



Christian County Elks #2777
ELKS BUGLE
 November 2023

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- Janey Tuck
Loyal Knight
- Tawny Brown
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- Janie Jackson
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- Rita Ege
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3-Year Trustee
- Mike Klinger PER
4-Year Trustee
Chairman of the Board
- Joe Edwards
5-Year Trustee

Hello ELKs,

Put another month in the books!

I want to start off and say thank you to all our Elks who are stepping up and helping around the lodge. As ER I appreciate all the efforts and want to encourage others to come help with other things in the lodge.

Our Veterans Charity Golf Tournament was a wonderful event and brought many sponsors from so many areas of our corner of Missouri! Thank you to everyone who turned this event around so fast, and the veterans will benefit from these efforts!

This month I have the distinct honor of awarding P.E.R. Michael Klinger the Elk of the Month for all his efforts and work! If you have not taken the time to congratulate one of our Elk of the Month, please reach out to them and say hello! Remember every month I will be looking for an Elk that stands out and presenting them with the Elk of the Month

As a reminder, there are other changes that we are expanding on during the House Committee over the next few months! Please keep an eye out and come to our house meetings on the second Tuesday of the month! November has multiple major events coming up. We have our Veterans Day Tribute Dinner and Veterans Thanksgiving Dinner. Let us not forget that the lodge will not have dinners on November 23rd and 24th. Enjoy the holiday with family and friends!

As noted from last month, if there are any issues, criticisms, or concerns please come to me first. Again, we are all volunteers and have the same goals in mind and the work we put into the lodge is not for our own benefit! To all my fellow Elks have a Happy and Blessed Thanksgiving!

Michael Sweet, Exalted Ruler



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Veterans Charity



(above) Flight A Overall winning team of Jesse Kirkpatrick, Theo Atchison, David Frana and Kory Klinger with a score of 57. (below) Elk and ARMY Veteran, Rex Krasche, rides with Jessye Fisher and husband Brian Fisher (R). Brian served in the Air Force for 20 years.



On Saturday, October 14, Christian County Elks #2777 of Ozark hosted the 6th Annual Veterans Charity Benefit Golf Tournament at Island Green Golf Club. Fifty-eight players tackled this challenging course and when the wind had settled down, the Health Markets sponsored foursome of David Frana, Kory Klinger, Theo Atchison, and Jesse Kirkpatrick topped Flight A with a score of 57. CC Elks and Veterans Chairman, Denny Peterson's team of Roger Tipling, Darin Tipling, and Jeromy Dawron won the Flight B division with a 67.

"Thanks to our sponsors and the players we were able to raise over \$2,500 for Veterans," stated Christian County Elks Veterans Chairman, Denny Peterson. A NAVY Veteran himself. Peterson went on to say, "All funds raised support our veteran's community. The Elks have our annual Thanksgiving Dinner for veterans and invite veterans locally and even from the Veterans Home in Mt. Vernon." Public Relations Chairman and Golf Tournament Chairman, Mike Klinger added, "Then we switch gears and after partnering with Least of These Food Pantry of Ozark, we start preparing Holiday Food Baskets for less fortunate veterans. Each veteran receives three or four boxes of food from milk and eggs to ham and bread, not to mention canned goods and boxed food. All organized and delivered by Elk volunteers and Scout Troop 201."



(above) Flight B winning team of Roger Tipling, Team Captain, Elks Veterans Committee Chairman Denny Peterson, Darin Tiplin and Jeromy Dawron. They posted a final score of 70.

(left) CC Elks Janie Jackson and Marty Shelton were good sports and braved the wind. At the 18th hole, Janie and Marty sold \$5 chances to Roll-the-Dice and take that score. They raised \$375.

Golf Tournament



(above) Elks Joey Edwards drives #18



USAF Veteran, Brian Fisher, and his wife Jessye joined in the tournament. Fisher mentioned, "I would like to thank the Christian County Elks for a great tournament. I was lucky enough to win the Longest Drive under 64 years of age and Jessye won the Ladies' Longest Drive. I'd say that was a pretty good day for us. Thanks for the invitation, we had a blast." Brian is a retired Senior Master Sergeant who served from 2001-2021. He worked as an Air Transportation Superintendent and Master Military Training Instructor.

There were many, many veterans that competed in this year's tournament and the Christian County Elks sincerely thank them for their service and for supporting the tournament. And remember the Elks motto, "As long as there are veterans, there will always be Elks to support them."



(above) Full-house for lunch after the tournament. (below) Elk Larry Tuck PER scores a hole-in-1 with the Dice Throw.



(left) Team Captain and Elk Joe Watters, Larry Wilson, Richard Yezefski, and Matt Blinn.

(right) Drew Donovan, Adam Hunt, Team Captain and Elk Randy Mitchell, and Brandon Francis



Hooked by Harry
 Fifty-six members and guests were treated to a fantastic Fish & Chips dinner presented by Harry Treece from Nevada. And not only Fish & Chips...but Corn Nuggets, Jalapeno Cream Cheese



Poppers, Jalapeno and Regular Hush Puppies, and cole slaw. Thank you to Joe and Cherie Edwards for organizing and everyone who helped with another successful event. Hope to see Harry back soon.



Christian County Elks 2777 brought home Special Recognition Awards for Elks National Foundation and Benevolent Trust from the Missouri Elks Association State Convention in September (Treasurer Jerry Fritchman PER accepting).



Past State President and Lodge Trustee, Tom Shelton, received the coveted Gold Hammer Award. Since he now has nothing to do at the Lodge and WE are winning so many awards, Tom can now post all the awards on the walls with his 24-carat gold hammer.

Also at the September MEA Convention in Jefferson City, our lodge achieved top score and won First Place All American Lodge for Division II from MEA. CC Elks completed 40 of 45 required activities throughout the year. From Membership Growth to Americanism, from Scholarships to The Drug Awareness Program.



Christian County Elks Hosts

Sing Into the Season Christmas Party

Friday December 15
 Special Performance by Springfield Chorus and JAZZ!
 Dinner TBD \$15.00
 Social Hour 6pm Dinner 7pm
 Performance to follow

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SOCK HOP

New Years Eve Party

SAVE the DATE
 Sunday Dec 31
 Social Hour 6pm Dinner 7pm Dancing 8pm

Planned festivities:
 Surf & Turf Dinner
 Best Dressed Contest
 Dance Contest
 Champagne Toast
 Photo Booth
 Cash Bar

Entertainment by Mister D & Bonita

Tickets on Sale Nov 10 at Lodge Bar
 Tickets \$30 • Reserve Table of 8 - \$240



WELCome to our new member Oliver Martin. Oliver grew up in England and spent 30 years in Los Angeles. He is sponsored by Cavin Shorter, initiated in October and looks forward to supporting the Lodge

Christian County Elks 2777

Veterans Appreciation Holiday Thanksgiving Dinner

November 15 at 11:30am

Veterans should arrive by 11am. Anyone inviting a veteran should give a head count to Vets Chairman Denny Peterson by Friday, November 10th. Volunteers meet at Lodge at 10:30am

(right) Congrats to October Elk of the Month Trustee Mike Klinger PER. Mike is editor of the newsletter and a photographer. He also manages the Public Relations for our lodge. Next time you see Mike, tell him thanks for his support and buy him a beer!



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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

November Birthdays

04 Susan Fox 05 Joe Edwards 06 Christine Harris
08 Charlie Falzone 10 Dana Weidler 13 Mary Cunningham
15 Gary Scheel 16 Judy Chambers 18 Gordon Hayes
18 Brian Klein 18 Carmen Sprinkle 18 Jamie Voss
22 Berry Farber 30 Bill Roark 30 Tommy Wahl

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Wreaths for Elks Missouri Veterans Memorial Cemetery

Saturday Dec 16

Leaving Elks Lodge at 2:30pm



ELKS NATIONAL HOOP SHOOT FREE THROW CONTEST



A CHANCE TO GET YOUR NAME IN THE
NAISMITH MEMORIAL BASKETBALL HALL
OF FAME.

Location: The OC in Ozark MO

Hosted by Christian County Elks #2777

When: Nov 25, 2023 starting at 11am,

Arrive early to register

For more details contact CC Elks Hoop Shoot Chairman
Jeff Holt 417-865-7943

The Elks Hoop Shoot, funded by the Elks National Foundation, is a free throw contest for children ages 8 to 13. Age-group is determined by the contestant's age as of April 1, 2023. For more information, contact the Lodge Elks Hoop Shoot Director listed above or visit elks.org/hoopshoot.



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Breakfast

with Santa

Plus

Holiday Boutique Saturday Dec 16

Christian County Elks Lodge

Breakfast 9-11am ♦ Boutique 9-4pm

Lunch served 12 - 3pm

Bring the Family and meet
Santa while Mom & Dad Shop at
the Holiday Boutique

Photos with Santa & Gifts too!

Want to be a Boutique Vendor?

6 ft table \$30 ♦ 8 ft \$35 (donation)

Details and Reservation call 417-581-0020



Thank You VETERANS

Honoring Those That Served
Veterans Day Dinner
Friday November 10

Social Hour 6pm ♦ Dinner 7pm

Special Singing Performance by JAZZ!

All Veterans will be Recognized PLUS

Photo Booth Opportunity

Dinner: Twice Baked Lasagna, Garlic Bread,
Salad & Dessert \$12.00

If you know a Veteran, bring them to dinner
and show them what the ELKS are all about!

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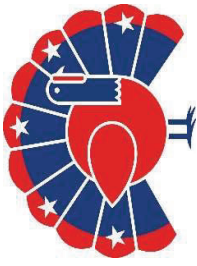
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December '23

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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				Game Night Social Hour 6pm Dinner 7pm \$8 Dinner TBD	Steak Night Social Hour 6pm Dinner 7pm \$15 Ribeye Steak, baked potato & Veggie	
5	6	7	8	9	10	
	Springfield Chorus Practice 6:30pm	Lodge meeting 7pm Dinner 6pm \$8 Loaded Baked Potato & Salad		Game Night Social Hour 6pm Dinner 7pm \$8 Philly Cheese Steak & More	Veterans Tribute Social Hour 6pm Dinner 7pm \$12 Lasagna & More	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	Springfield Chorus Practice 6:30pm	HC Meeting 6pm Pot Luck BOD Meeting 7pm	Veterans Thanksgiving Dinner Volunteers 11am	Game Night Social Hour 6pm Dinner 7pm \$8 Dinner TBD	Family Friday Dinner Social Hour 6pm Dinner 7pm \$12 Grilled Pork Chops Tater Tots & More	
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
	Springfield Chorus Practice 6:30pm	Lodge meeting 7pm Dinner 6pm \$8 Cowboy Stew & More		Happy Thanksgiving Lodge is closed	No Family Friday Dinner	Elks Annual Hoop Shoot Competition at The OC 11am
26	27	28	29	30	1	2
	Springfield Chorus Practice 6:30pm	Game Night Bring Snacks		Game Night Social Hour 6pm Dinner 7pm \$8 Dinner TBD		
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 or our Facebook page Christian County Elks #2777
SAVE your newsletter for reference or pass it along to a friend

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To a Very Important Elk

UPCOMING **EVENTS**

November

Nov 1 Veterans Food Drive Continues

Nov 8 Life Line Screening Event 9am

Nov 10 Veterans Day

Tribute Dinner 6pm

Nov 15 Veterans

Thanksgiving Dinner 11am

Nov 23 Happy Thanksgiving

December

Dec 1 Veterans Food Drive Continues

Dec 15 Christmas Party 6pm

Dec 16 Wreaths for Veterans 2:30pm

Dec 16 Breakfast with Santa 9am

Dec 20 Deliver Veterans

Food Baskets 8am

Dec 25 Merry Christmas!

Dec 31 New Years Eve Party 6pm