



### **Members All:**

This is my first article as Exalted Ruler and I would like to welcome all of you to a new Lodge Year. Every new Lodge year the new E.R. has his or her goals that they would like to accomplish. This year I would like us all to carry with us the motto, Elks Care, Elks Share. Secondly, I would like to set a goal of 100 new members by next April. This may seem a little far fetched but if we all set our goals high we can meet this goal. I would like to share a speech given by P.E.R. Tom Dinkleman to the Brotherhood of Interfraternal Organizations:

"The Protective Order of Elks takes two forms. On a national level, the Elks National Foundation, an endowment established by the BPOE in 1928 provides funds, through member donations, for the Elks Most Valuable Student Scholarship program, annually awarding nearly \$4 Million in college scholarships to graduating seniors. It also funds the Elks Hoop Shoot free throw contest, the largest co-ed sporting event in our country for boys and girls ages 8-13 years old. It is directly involved in the Elks Drug Awareness program, distributing millions of pieces of literature to make kids and their parents aware of the dangers posed by alcohol and illegal drugs. It also supports The Elks National Veterans Service Commission, which has served the interests of America's veterans since World War I. Today the Commission operates a range of programs designed to improve the quality of life of our veterans as well as salute their service to the country, thus helping us keep our promise as Elks, "So long as there are Veterans, the Elks will never forget them." The National Foundation also supplements the Elks State Charitable funds at a return rate of \$2.40 for every dollar donated to Elks National Foundation by our members.

At the State level each State has a Major Charitable Project funded by member assessment and donations from members and friends throughout the state. The Michigan Elks Association assists handicapped children under the age of 18. The Major Project provides facilitating services essential to treatment, such as special examinations, therapy, and special equipment. The State Major Project also sponsors attendance at Speech Camps, Diabetic Camps, and Special Therapy Camps. The overall aim of the Michigan Elks Major Project is to help handicapped children become self-sufficient, healthy, contributing citizens of our communities. The total funds expended in Michigan by the Michigan Major Projects coupled with in-kind donations from the Elks National Foundation for the benefit of the children of our state in the year 2008 was nearly \$330,000. The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks will continue serving their members and their communities in the future, just as they have for over 140 years. I hope we can all carry on the great tradition of Elkdom as well as the social activities that keep us coming into our clubroom.

Fraternally Yours; David Fett, Exalted Ruler

#### THE ELEVEN O' CLOCK NEWS

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### 2008 - 2009

2000	2007
Exalted Ruler	David Fett
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Government Relations	-
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Lodge Public Relations	Bill Dvda
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National Foundation	
National Service (Vets)	
Necrology	
Picnic	
Pumpkin Patch	
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President	
Vice President	Kathy Tasch
Secretary	Sue Williams
Treasurer	Marge Smith
Trustee	Barb Dinkelmann
Trustee	MaryAnn Miller
Trustee	Gail Elias

#### HONOREES 2007-2008

Elk of the Year	Rick Calverley
Officer of the Year	Michael Rearick
Sweetheart of Elkdom	Deb Patterson

# LODGE EVENT CALENDAR

In this issue of the newsletter, you will find a schedule of events for the upcoming Lodge year. Each month in the newsletter there will be additional information on each event such as time and cost. We hope that everyone will find some activity that is of interest to them and comes down and participates. If you have an idea for an event, or would like to run an event, please contact Jim Flanigan or Dave Fett.

We are always open to suggestions, and our goal is to get more members involved and spending time with their Elk friends. We also send a weekly email with reminders of club activities and up-to-date information, if you would like to receive this email, please send your email address to mhackney@comcast.net Come on down and be a part of our great Lodge!

Maureen Hackney

Lodge Secretary

#### 2009 Lodge Schedule of Events

#### April-09

- 4 Final Four Party
- 6 Board of Governors Mtg
- 7 Trustees Mtg
- 9 Lodge Mtg
- 10 Entertainment/Club Room
- 11 Children's Easter Egg Hunt/12pm
- 12 Easter Sunday/Lodge closed
- 18 Vendor Fair 10a-4p
- 19 District Conference 2pm/R.O.
- 20 Board of Governors Mtg
- 23 Lodge Mtg
- 24 Entertainment/Club Room
- 26 Officer/Wapiti Brunch

#### May-09

- 1 Cinco DeMayo Party
- 2 Kentucky Derby Party 2pm
- 5 Trustees Mtg
- 9 Bowling Fundraiser 3pm
- 12 Wapiti Mtg
- 13 Board of Governors Mtg
- 14 Lodge Mtg
- 15 Spring Convention
- 15 Cheeseburger Fest/Entertainment 25 Memorial Day Parade
- 27 Board of Governors Mtg
- 28 Lodge Mtg
- 29 Entertainment/Club Room

#### June-09

- 2 Trustees Mtg
- 5 Officer Steak Night
- 9 Wapiti Mtg
- 10 Board of Governors Mtg
- 11 Lodge Mtg/Flag Day Service
- 13 Comedy Classic Weekend
- 20 9 Hole Scramble
- 24 Board of Governors Mtg
- 25 Lodge Mtg
- 26 Big Chief Night/Entertainment

#### July-09

Note:

- 5 National convention
- 7 Trustees Mtg
- 10 Entertainment/club Room
- 14 Wapiti Mtg
- 18 9 Hole Scramble/BBQ Chicken Dinner
- 22 Board of Governors Mtg
- 23 Lodge Mtg
- 24 Entertainment/Club Room
- 25 Annual Golf Outing
- 31 Bar Room Olympics
  - Please check your monthly newsletter for additional information on events.

- August-09 4 Trustees Mtg
  - 7 Entertainment/Club Room
  - 8 Gold Key Golf Outing
  - 8 Beulah Golf Outing

  - 12 Board of Governors Mtg
  - 13 Lodge Mtg
  - 15 Woodward Dream Cruise
  - 21 Entertainment/Club Room

#### September-09

- 1 Trustees Mta
- 8 Wapiti Mtg
  - 9 Board of Governors Mtg
- 10 Lodge Mtg
- 12 Annual Picnic
- 13 District conference
- 19 Comedy Classic
- 23 Board of Governors Mtg
- 24 Lodae Mta
  - 25 Bring a Friend Night/Entertainment

#### October-09

November-09

December-09

- 3 Elks Cup
  - 5 Board of Governors Mtg
  - 6 Trustees Mtg
  - 8 Lodge Mtg
  - 9 October Fest/entertainment
  - 13 Wapiti Mtg
  - 15 Fall convention
  - 19 Board of Governors Mtg 23 Entertainment/Club Room

31 Halloween Party/DJ Night

9 Board of Governors Mtg

13 Entertainment/Club Room

21 Vendor Fair 10a-4pm

23 Board of Governors Mtg

4 Entertainment/Club Room

18 Christmas No Party Party

21 Board of Governors Mtg 31 New Years Eve No Party Party

13 Children's Christmas Party 12pm

22 Lodge Mtg

30 Pumpkin Patch

3 Trustees Mtg

21 Turkey Dinner

1 Trustees Mtg.

8 Wapiti Mtg 10 Lodge Mtg.

5 Lodge Hoop Shoot

7 Board of Governors

6 Memorial Service

10 Wapiti Mtg

12 Lodge Mtg



### **MEMBERSHIP** Next Initiation: March 26, 2009

### **Proposed for Membership:**

Nic Fraylick Proposer: Robert McHugh 420 S. Minerva Royal Oak, MI 48067

William H. Moon Proposer: Rick Calverley 506 S. Wilson. Royal Oak, MI 48067

Drew Garner Proposer: Shad Garner 2826 Pine Heights Dr. West Bloomfield, MI 48341

Chris Kava Proposer: Mike Rearick 427 S. Kenwood Ave. Royal Oak, MI 48067

Necrology: Wesley G. Williams #4978 Initiated: 9/22/1993 D.O.B.: 10/1/1924 D.O.D.: 2/12/2009

# 365 BANKS

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**A BIG "Thank You"** to all 365 bank donors. We appreciate all your support throughout the year. You have made so many needy children happy!

# Elks Care, Elks Share.

# OFFICER AWARD CERMONY AND WAPITI INSTALLATION

On Sunday, April 26, 2009 we are trying something new! Instead of an Officer's Ball, we are having a Sunday Brunch. Join us for a delicious breakfast buffet, followed by our outgoing Exalted Ruler Mike Hall's awards presentations, our incoming Exalted Ruler Dave Fett's plans for the upcoming year and the Wapiti installation of Officers. The brunch which is all you can eat; starts at 12 noon and the cost is \$10 per person. Tickets must be purchased in advance and can be purchased from the bartender or Maureen Hackney.

### **Veterans List**

The following is a list of our adopted Veterans residing in the VA hospital. We are sure they would love to receive a card or a visit from you.

Name	Birthday	Room #
Albert Harris	8/8/1922	A-6053-A
Ronald C. Richardson	7/12/1945	A-6043-A
Ernest Allen	6/24/1938	A-6029-A
Daniel Francis Siglin	4/16/1931	A-6013-A
Robert Leon Norman	4/19/1936	A-6045-A
Clifford L. Krug	9/22/1945	A-6049-A
Deran Mardirosian	2/13/1922	A-6015-A
Robert L. Henry	9/19/1940	A-6039-A
Lavel Miller	12/6/1917	A-6053-A
Aubrey L. Durham	7/28/1917	A-6019-A

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# WEBSITE ADDRESS

Visit our new updated web site at http://www.royaloakelks.com



for all of the latest information regarding our activities, lunches and Friday night dinners. An up-to-date calendar lists all of the activities for the month and future months. Don't have your newsletter yet? It's on line as soon as it's gone to print. Take a look. Any comments or suggestions are welcome. See any officer or Jess

Euchre Every Thursday & Saturday Night 7:00 pm start time \$7.00 to play \$.25 euchre No Reservations needed All are welcome!!!!!!!

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Would you like the monthly newsletter sent to your email address?



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### You will also get weekly updates of Lodge Events.

To sign up, simply send an email to Maureen at mhackney@comcast.net with your name, email address and including "Newsletter" in the subject line. Or, you can sign the guest book on the Lodge web site: www.royaloakelks.com

# MEMBERSHIP REPORT

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### 2008 - 2009 Patrons to the Newsletter Thank you for YOUR Support

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To renew or to be added as a Patron of the Eleven O'Clock News, please mail this form with a \$10.00 check to: Royal Oak Elks Lodge #1523 (In memo print 'Patron"), 2401 E. Fourth Street, Royal Oak, MI 48067.

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### **Clubroom** Parties

Planning on having a party in our clubroom? Please schedule all club room parties of 10 or more with our banquet manager. This will ensure that everyone can be accommodated and that our clubroom is not already scheduled for another function.

> Thank You. **The Board of Governors**

# **UNDER THE ANTLERS**

Hello Members and Families,

April begins a new year of festvities at Royal Oak Lodge. David Fett, ER, met with officers, interested members, and the Entertainment Committee, chaired by Jim Flanigan on March 8 to map out events for the coming year. Watch for the postings of these events on our new bulletin board and in the newsletter. Thank you Dave and Jim and all those that attended for a productive planning meeting.

Friday night dinners have been growing every week. The kitchen floor has been finished so the kitchen will remain open. April 3, Mike Cody is having a "fresh caught" perch dinner. April 10th promises to be another "Kitty Arney" special. After Easter, Friday dinners may go back to an every two week schedule.

The Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Saturday, April 11, Cindi and Terry are sure to have a great hunt for all the kids, come on down and ask if you can help out.

April 18, the Vendor Fair will be held in our hall. Gail Elias always plans a great event and looks forward to your attendance.

We plan on having entertainment at least two fridays a month. At this time entertainment is planned for May 10 and 24.

Come down and support your Lodge even if there is not a scheduled event. The NCAA basketball tournment is being held in Detroit at Ford Field and starts on April 4 with the finals on April 6. What would April be with out one of the greatest golf tournments in the world, the Masters starting on April 9 and finishing on Easter Sunday.

Our Lodge meeting will again be held the second and fourth Thursday of each month. Your new officers would be happy to see more participation at this meeting.

> Fraternally Your, Bill Dyda, Est. Leading Knight

## WAPITI NEWS

Where did all the time go? This is the end of my second term and, with this in mind, I have a lot of heartfelt thanks! The first thing that I have to do is thank each and everyone who had a part in the February Euchre tournament, which was an absolute success! Mike Hall, Gail Elias, Kathy Veerecke, MaryAnn Miller, Maureen Hackney, Kathy Tasch, Barb and Tom Dinkelman, Lori Gonte, Jamie Poehlman, the euchre club, all the euchre players and last, but not least, my husband, Mike Rearick. Each and every one of these people made this event a huge success. Gail Elias hosted the fashion show with the help of Maureen Hackney and all of her wonderful models. She did a great job as always! Now it is time to thank the outgoing officers and introduce the incoming

OUTGOING		INCOMING
Patty Rearick	President	Kathy Veerecke
Marge Michels	V.President	Kathy Tasch
Sue Williams	Secretary	Sue Williams
Marge Smith	Treasurer	Marge Smith
Gail Elias	Trustee	Gail Elias
Ginger Metzelberg	Trustee	Barb Dinkelman
Carol Hennessey	Trustee	MaryAnn Miller

All these people are a big asset to the group and another big asset is Maureen Hackney & Michelle Collick they always helped put on the end of the year events and did what ever was needed. Also, another asset a special one to me is Ellie Madsen you have a special place in my heart.

As I leave office, I know that I am leaving it in good hands, Kathy Veereke! This is an amazing and wonderful woman. She can put a smile on your face and brighten your day. She is very crafty and will guide everyone well. This is such a great organization that does well for our community. Every member, every volunteer makes it what it is. The change of officer's celebration is Sunday April 26 at 1:00 this will be a Sunday brunch that will be combined with the Elks. Watch Maureen's blurbs and sign in the clubroom for further details on this. The cost is \$10. A special note: it was discussed during February's meeting to changing the meeting date to the second Tuesday due to availability of the room, In March it was voted on and the meeting will be the second Tuesday of the month. April, no meeting. It is the changing of officers on Sunday April 26. May, Meeting will be May 12 Kathy will keep you updated on upcoming events and remember Maureen Hackney does a weekly blurb. Maureen just needs your email address. It has been my pleasure and just because I am done, does not mean I am out of the game. I will be around.

> Sincerely Your Past President Patty Rearick

# SCAMP FUNDRAISER

Thank you to everyone who attended the SCAMP fundraiser, to Jerry and Denise Andrzejak for providing music, to Barb Dinkelmann for making her famous crab meat dip and cheese spread and helping with the event, to Mike Hall for providing appetizers, securing donations, and helping with the event, to Carlos Gonsalves and Bob Stano for donating food for appetizers, to Gail Elias for donating several door prizes and to the Euchre players and our Past Exalted Ruler Association for their generous financial donations. While the event was not as successful as we had hoped, we were able to present Bloomfield SCAMP with a check for \$1100 to help with the things they need for this summer camping experience. These children look forward to camp each summer and without our help and that of the ELKS, this event would not be possible.

Maureen Hackney Major Projects Chairperson



APRIL 2009 ROYAL OAK ELKS LODGE #1523 REFRIGERATOR PAGE						
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5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	•BOG	•Trustee Meeting		•Lodge Meeting •Euchre	•Fish Fry •Entertainment Club- room •Newsletter Deadline	•Kids Easter Egg Hunt •Euchre
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•Lodge Closed				•Euchre		•Vendor Fair •Euchre
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•District Meeting	•BOG			•Lodge Meeting •Euchre •Temple Assoc. Meet- ing	•Entertainment Club- room	•Euchre
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