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LODGE MEETINGS

November 04, 2024 November 18 2024 All members invited.



From the Desk of the Exalted Ruler

A pleasantly warm October we enjoyed, un-seasonally warm temperatures. As I set this evening the temperature is about 54 degrees with rain. During a short break this afternoon, I looked at the rain gauge, it showed 3.25 inches, happy day. We are finally getting some much-needed measurable rain fall. Thanks be to God. October was a full month. During our first meeting, October 7, we initiated one new member into our order. He is very interested in becoming involved in our

Lodge. He wants to be comfortable with what we do before jumping into a project he knows nothing about. Coming from an educational background I understand. That evening we voted Tom Clark as a Trustee to fill the rest of Jim Masters term. I'm more than confident Tom will serve us above and beyond. October 12 Rusty Rierson came and did a four-hour show filled with music and some comic relief. Rusty's father even got up and sang a song or two. I am not a Country Western music fan; however, it was a very enjoyable evening I had a good time. On October 19, I went to Council Grove Lodge for the District Deputy Clinic. As always, I came away with new information. Some of it was good news, some not so good. So, I'll break the bad news first. Lodge dues are going up again next year. Insurance at Grand Lodge is going up so we get to bear the cost. For the good news we can now pay our dues through our online banking account. Happy day no more checks. More information on that is coming later. On October 21 our District Deputy Todd Frances from the Iola Lodge came for his annual visit. We had a fried Chicken dinner and some excellent pumpkin cake. On October 28 we were to judge Americanism Essays. Due to an error on my part the teachers did not turn in all the essays. I have currently 12 Fifth grade essays. On the instruction page of the essay contest is states Essays are due to the local lodge no later than December 15, 2024, normally I white that out and change it to the October date I need them. Then on the contest page each student completes I changed that date as well. I only changed the page the students completes put the rules page on top and stapled it all together. The Teachers read the first page saw the December date and put it aside to do later. Totally my fault. So, during the Celebration of Freedom, November 8, we will not have our essay reader this year. There will still be a band concert and Ice Cream social after wards. Brief rundown of events during Celebration of freedom. November 9 Veterans parade, Hot Dog feed at Susan B Allen east grassy area by Denver and Central. November Chicken and Noodles at the Elks. November 11, salute to Veterans, we will announce the Veteran of the year. That will be at First Christian Church. Lunch will be served after the ceremony. For full details look them up on Facebook. I hope everyone one a blessed Thanksgiving full of family fun Great

food and that afternoon of football and a nap.

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Exalted Ruler

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www.KSelks.org/El Dorado/El Dorado.asp
www.facebook.com/ElDoradoelks

MID-AMERICA SOCCER SHOOT

We regret to inform you that the Mid-America Soccer Shoot. that was scheduled for November 2, 2024, had to be postponed due to the weather. It will now take place on November 9. Loren will need help. Sean Cutsinger



Please keep our members and their families who are having some health issues or just some difficulties, in your thoughts and prayers. I am a firm believer in the power of prayer. Sometimes we all need a little help. Sean Cutsinger



at 7:00 p.m.
Early Bird at 6:00 p.m.

DOORS OPEN

at 5:00 p.m.

From the Desk of the Chaplain & News Writer

Hello my fellow members. We have a very busy rest of 2024. Look at the upcoming events. If you can help out, please do. We need all of you. Thanksgiving is the last Thursday of November on the 28, but did you know that You're Welcome Giving Day is Friday November 29? Richard Ankli of Ann Arbor, Michigan, designated "You're Welcome Giving Day" in 1977. He also thought it lead to a four day holiday. This day was created to remind people to also say "you're welcome" as a

proper response to Thanksgiving, and to everything, really. It teaches us humility and gratitude. When someone says thank you, for our kindness or a service we provided, remember to say You're Welcome! So what a better time to remind us than after Thanksgiving. You can say it while giving a handshake, a smile or even a hug. There are all kinds of ways of saying you're welcome. You can volunteer to help out, like at our Elks Lodge, or by helping someone near and dear to your heart. In this hateful society that we currently live in, remember to be kind. We are all trying to do our best. Happy Thanksgiving and Happy You're Welcome Day Everyone!!!

My email SeanCutsinger@gmail.com. God Bless You, and Our Order!!!, Sean

CLASS OF 1964 60 YEAR REUNION

The class of 1964 met at our lodge the weekend of October 4-6. They met for a get together on Friday the fourth. Then on Saturday the classmates met at the lodge where some went out and played golf and some stayed and decorated the lodge for the evening banquet. The Act I Players performed several Carol Burnett skits for their entertainment. Everyone had a great time. On Sunday they met for breakfast and held their memorial for the classmates that are no longer with them. Thank you to everyone who helped out with this great weekend. Sean Cutsinger



KANSAS STATE SOCCER SHOOT

Sunday October 6, we held the Kansas State Soccer Shoot at the soccer fields out by the lake. Thank you to Loren Anthony and all the helpers for the shoot. Pictured are the winners with Loren Anthony and Kathy Clark.

Sean Cutsinger



NEWEST MEMBER

Monday, October 7, the lodge initiated Ron Woodard. He resides in Wichita, but was raised in Michigan. His wife took a job at WSU and Kansas here they came. They have three children. Ron wants to become active with the lodge and he will be a great addition to our beautiful lodge. Please give a big welcome to

Ron Woodard. Sean Cutsinger



RUSTY RIERSON CONCERT

The Lodge was honored to have recording artist Rusty Rierson perform at the lodge Saturday, October 12. For those that didn't attend you really do not know what you missed. This guy was amazing. He performed for four straight hours. Between songs he told jokes and he even had his dad Roger perform a couple of songs with him. He did a variety of different songs from well known artists to his own personal songs that he wrote. It truly was a wonderful evening. Thank you to everyone who attended and helped to get this man here to perform. I bought his Christmas album and it is so wonderful.

Maybe we can get him again. Sean Gutsinger



- Nov 9 **Veterans Parade**
- Nov 10 Chicken & Noodle Feed
- Dec 1 **Annual Memorial**
- Dec 7 **Christmas Parade**
- Dec 10 Hoop-shoot Contest
- Dec 6,7,13,14 **Christmas Play**



ANNUAL **MEMORIAL**

Our Annual Memorial is on **December 1st** this year. So a bit earlier than normal. It's just the way the calendar fell this vear. All officers are required to be there. Mark your calendar. 2:00 p.m.

27th Annual Celebration of 1998~2024 Celebration of 1998~2024 El Dorado, KS A Committee of the El Dorado Chamber of Commerce

Friday, Nov. 8th

Spotlight on Youth Elks Essay Contest, EMS Concert & Ice Cream

> 7 p.m. Performing Arts Center, 500 W. Central Sponsord by INTRUST BANK

Saturday, Nov. 9th

Biscuit and Gravy Breakfast

8 to 10 a.m. VFW Post 1174, 211 N. Main \$7 full order, \$4 half order, Veterans free Sponsored by the VFW Fred Priestly Post 1174

Veterans Day Parade

Beginning at the Workforce Center parking lot traveling south on Main to First, then west on First to Taylor (ending at the Performing Arts Center) Sponsored by HF Sinclair

Grand Marshal Harold Harmon

Vietnam Veteran Harold Harmon, owner of Walter's Flowers, is this year's parade grand marshal. Harold was drafted into the Army in 1966. He completed basic training at Ft. Leonard Wood in Missouri, then completed infantry training at Ft. Polk in



On April 3, 1967, he arrived in Vietnam as part of the first replacements for the Fourth Infantry. In three days after arriving in Vietnam, his company went from 155 men down to 35.

In Vietnam, Harold served as a radio operator in the area around Pleiku and Doc Tho. Seven months into his tour in Vietnam, Harold became a Purple Heart recipient after his radio antenna drew enemy fire. Harold served in-country just three days short of a full year.

Hot Dog Feed

11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Free hot dogs at SBA East Lawn (corner of Central and Denver) Sponored by Butler Electric and Velocity



12 to 1 p.m. SBA East Lawn (corner of Central and Denver) Enjoy a variety of activities for the whole family: - Rock painting, coloring pages, letter writing - Band performances

- Presentation of service dogs to two local Veterans

WWII Reenactment & Weapons Demonstration

1 p.m. Kansas Oil Museum, 383 E. Central

Sunday, Nov. 10th

Elks Chicken and Noodle Dinner

11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Elks Lodge, 121 E. Pine \$10, Veterans free

Sponsored by the Elks Lodge 1407

Butler Bands Musical Salute to Veterans

Butler Welcome Center, 901 S. Haverhill Rd. Sponsored by Ted and Barbara Dankert

Monday, Nov. 11th

Salute to Veterans

10:15 a.m. First Christian Church

The event begins with a performance by the First Christian Church Praise Band; the Salute begins at 11 a.m. with a speaker and presentation of Veteran of the Year. Lunch will follow at the church; Veterans eat free.

Sponsored by the American Legion Post 81

eldoradochamber.com/celebration-of-freedom or follow us on Facebook



SPOTLIGHT ON YOUTH ESSAY CONTEST

EXTRA, EXTRA, READ ALL ABOUT IT! Due to a printing error, we regret to inform you that the essay contest has been postponed until a later date. The new deadline to get the essays into the lodge will now be December 15, 2024. We will keep you posted as to when the essays will be judged and presented. apologize for any inconvenience.







Yahtzee
tournament!
Prizes will be
given and
bragging
rights.

El Dorado Elks Lodge 121 E Pine Ave

If you plan to attend please call Loren Anthony to make reservations so we know how many tables to set up.

For reservations call Loren at 316-322-5789

All proceeds go to Ketch.

November
11
6:00 pm.
\$5.00
donation





- 03 Gerald Ayres
- 08 James Orman
- 11 James Fox
- 13 James Masters
- 15 Robert King
- 20 Ron Larson
- 24 Andy LaForge
- 27 Joe Knab
- 29 Tierra Ehrlich
- 30 Rex Hoyt

PILLBOX DRAWING

Must be present at meetings to win.
10-07-24 \$20.00
Debra Kendall
10-21-24 \$30.00
Jake Myers



EVENT BOOKINGS

If you are planning a special event, like a Wedding, anniversary birthday party, or class reunions, please let a member know or call

316-321-9393

KETCH YAHTZEE TOURNAMENT

Monday October 14 members and community met at the lodge to play some Yahtzee. Those in attendance were Loren and Jackie Anthony, Angie and Aspen Adlesperger, Stan Willis, Tom Clark, Roger and Marsha Cutsinger. They played three different rounds that evening. Jackie Anthony came out as the big winner and has the bragging rights this month. We will be playing again Monday, November 11. It costs \$5.00 to enter and

all proceeds will be donated to KETCH. Thank you to Loren for coming up with this great idea. It was a blast. The winner receives the pictured traveling trophy for the month. Please tell your friends and come on down and have a great time. KETCH appreciates the support and it is for a wonderful cause. **Dean Outsinger**

DISTRICT DEPUTY VISIT

Monday, October 21, the lodge welcomed Todd Francis D.D. from the Iola Lodge. We started the evening with some fried chicken and potato salad and Jackie Anthony's famous pumpkin cake. We moved to the lodge meeting and towards the end Todd took the podium and gave a speech. Thank you Todd for the wonderful words of encouragement. The lodge meeting was a success. Gean Cutsinger

ACT I PLAYERS

The Act I Players held their auditions for the Christmas play. The play will take place December 6-7 in Augusta and December 13-14 at the Lodge. They are currently rehearsing for their big performances. This is a huge cast of around 15, it will be a great show. Plan on attending and make your reservations, contact Deb Britt at 316–303-7140. Sean Cutsinger



- # 01 **El Dorado** at \$21.48
- # 02 Overland Park at \$17.44
- # 03 Garden City at \$12.71
- # 04 **Pratt** at \$10.31
- # 05 **Abilene** at \$9.41
- # 06 **Iola** at \$8.03
- # 07 **Russell** at \$7.75
- # 08 **Chanute** at \$7.32
- # 09 **Atchison** at \$7.18

- # 10 **Clay Center** at \$6.64
- # 11 **Goodland** at \$6.43
- # 12 **Hoxie** at \$6.37
- # 13 **Parsons** at \$5.52
- # 14 **Osawatomie** at \$5.08
- # 15 **Junction City** at \$4.71
- # 16 **Ottawa** at \$3.61
- # 17 Fort Scott at \$3.25
- # 18 **Salina** at \$0.00

ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION

Thank you everyone for your continued support. As of **10-28-2024** the State of Kansas as a whole has donated \$32,835.58 to date. That is \$7.89 per member of the 4,162 members in the state. The new ENF goal is \$5.00 per member. ENF is how our programs and grants are funded. The easiest way to donate is to become a Club Member. This is a monthly recurring donation that will come out each month automatically, either from your bank account or credit card. *Gean Cutsinger*



November 2024



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Regular Time Begins 2:00 a.m. back to 1:00 a.m.	4 Lodge Meeting 7:00 p.m.	5	6	Z Lodge BINGO 6:00 p.m. Kitchen: Lisa Thankful Thurs	8	9 Parade 11:00 a.m.
1O Chicken Noodle 11:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.	11 Game Night Ketch Yahtzee Tournament 6:00 p.m.	12	13	14 Lodge BINGO 6:00 p.m. Kitchen: Deb	15	16
17	18 Lodge Meeting 7:00 p.m.	19 Main St Meeting 12:00 p.m.	20	21 Lodge BINGO 6:00 p.m. Kitchen: Barbara	22	23
24	25	26	27	28 Thanksgiving	29	30







LODGE OFFICERS

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