

The Bulletin

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Message from the Exalted Ruler

Happy February,

Sad new first, we have lost another of our members, **William Walker** passed away January 27th after suffering a short illness. Please keep Williams family in your thoughts & prayers.

Vicksburg local Hoop Shoot, and the Central District Hoop Shoot took place in January. There are 6 children that are eligible to advance to the State Hoop Shoot in Ocean Springs. Wish these kids luck hope they all get to go to regional Hoop Shoot.

BPOE #95 will have a float this year again in the Vicksburg **Mardi Gras Parade** on February 6th. Hopefully we can win another trophy. Float has been enlarged for this year. Thanks to Glenn and Libby Beard for use of their trailer. Thanks to all that helped decorate and donated to this effort.

The ENF Valentine Lobster and Steak Dinner is Saturday, evening, February 13th at the Lodge. The cost is \$30.00 each and must be prepaid. Sign up sheet is in the social quarters at the Lodge. Please sign up by Feb 8th. Desserts and appetizers are needed at the dinner if you can help. Proceeds go to ENF. Please remember, smoking is only confined to the lounge area

Richard Price still has tickets to the two unique rifles he is raffling for ENF. These rifles have unique serial numbers and will be a great addition to anyone's collection. Get your tickets at the Social Quarters.

Make a resolution to attend some of the Lodge business meetings this year and learn the workings of our lodge. We are required to close the lounge during regular business meeting so that all members present will attend the meeting. Please make note of this and be patient with the bartender before and after the meeting.

Thanks to all that have been helping in the Lodge with cooking, serving meal, bartending cleaning and any other chore that makes this lodge run and function.

Please remember our sick members in your thoughts, prayers, and deeds, as we have several that need your support! Also, remember our military and support them also.

If you would like to keep more up to date on Lodge activities, please visit the Vicksburg BPOE #95 Facebook site, where you can read updates and post messages and pictures of Lodge activities.

Yours in Elkdom,
Michael Dorsett, Exalted Ruler, 2015-2016

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VA NEWS

On January 19th, a non-Elk and I visited the State Veterans Retirement Home, the Sonny Montgomery VA Hospital assisted living unit and the mental ward for our usual monthly Bingo games and refreshments. We had 27 vets at the Home, 29 at the assisted living unit and 5 in the mental ward. A good time was had by all.

The van program is progressing. We leave Vicksburg at 7:30 a.m. on Tuesday and Thursday. Anyone wishing to help may call 601 415-5605 or 601 519-5113. The next monthly visit will be on February 16th.

Yours in Elkdom,
Sid Ervin, Chairman Miss. State Elks Association
National Veterans Service Commission

Elks National Foundation News

I have several ENF items of note for Feb for your awareness and support. The ENF "Let's Make a Deal" for Thurs nights will soon come to a close – running out of prizes. If we have more prizes donated we can continue but, for now I am tapped out. I would like to say thanks to Bubba McNeil for the winning bid on the hummodore.

We are raffling two Henry 22 rifles with special Elks serial numbers. One is an AR-7 survival rifle with BPOE95ENF, sold only to Vicksburg 95 members for \$5.00 each or 5 for \$20. The other is a Golden Boy lever action with MSELKSENF15 sold to all MS Elks for \$10.00 each or 5 for \$40. See fliers at the lodge for details and please support ENF by purchasing 5 tickets of each. If every member gave \$60, not only would we blow all previous ENF records for the State of MS, every member would have 10 chances to win two one-of-a-kind rifles to be cherished by the lucky loyal Elk winners. Tickets will be available at the lodge or by calling me.

Lobster Lovers Night is back!! We will have a lobster dinner on Saturday, Feb 13 with all the trimmings to share with your special someone and your Elks family. Steaks will also be provided if lobster is not your cup of tea. There will be a sign-up sheet in the lounge beginning New Years Eve to select your choice and number of people in your party.

Cost will be \$30 per person – PAID IN ADVANCE – with a cutoff date of 8 Feb to ensure we invite enough lobsters to fly overnight from Maine to Vicksburg. Entertainment will be last years band the lobster is a little bigger than last year! All proceeds from food and entertainment activities will support ENF and all bar proceeds will support the lodge general fund.

So please, sign up early, enjoy a special night and support your Elks Lodge and ENF! BTW – we will draw for the AR-7 raffle right after the 11 o'clock toast!

Yours in Elkdom,
Richard A Price, ENF Chairman 601-831-1203

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Many Thanks and appreciation to all those who cooked, served and cleaned for the month of January;

Richard & Cindy: Roasted pork loin, cheesy hash-brown casserole, potatoes, green beans, salad, rolls & dessert

Jim, Jeff & Joe: Fried catfish, baked catfish turnip greens, French fries, cole slaw


Dave & Rachael: Hamburger steak, mashed potatoes & gravy, green beans, salad, bread & dessert

Jacques: Chicken Cordon Bleu, potatoes, zucchini mix, rolls, salad & dessert

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February 2016

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Please email to me, by the 3rd Thursday (or thereabouts) if you would like anything published in the bulletin! My email is: mississippi.queen_85@yahoo.com Thanks, Kelly Franco			3 6:15 G'ving Board & Trustee MTG	4 7:00 Sherry & Melanie Lasagna	5	6 MARDI GRAS PARADE
7 SUPER BOWL PARTY	8 SIGN UP DEADLINE FOR STEAK OR LOBSTER	9	10 7:00 Regular Business	11 7:00 Catfish	12	13 STEAK OR LOBSTER NIGHT
14	15	16 V.A. Visit 	17	18 6:15 Ladies AUX MTG 7:00 TBA	19	20
21	22	23	24 7:00 Regular Business	25 7:00 TBA	26	27
28	29	MARCH 1	2	3 7:00 TBA	4	5

I would like to extend many thanks to the patrons of the Lodge who supports us every week in buying the meals that is provided by our volunteers on Thursday nights. It certainly provides incentive to the ones that cook and clean and donate their time and prepare some excellent meals at a reasonable cost. Also thanks to all that help buy food, clean, prepared and take money. Your help is always greatly appreciated.

Thanks! Jacques Parmegiani, Kitchen Coordinator

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AUXILIARY NEWS — February 2016

Dear Ladies,

February looks to be an exciting month, we are looking forward to the annual **Mardi Gras Parade** on **Feb 6th** (make sure you come to the parade and look for the Lodge's float), and of course the **Valentine's Dinner** on the **13th**.... fresh lobster or steak!!! (If you have not yet **signed up** for this dinner, make sure to do so before the **8th** – sign up at the bar).

I would like to thank the DOES members for once again sponsoring our team the “River City Misfits” in the Chili for Children contest on Jan 30th – all proceeds go to the Warren County Children's Shelter.

Thursday, February 11th is catfish night and our monthly **cake raffle**, this month the cakes are compliments of **Angela Jackson & Millie Rone** (although the rest of us might add a few Valentine's goodies to the raffle as well). Chances are available for just 50-cents each on catfish night, be sure to get plenty. Thanks for supporting us!

We encourage any lady who is a member of the lodge, spouse of a member or single daughter of a member to attend and be part of our BPOE Lodge #95 Ladies Auxiliary organization (DOES). Our next meeting will be Thursday, February 18th @ 6:15pm. We would be honored to have you join us!

A reminder, the Auxiliary Cookbooks are available at the lodge and around town for just \$7.00 – get yours today.

ANGELA JACKSON, Ladies Auxiliary President 2015-2016

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