



B.P.O.E. ROYAL OAK ELKS LODGE No. 1523



# Eleven O' Clock News

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## Exalted Rulers Message

### Greetings to All



WOW...summer is here in full force! What a wonderful time to be had here at OUR Lodge. I see many opportunities to invite a friend, family member, or a neighbor to the Lodge for a little RELAXATION. Do you know someone (or yourself for that matter) that is totally stressed out and just needs to get away

for a few hours? There are a bunch of reasons to "get away." Maybe it's the J.O.B., the kids, or even the famous "honey do" list. Try something ... LISTEN, ACKNOWLEDGE (ones's gripe), AND INVITE. What's the worse thing that can happen? They can say no. More then likely they will also thank you for asking, Try it! You and your guest may enjoy a change of pace.

**Something to talk about...SCAMP CAMP!** Our lodge is installing a ramp to assist special needs children into the water, The ramp will be dedicated in Charley's name. The official dedication will be July 17th. A HUGE thanks goes out to all the people who had the awesome idea and inspiration to make this possible. This is Elkdom! As most of us are aware, Elkdom is one of the best kept secrets of our society, More information about the dedication will be in the club room.

**Something to look for ...** I am looking for donations and possibly gathering money from select 50/50s to go towards purchasing Comfort Care Kits for our veterans. These kits provide basic items for daily hygiene. We must do what we can to take care of those who took care of us.

**Invitation to all golfers ...** 20th Annual East District "Gold Key" golf outing will be held on Monday, August the fourth at the Port Huron Lodge. Cost will be \$125 per person. Breakfast buffet starts at 7:00 am and tee time is at 8:00 am. Lunch, steak cook out, and 5 drink tickets are included in the price. The "Gold Key" outing is in memory of PER Jim Eller. Let's make a good showing from our lodge to support this event. **All proceeds go to college scholarships for special needs kids.**

Thanks to all my officers who took the time out of their busy schedules to attend the Memorial Day Parade and the Flag Day Ceremonies. I am proud to have such a dedicated group of officers and the guidance of the PER association.

UPCOMING EVENT ... ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND WITH IDEAS AND SUGGESTIONS. We had several great functions at our lodge and now it is time to review our calendar. It will be on August 10 at 3:00 pm.

I am proud to be representing our Lodge at this years National Convention in Anaheim, Ca. While in California, my goal is to get some new ideas for our Lodge. I can only hope you will be excited to hear about how other lodges operate successfully as I am. I hope we will be able to use any information I am able to get to make Elkdom shine throughout our Lodge.

Again I challenge each member to consider what their contribution will be and what legacy they will leave for future members of Royal Oak Elks Lodge #1523 while serving our youth and Community.

Fraternally yours,  
Michael Hall  
Exalted Ruler



ER Michael Hall leads officers and guests at the annual Flag Day Ceremonies held on June 12, 2008.

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 Golf Outing.....Lois Calverley  
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**HONOREES 2007-2008**

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

**WANTED**

**EDITER FOR THIS HEAR PAPER**

After six years as Editor of your Lodge Newsletter, personal commitments in the East District compel me to give the job up, at least for a while. I have enjoyed it very much, and want to thank all of the authors and contributors over the years who have made the job easier. As most of the job is handled electronically, anyone interested would need an internet connected computer, e-mail and basic computer skills in MS Word, Excel, and Powerpoint. Obviously, as edit means to correct, sufficient grammar skills and the ability to spot spelling and/ or grammatical errors is a must.

Actually the Lodge office and our printer do most of the work. The editor receives the articles in whatever form from the writers, reformats them to MS Word, edits them for spelling, grammar and date coordination, and sends them to the printer. Occasionally, you would have to make up a flyer for an event in Powerpoint (which our printer usually changes anyway)

The really only hard part is the constant hounding of the authors to get their articles in, in a timely manner. Really their usually not that bad either.

So, if you think you may like to perform a valuable, although thankless service to your Lodge, that only takes 4- 6 hours a month, and is really pretty easy, let me know. You can e-mail me at *dinkelma@gdls.com* call me at 248-546-6090, or (what a concept) we could actually meet at the club and talk about it face to face. I look forward to hearing from you.

PS If you didn't spot the spelling and grammar errors in this article, the job is probably not for you!

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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 Hackney.

**CLUB HOURS**

Sunday ..... Noon - 10:00 pm  
 Monday ..... 3:00 pm - 11:00 pm  
 Tuesday ..... 3:00 pm - 11:00 pm  
 Wednesday ..... 3:00 pm - 11:00 pm  
 Thursday ..... 3:00 pm - 11:00 pm  
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# Under the Antlers

Hello All,

We are now into summer and we have a lot of activities planned for all, but first I would like to catch you up on our annual "Scotch Doubles" bowling event.

There were 104 bowlers and we raised \$700.00 for the Veterans, \$400 for Charlie's Ramp at Scamp Camp, \$200 for a V.A. Hospital project, and \$400 to the Enhancement Fund. Again I would like to give my sincere thanks to all who participated and to all those who helped.

For the members who have given the office their e-mail address, watch for weekly updates. We will be closed July 4th. On July 12th there will be an Open House and dinner for perspective new members.

The day we have been waiting for all winter and spring will finally happen on July 19th. It could be called "Golf Mania Day" the day Lois says thank heaven it's all over. A new event has been added for July 17th. We plan to dedicate Charlie's Ramp at Scamp Camp. Details will follow.

July 25th will be PER Steak Night with karaoke. August will be another slow month with members going to Beulah to play golf. We are planning a Tiger Night, August 13th, if you are interested please call the office.

Start planning your end of summer with the Lodge picnic September the sixth. Beside all the activities we would love to see what's new and enjoy a cool refreshing drink with old friends and meet new friends.

Fraternally yours,  
David Fett, Leading Knight

## SCAMP RAMP by Maureen Hackney

As many of you know, SCAMP is a five week therapeutic camp for handicapped children that runs at different locations around the state. Children from our area attend the West Bloomfield camp located on Walnut Lake. Our 365 banks and annual contributions to Major Projects help to send children to camp whose families cannot afford to do so. One of the families in our area that utilizes SCAMP for their children is the Boker Family in Royal Oak. This family has been a part of our Lodge Family since we did some renovation work on their home several years ago. The Boker's have five special need children. Charlie Boker passed away about a year and a half ago after what he described to his parents as the "best day of my life". Charlie was a familiar sight at Bloomfield SCAMP and a favorite among the staff. One of the things he told us was that it was hard for the children in wheelchairs to get across the sand into the lake for swimming and the time it took the counselors to help them cut into their swim time. After Charlie passed away, Jerry Andrzejak asked me if there was something we could do in memory of Charlie. We contacted SCAMP to see if they were in need of anything and we mentioned Charlie's comments about the ramp; needless to say they were thrilled. Jerry Andrzejak and Bob Garner went out to look at the location and see what could be done. After it was determined that a permanent structure could not be placed, Jerry contacted a company that he knew of that makes aluminum ramps, got a quote and was given a three week production time; just in time for the start of SCAMP last summer. Not so easy!! What he didn't expect was the red tape he encountered with the DNR. However, Jerry never gave up and continued with the project for the next several months when he finally received the go ahead. Jerry quickly contacted the company and they honored the quote he received last year and the new ramp was delivered on June 12, 2008. The ramp will be installed in time for the start of SCAMP this summer. On July 17, the annual Elk's visitation day will be held at Bloomfield SCAMP and we will be dedicating the ramp on behalf of our Lodge and "In Memory of our friend Charlie Boker". There will also be a BBQ for all of the children; anyone wishing to join us are welcome. Thank you to Jerry Andrzejak for not giving up and all of his efforts to make this happen. Jerry was not only very fond of Charlie but he and his wife Denise have a spot in their hearts for SCAMP

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## MEGA RAFFLE

Thank you to everyone who donated prizes and bought tickets for our MEGA Raffle that was held on May 23rd. While we only sold 106 tickets. it did give us a profit of \$2120 for our general fund. The lucky winners were Ross and Pam Deneau who will be dining out frequently, while Pam wears her new jewelry!

Maureen Hackney  
Lodge Secretary



## 15th Annual Royal Oak Elks Golf Outing Update



I hope everyone is having a wonderful summer. With the golf outing fast approaching, everything is on schedule and once again I have gotten a great response. I wanted to take this opportunity to clarify that the golf outing is a week earlier than usual and will be taking place on July 19th. I am excited

about a surprise hole this year that will hopefully weed out the ringers. Details about the surprise hole will be given the day of the outing. Finally, I wanted to remind everyone to purchase premium raffle tickets. Tickets are \$5.00 each and all the money goes directly to our lodge. Prizes this year include a lap top computer, a stainless steel grill, a surround sound speaker set, and a GPS navigation system. I am Lois Calverly, and I approved this message.

Thank you

### **ATTENTION BOWLERS**

I know you are all still enjoying the summer, but before you know it fall will be upon us and bowling season will start. My name is Mike Rearick and I am President of the "Elk's Men's Bowling League". We bowl every Tuesday night for 33 weeks starting the first Tuesday after Labor Day at 6:45 pm, Thunderbird Lanes, on Maple Road, in Troy. I am extending an invitation to anyone who would like to join our league. Contact me for more information. We have 4 man teams and combine with a group from Chrysler to have a good time. We have openings for single bowlers or full teams. Our organizational meeting will be at Thunderbird Lanes at 7 pm on August 19, 2008. If you want to bowl, but are unable to attend, call me at 248-854-6696. You do not have to be an Elk to join but we will offer you a membership. So if you want a fun night out this winter come on down and join us.

### **Membership Applications**

If any member knows of any reason a candidate should not become a member of the B.P.O.E. it is his or her duty to report this fact to a member of the investigating committee or the Exalted Ruler prior to the vote.

#### **New Applications**

Joseph R. Foster  
212 Charlotte  
Royal Oak, Michigan 48073

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#### **Waiting for Initiation**

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## JULY Birthdays



- 1 William J Pappas
- 2 Henry Leatz Jr.
- 2 Dr. Robert K. Rizk
- 3 Edward F. Harvey Jr
- 4 Brian A. Kurkowski
- 7 Kurtis S. Case
- 8 Michael J. Gleason
- 9 Jack M. Pedder
- 10 Pat J Labarbera
- 12 Nolan Gottschalk
- 13 Walter L. Anderson
- 14 Burl W. Harper
- 17 Mark H. Hubbard
- 18 Pamela A. Omiatek
- 19 Clayton J. Besanson
- 20 Lynn R. Kerber
- 24 Lawrence K. Ball
- 25 Randolph R. Miller
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# From The Club Manager

Hello Everyone,

I hope everyone is enjoying summer. Well I'm going to make this short and sweet as there isn't a whole lot going on the next few months.

As you can see Dave Fett and Rick Calverly are still working on the wall in the bar, and it's coming along very nicely.

As for the month of July we have our big golf outing on July 19th for those who didn't get a chance to sign up you don't know what your're missing. Lois and her team have worked very hard to make this one the best ever.!!!

We won't be having Steve and Mike in July as they will be on vacation. They will return on August 23rd at 8:00pm.

We also have the Lodge picnic September 6th. at Green Acres Park. This will be one that I can go to and give a helping hand. Hope you can too! The Comedy Classic is September 20 & 21.

Steve and Mike return again on Friday, September 27th. Friday night dinners will start up the second Friday of September.

Until then I hope everyone has a safe and wonderful summer. Talk to you all in the fall.

Thanks, Kitty

## ATTENTION ELK BOWLERS

I have been designated as the delegate for the Elk's Men's State and National Bowling Tournaments. I will be putting teams together for both tournaments. The State Tournament is in Grand Rapids this year and we will be going the last weekend in January with members of the Ferndale Elk's. The National Tournament is in Huntington, West Virginia and we will be going the first weekend in April, again with the Ferndale Elk's. If anyone is interested in bowling either of these events, please contact me through the Lodge, at my e-mail address MREARICK@COMCAST.NET, or by phone 248-854-6696. We have a great time at these events and the hospitality is out of this world. Also, a note to all is, that you DO NOT have to be a sanctioned bowler to be able to bowl, just an Elk member in good standing. There are several ways to attain a qualifying average to bowl, just ask me. Hope to hear from you.

Mike Rearick, PER

## August Birthdays



- 1 Charles A Miller
- 2 Douglas J. Coxen
- 3 Robert A. Garner
- 3 Richard P. McLaughlin
- 4 Warren P. Dunstan
- 4 Phillip R. Stowe
- 4 John E. Yandura
- 5 Lyle B. DeWitt
- 5 Virgil L. Scott
- 5 James P. Syme
- 6 Norman R. Sheppard
- 7 Maureen A. Hackney
- 8 Kevin McHugh
- 8 Irwin L. Reed
- 9 Eric P. Eichbrecht
- 11 Roger T. Canan
- 12 Jerry Andrzejak
- 12 Claude T. Beavers
- 12 Steven J. Hunter
- 13 Robert R. Marshall
- 13 Annabelle M. Smith
- 15 Robert J. Born
- 15 Chester C. Elward
- 16 Charales Fattome
- 16 Robert C. McGrath
- 19 Hatem Hannawa
- 19 Carole B. Lakotish
- 19 Lawrence Mack
- 20 Eldon K Andrews
- 21 Robert McCullen
- 21 Richard Purdy
- 22 Miles L. Young

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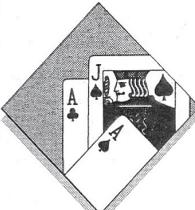




# Wapiti News President's Corner

I hope everyone had a great summer. This time of year is a little slower for the Wapitis, A lot of people take their vacations, so there will not be a meeting in July, We will meet in August and at this time we will make plans to meet a couple extra times to prepare for the picnic Saturday, September 6, 2008. A couple of things we are planning are a casino trip to Motor City Casino in September, a White Elephant Bingo, annual Mother Daughter Tea, Vendor Fair, Fashion Show, and many others. If you would like to help or attend any events or have any questions or any ideas, please feel free to call me, Patti Rearick at 248-854-6702. Please watch the newsletter for more information on upcoming events and also the bulletin board in the club room. That is all for now. **HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!**

Sincerely,  
Patti Rearick  
Wapiti President



## Euchre

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SATURDAY, AUGUST 23RD  
8 PM to 12 AM



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**COME ON DOWN AND DANCE THE  
NIGHT AWAY!!!!!!!**

## Club Room Parties

Planning on having a party in our club room? 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 club room is not already scheduled for another function.

Thank You,  
The Board of Governors

## E-mail Addresses

We are trying to compile a Lodge e-mail address list to get information out to our members quickly, such as Lodge of Sorrow and upcoming event reminders. If you have an e-mail please send your address to [mhackney@ameritech.net](mailto:mhackney@ameritech.net). This list will only be used for lodge purposes and will not be shared with anyone else.

Maureen Hackney



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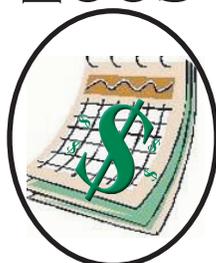


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