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The Eleven O'Clock News



Royal Oak Elks No. 1523

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EASTER EGG HUNT



Saturday, April 7th
Beginning at 12 Noon
Fun~Food~Games~Prizes
Special appearance by the
*****Easter Bunny*****

ELKS ROAD RALLY

Saturday, May 12, 2012

Come join us for a day full of fun!

\$20.00 a person

First Prize goes to the first car back to the lodge.

For more information or to sign up please contact Bonnie

Cody

(248) 544-3560

E-Mail: banquetmanager1523@comcast.net

KENTUCKY DERBY PARTY



Saturday May 5, 2012

Join us for big screen TV racing, place your bets and root for your favorites.

Decorate a hat for Derby Day and join in the hat contest; prizes for the top two hats.

Watch the actual Kentucky Derby Race.



The FUN starts at 2pm



Exalted Rulers Message

Spring greetings to all,

Yes it is that time of year again where we have yard clean ups and things turning green with new growth. So it is with our Lodge. Our P.E.Rs are stepping up once again to fill the offices of Loyal Knight, Leading Knight, Exalted Ruler, Lodge Secretary, Treasurer and Inner Guard. We are still in need of a Tiler and Lecturing Knight. Our Trustees deserve special thanks as well because of all the time these people take for the running of our Lodge. Please take the time to thank these men and women, as they are always there to help and assist in the running of our Lodge. Without men and women like these, our Lodge would be lost.

Not just our officers deserve special recognition but all of you members who frequent the Lodge and Clubroom for our social gatherings and who are there every day. I salute you! We all know the difficulties with everyday life and what transpires with it. The unexpected surprises that are out of our control and yet we persevere through them. It is no different with our Lodge and I think that we forget or take for granted the hidden things that are done around our Lodge by the few that are always there to assist. I say a few only because of the fact that with a membership of almost 300, those who are there to aide and assist in the upkeep number in the few. Bottom line is I thank you all who help!

I would like to extend an invitation to all of our members, their wives and families to help me during this next year in bringing our Lodge back to a life that we enjoyed several years ago. A time when our Clubroom was full on Friday and Saturday nights with a DJ, dancing and Karaoke and other fun things. You are valuable to the operation of our Club and I ask you to talk with me. Give me your thoughts, ideas and concerns. I cannot do it alone, I need your help. Our Friday night dinners have seen an increase in participation and our kitchen crews have done a great job. We have had a Wine Pairing event which turned out great. Our St Patrick's day festivities turned out great as well.

Our annual golf outing is in the planning stages so lets get signed up. It is a day of fun and fellowship for all. There are many things that are on the agenda for the upcoming months, so plan to be at the club to help and enjoy.

Let's remember all of our new members to make them feel welcome. They are our life blood for the years to come. Let's continue to bring in new members. A special thanks to the people who did an excellent job in repainting our halls. Thanks guys!

I look forward to seeing everyone at the Lodge and if we have not met, shame on me. So come up to me, tap me on the shoulder and say hi.

Fraternally,

Bill Giertz - Exalted Ruler

*Mother's Day Service
Sunday, May 13, 2012*

Please join us on Sunday, May 13, 2012 for our Mother's Day service honoring the women who have done so much for us. The service starts at 1pm followed by light refreshments. Bring your Mother, and celebrate the day.



**SHUFFLEBOARD
TOURNAMENTS
CONTINUE !**



**7 PM—FRIDAYS
IN THE CLUB ROOM!**

***Happy Hour at the
Lodge!
Monday - Friday
Open - 7 PM***



Membership Report

Next Initiation: April 19, 2012

Proposed for Membership:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Proposer</u>
Kim S. Nash	Pam Omiatek

Eligible for Life Membership

Age 65 & 30 years completed as an Elk in good standing
None at this time

Requests for Transfer/Dimit

None at this time

Necrology

None at this time



CLUB ROOM HOURS

Monday - Thursday	3-11 pm
Friday	3-12 Midnight
Saturday	12 Noon - 12 Midnight
Sunday	12 Noon - 10 pm



*The Bartender or Club Management reserves the option to remain open later
\$15 Minimum for use of Credit/Debit Cards
has been removed*

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OFFICERS 2012 - 2013

Exalted Ruler.....William Giertz, PER
Est. Leading Knight.....William Dyda, PER
Est. Loyal Knight.....Tom Dinkelmann, PDDGER
Est. Lecturing Knight.....To Be Determined
Secretary.....Maureen Hackney, HLM
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Tiler.....To Be Determined
Esquire.....Michael Rearick, PER
Inner Guard.....To Be Determined
Chaplain.....Jack M. Pedder, L.M.
Subordinate Forum.....Claude Beavers
Organist.....Jack M. Pedder, L.M.

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4 Year Trustee.....Pam Omiatek
3 Year Trustee.....Norman Raymond
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1 Year Trustee.....David Fett, PER

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Americanism.....William Dyda, PER
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Flag Day.....Albert Elias, PDDGER
Government Relations.....To Be Determined
Golf Outing.....Rick & Lois Calverley
Hoop Shot.....Jeff Dinkelmann, PER
Indoctrination.....PER Association
Investigation.....PER Association
Lapsation/Membership.....Michael Rearick, PER
Lodge Public Relations.....To Be Determined
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Memorial Day Parade.....Albert Elias, PDDGER
Mothers Day.....Albert Elias, PDDGER
National Foundation...Tom Dinkelmann, PDDGER
National Service (Vets).....Ginger Metzberg
Necrology.....Miles Young
Picnic.....William Dyda, PER
Pumpkin Patch.....Maureen Hackney, HLM
Scholarships.....Carole Lakotish
Visitation.....Maureen Hackney, HLM
Youth Activities.....Sue Williams

HONOREES 2012-2013

Elk of the Year.....Rick Calverley
Officer of the Year.....Pam Omiatek
Sweetheart of Elkdom.....Maureen Hackney
Outstanding Member.....Ed Harvey
Citizen of the Year.....Gayle Chinn



FRIDAY NIGHT DINNERS

The Last Fish Fry is April 6....

Watch for Maureen (Sweetheart of Elkdom by the way) cookin somethin special on April 13th.
DEFINITELY NOT FISH



Scholarship News

The Scholarship Committee is pleased to announce that Lodge 1523 had a \$1,000 finalist this year. Regan Shannon will receive a one-time payment of \$1,000 for being one of the 60 students to receive this honor. He is a senior at Royal Oak High School.

A total of 716 students from Michigan high schools applied for scholarship monies this year. This is down slightly from 2011. Seventeen students have advanced to the national level for judging in April.

We Elks should be very proud of the scholarship money that is spent every year on very promising students. Only the U.S. Government awards more money for college scholarships. There are 18 national awards given every year ranging from \$60,000 down to \$8,000.

We certainly wish all the finalists the very best of luck.

Carole Lakotish
Scholarship Chair



WEB SITE ADDRESS

Visit our new updated web site at

<http://www.royaloakelks.com>

For all the latest information regarding Lodge 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 Hackney.



WE ARE ALSO ON FACEBOOK!

UNDER THE ANTLERS



Members and Friends;
Thank you for electing me Leading Knight for the second time! I hope once again that I gain more of your confidence in making our Lodge a continued success as we set forth into another year of service. Service not only to Lodge but our community, the handicapped and our veterans.

I must tell you that we have lost site of the motto of the Leading Knight and that is one of charity. We have never failed to support out members in their time of need, nor should we forsake the state of our Lodge building which has undergone many changes. We should remember that providing time and expertise is an act of charity that is a valuable gift that you can contribute to your Lodge. Our membership continues to decline leaving a smaller pool of people to count on. We would like to call upon anyone who can help make this small sacrifice.

There have been new events we have held over the past few months, in an effort to reach out to more of our members. The Wine Tasting event was tremendous, our Friday night dinners continue to inspire "wanna be chefs" to new heights of wonderful cuisine. These things can only continue if you support them with your attendance and your time.

Be prepared for May 5th as the first Saturday brings our exciting "Kentucky Derby Party"! You will feel like you're off to the races and Win, Place or Show with the filly of your choice. Then on May 12th another new event with our first Road Rally!

With that, remember this is "Your Lodge" and in that word comes the word "Our" and it takes all of "Our" help to make it a success.

Fraternally,
Bill Dyda - Leading Knight

USE OF THE KITCHEN

We are asking our Members to NOT use the kitchen with out asking a Lodge Officer for Approval.

PLEASE help us keep the kitchen ready for use for our banquet business and save unnecessary clean up costs.

Reds, Whites and Brews

One word...SUCCESS! Comes to mind when I look back at the Reds, Whites and Brews, Wine and Brew Pairing that was held at our club on Saturday, March 10th. This event was held to support our handicap children's program, battered women programs and as a fundraiser for our Lodge. We were able to raise over \$1100.00. The committee will meet to carefully decide where these proceeds will be best distributed.

I want to thank the Dan McCarthy and his crew from The Wine Shoppe located at Eastern Market for their selection of the 20 different wines they chose to match with all the wonderful appetizers from the dill spread topped with smoked salmon with capers, to the beef tenderloin served up on a special chutney sauce. Jack "the piano man" Pedder, dazzled us with his winning talents on the keyboards, while guests strolled from table to table tasting all the wonderful wines, brews and fare that we made available.

The dessert table was full of fancy miniature pastries including éclairs, cannolis' and cakes dipped in special fondant and icing. All donated from Mrs. Maddox Cakes in Farmington. And lets not forget the chocolate fountain, with its tears of flowing, smooth Belgium Dark Chocolate for dipping a variety of tasty fruits and cookies.

A special thank you for all the volunteers that came out to help make this a success! But most of all I want to thank all the guests that attended. Without you, this event would have remained...only an idea!



Pam Omiatek - Trustee

If you would like to become a Patron of the Eleven O'Clock News to help defray the cost of printing and mailing, please fill out the form below and return it with your donation to the Royal Oak Elks Lodge #1523 and we will include your name on our patron list. Thank you for your support.

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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Select one: Renewal New Patron

2011 - 2012 Patrons of the Eleven O'Clock News (Thank you for your support!)

Note: * indicates final month - time to renew!

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LEFT: Pictures from the Highly Successful Wine & Food Pairing-Tasting Evening March 10th
RIGHT: Incoming Officers Installation Brunch March 25; Special Award & Elk of the Year presented to Rick Calverley's family.
BELOW: New members after completing the Initiation Ritual. Be sure to look for them and welcome them aboard!



Royal Oak Elks Lodge 1523



April 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 •Trustee meeting	4	5 •Euchre	6 •Dinner	7 •Children's Easter Egg Hunt •Euchre
8 •Easter	9 •Bunco	10 •BOG Meeting •News Letter Deadline	11 •Golf Scramble Meeting	12 •Lodge Meeting •Euchre	13 •Dinner	14 •Euchre
15	16	17	18 •Golf Scramble	19 •Euchre	20 •Dinner	21 •Euchre
22	23 •Bunco	24 •BOG Meeting	25 •Golf Scramble	26 •Lodge Meeting •Euchre •Temple Assoc. Meeting	27 •Dinner	28 •Euchre
29	30					

Royal Oak Elks Lodge 1523



May 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 •Trustee Meeting	2 •Golf Scramble	3 •Euchre	4 •Dinner	5 •Euchre
6	7	8 •BOG meeting	9 •Golf Scramble	10 •Lodge Meeting •News Letter Deadline •Euchre	11 •Dinner	12 •Road Rally •Euchre
13 •Mothers Day Service	14	15	16 •Golf Scramble	17 •State Convention •Euchre	18 •Dinner •State Convention	19 •State Convention •Euchre
20 •State Convention	21	22 •BOG meeting	23 •Golf Scramble	24 •Lodge Meeting •Euchre	25 •Dinner	26 •Euchre
27	28	29	30 •Golf Scramble	31 •Euchre		

For questions regarding this calendar or to request an event listing, contact: [Jess Hackney](#)



FREE BIRTHDAY BURGER!

Bring this coupon to the Lodge

and receive one free hamburger or

cheeseburger, fries and a beverage on your



BIRTHDAY!



Date	Member
2	Steven White
4	Bobby Crittendon Joseph G. Maruskin John C. Williams
5	Earl Sparkman
7	John O. Mandley
8	Gordon R. Woods
11	Robert C. Baker
15	Thomas D'Allena
16	William G. Pollard
18	K. Dawn Lundin-Cannon
19	Jason T. Dinkelmann Jeffrey S. Dinkelmann Mark Newsome
22	Alfred J. Erwin Nicholas Foote John L. Kruger
24	Lisa Jaszewski Garry Spurlock Daniel Stoyka
25	Jamie S. Poehlman
28	Sean F. Wall
29	Paul E. Szumlanski
30	Glen Davis Caroline L. Jezdimir Dale J. Schneider

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

National Service Report

Dear Friends,

Thank You for you continued support for our Veterans.. I know that they are grateful for you. There are no March Birthdays for our adopted Veterans. Check out [Face Book](#) to send a "cup of Joe" to our men. Also watch for "Tight Line For Troops" coming up in Manistee, Michigan It's great fishing and last year my Son Tim's boat caught the largest fish with Veterans on board fishing.

Also St. Patrick's Day cards are being readied for all of our Adopted Veterans at John D. Dingell Hospital. We are still taking donations for clothing, towels and canteen books and for the brick pavers.

Many thanks to the responses from all of you on ways to fundraise for Veteran's projects. I truly appreciate your outgoing efforts.

God Bless our Veterans!!!

Ginger Metzelburg - National Service Chair (Veterans)



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.

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	BIRTH DATE	ROOM
Bennett	Marvin L.	4/1/1946	A-6013-A
Clark	Robert J.	1/17/1930	A-6019-B
Dessler	Ralph	1/11/1935	A-6156-B
Harris	Albert	8/8/1922	A-5117-A
Henry	Robert	9/19/1940	A-6039-A
Humphrey	Leon	8/15/1933	A-6041-A
Kelps	Paul	1/16/1932	A-6115-A
Mardirosian	Deran	2/13/1922	A-6015-
Maxfield	Kevin	10/13/1956	A-617-A
Norman	Robert Leon	4/19/1936	A-6043-A
Picarella	Albert L.	6/22/1925	A-6015-
Siglin	Daniel Francis	4/16/1931	A-6013-B

* Year not available. Rooms are being changed due to remodeling c/o V.A. Medical Center 4646 John R Street, Detroit MI 48212

List updated 08/19/2011



365 Banks

Norm Sheppard – 3
Don Leshar – 2
Carole Lakotish
Richard Nyquist
Bill Moon

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

Look for Lodge Golf News Here

Lodge Golf Outing Meeting
May 5, 2012 Time TBD



Lodge Golf League Meeting
Wednesday, April 11, 2012 @ 7 pm
After that the League will play Every Wednesday at
Rackham (Weather Permitting)



Royal Oak Elks Lodge # 1523
19th Annual Golf Scramble
Rackham Golf Course, Huntington Woods

Ten Mile Road right next to the Zoo
7:30am Registration
8:30am Shotgun Start

Saturday
July 21, 2012
Only \$80.00

18 Holes with Cart-Grab Bag-2 Drinks

The cost is the same as last year! There will be coffee and muffins before we start, hot dog and beverage at the turn and a full steak dinner at the Lodge following golf with two free drink tickets!!! There will be raffles, prizes, a putting contest, closest to the pin, longest drive and much more!

WHAT MORE COULD YOU ASK FOR!!!!!!

*Anyone wanting to help on the committee please let Dave Fett or Dave Reiber know.
Look for flyers at the bar for hole sponsorships and sign up sheets.*

For more details call 248-544-3560

HOLE SPONSORS ARE NEEDED!
\$25



GOLF OUTING DONATIONS REQUESTED

The golf outing committee is looking for raffle items to use for our golf outing on July 21st. Perhaps you have a putter, or jacket, or a small golf cooler that you would like to donate; we will be happy to have them. Just mark them golf outing and leave them at the Lodge. *The committee is working hard to make this another successful event.*

CLUB 50/50



Drawings
AT
11:00 PM
Club 50/50 is a
twice a month

drawing that will be held on
the first and third Friday of
each month, Participants may
pay monthly, semi annually, or
annually.

The total amount of each prize
will be determined by the num-
ber of people entered each
month. The more people that
enter the larger the prize. The
Club 50/50 is similar to the old
Club 100, however it is less ex-
pensive costing \$10.00 per
month. Also there is not an end
of the year party, just cash! To
the winners!

10/07/2011	Audrey Raymond
10/21/2011	David Drawbaugh
11/04/2011	Don Kirkham
11/18/2011	Bob Artis
12/02/2011	John O. Mandley
12/16/2011	Barb Dinkelmann
01/06/2012	Bob Hennessey
01/20/2012	Dave Fett
02/03/2012	Bob Artis
02/17/2012	Bill Berrington
03/02/2012	Bill Berrington
03/16/2012	David Drawbaugh

EUCHRE!

Every Thursday and Saturday Night

7:00 PM Start Time

\$7.00 to Play \$.25 Euchre

No Reservations Needed

ALL ARE WELCOME!



FROM THE BUNCO LEAGUE

BUNCO IS BACK IN THE CLUB ROOM!

Starting September 12, 2011 - Check in 6:30 pm

Play commences at 7 pm - \$10 per person

Bring a pass dish!

We play every OTHER Monday night



Contact Audrey: (248) 399-5261 for more information

Club 50/50 Application

Name: _____

Addr: _____

City: _____

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Royal Oak, MI 48067

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PLEASE DELIVER ON TIME**

Ask for:
Banquet Manager
Bonnie Cody



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Members & Guests

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