

From the desk of Kirk Wallace – IEA President



Greetings:

As we approach the Christmas Season let us all remember those less fortunate than ourselves. The things we may take for granted, some families can only dream of. Let us also remember to look in our own back yard. There are many Elks that are feeling the impact of these economic times. A warm handshake, a friendly greeting, or a short telephone call to those who don't make it to the Lodge that frequently, will go a long way to lift the spirits of our Brother and Sister Elks.

And finally, remember our Veterans. Don't forget these brave individuals who have sacrificed so much for the freedoms we enjoy daily.

I am very pleased with the response for pictures of the Missing Man Tables. I counted twenty six pictures today and I know there are many more Lodges that have MM Tables. Please take a digital picture and send it to iea-support@illinois-elks.org for posting. It will be immediately displayed on our IEA Website.

On behalf of the IEA, the State Officers, and Chair-persons, I would like to wish all a very Happy Holiday Season. Let us, as Elks, continue to exhibit all of the Cardinal Principles of our Order, especially Charity during this blessed season.

As a reminder, the list of items requested for the January S.O.S. project is still posted on the IEA web site for your convenience. The direct link is below or you may access it under "Our Programs" then "Veterans."

<http://www.illinois-elks.org/programs/veterans/sos/items2011/DistrictItems-2011a.pdf>

Please continue to help Broadcast Elkdom!

Fraternally,

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