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Message from Exalted Ruler Matt Willis



To All Members.

This is my first EOG article, and I want to thank all of you for your patience in receiving the April newsletter. First, I'd like to provide a short bio so that you'll have some insight into who I am.

Jennie and I have two kids - Lillie & Hunter, and live in Athens. I currently serve as a Construction Safety Supervisor with Reiser Construction located in Pleasant Plains.

My military career has provided me with the tools that I believe will help me better-serve our members as the Exalted Ruler of the lodge. I am a Marine Corps Veteran, E-4 Cpl, and served 3 combat deployments in Iraq. Other positions I've held include VFW Commander - Post 6871 in Petersburg (12 years), VFW All-American District Commander (3 years), and I'm a current member of VFW Post 755 in Springfield. In addition to the VFW positions, I am a current member of the Amvets, American Legion, Freemasons, Shriners; and a life member of the Military Order of Purple Heart.

My motto this year is "Family, Friends & Fun" which leads me to my goals for the year which includes promoting the "family" environment. This means that we are going to plan more family-friendly activities and events. The young families are the future of the lodge and we need to encourage and nurture them. We have some awesome elders in the lodge who have great ideas and have a wealth of information to share; I want them to know that we revere them and need their continued support and involvement; however, we need some new and fresh ideas from the younger members, as well.

THIS IS EVERYONE'S LODGE! It's important to understand that the officers do not control the lodge but rather operate on behalf of the members. So, if you want your voices heard and to learn more about our lodge, it's your right and responsibility to come to the membership meetings (1st Wednesday of each month), listen to the discussions and reports of committees, and vote on important motions that impact our members.

There are many projects to complete this year, including remodeling the men's bathrooms (in progress), getting new (fully-inclusive) playground equipment, repairing certain plumbed areas, and much more. We always need volunteers, so please help when you can. Speaking of volunteers, we have scheduled our annual Spring Cleanup Day for Saturday, April 27th at 9 a.m. and need your help.

Some fun activities coming soon include a Kentucky Derby Party on May 4th, 1st Sunday Funday of the season on May 19th, the opening of the pool & Blessing of the Boats on Saturday, May 25th. All activities and events will be listed in the EOG, posted on Facebook and sent via email.

In conjunction with some of these events, we have T-shirt order forms in the Walnut Room and they're available through our social media outlets. I too have a polo with a new logo coming soon.

I want to thank all the officers and committee members who stepped up to help lead the 158 in the right direction. I'd also

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APRIL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Wed. Apr 3 - Membership Meeting, 7 p.m.

Thur. Apr 4 - Ladies Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

- West Central Dist. Meeting, Quincy, 11 a.m. Sun. Apr 7 Wed-Thur. - Elks Ladies Garage Sale Drop-off Dates

Fri-Sat. Apr 12-13 - Elks Ladies Garage Sale, Fri 8a-6p/Sat 8a-12p

Mon. Apr 15 - House Committee Meeting, 5:30 p.m.

Tues. Apr 16 - SCSM, 6 p.m. @ TRN

Wed. Apr 17 - Orientation, 5:30 p.m. / Initiation, 7 p.m.

Mon. Apr 22 - Deadline for EOG articles to Editor

Tues. Apr 23 - Board of Directors' Meeting, 5:30 p.m.

Apr 27 - Spring Cleanup Day, 9 a.m.

(All dates subject to change as needed; watch for e-blasts and Facebook posts.)

RECURRING EVENTS EACH MONTH

Every Monday: Wing Night Special, 5:00-8:00 p.m.

Every Monday: Queen of Hearts Drawing @ 7:00 p.m.

1st Monday: Lodge Meeting, 7 p.m.

House Committee Meeting, 5:30 p.m. 3rd Monday:

4th Tuesday: Board of Directors' Meeting, 5:30 p.m.

3rd Wednesday: Orientation 5:30 p.m./Initiation 7:00 p.m.

Kitchen Winter Hours of Operation 2024

Monday through Friday: Lunch 11 a.m. to 2 p m.

Dinner 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Full menu items available.

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Matt Willis Exalted Ruler

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ELKS LADIES #158

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LODGE OFFICE

Hours: Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. (217) 529-0158 HALL RENTALS 217-529-0158 WALNUT ROOM HOURS:

Monday - Friday: 11 a.m. to Close Saturday: 4 p.m. to close Sunday: 12 p.m. to close

FALL/WINTER KITCHEN Hours of Operation 2023-2024 Monday through Friday: Lunch 11 a.m. to 2 p m. Dinner 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. **Full menu items available**

POOL KITCHEN - CLOSED



SECRETARY'S CORNER

by Stephanie Schwab-Parnell, PER

The Officers of the Lodge held an Orientation and Initiation during the last meeting of the 2023-2024 Elk Year. Please wELKome our newest members: Megan Dalton, Todd Stockton and Rebecca Coontz.

This last year, the Lodge Initiated 69 members, granted 6 transfers and reinstated 18 members back into the organization for a total of 93 memberships. On the other side of membership, Lodge had 83 delinquent members, granted 10 Absolute dimits and sadly lost 12 members to passing away for a total of 105 members. If any member has dropped their membership, they are always welcome to rejoin.

Thank you to everyone for paying their dues already. Please let the office know if you have not received your membership card or spouse card. Also, please let the office know if you have not received your due statement. You can email steph.schwab2@gmail.com or springfieldelkslodge158@gmail.com or call (217) 529 0158. It is never too late to pay for dues. There is never a penalty or late fee.

The new Membership card is BLUE. It will be functional after April 1st when the new key swipe is installed. Remember to insert the key arrow up, listen for the buzz and pull the left door while pushing in the key.

CENTURY CLUB

Mar 6th - Salli Chernis Mar 20st - Larry Molohon Mar 13th - Kim Block Mar 27 - Jack Willey

sold by Bill Block

SICKNESS AND DISTRESS

We are happy to report No Sickness or Distress this month.

LODGE OF SORROW

INIT: 10/11/2017 James Vitton Sr DOB: 02/19/1990 DOD: 11/08/2023

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ELKS LADIES #158

like to thank everyone who came out to support the new officers who were recently installed, and those who stayed to enjoy the festivities afterwards. It meant a lot to see all of you.

A special thanks to my family for always supporting me in my endeavors. They are my biggest fans, and I am theirs. Jennie and I are so proud of our kids; Lillie currently serves as Sentinel for the Illinois Association FFA, Section 14; and Hunter serves as President of Athens Jr. High FFA.

New Committees are in place to help with various programs in the organization. If you want to serve on any of these committees, or just share your ideas, let me know and I'll direct you to the proper committee chairman.

We have a great team of officers, House Committee members and staff to help us throughout the 2024-2025 lodge year. The 158 is made up of more than 1,100 members, and we'd love to see participation from everyone. Our leadership team needs your help to make this a successful year. I will frequent the lodge, so look me up when you're there. I'm 6'-2" tall, dark headed and weigh about 175 lbs - you can't miss me! Ok, the truth is, I am the man in the photo, so now you know. Let's have a great year whether in work or play, and let's get things done!

Fraternally, Matt Willis, Exalted Ruler



BREAKING NEWS

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Book your parties with us! From wedding receptions to graduations, family gatherings and celebrations of life, our Banquet Room can accommodate large numbers.

Available to members only. Contact the lodge office for information at 217-529-0158.

To see photos, visit our website at https://elks158.org/?page_id=10

By Joan Shea-Rogers, President



As I sit and write this article on a rainy day I can't help but look forward to warmer weather, more sun and all that the spring season brings us. (I also enjoy all of the rainy, windy and cold weather that it can bring. I love all kinds of weather). With the upcoming spring season and Easter week upon us this is the season of new beginnings.

This is also the case with the Elks Ladies. At our April Meeting (6:30 April 4), we will be installing our officers for the coming year - well it's not exactly a new beginning as our last year's officers will continue to serve this year. But I am committed to bringing new women into these roles so if you have any interest in the position of President, Vice President, Secretary or Treasurer you have a year to check it out. Please consider it and let us know of your interest. No pressure! (Well maybe a bit of pressure...) I want to thank the current officers: Tammy Gumble - Vice President, Yvonne Kennedy - Treasurer and Diann Harbour - Secretary.

I also want to thank our committee chairs: Fellowship - Carolyn Chambers, Audit - Carolyn Chambers & Maxine Johnson, Membership - Gale Call, Hospitality - Barb Bolin, Judy Graves and Janice Spears, Vespers - Beth Sturm and Prgrams - Diann Harbour. These women have worked tirelessly all year to support me and the Elks Ladies. They have done all that was asked of them and more. I'm grateful to them (and that is an understatement)!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

INDOOR GARAGE SALE:

10:00am-6:00pm on April 10 and April 11. Lists of acceptable/unacceptable items are posted on the Lodge bulletin board. Please start saving unwanted items.

GARAGE SALE: The garage sale will be held on Friday April 12 from 8:00am - 6:00pm and on Saturday April 13 from 8:00am - noon. Profits go to our charitable organizations and all unsold items are donated to Habitat for Humanity.

ITEM DROP OFF: We will be collecting items from

LADIES PLAE DAY: Plae Day will be held on Friday, August 2. This will be a golf outing and shuffleboard tournament with a luncheon. If those aren't your sports of choice please join us for the luncheon. This women's event is open to the public. More details coming soon.

For additional information and or questions about any of our work or events, please feel free to contact me. Joan Shea-Rogers; 217-899-1325; jandrrogers@gmail.com

NATIONAL CONVENTION • 2024



IT'S ALL AT THE 158!

WALNUT ROOM: Monday - Friday: 11 a.m. to Close; Saturday: 4 p.m. to close; Sunday: 12 p.m. to close

KITCHEN HOURS:

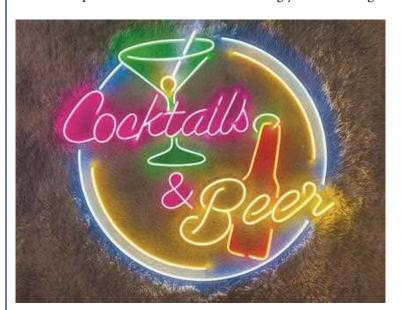
Monday through Friday: Lunch 11 a.m. to 2 p m. Dinner 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. **Full menu items available**



NASCAR, BASEBALL, AND MORE ALL ON THE BIG SCREENS!

50/50 Drawing at 7 p.m. Need not be present to win, but please write your name and phone number on the ticket.

Bring your family and friends and enjoy some great food, fun and drink specials. We look forward to seeing you at the lodge.



DAILY DRINK SPECIALS

Monday - Draft Beer Pitchers - \$ee daily ads for prices

Tuesday - 50c off Bourbon and Scotch drinks Wednesday - 50c off Wine, Seltzers, & Gin drinks Thursday - 50c off Whiskey and Rum drinks

Friday - 50c off vodka; \$1.00 Draft Beer, 12 oz glass Saturday & Sunday - \$10.00 for a Bucket of 5 domestic beer selections

(We reserve the right to change our product's prices at any time without further notice.)

Members who were born in April are eligible to receive 1 free drink during that month 2024. Show your membership card and ID to receive it. HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



ROUND UP FOR CHARITY

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Educational Center for the Visually Impaired

We are here for all our students with our amazing, impactful programs that help students navigate everyday life. We provide services like orientation and mobility, computers support, mobile device advice, daily living skills, book club and resource referrals.

SUNDAY FUNDAY LINEUP



5/19 Curt Smith 7/14 Tangents 5/26 Robert Sampson 7/21 Dallas Wi

7/21 Dallas Whittaker 7/28 Deep Lunar Blue

6/2 Mike Burnett 7/28 6/9 After School Special 8/4

4 Dave Littrell

6/16 Downstate 6/23 Drew Cooper 8/11 Guilty Boys 8/18 Steve Rothenberg

6/30 Molly Seaton

8/25 Jay Larson Trio

/7 Hank Greenwalt 9/1 Rod Grant

Sat, 8/31/2024 - END OF SUMMER PARTY w/BUSTIN' LOOSE; 6 - 10pm

March Shuffleboard Winners



03/03/2024 Greg and John



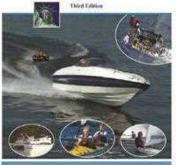
03/10/2024 Dale and Dave



03/17/2024 Stacy and Greg



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Upcoming Classes

April Class (Tuesdays)
April 2nd, April 9th, April 16th, April 23rd

May Class (Thursdays)
May 2nd, May 9th, May 16th, May 23rd

Classes are from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. and held at the CWLP Training Center, 200 East Lake Shore Drive, Springfield

Students must attend all four class sessions.

Upon successful completion graduates will be issued IDNR Boaters Education Card and the United State Power Squadron boating education card.

To enroll please contact:

Greg Kelso

gckelso@hotmail.com

Markus Veile

markus.veile@gmail.com 217-553-2628

Or sign-up online at

www.lolps.org

For more info visit us at: www.facebook.com/lolps.d20

Drawings held every Monday at 7PM! \$5 per ticket! (buy as many as you'd like) Tickets sold ONLY on Mondays, prior to the drawing each week! Contact Christi Sullivan for more information! Members, spouses/signifcant others on file, & widows with an Elks Membership

Card & Official I.D. will be allowed to play!

MAY SAVE THE DATES



May 1st - Lodge Meeting, 7 p.m.

May 2nd - Ladies Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

May 4th - Kentucky Derby Party, 3 p.m.

May 12th - Mother's Day

May 15th - Orientation/Initiation, 5:30 / 7 p.m.

May 17-19th - IEA Annual Convention

May 19th - West Central District Meeting, 10:30 a.m.

May 19th - First Sunday Funday, 4 to 7 p.m. w/Curt Smith

May 20th - House Committee Meeting, 5:30 p.m.

May 25th - POOL OPENS, 11 a.m.

May 25th - Blessing of the Boats, noon (Lakeside)

May 26th - Sunday Funday, 4 to 7 p.m. w/Robert Sampson

May 28th - Board of Director's Meeting, 5:30 p.m.



NEW OFFICERS AND AWARDS

CONGRATULATIONS ARE IN ORDER!!!

At tonight's lodge meeting, PER Jan Cimarossa presented awards to: Elk of the Year - Ray Zinnen; Elk Officer of the Year - Tracy Robinson; Elk Family of the Year - Kelli & Mark Ford; and an Outstanding Service Commendation to Becky Hays. Congratulations to all of these deserving Elks and family members.

In addition, newly-installed Exalted Ruler Matt Willis presented PER Jan Cimarossa with a plaque, thanking him for his service as ER for the 2023-2024 Elk year.













2024 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

2024 Sherel Nutt Memorial Scholarship Fund

At the January 2024 Annual Meeting, members of the Springfield Lake Shore Improvement Association (SLSIA) once again gave approval of the yearly Sherel Nutt Memorial Scholarship Fund.

The Sherel Nutt Memorial Scholarship is named after a long-time board member, Sherel Nutt, who believed in the preservation of Lake Springfield, volunteering for community service, achievement, and the future of our youth.

All graduating seniors attending a public or private school in the Springfield, Chatham, and Rochester School Districts (districts that border Lake Springfield) are eligible to apply. The senior does not have to live on Lake Springfield. The only requirement is that the student must continue their education this fall, either at a community college or a four-year college or university.



The Association has established a committee to review the applications. Grades, extra-curricular activities, community service, two letters of recommendation, and a written essay on "What Lake Springfield means to me" are the key elements of the application. Applications will be available at each high school in the Springfield, Chatham, and Rochester School Districts.

Application materials should be mailed to the address at the top of the application. All application materials must have a postmark date no later than April 15, 2024. No exceptions will be made. Scholarship awards will be announced in early May, prior to high school graduation.

For questions, contact: SLSIA Scholarship Chairman at slsiascholarship@gmail.com

https://lakespringfield.us/scholarship/application/?fb clid=IwAR1u0XW3C468uxHxb-u2lIfnAmRWKhp-2GIsu8iHRJB-5NvfVcLO9MlxOt1o_aem_AfB_YjA6IchM-tFlIGq63fEhnOLTHBlV5FR2k4-lgk-3l0TPN0ZAmuRX-aXzZyFTqOTVpUlH7_SdihxsyvTyIGde9i



By William "Chip" Daugherty

April 2024 Kitchen Specials

(Specials are subject to change as needed. Please watch Facebook and Email Blasts for updates.)

Lunch 11am - 2pm / Dinner 5pm - 8pm unless otherwise noted

Full Menu served unless otherwise noted

Mondays - Full Menu for Lunch; Wings & Burgers for Dinner

Tuesdays - Tacos

Wednesdays - Chef's Choice

Thursdays - Country-Fried Steak

Fridays - Fish Sandwich & Chips

Saturdays - Kitchen Closed

Sundays - Kitchen Closed

The menu is subject to change as necessary.



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Visit our Facebook page to check out the latest
happenings at the Elks #158! Springfield Elks Lodge #158
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Elks Lodge 158 Public page at www.facebook.com/Elks-Lodge158-Public-Page-713954502324222/.

BLESSING OF THE BOATS T- SHIRTS



9TH ANNUAL BLESSING OF THE BOAT T-SHIRTS ARE AVAILABLE TO ORDER NOW!

T-Shirt order blanks are available at the Elks Lodge, attached herein, and for your convenience, you can order via the online store at https://shopsilkworm.com/blessingoftheboats

DEADLINE TO ORDER SHIRTS IS FRIDAY, MAY 10th

to allow enough time for shipping/receipt. *The shirts will be delivered to the lodge and we'll notify you when they arrive.

Elks Blessing of the Boats 2024

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ITEM DESCRIPTION	COLOR	S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL	4XL	5XL	COST	TOTAL
	Carolina Blue									\$20.00	
	Irish Green									\$20.00	
	Lime									\$20.00	
Gildan	Maroon									\$20.00	
Cotton Short Sleeve Tee	Military Green									\$20.00	
	Sunset									\$20.00	
	Safety Orange									\$20.00	
	Safety Pink									\$20.00	
	Carolina Blue									\$25.00	
	Irish Green									\$25.00	
Gildan	Lime									\$25.00	
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Payment must accompany order. Make checks payable to *Elks Lodge 158*. Sorry, no late orders can be accepted. Last day to order is *May 10, 2024*. Please return orders to *Sandy Begue*.

5XL items add \$5 each ORDER TOTAL

You may also order online at https://shopsilkworm.com/blessingoftheboats.

SUNDAY FUNDAY T-SHIRTS



HELLO ELKS FAMILY!

Get your Sunday Funday T-shirts now! Order Forms are available in the Walnut Room. Payments must accompany the orders; check or cash accepted. Make checks payable to "Elks Lodge 158"; memo line to read "Sunday Funday Shirts". Place your payment in the manilla envelope, along with your order form. You can also mail your order form and check to the lodge at 509 East Lake Shore Drive, Springfield Illinois 62712.

Reminder: Our store has been taken down because of the lack of activity, so we'll continue utilize the order forms as the preferred option. *All those who have already ordered will receive their shirts, but we need to reach the 24 minimum in order to get them shipped.

Questions? Contact Sandy at 217-494-8792 (cell) or email bpoe158news@yahoo.com or seasharp2@gmail.com.

Elks Lodge 158 Sunday Funday Shirts

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Gildan YOUTH 100% Cotton	Black									\$20.00	
Short Sleeve Tee	Dark Heather									\$20.00	
Short Sleeve Tee	Forest Green									\$20.00	
	Maroon									\$20.00	
	Navy									\$20.00	
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	Safety Green									\$20.00	
	Safety Orange									\$20.00	
Gildan Adult	Safety Pink									\$20.00	
100% Cotton	Black									\$20.00	
Short Sleeve Tee	Dark Heather									\$20.00	
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Payment must accompany order. Make checks payable to *Elks Lodge 158*.

Order blanks available at the bar in the Walnut Room, on Facebook, in the EOG, and sent via email.

Please return orders to: Sandra Begué

Questions? Contact Sandy at: 217-494-8792 or email seasharp2@gmail.com

PATRIOTIC SHIRTS



HELLO ELKS FAMILY!

We need to order a minimum of 24 Patriotic Shirts in order to get them timely. We currently have 6 people who have ordered shirts, but we need 18 more. Please check out the order form for red, white or blue color options, short and long sleeve styles, children's and adult sizes. Order Forms are available in the Walnut Room. Payments must accompany the orders; check or cash accepted. Cash or checks please.

Our store has been taken down because of the lack of activity, so we'll utilize the order forms in the future.
**All those who have already ordered will receive their shirts, but we need to reach the 24 minimum in order to get them shipped.

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Elks Lodge 158 Patriotic Shirts 2024

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100% Cotton	Royal									\$20.00	
Short Sleeve Tee	White									\$20.00	
Gildan YOUTH	Red									\$25.00	
100% Cotton	Royal									\$25.00	
Long Sleeve Tee	White									\$25.00	
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100% Cotton	Royal									\$20.00	
Short Sleeve Tee	White									\$20.00	
Gildan Adult	Red									\$25.00	
100% Cotton	Royal									\$25.00	
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Mail checks (no cash) to Springfield Elks Lodge #158, 409 E. Lake Shore Drive, Springfield, IL 62712.

Contact Sandy Begué at 217-494-8792 or email bpoe158news@yahoo.com.



Springfield Cares Soldier Mailing Message from Alice & Bill Beck

Thanks to all that came out on March 19th to help pack boxes for our troops deployed overseas. 44 packages were sent to Kuwait, Romania, Red Sea, and Africa.

Our next mailing is set for April 16th, same place, same time. Hope to see you there, we sure could use your help.

Inventory is down to 6 totes of non food (= aprox 12 boxes), 1 tote of food = approximately 3 boxes). With the current mailing volume, we are gonna need lots of food, and some non food. I'll shop on the morning of 4/16 and would welcome a helper as we will take straight to the club to set up.

Again, huge thank you to everyone who participates, your the engine that makes this work!

A LETTER FROM A SOLDIER!

"Thank you" to you and your whole team for the awesome care packages. We're currently deployed in Kuwait and recently received a few of them. The care packages brought smiles to our faces!

Thank you for thinking of us and supporting us! Staff Sergeant (SSG) Jacob

Received this email on March 27th. It's so exciting to hear from one of our heroes that we have mailed to. God Bless all of them.

"On behalf of the 34th DSB SPO section, I just wanted to send a thank you for the care packages I recently received. There were some great items in the packages and they were shared with all the SMs in my section. Please pass on to your volunteers how much your gift was appreciated and thank you for the work that you do.

MSG Jeremy T BDE SPO NCOIC 34th DSB

Email: SpringfieldCaresSoldierMailing@gmail.com Website: http://www.springfieldcares.com Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/groups/33475998993620 3/?ref=share&mibextid=NSMWBT

On March 26th, we received word that SPC Lisa Kubicek from Charleston II. hadn't received any packages since her deployment began. Utilizing our network of organizations we support with this annual ride, SPC Kubicek is getting flooded with packages now. That smile is why we do what we do.

Thank you SPC Kubicek for you and your family's sacrifice. We appreciate you more than we could ever show.

I'd like to thank my sister Beatrice Ondris for her donation to Springfield Cares - Soldier Mailing, Inc.
Thanks Sis, and God Bless

If you know anyone that is deployed that we can show our love and appreciation to, please reach out to us. You can also reach out to the Franklin Waverly Military Support group, and Springfield Cares on Facebook. Your continued support means more to us than you will ever know.

See Page 11 for items you can donate.



Springfield Cares Soldier Mailing: Items

LADIES INDOOR GARAGE SALE



PER Association Meeting

The next meeting of the PER Association will be held on May 20, 2024, beginning with the customary cocktail hour at 6 pm in the Walnut Room. Dinner will be served around 6:30 pm. Meeting will begin around 7 pm. PERS are asked to RSVP to Jeff Rodier, Association Secretary.

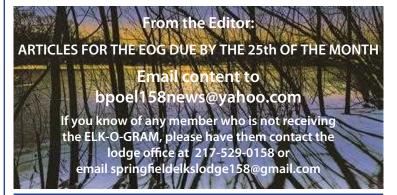


Social / Activities Team 2024-2025

By Angela Zinnen & Belinda Warner

Any member interested in joining the Social/Activities Team, we will be meeting Thursday, April 4, 6:00 p.m. at the lodge. This team will be organizing special events throughout the year and we would love some fresh ideas and enthusiastic help.

Contact or message Belinda Warner / Angela Zinnen, if you are interested in joining the team.



SUGGESTED ITEMS TO DONATE:

Razors, shaving cream (NO AEROSOL OR PRESSUR-IZED PRODUCTS), sun screen, tampons, panty liners, games, tooth paste/brushes, mouth wash, dental floss, envelopes, stationary, white socks (no logos), t-shirts, playing cards, puzzles, shampoo, cream rinse, body lotion, pillow cases, small blankets, twin bed size sheets, base balls, room freshner, baggies, foot powder, baby powder, DVD's, q tips, baseballs/gloves, baby wipes, lip protection, sunglasses, laundry soaps, fabric softner, bandanas, nix cream, travel size - smaller containers works best. Beef jerky, coffee, coffee filters, juice drinks, protein bars, crackers, dried fruit, canned fruit, nuts, chips (no bagged chips please), soups, raman noodles, mac & cheese, sardines, canned meats, candies, tea, hot cocoa, sugar, coffee creamers, salt/pepper, spices, tuna/cracker packages, chili bowls, cereal, crystal lite, pudding, apple sauce, jello, oat meal, gum, breath mints. All can goods should have the pop tabs if possible. AND most important - cards and letters from home!!

ITEMS THAT CAN NOT BE SENT:

Aerosol cans and or pressurized products, Rubbing alcohol, nail polish, flammable items, spray paint, Fire arms, Matches, lighters, Alcoholic beverages, carbonated beverages, Cash, coins, lottery tickets, Glass containers, Hand and Foot warmers, Tobacco of any kind, electric cigarettes, marjuana, Horror comics, pornographic material, Pork & pork by products, Battery powered items: batteries must be removed

12-Month Calendars Are Still Available

Lake Council is selling calendars again this year. We have six left to sell. Each calendar is \$10 and your name is entered into a \$500 drawing to be held the first night of Rumble Around the Lake – need not be present to win. They are only selling 250 so your odds are pretty good that you could be a winner. If you are interested, contact me. Please consider buying one. Thanks! Glenda Cassens

Banquet Room available for rental!

Springfield Elks Lodge offers its members a banquet room for parties, gatherings or other events for the member and their guests. The room is reasonably priced. We provide a full range of beverages for your group at our service bar. If you would like to consider our services, contact the Lodge today at 217-529-0158 or email springfieldelkslodge158@gmail.com.

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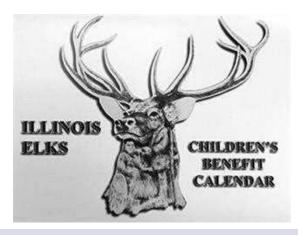
CCC 2024 CLINIC SCHEDULE

Shaping Tomorrow's Healthcare Leaders with IECC Scholarships

Let's remember the importance of investing in your education and your future therapy career. The IECC scholarship program empowers individuals pursuing careers in therapy to create brighter futures in healthcare, making a lasting impact on children's lives and communities, regardless of location. Join us in inspiring future leaders. Learn about IECC scholarships at Illinois Elks Children's Care: Click on "Forms" for scholarship applications, or connect with your local Elks Lodge at www.illinoiselksccc.org

FIND ALL FORMS on our Website @ http://www.illinoiselksccc.org/forms.html

- 2024 BENEFIT CHILDREN'S CALENDAR ORDER FORM (CORRECTED)
- PATIENT REFERRAL REQUEST FORM
- 2024-2025 PHYSICAL OR OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY MAJORS APPLICATION
- 2024-2025 PHYSICAL OR OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY ASSISTANT APPLICATION
- 2024-2025 LYDIA MILLER SPECIAL EDUCATION MAJOR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
- 2024-2025 SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION



2024 Children's Benefit Calendar

This is the last month the calendar will be advertised in the EOG. They will still be available to order directly from the CCC website or by phone.

Want to be a winner? 262 chances to win your portion of \$21,500.00 in total prize money to be drawn all year long. There will be 246 weekly drawings Monday – Friday for \$50.00, 12 monthly drawings for \$100.00, 3 special drawings for \$1,000.00 and 1 Grand Prize drawing for \$5,000.00 and your ticket cost only \$20.00 with a free full color calendar. Think about it, \$20.00 will get you \$50.00 and your name goes back in the barrel and you are still eligible to win again all year long. Help the Kids with your purchase of our Benefit Calendar. Calendars can be purchased at your Lodge, online at www.illinoiselksccc.org or fill out the form below, make check payable to the IECCC and return to IECCC, P.O. Box 222, Chatham, IL 62629 and we will enter you into the drawing.

April 2024

Lincoln Clinic April 9th at Lincoln Memorial Hospital: 1:00 to 3:00 PM Effingham Clinic April 11th at Sarah Bush Lincoln Bonutti Orthopedic Clinic 8:00 AM Elgin Clinic April 24th at OrthoIllinois: 2:00 to 4:00 PM

NW District @Morrison Clinic April 25th at Morrison Community Hospital: 8:00 AM South District @ DuQuoin April 26th Marshall Browning Hospital: 2:00 to 4:00 PM

May 2024

Flora Clinic May 1st at Clay County Flora Medical Clinic: 11:30 AM to 12:30 PM Rock Island Clinic May 21st at ORA Orthopedics: 2:30 to 3:30 PM

June 2024

Lincoln Clinic June 4th at Lincoln Memorial Hospital: 1:00 to 3:00 PM Champaign/Urbana Clinic June 5th at OSF Healthcare Heart of Mary Medical Center: 8:30 to 10:30 AM

Mt. Vernon Clinic June 6th at Neuromuscular Orthopedic Institute: 2:00 to 4:00 PM Bloomington Clinic June 7th at Cortese Foot & Ankle Clinic: 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM Carmel Clinic June 10th at Wabash General Hospital: 2:30 to 4:30 AM Robinson Clinic June 12th at CMH Bone & Joint Center: 9:00 to 11:00 AM NW District @ Rockford Clinic June 19th at OrthoIllinois: 2:00 to 4:00 PM Dixon Clinic June 25th at Dr. Yeager Podiatry: 8:00 AM

July 2024: No Clinics

August 2024

Effingham Clinic Aug. 8th at Sarah Bush Lincoln Bonutti Orthopedic Clinic: 8:00 AM Flora Clinic August 14th at Clay County Flora Medical Clinic 11:30 AM to 12:30 PM Rock Island Clinic August 20th at ORA Orthopedics: 2:30 to 3:30 PM South District @ DuQuoin Aug. 23rd at Marshall Browning Hospital: 2:00 to 4:00 PM

September 2024

Bloomington Clinic September 6th at Cortese Foot & Ankle Clinic: 12:00 to 1:00 PM Mt. Carmel Clinic September 9th at Wabash General Hospital: 2:30 to 4:30 AM Champaign/Urbana Clinic September 11th at OSF Healthcare Heart of Mary Medical Center: 8:30 to 10:30 AM

Mt. Vernon Clinic Sept. 12th at Neuromuscular Orthopedic Institute: 2:00 to 4:00 PM Robinson Clinic September 18th at CMH Bone & Joint Center: 9:00 to 11:00 AM

October 2024

Lincoln Clinic October 8th at Lincoln Memorial Hospital: 1:00 to 3:00 PM Elgin Clinic October 16th at OrthoIllinois: 2:00 to 4:00 PM NW District @Morrison Clinic Oct. 17th at Morrison Community Hospital: 8:00 AM

November 2024

Flora Clinic Nov. 13th at Clay County Flora Medical Clinic 11:30 AM to 12:30 PM Effingham Clinic Nov. 14th at Sarah Bush Lincoln Bonutti Orthopedic Clinic: 8:00 AM Champaign/Urbana Clinic November 20th at OSF Healthcare Heart of Mary Medical Center: 8:30 to 10:30 AM

South District @ DuQuoin Nov. 22nd at Marshall Browning Hospital: 2:00 to 4:00 PM Rock Island Clinic November 26th at ORA Orthopedics: 2:30 to 3:30 PM

December 2024

Mt. Vernon Clinic Dec. 5th at Neuromuscular Orthopedic Institute: 2:00 to 4:00 PM Bloomington Clinic December 6th at Cortese Foot & Ankle Clinic: 12:00 to 1:00 PM Mt. Carmel Clinic December 9th at Wabash General Hospital: 2:30 to 4:30 PM Robinson Clinic December 18th at CMH Bone & Joint Center: 9:00 to 11:00 AM

ALL CLINIC DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE For further information on clinics, please call 800-272-0074.

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ELKS MEN'S GOLF LEAGUES

REGISTRATION FORM

GOLFERS NEEDED!

With spring around the corner, we are looking for new golfers for the Elks Men's Tuesday and Thursday golf leagues. You can be a new golfer or a seasoned player, it doesn't matter. This is a fun league where you can make new friends and see old ones.

We anticipate that many the last year's teams will be returning, however, we would like to see new members and teams participating in either or BOTH leagues.

The Tuesday league is at Lincoln Greens Golf Course on East Lake Drive. Starts May 7th.

The Thursday league is held at Bunn Golf Course on south 11th street. Starts May 9th.

Both leagues start at 8:00 a.m. They are both handicap leagues where golfers can choose to participate in "closest to the pin" and "skins" games each week.

It is a great way to join in club activities and meet fellow Elk members.

You can sign up with a partner as a team,

OR

as an individual where we can pair you up with a partner.

The cost is \$45.00 per player for the yearly league plus the weekly green fees for each round. There is an end-of-year scramble with an awards ceremony to hand out prizes for the year. Each team receives an award based on points earned throughout the year.

If you are interested, please contact:

Tuesday League (May 7th) Jim Corrigan 217.899.3118 Jimdiver17@gmail.com Elks158golf@gmail.com

OR

Thursday League (May 9th) Bill Prillmayer 217 381.6003 wprillmayer@gmail.com

2024 ELKS GOLF LEAGUE REGISTRATION FORM (Both team members must register) Sign up for one or both leagues

sign up for one or both leagues
Tuesday League - Mornings at Lincoln Greens – 18 Holes
NAME:
Address:
Phone Number:
Email (required):
Assign a new partner yes OR
Partner Name:
Thursday League - Mornings at Bunn Golf course – 18 Holes
NAME:
Address:
Phone Number:
Email (required):
Assign a new partner yes OR Partner Name:
League subs NAME: If you want to be a SUB
Phone Number:
Email (required):
League: Tuesday Thursday

The cost of each league is \$45.00 (per player/ per league) There is no cost as a substitute.

Please return this form and payment to:

Tuesday (May 7th)
Jim Corrigan
01
1532 West Lake Shore Drive
Springfield, II 62712

Thursday (May 9th) Bill Prillmayer 3535 E. Cook St. #86 Springfield, IL. 62703

APRIL 2024 CALENDAR OF EVENTS



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1 Queen of Hearts Drawing, 7 p.m.	2	3 Membership Meeting, 7 p.m.	4 Ladies Meeting, 6:30 p.m.	5	9
	Menu: Wing Night Special, 5 PM-8 PM	Мепи: Тасоѕ	Menu: Chef's Choice	Menu: Country-Fried Steak	Menu: Lunch-Fish Sandwich	Menu: Kitchen Closed
7 West Central Dist. Meeting, Quincy, 11 a.m.	8 Queen of Hearts Drawing, 7 p.m. SOLAR ECLPSE	6	10 Wed-Thur. Elks Ladies Garage Sale Drop-off Dates	11 Wed-Thur. Elks Ladies Garage Sale Drop-off Dates	12 Fri-Sat. Apr 12-13. Ellss Ladies Garage Sale, Fri 8a-6p/ Sat 8a-12p	13 Fri-Sat. Apr 12-13, Elks Ladies Garage Sale, Fri 8a-6p/ Sat 8a-12p
Menu: Kitchen Closed	Menu: Wing Night Special, 5 PM-8 PM	Мепи: Tacos	Menu: Chef's Choice	Menu: Country-Fried Steak	Menu: Lunch-Fish Sandwich	Menu: Kitchen Closed
14	House Committee Meeting, 5:30 p.m. Queen of Hearts Drawing, 7 p.m.	16 Springfield Cares Soldier Mailing, 6 p.m. @ TRN	17 Orientation, 5:30 p.m. / Initiation & Meeting, 7:00 p.m.	18	19	20
Menu: Kitchen Closed	Menu: Wing Night Special, 5 PM-8 PM	Мепи: Тасоз	Menu: Chef's Choice	Menu: Country-Fried Steak	Menu: Lunch-Fish Sandwich	Menu: Kitchen Closed
21	Queen of Hearts Drawing, 7 p.m. Deadline for EOG articles to	23 Board of Directors' Meeting, 5:30 PM	24	25	26	27 Spring Cleanup Day, 9 a.m.
Menu: Kitchen Closed	Menu: Wing Night Special, 5 PM-8 PM	Мепи: Tacos	Menu: Chef`s Choice	Menu: Country-Fried Steak	Menu: Lunch-Fish Sandwich	Menu: Kitchen Closed
28	Queen of Hearts Drawing, 7 p.m.	30	MAY 1 Lodge Meeting, 7 p.m.	2 Ladies Meeting, 6:30 p.m.	3	4 Kentucky Derby Party, 3 p.m.
Menu: Kîtchen Closed	Мепи: Wing Night Special, 5 РМ-8 РМ	Мепи: Tacos	Menu: Chef's Choice	Menu: Country-Fried Steak	Menu: Lunch-Fish Sandwich	Menu: Kitchen Closed



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ELKS LODGE 158 Spring Work Day

Saturday, 04/27/2024 starting @ 9:00 a.m.

Lunch will be served to volunteers.

We're getting the pool and grounds ready for spring/summer.

We'll be cleaning the pool and tiki areas, moving

patio & lawn furniture, etc.

Please come out and participate! Bring your tools and talents! It's a great opportunity for groups needing service hours (i.e., school sports teams, scouts, etc.).

Dress appropriately for outdoor work, including work gloves!

LAKE SPRINGFIELD EVENTS • 2024

APRIL

6 Sat Ski & Boat Club - NCAA Final 4 Party

27 Sat Lake Clean-Up - 9-12, from Springfield Marina

MAY

4 Sat Lake Press Club - Bags Tourn. / Kentucky Derby Party

12 Sun TRN Club - Mother's Day Breakfast

15 Wed KC Club - 1st Rumble Around the Lake 6-9pm (clubs vary weekly)

18 Sat Ski & Boat Club - Touch-A-Truck 11am-2pm

18 Sat Season Opener Party 4pm

19 Sun Elks Lodge - Sunday Funday 4-7pm (every Sun thru Sept. 10th)

25 Sat Elks Lodge - Blessing of the Boats 1pm 25 Sat TRN Club - TRN Annual Memorial Day Party

26 Sun Prop Club - Burger Bash

JUNE

1 Sat KC Club - Brats, Beers & Bags 8 Sat Agua Sports Club - Aguafest

15 Sat Firefighters / Postal Club - Chicken Fry

16 Sun TRN Club - Father's Day Brunch

22 Sat TRN Club - Chicken Fry

29 Sat Anchor Boat Club - Cardboard Boat Regatta

JULY

5 Fri Lake Springfield Marina - Rock The Dock Fireworks

6 Sat Prop Club – Bags Tournament

13 Sat Prop Club - Mid-Summer Blast

19-21 Sangamo Surf Club - Spooner Softball Tourn. (3 days)

21 Sat Lake Press Club - Summerfest27 Sat Ski & Boat Club - Summer Bash

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31 Wed Elks Lodge - Rumble Around the Lake 6-9pm (last)

AUGUST

3 Sat Anchor Boat Club - Chicken Fry
 10 Sat Sangamo Surf - Dawg Days
 17 Sat Blue Ridge Club - Patio Party
 24 Sat KC Lake Club - Chicken Fry
 31 Sat Elks Lodge - End of Summer Party

SEPTEMBER

1 Sun Elks Lodge - Sunday Funday 4-7pm (last of year)

1 Sun Firefighters / Postal Club - Labor Day Party

7 Sat Anchor Boat Club - Redneck Olympics

14 Sat Lake Press Club - Shrimp Boil

21 Sat TRN Club - Fishing Has No Boundaries

21 Sat Ski & Boat Club - Bags Tournament

28 Sat Sangamo Surf - "Chipping for Charity" Golf

OCTOBER

5 Sat Lake Press Club -Bags Tournament / Octoberfest

27 Sun Trunk or Treat - Various Clubs

NOVEMBER

3 Sun Firefighters / Postal Club - Craft Fair and Burgoo