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The Man On A Mission

*May the road rise up to meet you
May the wind be always at your back
May the warm rays of sun fall upon your home
And may the hand of a friend always be near*

*May green be the grass you walk on
May blue be the skies above you
May pure be the joys that surround you
May true be the hearts that love you
May you see your children's children
May you be poor in misfortune, rich in blessing
May you know nothing but happiness
From this day forward*

*May the sunshine warm your face
The rains fall soft upon your fields
And until we meet again
May God be with you and bless you.*

*Your friend,
Clark
Daughters
Susan and Sandra*

Sing & Dance Night Saturday, May 7

Come out and give it your best shot. Sing and dance with The James Gang. Prize for the best female singer and male singer. Music from 7-11 p.m. in the Antler Lounge.

YOUTH BANQUET Tuesday, May 31, 6 p.m.

Come out and meet the youths in our community. Let's show our appreciation to them.

Mother's Day Brunch



Sunday, May 8

Join us at the Lodge from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. for a delicious breakfast of eggs, bacon, sausage, biscuits & gravy, succulent ham, au gratin potatoes, vegetables, assorted fruit along with sweet & tasty danish rolls. Juice, coffee, and milk will be available also.

Children 3 and under are free. Ages 4-11 are \$5 and 12 on up are \$11. That's all you can eat at such great prices.

11th Annual Whiffle Ball Tourney



Saturday, June 4

Elks Page Park

It's that time of year to get your running shoes on and your lawn chairs ready for our whiffle ball tournament. The cost is \$75 per team. Sign up early. Pick up sheets and pay your entry fee at the Lodge.

Any questions, please call Ronda at 815-440-4206 or 815-288-3557.

Thank You!!!

Thank you for another well attended St. Pat's Corn Beef & Cabbage event. Thank you to Sally Laidig, Shirley Belcher, Bob & Jen Maves, Gwen Justice, Sharon Murphy, Nancy Davis, Sharri, Courtney and Hanna Miller, Dorothy Jones, Denny Trotter, Katie Schulze, Betty Mayfield, and Linda Burgess. It is a lot of hard work.

Thank you, Ronda Hicks



Party on the Patio!!!

Coming in June!!

Father's Day Breakfast



Coming in June. Look for more information in next months Jolly Cork.



Golf Outing and Steak Fry

Saturday, August 6

Get your golf clubs out and get them shined up. It's time for the steak fry and golf outing. Mark your calendars. More info coming next month.

LOUNGE HOURS OF OPERATION

Monday - Thursday

2:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Friday 2:30 p.m. to 12 a.m.

Saturday 10:30 a.m. to 12 or 1 a.m.

Sat. Lunch 10:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.



Message from the Exalted Ruler

Spring is finally here, and we are jumping right in. First, I'd like to thank all that participated in the installation dinner and party. I hope fun was had by all. I feel I have a super group of officers that were installed on April 2nd. It's also my honor to announce the award winners from that evening: 2010/11 Elk of the Year- Clark Kelly, 2010/11 Officer of the Year-Randy Kennay, and last, but certainly not least, 2010/11 Ladies Auxillary Lady of the Year-Romona Reglin. Thank you for all you have done for our organization. Our club functions because of a lot of time and effort that is donated by our members.

We had the Wii bowling tournament at the end of March. We had a good turn out and fun had by all. The Margaritaville Margarita machine was won by Terry O'Neal (lucky). Also, we had a good turn out for the state bowling tournament in DeKalb; with our teams doing pretty well.

The kids really enjoyed the annual Easter egg hunt. Thank you to all who helped with this, once again, making this a great time for the kids. Also, the Farm's Ham shoot was a great success. Congratulations to the winner of the awesome grill that was given away. And, I assume, everyone had an awesome time at the 20/20 Dinner.

We have many events coming up in the next few weeks. Please don't forget our annual Mother's Day Brunch on May 9th. Then, right around the corner is Memorial Day. In June we have two great events. On June 4th, we have our annual Wiffle Ball Tournament that is held out at the farm and is always great fun. If you would like to put together a team, please see Ronda. We are once again having the Father's Day Brunch at the Lodge. If you would like to help with Father's Day, please see Dave Neal.

The Wednesday Patio Parties are starting up the beginning of June, and we are looking for help to cook. Please contact either Ronda or myself if you'd be willing to help with these, even if it's just occasionally.

Also, we will be having our Flag Day ceremony on June 14th. Please check the Jolly Cork for more information on these events. I truly hope you will come out and enjoy the many upcoming activities we have planned.

Bill Bushman

Exalted Ruler, 2011 - 2012



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every Tuesday!**

Secretary's Corner

Spring is finally here! Thank you to all the members who made donations to one or more of the 7 items on the Dues Notice. These entities appreciate your support. We ended the last Lodge year 59 members less than we started, but we are still one of the largest Lodges in the State with a membership of 1117. We cannot rest on our laurels. We need to bring in new members and keep the ones we have. Do you have suggestions for events, the menu (Friday or Saturday meals), or community activities we can participate in? Let your Officers know or email me, and I'll pass them on.

Please Welcome the newest member to the Lifetime Member Club – Frank Nagy; and reinstated Members Timothy Moore & Steve Bieser.

Please support the new Officers of the Lodge for 2011-2012:

Exalted Ruler – Bill Bushman

Leading Knight – Randy Kennay

Loyal Knight – Nancy Davis

Lecturing Knight – Kevin O'Donoghue

Secretary – Sharon Kay Dirck

Treasurer – Lorie Kennay

Chaplain – Jeff Kuhn

Esquire – Jim Buzard

Inner Guard – Gerry King

Tiler – Lisa Kennay

Trustees – Dave Neel Jr, Dennis Trotter, Tom Humphrey, Dennis Dempsey, & Tim Weidman

If you haven't paid your dues for 2011-2012 Lodge Year, please do so, and thank you to the 874 members who have already paid.



Happy March Birthday Elks!

Forrest Grobe, Bill Palen, Dave Moore, Jim Hird, Ken Reglin, and Dennis Morrison.



Indoctrination

Jeffrey Kuhn, Chaplain & his assistant

Better late than never!

A big huge thank you for all the help for the Lodge Annual Draw Down. It was a huge success. A special thank you to the Elks Page Park board and their spouses whose knowledge and energy made everything go as planned.

We always enjoy your input on whatever goes on at the Lodge.

Thank you, Ronda Hicks

Dixon Elks Auxiliary

Attention Ladies, especially wives of Elks members, widows of former Elks members, and single daughters over the age of 21. We cordially invite you to the next meeting of the Elks Auxiliary on Monday, May 2, at 6 p.m. at the Lodge. With the installation of the new officers, the new Lodge year has begun. The new year for the Auxiliary has also begun.

Come to our meeting and find out what we are all about. Our purpose is to benefit the Lodge and assist the officers and trustees whether it is to greet visiting Lodge members, at a District meeting, baking a dessert for a dinner, or buying a piece of furniture for the Lodge to help beautify the surroundings. The Auxiliary also participates in community projects. Our membership is just a small percentage of what is available. With more members, we can accomplish bigger and better things. Besides that we are charming, whitty, and full of fun.

The next meeting is Monday, May 2, 6 p.m. at the Lodge.

Ruth Williamson, Publicity Committee

News from Elks Page Park Inc.

As usual, April was a busy month with all the projects that we had. Starting off, I would like to thank all the volunteers we have had. There are too many to name. They know who they are, and we would not be able to get the things done that need to without them. Congratulations to Jane Imfeld who was the lucky Grill Raffle Winner. Also a big hand to those who helped sell tickets, to Prescott's for the good deal on the grill, and the advertisement.

I would also like to thank all who did attend the Campground meeting and to remind those who did not to attend the May 2nd farm meeting at the reception hall. This will be the night we decide open spots. Our brunch will be Sunday, May 29th, with Bloody Marys at 9 a.m. Then a potluck brunch at 10 a.m. Please bring a dish to pass.

June meeting will be June 6th at the farm. The ribfest will be June 18th. Teams can start cooking at 8 a.m. The bags tournament will also be going on along with live entertainment and a 50/50 drawing to be drawn at 5 p.m. Anyone interested in getting a team together or throwing bags please call me or any of the board members. Rib team entrance fee will be \$75.00. All are welcome to attend. There will be two live bands beginning at 5:30 and ending at 11 p.m. Entrance fee for all-day event will be \$10.00.

The WWII reenactment will be the following weekend, June 25th, with militia sales and equipment demonstrations. The price for this event is \$5.00 a car. Any questions, contact any board member. Again next meeting will be June 6th at the farm.

See you camping.

Kevin Grobe, President

Elks Upcoming Events

June

- 4 Whiffle Ball Tournament
- 14 Flag Day Ceremony
- 18 Rib Fest
- 19 Father's Day Breakfast
- 25 WWII Re-enactment

July

- 2 Kid's Fishing Derby

August

- 6 Golf Outing and Steak Fry



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-2-

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-3-

Curt Barnes
Randy Blackburn
John Godbold
Theodore Harms
Edward Mialback
Robert Tate

-4-

Michael Burgess
Nicholas Cruz
Gary Howard
Clifton Wise

-5-

Roy Bridgeman
Lewis Brooke
Jared Dambman
Joey Frey
Edward LaCroix
Russell Smith

-6-

Robert Benson
Joseph Patzer
Bill Stransky

-7-

Thomas Ballard
Andrew Cox
Gerry Meyer
Ron Pritchard

-8-

Rick Applequist
Kenneth Gilbert
Daniel Helfrich
Kevin Oswald

-8-

Edward Ryan

-9-

Raymond Lundeen
Jodi Ann Murdock

-10-

Howard Glessner

-11-

Coty Miller
Jay Reese
Charles Rogers

-12-

Joe Dewey
Jerald Heaton
Ruth Post
William Ranken

-13-

Jack King
John Thompson

-14-

Carolyn Brechon
Dennis Dempsey
David Drane
Timothy Godbold
Jeffrey Kuhn
Frank Nagy

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Joseph Olliges

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Robert Kennedy

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Nathan Grobe

-16-

Lyle Haines
Clarence Nielsen
William Tietjen
Melville Webster

-17-

David Siefkin

-18-

Michael Burrs
Donald Hopper

Jesse James

Sharri Miller

James Smith

Werner Vogel

Mel Witmer

-19-

Fredrick Drew
Charles Dyche
Robert Pilling
Reuben Pugh
Chester Rakowski

Fredrick Taft

-20-

Robert Althaus
Mike Paul
John Ross

-21-

Wendi Schafer
Robert Sutkay
Roger Trotter

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Dennis Grobe
Michele Sulski

-23-

Debra Barton
Edward Dresden

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Terry Dewey
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Ray Forney
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