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DECEMBER BULLETIN 2013

General Manager's Report

Although the course is closed and winter is here, Lodge 590 is hot spot this December. First the response to our Adopt A Family program has been heartwarming. Lodge 590 will make a difference for our family this year. Huge thanks goes to Kelly Kauffman for organizing and managing this effort. We plan on making this an annual event and hope to be able to add another family next year.

Make plans to stop at the Lodge for our Tom and Jerry party on Saturday the 14th. It is a good chance to wish other members and their families a Merry Christmas and last chance to make a donation to our adopted family.

Then warm things up on Saturday the 21st with the music of Kevin B.F. Burt. It will be a fun night for all. Remember this event is open to all your friends and neighbors so bring them along.

And finally, there is no better place to ring in the New Year than Lodge 590 (okay, maybe Times Square). Get a group together and call to reserve your table.

Due to the holidays falling on mid-week, we will be closed 12/22/13 through 1/4/14.

New Year's Eve

Join us Tuesday, December 31st, and put 2013 behind us. Doors will open at 7 for drinks and appetizers. We will start serving dinner at 7:30. Choose from lobster, prime rib and Chicken Cordon Bleu when you make your reservation. Music will start at 8:30. Appetizers, dinner dessert and drinks (all beer, house wine and well or call drinks) for \$70 person. Call the Lodge at 351-3700 to make you reservations. Feel free to invite your friends and neighbors.

Secretary's Report

According to the by-laws, there will only be one regular lodge meeting in December. The meeting will be held Monday the 16th at 7 p.m.

Mike Cilek and Darrel Courtney were nominated for Lifetime membership in Lodge 590. A vote will be taken at the 12/16/13 regular meeting.

Tom and Jerry Party

Saturday, December 14th, from 11 to 2, we will hold our annual Lodge 590 Tom and Jerry party. Free soft drinks and Tom and Jerry's will be served as well as discounts on other drinks. We will have snacks and appetizers available also. Santa will be here at noon to greet the kids and pass out prizes.

REMEMBER, THIS IS THE LAST CHANCE TO DROP OFF GIFTS AND DONATIONS FOR OUR ADOPTED FAMILY.

Party Down

Saturday, December 21st, the Lodge presents the smooth vocals and swinging guitar stylings of Kevin B.F. Burt. Doors open at 7:30. \$10 cover per person includes the show and appetizers. We will have \$2 bottled beers, \$1 tap beer and \$3 house wine. It will be a great night and help us make winter that much shorter.

Early Buy

There is still time to save three and half percent on next year's recreational fees if you pay by December 15, 2013.

Adopt-A-Family 2013

This year, the Iowa City Elks Lodge has decided to Apopt-A-Family for Christmas. I have been in contact with the United Way of Johnson County and the Big Brothers and Big Sisters program who have chosen a family for us that they have worked with for over ten years. Big Brothers and Big Sisters speaks VERY HIGHLY of this family and are honored that we chose to sponsor them. The family lives in the Iowa City area, which was one thing I specifically asked for.

Here is a note that a lady from BB&BS sent to me about the family: "*Mom (Erica) is a single mom raising 5 kids and doing an excellent job at it! Mom normally works full time and does everything she can to provide for her family. However, she has been on a leave of absence from work for the last month due to heart issues and has been seen by numerous doctors. She is worried about providing for her children for the holidays. The kids are Arrion (19), Cierra (16), Tyler (14), Destiny (13), and Makayla (9). I have worked with this family for the last 10 years. All of the kids have been matched with Big Sisters or Big Brothers and have thoroughly enjoyed the program. This family is very loving and fun to be with. They love spending time together hanging out and enjoying each other's company. They work so well together as a family that is refreshing to watch! I feel so lucky to be a part of their lives. I just got off the phone with Erica and she was very emotional and so thankful for the nice people helping her family out!*"

The family was very modest in their original request with only clothing on the list, which I've provided sizes below for each child. But I went back to BB&BS and asked if there was anything the kids WANTED for Christmas. BB&BS contacted mom and came up with a still very modest list which consists of bedding for each child and a few things the like or are interested in.

With this list, I have created an Amazon Wish List so that no items have the chance of being purchased twice - once it's bought by someone, it will be indicated on Amazon so it doesn't get duplicated. I, personally (Kelly), spent a lot of time with things that the kids like, trying to find appropriate gifts

and in all price ranges.

<http://amzn.com/w/36WER480W3MH2>

Keep in mind, this is a WISH LIST for the kids for Christmas. I have made it fair and chose about the same amount of items/prices for each child.

We hope that you will consider helping the Elks Adopt this family.

Please bring any gift purchased locally at stores (like the clothing or gift cards listed below) to the Elks UNWRAPPED so that we can place a value on the gift to measure how successful this program is. Bring any gifts to the Elks before or on the Tom and Jerry party - December 14th. Any gift you purchase through the Amazon Wish list will be directly shipped to the Elks and no further action is required. At the Tom & Jerry Party, we are asking volunteers to bring wrapping paper, tape, scissors ad anything necessary to help wrap all of our gifts. It will be a T&J slash gift wrapping party. Any cash that is donated in jars placed at the Elks will be used towards purchasing any remain items off the Amazon Wish List.

I, personally, am donating \$50. Not that it matters, but I want you to know that not only am I organizing this event, but I am also participating in this as well.

Part of being an Elk is giving back to our community. I think this will be an ideal way for us to give back to our community for the holidays.

Below is the list of clothing sizes. The family includes:

Mom - gift cards to Hy Vee for groceries

Arrion - 19, boy. Men's 4X sweatpants and t-shirts

Cierra - 16, girl. Medium shirts

Tyler - 14, boy. Men's large shirts, pants and jeans 31 waist

Destiny - 13, girl. Women's medium shirts, 3/4 pants/jeans/skirts

Makayla - 9, girl. Women's medium shirts, 8 jeans/pants
Gift cards to Old Navy, Rue 21, Gordmans, Target and Walmart to pick out their own clothing. However, gift cards to any store or restaurant are great gifts.

Let's help give this family a great Christmas in their time of need.

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Board of Directors

MINUTES 11/4/13

I. General Manager Report

- A. 35 have taken advantage of early buy offer

II. Old Business

- A. Budget process to begin

III. New Business

- A. Mick Potter resigns from Trustees

IV. Attendance

- Present: Mick Potter, Don Sharp, Greg Finger, Mike Morony, Jason Tjarks and Steve Wilson.

Absent: Matt Devery

MINUTES 11/18/13

I. General Manager Report

- A. Total of 56 golf members and 7 swim member took advantage of early buy, totaling \$58,738.35.

- B. Post Office has informed us that our advertising in bulletin is in violation of nonprofit mailing. Working

with Graphic Printing to correct the problem.

II. Old Business

- A. Need to take nominations to fill Trustee vacancy.

III. New Business

- A. Greg Finger elected to be chairman of the Board of Directors

- B. Ned presented cost of replacing controllers for irrigation system on all holes except 3 and 4 will be around \$11,000 will need to be put in next year's budget. These controllers will be retro fit to any improvements we make in the old irrigation system.

- C. B.O.D. to meet Sunday 11/24 to discuss ways to approach shortfall as well as ways to make up for the \$17,000 lost to flood repairs.

IV. Attendance

- Present: Greg Finger, Don Sharp, Mike Morony, Matt Devery, Jason Tjarks and Steve Wilson.

Absent: None.



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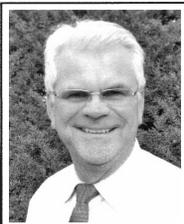
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Dear Elks members and families,

Season's greetings from the Iowa City Elks Board of Directors! As the golf and pool seasons have come to an end, the board is reviewing our budget for the year 2013-2014. We would like to notify all of our members of some important changes that we feel will be necessary to maintain our operations.

As many of you know, we had flood damage and some storm damage this summer. The lodge was hit with several bills that were not covered by insurance, as well as lost revenue during those days. These figures total to about \$20,000. These costs and lost revenue were not budgeted for the year. Now we are faced with potentially not making payroll sometime this winter. Instead of taking out a loan from the bank, we are going to ask to use some of our restricted funds to continue to operate until the cash flow begins once again after the first of the year. In order to use the restricted funds, the members (you) will need to approve the use in a lodge vote. That vote will take place during the January 6, 2014 regular lodge meeting at 7 PM. We will be asking the state or national elks organizations for their help as well and if we are able to secure funds from either organization, those funds will then be deposited in the restricted funds.

Also, to help cover the ever-increasing costs of operations, we are proposing changes to the members' dues amounts. The regular dues amount will raise \$45 a year to \$289 and the lifetime members' dues will raise \$31 a year to \$75. All other fees for golf and the pool will remain unchanged. Once again, these changes will require the approval of the members in a separate vote, also on January 6.

One way that we can save money is that starting in February the monthly bulletin will no longer be sent US Mail. The bulletin will be sent to the members via email so be sure that you have joined the email distribution list. To do so, send your information to our email address: elks590@elks590.org. The bulletin, as always, will be posted to our website and Facebook pages each month for your review and copies will still be made available in the lodge. If you still want a paper copy sent to you, we will be charging a fee for the year to offset this expense.

The best way to support our lodge during the off-season is to use our restaurant. Our restaurant has increased its menu as well as the quality of the food. We offer many great food items that are hand prepared. Our normal crowd for Wednesday night is 35-50, depending on the time of the year. Friday night is around 75-100. We currently have a total of approximately 560 members and their families. As you can see on Wednesday night, we aren't even getting 10% of membership to eat at the lodge. If we are going to continue serving meals in the evening, we need to increase our members' usage. If your family does decide to eat out on a Wednesday or Friday night, please consider using the lodge.

For those of you looking to get more involved in some of the lodge activities, starting in April we will have a couple of openings on the board; one as a trustee of the board of directors and one of the chair positions. The trustee of the board is for three years and the chair position is four years. Please contact the lodge or any board member for more information. We are always looking for volunteers to fill positions on many of our committees: pool, social, veterans, essay contest, . . .

Have a safe and fabulous Holiday Season!

Iowa City Elks Lodge #590 Board of Directors,
Greg Finger, Chair
Don Sharp, Trustee
Mike Morony, Exalted Ruler
Matt Devery, Leading Knight
Jason Tjarks, Loyal Knight
Steve Wilson, Lecturing Knight



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- *Luncheons*
- *Dinners*
- *Private Parties*
- *Meetings*
- *Members / Guests*

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
1 Closed	2 No Meeting Pro Shop 11-4	3 Pro Shop 11-4	4 Pro Shop 11-4 Dinner 5:30 - 8:30	5 Pro Shop 11-4	6 Chicken Cordon Bleu Pro Shop 11-4 Dinner 5:30 - 9	7 Private Party Private Party Closed
8 Closed	9 Pro Shop 11-4	10 Pro Shop 11-4	11 Pro Shop 11-4 Dinner 5:30 - 8:30	12 Pro Shop 11-4	13 Crab Legs Pro Shop 11-4 Dinner 5:30 - 9	14 Tom & Jerry 11-2 Private Party
15 Closed	16 Lodge Meeting 7:00 PM Pro Shop 11-4	17 Pro Shop 11-4	18 Pro Shop 11-4 Dinner 5:30 - 8:30	19 Pro Shop 11-4	20 Beef Tenderloin Pro Shop 11-4 Dinner 5:30 - 9	21 B.F. Burt 7:30 Closed
22 Closed	23 Closed	24 Closed	25 Merry Christmas Closed	26 Closed	27 Closed	28 Closed
29 Closed	30 Closed	31 New Year's Eve Party 7:30				

ELKS CLUB BPO #590

2014 GOLF AND SWIMMING SEASON MEMBERSHIP

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Name _____ Spouse _____

Member # _____ Home Phone _____

Children:

_____ Age _____ _____ Age _____

_____ Age _____ _____ Age _____

Member's Signature _____

	<i>Deduct</i> If paid by 12/15		
1 Family Golf Membership	\$33.25	\$950.00	\$ _____
USGA Certified Handicap	n/a	\$20/person	_____
<small>(Please indicate for which family member you desire a handicap)</small>			
2 Single Golf Membership	\$23.60	\$675.00	\$ _____
USGA Certified Handicap	n/a	\$20/person	_____
3 Junior Golf Membership	\$8.75	\$250.00	\$ _____
USGA Certified Handicap		FREE	_____ \$0.00
4 Family Swimming	\$12.25	\$350.00	\$ _____
5 Season Cart Rental	\$17.30	\$495.00	\$ _____
6 Cart Storage (includes gas and electricity.)	\$10.50	\$300.00	\$ _____
7 Trail Fee	\$3.50	\$100.00	\$ _____
<small>(Privates carts not stored on Elks Property)</small>			
		Subtotal	_____
		6% Sales Tax	_____
8 Locker Rental			
Annual Locker Fee	\$2.60	\$75.00	\$ _____
10 Year Locker Fee	\$17.50	\$500.00	\$ _____
Lifetime Locker Fee	\$26.25	\$750.00	\$ _____
		Total with Sales Tax	_____