

# THE STAG LINE



## Kevin's ER Corner

Hey Y'All,

Well we had our 50th Anniversary Gala and what a great time it was. For the members that weren't there, let me tell you about a few things that occurred. State President Jim Ross and his wife Kathy were present, taking pictures and

having a great time. Grand Trustee John Gross also attended along with his wife Sarah and I was honored to receive a commendation from the Grand Lodge on behalf of the Blue Springs Lodge, recognizing our 50 years in the community. A special "Thank You" to Ken Billups for MCing the event and the anniversary committee as a whole. We have heard nothing but good things from all the visitors that joined us that night.

So let me tell you a little story about volunteering and courtesy. I recently had two new members bring their 9 year old granddaughter up to the Lodge on a Friday dinner night. She wanted my attention to show me something and walked me to the kids room and she proceeded to show me how she put away all the toys and games in the room. She also pointed out that the carpet was dirty and asked how to get that cleaned. I asked if she would be willing to vacuum and she said "yes". I went on my merry way and a few minutes later I returned to a freshly cleaned kids room floor. I thanked her for her effort and as a courtesy I then walked her around the Lodge and answered the many questions she had. (I then returned her quickly to her grandparents). The reason I tell this story is: 1-even the youngest of us can volunteer our time and make the Lodge a better place and 2-courtesy teaches us that willing or unwilling, we should always be kind and courteous to each other.

Keeping with my themes for the year, I want to highlight this interaction as an example of courtesy. This young lady was courteous in her discussions with me and I showed courtesy to her in answering her questions and helping her get something done. This example of politeness is a great example of the Golden Rule which should govern our interactions with each other as well as the public. I figure if a 9 year old girl can do it, we can too.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kevin Etris,  
Exalted Ruler



## 50th ANNIVERSARY WRAP UP

Thank you to all the committee members and volunteers who were a huge part of making the 50th Anniversary Gala a great success. The visiting Elks to our Lodge were impressed with the facility, but also the wELKome that they received. Though the rain that came through kept us from having the planned fireworks display, plenty of fun was had in telling stories and dancing into the night.

As I stated during the event, it has been though the commitment and foresight of the founders of our Lodge that we are where we are today. As we read the stories, reviewed pictures and the documents going back 50 years, it is a wonder of all that has been accomplished by this Lodge in such a relatively short time. I am certain that this Lodge will continue to be a force in our community well into the future through the continued efforts of our members and I'm proud to be a part of it.

Fraternally submitted,  
Erik Grotenhuis-Leading Knight  
50th Anniversary Chair

Community • Friendship • Charity

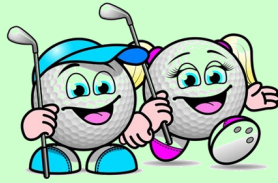
# ELKS



**JUNE 30-July 3**

## Austin 2024!





## GUYS & DOLLS GOLF TOURNAMENT

JUNE 1, 2024

7:30-8:30 A.M. SIGN IN 8:30 A.M. TEE OFF

COUNTRY CLUB GOLF COURSE

SPONSOR AND GOLF TEAM SIGN UP SHEETS ARE ON  
THE BULLETIN BOARD IN THE HALLWAY.

AUCTION ITEMS ARE NEEDED



Concert in the Park at Rotary Park

Sunday June 2, 2024

6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M.

Free Admission

Our Lodge is sponsoring a concert in the park.

Loose Change will be performing  
classic rock and country music.

Bring lawn chairs and a picnic.

Concessions are usually available.

Submitted by Dana Duckworth



## LUCK OF THE DRAW DART TOURNAMENT

June 2024 TBA-

Watch for Announcement

Sign up at 6:00 P.M.

Drawing of teams at 7:00 P.M.

\$15 Entry Fee.

Half of entry fee goes towards the  
Christmas Baskets.

Half goes into prize money with the  
House Committee matching.

Pay out: 1st, 2nd and 3rd

May Winner: Chris States



## 2024 CAR AND BIKE SHOW

Next meeting Monday June 3, 2024

6:30 P.M. (Downstairs)

Please consider joining!

**Lots of volunteers are needed for this  
GREAT FUNDRAISER FOR  
VETERANS AND SCHOLARSHIPS!  
PLEASE HELP!!!**

For more information contact

Jim McKay

jandsmckay16@gmail.com

## ELKS 9 PIN NO TAP BOWLING TOURNAMENT



Saturday July 13, 2024

1:00 P.M. to 4 P.M.

Blue Springs Bowl

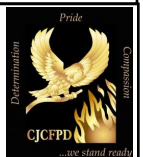


Community Education Courses

Taught by CJCFPD

Safe Sitter Class for

Boys and Girls Ages 11-17



June 19, July 17 and August 10

9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

CJCFPD Training Center

4715 S US 40 Hwy, Blue Springs, MO

Fee of class is picked up by the

First Responder Committee

Please register at [classreg@cjcpd.org](mailto:classreg@cjcpd.org)

or call 816-229-9118

Any questions, call 1st Responders Committee Chair

Virginia DeBoard 816-379-6472



# ELKETTE NEWS...WE MAKE A DIFFERENCE!!!

## NEXT ELKETTE MEETING THURSDAY 6/13/2024 7:00 P.M.



### ELKETTE NEWS

**Guys & Dolls Golf Tournament:**  
We are looking for tournament sponsors,  
golf teams and auction items.



Women's HaHa Golf League  
Monday, June 3rd at 5:30  
Sign Up With The PRO Shop  
(No later than Sunday June 2nd)  
HaHa Golf League is for all skill levels and  
designed for everyone to have fun.  
See Betty Deterding for more information.  
816-229-1194

### COOKING TEAMS

June 7

**Fran Sousley**

Pork Chops

June 12

**Nancy Mickelson**

Fried Chicken Sandwiches

Baked Beans

Chips

Dessert

### MAY MEETING

WINNERS

Cash Drawing:

**Janice Cunha**

Gift Card:

**Ronda May**

50/50:

**Barb House**

CONGRATULATIONS ELKETTE  
OF THE MONTH  
**Stacey Travis**

### HAPPY JUNE ELKETTE BIRTHDAYS!

6/2 Lori Bukaty-Dusenberg, 6/4 Kelli Creed, 6/6 Kim Osborne, 6/10 Michelle Hightower, 6/14 Bev Bray,  
6/15 Deanna McAuliffe, 6/16 Nichol Gialde, 6/17 Bobby Jonte, 6/20 Debby Shores, 6/22 LeeAnn Nelson,  
6/23 Lexie Shores, 6/23 Claudia Smith and 6/24 Diana Linsmeier



### Elkettes CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT

Saturday, June 29, 2024

Check In: 12:00 - 12:30

Draw for Partners: 12:30

Tourney Starts: 1:00

Cost: \$20 per player (pay at the event that day)

Draw for partners-Double elimination

Payouts for the top 3 teams

You do not have to be an Elk or Elkette to play.

Everyone 18 years and older is welcome.

Competition will take place on the lawn/patio behind the  
Elks Lodge. Bring your lawn chairs and fun attitude  
for a great time!

(Event will be moved inside in the case of  
inclement weather.)

Hot dogs, chips and water available for purchase - \$1 each  
Jell-O Shots will be available for purchase - \$2 each



### Community Education Course

#### CPR HANDS ONLY

Coming in July, August, September & October

Free class sponsored by 1st Responder Committee

Watch for sign up sheets in hallway

Please register at [classreg@cjcfpd.org](mailto:classreg@cjcfpd.org)

or call 816-229-9118

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### INVESTIGATION REPORT MAY 16, 2024

#### 7 TO BE

#### INVESTIGATED/INTERVIEWED

Tyler Rains

Cynthia Johnson

Dawn Cook

Jared Farmer

Rachelle Brummel

Gregory Brickhouse

James Howerton

#### 2 TO BE VOTED ON FOR INITIATION

Niel Henriksen

Ed Spotts

#### 2 TO BE VOTED ON BY CERTIFICATE OF RELEASE

Craig Luebbert

Lodge #0236

#### 1 TO BE INDOCTRINATED

Gene Stephens

Submitted by Frank Kerby

#### 11 TO BE INITIATED

Brian Wilson

Brooke Boldizs

Michelle Jones

Timothy Olah

Jeremy Schaefer

Keith Hupp

Lori Mock

Griffin Qualls

Cani Carlton

John Chacon

Gene Ryals III



## First Responder News

If you have any questions about the grant or wish to become a member of the First Responder committee, please reach out to Virginia DeBoard or email [firstresponder2509@gmail.com](mailto:firstresponder2509@gmail.com)

Please join the First Responder Committee.

Next Meeting June 5, 2024 @ 5:30 P.M. We will be assembling snack baskets to be delivered to Police Stations.



## 1st Responders Committee Raffle

### 1ST PRIZE

**44 ELOCK BUCKMAN GUN SAFE**

### 2ND PRIZE

**MAGNUM QUICK ACCESS PISTOL SAFE**

### 3RD PRIZE

**ALLEN RANGE BAG**

Partly donated by Buchheit

(Do not need to be present to win)

Tickets \$5 each or 5 for \$20

See Virginia DeBoard, Bill Sweeney,  
a committee member or bartender for raffle tickets  
Drawing on June 14, 2024 (Flag Day)



## FIRST RESPONDERS FUNDRAISER

**Cold Fire Extinguishers**  
are for sale at \$40 each.

**This fundraiser is to help put a  
tourniquet in every classroom.**

Please contact

**Virginia DeBoard**

**[virginiadeboard@gmail.com](mailto:virginiadeboard@gmail.com)  
if interested in purchasing**



## Veterans News

**NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!**

**Next Meeting Wednesday June 5, 2024**

**5:00 P.M.**

**See Ed Rieck for questions**



Veterans Committee packing backpacks  
for homeless Veterans.



Lissa Stark and Maria Stiles took \$400 in \$20 increments from Quick Trip to the VA hospital for Veterans needing gas money, etc. while their stay at the hospital. They also stopped at the Fischer House for an impromptu tour. It is truly a beautiful place. The Fischer House can be used by

active duty personnel if they have a child that would be hospitalized at Children's Mercy, KU or any other area hospital.



## SCHOLARSHIP NEWS \$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$

I'm happy to announce the winners of the 2024 MVS Scholarships from our Lodge. Each student received a \$2000 scholarship. All six of our local scholars advanced to District Judging\* (no cash award) and four were awarded \$1000 from State\*\*. VERY IMPRESSIVE!!!

### Blue Springs High School

Chinyere Omeife\*\*

Luke David-Pennington\*\*

### Blue Springs South High School

Lauren Freeland\*

Anotida Mafuvadze\*\*

### Lee's Summit North High School

Jackson Ford\*

### Oak Grove High School

Christopher Salmon\*\*

### Fort Osage Career and Technology Center (nominated by the faculty)

Sidney Sullivan

Diego Gonzalez Aguilar

Again, a note of thanks to all of you who helped with the judging in early December. You are appreciated!

Sandi Brown, Scholarship Chair



## JIM BUTLER MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Saturday September 7, 2024

**WE NEED YOUR HELP**



Dear Fellow Elk and Elkettes Members,

As most of you are aware, one of the largest fundraisers and community projects of which Blue Springs Elks Lodge 2509 participates is the Elks Christmas Basket Program, which provides food and Christmas gifts to over 200 families and over 500 children in our own community during the holidays. The Memorial Golf Tournament, scheduled for September 7th, is one of the events that funds this program.

The tournament fees and Calcutta auction funds go to pay for the tournament and the auction winners. The actual funds that support the families are the sponsorships we receive from community businesses and personal sponsorships.

Because this is an Elks charitable event, the golf committee would like to bring the focus back **inside the Elks** to fund this activity versus raising most money from community businesses, which already have their own charitable causes. In this vein, we are asking you, our members, to dig deep into your heart and your pockets to help feed and provide gifts for families that otherwise would not have it at Christmastime. **No donation is too small. Any member that donates at least \$100 will receive recognition on the Sponsorship board and your name printed in the October Elks newsletter as a special thank you for your sacrificial giving. Your contribution is also tax deductible. Another way to contribute is by recognizing one of our departed members on the Memory board with a \$100 donation. The name of the departed member will go on the Memory board next to the sponsorship board and your name will go on the sponsorship board. The departed member will also be listed on a Memorial board at the tournament, as well as, their name printed in the October newsletter. This fundraising golf tournament is in honor of our departed members.**

To support this worthy cause, please complete the form below and enclose a check made out to "Elks Lodge 2509". Your sponsorship can be left in the Elks mailbox at the lodge or mailed to the lodge: "Jim Butler Memorial Golf Tourney, 100 NE Brizendine Road, Blue Springs, MO 64014." Thank you in advance for your generosity and for answering the call to care for your less fortunate neighbor.

With Gratitude,

Jim Butler Memorial Golf Tournament Committee

Sponsor Name: \_\_\_\_\_



Amount Donated: \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory Of: \_\_\_\_\_

# JUNE 2024

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<b>Upcoming Events:</b> July 13-Elks 9 Pin No Tap Tournament July 20-Metro West Golf Tournament August 3-4-State Golf Tournament September 6-Jim Butler Memorial Golf Tournament October 11-12-State Bass Tournament	<b>PER RIBS-ORDER AHEAD (SIGN UP SHEET IN HALL)</b> <u><b>MAY 23 and 24 \$15 FULL SLAB</b></u> Dinner Friday May 24th -1/2 Slab, Beans, Slaw \$11	<b>1</b> Guys & Dolls Golf Tournament
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<b>2</b> Breakfast Classic  Concert in the Park-Rotary Park	<b>3</b> Car Show Meeting 6:30 PM  Dental Van	<b>4</b>  Dental Van	<b>5</b> Dinner  Veteran's Meeting 5:00 PM  1st Responders Meeting 5:30 PM  Dental Van	<b>6</b> Lodge Meeting 7 PM	<b>7</b> Dinner Fran Sousley Pork Chops	<b>8</b>
<b>9</b> Breakfast Team Perkins-TBA	<b>10</b> Jim Butler Memorial Golf Mtg 5:30 PM  	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> Dinner Nancy Mickelson Fried Chicken Sandwich	<b>13</b> Elkette Meeting 7PM	<b>14</b> Dinner  1st Responder Gun Safe Drawing  Flag Day	<b>15</b>
<b>16</b> Breakfast Omelets  Father's Day	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> Dinner  Safesitter Class  Juneteenth	<b>20</b> Lodge Meeting 7PM	<b>21</b> Dinner  NEWS DUE	<b>22</b>
<b>23</b> Breakfast Pancakes  30 Vet Com Breakfast - TBA	<b>24</b>  	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> Dinner	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> Dinner	<b>29</b> Cornhole Tournament

**JUNE BREAKFAST** —Breakfast served 8:30-11:00 A.M.

6/2: Classic Breakfast  
 6/9: Team Perkins-TBA  
 6/16: Omelet Team-Omelets (Cinnamon Rolls \$2 Each)  
 6/23: Pancakes, Eggs, Bacon or Sausage  
 6/30: Veterans Committee-TBA

**NEWS ARTICLES** for the JULY newsletter are due **Friday JUNE 21, 2024**

Articles may be left in the newsletter mailbox in the Lodge Secretary's office or sent via email to  
[loueechee@sbcglobal.net](mailto:loueechee@sbcglobal.net) or  
[bpoe2509news@gmail.com](mailto:bpoe2509news@gmail.com)



# BACK ROOM RENTAL NOTICE

**NOTICE: BACK ROOM RENTAL  
PRICE CHANGES  
(ALL PRICES INCLUDES CLEANUP)**

## MEMBERS

**Sunday \$100**

**Monday-Thursday \$80.00**

**Friday or Saturday \$220.00**

## NON-MEMBERS

**\$340 Every Day Rental Fee**

**Contact Kevin Huff 816-256-6800**



**Missouri Elks Dental Van  
06/03/24 to 06/06/24  
Blue Springs Elks Lodge  
816-404-6904**

## NEWSLETTER BY EMAIL



Get your newsletter by email  
quicker and in color!  
The cost of postage is skyrocketing!!!  
Contact Frank Kerby  
fmkerby@netzero.net

## Thinking of You

**Jim Tegtmeier  
Keith Dawson**



## JUNE BIRTHDAYS

	4-Rick Hudnall	9-David Singell	14-Ron Smith	18-Scott Helmandollar	23-Anthony Cox
	5-Evan Carter	10-William Gardner	14-Bradley Taylor	18-Kim Lichte	23-Mark Padfield
	5-Harrison Harkins	10-Michelle Hightower	14-Gary Verheek	18-Cheri Pontius	24-Barbie Daum
	5-Michael MacComiskey	11-Amanda Cowan	15-Don Aten	19-James Born	24-John McGraw
	5-Gary Snow	11-Gregory Crane	15-Frank Bankston	20-Deborah Shores	24-Danny Wilhelm
1-Christopher Bell	6-Todd Hardesty	11-Fred King	15-James Poppenhagen	20-Howard Watson	25-Timothy Wilcox
1-Jacque Donnell	6-Steven King	11-Tony Marcasa	15-Blake Thibault	21-Stephen Crossland	26-Richard Fitzgerald
1-Michael Kisner	6-Roger Stark	11-Mark Smith	16-Ted Dickhout	21-George "Mike" Heier	26-Jarvis Smith
1-Darrell Paschall	7-Glenn Arment	11-Patrick Smith	16-Thomas Jackson	21-Bernie Meyer	27-John Hay
1-Mark Scammacca	7-Save Dillon	12-Parker Blackburn	16-Cullen Scott	21-Michael Mobley	27-Chet LaBruyere
1-Darin Schuette	7-John Jancek	12-Jeffrey Mullins	17-Virginia DeBoard	21-Ronald Moore	27-Angela Simons
2-Frank Diecidue III	7-Darren Knox	13-Bob Clark	17-Denver Denish	21-James Prince	28-Jeffery Seever
2-Stephen Taylor	7-Patrick Meyer	13-Brent Michael	17-Stephen Lee	21-James Tegtmeier	28-Stephen Wilckens
3-Kennetha Brattin	8-James Atkison	13-James Panus	17-Curtis Mercer	22-Michael McGinnis	29-Thomas Bukaty
4-John Carter	8-Michael Gross	13-Shawn Stewart	17-Philipp Pflughaupt	22-LeeAnn Nelson	29-Michael Sullivan
4-Mark Clipperton	9-Victoria Cox	14-Beverly Bray	18-Rosario Caponetto	22-Jennifer Seymour	30-Zachary Meyer
4-Kelli Creed	9-William Hayden	14-Jacob Clark	18-Delisa Cook	22-Aaron Willetts	30-Patrick O'Brien
4-Nicholas Earhart	9-Paul Hubbard	14-John Lund	18-John Crow	23-Joseph Bunner	30-Gale O'Neal

## JUNE SPOUSE BIRTHDAYS

1-Whitney Danner	5-Linda Van Tassel	12-Mandy Hughes	18-Tammy Argetsinger	20-Nicolle Walden	23-Claudia Smith
2-Lori Bukaty	10-Jennifer Bell	13-Heather Singell	18-Tina Caponetto	21-Jenny Parkhurst	24-Diana Linsmeier
2-Susan Snow	10-Mary Walker	14-Sasha Bacus	18-Judy DeMaga	22-Jamie Demoss	26-Janice Dowell
3-Ginger Hart	10-Tabatha Martin	15-Carolyn Aten	19-Christy Crenshaw	22-Valerie Martin	26-Charles Summers
5-Shauna Crutcher	11-Terri Garrison	15-Deanna McAuliffe	20-Dale Orr	23-Kelly Prather	28-DeAnna Foster

Benevolent & Protective Order of Elks  
**Blue Springs Lodge #2509**  
 100 NE Brizendine Road  
 Blue Springs, MO 64014  
 Telephone: 816-229-6081  
 Fax: 816-229-2867

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**BLUE SPRINGS, MO**  
**PERMIT #16**

Instituted: March 11, 1974  
 Lodge Meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays Monthly at 7:00 p.m.  
 Lodge Opens: 2:00 p.m.—10:00 p.m. Monday—Friday  
 Lodge Opens: 11:30 a.m.—10:00 p.m. Saturday and Sunday

**RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED**



2024-2025 Lodge Officers	
Exalted Ruler	Kevin Etris
Esteemed Leading Knight	Erik Grotenhuis
Esteemed Loyal Knight	Shane Stiles
Esteemed Lecturing Knight	James McKay
Secretary	Frank M. Kerby, PDDGER/PER
Treasurer	Jennifer Atkinson
Esquire	Eric Root
Chaplain	Nina Bosworth
Inner Guard	Ed Rieck
Tiler	Tammara Devine
5 Year Trustee	Robert McCullough, PER
4 Year Trustee	Steve Solomon, PER
3 Year Trustee	Ken Billups, PER/PDDGER/PST
2 Year Trustee	Buzz Atkinson, PER/PDDGER
1 Year Trustee	Dana Duckworth

2024-2025 Elkettes Officers	
President	Gina Lee
Vice President	Lee Ann Nelson
Recording Secretary	Patty Dresser
Treasurer	Roxy Herman
Corresponding Secretary	Laurie Douth
Historian	Renee McKay
Sgt.-at-Arms	Rhonda Sullivan
<b>2024-2025 House Committee</b> <b>House Committee Chair:</b> Steve McKay <b>House Committee:</b> Kevin Douth, Alan Moody, Gregg Feightner, Todd Hardesty, David Bosworth, Chris States & Tony Guinn <b>Bar Manager:</b> Jeremy Nickell <b>Meeting Room:</b> Kevin Huff	
<b>Kitchen Manager:</b> Chip Miller	
<b>Entertainment Committee:</b> Julie Musgrove, Christina Miller, Gina Lee, Kim Lichte, Kylene Hefley, Lissa Stark, Lori Bukaty, Roxy Herman, Sammi Schmidt, Toni Eckman, Tricia Sharp & Renee McKay	
<b>Downstairs Elks Charities:</b> Logan Sousley	