

The Elks' Tooth



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A Sunday afternoon.

ELKS NATIONAL HOME - "CHANGES"

Life is full of changes. Is it time for a change in yours?...A change for the better...A change that will give you the security and carefree lifestyle you desire.

At the Elks National Home & Retirement Center you can relax and leave the worries to someone else. Take time to work on your golf game, start on all those books you've been wanting to read, take up a new hobby or devote more time to a hobby you've had to neglect lately. Spend time with your new friends, enjoy dancing at the birthday party, take some of the many trips in the van to a shopping mall, historic site, scenic drive, or other interesting area. The Elks National Home is near many scenic, historic and cultural sites. Enjoy exciting new opportunities and be just as busy as you want to be.

So what are you waiting for? The Elks National Home is not a place to wait out your last months or years, but a beautiful retirement community for living and enjoying life with your friends. Let someone else mow the grass and worry about the repairs. You have better things to do and you have earned the right to enjoy them.

There are currently vacancies for single occupancy - men or women. It's easy to get full information and an application. Just call 1-800-552-4140 during regular business hours, e-mail enhome@elkshome.org, or write to Elks National Home, 931 Ashland Ave., Bedford, VA 24523. You can also get information on the web at www.elkshome.org. Contact the Home today!



Lively group! Back row: Merlin Horath, Fred Augspurger, Deron Powell, Ted Mills, Jane Ryan, Dave Faith Front row: Susie Albert, Brittany Peterson, Brad Luckhart, George Lacefield, Christie Singleton



Happy Birthday, Donna!!!



LODGE NEWS

CLMS, Chicago Lodge Membership System!

Last November we were required by Grand Lodge to change Yuma 6 to CLMS. That is a program that tracks membership stats, and payments. We converted to CLMS without a problem. Since printing out statements, member cards, Widow cards, Lifer cards, we have encountered a few "glitches". It will take awhile to get those "glitches" corrected in the program. Grand Lodge and myself are working like heck to get things right.

To those whose did not receive statements and calendars, we sent in bulk to save our Members money, please call me and let me know who did not get statements. Widow cards, printed off the wrong deceased spouse...which really caused a problem and in no way was meant to dishonor your loved one! Half of the Lifer cards were printed with Members years and the other half did not print out. Hence the handwritten years. Mailing labels to statement years did not come out right either. Grand Lodge nor our Lodge did any of this on purpose to make anyone mad.... updates to this program are coming in daily to correct the problems.

I just want to say that the dues are coming at a fast pace and your ENF donations are "AWESOME"! Teamwork is what it takes to make this Lodge grow and it is working. Keep up the good work!

Anytime you know of an Elk member in the hospital or suffering from an illness, please contact the Lodge Secretary 217-280-0615. Your information will enable us to contact members needing comfort and assistance.

Also please, please let me know if and Elk member passes. We need to NEVER forget our good members.

If you need anything or have questions, and are back from vacation and want address changed back to Lincoln, Please call me...we are here for you!

Thank you, Susie Albert, Lodge Secretary

ENF Per Capita Goals

The Lodge just wants to Thank those Members that helped us reach our ENF per capita for 2008-2009 goals. Our members contributed about half of the goal and Christie Singleton, Karol Kurtz and DiAnne Boyer sold tickets from Charity Mania to make up for the rest. A job well done! It is important to donate to the ENF as it helps us reach our per capita, so we can qualify for grant money. Thanks to all the members that donated so we can help others! Elks Care and Elks Share!

Hoop Shoot

We would like to thank all the participants and volunteers that help with the Hoop Shoot held on January 10th, 2009. Overall, we had 53 participants. Volunteers: Merlin & Michelle Horath, Karol Kurtz, Jeff & Chris Singleton, Jane Ryan, Rick Freed, Richie Singleton, Angie & Meghan Kurtz, Debbie Rodgers, Kevin Hopp, Randy Horchem, Karen Deany, Steve Block, Doug DeMay.

BOYS 8-9

- 1) Jack Eimer
- 2) Tate Sloan
- 3) Drew Singleton

GIRLS 8-9

- 1) Kayla May
- 2) Megan Mollohan
- 3) -----

BOYS 10-11

- 1) Bryson Kirby
- 2) Aron Hopp
- 3) Casey Hallohan

GIRLS 10-11

- 1) Jordan Wood
- 2) Breanna Waller
- 3) Margo Parrish

BOYS 12-13

- 1) Grant Cooper
- 2) Payton Ebelherr
- 3) Gavin Block

GIRLS 12-13

- 1) Sylvia Parrish

Happy Birthday to You!

The following Elk members celebrate a birthday in April.

1	DARWIN HOFFERT	11	DANA C. SYDNEY	23	PAUL SHORT
	MILDRED L. RAFFA	12	ROBERT GOODRICH	24	GENE FRIOLI
	COREY L. SLACK		MARK S. MORRIS	25	RON LEATHERS
2	JOHN D. BLACKBURN				JERRY OVERBY
	NICHOLAS S. XAMIS	13	STEVEN FRENCH		GERALD J. WESSELS
			RICK RAMLOW	26	KEVIN COURTWRIGHT
		14	RONALD W. FOX		
3	DARREN ANDERSON			27	RENÄ SHERMAN
	CHRISTINE LOGEMAN		W. MICHAEL MCCREERY		
		15	CURT E. BURWELL		
4	DR. THOMAS ZWILLING, MD				DALE SPORE
6	JACK G. MILLAN			28	DARRELL KLINK
	DONALD VINSON		ALLEN SHEW		
7	THOMAS EVANS	16	ALAN C. FRISK		PHILIP R. WILLSON
		17	GEORGE MCCOOL		
8	JOSEPH P. RYAN		BRUCE STACY	29	GARY LICHO
		19	MICHAEL J. SWINGLE		
	RONALD L. SCHILLING				
9	ROBERT BILLITER		WILLIAM J. THUERWACH		ELVIN G. SCHMIDT
		21	JUSTIN AUE		MARCIA G. WARNER
	SCOTT NOLTENSMEIER				
	THOMAS D. ZURKAMMER		WOODROW E. JONES		
		22	GERALD DEHNER	30	JAMES P. XAMIS
10	NATHAN FRICKE				
			DAN SPLAIN		



Lodge News/future Dates

Men's Golf

The 2009 Golf Season is about to be in full swing. So get out those clubs, blow off the dust, and let's begin a fun and event filled season. We are going to have a busy year!

We are bringing back the Elks Cup. The Elks Cup is a year long event. By playing in the Sunday tournaments and participating in others, you can earn points. After the final event, the TOP 24 will participate in a team competition similar to the Ryder Cup. The first event to earn points for the Elks Cup will be April 26th with a 4-Man Scramble (Handicapped).

Also this year we will be hosting the 2009 State Elks Golf Tournament on July 16-19th. See the Pro Shop for more details. Don't forget to sign up for the Sunday Derbies. For more information, contact LeAnn Conner at 217-732-9338 or Sandy Russell at 217-732-5802.

Also we are bringing back the Nine-Wine-Dine. This event was a great hit last year so keep you eye on the calendar for more information.

Currently in the Pro Shop we are having a sale with 15% off all apparel and \$5 off any purchase of a dozen balls. Don't forget to start calling for tee times. Members are allowed to make tee times up to one week in advance. Please remember to check in at the Pro Shop before teeing off. This helps us keep records of rounds played in a year. Again, I would like to WELCOME everyone back! Let's have a great year.

Also, bring your clubs into the shop to get regriped before the season gets into full swing.

J.T. Ashley
Director of Golf Operations

Garage Sale

On April 18, we will have an Elks Garage Sale in the parking lot. You must furnish your own table. Spaces will be \$10 per table (8 foot).

We will put flyers out plus advertise in the paper. Carroll Catholic has one the same day. We will try to coordinate with them so that everyone in town will be aware of both. You may sign up in the pro shop for a space or contact John Welsh at 217-314-9622.

State Elks Tournament

The State Golf Tournament is rapidly getting closer. At the April meeting which will be on April 20th at 6:00 in the 19th hole, We will have our first meeting with all group leaders needing to be present. I will be in contact with everyone but please mark your calendars early. Also mark your calendar for 15th and 16th of May for the state convention. We will need a full contingent of people to staff the hospitality room in Springfield. Details will follow.

Lincoln Elks Youth Program Boys & Girls, Ages 7-13

Every Thursday June 11- July 9

8:00am - 2:00pm

No Rain Dates

Golf - Tennis - Lunch - Swimming

Fee: \$50.00 per child

Registration forms are available in the Pro Shop.

Masters Party

The Masters calcutta will take place on April 10th in the ballroom. Chef Ron will be preparing ribeye sandwiches with trimmings. Tickets NOW on sale. They will be \$15 per person. They will be sold in advance only. If we do not have 50 tickets sold by April 6th, the event will be cancelled. All events this year will be advanced sales. Because of our situation, we cannot take losses on these events.

Kentucky Derby Party

Our Kentucky Derby Party this year will be on May 2nd. Again advance ticket sales will be sold at \$25 per person. We will have snacks, buffet supper after the race, contests and prizes and a calcutta before the race. We again are placing a 50 person minimum by April 28th.

THANK YOU to all who donated their time, energy and resources to the redecorated 19th Hole! Because of all their generosity, the renovations only cost the budget \$1,300! THANKS TO EVERYONE!

Jeanne Rosenthal	Ed & Peg Antoine
Ted Mills	Joe Fitzpatrick
Jason Stephens	Coy Hutchcraft
Rory Kelly	Tom Ashley
Ron Hall	John Browning

Ladies Golf

Opening Luncheon for the Ladies Golf Association. It will be Wednesday, April 29th around noon. Weather permitting the ladies will play before hand. Vera Wurth and Lucy Johnson are in charge and there will be a sign up sheet in the pro shop restroom for RSVP's.

Lodge Officers:

Exalted Ruler	David Faith	732-1329
Leading Knight	John Welsh	314-9622
Loyal Knight	Dicky Trump	314-7356
Lecturing Knight	Jason Steffens	732-7510
Secretary	Susie Albert	280-0615
Treasurer	Fred Augspurger	732-3483
Tiler	Ted Mills	732-8312
Esquire	Michael Higgins	732-3663
Chaplain		
Inner Guard	Justin Awe	737-4466
Trustees:	John Browning	735-2343
	Deron Powell	792-3384
	Brad Luckhart	671-0690

Country Club Directors:

Walley Reese	732-6968
Richard Lane	735-5269
Ron Schilling	732-4776
Robert Shattuck	735-5700
Sarah Stuart Faith	732-1329
Don Papirnik	732-1462
Coy Hutchcraft	648-2843

Lodge Committees:

Accident Prevention	Tom Fleshman	732-7721
Advisory	Jane Ryan	732-9851
Americanism	George Lacefield	651-8164
Auditing	Ron Schilling	732-4776
Business Practice	Don Peasley	732-8141
Crippled Children	Wallace Reese	732-6968
Drug Awareness	John Bunner	732-2151
Easter Bunny	Michael Higgins	732-3663
Public Relations	Susie Albert	280-0615
Elks Tooth Administrator	Sarah Stuart Faith	737-3534
Flag Day	Jane Ryan	732-9851
Fund Raiser	Doug DeMay	732-2247
Govt Relations	Jane Ryan	732-9851
Hoop Shoot	Kevin Kurtz	732-3284
Indoctrination	Jane Ryan	732-9851
Initiation	Jane Ryan	732-9851
Insurance	Deron Powell	792-3384
Lodge Activities	Brad Luckhart	671-0690
Membership/Lapsation	Floyd Schmidt	899-0528
Memorial Service		
National Foundation	Sarah Aughenbaugh???	735-3090
National Home	Joe Lucas	792-5928
National Veterans	George Lacefield	651-8164
Ritual	William Gossett	732-7542
Scholarships	Tony Schilling	871-4776
Youth Activities	Todd Cicci	732-7697

Secretary: 732-3914, Tennis Office: 735-4831, Golf Shop: 732-4010
 Manager-Dining & Banquet Reservations: 732-9362



News Articles

News articles for the Elks' Tooth are due the 15th of the month (prior to the publication date). Send to: elkstoath-914@comcast.net or call Sarah Stuart Faith @ 217-737-3634.

Emblem Club News

It's April – time for the weather to warm up!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

By this time, the Easter Bunny will have made his visit with his helpers to the local nursing homes. Our Emblem will be donating \$50.00 to each nursing home to be used for their activity programs. I would like to thank the Elks and my Emblem Sisters for doing this great project. This is a way to give in a small and entertaining way to the residents.

Date to be put on your calendar – May 9th. Emblem will be having their Sandwich Sale at the Lincoln IGA. Pick up an easy lunch and you will be supporting Emblem with their many charitable projects.

June will be here before we know it. Let's remember WIIM State President LuAnn's State Convention to held at the Lincoln Elks on June 5th – June 7th. Support LuAnn and attend the convention and installation on Sunday, the 7th. Information about the convention can be picked up at the secretary's office at the lodge.

July will also be big for the Elks and Emblem. Our club will be having a sandwich booth at the Illinois State Elks Golf Tournament to be held in Lincoln. Keep July 16th-July 19th open and volunteer to help at the booth and bring your favorite cookies for the cookie sale.

Next meetings are April 2nd and May 7th. We will be having an "Easter Hat" contest at the April meeting. Wear your funniest, weirdest or prettiest Easter hat. Hats will be voted on and a prize awarded. Come and join in on the fun!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Smile – it's not hard!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Let's welcome our new lodge officers that were installed on March 29th!

Exalted Ruler, David Faith
 Leading Knight, John Welsh
 Loyal Knight, Dicky Trump
 Lecturing Knight, Jason Steffens
 Secretary, Susie Albert
 Treasurer, Fred Augspurger
 Tiler, Ted Mills
 Esquire, Michael Higgins
 Inner Guard, Justin Awe
 Trustees: John Browning, Deron Powell, and Brad Luckhart.



Easter Brunch

\$18.95 – Adult

\$12.95 – 12 & Under

Under 4 – free with accompanying Adult (1 child per adult)

Hours – 11-3

Breakfast Rolls & Fresh Bread Display

Fresh Crudités

*Glazed Ham
Carved Lamb Roast*

Breakfast Food

And Much, Much More!!!

I would like to introduce myself to those members I have not met yet in my first few weeks of business at the club. My name is Ron Nailer. I am 34 years old and reside in Maroa, IL (8 miles south of Clinton). I have a wife, Sara, to whom I have been married for 11 years. We have two (2) wonderful boys together, Devon (10 years old) and Kyndall (2 years old).

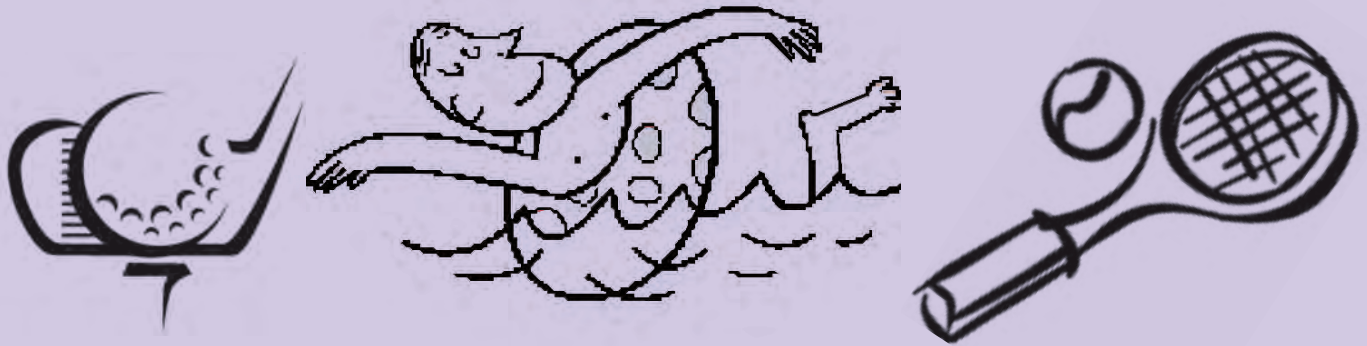
I have been a chef for 14 years. Most of my work has been in the Decatur area, but my previous job was at Crestwicke Country Club in Bloomington. I was employed there for 4 ½ years as Executive Chef. I would describe my style of food as Southwestern Eclectic Cuisine, although I can cook anything thrown my way!

I will be working hands on with the serving staff to better educate them on all of the different ways to service our members including wine knowledge and the general attitude of pleasing membership and giving them all that they desire!

I would also like to ask that the membership please have patience these first couple of months as new servers and new policies and procedures will be introduced.

If there are any questions, feel free to ask me anything – anytime. My door is always open!

Thanks
Chef Ron



Lincoln Elks Country Club

**2009 KICKOFF
WELCOME BACK
PARTY**

**Friday, April 3rd
6:00 pm**

**Free Hors d'oeuvres CASH BAR
GAMES • PRIZES • AUCTION • RAFFLES**

Please bring a prospective member. Elk and activity package information will be presented.

**Putting Contest Returns!!
Grand Winner receives 1/2 OFF the activities package.
Possible \$812.50 value!**

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