strips BAGS 6pm Queen of Hearts	11 Show Me The Money 6pm Line Dancing Lessons 5-7pm	12 Chicken Cordon Bleu New Potatoes Vegetable Salad, Roll	13 SPRING CLEANING 9AM
14 BINGO DOORS OPEN AT 12:15 BINGO STARTS AT 2 Team 2 works	15 Hamburger Cheese Burger Pork Tenderloin French Fries Chef Salad Chef Special Shuffleboard	16 Orientation 5:30 Initiation and Meeting 7:00 Dress Uniform	17 Hard & Soft Tacos Taco Salad BAGS 6pm Queen of Hearts	18 Show Me The Money 6pm Line Dancing Lessons 5-7 pm NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE BY 8am	19 Steak Night Roasted Potatoes Vegetable Salad, Roll ENTERTAINMENT	20
21 BINGO DOORS OPEN AT 12:15 BINGO STARTS AT 2 Team 3 works	22 Hamburger Cheese Burger Pork Tenderloin French Fries Chef Salad Chef Special Shuffleboard	23 Trivia 6:30pm	24 Soup 1/2 Sandwich BAGS 6pm Queen of Hearts	25 Show Me The Money 6pm Line Dancing Lessons 5-7pm	26 Sloppy Joes Baked Beans Potato Salad Eating in Social Quarters ENTERTAINMENT	27 GAME DAY 3pm Social Quarters See flyer in this Newsletter
28 BINGO- DOORS OPEN AT 12:15 BINGO STARTS AT 2pm Team 4 works	29 Hamburger Cheese Burger Pork Tenderloin French Fries Chef Salad Chef Special Shuffleboard	30				

APRIL KITCHEN TEAMS

MONDAY	WEDNESDAY	FRIDAY
1 Calvert	3 DeLuca	5 Davidson
8 Menges	10 Schaefer	12 Dodge
15 Carter	17 DeLuca	19 Jeannie T
22 Wells	24 Johnson	26 Open
29 Menges		

MAY KITCHEN TEAMS

MONDAY	WEDNESDAY	FRIDAY
6 Calvert	1 DeLuca	3 Davidson
13 Menges	8 Schaefer	10 Dodge
20 Carter	15 DeLuca	17 Jeannie T
27 Wells	22 Johnson	24 Open
	29 Open	31 Open

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NOTICE

This is the official notice as required by the Grand Lodge that Member Don Sappington has applied for a "Life Membership" to our Lodge. Don has been a member since January 17, 1995 - 30 + years.

A vote to approve or disapprove will be taken at the Regular Lodge Meeting in May.

****Save the Date****

**Lake of the Ozarks Elks Lodge 2517,
50th Celebration June 22, 2024**

The Celebration Committee is hard at work making this day memorable for all of our members. The committee is planning activities both indoors and out. Watch for updates on the events for the entire day!

SURVEY RESULTS

Thank you to the 43 people who answered our survey questions. Results were calculated and reviewed at the House Committee meeting held in March . We feel even though the number was small it reached those who come into the Elks on a regular basis. Members responding ranged from 4 months to one lifetime member. Reasons they were interested in joining were for fellowship, community support, and fundraising. Comments 41 preferred live music and having in the lounge (17) hall (14) with seven stating depended on music. In regards to Saturday ideas to encourage them to come in were... jam sessions, game (518) day including card games and events were the suggestions.

Questions regarding the kitchen showed there was good variety but would like less fried food with healthier choices Several individual suggestions on what they would like to see on the menu. A few would like more made from scratch. Those answering only 20 attend meetings however most are on the Elks App where events and up to date information are posted during the month. Comments included great survey, love being member, group members cliques, entertainment every Friday, House Committee last 2 years did a good job, and overall very friendly.

In closing any issues that need attention will be referred to the appropriate committee. Thank you to all participated. Outgoing House Committee - It's been a good 2 years. Welcome to the new committee April 1.



11 New Members initiated in March

Please welcome these ladies and gentlemen as they took the solemn oath Saturday, the 9th, to become Elks in our Lodge.

Front row left to right: Jim Knysak, Diana Derrington, Gloria Rolling, ER Steve Schmidt, Becky Sofolo and Bill Walton

Back row left to right: Richard Rusan, Dave Newton, Kim Rolfes, Thomas Meder, Tim Quist and Barb Quist.

From the Activites Committee

The brainstorming and first actual meeting were filled with great ideas for the upcoming year.

For those of you who completed the surveys we are listening! Kicking off with Game Day April 27th at 3pm. Bring your friends in to play dominos, Mexican train, card games, You choose!! There will be a Pizza and Beer special and snacks to keep everyone smiling.

April starts a new calendar year for Elk Lodges. Along with a few other duties one of the most important roles I have is raising money to help support 3 separate entities of Elkism; the Elk National Foundation (ENF), the Benevolent Trust Fund (our State's traveling dental program), and the High School Scholarship Fund. One way that we can increase the monies received from the Grand Lodge each year is through the "Fidelity Club". The Fidelity Club is an avenue where members send in as little as \$5 a month to the Grand Lodge and based on a percentage of how many members join in the previous year, we can receive as much as \$2,000 to be applied to different grants.

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Bob Chester, Newsletter Chairman

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ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP GOLF TOURNAMENT

The Lodge is hosting their annual scholarship golf tournament on May 5 at Bear Creek Valley Golf Club. Format is a 4-person scramble with a shotgun start at 12:00 noon. The entry fee is \$85 per person. You do not need to be an Elk to play.

All proceeds support the Lodge's local scholarship program, which benefits students at five area high schools. This tournament is one of the primary sources of revenue for the scholarship program.

The food this year is being catered by JJ Twig's Pizza & BBQ. Menu Items include salad, chicken wings, pulled pork, chips and dips, and toasted ravioli.

Golfers of all skill levels are welcome to participate. The event will be flighted, with all flights paying the same. There will also be numerous on-course events, as well as a putting contest prior to the shotgun start. All prizes will be paid in cash. All golfers will get beverages on the course including beer, water and soda. Golfers are invited back to the Lodge following golf, where prizes will be awarded and food for all (2202) golfers will be provided. Entry forms are available at the Lodge. Please fill it out and mail it to the Lodge or turn it in to the bartender prior to April 29.

****If you don't play golf, you can still help out by becoming a hole sponsor. Applications are at the bar. The cost is \$100. Sponsors are acknowledged with a sign on the golf course the day of the tournament.****

Last year's turnout from both players and sponsors was great. Let's make this an even better year!

QUESTIONS? Please call Ron Tussey at (573) 480-1272

**SATURDAY
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NEW FRIENDS.**



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CHRISTMAS BASKETS**

APRIL 6, 2024 - 2pm

DOORS OPEN AT 1pm Food & refreshments available. This is a fun event so make your plans early and invite your friends & family!

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Saturday, May 4

Gaming Wagers Open at 3 PM

Hat Contest at 4 PM

Raffles start at 4:30 . . . Every 15 minutes until Post Time

Run for the Roses Post Time at 5:24 PM

Drink Specials - Please bring a dish to Share.

COOKOFF RESULTS

CHILI COOK-OFF WINNERS WERE:

1st Place	Karen Bernsen
2nd Place	Lois Dunnagan
3rd Place	Jan Herren

CHICKEN WING COOK-OFF WINNERS WERE:

1st Place	Lois Dunnagan
2nd Place	Chris Harlan
3rd Place	Chris Harlan

SOUP COOK-OFF WINNERS WERE:

1st Place	Lois Dunnagan
2nd Place	Candy Maynard
3rd Place	Kim Terweil

Thanks to all participants and judges

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