

Exalted Ruler's Message



An **ELKS LODGE** greetings

to you all! After somewhat of a long-cold winter we can now set our eyes on the 19th day of March as **SPRING 2024** arrives! As you can tell from the lodge calendar—March is a very busy month for many events and activities. Please plug yourselves in when you can as we finish up this *ELKS* year of **2023-24**.

Please make plans to attend our annual **AUCTION** and 'help send the Kid's to the Zoo'. What a great and important project this is with your support! The Auction will be **March 23rd** as we head to Springfield's Dickerson Zoo with the Kid's on *May 1st*. On *March 16-17th*—I will attend with other lodge officers the ELKS spring convention in Jeff City. The date of **Sat.-April 6th** will be *Installation of Officers*. You and your family are invited to attend this special service as *Jon Martin and his fellow Officers* will be installed for the upcoming year of 2024-25. *It has indeed been *my privilege* to serve as your Exalted Ruler! We have an outstanding lodge & facilities with members who care & contribute so much back into our community. Let's continue the good works we do—in supporting Jon as he takes the gavel on *April 6th!*

Fraternally, Davin Newman

Clinton ELKS Lodge
 (Chartered in 1906)
 News for our newsletter?
 Submit before the 10th of each month.
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To Our Absent Brother

-James (Jay) Savage Spangler III—

“his virtues will be written upon the tablets of love and memory”



***SAVE THE DATE**
 Saturday— April 13th
AVEY GROUWS BAND

*This Two-Time **Billboard** charting with multiple award winning songs, the

Avey Grouws Band will be performing in the ELKS Banq. Rm pn **Sat, April 13th**. You won't want to miss their unique blending of blues, rock, roots, and soul.

Chris Avey's guitar work is astonishing, combined with Jeni Grouws powerful emotional vocals, this band gets you rocking in the groove and leaves you wanting more. *From member **Jef Hodges**: (this is not your normal bar hopping band. The talent level of the Avey Grouws Band is as good as any national touring act out there) There will be a **\$10 cover charge** so be sure to **SAVE THE DATE** and invite a friend—April 13th 7p for the **AVEY GROUWS BAND!!**

***Your guests are always welcome!**



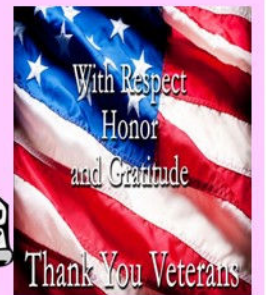
“Help Send the Kid's to the Zoo”

Just— around the corner—**Saturday, March 23rd** will be our **Annual**

AUCTION that will send the Kids to the Zoo and also finance other Youth activities that ELKS support in upcoming year. This project hatched & came about from **Scott 'Humpy' Humphreys** back in 2001 as it got off the ground and has been going strong ever since! Thanks to the many supporters who donate hundreds of Auction items each year and spirited bidders show up and generously give during a fun & spirited night. Con't>

Remember! *Dues R Due—you should have received a notice that your 2024-25 are D-U-E. Also—you will notice a \$5 increase which was necessary when the Grand Lodge raised each member \$5 to keep up with *insurance costs*. For the record—our local dues have remained the same since our new facility opened back in the *Fall of 2008*.

Auctioneers , Adam Cummings & Charlie Zink will be looking for the first bid at **6:30p sharp**. There will be a *buffet and bottomless cups* to help keep *spirts up & the bids flying!* Invite a friend-- as we look for a big crowd **March 23rd** to send the Kid's to *Sprfld's Dickerson Zoo-May 1st!*



We will return to the **Veterans Home** Tuesday—**MARCH 12TH** as we host an **Ice Cream Social** for our **VETERANS!** *Volunteers* depart *around-* 12:30p from the Lodge. ***April 9th** will be our next **VISIT!!**