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Eleven O'Clock News



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Exalted Rulers Message



Barb Dinkelmann
Exalted Ruler

The end is near; the 2005-2006 Lodge year is coming to a close. What changes we have seen! Inside and out our facility has been scraped and wear new colors proudly. As Exalted Ruler I am proud of all that the members and Officers have done to keep Royal Oak 1523 moving forward in a positive direction. This effort will continue on, only with the further help from members and the Officers. Please support our next ER, Mike Rearick as much as you have done for me. I am grateful to each and everyone who has given me the

encouraging word or a "good job"! This makes me very proud to have served so many wonderful members and even more proud to call them friends. Royal Oak 1523 is a rare jewel that we all love.

As a Thank You to all the members I am having an ER Thank You Dinner on Saturday, April 1, 2006. The menu will consist of Baked Spaghetti, Garlic Bread, Salad and Dessert (You know how much Bill Berrington loves his dessert!). The festivities will begin at 5:00 pm. The officers are doing a fundraiser that is a raffle. The raffle will be drawn that evening around 8:00 pm. Look for further details in this newsletter.

I want to thank all of my family for their continued support during this past year. Tom, and our children Jeff, Leslie, Jason, Maria and Susie have been the pillars of support getting me to this point and I could not have done it with out them. There were many times when they were drafted to work some outing or function that was not originally on their agendas, I love you all!!!!!!!

The Officers Ball and Anniversary party are being combined this year and will be held on April 29, 2006. It will be quite a celebration and I encourage all members and families to come and have a great time. A great Dinner is in the works, there will be dancing and of course, being with good friends. This is the 80th Anniversary of Royal Oak 1523 and the Wapiti's 65th Anniversary. There will be a memorabilia board thanks to Jerry and Denise Andrzejak who are collecting items to display. They already have quite a few pins, both Lodge Pins and ER pins. If you have something you would like to lend to the display please let Jerry or Denise know. This is also the Officers chance to shine, both the ones going out of office and the new officers coming in. There are some presentations to go along with this night also, like who's the Sweetheart of Elkdome or the Elk of the Year. You won't want to miss this great evening. All are invited, members and friends alike. I hope to see you there.

To all my Officers and Trustees, you and I have not always seen eye to eye. The good news is that we all had the same goal in mind, what was in the best interest of Royal Oak 1523. I applaud all of you for the time and dedication that has been shown this past year. Don't give up your momentum, even though there will be new faces this next year, the core is there and it will continue to keep on going.

I am proud to be member of Royal Oak and I know all of you are also. You choose to join our lodge and then became a part of the family we call Elks. This is a great Lodge, full of history, traditions, both old and new. Thirteen years ago we started a golf tournament that still survives today. Our Family Picnic continues to bring young and old together in a celebration of family and friends. This year we introduced the Swing Fling and everyone who attended had a fantastic time and wants to know when the next one is. These are all the necessary happenings that we need to support. These activities are the ones that bring all of us together. It is a chance to renew friendships, to increase friendships and for the newer members, an opportunity to find out who and what we are about. Please remember that you were a new member once and someone reached out their hand and said "Welcome to Royal Oak". Make it a point to welcome new members or rejoice that a lapsed one has returned. It is one of the best gifts we can give ourselves!

I have been honored to have been the Exalted Ruler of this wonderful Lodge; it has been like the roller coaster, sometimes up and sometimes down, but what a great ride it was! My grateful thanks to each and every one of you for helping making this a great year. You are always the **BEST PEOPLE ON EARTH!**

Fraternally yours,
Barb Dinkelmann
Exalted Ruler, 2005-2006

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**Don't forget to place your
greeting into what is sure to
become a very collectable
Anniversary edition
of the Eleven O'Clock News.**

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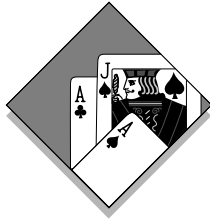
Hi Everyone,

Well, March is here so does that mean warm weather is just around the corner? I would like to comment on our Swing Fling that we had last month. I thought it was very nice. Everyone looked like they were having a good time. Maureen Hackney did a wonderful job decorating the hall. Thank you Maureen. For the month of March we will be having our fish fry every Friday due to Lent. For those of you who haven't heard we will be doing fish fry's every Friday night until June. Don't forget our St Patty's day party, as we will be having some great Irish food. So come on down for some food, fun, and laughs.

Before I close I would like to thank each and every one of you who donated money to bail me out of jail.

Unfortunately I wasn't able to come up with the \$1,200.00 dollars but I was able to raise over half so thanks again, and for the ones who wanted to keep me in jail, Oh Well.

Thanks again everyone,
 Kitty.



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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
 Friday Noon - 2:00 am
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Mike Rearick
Estemed Leading Knight

Greetings to all. I would like to start this, my last article as Leading Knight, off by thanking all the members for the support they have given all of us Officers this year. Also

hope you all will come to the "In and Out" ball combined with our "Anniversary" party scheduled for April 29. A lot of our out of town members and District Elk's members are sure to be there. Our E.R. Barb Dinkelman will be giving out her appreciation awards and thank you awards to all the people that helped her through this last year. We will also be welcoming our new officers (I still need volunteers) to help this great lodge move forward in the upcoming year. The Elks and Wapiti will also celebrate their anniversaries and have a combined history presentation. I truly recommend all to participate in this event to show your pride in our great organization.

In combination with this milestone celebration, we will be dedicating the April issue of the "Eleven O'Clock News" as an "Anniversary Special". We will be selling spaces in this issue to members and dignitaries to mark history with Royal Oak 1523. You are welcome to use your space as you see fit to mark your space in time or just well wish those you feel deserve recognition. See the advertisement in this issue for further information or just ask any Officer. There will also be advertisement around the club room.

I would like to personally welcome all members to come to the "Club 100" party on March 4. I guarantee this to be a huge hit party as has been in years past. The entertainment set up for this party is unbelievable and the food is also superb, worth every cent of the cost. It is also a good time to put your name in the hat to fill any vacant spots for next year. This clubs proceeds go to help support our lodge and the monthly drawings

for cash keep things interesting all year long. If you do not know about this internal fundraiser or are unsure how it works, feel free to contact Ginger Metzleberg, Myself, or any lodge officer and we will be happy to explain it to you.

Some of the other functions going on in March are a "Poker Run" on March 11 being hosted by Mike Cody, the Harvey's and the Calverly's. See one of them for more information. St. Patrick's Day is March 17, and Kitty and Veronica will again have all the green trimmings for a super night sure to be full fun for all. Sue and Mike William's will host another "Slide Show" presentation on March 19 in the club room at 4 p.m. This is sure to be a good time.

On March 5, at 2p.m., I will host my first PLANNING MEETING. I need a lot of help and suggestions for this upcoming year. I beg all that can attend to please do so. I have a lot of ideas and still need volunteers to help chair committees so please let me know if you can help in any way.

In closing, I would like to welcome Bill Giertz into this column. I know he will do a great job. He will be my right hand in this upcoming year. We hope to introduce some new things and promote "Brotherly Love, Justice, Charity, and Fidelity" as we push this Lodge to be the best place it can be. Always remember our motto, "Elk's Care/Elk's Share" and get involved to make this a place where all people want to be.

Fraternally Yours,

Mike Rearick, Est. Leading Knight

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March Birthdays



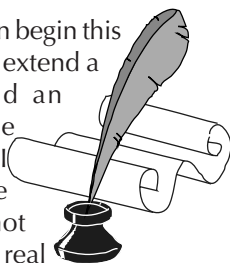
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Frank Donnelly

Hear & Share

Before I even begin this column, I must extend a thank you and an apology to one of our readers. I received the nicest letter (not an e-mail, but a real letter written with a pen on paper!) from a young lady who lives out



toward Waterford. For that I owe thanks, but an apology is in order because I misplaced the letter and can't recall her name. I do recall, however that she said she was the mother of either Don or Sandy Edgerly. I also recall that I could tell from her writing that she is quite intelligent. Wait a second... I just answered my own question. She must be Sandy's mother!

In late January, Penny and I went to the Swing Fling party at the lodge, and it was without question the nicest function I've ever attended there. We had a nice meal, enjoyed an open bar (which was really important to Penny) and were treated to the music of a sixteen-piece band (The Grosse Pointe Music Makers) playing big band style. What was especially nice was that these musicians didn't need those bazillion mega watt amplifiers that the youngsters use. Because they presented their music to us instead of imposing it on us, we were able carry on a conversation at our table without shouting. (Bob Garner and Jerry Olli were at our table, so sometimes we had to shout over them.) Now please understand that my musical skill is limited to playing the shoe horn (good for playing foot notes) but I have long believed there is an inverse relationship between talent and volume. In other words, as the talent level goes down, the volume must go up to compensate. I ran this hypothesis past Rick Calverley, and he agreed and

went on to say that this phenomena is based on the same principle as Einstein's Fear of Relatives!

At any rate, these talented musicians kept the dance floor pretty full. And, each new number brought different people to the floor. Like Chuck and Ann Marie Webber. Well, Ann Marie's not that different, but Chuck is. And, there was Bobbie Garner dancing with Michael Jackson! The Bolanowskis and Andrzejaks spent a lot of time out there too and even if they are not so different, their names raise absolute hell with the spell check feature of my computer! But, in my never humble opinion, the best dancers there were Ellie Madsen and Dode Gibbons. They looked so good out there that Pilkington asked them if they wanted to try a threesome! (picture).

The closest thing to a complaint that I heard was that Maureen Hackney said when the band stopped playing, she wanted to take off her dress. Jess didn't see the down side to that.

There was an Elks bowling tournament in Holland MI over the last weekend in January. A certain anonymous member named Jamie Poehlman parked his vehicle at the club and left the lights on. In no time flat his battery was dead. So, he was probably the only bowler came back top the lodge, then got a jump before going home!

Well, that's about all I can think of for this month. But, in closing, I'd like to share with you something overheard in the clubroom. It was Super Bowl Sunday, and the club was packed. Marge in Charge Syme and her daughters were there with yellow handkerchiefs in their pockets as if they were football refs. Marge mentioned to Tom Dinkelmann (an amateur ref) that the

guys on TV had a ball in the corner of their flags. Tom explained that the ball weighted the flag and also allowed a quick draw. "But," Marge protested, "we don't have any balls." To which Tom, being a perfect gentleman replied, "Oh!"

Best regards,

Frank Donnelly



DELINQUENT MEMBERS

Bette Baptiste, Donald Barlow, Bradley Cochran, Richard Dorman, Winston Farmer, Jr., Greg Garant, C. Neil Gracer, Myrt Hagood, James D. Harvey, James M. Harvey, Richard McMahon, Keith Meyer, Norman O'Brien, Christopher O'Dell, Robert Petschonek, Thomas Piecuch, Richard Regula, Karl Schmidt, Larry Schroeder, Robert Schultz, Robert Shepler, Albert Smith Jr., George Taylor, Earl Van Cise, Aylett Wease, Timothy Williams, Leonard Wineski Jr., Kenneth Wright.

As of March 31, 2006 these members will be dropped from our rolls for non-payment. Please pay your dues now to avoid a reinstatement fee.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

April 1, 2005	408
Initiated	23
Transferred In	2
Reinstated	2
Absolute Dimits	2
Dropped	3
Expelled	0
Transferred Out	3
Deaths	8
Lapsed Members	23

Current Members As of
2/1/06 419

ANNUAL FUNDRAISING RAFFLE

We are holding our first annual fundraising raffle from February 15, 2006 to April 1, 2006. The proceeds from the raffle will help to supplement our general fund and the upkeep of our Lodge. We are asking that each member consider buying the two books that were sent to you in the mail and then join us at the complimentary ER thank you dinner on April 1st for the drawing. By purchasing just two books you will be helping our Lodge prosper.

The prize distribution will be:

First place - \$1000 Second place - \$500
 Third place - \$300 Fourth place - \$200
 Fifth place - \$100 Sixth thru Tenth place - \$50

Tickets are \$1.00 each or 10 for \$8.00; however if you purchase the ones that were mailed to you it's only \$15.00 for the two books. There will be a cash prize awarded for the top seller; and if you sell the first place ticket you will receive a cash prize. Additional tickets will be available at the Lodge or from any officer.

PLEASE HELP SUPPORT YOUR LODGE IN THIS EFFORT. THANK YOU!

Maureen Hackney
 Lodge Secretary

VETERANS BIRTHDAYS

Note: Please send our Veteran's greeting cards for birthdays, holiday's or just to say you are thinking of them. They enjoy receiving mail from our membership.

NAME	BIRTHDATE	ROOM
February		
Mosley, Herbert	2/07/15	A6125A
Davis, Carl D.	2/10/30	A5121A
Lovejoy, Robert C.	2/12/08	A6115B
Williams, Ronald C.	2/13/40	A5115A
Mardirosian, Deran	2/13/22	A6021A
Adams, Mack jr.	2/28/35	A5162A
March		
Ayoub, Gary L.	3/01/49	A6019B
Delaforce, James D.	3/02/40	A6117B
Young, Michael	3/10/27	A6152A
Lamar, Gary A.	3/13/46	A5152A
Sinko, Henry J.	3/18/30	A6154B
Griffin, theodore R. jr.	3/20/36	A6160B
Vaughn, Ross J.	3/29/14	A6049A
Baginski, David B.	3/31/47	A6154AFe

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Kid's Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday

April 15th

Doors Open
at 12:30 p.m.

Easter Bunny Arrives
at 1:00 p.m.



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The Enhancement Committee is actively seeking donations to help in the modernization and preservation of our facility, inside and out. There are several major improvements that are needed this year and the funds required are substantial. All donations regardless of the size are important to the committee and are gratefully accepted.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			Lunch Specials 1	Euchre 2	Club 100 Drawing 3 Texas Hold-Em Fish Fry	Euchre 4 Club 100 Party
5	Trustee Meeting 7:00 pm 6	Wapiti Meeting 7:00 pm 7	Lunch Specials 8 Board of Governors Mtg. 7:00 pm	Euchre 9 Lodge Meeting 7:30 pm	Newsletter Deadline 10 Fish Fry Karaoke Night	Euchre 11
12	13	14	Lunch Specials 15 Ladies Pinochle	Euchre 16	Club 100 Drawing 17 St. Patricks Day Fish Fry	Euchre 18
19	20	21	Lunch Specials 22 Board of Governors Mtg. 7:00 pm	Euchre 23 Lodge Meeting 7:30 pm	Karaoke Night 24 Fish Fry	Euchre 25
26	27	28	Lunch Specials 29	Euchre 30	Fish Fry 31	

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9	Newsletter 10 Deadline	11	Lunch Specials 12 Board of Governors Mtg. 7:00 pm	Euchre 13 Lodge Business Mtg. 7:30 pm	Fish Fry 14 Karaoke Night	Euchre 15 Easter Egg Hunt
16	17	18	Lunch Specials 19 Ladies Pinochle	Euchre 20	Texas Holdem 21 Club 100 Drawing	Euchre 22
23	24	25	Lunch Specials 26 Board of Governors Mtg. 7:00 pm	Euchre 27 Lodge Meeting 7:30 pm Temple Assoc. Meeting	Karaoke Night 28	Officers 29 Anniversary Ball Euchre
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Wapiti News

Presidents Corner

Next Wapiti Meeting:
 March 7, 2006
 Installation of new officers coming up
 Anniversary Ball



Hello;

Thank you to those attending the meeting in February.

Thank you to our guest speaker from Major Projects, Jim Campbell. Who spoke to us about the special needs children and on what our contributions will be used for. Also they have an electric wheelchair and 2 electric scooters in good working order. If you know of a child who is in need, please contact Major Projects at 269-624-6618.

There will be a Valentine basket offered in February. February 19 was the annual Putt-Putt. Winners have been posted in the Clubroom. Thank you to Shar for your hard work and thank you to all of you who came out for Golf.

As this busy year progresses, please remember that we are all friends working "hand in hand" to turn out a prosperous year to help our network of people who need us and to

assure that The Royal Oak Elks will be strong and lasting.

Also, April 29, 2006 is the anniversary ball for the Wapiti and Elks. We have combined them in order to have a "big event". If you are a past ER or Wapiti President, please set this time aside for a wonderful evening. Committee people for this event are; Mike Rearick 248-854-6702; Mike & Sue Williams 248-632-1331; Carol Hennessey 248-543-8420; or Ginger Metzberg 248-541-1119. Jerry and Denise Andrzejak are collecting memorabilia from the years past and have received some very interesting articles that will be on display on the evening of the ball. Please call the lodge if you have anything that you would like to share. We're excited about this event and I know that you will enjoy it!

Lois Wagman, we miss you!

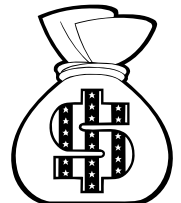
Our heartfelt condolences go out to the Theresa Bueger family. She had many friends from Wapiti and will be sorely missed.

This months issue goes out very soon in the month so that you will all know that the next months issue will be the "Anniversary Issue". All new officers will be announced in this issue as well as the up coming events for the year. Time flies so quickly.

Gratefully,
 Ginger Metzberg, Pres.

Club 100 News

April 8		July 15		Oct. 21		Dec. 16	
Shenandoah Womica	\$250.00	Don Edgerly	\$250.00	Robert Mchugh	\$250.00	Jack Yandura	\$250.00
Robert Bogden	\$100.00	R. Bogden	\$100.00	Nona White	\$100.00	Sky Feaster	\$100.00
Barb Dinkelmann	\$100.00	Ed Bartz	\$100.00	Preston Stevens	\$100.00	Paul MacIntosh	\$100.00
April 22		Aug. 5		Nov. 4		Jan. 6	
Mark Frohreif	\$250.00	Arlene Strain	\$250.00	Robert Bogden	\$250.00	Veronica Harvey	\$250.00
Larry Green	\$100.00	Maureen Hackney	\$100.00	Marlene Pryzbycien	\$100.00	Preston Steven	\$100.00
Wiota Moerder	\$100.00	B. Hennessey	\$100.00	Robert D'Angelo	\$100.00	Jan Alston	\$100.00
May 6		August 19		Nov. 18		Jan 20	
Ken McKendrick	\$250.00	Bob Coulton	\$250.00	Bob Bogden	\$250.00	JoAnn Backus	\$250.00
Bill Giertz	\$100.00	Pat Reynolds	\$100.00	Jim Plaskey	\$100.00	Preston Stevens	\$100.00
Jack Yandura	\$100.00	Norm Johnson	\$100.00	Phil Bartolone	\$100.00	Robert Hennessey	\$100.00
May 20		Sept. 2		Dec. 2		Feb. 3	
Harold Mackler	\$250.00	Ginger Metzberg	\$250.00	Pamela LaRue	\$250.00	JoAnn Backus	\$250.00
Preston Stevens	\$100.00	Tim Mann	\$100.00	Ken McKendrick	\$100.00	Mike Rearic	\$100.00
Gigi Klees	\$100.00	Don Kirkham	\$100.00	Jan Alston	\$100.00	Marlene Pryzbycien	\$100.00
June 3		Sept. 16		Congratulations!!			
Jeanie Tiltman	\$250.00	Louisa Klees	\$250.00	Club 100 Dinner Dance on March 4,			
Marge DeMeyer	\$100.00	Tim Mann	\$100.00	2006. Cocktyails at 6:30 p.m., Dinner at			
Al Erwin	\$100.00	Veronica Harvey	\$100.00	7:00 p.m. Tickets on sale in the			
July 1		Oct. 7		Clubroom for non-members. Welcome			
Dave Fett	\$250.00	Gwen Fett	\$250.00	to new members, Tom Jackson and Ross			
Maureen Hackney	\$100.00	Marge DeMeyere	\$100.00	Deneau.			
Bob Coulton	\$100.00	Betty Simpson	\$100.00				



Ginger Metzberg, Chairperson

HELP!!

Your help is desperately needed! We are in search of Elk and Lodge items of interest that can be displayed at our upcoming Royal Oak Lodge & Wapiti Anniversary celebration. Old photos, articles, pins, awards, uniforms, membership cards or anything else Elk or Lodge related is sure to be of interest. Past Wapiti Presidents and PER's, do you still have your albums covering the events of your year in office? They would be great to have on display.

We are also collecting PER pins. Does anyone know if there were ER pins for Wm. Sanders 1978-79, Ed Foster 79-80, Harry Arterburn 80-81, Phil Stowe 81-82, Douglas Brown 82-83, Robert Stewart 83-84, or any other person that served as ER prior to Larry Green in 77-78.

If you have anything at all we would be very interested to hear about it. Please contact Jerry or Denise Andrzejak, Memorabilia Chairpersons, thru the Lodge or directly at 586/850-9500.

All items will be on display at the April 29th Anniversary celebration and will be returned to their owner promptly afterwards.

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Dear Wapiti Members,

It is that time of the year again for Nominations. At our February 7th meeting the following people have been nominated for the 2006 - 2007 year.

Officers

Trustee	Michelle Collick
Trustee	Marge Michels
Treasurer	Marge Smith
Secretary	Pat Rearick
Vice President	Charlene Flaherty
President	Ginger Metzleberg Gail Elias

Sweetheart of Wapiti

Ginger Metzleberg Gail Elias Maureen Hackney

At our March 7th, we will be voting for our new officers for 2006 - 2007.

Michelle Collick
Nomination Committee

Entertainment News

Super Bowl Sunday was a super hit. A full house turned out for the first event of the day, the balloon car races. Forty-two racers competed all vying for the chance to be this year's Super race champion and the one to take home the golden car trophy. One by one cars were eliminated until only four remained. These four racers then competed for all the marbles and top bragging rights. Congratulations to the final four and to everyone who participated in the race.

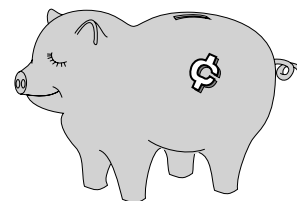
The final four were: fourth place – Bob McHugh, third place – Betty Simpson, second place honors go to Ed Kolokowski and the winner of the event and keeper of the Super Bowl Balloon Race trophy was Dee Bartolone.

The Chili/Soup Cookoff took off with more entries than anyone ever expected. We thought we would have five or six people participating in the competition. We were overwhelmed when pots and crocks kept on coming in. We actually had 17 entries and we overwhelmed the lodge electrical capacity. This resulted in some with heat and some with none. To make it fair to all a last minute decision was made to skip the planned judging and decide the winner of the event by drawing a name out of a hat. The winner for the best Chili went to Len Malburg. Len immediately responded with "that's the way it should be, I did make the best chili!" All in all everyone had a great time. We would like to thank a few people who really jumped in to help us out. Mike Pilkington went into the crowd and sold many of the race cars and then assisted many of the racers by fueling their cars, Maureen Pilkington was there from start to finish providing assistance through out the night and thanks to Larry Bolanowski for serving as official race starter.

Jerry & Denise Andrzejak

Dolores Huston – 1
Marge Syme – 1
James Syme – 1
Unknown donor – 5
Don Leshner – 1
Bob Artis - 1

365 Banks



Necrology:

Hobart H. Gray, Jr., L.M. #1155
Initiated: 2/27/1946
D.O.B. 12/11/1917
Elected Life Member: 4/01/1986
D.O.D. 1/06/2006

Eugene L. Renaud, L.M. #5260
D.O.B. 1/07/1929
Initiated: 12/14/1965
Elected Life Member: 3/12/1996
D.O.D. 2/01/2006



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:

Gordon R. Woods
11126 Fairway
Sterling Heights, MI 48312

Sponsored by: William Bryan Griffith #5022

Terrance L. LaBean
4305 Linwood
Royal Oak, MI 48073

Sponsored by: Michael Cody #4929

Robert L. Runevitch
2126 Grenadier
Troy, MI 48098

Sponsored by: James Syme #2753

Waiting for Investigation:

Marjorie Pauling

sponsored by Elnora Tunstall-Turner #5232

Charles E. Allen

sponsored by Barbara L. Dinkelmann, E.R. #5088

Waiting for Life Membership (Vote)

Donald F. Edgerly #3121

D.O.B. 5/15/1941

Initiated: 5/25/1966

Note from the Office Secretary:

Attention Members:

If you *have not* paid your 2005-2006 membership dues please remit your payment. We will be dropping all delinquent members by March 31, 2006. If you are dropped and want to join again there will be a \$35.00 reinstatement fee attached. Please contact the lodge office secretary for further information or if you have any other questions or concerns. Your membership is *very important* to us and we want to keep you on our rolls.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Audrey Raymond

Lodge Office: (248)544-3560

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(Thank you for your support!)

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Lois Wagman

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Sue MacKay

Marion Hickey

Dolores Enmark

Ms. Lucille Speer

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Shad Garner

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