



# Christian County Elks #2777

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## ELKS BUGLE

### January 2021

### 2020 - 2021 OFFICERS

- Charlie Falzone  
Exalted Ruler
- Michael Klinger  
Leading Knight
- Brian Klein  
Loyal Knight
- Doug Hickman  
Lecturing Knight
- Tom Shelton  
Secretary
- Jerry Fritchman  
Treasurer
- Howard McCoy  
Tiler
- Rita Ege  
Inner Guard
- Shirley Smith  
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- Jan Bruenger  
Esquire
- Trustees:  
Ted Chambers  
Jeff Holt  
Charlie Hopkins  
Ernie Smith

### Exalted Ruler Thoughts

2021 is here! When we think about the 2020, charity and brotherly love was abundant during the year and December was no different.

A big thank you to all our members who supported our lodge during the month of December by providing food for the food baskets for the veterans, we were able to deliver with the help of our members 30 food baskets to the needy veterans for Christmas dinner.

Thanks to Veterans Chairman, Denny Peterson, Veterans Assistant Dawna Southern, Chaplain Mary Angell, Claudette Coley and Leading Knight Mike Klinger PER for honoring our veterans with Christmas Wreaths of Remembrance at Springfield Veterans Cemetery.

Thanks to Lodge Esquire, Jan Bruenger, for delivering dictionary's to 3rd graders in Christian County and thank you to all the members who help support our lodge throughout the year.

Our lodge is a great organization with members with big hearts. Take the time in 2021 to visit your lodge, have a safe and healthy new year.

Fraternally  
*Charlie Falzone*  
Exalted Ruler



Heartfelt   
**THANKS**  
**TO OUR VOLUNTEERS!**



*Robert Quinby*



*Robert Butler*



*Dena Wolfe*



*To Our Absent Members*

### **ENF REPORT**

Thank you all so much for your continued support of ENF and the Benevolent Trust. We are currently #1 in our District for both, #2 in the State for ENF and #5 in the State for Benevolent Trust. We are just a few dollars away from meeting our per capita goals for both as set by our ER Charlie Falzone.

Remember to set your change aside for these charitable groups; if you don't have a Purple Pig, then use a zip lock bag. Actually, the zip lock bag works better! It is by far the easiest way to donate to your Lodge!!

Our Annual District Chili Cookoff will be held at West Plains Lodge on Saturday, January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Several of us are entering our versions of chili and staying for the party afterward! The closest motel is the Baymont (417) 204-5114; next closest is the Quality Inn (417) 257-2711; and the Super 8 (417) 204-5728. Entry fee is \$25 per chili batch, just a large crock pot will be sufficient. There will be a silent auction during the event, and a live band after. All proceeds will go to the Benevolent Trust, and the final total will be divided between all Lodges in attendance.

At this time we are proceeding with plans for our March Gun & Knife Show the first weekend of March. Flyers will go out in mid-January. We will have masks available for all participants.

Wishing you all a very SAFE and JOYOUS Holiday Season

Ms. Jerry L. Fritchman, PER, ENF & Benevolent Trust Chairman, Treasurer

### **AUXILIARY REPORT**

We met on December 8<sup>th</sup>, had a short meeting and then enjoyed our Christmas party. everyone enjoyed visiting while we ate our pizza and desert. If you are interested in joining please contact me at 417-848-2763.

I want to wish everyone a Happy New Year!!

Mary Angell, Auxiliary President



The month of December in Elksdom is a month of remembrance for our Absent Members. On a brisk December morning, Pearl Harbor Day, Christian County Elks #2777 laid Wreaths of Remembrance for our Veteran Absent Members. At the Missouri Veterans Cemetery Springfield, Elks honored Jack Kennon, Bob Mason, Dena Wolfe PDDGER and Ross Anderson. Steve Angell and Bill Howell were honored at Rivermonte Cemetery in Springfield. Thank you to CC Elks Veterans Chairman, Denny Peterson and Assistant Vets Chair, Dawna Southern for organizing the event with Leading Knight, Mike Klinger PER, Chaplain Mary Angell and Claudette Coley on hand for support.

# Wreaths of Remembrance





(left) ER Charles Falzone with veteran Talli Steward. Last year she lived in a cellar, no power, heat or water. Now she has a motorhome living with her son.



(right) PER Scotty Butler visited Dave and Eileen Emerson. Dave is an Air Force Vet, both played Bingo at the lodge and Eileen donated large bags of popcorn for all



(above) Leading Knight Mike Klinger PER delivered Christmas meal to James Mahoney retired NAVY, living in Nixa.

## Christmas Food Baskets for Veterans in Our Community



(left) Lecturing Knight, Doug Hickman (right) is thanked. (above) Lodge Tiler, Howard McCoy, is thanked by Kendal Irwin, retired ARMY. (right) Lodge Trustee, Charlie Hopkins, helps Vietnam Vet, Gary Bench, bring Christmas dinner into his home



(below) Adopted Scout Troop 201 packed all the Christmas Food Boxes for Veterans





# Casino NIGHT





2 <sup>nd</sup>	Lucus Moore	6 <sup>th</sup>	Michael Ward	12 <sup>th</sup>	Alortzo Gonzalez
14 <sup>th</sup>	Donald Newnum	18 <sup>th</sup>	Wandal Heatherly	20 <sup>th</sup>	Robert Bradford
21 <sup>st</sup>	Robert Dyer	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Lynn Morris	26 <sup>th</sup>	Charles Hopkins
27 <sup>th</sup>	Michael Chambers	27 <sup>th</sup>	Randy Mitchell	30 <sup>th</sup>	Michael Pfander

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Our Elks member, Deborah Rankin, has graciously offered house cleaning for anyone in need. You may know of an elderly person or someone that just cannot handle a few of the chores. Deborah is donating her time to help so give her a call at 816-288-9600

This is REAL Elks spirit!  
Elks Care, Elks Share

#### Mission Statement

To inculcate the principles of Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity; to recognize a belief in God; to promote the welfare and enhance the happiness of its Members; to quicken the spirit of American patriotism; to cultivate good fellowship; to perpetuate itself as a fraternal organization, and to provide for its government, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America will serve the people and communities through benevolent programs, demonstrating that *Elks Care - Elks Share*.

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As long as there are veterans, the Elks will support them

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BREAKING NEWS 1 month ago Memorial for Dena 1 month ago Christmas Dinner Donation 6 days ago "Double Zeroes" 1 week ago Wreaths of Remembrance

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**FEATURED**

**Wreaths of Remembrance**  
CC Elks Veterans December 8, 2020

**December Newsletter**

**November New Members**

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**October New Members**