



# The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America

Elks Lodge 158 Springfield Illinois



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## Message from Exalted Ruler Ali Mikels



Members All,

Wow! I can't believe this is my last article as Exalted Ruler! It's been an amazing year! 2021 will definitely be a year I always remember, as two dreams came true, being Exalted Ruler of our amazing Lodge and becoming a mom.

After a year plagued by Covid, I viewed part of my mission to be sure our Lodge was in a stable financial condition. I believe I put together a team that has accomplished that goal and then some. I cannot thank the officers, the House Committee, the PER's, the employees, all of the committees and all our volunteers for your hard work this year! It was a true team effort.

My husband Anthony and I learned we were expecting our first child mere weeks before I was installed as Exalted Ruler. We were so blessed to receive your support throughout the year, especially after the birth of our son, Luca, at the end of October. We look forward to the Elks being a part of his life, just as it has been a part of my life growing up.

I'm grateful to our members for the wonderful support you have given this Lodge and humbly ask for your continued support in the years to come. Congratulations to incoming Exalted Ruler Sandy Begue, her officers, and committees! Looking forward to another great year!

Fraternally,

Ali

## Round Up For Charity

March's fundraising dollars go to help Elks Lodge Member Randy Cooke with his Double-Lung Transplant



The March Round Up for Charity will be "Randy Cooke Lung Transplant"

Any purchase you make at the Lodge, you will be able to add \$1 or more to your order for a great cause!

Thanks,  
Ali

## MARCH 2022 EVENTS

Wed, Mar 2	Lodge / Membership Meeting, 7 p.m.
Thurs, Mar 3	Elks Ladies Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
Fri, Mar 4	LENTEN FISH FRIES start (thru 04/08), 5 to 7:30p
Sun, Mar 5	Special Olympics Polar Plunge @ KC, 12 p.m.
Sun, Mar 6	Chili Challenge Finals @ Firefighters, 2 to 5 p.m.
Fri, Mar 11	LENTEN FISH FRY & Corned Beef Dnr, 5 to 7:30pm
Sun, Mar 13	Sunday Funday Shuffleboard, 2 p.m.
Tues, Mar 15	Life-Line Screening, Lodge Room, All Day Springfield Cares Soldier Mailing, TRN Club, 6 p.m.
Wed, Mar 16	Orientation/Initiation, 5:30 p.m. / 2nd Lodge Meeting (required), 7 p.m.
<b>Thur, Mar 17 HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY</b>	
Fri, Mar 18	LENTEN FISH FRY, 5 to 7:30 p.m.
Sat, Mar 19	St. Patrick's Day Parade, Downtown Spfld, noon
Mon, Mar 21	PER Dinner & Meeting, 6 p.m.
Fri, Mar 25	LENTEN FISH FRY, 5 to 7:30 p.m.
Sat, Mar 26	Installation of Officers, 3 p.m.
Mon, Mar 28	House Committee Meeting, 5:30 p.m.
Tues, Mar 29	Board of Directors' Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
Thur, Mar 31	Golf League Meeting
Fri, April 1	LENTEN FISH FRY, 5 to 7:30 p.m.

## QUEEN OF HEARTS by Chairman Christi Sullivan

The drawings are held at 7 p.m. every Monday night; tickets are on sale every Monday prior to the drawing in the Walnut Room. Thank you to everyone for purchasing tickets and coming out to support the lodge.

### QUEEN OF HEARTS RAFFLE

- ✓ 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!



**NEW LAPEL PINS  
AVAILABLE  
NOW!  
\$5.00/each**  
Designed by  
Tiler Christi Sullivan  
(in Walnut Room)

Purchase one and wear proudly on your lapel or jacket. Buy a few and trade with other lodges when you travel. The purchase of the pins supports our charities.



**BENEVOLENT AND  
PROTECTIVE ORDER OF ELKS  
SPRINGFIELD LODGE #158**

**Ali Mikels**  
Exalted Ruler

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**Matt Willis**  
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Thompson**

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Tiler

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Tom Trees

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Adam Church, 3-year

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**ROBERT CHURCH**

**ELK OFFICER OF THE YEAR**

**SANDRA S. BEGUE**

**ELK LADY OF THE YEAR**

**STEPHANIE SCHWAB-PARNELL**

**ELK FAMILY OF THE YEAR**

**ELKS LADIES #158**

**ELK CITIZEN OF THE YEAR**

**BOB VOSE**

**OUTSTANDING SERVICE COMMENDATION**

**JOHN N. BEGUÉ, JR & GLENDA CASSENS**

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**NORINE RODIER**

**ELK-O-GRAM EDITOR**

**Sandra Begue'**

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**Springfield Elks Lodge #158**

**LODGE OFFICE**

Hours: Monday - Friday  
11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

(217) 529-0158

**HALL RENTALS**

217-529-0158

**WALNUT ROOM FALL HOURS:**

MONDAY—SUNDAY: 11:00 AM—CLOSE  
(The bartender reserves the right to close  
earlier if no customers are present.)

**KITCHEN FALL HOURS:**

Monday-Friday (except 1st Wed.)  
Saturday & Sunday-Kitchen is closed  
Lunch 11AM- 2PM, Dinner 5 PM - 8 PM

Andrea Tainter, Chef

**POOL & POOL KITCHEN HOURS:**

**Closed for the Fall/Winter Season**



**SECRETARY'S CORNER**

by Stephanie Schwab-Parnell, PER



Last month of the Elk year has arrived. 2022-2023 Dues statements have been mailed. Enclosed you will find Dues Statement, Century Club information with RED tickets, Elks National Foundation information, Pool information and Pool application. Congratulations to the newly elected to Lifetime Membership: Leonard Miner, James M. Tintori, Raymond L. Way, Robert P. Hill, Donald E. Buckley, Mark Poffenburger, Steve T. Washko Jr., James W. Rushing, Louis A. Marcy, Eugene D. Brenning, Alan P. Bucari, Ronald D. Cline, Jerry Francis, Edward D. Brooks. Jr., James D. Knox, David E. Bruce, and Blane W. Mendenhall.

Please welcome Kylie Cole, Linda Johnson, Robert Miller, Cindy Mills, James Schackmann, Monica Schneider and James Todd to the Lodge. They are new members for Springfield Elks #158.

If you have any questions or need assistance contact me at [steph.schwab2@gmail.com](mailto:steph.schwab2@gmail.com)



**LODGE OF SORROW**

*"The faults of our members we write upon the sand,  
their virtues upon the tablets of love and memory."*



**NAME**

Robert Bolt

**Date of Birth**

02/17/1949

**Date of Initiation**

06/04/2008

**Date of Death**

02/08/2022

**SICKNESS AND DISTRESS**

*If you know of an Elk member in the hospital or suffering from an illness, please contact the Lodge Office at 529-0158. Your information will enable us to contact members needing comfort and assistance.*

**Winners**



**Feb.2nd - Jim McGrath**

**Feb. 9th - Dale Longzerotti**

**Feb. 16th - Eric Campbell**

**Feb. 23rd - Kim Block sold by Bill Block**

Elks National Foundation (ENF) Helps Elks build stronger communities through programs that support youth, we serve our veteran's and to meet the needs in our area. Your donations help fund these programs.



**Elks  
National  
Foundation, Inc.**

We are in the planning stages for the next fundraising effort for ENF...stay tuned! If you have any ideas, please let me know. We are always looking for ideas to help raise funds for our important charities, and we are open to suggestions. 217-971-1731

You Have the Power to Donate Life. Register as an Organ,

Eye and Tissue Donor Today: <http://donatelifenet/>



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Visit our Facebook page to check out the latest happenings at the Elks #158!

[Springfield Elks Lodge #158](https://www.facebook.com/SpringfieldElksLodge158)



**PER ASSOCIATION.** The next PER meeting is currently scheduled for March 21, 2022 with cocktails at 6 p.m. and dinner immediately following. Please RSVP to Association Secretary Jeff Rodier if you wish to attend. Email: [jeffrodier13@gmail.com](mailto:jeffrodier13@gmail.com)

**From the Editor**

ARTICLES FOR THE EOG DUE BY THE 23rd OF THE MONTH.

Email content to: [bpoe158news@yahoo.com](mailto:bpoe158news@yahoo.com)

If you know of any member who is not receiving the ELK-O-GRAM, please have them contact the lodge office: at 529-0158 or email: [springfieldelkslodge158@gmail.com](mailto:springfieldelkslodge158@gmail.com)





## RECURRING MEETINGS/EVENTS (see FB & e-blasts for updates)

Mondays	Kitchen Special—Wings & Burgers Wing Night Special, 5—8 PM & QOH Drawing @ 7 PM
Tuesdays	Kitchen Special—Taco Tuesday
Wednesdays	Kitchen Special—Chef's Choice
Thursdays	Kitchen Special—People's Choice
Fridays	Kitchen Special—Fish Friday
Saturdays & Sundays	Kitchen Closed
1st Wed of the month	Lodge Meeting, 7 PM (Walnut Room closed for service while meeting is in session)
1st Thurs of the month	Elks Ladies Meeting, 6:30 PM
3rd Mon of every other month	PER Association Dinner / Meeting, 6 PM
3rd Tues of the month	Springfield Cares Soldiers' Mailing, 6 PM @ TRN
Last Mon of the month	House Committee Meeting, 5:30 PM
4th Tues of the month	Board of Directors Meeting, 5:30 PM (March last Tues)

## 2022 ELKS MEN'S GOLF LEAGUES

League play will start early May with several practice rounds in the beginning. Dates will be determined based on the number players that sign up for each league. There is a change this year in the way the leagues are managed. The software that had been used is no longer supported so we will be using the tools provided by course.



The cost of each league is \$45.00 (\$90.00 for both leagues) This will include a fee of \$6.00 per player per league. (We will no longer pay the lump sum fee for the previous software). Substitute players will also be assessed the \$6.00 fee per league. The scores and stats will still be available online to all players.

Please share this information with anyone who would like to join a league. New players and subs are encouraged.

If you have any questions, contact the following coordinators:

Jim Corrigan (217) 899-3118, Tuesday Morning League 1532 West Lake Shore Drive Springfield Illinois 62712 email: [elks158golf@gmail.com](mailto:elks158golf@gmail.com)

Bill Prillmayer (217) 381-6003, Thursday Morning League 3535 east cook street #86 Springfield Illinois 62703 Email: [wprillmayer@gmail.com](mailto:wprillmayer@gmail.com) Please complete the registration form and submit with your payment to: Jim Corrigan for the Tuesday League Bill Prillmayer for the Thursday League

**See form on PAGE 4.** Forms are also available at the lodge on the Bulletin Board.



## ELKS LADIES #158

By Joan Shea-Rogers, President

Unfortunately, our January and February meetings were cancelled, Stay tuned for March meeting updates.



## Upcoming Events

**Friday Bake Sale at the Fish Frys:** We are hosting a bake sales at the Lodge's Lenten Fish Frys each Friday from March 4th through April 8th; so if you are planning to come to them, we would appreciate it if you could make some sweet treat and bring them to the lodge by 5 pm (if possible).

**Children's Easter Party:** April 9th from 10:00am – 12:00pm. There will be an Easter Egg Hunt, Food, and lots of fun for the little ones. Bring your children/grandchildren and join in the festivities.

**Spring Paint Nite:** April 26th @ 6:30 p.m. Stay tuned for more information.

**Winery Bus Trip:** May 21 We will leave from the Elks Lodge and travel to wineries in Maryville, Il., Chesterfield, Il., and Palmyra, Il. There will games on the bus and lots of merriment. Tickets on sale at the April Lady Elks meeting and at the bar thereafter. Open to all women of the lodge and their guests. (Yes that means the guys too)

**Christmas in July** Party for Children: July 6 We postponed the Children's Christmas Party in Dec. due to Covid Concerns. It should be a fun time for all and we heard that Santa's calendar is open on this date...

**Ladies Plae Day:** Friday, August 5th—Golf and Shuffleboard tournaments, luncheon and lots of fun! Stay tuned for more details!

## Volunteer Opportunities

**Annual Style Show:** We are looking for a chairperson for this event. We will work with you to help...even if you aren't sure what to do but have an interest....talk with Tammy Gumble or me to see if this is something you could do.

**Christmas in July Children's Party:** We are in need of items to give to children....toys, books, games etc. If you see things on sale please consider picking a few items up to donate. These are small things to help Santa out. Contact Diann Harbour (217-494-6136) or Joan Shea-Rogers (217-899-1325) for more information.

*All women of the Lodge are invited to be members of the Elks Ladies. April is our annual dues renewal and new membership drive. We would love to have you be a part of our work!(and mostly part of our fun)*

# SAVE THE DATE!

## IEA Golf Tournament

**JULY 21 - 24, 2022**

**Thursday Practice Rounds**

**Friday & Saturday**

**Tournament Play**

**hosted by**

**Pontiac Lodge#1019**

**The Oaks @ River's Edge**

**Golf Course**

**For more info contact:**

**Jayn 815.383.2433**

**Nicki 815.844.3691**

**Mary 815.674.0217**



### A message from the House Committee

**The Sunday Funday Shuffleboard is still going strong!** At 2:00 pm the lodge hosts a Sunday Funday Shuffleboard day. A \$5.00 entry fee will be collected with a blind draw for partners. Games will proceed with the 3 top pairs taking home the money and bragging rights, until the next week. You can participate as much as you want or play one and done! For additional information or questions feel free to contact Dan and Paula Reichen.

**Hot from the kitchen...** The lodge is still offering a roaster full of homemade favorites on Sunday afternoons. Each Sunday the lodge will have a hot entrée for members to enjoy for \$6.00 one trip or \$8.50 for 2 trips.

**Elks Lodge #158 is hiring part-time cook(s) and bartender(s) to join our kitchen staff.** If you, or someone you know, is seeking employment, please contact Sarah Disney or Paula Reichen by calling the Lodge Office or emailing [springfieldelkslodge158@gmail.com](mailto:springfieldelkslodge158@gmail.com).

Thanks for your continued support...we can't do it without you!

See FB posts and e-blasts for updates and important notices.

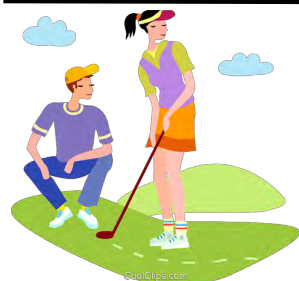


**2021-2022 House Committee**

**L to R: Paula Reichen, Rich Riedesel, Tom Trees, Theresa Martin & Sarah Disney-Chairman**

### Bergen Elks Men's Golf League— Jim Newbanks

"We will plan a meeting on Tuesday, April 5th @ 9:30 am at the lodge. If you are interested in playing on this 9-hole league either email me at [j.newbanks@comcast.net](mailto:j.newbanks@comcast.net) or call my cell at 553-2950 and leave a message, especially if you did not play last year on this league. Dues & dates will be discussed at the meeting. If you have any questions contact me at your convenience. It's a great group of guys enjoying fresh air and sunshine; golf just happens to occur at the same time."



### ELKS 158 ANNUAL CHARITY GOLF OUTING - Dave Cassens

**SAVE THE DATE!** Friday, June 10th @ Lincoln Greens Golf Course. Details coming soon.



### What's Happening around Lake Springfield!

#### Coming Up:

Trivia Night—Aqua Spots Club—  
03/19/22

#### Ongoing:

KC West Iles Queen of Hearts  
Drawing – Firefighters Postal – Eve-

ry Thursday, Draw 7:00 PM

Queen of Hearts Drawing– Blue Ridge Club – 1st & 3rd Fri

Queen of Hearts Drawing – Sangamo Surf Club - 1st &  
3rd Fri, Draw 8:00PM

Queen of Hearts Drawing – Anchor Boat – 2nd & 4th Fri



### 2022 ELKS MEN'S GOLF LEAGUES

**(Registration Form below)**

#### 2022 ELKS GOLF LEAGUE REGISTRATION FORM

##### Tuesday League

Mornings at Lincoln Greens – 18 Holes ☐

Contact Jim Corrigan (217) 899-3118

Partner Name: \_\_\_\_\_

OR

Assign a new partner

yes ☐

##### Thursday League

Mornings at Bunn – 18 holes ☐

Contact Bill Prillmayer (217) 381-6003

Partner Name: \_\_\_\_\_

OR

Assign a new partner

yes ☐

League subs If you want to be a SUB

Tuesday ☐

Thursday ☐

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email (required): \_\_\_\_\_





## HELPING ONE OF OUR OWN!



Elks Lodge #158 member Randy Cooke received "the call" and traveled to Cleveland, Ohio for his double-lung transplant. His wife, Marleen Cooke, Past Elks Ladies President, is by his side.

Since the surgery, he has had some ups and downs, but now is doing pretty well. He is off supplemental oxygen, which he's had to have for quite some time. He and

Marleen are asking for our continued prayers and want to thank everyone for their generous donations to the various fundraising efforts being held on his behalf, including March's "Round Up For Charity." He said, "We're overwhelmed with the outpouring of love and support by friends and family; God is great."

Their daughter, Brandi Goodin, has organized a GoFundMe Page on his behalf.

Please feel free to go to the link below and read more about Randy's battle with lung disease and his family's efforts to fight for his life.

[https://www.gofundme.com/f/help-randy-cooke-with-second-lung-transplant?fbclid=IwAR0eUbp-oS5Y3Y6wIQS1TYVZJTKS5ibKwtPpRVahDKLIn-vOht\\_DatCQHxbo](https://www.gofundme.com/f/help-randy-cooke-with-second-lung-transplant?fbclid=IwAR0eUbp-oS5Y3Y6wIQS1TYVZJTKS5ibKwtPpRVahDKLIn-vOht_DatCQHxbo)

## Children's Care Corporation Scholarship Program

### PHYSICAL OR OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY MAJORS APPLICATION

The 2023-2024 application process will begin December 1, 2022. Application process is now closed for this year's scholarship.

### PHYSICAL OR OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY ASSISTANT APPLICATION

The 2023-2024 application process will begin December 1, 2022. Application process is now closed for this year's scholarship.

### LYDIA MILLER SPECIAL EDUCATION MAJOR SCHOLARSHIP

The 2023-2024 application process will begin December 1, 2022. Application process is now closed for this year's scholarship.

Patient Referral Form for Assistance; link here:

<http://www.illinoiselksccc.org/pdf/PatientReferralForm.pdf>

## Elks Accessories Help Raise Funds for the CCC

See the Catalog for Ties, scarves, magnets, calendars, shirts and pins. The new 50 Year Anniversary HoDo Pin is \$20 each. Pin is casted in a gold finish. The car magnets are \$5 each and get an interior/refrigerator magnet FREE <http://www.illinoiselksccc.org/catalog.html>



## A Message from Children's Care Corporation - Bill Block



Illinois Elks State Charity is the CCC and is funded through contributions of individual Elks, the Illinois lodges and ladies' groups associated with lodges. Additional funding comes from memorials, gifts and bequests in remembrance of deceased members, as well as matching funds from participating donors' places of employment. Each year the IECCC also conducts three state-wide fundraisers. Our operating expenses are extremely low, especially when compared to many national charities. The Illinois Elks Association also makes a generous annual donation to the Children's Care Corporation. Every donation counts—<http://illinoiselksccc.org/donate.html>

PDF forms for patient referral requests, physical or occupational therapy majors or assistant applications, and special education major scholarship are located on our website at: <http://illinoiselksccc.org/forms.html>

Catalog & Merchandise link below has ties, scarves, pins, magnets, accessories, calendars and shirts available for purchase. Proceeds help fund the organization - <http://illinoiselksccc.org/catalog.html>

### March 2022

Mt. Vernon Clinic March 3rd at Neuromuscular Orthopedic Institute: 3:00 to 5:00 PM

Mt. Carmel Clinic March 4th at Wabash General Hospital: 8:30 to 10:30 AM

Champaign/Urbana Clinic March 9th at OSF Healthcare Heart of Mary Medical Center: 8:30 to 10:30

Bloomington Clinic March 11th at Cortese Foot & Ankle Clinic: 1:00 PM

Robinson Clinic March 16th at CMH Bone & Joint Center: 9:00 to 11:00 AM

Effingham Clinic March 17th at Sarah Bush Lincoln Bonutti Orthopedic Clinic 8:00 AM

### April 2022

Lincoln Clinic April 5th at Abraham Lincoln Memorial Hospital: 1:00 to 3:00 PM

NW District @ Rockford Clinic April 20th at OrthoIllinois: 2:00 to 4:00 PM

NW District @Morrison Clinic April 21st at Morrison Community Hospital: 8:00 AM

**Website:** <http://www.illinoiselksccc.org/> / Phone: 1-800-272-0074 / email: [helpkids@elksccare.org](mailto:helpkids@elksccare.org)

## Extra Extra Read All About It!

If you have an ad in the EOG and haven't paid your annual fee, please remit a check in the amount of \$100 to Springfield Elks Lodge #158, 409 East Lake Shore Drive, Springfield, IL 62712. Contact 217-529-0158 or 217-494-8792

Call the office at 217-529-0158, [bpoe-158news@yahoo.com](mailto:bpoe-158news@yahoo.com), or 217-494-8792 if you have any questions or need assistance.

## Springfield Elks Lodge #158 Memorial/Dedication Brick Order Form

### Paving the Way

*Initial installation to be completed by fall of 2019, then  
twice per year thereafter*

Personalized memorial/dedication bricks are a great way to create a lasting legacy for your Elk and their Spouse in good standing. Each sponsored brick will be a permanent part of the outdoor memorial at the entrance to our lodge.

#### Engraving Information:

- Bricks are 4" by 8" in size
- Cost per Brick is \$100.00
- 16 characters per line (this includes spaces and punctuation)
- Text will be automatically centered
- We cannot accept logos or non-text symbols
- Commercial sponsorship and/or displays are not allowed
- Please print clearly
- Please make certain all information is spelled correctly

One Brick per Order Form

1st Line (16 Characters) \_\_\_\_\_

2nd Line (16 Characters) \_\_\_\_\_

3rd Line (16 Characters) \_\_\_\_\_

#### Your Information

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Forms with payment need to be returned to the Lodge office @ 409 E. Lake Shore Drive, Springfield, IL 62712.

Make checks payable to the "Elks 158 PER Association/Brick Fund."



### Springfield Cares Soldier Mailing

Council of Lake Springfield Clubs' 13th Annual Chili Challenge held March 6th at the Firefighters Postal Club, announced the winners for the 2022 year.

Members from Sangamo Surf Club, Blue Ridge Club, KC Lake Club and Lake Press win the Lake Council Chili Challenge FINALS. 1st Place WTW - Gordon Gibbs, Springfield Cares Soldier Mailing, 2nd Place - Pam Metz with Lake Press, 1st Place Popular Choice - Brian Graves with Blue Ridge, 2nd Place Popular Choice - Matt Mendenhall with KC Lake Club, 1st Place Judges Choice - John Stout with Sangamo Surf Club, 2nd Place Judges Choice - Brian Graves with Blue Ridge Club.

Congratulations to everyone!



## ANNUAL POLAR PLUNGE FOR SPECIAL OLYMPICS OF ILLINOIS

ELKS 158 TEAM - Christi Sullivan, Tracy Robinson and Sandy Begue took the plunge for Charity!

It was a great day all the way around. Thousands of dollars raised, warm weather, special hot cocoa provided by Judy Gjersvik, and great photos taken by our own Charlie Gjersvik! John Begue and Brian Robinson stood by to take care of the garment bags and support the team throughout the event! A HUGE thanks to our donor\$ and to those who continue to donate to the cause! ELKS CARE - ELKS SHARE!



The team is still raising funds for the charity through March 28th. It's a competition on the lake to see which club can raise the most money (minimum \$500) to try to win a YETI Cooler, which the ladies have said that they'll donate to the Lodge! Check out their individual accounts on the Special Olympics website to donate to the cause. You can also make checks payable to Special Olympics of Illinois and insert "Elks Lodge #158" on the memo line, mail to, or drop off at the Lodge or the SO office in Springfield. We want to make sure the Elks Lodge gets credit for the donation, so please make sure "Elks Lodge #158" is listed on the memo line if paying by check.

#### Tracy Robinson:

<https://soill.donordrive.com/index.cfm?fuseaction=donorDrive.participant&participantID=79240>

#### Christi Sullivan:

<https://soill.donordrive.com/index.cfm?fuseaction=donorDrive.participant&participantID=79239>

#### Sandy Begue:

<https://soill.donordrive.com/index.cfm?fuseaction=donordrive.participant&participantID=79238>

Thanks to MC Jeff Cox and chili challenge judges Amber Evans, Dave Johnson, Chris Miles, Marvin Becker and Darren Whitten. (Dan Gumble filled in for Marvin Becker today.)

Special thanks to all who attended the event and supported the clubs, and the charity.

The clubs raised over \$4,721.50 for Springfield Cares to continue its mission to provide our servicemen and women with "goodies" as Alice puts it, and much-needed items from home.

Photos and videos can be seen on the Elks Lodge #158 Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/410598820800>

And the Springfield Cares Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/334759989936203>

Watch for a special article with photos and interviews in the April EOG issue.





## From Jan Cimarossa, Parade Coordinator:

Due to inclement weather the Parade Board decided to POSTPONE the St. Patrick's Day Parade to Saturday, March 19, 2022. (SEE REVISED FLYER BELOW)

Additional info - The parade starts on Jefferson & 6th heading west to 5th; Heading south on 5th to Capitol; Heading North on 6th to the Reviewing Stand, (this is our Family Friendly Area) then to Washington heading east, back to the beginning; the Horace Mann parking lot. We need to be there by 11:15 a.m. to ensure we have enough people to help carry the flag (minimum 30). If you haven't already, please sign up on the bulletin board outside the Walnut Room, contact me at 217-741-4147, or call the office and leave your name so that we can add it to the sign up sheet. If anything changes regarding the parade/weather, etc., we'll let you know. Thanks for your help in advance!

<https://www.facebook.com/springfieldirish/>  
<https://stpatsdayparade.com/paraderoute/>

**36<sup>th</sup> Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade**

St. Patrick's Day Parade 2022  
Starts at the crack o' noon on  
Saturday, March 19<sup>th</sup>  
Downtown Springfield, IL  
Theme - "Irish Eyes Are Smiling"

Support our military and  
our country by helping US  
carry The Garrison Flag  
...or just walk with US

Sign-up Sheet on the Bulletin Board / Contact Jan Cimarossa at 217-741-4147

**Annual Children's Easter Party**  
Saturday, 04/09/2022  
10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

A visit from the  
EASTER BUNNY!!!

Easter Egg Hunt

Food Served

Kids Eat Free  
Adults are asked  
to give a \$donation

\*When making  
reservations, provide  
name, age & gender of  
each child 10 & under,  
and number of adults  
attending.

Note to Parents, Guardians,  
&/or Chaperones:  
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# WALNUT ROOM SPECIALS MENU FOR MARCH 2022

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Kitchen is closed on Saturday & Sunday












Date	Day of the Month	Special	Price
2/28	Monday	WING NIGHT WINGS DINNER BURGER PONY SHOE SPECIAL (no substitutions)	\$8.00 & \$15.00 \$9.50
3/1	Tuesday	All Day: Taco Tuesday – Beef or Chicken Quesadilla w/Tortilla Chips & Salsa	\$9.00
2	Wednesday	All Day: Patty Melt w/Fries	\$8.75
3	Thursday	Lunch – Biscuits & Gravy, 2 Eggs, Hash Browns	\$8.00 ½ order \$9.00 Full order
		Dinner - Country Fried Steak, MP & Veg	\$10.00
4	Friday	All Day: Meatloaf w/Potatoes & Veggie	\$10.00
5	Saturday	Kitchen Closed (Pizzas & Chili still available in WR)	
6	Sunday	Kitchen Closed (Pizzas & Chili still available in WR)	
7	Monday	WING NIGHT WINGS DINNER BURGER PONY SHOE SPECIAL (no substitutions)	\$8.00 & \$15.00 \$9.50
8	Tuesday	All Day: Taco Tuesday w/either Taco Salad or 3 Soft-shelled Tacos	\$8.00
9	Wednesday	All Day: 4-piece Fried Chicken Dinner	\$12.00
10	Thursday	Lunch – Soup & Salad	\$7.00
		Dinner - Country Fried Steak, MP & Veg	\$10.00
11	Friday	<b>All Day: Corned Beef &amp; Cabbage w/Sides</b>	<b>TBD</b>
12	Saturday	Kitchen Closed (Pizzas & Chili still available in WR)	
13	Sunday	Kitchen Closed (Pizzas & Chili still available in WR)	
14	Monday	WING NIGHT WINGS DINNER BURGER PONY SHOE SPECIAL (no substitutions)	\$8.00 & \$15.00 \$9.50
15	Tuesday	All Day: Taco Tuesday – Beef or Chicken Quesadilla w/Tortilla Chips & Salsa	\$9.00
16	Wednesday	All Day: Meatloaf w/Potatoes & Veggie	\$10.00
17 	Thursday	Lunch – Chicken, Bacon, Ranch Wrap w/Fries	\$10.00
		<b>Dinner - St. Patrick's Corned Beef &amp; Cabbage w/Sides</b>	<b>TBD</b>
18	Friday	All Day: Spaghetti & Meatballs w/Salad & Garlic Bread	\$10.00
19	Saturday	Kitchen Closed (Pizzas & Chili still available in WR)	
20	Sunday	Kitchen Closed (Pizzas & Chili still available in WR)	
21	Monday	WING NIGHT WINGS BURGER PONY SHOE SPECIAL (no substitutions)	\$8.00 & \$15.00 \$9.50
22	Tuesday	All Day: Taco Tuesday w/either Taco Salad or 3 Soft Tacos	\$8.00
23	Wednesday	All Day: Hand-breaded Pork Tenderloin w/Fries	\$10.00
24	Thursday	Lunch – ½ Sandwich & Soup	\$7.00
		Dinner - Country Fried Steak, MP & Veg	\$10.00
25	Friday	All Day: 4-piece Fried Chicken Dinner	\$12.00
26	Saturday	Kitchen Closed (Pizzas & Chili still available In WR)	
27	Sunday	Kitchen Closed (Pizzas & Chili still available in WR)	
28	Monday	WING NIGHT WINGS DINNER BURGER PONY SHOE SPECIAL (no substitutions)	\$8.00 & \$15.00 \$9.50
29	Tuesday	All Day: Taco Tuesday – Beef or Chicken Quesadilla w/Tortilla Chips & Salsa	\$9.00
30	Wednesday	All Day: Mushroom Swiss Burger w/Chips	\$8.00
31	Thursday	Lunch: Club Sandwich w/Fries Dinner: Country Fried Steak, MP & Veggie	\$7.00 \$10.00





# MARCH 2022 CALENDAR OF EVENTS (see monthly menu in EOG)

Kitchen is open Mon-Fri - 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. for lunch / Mon-Fri—5 p.m. to 8 p.m. for dinner / Walnut Room open daily 11 a.m. to close (up to 1am)

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	RED FRIDAY	SAT
February 27 GAME DAY STARTS AT NOON Food served Sunday Funday Shuffleboard Day—2 PM	February 28 Kitchen Open Queen of Hearts @ 7 PM  Wing Night 5-9 PM	March 1 Kitchen Special Taco Tuesday	March 2 Kitchen Special Chef's Choice  LODGE MEETING 7 PM 	March 3 Kitchen Special People's Choice  ELKS LADIES MEETING 6:30pm 	March 4  Kitchen Special Fish Friday LENTEN FISH FRIES Fridays-03/04 thru 04/08	March 5 Kitchen is closed SPECIAL OLYMPICS POLAR PLUNGE @ NOON-KC CLUB
March 6 GAME DAY STARTS AT NOON Food served Sunday Funday Shuffleboard Day—2 PM  CHILI CHALLENGE @ FFPC - 2 PM	March 7 Kitchen Open Queen of Hearts @ 7 PM  Wing Night 5-9 PM	March 8 Kitchen Special Taco Tuesday	March 9 Kitchen Special Chef's Choice	March 10 Kitchen Special People's Choice	March 11  Kitchen Special Fish Friday LENTEN FISH FRIES Fridays-03/04 thru	March 12 Kitchen is closed
March 13 *GAME DAY STARTS AT NOON Food served *Sunday Funday Shuffleboard Day—2 PM	March 14 Kitchen Open Queen of Hearts @ 7 PM  Wing Night 5-9PM	March 15 Kitchen Special Taco Tuesday Lifeline Screening in the Lodge Room SCSM Meeting @ TRN , 6 PM 	March 16 Kitchen Special Chef's Choice ORIENTATION/ INITIATION 5:30 PM LODGE MEETING 7PM 	March 17 Kitchen Special People's Choice  HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY!	March 18  Kitchen Special Fish Friday LENTEN FISH FRIES Fridays-03/04 thru 04/08 5:00 TO 7:30 pm	March 19 Kitchen is closed St. Patrick's Day Parade Noon—Downtown Spfld
March 20 GAME DAY STARTS AT NOON Food served Sunday Funday Shuffleboard Day—2 PM	March 21 Kitchen Open Queen of Hearts @ 7 PM PER Meeting & Dinner 6 p.m.  Wing Night 5-9PM	March 22 Kitchen Special Taco Tuesday	March 23 Kitchen Special Chef's Choice	March 24 Kitchen Special People's Choice	March 25  Kitchen Special Fish Friday LENTEN FISH FRIES Fridays-03/04 thru 04/08 5:00 TO 7:30 pm	March 26 Kitchen is closed <b>INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS 3 P.M. LODGE ROOM</b>
March 27 GAME DAY STARTS AT NOON Food served Sunday Funday Shuffleboard Day—2 PM	March 28 Kitchen Open Queen of Hearts @ 7 PM HC Mtg @ 5:30 pm   Wing Night 5-9PM	March 29 Kitchen Special Taco Tuesday  Board of Directors' Mtg @ 6:30 PM 	March 30 Kitchen Special Chef's Choice	March 31 Kitchen Special People's Choice  Golf League Meeting	April 1st  Kitchen Special Fish Friday LENTEN FISH FRIES Fridays-03/04 thru 04/08 5:00 TO 7:30 pm	April 2 Kitchen is closed





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