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#### **Kevin's ER Corner**

Howdy Y'All,

July came in with a big bang with the 4th of July celebration and I would like to thank the House Committee and the Elkettes for all of their efforts in making it a success for the Lodge. One of the best fireworks displays we have seen in a long time and we had a great time dancing the night away.

On July 13th, we had a new event for the Elks in a 9-Pin No Tap tournament at Blue Springs Bowl. I would like to thank the committee for their efforts and hope to see this event continue on. Thank you to all the Elks and guests that attended this event that raised funds for our Christmas Basket Program.

I want to send my gratitude out to the members of this Lodge for allowing me to be a representative at the Grand Lodge Convention in Austin. I had a great time meeting Elks from around the country, from Alaska to Florida, and Maine to California (and I have the Lodge pins to show it, just ask to see them)!!! The courtesy, passion and patriotism that the Elks that I met expressed was overwhelming and really showed me the Heart of Elkdom in practice. I will be giving my Grand Lodge convention report on August 15th at the regular business meeting. Please come by and hear the summary of what the Elks have done and how we are planning for the future to help our community.

Back to my themes of Unity, Compassion and Courtesy that I stated as my goals earlier at the beginning of the year. I want to encourage everyone to continue striving towards these concepts.

In closing, I would like to make a special call-out to Dawn Sweeney for all of her efforts in organizing and publishing these newsletters. The amount of time she has spent on this over the years is nothing short of amazing and we are all grateful. Thank you Dawn.

Respectfully submitted, Kevin Etris, Exalted Ruler





Thank you to everyone who participated in our 9 Pin No Tap tournament on July 13th at Blue Springs Bowl. It was a great day across lanes with experienced and newbie bowlers alike.

Additionally, many thanks to all who donated baskets for the silent auction, which was probably more competitive than the bowling! All proceeds will go towards the Christmas Basket Program and we are looking forward to doing it again next year.

Submitted by Roger Erickson



#### **CAR & BIKE SHOW**

Upcoming Meetings:
August 12 and August 26
6:30 P.M. (Downstairs)

Lots of volunteers are needed.

There is a sign up sheet in the hallway.

Please consider donating.

Baskets are needed and we also need volunteers to make gift baskets from items we have received.

**PLEASE HELP!!!** 

For more information contact

Jim McKay

jandsmckay16@gmail.com



MO ELKS FALL STATE CONVENTION JEFFERSON CITY, MO OCTOBER 4-6, 2024



Christmas Basket
Meeting
Wednesday
August 21, 2024
5:30 P.M.

Please join us! Everyone is welcome to join.

#### MODEL CAR SHOW

Takes Place at the Annual Car & Bike Show September 28, 2024

1st, 2nd and 3rd Place Awards
People's Choice Award

The model car show is not only open to car models this year, but we would like to extend the show to see airplanes, tanks and ships.

Please Join Us!
For Questions contact
Bob Arment
gra6770@aol.com





LUCK OF THE DRAW
DART TOURNAMENT
Saturday
August 24, 2024
Sign up at 6:00 P.M.
Drawing of teams at 7:00 P.M.
\$15 Entry Fee.

Half of entry fee goes towards the Christmas Baskets.

Half goes into prize money with the House Committee matching.

Pay out: 1st, 2nd and 3rd July Winner: Anthony Carlson

## **SPONSORSHIP**

Jim Butler Memorial Tournament September 7, 2024

Gold \$500 or \$700 with Golf Team Silver \$300 or \$500 with Golf Team Bronze \$100 or \$350 with Golf Team



ALL SPONSORS WILL BE LISTED ON BOARD FOR RECOGNITION.

Sign up sheets are posted on the bulletin board at the Lodge. First 40 Teams only.



Cash, Venmo & Checks are accepted.

Auctioning of teams starts promptly at 7PM.

Arrive early to get registered to bid.



## ELKETTE NEWS...WE MAKE A DIFFERENCE!!! NEXT ELKETTE MEETING THURSDAY 8/8/2024 7:00 P.M.





Saturday August 17, 2024 6:00 P.M.

Theme: Chiefs Gnome Elks Lodge Meeting Room \$40.00

Cost includes instruction by Art by JohnnieRae and all the supplies and wine!

#### PLEASE BRING A SNACK TO SHARE!!!

Please either Venmo payments to April Johnson or the Elkettes
OR bring cash or check
(in an envelope-please include your name and the event) and drop it off in the Elkettes Mailbox.
Direct questions to April Johnson
816-332-3795

\*\*PLEASE NOTE: We will have enough supplies for 45 people to paint, so reserve your spot early...we sold out last year!!!

#### **ELKETTE NEWS**

Ideas for school supplies: Backpacks (no rollers), Pencils, Folders (two-pocket/solid colors), Dry Erase Markers, Erasers, Glue Sticks, Crayons, Scissors, Supply Boxes, Kleenex, Spiral Notebooks, Post-It Notes, Markers, Composition Notebooks, Notebook Paper, Pens, Elmer's Glue bottles, Highlighters, Rulers and Pencil Bags. If you pick up items, please bring to the next meeting or set on the shelf above the ATM machine and label for Mignon Hollis. Thank you.

Also when shopping please consider basket items. Basket theme ideas: Royals, State of Missouri, Fun in the Sun, Picnic, Ice Cream, Kids, MU, Chiefs, Wine, Ladies, Grandma, Fishing, Mexican, Italian, etc. Liquor is always needed for the baskets. Thank you.

COOKING TEAMS
August 2

**Monica Padfield** 

Low Country Boil Coleslaw, Texas Toast and Dessert

August 14
Gina Lee

Spaghetti with Meatballs and Italian Sausage Salad, Breadsticks, Dessert JULY MEETING WINNERS

**Cash Drawing:** 

**Phyllis Clevenger** 

Gift Card:

Fran Sousley

50/50:

**Ed Rieck** 

CONGRATULATIONS ELKETTE
OF THE MONTH

Renee McKay

**HAPPY AUGUST ELKETTE BIRTHDAYS!** 

8/3 Rhiannon Estill, 8/6 Linda Gregory, 8/7 Desiree Wilson, 8/9 Staci Parker, 8/12 Christy Jarnagin, 8/12 Dana Outlaw, 8/13 Judy Bines, 8/13 Sally Moreland, 8/14 Julie Musgrove, 8/18 Judy Oehrke, 8/19 Kylene Hefley, 8/20 Beth Matney, 8/21 Karey Feightner, 8/22 Traci Fitzgeral and 8/23 Kerri Robinson

## Community Education Course CPR HANDS ONLY

Coming in August, September & October

Free class sponsored by 1st Responder Committee

Watch for sign up sheets in hallway

Please register at classreg@cjcfpd.org

or call 816-229-9118

Any questions, call 1st Responders
Committee Chair Virginia DeBoard 816-379-6472

Community Education Courses Taught by CJCFPD

Safe Sitter Class for



Boys and Girls Ages 11-17

August 10, 2024 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

CJCFPD Training Center

4715 S US 40 Hwy, Blue Springs, MO

Fee of class is picked up by the First Responder Committee

Please register at classreg@cjcfpd.org

or call 816-229-9118

Any questions, call 1st Responders Committee Chair Virginia DeBoard 816-379-6472

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#### **GRANT CORNER**

Over the next few months, be on the lookout for short articles about the different grants our Lodge is utilizing to help out those in need within our community. But first, let's learn how grants become funded.



The Elks National Foundation (ENF) began in 1928 under the direction of then National President John F. Malley. "The mis-

sion of the ENF is to help Elks build stronger communities." This is accomplished by...funding projects that improve the quality of life in local Elks communities. Since inception, the ENF has contributed more than \$500 million toward Elks charitable projects nationwide.

This year, ENF allocated more than \$16.3 million to fund the Community Investments Program (CIP). CIP grants offer our Lodge an opportunity to serve our community.

The Grand Lodge has set a per-member giving goal for this fiscal year of \$5.00. As of July 7th, our Lodge currently has a per-member donation rate of \$2.152. We have the second largest member population, but we currently rank 26th our of 67 Lodges in Missouri for giving. By meeting the per-member goal, we are eligible to apply for the Gratitude grant, but more about that in future articles.

The main way (aside from dues) our Lodge raises money for the ENF is through Sunday breakfasts. This project was started over 25 years ago by the Past Exalted Rulers (PERS). Originally, the breakfasts were only offered during the month of October (which is ENF month), but was later expanded to be each Sunday. All monies raised go toward the ENF and Benevolent Trust, except the 5th Sunday, in which the Veteran's Committee does the cooking and receives the proceeds.

Did you know that if you donate \$10 (or \$15 on Omelet Sunday), all money goes toward ENF?
Your breakfast is essentially free.

Curt Zollers is always looking for assistance with Sunday breakfast.

If this sounds interesting, please reach out to Curt at cezollers@gmail.com or 816-820-0342

Submitted by Tosha Grotenhuis

Source: https://www.elks.org/ENF/background.cfm https://www.elks.org/ENF/percapitastandings.cfm





#### **CONGRATULATIONS!!!**

At the National Convention in Austin, TX, Debby Aliff was installed as District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler, Metro West 4790 for the year 2024-2025!!!

Congratulations also goes to Frank Kerby who will be the Esquire to the District Deputy

AND Maria Stiles who will be

Auditor to the District Deputy.

#### **Veterans News**

NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME! Next Meeting August 7, 2024 5:00 P.M. See Ed Rieck for questions



#### **First Responder News**

Please join the First Responder Committee.
Upcoming Meeting: August 14, 2024 5:30 P.M.

If you have any questions about the grant or wish to become a member of the First Responder committee, please reach out to Virginia DeBoard or email or firstresponder2509@gmail.com

#### **INVESTIGATION REPORT JULY 18, 2024**

#### 6 TO BE READ FOR INITIATION

Jason Specker Kevin Switzer
Pamelia Sinatra Cameron Schultz
Curtis Fay Jr Brent Holland

#### 1 TO BE READ FOR REINSTATEMENT

Kenneth Barnes

#### 1 TO BE READ BY CERTIFICATE OF RELEASE

Thomas Jenci-#2763
Deep Creek FL

#### 9 TO BE INDOCTRINATED

Phyllis Clevenger Kathy Embree
Terrie Richard Mark Wingate
Vincent Vigliaturo William Bowen
Justin Darnel Christopher Meyer
Christopher Lacy

#### 1 FOR AFFILIATION

Carol Kershner #1515

#### **3 TO BE VOTED ON FOR INITIATION**

Alice Holloway Kyle Wilson Rachelle Brummel

#### **3 TO BE INITIATED**

Michelle Jones Timothy Olah Jeremy Schaefer

#### 10 INITIATED ON 6-20-24

Gene Stephens Casi Carlton
John Chacon Gregory Brickhouse
Jared Farmer Neil Henriksen
James Howerton Cindy Johnson
Ed Spotts Tyler Rains

Submitted by Frank Kerby

#### House Committee Rule of the Month

Every month the House Committee will be highlighting a house rule. We feel this will help the members know what is expected and what the officers and House Committee will be enforcing on a daily basis. This month we are highlighting House Rule #14. This runs hand in hand with the Exalted Ruler's initiative of Unity.

House Rule #14: Loud, boisterous, profane or obscene language, as well as any conduct unbecoming an Elk by a member, visiting Elk, or guest(s) will not be tolerated and is strictly prohibited. Any person guilty of such actions shall be ejected from the clubroom and all such incidents shall be promptly referred to the House Committee for action.

Please be aware of your words and actions. Always respect our members and their guests to ensure a pleasant experience for everyone...

Submitted by Steve McKay, PER



1ST Responder Committee recognized Buchheit for their support of the 1ST Responders and the community. SPECIAL THANKS to Jamie for all she has done for our committee. Virginia DeBoard, Committee Chair



# JIM BUTLER MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT Saturday September 7, 2024 WE NEED YOUR HELP



Dear Fellow Elk and Elkette Members.

As most of you are aware, one of the largest fundraisers and community projects of which Blue Springs Elks Lodge 2509 participates is the Elks Christmas Basket Program, which provides food and Christmas gifts to over 200 families and over 500 children in our own community during the holidays. The Memorial Golf Tournament, scheduled for September 7th, is one of the events that funds this program.

The tournament fees and Calcutta auction funds go to pay for the tournament and the auction winners. The actual funds that support the families are the sponsorships we receive from community businesses and personal sponsorships.

Because this is an Elks charitable event, the golf committee would like to bring the focus back **inside the Elks** to fund this activity versus raising most money from community businesses, which already have their own charitable causes. In this vein, we are asking you, our members, to dig deep into your heart and your pockets to help feed and provide gifts for families that otherwise would not have it at Christmastime. **No donation is too small. Any member that donates at least \$100 will receive recognition on the Sponsorship board and your name printed in the October Elks newsletter as a special thank you for your sacrificial giving. Your contribution is also tax deductible. Another way to contribute is by recognizing one of our departed members on the Memory board with a \$100 donation. The name of the departed member will go on the Memory board next to the sponsorship board and your name will go on the sponsorship board. The departed member will also be listed on a Memorial board at the tournament, as well as, their name printed in the October newsletter. This fundraising golf tournament is in honor of our departed members.** 

To support this worthy cause, please complete the form below and enclose a check made out to "Elks Lodge 2509". Your sponsor-ship can be left in the Elks mailbox at the lodge or mailed to the lodge: "Jim Butler Memorial Golf Tourney, 100 NE Brizendine Road, Blue Springs, MO 64014." Thank you in advance for your generosity and for answering the call to care for your less fortunate neighbor.

With Gratitude, Jim Butler Memorial Golf Tournament Committe	e
Sponsor Name:	
Amount Donated:	
In Memory Of:	

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October 4-6 MO El	Butler Memorial Golf ks Fall State Convent te Bass Tournament I Ribbon Week		DON'T FORGET!! BLOOD DRIVE JULY 30th	1 NO Lodge Mtg.	2 Dinner Monica Padfield Low Country Boil	3 State Golf Tournament
4 Breakfast Officers TBD State Golf Tournament	5	6	7 Dinner Ron Beck Chicken Alfredo Pasta, Breadstick, Salad Veterans Mtg 5PM	8 Elkette Meeting 7 PM	9 Dinner	10 Safe Sitter Class 9-4 CJCFPD Training Center
11 Breakfast Eggs, Pancakes, Bacon or Sausage	12 Car Show Mtg 6:30 PM	13	14 Dinner Gina Lee Spaghetti & Meatballs  1ST Responders Mtg 5:30PM	15 Lodge Meeting 7PM	16 Dinner Elk Officers Steak Baked Potato Vegetable NEWS DUE	17 Elkette Paint and Sip 6PM (Must sign up ahead)
18 Breakfast \$8 Omelets Cinnamon Rolls \$2	19	20	21 Dinner Christmas Basket Meeting 5:30 PM	22	23 Dinner	24 Dart Tournament
25 Breakfast Cooking Team Needed Patriot Express	26 Car Show Mtg 6:30 PM	27	28 Dinner PERS Salisbury Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Corn Cobettes, Roll	29 PER RIBS	30 Dinner PERS RIBS	31

AUGUST BREAKFAST —Breakfast served 8:30-11:00 A.M.

8/4: Officer Team-TBD

8/11 \$7: Eggs, Pancakes, Bacon or Sausage

8/18 \$8: Omelet Team-Omelets (Cinnamon Rolls \$2 Each)

8/25: Cooking Team Needed (Patriot Express)

NEWS ARTICLES for the SEPTEMBER newsletter are due Friday August 16, 2024

Articles may be left in the newsletter mailbox in the Lodge Secretary's office or sent via email to

loueechee@sbcglobal.net or Thank you, Dawn Sweeney, Editor

#### Thinking of You David Korotav





#### **NEWSLETTER BY EMAIL**

Get your newsletter by email quicker and in color!
The cost of postage is skyrocketing!!!
Contact Frank Kerby fmkerby@gmail.com

## **BACK ROOM RENTAL NOTICE**

NOTICE: BACK ROOM RENTAL PRICE CHANGES
(ALL PRICES INCLUDES CLEANUP)

#### **MEMBERS**

Sunday \$100 Monday-Thursday \$80.00 Friday or Saturday \$220.00 NON-MEMBERS

\$340 Every Day Rental Fee Contact Kevin Huff 816-256-6800

		AUGUST	BIRTHDAYS		
1-Dean Hale	6-Glen Tomlinson	13-Delbert Dodson	18-Jacob Michael	23-Tosha Grotenhuis	26-Luke Nay
1-William McNeal	7-Anthony Gulotta	13-Sally Moreland	18-Jeanette Padfield	23-Lloyd Kreiling	26-Phil Ramsey
1-David Smith III	7-John Komen	14-Alan Brown	18-Justin Reece	23-Richard Lee	26-Christopher Tegtmeier
2-Lorn Dennis	7-Peter Smith	14-John Goodfellow	18-Robert Smith	23-Andrew Rogers	26-Robert Wollin
2-Stephanie Thomason	7-Desiree Wilson	14-Rhonda Ivey	18-Bruce Woods	24-James Deeter	27-Andy Bowe
3-Patrick Bishop	8-Scott Binder	14-Jerin Leatherman	19-Kylene Hefley	24-Gary Ficenec	27-Brian Clardy
3-Rita Sundermann	8-Craig Childress	14-Mark Medina	19-Douglas Link	24-Amanda Johnson	27-Larry Clayton
3-Jennifer Tackett	8-Richard Dreher	14-Julie Musgrove	19-Mike Morgan	24-Gene Ryals	27-Brian Elliott
4-Joshua Limberg	8-Mike Driskell	14-Mark Shanks	19-Jim Tribble	24-Glenn Woods	27-Ricky LeGrotte
4-Jay Wilson	8-Brent Marchant	14-Lance Tryon	19-Amy Wald	25-Derek Bell	27-Shawn Portlance
5-Troy Kuhnert	8-Tessa Orr	15-Bessie Martin	20-Jeff Nelson	25-Ernie Campbell	27-Steven Ramirez
5-Dennis Schnakenberg	8-Tom Tryon	15-Gary O'Hare	20-Robert Nichols	25-Max Crosby	28-Dean Collins
6-Terry Beebe	8-Larry Vasholz	15-Chadd Vickers	20-Nilesh Patel	25-Ronald Hontz	28-Marcus Dziura
6-Tammara Devine	9-Richard Dukovich	16-Melinda Hamilton	20-James Tharp	25-Troy King	29-Keith Kavanaugh
6-Steven Knudsen	9-Michael Jeffries	16-Kenny McDonald	21-Chad Burkhardt	25-Brent Sweeney	29-John Roberts
6-Mark Lane	9-Staci Parker	16-David Poole	21-Karey Feightner	25-Kevin Wey	29-Tracy Schmidt
6-Juan Leon	9-Rick Roth	16-Donald Smith	21-Cheryl Jonte	26-James Franklin	31-Ethan Mackey
6-Tammy Munsell	12-Franki Jensen	17-Stanley Cook	22-Melissa Salva	26-Marcus Knisely	31-Dawn Mason
6-Ed Spotts	12-Preston Snider	17-Kurt Erickson	23-Clyde Akins	26-Cheri Lund	31-Susan Sokenbury
		AUGUST SPO	USE BIRTHDAYS		
1-Tamara Huff	8-Kellie Franklin			21-Kirby Welsh	25-Barbara Hayden
2-Victoria Cada	8-Sara Smith			22-Kelly Hileman	25-Dawn Lewis
2-Ellie Fries	10-Dyan Zimmerman	15-Kristine Campbell	19-Sandy Taylor	22-Andrea Nay	28-Teresa Lindhoff
5-Lori Gragg	11-Joneyce Creason	15-John Carlton	20-Shirley Bertsch	22-Krysti Woods	29-Sherry Slavin
6-Cynthia Crow	11-Jeanette Phillips	16-Cheyanne Ingram	20-Myra Ehlert	23-Stephanie Perry	30-Robin Duncan
6-Shannon Follis	12-Joann Meyer	17-Lana Dreher	20-Lauren Richard	24-James Fell	30-Christina Foresee
6-Linda Gregory	13-Janice Panus	17-Dawn Embree	20-Dianna Sleyster	24-Michael Mason	30-Brenda Hughes
6-Audra Riechers	13-Kendra Ryals	17-Floy Winter	21-Kim Compton	24-Lana Thurmon	31-Linda McDermott
6-Susan Spotts	14-Jennifer Gilliam	19-Patti Keely	21-Vincent Munoz	25-Traci Clark	31-Tara Patel

## Benevolent & Protective Order of Elks Blue Springs Lodge #2509

100 NE Brizendine Road Blue Springs, MO 64014 Telephone: 816-229-6081

Fax: 816-229-2867

Instituted: March 11, 1974

Lodge Meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays Monthly at 7:00 p.m.

Lodge Opens: 2:00 p.m.—10:00 p.m. Monday—Friday Lodge Opens: 11:30 a.m.—10:00 p.m. Saturday and Sunday

#### RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



2024-2025 Lodge Officers		
Exalted Ruler	Kevin Etris	
Esteemed Leading Knight	Erik Grotenhuis	
Esteemed Loyal Knight	Shane Stiles	
Esteemed Lecturing Knight	James McKay	
Secretary	Frank M. Kerby, PDDGER/PER	
Treasurer	Jennifer Atkinson	
Esquire	Eric Root	
Chaplain	Nina Bosworth	
Inner Guard	Ed Rieck	
Tiler	Tammara Devine	
5 Year Trustee	Robert McCullough, PER	
4 Year Trustee	Steve Solomon, PER	
3 Year Trustee	Ken Billups, PER/PDDGER/PST	
2 Year Trustee	Buzz Atkinson, PER/PDDGER	
1 Year Trustee	Dana Duckworth	

2024-2025 Elkette Officers		
President	Gina Lee	
Vice President	Lee Ann Nelson	
Recording Secretary	Patty Dresser	
Treasurer	Roxy Herman	
Corresponding Secretary	Laurie Doutt	
Historian	Renee McKay	
Sgtat-Arms	Rhonda Sullivan	
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#### 2024-2025 House Committee

House Committee Chair: Steve McKay

**House Committee:** Kevin Doutt, Alan Moody, Gregg Feightner, Todd Hardesty, David Bosworth, Chris States & Tony Guinn **Bar Manager:** Jeremy Nickell **Meeting Room:** Kevin Huff

Kitchen Manager: Chip Miller

**Entertainment Committee:** Julie Musgrove, Renee McKay, Laurie Doutt, Karey Feightner, Gina Lee, Kylene Hefley, Lissa Stark, Tricia Sharp, Kim Osborne, Sherri Haupt, Janice Cunha, Sarah Nickell and Christina Miller

**Downstairs Elks Charities:** Logan Sousley