Christian County Elks #2777

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April 2021

2021 - 2022 OFFICERS

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Jesse Stalker
Jeff Holt
Charlie Hopkins
Ernie Smith

Exalted Ruler Thoughts

"I welcome you to this station for final instruction. You may well be proud that the members have deemed you worthy of their confidence". Yes, I am very proud that the members of Christian County Elks #2777 have shown confidence in me as their Exalted Ruler and to guide our lodge for the next year. Many of you may not know me, I have been married for 45 years to my wife Judy, we have two sons and four granddaughters (2 in California and 2 in Ozark). After being Exalted Ruler at Mission Viejo Elks in California in 2018, we moved to Ozark in March 2019 and quickly found our home Lodge in Christian County Elks #2777.

My motto for the up-coming year is "Focus With Elkdom". Like the saying goes, "Life is like a camera. You focus on what's important. Capture the good times. Develop from the negative and if things don't' work out, take another SHOT!" I hope to continue the many traditions of CC Elks and add some flavor from my past experiences. Congratulations to PER Charles Falzone and his officers for a successful year and to all the members and volunteers that make our lodge operate like a fine watch. THANK YOU!

Fraternally
Mike Klinger, Exalted Ruler

February New Members

Congratulations to our newest members to Christian County Elks #2777. Jason Factor (left) and Michael Sweet were initiated in February into our order. Both Jason and Michael are highly active with the Scouts in our community and have donated time and energy to our lodge with support. Past Exalted Ruler Mike Klinger (right) led the initiation along with other PERs, a tradition in the Elks for the month of February. Current Exalted Ruler, Charles Falzone (left) and Lodge Treasurer Jerry Fritchman welcomed Jason and Michael to the Lodge; Jerry was the sponsor of both new members.

Congratulations to Christian County Elks #2777 for the top honor of 5-Star Lodge Website Award promoting Elkdom. The notification is listed in the Grand Lodge April 2021 Newsletter and out of over 1,900 Lodges in the country only 2 Lodges received 5-Star Honors, CC Elks being one. Way to Go Team!!

Focused on Elkdom

GRAND LODGE FRATERNAL COMMITTEE

Top sites inform, promote Elkdom

By MERYL ARNS
Committee Member

A Lodge with a good website is a Lodge growing in membership. Thank you to the many Lodge webmasters across the United States who keep our Members informed and congratulations to those who entered the Lodge Website Contest.

It is obvious that Lodge websites are getting information out to our Members and telling the world what we do. Attractive photos welcome Members and Elks who may be traveling across the country to stop and enjoy the many activities offered by our Lodges. Through websites we are *"Creating Momentum for the Future of Elkdom."*

The Lodge Website Contest is free to enter and the reward is knowing that you have let the world know what we do.

5 Star ★★★★★ Awards

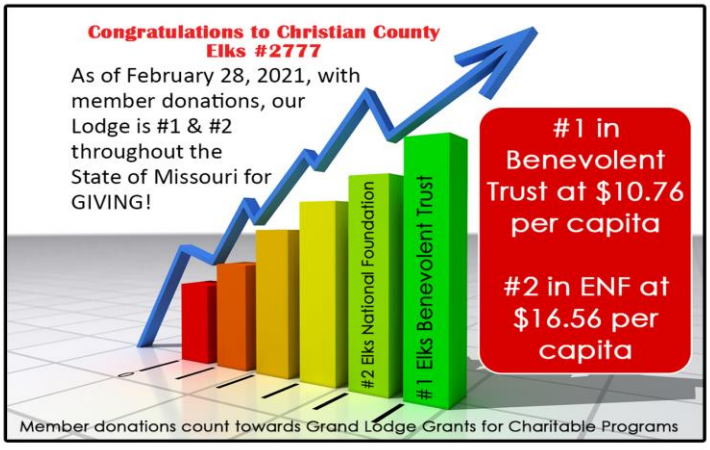
Annapolis, MD Lodge No. 622	elks622.com
Christian County, MO Lodge No. 2777	ccelks2777.com

4 Star ★★★★ Awards

Sanford, NC Lodge No. 1679	sanfordelks1679.org
Arvada, CO Lodge No. 2278	arvadaelks.org
Jupiter, FL Lodge No. 2469	jupiterelks.org
Louisville, KY Lodge No. 8	elks.org/lodges/home.cfm?LodgeNumber=8
Ashland, OH Lodge No. 1360	ashlandelks.com
Garden Grove, CA Lodge No. 1952	elks.org/lodges/home.cfm?LodgeNumber=1952
Port Townsend, WA LodgeNo. 317	elks.org/lodges/home.cfm?LodgeNumber=317

3 Star ★★★ Awards

Covington, GA Lodge No. 1806	covingtonelkslodge1806.org
Wallingford, CT Lodge No. 1365	wallingfordelks.org



AUXILIARY NEWS

The Auxiliary met with 12 members present on Tuesday, March 9th. Last month's meeting was cancelled because of the foul weather we had. There were no minutes to be read. The Treasurer's report was read and approved. No report yet on the Gun Show that was held over the weekend of March 5, 6 and 7. The Auxiliary oversaw the kitchen for this event. Our Chili Cook-Off, Pig Races and Dessert Auction was a rousing success. Jerry Fritchman won the Cook-Off and the Dessert Auction raised over $850 for the ENF. Fun was had by all who attended. Our new business was the election of officers for this coming year.
Officers for 2021-2022 President, Mary Angell, Vice-President, Cynthia Hickman, Secretary, Janie Johnson, and Treasurer, Jan Bruenger. Committee Chairmen will be appointed by the President. The Officers will be installed at our next meeting on April 13th, be sure and attend!!

Interested in joining this group? Contact Mary Angell at 848-2763 or at one of our Lodge meetings.
Mary Angell, President

Oh Billy!!! Billy Harrison, you missed a great meeting AND $154.00!!!!

Scouts Corner

Christian County Elks #2777 Adopted Pack 75 and Troop 201

(left) Arrow of Light Cub Scouts Crossing over from Pack 75 to Troop 201 2/28/21.

(right)Troop 201G preparing to retire a flag at Camp Arrowhead.

(left) Troop 201B at the Camp Arrowhead Chapel having a Sunday service before returning home. A Scout is reverent.

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Lodge FUNdraiser!

Thanks to everyone who participated at the Valentines Day Fundraiser. It was a great day. Those who missed the event, missed a good time. The Auxiliary made some money and our great achievement was our Dessert Auction. Our wonderful Auctioneer, Gary Estes, in his usual talking faster than most of us can think managed to squeeze $873 out of us for the Elks National Foundation. That is a great donation from our Lodge to ENF.
The Chili Cook-Off Winner was Jerry Fritchman with her award winning recipe.
In the Pig Races I'm pleased to announce that all of the pigs at least got out of the starting gate.
Again, thanks to those who participated - you did great work !!! Mary Angell

1st	Mark Bowerman	14th	Sheila Rogers	22nd	Ruben Smith
4th	JD Melton	16th	William Butler	23rd	Nick Roussell
6th	Mary Loofbourron	16th	Sharon Siegrist	27th	Mary Cole
12th	Jesse Lee Stalker	18th	Holly Reed	27th	Janet Morris
13th	Jeffery Holt	22nd	Doss Davis	29th	Deborah Dyer

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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!
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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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To a Very Important Elk: