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Major Projects.....Tom Dinkelmann, PER
Memorial Day.....Bill Dyda
National Foundation.....Tom Dinkelmann, PER
National Service (Vets).....Al Norris, PER
Necrology.....Bill Dyda
Picnic.....Bill Dyda
Pumpkin Patch.....Maureen Hackney
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Veterans Service.....Al Norris, PER
Visitation.....Maureen Hackney
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WAPITI OFFICERS

President.....Kathy Vereecke
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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



Members All;

I would like to thank those members who have given me their support and those who have taken on committee responsibilities. I would like to share with you a paragraph that exemplifies 'who we are.

OUR MISSION

To inculcate principles of Charity Justice, Brotherly Love, and Fidelity; to recognize a belief in God; to promote the welfare and enhance the happiness of its Members; to quicken the spirit of American; patriotism; to cultivate good fellowship; to perpetuate itself as a fraternal organization, and to provide for its government, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America will serve the people and communities through benevolent programs, demonstrating that 'ELKS CARE and ELKS SHARE.'

In the past month, we have seen members working together and helping to make our Lodge a better place. The new kitchen floor is completed. Teri Powell and Cindi Mckendrick did a wonderful job for the children's Easter party. I would like to thank them both for allowing me to present a short Drug Awareness program to all the children and their parents. Friday night dinners have been a great success in the sense that we have gotten some new applicants for membership. There seems to be a lot of interest in seeing who will bring in the most new members. Trying times can create an opportunity for Elkdom. We need to impress upon our members and potential members that we are an inexpensive place to eat, drink, and participate in a safe social enjoyment and fellowship. Remember May 9th is our Scotch Doubles Bowling Tournament. The proceeds go to help our homeless Veterans and other Veteran projects.

Fraternally Yours,
David Fett

Elks Care, Elks Share.



2009 - 2010 LODGE EVENT CALENDAR

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/Ent.
- 25 Memorial Day Parade
- 27 Board of Governors Mtg
- 28 Lodge Mtg
- 29 Ent./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/Ent.

July-09

- 5 National convention
- 7 Trustees Mtg
- 10 Ent./Club Room
- 14 Wapiti Mtg
- 18 9 Hole Scramble
- 18 BBQ Chicken Dinner
- 22 Board of Governors Mtg
- 23 Lodge Mtg
- 24 Ent./Club Room
- 25 Annual Golf Outing
- 31 Bar Room Olympics

August-09

- 4 Trustees Mtg
- 7 Ent./Club Room
- 8 Gold Key Golf Outing
- 8 Beulah Golf Outing
- 12 Board of Governors Mtg
- 13 Lodge Mtg
- 15 Woodward Dream Cruise
- 21 Ent./Club Room

September-09

- 1 Trustees Mtg
- 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 Lodge Mtg
- 25 Bring a Friend Night/Ent.

October-09

- 3 Elks Cup
- 5 Board of Governors Mtg
- 6 Trustees Mtg
- 8 Lodge Mtg
- 9 October Fest/Ent.
- 13 Wapiti Mtg
- 15 Fall convention
- 19 Board of Governors Mtg
- 22 Lodge Mtg
- 23 Ent./Club Room
- 30 Pumpkin Patch
- 31 Halloween Party/DJ Night

November-09

- 3 Trustees Mtg
- 9 Board of Governors Mtg
- 10 Wapiti Mtg
- 12 Lodge Mtg
- 13 Ent./Club Room
- 21 Vendor Fair 10a-4pm
- 21 Turkey Dinner
- 23 Board of Governors Mtg

December-09

- 1 Trustees Mtg.
- 4 Ent./Club Room
- 5 Lodge Hoop Shoot
- 6 Memorial Service
- 7 Board of Governors
- 8 Wapiti Mtg
- 10 Lodge Mtg.
- 13 Children's Christmas Party
- 18 Christmas No Party Party
- 21 Board of Governors Mtg
- 31 NYE No Party Party

January-10

- 1 Bowl Games Pot Luck
- 5 Trustees Mtg
- 8 Ent./Club Room
- 9 District Hoop Shoot
- 10 District Conference
- 11 Board of Governors Mtg
- 12 Wapiti Mtg
- 14 Lodge Mtg
- 17 Movie/Pizza Day
- 22 Ent./Club Room
- 25 Board of Governors Mtg
- 28 Lodge Mtg

February-10

- 2 Trustees Mtg
- 7 Super Bowl Sunday
- 8 Board of Governors Mtg
- 9 Wapiti Mtg
- 11 Lodge Mtg
- 12 Valentines Dinner/Ent.
- 22 Board of Governors Mtg
- 25 Lodge Mtg
- 26 Big Chief Night/Karaoke Contest

March-10

- 2 Trustees Mtg.
- 8 Board of Governors Mtg
- 9 Wapiti Mtg
- 11 Lodge Mtg.
- 12 Ent./Club Room
- 17 St. Pat's Party
- 20 Vendor Fair 10a-4p
- 22 Board of Governors Mtg
- 25 Lodge Mtg.
- 26 Ent.Club Room

Note: Please check your monthly newsletter for additional information on events

**YEARLY DUES WERE DUE
BY APRIL 1, 2009**

**ANY MEMBER WHO HAS NOT
PAID WILL NOT BE SERVED
UNTIL THEY ARE PAID**



MAY BIRTHDAYS

- 1 David J. Delmonico
- 3 Ronald J. Campbell
Albert J. Sergeant
- 4 Earl Sparkman
- 5 Derek Adams
Mario DiGiulio
Michael V. Pilkington
Oliver M. Susan
- 13 Lawrence W. Winkelmann
- 15 Donald F. Edgerly
Michael V. Kulakowski
- 16 Michael D. DiStefano
- 17 Paul W. McIntosh, Jr.
- 18 Erik Pinkerton
- 19 John A. Morris
- 26 William Lee
Peter Malega
- 28 Bud L. Hill
- 30 Robert J. Hennessey
- 31 Edison A. Reid

MAY UPDATES

365 Banks:

Len Malburg - 2
Don Leshner
Bob Garner
Bob Stewart
Norm Sheppard



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!

Membership:

Next Initiation: May 28, 2009

Proposed for Membership:
William Burmeister
27130 Alden
Madison Hts., MI 48071
Proposer: Robert McHugh

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UNDER THE ANTLERS

Members and Friends

The month of May is upon us, and despite the cold weather, summer will soon be here. First let's enjoy some spectacular events that are coming up in May.

May 1, starts the month off but we're going to pretend it's the fifth, as Cinco DeMayo is held in the main banquet room with music from "Doesn't Matter". A fine Mexican buffet is planned.

Don't stop yet because the very next day, May 2, is Kentucky Derby Day at the Lodge. The ladies will be decked out in their Southern Bell Hats, and a line up of races will be run prior to the Derby. Mike Cody and Bob McHugh did such a wonderful job last year that this years Derby Day promises to be even better.

May 9, is the Scotch Doubles Bowling with proceeds going to benefit the veterans. Dave Fett and Mike Rearick always put on a fun tournament.

May 15, Jimmy Buffet invades the Lodge as "Cheeseburger in Paradise" is planned by your entertainment chairman, Jim Flanagan and his gang. There will be plenty of burgers and singing to mark this new program.

We will be needing volunteers to march in the Memorial Day Parade in downtown Royal Oak, on Monday, May 25. I am trying to line up a car or float that we can get some of the "old timers" to ride in.

May is also the month of "Mothers Day" let's all remember our moms on that day.

The turn out for the Lodge meetings still is sparse. Stop down on the 2nd or 4th Thursday of the month and attend your Lodge meetings.

Fraternally yours,

Bill Dyda, Est. Leading Knight

WONDERS OF THE WAPITI

Wow!!! This is truly my first experience as being elected President of such a prestigious organization. First, I would like to thank my long-time friend, Mary Ann Miller, who invited me to join a few years back and to all who had the confidence in me to hold this position. Over the years, I have recognized the commitment and generosity of each and every member. I realize it is not one person that attains success, it is our group of members working together that spells SUCCESS. I hope, no, I know, our membership will grow in the next year, our events will be prosperous

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VETERAN'S CORNER

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I would like to introduce myself to you. I am the Veterans Chairman for the Lodge as well as your Loyal Knight this year. My name is Al Norris. For those of you who do not know me I have been an Elk for 27 years. I am a Past Exalted Ruler and have been the Veterans Chairman for several Lodges and was the District Chairman for 5 years. I also serve on the veteran's volunteer board at the V. A. Hospital in Detroit. Like many of our members, I am also a veteran. I not only support our veterans in the hospital but our homeless veterans too. I have some ideas for some functions and fund raisers to help pay for them. I need you the members to support these fund raisers. Without your help and support I cannot do my job as your Chairman. As your Chairman I promise to keep you informed about what is happening with my committee and our veterans. If any member would like to be a part of this committee or if you just have an idea for a fund raiser or veterans function let me know. I will try to have an article every month to keep you informed. In closing I have a few dates to remember.

May 8th V.E. Day, 21st Armed Forces Day, 26th Tokyo Bombed, and 30th Memorial Day.

June 4th Battle of Midway begins, 6th D-Day, 22nd GI Bill Signed, and 25th Start of the Korean War.

Helping you serve those who served for us.
Al Norris P.E.R

VETERAN'S 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-B
Daniel Francis Siglin	4/16/1931	A-6013-B
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
James B. Young	3/6/1946	A-5156-B
Aubrey L. Durham	7/28/1917	A-6019-A

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James McMullen
1909 E. Hudson
Royal Oak, MI 48067
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Darrin Uhlig
452 W. Hudson
Madison Hts., MI 48071
Proposer: Robert McHugh

Michael A. Nadlicki
2120 E. Fourth St.
Royal Oak, MI 48067
Proposer: Robert McHugh

Scott McConnell
819 N. Campbell
Royal Oak, MI 48067
Proposer: William McConnell

Necrology:

Life Member George K. Patton #2540
Init. 2-25-1959
L.M. 4-1-1989
D.O.B. 11-26-1923
D.O.D. 3-26-2009

Membership Report:

April 1, 2009 Membership	349
Initiated	13
Transferred In	3
Reinstated	0
Absolute Dimits	0
Dropped/Non Payment	0
Transferred Out	0
Deaths	3

Membership as of Feb. 2009 362

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



For all for 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.

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Chuck & Ann Marie Weber

BANQUET MANAGER

...Wapiti continued from page 3

Happy Spring Everyone, I hope everyone had a nice Easter. Where do I start? We had a lot going on last month. Such as the kids Easter party that was one of our best. The kids, big and small, had a real nice time. Cindy and Terry did a great job as always. The Vendor Fair turned out real nice too, they had a lot of nice things to buy. The Officer & Wapiti Brunch turned out real nice also; lots of food to go around. Our Friday night dinners are still doing well. Thanks to everyone who helps out and comes down to support us. As for next month we have Cinco De Mayo party on May 1st from 7:00pm to 12:00am and the Kentucky Derby party in the clubroom at 2:00pm on May 2nd. Don't forget to wear your hat. Our Bowling fund raiser is on May 9th at 3:00pm. If you haven't signed up yet let's do it now. Our Cheeseburger fest is on the 15th of May with BBQ cheeseburgers and hamburgers, so don't forget to wear your wild shirt. For June, we have our Officer Steak Night on June 5th Comedy Classic weekend starts June 13th. Our Big Chief Night is back on June 26th from 5:00pm to 8:00pm with entertainment afterwards. As you can see we have a lot going on in the next few months and a lot of good people taking time out of their life to help make every event a good one. So, if you can find the time to come down and support one of our events it sure would be nice.

Thanks, Kitty

and we will have a lot of fun while achieving our goals.

In the next few months, the calendar of events of the Wapiti will be worked on. I will keep everyone updated of these events.

With a smile and respectfully yours,
Kathy Vereecke
Wapiti President

16th ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

If you have signed up for our 16th annual golf outing on July 25th, please pay for the event no later than June 15th to ensure your spot. After June 15th those spots not paid for will be opened up to our waiting list. Thank you for your cooperation.

The Golf Committee

CINCO DEMAYO PARTY

Friday, May 1st 7pm-12am



\$10.00 per person includes a Mexican buffet and dancing to "Doesn't Matter". Cash bar and buckets of beer will be available (what's Cinco De Mayo without Corona????)

For reservations of tables of 10, see Jim Flanigan.

DON'T MISS OUT ON A GREAT EVENING!!!!

KENTUCKY DERBY PARTY



Saturday, May 2nd
ROYAL OAK ELKS LODGE

2401 E. Fourth St., Royal Oak

Big screen TV racing, decorate and wear a traditional derby day hat and participate in the hat contest. Stay for the actual Kentucky Derby race. Don't miss out on this fun time. Party starts at 2pm.

PARTY, PARTY, PARTY!!!!!!



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Clubroom Parties

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Thank You,
The Board of Governors



CHEESEBURGER IN PARADISE

FRIDAY, MAY 15, 2009

CHEESEBURGERS SERVED FROM 5:30 TO 8PM
ENTERTAINMENT 8PM TO 12AM

PUT ON YOUR FLIP FLOPS, BE CAREFUL NOT TO STEP ON A POP TOP AND JOIN US HERE IN MARGARITAVILLE FOR AN EVENING OF FOOD AND FUN. DON'T MISS OUT 'CAUSE COME MONDAY YOU WILL WISH YOU HADN'T!





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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2 •Euchre	3 •Fish Fry	4 •Final Four Party •Euchre
5	6 •BOG	7 •Trustee Meeting	8	9 •Lodge Meeting •Euchre	10 •Fish Fry •Entertainment Club- room •Newsletter Deadline	11 •Kids Easter Egg Hunt •Euchre
12 •Lodge Closed	13	14	15	16 •Euchre	17	18 •Vendor Fair •Euchre
19 •District Meeting	20 •BOG	21	22	23 •Lodge Meeting •Euchre •Temple Assoc. Meet- ing	24 •Entertainment Club- room	25 •Euchre
26 •Officer/Wapati Brunch	27	28	29	30		



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2 • Trustee Meeting	3 • Golf Scramble	4 • Euchre	5 • Office Steak Night	6 • Euchre
7	8	9 • Wapiti Meeting	10 • Golf Scramble • News letter Deadline • BOG	11 • Euchre • Flag Day Services • Lodge Meeting	12	13 • Comedy Classic • Euchre
14 • Comedy Classic	15	16	17 • Golf Scramble	18 • Euchre	19	20 • 9 Hole Scramble • Euchre
21	22	23	24 • Golf Scramble • BOG	25 • Euchre • Lodge Meeting	26 • Big Chief Night • Ent. Clubroom	27 • Euchre
28	29	30				