

Mineral Area Community Elks Lodge 2583

An All American Lodge

NOVEMBER 2025

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Your Lodge Officers

- Exalted Ruler: Louie Seiberlich
- Leading Knight: Kenny Hawkins
- Lecturing Knight: Ron McClanahan
- Loyal Knight: Dustin Murray
- Secretary: Bryan Flatt
- Treasurer: Kerri Emert
- Chaplain: Gina Hulsey
- Tiler: Bill Wells
- Esquire: Steve Harris
- Inner Guard: Wayne Schrum
- Trustees:
- 5 YR - Gene Thomas
- 4 YR - Chris Rigdon
- 3 YR - Joseph Skiles
- 2 YR - Dean Gann
- 1 YR - Tom Hall



"Happy 47th Anniversary, MAC Elks"

On June 29, 1978, sixteen Elks from various lodges met to discuss forming a second Elks lodge in St. Francois County. Led by Pres Semar, over 200 applications were received by August with 100 attending a meeting in the Bonne Terre American Legion Hall. Just four months later, on November 5th, the Mineral Area Community Elks Lodge was instituted with 300 men initiated in the National Guard Armory, next door to the Farmington Elks Lodge. It was the largest class ever in Missouri Elkdom.

Only 14 of the original 300 remain with the MAC Elks...Billie Black, John Black, Earnie Cook, Talmadge Cooper, Ben Eden, Glen French, Bruce and Steve LaPlante, Roy Moore, Jimmie Prather, Ron and Martin Scott, and Kevin Smith.

In 1982 the footprint of our current building was constructed mainly by Elk's members with all activities held in the basement.

Over the years, this lodge has produced two State Presidents, Jim Hahn and Roland Seal, who was the Exalted Ruler when we were named "An All-American Lodge" 30 years ago. This Lodge produced state Ritual championship teams competing nationally and we sponsored Lance Sechrest, a 4-time National Hoop Shoot winner, which has never been done in Missouri Elks history. The Christmas food baskets project was started 40 years ago with 115 deliveries, and we built a playground for special needs kids at Special Acres State School. The Darrell Cole Memorial Bust, a Medal of Honor recipient, at Mineral Area College and the Miner's Memorial in St. Joe State Park were paid for by our Lodge members.

Through the years, we have had our ups and downs, like any family. We have welcomed and lost many friends. We have enjoyed the good times and struggled in other times, but as we look towards the future, we are optimistic of many good years to come.

On a personal note, as a Past Exalted Ruler from Potosi, I was part of the formation of this Lodge when I was invited to the first meetings and was elected first Treasurer of the Mineral Area Elks. Today it is an honor, 47 years later, to serve as your Exalted Ruler.

Fraternally
Louie



"TIP OF THE ANTLERS"



With the observance of Veterans Day, we salute all who have served our country and are Elks. A daily mainstay in our Lodge is Tom DeClue, a Vietnam Veteran and Elvins native. His wise cracks, street-smart observations and side comments are always appreciated and bring a laugh to our lounge community. He is never at a loss for words, but his compassion and thoughtfulness to others is second to none.

This lodge honors Veterans by supporting Camp Hope, paying for the cablevision at the Farmington VA Clinic and donating to the Veterans Memorial Wall in Perryville.

We salute those who serve with the members' names that grace the Veterans Wall of Honor in our Lodge.

"So long as there are Veterans, the Elks will never forget them..." is the Elks pledge, and we will never forget Tom DeClue.

**Listen to E.R. Louie Seiberlich on KFMO AM 1240
Nov 25th at 7:20 for MAC Lodge talk.**

THURSDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL BOARDS
Thursday Night Football Board Rules

- \$2.00 per Square
- Numbers will be drawn at 6:45pm on game day. When the first number is drawn, the board will be closed for entries.
- 40% payout at the half / 40% payout at the final
- 20% of money collected goes to Christmas Baskets and 80% to winner
- If there are empty squares on the board that win, the money will carry over to the next weeks board
- In the event that the 50 square board is not large enough for the amount of people that would like to participate, we will increase to a 100 square board.



The Benevolent Order of the Mineral Area
Community Elks Lodge 2583



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Student of
the Month

OCTOBER

Central R3
Brady Schweiss



North County
Haley Hasemeier



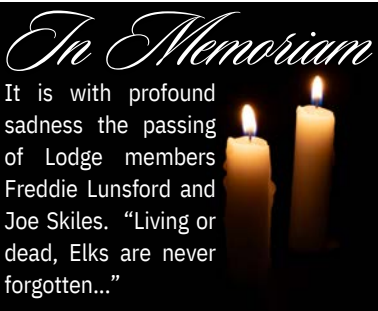
West County
Liam Buxton



On Saturday, October 11th the Lodge opened its doors early for members watch the Mizzou vs Alabama game. We had a delicious Cajun Boil that everyone raved about! Chris Asher and Ron McClanahan, we can't thank you enough for the great food and of course all the hard work!



We welcomed District Deputy, Ben Flatt, Debbie Flatt, E.R. Louie Seiberlich and Paul LdDure, Secretary to the Lodge this month.



In Memoriam
It is with profound sadness the passing of Lodge members Freddie Lunsford and Joe Skiles. "Living or dead, Elks are never forgotten..."



Congratulations to Anna Kleiner for the Elks National Foundation State Award



Be sure to watch the MAC Elks Facebook page for upcoming plans, meals and general information! <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100064672092244>
Kiley Rigdon - Newsletter Editor

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Dave McFarland 11-03
Heath Rawlings 11-03
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Larry Wigger 11-12
Jonathon Berry 11-13
David Hulsey 11-13
Christopher Rigdon 11-16
Charla Barker 11-18
Brandon Sedgwick 11-19
Jimmie Brown 11-21
Ben Eden 11-22
Cynthia Rogers 11-22
Beth Huitt 11-23
rian Smith 11-25
Derek Wilfong 11-25
Daniel Bryan 11-28

HAPPY FREE BIRTHDAY BEVERAGE
Show your Driver's License during your Birthday Month and you and a friend will each get one free beverage. (One person, per year)

Lodge Information

Your Lodge is open Wednesday through Sunday, so stop by for a cool drink and entertaining conversation. You can also enter the "Bar Pot" or "Roll Your Luck" while enjoying Football, NASCAR, Golf or any other programs on our 6 TV's. Yes, YOU could "Be The Difference" by making your MAC Elks Lodge an enjoyable experience. Please be sure to watch the Facebook Page as we post on those about upcoming events frequently.



YOUR ATTENTION PLEASE!
Per State Law, no alcoholic beverages are to be brought into or taken out of the Lodge.



Don't forget

These upcoming events



JOIN US FOR OUR
ADULT HALLOWEEN PARTY
SATURDAY NOVEMBER 1ST AT 7:00 PM
JELLO SHOTS? OPEN JAMES RAY
\$50 BAR TAB TO BEST COSTUME



We will be honoring our Veterans on Wednesday 11-12-2025. Please join us and thank them for their service!

Fajita Night
12-6-2025 - More details to come
 Proceeds go to Hoop Shoot Gear

ANNUAL FISH FRY! November 8th
1:00 pm
\$10.00 per plate
Get a plate to eat or get a plate to go, just come get a plate! Proceeds go the Christmas Basket Fund

Deer Widow
NIGHT
Saturday Nov 15, 2025
Drink Specials for all ladies starting at 5pm

Show Me
THE MONEY
Saturday November 22
Sign up is 6-6:45
Game starts at 7
Cost to play is \$20
Bring your own snacks and fill up the table with friends!

QUEEN OF HEARTS
7:00 PM
JOIN US EVERY **FRIDAY**
NIGHT FOR A FUN NIGHT OF QUEEN OF HEARTS AND OTHER DRAWINGS!
B.Y.O.F!!!
Bring your own food night

New Year's Eve *Fame N Fortune*
Ring in the New Year with the Mineral Area Elks Lodge!
Dinner, Drinks and Live Music by Fame and Fortune!
\$40.00 per person
Dinner catered by Baylee Jo's BBQ
Menu:
Cherry glazed pork tenderloin or smoked chicken quarters
Garlic mashed potatoes
Mixed vegetables, house salad and rolls
Tickets on sale at the bar!

Kids Christmas Party
Saturday 12-13-2025
More details to come!
UGLY SWEATER party
Adult Christmas Party
Saturday 12-20-2025
More details to come!

Thursday Meals
starting at 5:30 - \$10 per plate
11-6-2025
Meatloaf, mashed potatoes
green beans and rolls
11-13-2025
Roast Beef, Veggies and Rolls
11-20-2025
Chicken and Dumplings
Veggie and rolls
11-27-2025
No dinner - Happy Thanksgiving!
For Members and Guests

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 Adults Party 7pm  Lounge Opens 3pm
2  NFL Football  Lounge Opens 3 pm	3	4	5 Board Meeting 6:00 Lodge Meeting 7:00 Happy 47 th Anniversary to the Lodge Lounge Opens 4pm	6 Meal at 5:30 Meatloaf and fixings <i>NFL Football & Football boards</i> Lounge Opens 4 pm	7 Queens –7:00pm B.Y.O.F. Bring your own food Lounge Opens 4 pm	8 Fish Fry @ 3:00  Lounge Opens 3 pm
9  NFL Football  Lounge Opens 3 pm	10	11	12 Lounge Opens 4pm	13 Meal at 5:30 Roast Beef and veggies <i>NFL Football & Football boards</i> Lounge Open 4-10 pm	14 Queens –7:00pm B.Y.O.F. Bring your own food Lounge Opens 4 pm	15 Deer Widows Night out Lounge Opens 3 pm
16  NFL Football  Lounge Opens 3 pm	17	18	19 Lodge Meeting 7:00 Lounge Opens 4pm	20 Meal at 5:30 Chicken and Dumplings <i>NFL Football & Football boards</i> Lounge Open 4-10 pm	21 Queens –7:00pm B.Y.O.F. Bring your own food Lounge Opens 4 pm	22 Show Me the Money Register @ 6 Lounge Opens 3 pm
23  NFL Football Lounge Opens 3 pm	24	25	26 Lounge Opens 4pm	27  Lodge will be opening at 3pm	28 Queens –7:00pm B.Y.O.F. Bring your own food Lounge Opens 4 pm	29 Lounge Opens 3 pm
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