



Christian County Elks #2777

ELKS BUGLE

April 2023

Michael Sweet
Exalted Ruler

Will Tuck
Leading Knight

Janey Tuck
Loyal Knight

Tawny Brown
Lecturing Knight

Thomas Shelton PSP
Secretary

Jerry Fritchman PER
Treasurer

Shirley Smith
Tiler

Rita Ege
Inner Guard

Janey Jackson
Chaplain

Larry Tuck PER
Esquire

Charlie Hopkins
1-Year Trustee

Jason Factor
2-Year Trustee

Jeff Holt PDDGER
3-Year Trustee

Mike Klinger PER
4-Year Trustee
Chairman of the Board

Joe Edwards
5-Year Trustee



Hello ELKs,

I want to start by saying a BIG Thank You to Jeff Holt for his service to the lodge this last year. There have been many great ER's at our lodge and without these great individuals, the lodge would not succeed! So, I have some big shoes to fill. I encourage everyone to come in and say "Hi". Join us for a meal or stop in and see what is going on with the house committee on the second Tuesday, every month.

As we move forward, I want to remind everyone that I have an open-door policy. Please feel free to come to discuss things with me. Anything from Ideas, criticisms, and even opportunities around our city that we as ELKs can help in.

This year we will be setting up a new House Committee structure to help plan for meals, events, and dignitary visits. With the new setup, we will bring a new cooking group structure for cooking at the lodge and we can always use assistance in the kitchen!

We will make this transition as smooth as possible, but please be patient as we may have some hiccups. And remember our lodge cannot grow without the support of its members. Many hands make light work! Looking forward to the next few months; there will be Potluck one of the Thursdays every month with different themed dishes. We have Cinco De Mayo on May 5th with good food and festivities followed by our Kite Day on May 6th. Not only will we have Kites but we will have an Ice-cream vendor with our other great food!

Let's have a great year!

Michael Sweet, Exalted Ruler



Installation of Officers

On Friday March 17 Christian County Elks #2777 installed its new officers for the 2023-2024 Elk Year. PDDGER Kevin Wolfe presided over the ceremony along with multiple PERs from SW District lodges installing officers in their respective positions. Michael Sweet will take over the gavel as Exalted Ruler. Outgoing ER, Jeff Holt PDDGER, gave out numerous awards for the year and the evening topped off with a wonderful traditional St. Patrick's Day dinner, Leprechaun Races and other shenanigans.

The 2023-2024 Officers are: Exalted Ruler Michael Sweet, Leading Knight Will Tuck, Loyal Knight Janey Tuck, Lecturing Knight Tawny Brown, Esquire Larry Tuck PER, Chaplain, Janie Jackson, Secretary Tom Shelton PSP, Treasurer Jerry Fritchman PER. Inner Guard Rita Ege, Tiler Shirley Smith, 1-Year Trustee Charlie Hopkins, 2-Year Trustee Jason Factor, 3-Year Trustee Jeff Holt PDDGER, 4-Year Trustee Mike Klinger PER and 5-Year Trustee Joe Edwards.

Congratulations to all and good luck in the upcoming year.





(left to right) Elk of the Year Tawny Brown, Citizen of the Year Serenity Honors and Officer of the Year Mike Klinger PER



Exalted Ruler Awards by Jeff Holt PDDGER



Friday March 17 was a very busy evening. Besides Installation of new officers and a traditional St. Patrick's Day dinner and party, outgoing Exalted Ruler, Jeff Holt PDDGER gave out his ER Awards for members going Above & Beyond supporting our lodge.

Above & Beyond Awards: Jane Jackson, Ernie Smith, Michael Sweet, Jason Factor Larry Tuck PER, Dorothy Phillips, Rita Ege, Charlie Falzone PER



Grand Exalted Rulers Making A Difference Special Citation Awards: Janey Tuck, Jerry Fritchman PER

Elk of the Year: Tawny Brown
Officer of the Year: Mike Klinger PER
Citizen of the Year: Serenity Honors



St. Patrick's Day Shenanigans



Other Christian County Elks News...



ER Elect Michael Sweet and his wife Felicia represented our lodge at the Missouri Elks State Convention in Jefferson City.

"Thank You Walmart of Nixa for the generous donation!". Back to School Shopping for Kids starts July 8th and 15th at the Walmart in Nixa then continues July 22nd and 29th at Walmart in Ozark. With multiple donations we hope to shop with 270 kids and make their school year start off bright.

Come Fly a Kite at the Elks Open House



Christian County Elks #2777 is Celebrating

Elks National Youth Week

By Inviting you to our

KITE DAY and COMMUNITY APPRECIATION

DAY

on

Saturday May 6, 2023

10:00am to 2:00pm



Bring a Kite or Fly One of Ours!

Enjoy FREE Hot Dogs & Hamburgers

Meet our Ozark D.A.R.E. Officers, climb in an Ambulance or Fire Truck and talk with Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts & Cub Scouts

Christian County Elks 2401 N. 17th Street Ozark 65721 (417) 581-4190

Run the Bases

May 13 Fundraiser Lodge Event

Members and guests are invited to Run The Bases on May 13. This event is open to 2, 3, and 4 wheeled vehicles.

Run The Bases is a variation of a Poker Run with a baseball theme.

The cost to play will be \$10 per entry.

Each player will have a sheet with

9 batters and will spin a spinner to determine how each batter does.

Prizes will be awarded to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place with the proceeds going to our Back to School program.

Registration will start at 9:00 at the CC Elks Lodge. Vehicles will leave the Lodge at 10:00 traveling to three stops including one for Lunch at Sam's Cellar in Neosho, then returning to the Lodge for their final spin. If the temperature is 50 degrees or less, or there is a 50% or greater chance of rain the event will be cancelled.

Questions can be directed to Larry at sgm92@sbcglobal.net or 417-207-2123.



Cinco de Mayo Dinner & Fiesta

6pm Appetizers & Social Hour with Ceviche, Chips, Salsa, Queso & Guacamole

7pm Dinner: Beef, Chicken & Shrimp Fajita, Rice and Beans

Dessert

Tres Leches Cupcakes by Janey Tuck

Dinner \$12.00



\$5.00

Margarita BAR

You Don't Want to Miss This FIESTA!

Christian County Elks #2777

22nd Annual Sertoma Duck Race Festival



Hosted by Christian County Elks Supporting Children, Veterans and Our Community



Saturday June 17, 2023

Finley River Park Ozark, MO

Register by June 1st to receive a Dash Plaque and Goodie Bag!

Registration
10:00am - 1:00pm
Judging 1:30pm

Entry Fee
\$25.00

For more information:
www.ccelks2777.com
ccelks2777@gmail.com

Message from Missouri Elks State President Lance Evans

The Missouri Elks Association supports many charitable programs and activities through our Major Projects. This website is here to provide you with information about our Lodges and Great State. I am honored to have been elected to the office of President of the Missouri Elks Association and look forward to serving you.

This year's motto is -Driving Elkdom Forward. We must drive Elkdom forward by adhering to our principles of order: Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity. This will help us to create a positive impact on our members, lodges and communities. We must create this positivity to ensure we are building Elkdom for now and into the future. Connie and I, along with Kevin Judas and his wife Sue are excited to visit all of you throughout the state in the coming year! All of us are looking forward to making new friends and seeing old ones.



Attention Members:
We are preparing for the next Finley River Car Show that the CC Elks will sponsor. We need broken engine parts for trophies. If you have a dead weed eater, mower or any small engines, contact Larry Tuck PER at sgm92@sbcglobal.net

April Bartender Schedule

7th Will Tuck, 13th Will Tuck,
14th Jerry Fritchman, 15th Larry Tuck,
21st Will Tuck, 28th Larry Tuck.

April Cashier Schedule

4th Will Tuck, 6th Janey Tuck, 7th Janie Jackson,
11th pot luck no cashier, 13th Gary Bockman,
14th Susan Fox, 18th Will Tuck, 20th Gary Bockman,
21st Tawny Brown, 27th Janie Jackson,
28th Janey Tuck.

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CHARLES HOPKINS
PRESIDENT
charhoppy59@gmail.com

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

April Birthdays

04 JD Melton 06 Mary Loofbourrow 07 Kellie Radtke
07 Whitney Sigman
07 Chris VanDyck 10 Oliver Martin 13 Jeff Holt 14 Sheila Rogers
16 Bill Butler 18 Holly Reed 21 Remy Battain 21 Rex Krasche
22 Doss Davis 22 Ruben Smith 23 Nick Roussell 27 Mary Cole
27 Janet Morris 29 Deborah Dyer 29 Leonard Haynes
30 David Frana 30 Ron Kisse

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April 2023



March '23

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May '23

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
26	27	28	29	30	31	1	
2	3 Springfield Chorus Practice 6:30pm	4 Lodge meeting 7pm Dinner 6pm \$8	5	6 Social Hour 6pm Dinner 7pm \$8 Poker Night Baked Spaghetti	7 PER Steak Night Social Hour 6pm Dinner 7pm \$15 Ribeye Steak, baked potato and veggie	8	
9 HAPPY EASTER	10 Springfield Chorus Practice 6:30pm	11 HC Meeting 6pm Pot Luck Dinner BOD Meeting 7pm (new dates)	12	13 Social Hour 6pm Dinner 7pm \$10 Poker Night Chicken Wings Shriners Meeting	14 Social Hour 6pm Dinner 7pm \$12 Fried Chicken	15 Mister D Dance 6pm All Invited	
16	17 Springfield Chorus Practice 6:30pm	18 Lodge meeting 7pm Dinner 6pm \$8	19	20 Social Hour 6pm Dinner 7pm \$8 Poker Night Grilled Cheese & Tomato Soup	21 Social Hour 6pm Dinner 7pm \$12 Kabobs	22	
23	24 Springfield Chorus Practice 6:30pm	25 Poker Night Bring a Friend 5:30pm	26	27 Social Hour 6pm Dinner 7pm \$8 Poker Night Porky Pig Potluck	28 Social Hour 6pm Dinner 7pm \$12 Lasagna	29 DD Clinic 10am CC Elks Lodge	
30	1	Notes					
<p>Note: Girl Scouts meet every Thursday at 6:30pm</p> <p>For more information visit our website at www.ccelks2777.com or our Facebook page Christian County Elks #2777 SAVE your newsletter for reference or pass it along to a friend</p>							

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To a Very Important Elk

Christian County Elks 2777
In the Heart of the Ozarks

VISIT
Christian County Elks

Lodge Hours
Tuesday • Thursday
Friday
4:30-9:30pm
Saturday
TBA Special Events

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BREAKING NEWS of Life Feb 19 2 weeks ago February 14, 2023

January New Member 3 weeks ago Valentine Day Part

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FEATURED



Two Parties in One Mar 17

Inbox, Lodge Events February 14, 2023

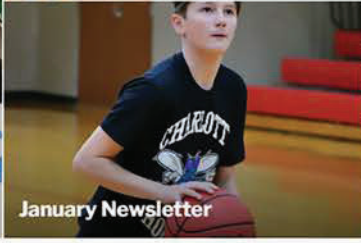
NEW MEMBERS



January New Member



February Newsletter



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November New Members