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 1 Yr. John Calvert



**Exalted  
 Ruler's  
 Message**



  
**HOUSE COMMITTEE**  
**Vicki Lloyd, Chairperson**  
 Ron Dodge, Secretary  
 Joan Bex  
 Skip Reinert  
 Matt Wagemann  
 Barb DeLuca  
 Nancy Macy  
 House Committee Meetings:  
 1st Tuesday of the month  
 at 9:30 a.m.

I just want to concentrate on kindness. Remember when you didn't have to think about holding a door for someone or being the first to say hello. It seems like we're always waiting for someone else to start a conversation or when someone is new, we wait for them to approach us. What if everyone was just kind? What if we started a trend and brought good old fashion kindness back into style? It could start with our Motto -The faults of our brothers and sisters we write upon the sand, their virtues upon the tablets of love and memory. We were founded to promote and practice the four cardinal virtues of Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity! As the world fights to figure everything out. I'll be holding doors for strangers, letting people cut in front of me in traffic, saying good morning, tipping generously, waving at police, sharing food, giving children a thumbs up, being patient with sales clerks, not gossiping, and smiling ! WHY because that's kindness. If you can't find kindness, just be kind! Well, maybe I won't be doing all those things, but I am going to try!

The Anniversary Party was an amazing time for all of us. To learn something new about our Lodge or meeting a new person. Seeing the Charter members. Leslie and her crew did an amazing job from start to finish! There are way too many people to name because I'd leave someone out unintentionally and I sure wouldn't want to do that! There was so much prep work, planning and organizing that the amount of people that it took to pull this off is mind blowing! Hats off to everyone who contributed to making this event come together without any hiccups!

The National Convention was a totally new experience for me. I thought that I didn't know anything before. Now I'm sure convinced that becoming an Exalted Ruler is just a pebble in this big world of Elks. Meeting Elks from around the country was an amazing opportunity, along with the knowledge that I learned in some of the breakout sessions. John Calvert being installed as our new District Deputy was a first for me. He has a big job ahead of him, as does Steve and Carla. I should include that their significant other will be challenged as well. This is a huge undertaking for these folks, and we want to support them any way that we can! Going to meetings, District Deputy clinics, State conventions are all opportunities that you as a member can participate in. Every member is invited to these events, but you better be careful because (2648) you could learn something!

September the 28th is the well-loved mouse races starting at 1pm and the doors will open at Noon.  
 September 29th at 2 pm is our flag retirement ceremony. The Boy Scouts will be in the back of our lodge for this event. I had wanted to do the Ritual that goes along with this, but it won't work out at this time. I'll schedule the next one so that we can!

**LOUNGE HOURS**  
 Mon-Thurs 2:00 pm - 9:00 pm  
 Fri 2:00 pm -10:00 pm  
 Sat 2:00- 7:00 pm  
 Sun 1:00 - 7:00 pm  
 Happy Hour: Daily 2:00 - 4:00 pm  
 And All Day Sunday  
 (hours of operation subject to change)  
 Check Newsletter for Specials

*Becky Chester, Exalted Ruler*

**REMEMBER THE PAST, BUT LETS BUILD A REMARKABLE  
 FUTURE**

## BAGS RESULTS

6/19	1st Place	Terry Bailey/Rich Ott
	2nd Place	Sully Sullivan/Crystal Tull
	3rd Place	Bryan Reinke/Byron Hoch
6/26	1st Place	Michael Springborn/Terry Bailey
	2nd Place	Brandon Dziadosz, Joel Stroschein
	3rd Place	Terry Koontz/Greg Calow
7/3	1st Place	Brandon Dziadosz, Rob Cline
	2nd Place	Terry Bailey/Aaron Tull
	3rd Place	Jodi Cline, Terry Wells
7/10	1st Place	Michael Springborn/Bryan Reinke
	2nd Place	Terry Bailey/Terry Wells
	3rd Place	Mark Oster/Larry Iverson

Cost is \$3 per person, draw for partner and HAVE FUN!  
Games start at 6:00 pm. Every Wednesday.  
Mary Giers, Coordinator

## TRIVIA NIGHT RESULTS June 25

1st Place	Nancy Macy, Jim Wall, Marjetta Atkinson
2nd Place	Betty Menges, Jim Wilmesher, Barb DeLuca

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## AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

- |    |   |    |  |
|----|---|----|--|
| 1  | Wayne Doornbosch<br>Thomas Golder<br>Randy Joe Davidson<br>William Binder<br>Roger Royer<br>Michael Dieter                      | 15 | Jack Tucker<br>Sharon Dey<br>Doug Baur<br>Scott Kintner                                |
| 2  | Dan Miller<br>Rudy Willingham<br>Donna Meeker   | 16 | Sergio Gonzalez<br>Virginia Geck<br>Carol Whitsett<br>James Hayden<br>Robert Olberding |
| 3  | Stephen Carter<br>Amy Roderick<br>Elizabeth Van Hove  | 18 | Dawn Hamilton<br>Thomas Powers<br>Daniel Skouby<br>Marvin Stamm<br>Bonnie Kammeyer     |
| 5  | Linda Allen<br>Judy Gruninger   | 20 | Jane Carter<br>Pamela Hampton<br>Bradley Hinkle  |
| 6  | Anna Lippert<br>Dennis Whelchel<br>Homer Allen  | 21 | Susan Witter   |
| 7  | Joseph Barbush<br>Rodney Lingo<br>Alice Carol Wirths<br>Richard Zhan<br>Darlene Bozzardi<br>Danielle Flaughter<br>Cindy Beckley | 22 | Joan Bex<br>Michelle Curry<br>Anita Kness<br>Scott Werner                              |
| 8  | Jerry Carlson<br>Dennis Fischer<br>Gregory Masters<br>Bernie L. Koehne  | 23 | Joe Hills<br>Charles Johnson<br>Shaundi Spurgeon                                       |
| 9  | Bobbie Weller<br>Terrie Wade<br>Sami Bloemer<br>Leslie Zaman<br>Lynne Johnston  | 24 | Ed Nicholson<br>Ernie Pither   |
| 10 | Joseph Grant  | 25 | Ed McMillan<br>Harold McMullen<br>Bonnie Urish<br>Richard Johnston                     |
| 11 | Sara Schafer<br>Richard Hudson<br>Ruth Hartjen<br>Bobby A Owen  | 26 | Linda Clark  |
| 12 | Robert Miller<br>Ronald Vitale<br>Darlene Miller<br>James Knysak  | 27 | Lois Dunnagan<br>Cynthia Flowers<br>Debra Webb   |
| 13 | Joseph Gartner<br>Richard Meyerpeter<br>Sean Walsh<br>Rosemary Johnson<br>Harriet McDonald<br>Danny Ireland                     | 28 | George Luther<br>Beverly Meyerpeter<br>Katie Karr                                      |
| 14 | Dennis Maher<br>Dina Neftzger<br>Richard Johnson<br>Brenda Kinsel   | 29 | Tami Cody<br>Sheryl Price<br>Benny Thomas  |
|    |   | 30 | Raymond Brown<br>Ernie Coffman<br>Sandra Funk<br>Mike Inman                            |
|    |   | 31 | Robert Pease<br>Jennifer Hester<br>Brian McConnell<br>Gregory Jilka<br>Brian Lowry     |

## AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

- |    |  |
|----|--|
| 1  | Mr. and Mrs. John Dunker<br>Mr. and Mrs. James McKay   |
| 2  | Mr. and Mrs. Richard Pieper<br>Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Stimac<br>Mr. and Mrs. Kurt Schimmel                       |
| 3  | Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Bernsen  |
| 6  | Mr. and Mrs. Roland Engler   |
| 8  | Mr. and Mrs. Tim Casper  |
| 10 | Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Lambert<br>Mr. and Mrs. Gregory Wick<br>Mr. and Mrs. Trent Shull                            |
| 11 | Mr. and Mrs. Benny Thomas  |
| 15 | Mr. and Mrs. Jon Volkens   |
| 16 | Mr. and Mrs. James Kunkle  |
| 17 | Mr. and Mrs. Joe Cook<br>Mr. and Mrs. Mark Ford<br>Mr. and Mrs. Jason Stewart<br>Mr. and Mrs. Richard Johnston |
| 18 | Mr. and Mrs. William Heithoff  |
| 19 | Mr. and Mrs. Russell Klaustermeier<br>Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Larrington<br>Mr. and Mrs. Richard Zhan              |
| 20 | Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Brandt<br>Mr. and Mrs. Michael Martin<br>Mr. and Mrs. Rob Cline<br>Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Sapp |
| 21 | Mr. and Mrs. Robert Johnson  |
| 22 | Mr. and Mrs. George Luther   |
| 24 | Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Lippert<br>Mr. and Mrs. Jim Prenger<br>Mr. and Mrs. Greg Stilwell                           |
| 26 | Mr. and Mrs. Murry Ferris  |
| 27 | Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Fatten<br>Mr. and Mrs. Frank Schellert   |
| 28 | Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Murphy<br>Mr. and Mrs. Harold McMullen   |
| 29 | Mr. and Mrs. Robert Haupt  |
| 30 | Mr. and Mrs. Mike Inman  |

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## AUGUST ENTERTAINMENT

**August 2    Take Two    Social Quarters**  
**August 9    Duoly Noted    Hall**  
**August 23    Ron Mozier    Hall**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
The Prime Rib Dinner is Friday, August 9 <b>YOU HAVE TO SIGN UP FOR IT BY AUGUST 2</b>				1  Show Me The Money 6pm	2  Club Sandwich Potato Salad Cole Slaw  Entertainment	3
4  BINGO DOORS OPEN AT 12:15 BINGO STARTS AT 2 Team 2 works	5  Hamburger Cheese Burger Pork Tenderloin French Fries or Tater Tots Onion Petals Chef Salad	6 PER Mtg-5pm Board Mtg-5:30 Membership Mtg 7:00 pm Casual Dress House Committee Meeting 9:30 am Veterans Mtg 4:00 pm	7  Chicken Caesar Wrap Chicken strips PopcornShrimp  BAGS 6pm Queen of Hearts	8  Show Me The Money 6pm  Line Dancing Lessons 4:30 pm-6:30pm	9  Prime Rib New Potatoes Salad, roll  Entertainment	10
11  BINGO DOORS OPEN AT 12:15 BINGO STARTS AT 2 Team 3 works	12  Hamburger Cheese Burger Pork Tenderloin French Fries Onion Petals Chef Salad	13	14  Frisco Burger Chicken Strips PopcornShrimp  BAGS 6pm Queen of Hearts	15  Show Me The Money 6pm  Line Dancing Lessons 4:30 pm-6:30pm	16  Chicken Caesar Salad Garlic Bread Grilled Shrimp	17  <u>NEWSLETTER ARTICLES</u> <u>DUE BY 8am</u> <u>AUGUST 19</u>
18  BINGO DOORS OPEN AT 12:15 BINGO STARTS AT 2 Team 4 works	19  Hamburger Cheese Burger Pork Tenderloin French Fries Onion Petals Chef Salad	20	21  Taco Night 3 Soft 3 Hard Taco Salad BAGS 6pm Queen of Hearts	22  Show Me The Money 6pm  Line Dancing Lessons 4:30pm-6:30pm	23  8oz BBQ Pork Steak Baked Beans Cole Slaw  Entertainment	24  Orientation 1:45 Initiation 3pm Bar open 1pm
25  BINGO DOORS OPEN AT 12:15 BINGO STARTS AT 2 Team 1 works	26  Hamburger Cheese Burger Pork Tenderloin French Fries Onion Petals Chef Salad	27  Trivia 6:00pm	28 Spaghetti & Meatballs Garlic Bread Mt Ball Sandwich Chicken Strips BAGS 6pm Queen of Hearts	29  Show Me The Money 6pm  Line Dancing Lessons 4:30pm-6:30pm	30  Peel & Eat Shrimp Shrimp Boil Salad	31

AUGUST KITCHEN TEAMS		
MONDAY	WEDNESDAY	FRIDAY
5 Calvert	7 DeLuca	2 Davidson
12 Menges	14 Schaefer	9 Dodge
19 Carter	21 McKnight	16 Jeannie T
26 Wells	28 Johnson	23 Open
		30 Open

SEPTEMBER KITCHEN TEAMS		
MONDAY	WEDNESDAY	FRIDAY
2 Calvert	4 DeLuca	6 Davidson
9 Menges	11 Schaefer	13 Dodge
16 Carter	18 McKnight	20 Jeanie T
23 Wells	25 Johnson	27 Open
30 Open		

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## *From the House Committee*

The House Committee at their July meeting discussed the thermostat situation that Matt is working on. It was agreed that the schedule that we know as of now when the hall is open will be set accordingly to the hours occupied. The bar thermostats will be based on our published hours. The committee discussed temperatures and all agreed they may need to be re-adjusted after set. The bartenders will all be advised how they are set and trained on the procedures of changing if needed. Any adjustments to temperature will be done by the bartender on duty or House Committee member.

Schedules for July and August have been established for the bar. Marjetta has been hired as part time. We welcome her. You may see some house committee members who volunteered to help out if needed during Sara's absence. Matt and Skip have shown interest to assist Lori, Debbie, and Marjetta.

The kitchen has been doing well on Mondays and the Onion Petals seem to be a big hit. If you have any suggestions for meals they are always welcome. We always need more volunteers in the kitchen and it is a great way to meet people. Just let the money taker or volunteer know and they can pass on to Ron Dodge.

Ron, Vicki, Joan, Barb, Skip, Matt, Nancy

### MOUSE RACES SIGN-UP SHEET INFORMATION

Save the date for September 28 for the Mouse Races.

On **September 4, from 5-7pm**, we will be selling the "Mice" at a table set up in the Hall. By having a specific date, and by putting it in the Newsletter, everyone will have the opportunity to purchase a mouse. Remember, there (3400) are only 72 mice that can be sold.

If you can not be at the lodge on the 4<sup>th</sup>, here are two options for you. Give your money to a "friend" and have your friend purchase it for you "in your name". Please include Sponsor name, Mouse name and cell number. Please print very legibly. Option #2: Leave the above info in an envelope along with the \$10 sponsorship fee with the bartender **no later than September 11.**



*Dan Skouby*

Mouse Race Chairman

### **50th Anniversary Celebration**

Bobbie Weller and I would like to thank everyone that helped our 50th to be one of the greatest!

Becky Chester, Sharon Cass, Eileen Hagele, Janet Sodemann, Ruth Ann Yarbrough, Deb Richardson, Carol Branson, Lois Dunnegan, Jeannie T, Onie Morris, Leslie Zaman, Sue Doornbosch, Rodney Lingo, John Calvert, Karen Calvert, Shaundi Spurgeon, Darlene Wisnaski,

For setup and teardown of downstairs bar: Matt Wagemann, Ron Dodge, Bob Chester, Rich Carter and Dan Skouby

**Because of all these members an unforgettable event was held. Thank You All !!!**

Sharon Spurgeon and Bobbie Weller; Co-Chairs of Decorating Committee

Our annual raffle ticket sales for the hand-made American flags that were sold in front of Wobbly Boots totaled \$6,661. This amount is \$497 more than last year. In selling these raffle tickets the Veterans represented our Elks Lodge and Military Veterans. Brian Barrett, Wobbly Boots owner, picked the 4 winning names in front of his restaurant. He also invited us back next year. The following volunteers made it happen. Jeannie Rackers, Janet and Richard Sodemann, Marjetta Hurd, Sandy Vines, Mary Sue Bennett, Tom Giers, Terry and Teri Wells, John Calvert, Jerry and Sharon Spurgeon, Nancy Macy, Barb DeLuca, Randy and Marcia Davidson, Dan Skouby, Barb Semprini, Vicki Lloyd, Vic Wade, Mary Simpson, Rich and Charlene Carter



## AN ELK PROFILE VIC WADE

Vic's story is similar to a cat with nine lives. He was the only child of a family in the grocery business. His father owned and operated Wade's IGA in Paris, Missouri which he purchased in 1946. In high school, Vic enjoyed playing basketball and also participated in the Junior play where he was Claude the caretaker of a hotel. In his Junior year he contracted polio in spite of being vaccinated. He was forced to give up basketball. This slowed him down considerably while he received treatments and physical therapy. In his Senior year he was Manager of the baseball team. He had another near miss with his health when his father discovered that he and his friends got into his whisky bottle and replaced what they drank with water. That was a one-time thing. After graduating from high school, Vic attended college at Kirksville Teachers College. After completing his first year, he realized he was going to be drafted when his birthday was assigned a low draft lottery number. He decided to join the Air Force in 1964 along with five other young men in his town. In 1966 he received orders to go to Viet Nam. Three days before departing, he and two other airmen went to a G.I. bar in Texas where they were stationed. A Viet Nam protestor in the bar shot all three of them after a misunderstanding. Vic was shot twice. He spent eleven months in the hospital. After recuperating he was no longer able to do his job as loadmaster. He became part of a team of ten airmen who went from base to base converting them from manual to computer systems. His military service spanned from 1964 until 1968 when he took a medical retirement. When he returned home, he went to work at Wades IGA where he worked for 43 years as a meat cutter and part owner. He met his wife Terrie at the store. She worked for Shell Oil Company. Before going on vacation one year, she purchased some flowers for the company. The store was to hold them until she returned. Vic was assigned the job of watering them. When she came to pick them up, he saw her for the first time and asked if this was the woman responsible for his extra duties. They ended up dating and married in October of 1999. Together they have three kids and eleven grandchildren. After retiring, Vic and Terrie bought a house in Port Boliver across the bay from Galveston. They survived hurricanes Rita and Ike. The house was totaled by Ike. They rebuilt it and decided to move here in 2013. In addition to being an Elk, Vic is a member of the Lake of The Ozarks Shrine Club. Over the past twenty-five years, he has gone through the ranks of Master Mason, Scottish Rite and York Rite. He served one year as Rajah of the local Shrine Club. For fourteen of those years he greatly enjoyed his role as Mr. Wobbles The Clown. You may have seen him in our Veterans Parade. Fourteen years ago Vic became an Elk. He has been very active on our Veterans Committee and also spent a lot of time helping Bill Morris bring Bingo to our lodge on Sundays. In his spare time he enjoys playing golf, pool and dominoes. He works out at the hospital three times a week. In addition to helping with the veterans, Vic enjoys (3114) socializing with friends in the lounge.

Article and pictures by Sherry Ebers





# MOUSE RACES



**ALL PROCEEDS  
GO TO ANNUAL**

**SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

**SEPTEMBER 28, 2024 1pm**

***DOORS OPEN AT NOON*** Food & refreshments available. This is a fun event so make your plans early and invite your friends & family!

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**Missouri Elks  
State Bass Tournament  
Saturday, October 12**



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**Pre-Meeting Friday,  
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Bob Chester, Newsletter Chairman  
(put Bass Info in the subject line)**



Through a grant given by the Grand Lodge we presented the Osage Beach Senior Center a donation of \$2,000. The money will be used to purchase food and supplies for Seniors in financial need in the area.

From the left are SC member Alan Wise, Director Teresa Fuentes, Grant Chairman Dan Skouby, ER Becky Chester, Elk Rich Carter, SC members Lareine Cowan, Dee Bradford, Anita Topel and Jerol Laughlin.

## MEMBERSHIP DUES

At the Board of Directors Meeting on July 16 an increase of membership dues was approved. The Lodge portion of the dues will increase from the current amount of \$60 to \$68.50 to bring the total to \$105 beginning April 1, 2025

The issue will come for a vote at the General Membership meeting on September 3rd. It has been somewhere in the neighborhood of 20 years since the Lodge portion has been raised and the Lodge needs this increase to support the General Fund.

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