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*"Can we wave the American flag too much
when we wave it with integrity!"*



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From the Exalted Ruler

Hello to everyone. I hope that everyone had a wonderful summer and enjoyed every-thing that you wanted to do and did everything you wanted to.

Its hard to believe summer is over and we're almost halfway thru the fall. As everyone should know we've had some financial problems this year and had to borrow money. This is the first time since I have been ER that this has happened. With golf down as much as it is and lack of support to our lodge it is amazing that we have been able to keep the doors open. I have heard members say that when the smoking stopped they would come out for dinner and bring their family's but, still there are no shows, and even with the no smoking ban it is still the same people who come out to your lodge and continue to support it. If there cannot be some support from everyone don't be surprised one day if you come out and there is a closed sign on the door. So, please think of what we as "ELKS" do and find it in your heart to show some support and keep your lodge going.

With the holidays approaching we will once again be giving out our holiday baskets. Our boxes for food will be just inside the front doors or if you would like to give cash donations toward the food we will be providing please see Dave or Nikki in the office. Lets make this the best year ever and feel all the families that we can. Until you have gone to a house to give out a food basket and see kids with no food to eat and not knowing what a Thanksgiving Dinner is...well just think about your kids not eating for days. So won't you please help.

I would like to thank everyone who has worked this year to make the Elks Lodge #245 a better place for you and for me. A job well done. A special thanks to your board members for a great job and putting up with all the special meetings. Thank you.

I would like to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and a very, very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. To all the snow birds have a great winter and we'll see you in the spring.

Don't forge Thursday night poker and our website www.muncieelks.com. Also don't forget to support your lodge because without you there is no lodge.

A special thank you to Steve Aul for being your treasurer. Steve is going to become a snow bird and felt like the lodge deserved the best which he could not give with him not being here. A job well done and thank you for everything Steve Aul.

God Bless each one of you and your families this holiday season, we love you all.

Exalted Ruler
Johnny Miller

From the Desk of the Secretary

Summer is long gone and the Holidays are just around the corner and coming at us very quickly. We will be setting boxes out in the foyer to collect non-perishable food items as usual. We have several requests for help each year and we try to help as many as we have food and funds to accommodate with Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets. We have more people now than ever who are genuinely in need help at this time of year. Please help make the holidays a bit brighter for others. If you would rather donate money instead of food, that will be appreciated also. We would like to help as many families as we possibly can.

We will also be putting up our Children's Angel Tree that will have boy and girl angels providing the age, sizes and preferences of our angels. Take an angel or two from the tree and help make this Christmas a bit brighter for some deserving child.

The Portland Elks Lodge #768 the will be bringing the Traveling Gavel to Muncie Lodge on November 25th at 7:00 PM. Please come out and welcome our guests. Muncie Lodge will then take the Traveling Gavel to Union City Lodge #1534 on December 2nd to arrive at 7:00 PM. Any member who might wish to join us for the visit is welcome.

COMING EVENTS 2011

November

Nov 5.....Saturday Night Dinners
Start
Nov. 12...Sadie Hawkins- DJ
Dance 8:00-11:00
Dinner 6:00
Nov 7, 21...Lodge Meeting 7:30 pm
Nov...3,5,7,10,12,14,17,19,21,26,28
Texas Hold'em, Check calendar for times
Nov 25..Traveling Gavel Muncie
7:00 pm

December

Dec 5,19....Lodge Meeting 7:30 pm
Dec 1,3,5,8,10,12,15,17,19,22,26,29,31
Texas Hold'em, check calendar for times
Dec 2....,Traveling Gavel.
Take to Union City

Fall Hours

Office Hours
Mon-Fri 10:00am—5:00pm
Bar Hours
Mon, Thurs, Sat 11:00am—?
Tues, Wed, Sun 11:00am— 6:00pm
Bar hours subject to change due to weather. Clos-
ing is left to bartender's discretion.
Dining Room
Saturday 5:00pm to 9:00pm
IN BAR
Daily Lunch Specials



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Lodge Meetings
1st and 3rd Mondays
7:30 pm

2011 - 2012 Officers

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PAST DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND EXALTED
RULERS MUNCIE LODGE \$245

CARL BARTLETT.....1939
EVERETT HALL.....1948
HERSCHEL EASTMAN.....1965
VICTOR SWINGLEY.....1974
REGGIE FILLMANN.....1984
JAMES WARREN.....1994

Office Manager, Nikki Shockley 759-7779
Bar Manager, Amy Young 759-7777
Pro Shop 759-7770
Golf Pro....Goetz Schaefer
Golf Course Superintendent....Rick Ellis

First Aid room location:
Manager's Office & Pro Shop
Oxygen tank in coat room across from bar

Secretary cont.

We are currently making progress on our quest to obtain a line of credit to help us make it through the winter months. Now more than ever we need the support of our members to help us get through. Come out and have dinner or a few drinks and enjoy the club that you joined. We cannot make it on golf alone, as this year has very clearly demonstrated. If we should have to close our doors we will also have to shut down the golf course. Even though we have had to increase fees for next year for obvious reasons, I don't know where else you can enjoy a facility as nice as ours for less money.

If any of you have donated any time or services, donated blood etc. please contact me in the lodge office or send me the information and I will list your donations on our Grand Lodge Charity Report for the year.

In closing, I would like to wish all of our Elk members and their families as well as all of our staff, a Happy Thanksgiving and a very Merry Christmas. May the warmth and the friendship of family and friends be yours to enjoy throughout this holiday season.

Dave Fuller

Golf Course Superintendent

Dear Members

As the golf season begins to wind down, I wanted to take this opportunity to thank all of you for another great year. The weather was a little less severe this year and all in all I was pretty happy with the year. I also want to thank all of you for your support and understanding as we hosted the MAC cross country championships. It was a great event and gave us a chance to showcase the golf course and give a little back to the community.

We will continue to chase leaves as long as the weather permits and then concentrate inside on all of the equipment. I will be moving the tees to the front of all tee stations shortly and will cut some temporary hole locations on the par threes as well. Please remember that during the winter months the turf will not recover as it does in the summer months. It is especially important to replace divots and repair ball marks if you are playing now.

I wish all of you a happy and safe holiday season.

Let it snow!
Rick Ellis

Notes from the Pro

Well October is almost over, but the weather has been great this month. The Ladies finished their season with a "Hot Ball" Scramble Tournament, which ended with the team of Dorothy Terry, Joni Mace, Janet Johns & Barb Selvey claiming the top spot. Thanks to all the ladies for playing in the events and couples. The Men's Closing Scramble was won by the team of Jeff Vise, Rick Shirk, Randy Allen & Elvis Whitaker with Curly Wilson, Mike Plummer, Bryan Beeson & Ron Taulbee placing second. The 2011 Shootout Champion was Fred Long, Kenny Clevenger finished in Second and Brian Hickok got Third. The Men's Club went well this year and I again had a good time playing on Thursday nights and Friday Couples. Don't forget you must spend all **Pro Shop Credit by November 30th** and merchandise is not lasting long. I would like to remind anyone with bag storage to please take your clubs home by the beginning of December. The Pro Shop will remain open until Dec. 19th and the golf course will remain open depending on the weather. All clothes left will be on sale December 1st so keep the pro shop in mind when looking for Christmas gifts. The winter is also a great time to get those clubs re-gripped and ready for next season. If the grips you want aren't in stock they can usually be ordered in a day or two. It seems early to say this but everyone have a great Thanksgiving and Merry Christmas. See you next year.

Thanks,
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November 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3 Texas Hold'em 6:00pm Poker League 6:30pm	4	5 Texas Hold'em 6:00pm
6	7 Lodge Meeting 7:30pm Texas Hold'em 6:00pm	8	9	10 Texas Hold'em 6:00pm Poker League 6:30pm	11	12 Texas Hold'em 6:00pm Sadie Hawkins Dance and Dinner
13	14 Texas Hold'em 6:00pm	15	16	17 Texas Hold'em 6:00pm Poker League 6:30pm	18	19 Texas Hold'em 6:00pm
20	21 Lodge Meeting 7:30pm Texas Hold'em 6:00pm	22	23	24 Happy Thanksgiving Lodge Closed	25 Traveling Gavel From Portland 7:00 pm	26 Texas Hold'em 6:00pm
27	28 Texas Hold'em 6:00pm	29	30			

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				1 Texas Hold'em 6:00pm Poker League 6:30pm	2 Traveling Gavel To Union City	3 Texas Hold'em 6:00pm
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11	12 Texas Hold'em 6:00pm	13	14	15 Texas Hold'em 6:00pm Poker League 6:30pm	16	17 Texas Hold'em 6:00pm
18	19 Lodge Meeting 7:30pm Texas Hold'em 6:00pm	20	21	22 Texas Hold'em 6:00pm Poker League 6:30pm	23	24
25 Merry Christmas Lodge Closed	26 Texas Hold'em 6:00pm	27	28	29 Texas Hold'em 6:00pm Poker League 6:30pm	30	31 Texas Hold'em 6:00pm

SADIE HAWKIN'S DINNER & DANCE
SATURDAY NOVEMBER 12TH

DJ HURRICANE WILL PROVIDING ALL THE
BEST MUSIC FROM THE 50'S TO NOW. COME
DRESSED TO MATCH FOR PICTURES AND A
CUTEST COUPLE CONTEST.
DINNER WILL START AT 6:00 WITH MUSIC
FROM 8:00PM TO 11:00PM
COST IS \$20 FOR DINNER AND ENTRY OR
JUST \$5 FOR ENTRY

Elks Web Site www.muncieelks.com

Visit our website for information about our club. Included is our
Banquet facilities for weddings, receptions, parties and all information
On rental and food prices. Also the newsletter is available along with
Saturday
Night menus, coming events, men's and women's golf and many other
events.

Special Notice

2012 Golf Fees

Single Membership		\$625
Couples		\$925
Family		\$925+ \$50 each child
Widow		\$350
Junior		\$225.00

Cart Rental	9 Holes	\$8.50
	18 Holes	\$17.00
Cart Pass	12 Rides	\$185.00
Unlimited		\$1200

New Members can pay \$450, which includes initiation
fee, dues and single golf membership for the first year.
Spouse and children can be added for \$50 each.