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20/20 Dinner Dance

Saturday, May 4
Cocktails 5:30-6:30 p.m.
Dinner 6:30 p.m.

Featuring

Candid Country

Huge Chinese Auction

50/50 Drawing

$100, $50, $25 /drawings

Reservations needed by Saturday, April 27

Mother's Day Brunch

Sunday, May 12, 2013
Serving 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

We will be serving a delicious menu of eggs, bacon, sausage, biscuits & gravy, baked ham, au gratin potatoes, homemade corned beef hash, assorted fruit along with sweet and tasty danish rolls. Juice, coffee and milk will be available. Children 4 and under free, ages 5 thru 10 $6.00 and 11 on up $12.00.

Wine & Cheese Tasting

Thursday,
May 16, 2013

Doors open 5:00

Tasting
5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

$12 in advance or $15 at the Door

Comedian Night with Buffet Dinner

Saturday, June 22

Doors open at 5:00 p.m.

Dinner 5:30-7:00

Showtime at 7:30

Tickets are $20 per person and are on sale at the Lodge.

Dixon Elks Auxiliary

The April 8th meeting opened with 14 members in attendance. The officers for 2013-2014 are:

President .....Earlene Wolfe
Vice President .....Carrie King
Secretary.....Sandra Crain
Treasurer .....Marilyn Koster

May 13th is the Auxiliary "Eat Out" month. We will be eating at "The Candlelight" in Rock Falls at 6 p.m. We will meet at the Elks at 5:30 to pool rides.

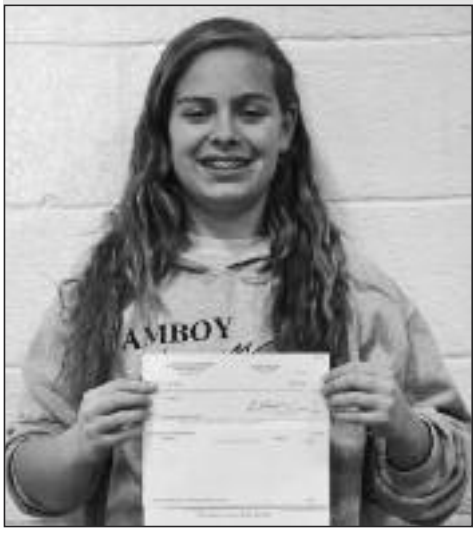
Patio parties will be June 19th, July 17th, and August 21.

The Junior Golf Tournament will be July 15th.

BINGO is the 1st and 3rd Monday night of the month. Come out and try your luck. Kitchen is open from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Come out and have a taco salad or a burger and fries. Our homemade desserts are always a big hit.

$1.50 a Beer Night every Tuesday!

Essay Winner



Lexi Meurer, an 8th grader at AFC Middle School in Franklin Grove, received $125 from the Elk's District Patriotism Essay contest. Lexi is the daughter of Dave and Kelly Meurer of Ashton.

SAVE THE DATE

Dixon Elks Lodge #779 Fishing Derby

July 6, 2013

Registration forms in next months Jolly Cork

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

The new Elks year has begun. We started off with the Easter Egg Hunt. I would like to thank Lisa Kennay for visiting the Hospitals and Nursing Homes as Easter Bunny Number One and Hannah Miller for her part as Easter Bunny Number Two at the Meadows. Thanks also to Randy Kennay for his help in placing the eggs before he had to leave to participate in the Elks Bowling tournament in LaSalle.

Thank you to all the many volunteers who helped with the Draw Down. Thank you to the Trustees who cooked the food and kitchen staff for preparing a great meal. The steaks and chicken were the best yet. The same volunteers do a steak fry the last Friday of every month. Come out and try them for yourself. A special thanks to Ronda Hicks for all her hard work to make this Draw Down a big success.

For upcoming events, don't forget the 20/20 Dinner Dance and Silent Auction on May 4th. The Elks Auxiliary sponsors the 20/20 and do a great job. The Mother's Day Brunch is coming up on May 12th and the Father's Day Brunch on June 16th.

I still have a few committee positions open if you would like to get involved. Youth Activities, Soccer Shoot, Audit Committee and the Jolly Cork to mention a few. Getting involved can be very rewarding and doesn't take much of your time. If anyone is interested, please see Ronda Hicks or myself. Ronda can be reached at the Lodge at 815-288-3557 or call me at 815-973-2911.

Nancy Davis
Exalted Ruler, 2013 - 2014

New Members - Feb. 25

Secretary's Corner

Spring is hopefully here! Thank you to all the members who made donations to one or more of the 6 items on the Dues Notice – these entities appreciate your support. Your donations totaled $1,139.75. Elks National Foundation $97.00, Illinois Elks Children's Care Corp 132.50, Dixon Lodge Child's Fund $624.50, Lodge Scholarship Fund $200.00, Veterans Programs $50.00 and Capital Improvements $35.75. Thank you again to all who donated.

We ended the last Lodge year 11 members less than we started, and I'm happy to report that 2 Members who were dropped have already reinstated – so our Membership # for the new year is 1099. We initiated 41 new members last year, transferred 3 and reinstated 9 – that was great! On other side 17 Members died, 1 transferred out, 7 requested Dimits and 39 were dropped for nonpayment which wasn't what we want to have happen.

Lifetime Members: Currently we have 109 Lifetime Members; these Lifetime Members have supported this Lodge for more than 35 years each. I know there are a few Members in our rolls that are eligible for Lifetime Membership but haven't asked yet; just in case you are not sure of the requirements they are: A Member for 35 years – the last 20 years with Dixon Lodge #779 & you must be at least 65 years young. If you meet these 3 requirements please contact me either by phone, email or writing to the Lodge so that I may present your name at a Lodge Meeting and get you your much deserved recognition along with saving you $20 a year on your dues. If you have any question on this, please feel free to contact me.

Sharon Kay Dirck DDGER

Meals Served in the Antler Room
Every Friday

from 5:00 - 8:00 pm

Three Different Choices with Soup & Salad Bar

Officers of the Lodge for 2013-2014:

Exalted Ruler – Nancy Davis
Leading Knight – Randy Kennay, P.E.R.
Loyal Knight – Betty Mayfield
Lecturing Knight – Bill Bushman, P.E.R.
Esquire – Don Koehler
Chaplain – Mary Starr
Secretary – Sharon Kay Dirck, P.E.R.
Treasurer – Lorie Kennay
Inner Guard – Charles Koehler
Tiler – Christine Bell

Trustees – Tim Weidman, Dennis Trotter, Tom Humphrey, Dennis Dempsey, and David Neel, P.E.R.

Ronda Hicks - Club Manager

Annual Draw Down Results

So I've been told change is good! Well, in this certain event, it is very true. Change made a big difference. Our proceeds from the draw down go to Elk charities and capital improvements to keep our building in excellent condition.

I would like to thank everyone for helping with the Annual Draw Down. What a huge success! We all had a great time with the live drink auction, the live dessert auction, the silent auction, and the entertainment. A fun time was had by all who attended.

Donations were given by John & Kathy Spellman, Ace Hardware, Sauk Valley Bank, Subway/Road Ranger, Evon Weidman, Earlene Wolfe, Linda Burgess, Katie Schultze, Ladies Auxiliary, Dennis Dempsey, Transition Nursing and Rehab., Shamrock Pub, Tom Humphrey, Ronda Hicks, Holland & Sons, Chicago Ave. Salon, Bill Bushman, Sharri Miller, Gwen & Dan Justice, Chris Bell, Ken Nelson Auto Group, Chris & Nancy Davis, and Brenda Jensen. I would like to thank everyone who helped the night of the draw down: Brenda Jensen, Sharon Murphy, Lynn & Keith Miller, Juddman & Steph Munroe, Denny Trotter, Tom Humphrey, Dave Neel, Dennis Dempsey, Ashley McCrary, Denny Dempsey Jr., Tom & Donna Hale, Jen & Bob Maves, Lauri Jacobs, Nancy Davis, Chris Bell, Gwen Justice, and our "Vanna White" Nancy Lewallen.

The draw down winners were: 1st Place - Matt Hartman, 2nd Place - Tom Humphrey, 3rd Place - Doug & Dee Barr.

Our lucky gun raffle winner was Jim VanOosten. We are looking forward to the next year. It will be bigger and better yet.

Ronda Hicks, Committee Chairman

Elks Lady of the Year

Lanieta Stiles, Elks Auxiliary VP, presented Earlene Wolfe her plaque for Elks Lady of the Year. Earlene also received an award for the Northwest District Lady of the Year, presented at the District Meeting on April 21st.

Saturday Meals

10:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Order from the menu in the Antler Lounge

Lodge Officers 2013-2014

5 year Trustee Dennis Dempsey, Exalted Ruler Nancy Davis, Leading Knight Randy Kennay, Secretary Sharon Dirck, and Lecturing Knight Bill Bushman, Treasurer Lori Kennay, Tiler Chris Bell, Loyal Knight Betty Mayfield.

News from Elks Page Park Inc.

Is summer ever going to get here? I hope everyone is gearing up for a great summer. Not much to report except a few upcoming events which are our Annual Ribfest on June 8th and the WWII Re-Enactment on June 20th through the 22nd. Anyone wanting information or to help out, contact any Board member.

If you could or did not attend the April 21st campground meeting, make sure you come to the May Farm meeting to sign your lease. The May meeting will be on the 6th at the Farm reception hall.

There will be a workday on May 18th at 10 a.m. We will be concentrating on removing junk that is left or not claimed. Also we will clean up litter and seed grass out by road.

In closing, I would like to once again thank all of our volunteers for improvements to the building to make it look a lot better. Also, our volunteers help keep the campground and farm running smooth. We could not do it without them. Thanks again.

The June meeting will be on the 3rd at 7 p.m. at the Farm

Kevin Grobe, President

ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS

On Monday, May 13th at 6:00 p.m. the Lodge will hold a special video gaming meeting. Any one with any questions or concerns should plan on attending.

Thank you,

The Board Of Directors \ House Committee.

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Curt Barnes
Randy Blackburn
Iris Caines
John Godbold
Theodore Harms
Edward Mialback
Robert Tate
-4-
Michael Burgess
Nicholas Cruz
Gary Howard
Benjamin Swartz
Clifton Wise
-5-
Roy Bridgeman
Lewis Brooke
Jared Dambman
Russell Smith
-6-
Robert Benson
Joseph Patzer
Bill Stransky
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Daniel Helfrich

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Kevin Oswalt
Edward Ryan
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Raymond Lundeen
Jodi Ann Murdock
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Howard Glessner
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Coty Miller
Jay Reese
Charles Rogers
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Joe Dewey
Ruth Post
William Ranken
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John Thompson
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Carolyn Brechon
Dennis Dempsey
David Drane
Timothy Godbold
Grace Hazelwood
Jeffrey Kuhn
Frank Nagy
Joseph Olliges
John Van Dyke
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Robert Kennedy
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Nathan Grobe
Lyle Haines
Lowell Ligtenberg
Clarence Nielsen
William Tietjen
Melville Webster

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David Siefkin
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Michael Burrs
James Ebens
Donald Hopper
Jesse James
Sharri Miller
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Werner Vogel
Mel Witmer
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Charles Dyche
Robert Pilling
Reuben Pugh
Chester Rakowski
Fredrick Taft
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Robert Althaus
Mike Paul
John Ross
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Wendi Schafer
Robert Sutkay
Roger Trotter
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Dennis Grobe
Michele Sulski
-23-
Debra Barton
Edward Dresden
Terry Dewey
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Ray Forney
Dennis Nolan
Martin Portner

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James Dickinson
Edward Pope
Eric Wadsworth
Harold Wiggins
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Keith Heppler
Lucas Mekeel
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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
BINGO 1st and 3rd Monday of the month except holidays			Lightning 6 Euchre 7 Daily Drawing 8pm **1** **Deep Fried Chicken** 5 - 7:00 pm	Daily Drawing 8pm **2**	Daily Drawing 8pm **3** **Dinner 5:00-8:00** Smoothered Chicken Beef Tips w/Rice Grilled Salmon	**Bar Opens** 10:30 am **Lunch** 10:30a-3pm Daily Drawing 8pm **4** **20/20 Dinner Dance**
Lodge Closed **5**	Daily Drawing 8pm **6** Farm Mtg. 7pm **BINGO** Doors open 4:30	$1.50 Beer **7** Daily Drawing 8pm	Lightning 6 Euchre 7 Daily Drawing 8pm **8** **Deep Fried Chicken** 5 - 7:00 pm	Daily Drawing 8pm **9**	Daily Drawing 8pm **10** **Dinner 5:00-8:00** Prime Rib Pork Chop w/dressing Shrimp Scampi	**Bar Opens** 10:30 am **Lunch** 10:30a-3pm Daily Drawing 8pm **11**
12 **Mother's Day Brunch** Serving 9am-1pm	Daily Drawing 8pm **13** Aux. Mtg. 6pm at The Candlelight House Comm 6pm Lodge Mtg 7:30pm	$1.50 Beers **14** Daily Drawing 8pm	Lightning 6 Euchre 7 Daily Drawing 8pm **15** **Deep Fried Chicken** 5 - 7:00 pm	Daily Drawing 8pm **16** **Wine & Cheese Tasting** 5:30-7:30pm	Daily Drawing 8pm **17** **Dinner 5:00-8:00** Meat Loaf/Mashed potato Baby Back Ribs Fried Shrimp	**Bar Opens** 10:30 am **Lunch** 10:30a-3pm Daily Drawing 8pm **18**
Lodge Closed **19**	Daily Drawing 8pm **20** **BINGO** Doors open 4:30	$1.50 Beers **21** Daily Drawing 8pm	Lightning 6 Euchre 7 Daily Drawing 8pm **22** **Deep Fried Chicken** 5 - 7:00 pm	Daily Drawing 8pm **23**	Daily Drawing 8pm **24** **Dinner 5:00-8:00** Steak Fry Baked Cod Stuffed Cornish Hen	**Bar Opens** 10:30 am **Lunch** 10:30a-3pm Daily Drawing 8pm 20/20 Drawing 8:30p **25**
Lodge Closed **26**	Daily Drawing 8pm **27** Board of Dir. Mtg 6pm Lodge Mtg 7:30pm	$1.50 Beers **28** Daily Drawing 8pm	Lightning 6 Euchre 7 Daily Drawing 8pm **29**	**30**	Daily Drawing 8pm **31** **Dinner 5:00-8:00** Deep Fried Chicken Swedish Meatballs w/pasta Grilled Walleye	**LODGE PHONE 288-3557 (ELKS)**

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