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OCTOBER 2023 | Madison Elks Lodge 410

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Membership meetings held on the 2nd Wednesday of the month and also the 4th Wednesday in February, March, and April.

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If you would like to submit something for publication or place an advertisement, please email:

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IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR

Without a doubt, Toys for Tots is one of the most popular charitable events the Lodge sponsors each year. Once again we will collect donations for this program run by the United States Marine Corps Reserve. Since 1947, it has distributed toys to children whose parents cannot afford to buy them anything for Christmas. For the past two years our Lodge has received the Marine Corp's Commandants Award for our outstanding contribution to the toy drive. Last year members donated more than \$5,000 in gifts and cash to Toys for Tots. Beginning September 30th, please drop of your donation at the clubhouse through early December. A collection box will be located in the lobby. Gifts should be new and unwrapped, preferably costing \$10 or more. Books are also welcomed (each child receives two gifts and three books count as one gift). Handmade toys are also acceptable. We want to thank our own "Santa Claus" and Esquire, Patrick Fitzpatrick, who oversees this worthy cause each year.



LODGE NEWS

Thank you to everyone who donated blood last month and helped make our first-in-a-long-time blood drive a success. We had 30 people show up and we plan on having the Red Cross back again next year. Special thanks go to member Renée Lauber, for organizing this event and being there all day to make sure everything went smoothly. Also we want to thank Trustee Don Geier who furnished snacks for the donors.

As we mentioned last month, we now have a new fall menu and hope you have tried it. Much thought went into it, taking into account food options members have said they wanted to see in both the dining room and bar. There was also an emphasis on reducing food waste and cost. We continue to have our fish fry special on Friday night and, due to popular demand, prime rib has returned on Saturday night.

We will continue to air all the Packer games and away Badger games in the bar. When this occurs on a day the clubhouse is normally closed (Sunday through Tuesday), we offer a limited bar menu. That said, we can only continue to do this if we have the support of the members, otherwise it's not financially feasible.

On October 1, State President Karl Hanke challenges all members to attend the Easter Seals Pancake Breakfast at [Camp Wawbeek](#), the State Major Project in Wisconsin Dells. He asks that everyone meet in the upper camp between 9:50 and 10 a.m. so we can walk in together. Please wear red! There will be group photos taken.

On Thursday, October 5 live music returns to the bar with the popular band Rusty Bumper. It will perform in the bar from 6-9 p.m.

Prior to the October 11 membership meeting, we will have our annual inspections by the Deputy District Grand Exalted Ruler. DDGER Kathy Hagen and her party will visit our Lodge to physically inspect the premises and interview the officers about policies and procedures. They will arrive at 4 p.m. and stay through the membership meeting. If you are at the Lodge that evening, please be sure to welcome them to Madison.

On Sunday, November 5 we will observe another annual event, the visit of the Wisconsin Elks Association President. This year we will welcome State President Karl Hanke of Wausau and other state officers. We'll observe the occasion with a special Packer's game day. The bar will open at 10 a.m., followed by a buffet brunch from 10:30-11:30 a.m. in the dining room. At 11:30 there will be a brief program with the game televised at noon. The cost of the buffet is a suggested \$10 donation. More details will be coming soon but please mark your calendar.

Also, in November we will host our annual Veterans Day Breakfast on Saturday, November 11. Look for more information soon.

MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

October 1 marks the beginning of the second half of the fiscal year. We currently have 760 members. Last year on October 1 we had 726 members. However, last year at this time we had 43 delinquent members as compared to 56 currently. (Members still delinquent by March 31, 2024, will be dropped.) We are still on track to end the fiscal year with a net gain, but it means continuing to propose new members each month and convincing those members who have not paid their dues for this year to do so.

In November the Secretary will notify members now eligible for Lifetime Membership (membership for at least 30 years in this Lodge or another Lodge). A Lifetime Member's dues are 50% of those assessed by our Lodge, plus those assessed by the Grand Lodge and state association. These candidates for Life Membership will be elected at the December membership meeting.

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ACTIVE MEMBERS

Kevin Pohlkamp (1989-1990)

Jim Mueller (1990-1991)

Ed Ledwidge (1994-1996)

Chuck Hoornstra (1995-1996, 2001-2002)

Kristi Barbian (2011-2013)

Steve Sasso (2013-2015)

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President **LaVerne Schwengel**

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Secretary **Jeanette May**

Treasurer **Michelle Braithwaite**

BOARD MEMBERS

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Carol Rohde



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Game 1	\$ 50.00
Game 2	\$ 50.00
Game 3	\$ 50.00
Game 4	\$ 75.00
Game 5	\$ 100.00
50/50 Drawing	
Game 6	\$ 125.00

6 game packets \$24.00
Single sheets for games 3-6 \$5 each

50/50 Raffle Tickets
\$5.00 each or 5 for \$20.00



This Saturday Night!

PRIME RIB

Served with a salad, choice of potato & roll

8-oz. cut \$28

12-oz. cut \$30

16-oz. cut \$35

Also, Shrimp Cocktail Appetizer for \$10

Limited Quantity - Available while supplies last!

Make reservation today: (608) 255-1644 ext. 1



We have a new fall menu! The dining room is open Wednesday - Saturday from 5 until 9 p.m.

POSTCARD FROM THE PAST



From the Elks Magazine in 1931, a photo of a Studebaker "President 8" parked in front of the Elks Club at 120-124 Monona Avenue (now Martin Luther King, Jr., Blvd.). The car's crew is posing with local Lodge members who welcomed them to Madison. The car was on its way from Lodge #1 in New York to the national convention in Seattle.

GEORGE E. RAPP



George Edward Rapp was born on July 16, 1916, in Madison, Wisconsin, the son of George C. Rapp and Marie Schram. He graduated from Edgewood High School in 1934 and attended the University of Wisconsin where he was a member of Sigma Chi fraternity. George graduated from the UW law school in 1940. On May 29, 1941, he married Agnes Marie Strumeiter from Fifiield, Wisconsin. They had one child, a daughter Nancy.

In 1944 he was appointed an Assistant District Attorney for Dane County. Known for his prosecutorial skills in the courtroom, in 1953 President Dwight Eisenhower appointed him United State Attorney for the western district of Wisconsin.

Rapp was a lifetime member of the Elks and Exalted Ruler of Madison Lodge #410 from 1963 to 1964. Later in life he would transfer his membership to Baraboo Elks Lodge #688. While a member of the Baraboo Lodge, George was elected District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler in 1973. He was an active supporter of the sports programs at Edgewood High School and served as a director of its Athletic Association.

On March 4, 1967, he married a second time to Dorothy Jane Gillespie. Until this second marriage, Rapp had resided his entire life in the house he was born in at 1135 Erin Street.

On May 15, 1997, Rapp was himself a victim of crime when he and his wife, both in their 80s, were robbed at gunpoint in their home in Fitchburg. He died the following year on February 7. Dorothy died on May 12, 2002 and is buried with George in Forest Hill Cemetery.

BUILDING & GROUNDS

By Jim Schuessler

At our September Membership Meeting, the Building and Grounds Committee requested permission to move one of the outdoor tables from the north side of the lawn to the south side, close to the other outdoor table. The Lodge membership agreed. This will be completed by next spring. This project will open up the lawn area for all sorts of events, including weddings, music and perhaps lawn games!

Later this month, the Lodge windows will be caulked by Martin Glass. In addition, Lodge member Kurt Arvold of Crystal Cleaners will donate his staff's time to do a thorough cleaning of the pillars around our windows to remove all sorts of debris, including cobwebs, leaves, bird nests, etc. Our beautiful view will be even more beautiful soon!

Members Maria Antoinette and Karen Bosold have volunteered to clean out blinds as well. Dan Nardi and Jim Schuessler will build additional shelves to better organize our holiday decorations. We will also

replace ceiling tiles in the storage room behind the lower level bar. Those ceiling tiles have become stained over many years due to past plumbing issues in the kitchen.

We hope that members will come to the Lodge more often if we can make our facility all the more inviting!

Our Building and Grounds Committee is focused on saving costs and improving our lodge for our members and guest to enjoy. Members are welcome to attend our monthly committee meetings. For more information, contact Jim Schuessler at jschuessler@starkhomes.com or call 608-445-0766.

WE NEED YOUR HELP

The Elks' moto is "Elks Care - Elks Share" and that means donating your time and expertise to the Lodge. In order for our Lodge to fulfil its mission and be an organization that we can all take pride in requires a lot of helping hands. We are governed by a board of trustees and officers that you elect each year. In addition there are numerous committees that keep things running efficiently. Buildings and Grounds is a good example. We could not begin to afford all the maintenance and knowledge they provide free of charge. Seven of our committees are deemed "statutory" - they are required by the Grand Lodge. Additionally, there are 13 subcommittees. Others are unique to Madison created by our members to satisfy particular needs, such as Building and Grounds and Madison Charities, our 501(c)(3) corporation.

Currently, we are in dire need of members to help up with public relations (one of the statutory committees) and specifically someone who has graphic art skills who can create flyers, social media posts and emails to promote events at the Lodge.

A complete list of statutory committees and their duties are in the B.P.O.E. Statutes and the Secretary will be happy to email you a digital copy. Please consider stepping up and serving on a committee. You will be making a meaningful contribution to your Lodge. All committees are appointed by the Exalted Ruler, but you can express your interest to any officer or email secretary@madisonelksloge.org.



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OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Claim your free birthday drink at the bar during your birthday week.

- 1 Luke Hutchins, William Parsons, Patricia Smith
- 2 Donna Hellenbrand, John Hofer
- 3 George Choles, Kathy Condit
- 4 Amy Mager, Vincent Rust, Heidi Schaefer
- 5 Thomas Benell, Debra Goff
- 6 Connie Ryan, LaVerne Schwengel
- 7 Christopher Atkinson, Merlin Gerber
- 8 Lars Barber, Patrick Collins, Scott Kelly, Thomas Rickner
- 9 Laura MacIsaac, Lupe Montes
- 10 Kathleen Griffiths, Lonnie Lingard
- 12 Thomas Lyons
- 13 Andrew Burish
- 15 Jean Jones, James Mandt, Michael Schmidt
- 16 Kevin Hanna, Brian Hellmer, Roger Ingalls, Brian Martin, Eugene Murphy, Scott Smith
- 17 John DeWitt, Lemuel B. Fraser, Peter Gunderson, Anne Hodel, Philip Krause, Michael A. Peters, Jen Plants
- 18 Michael Gilomen, Dennis Hull, Chauncey Hunker, Steven Keppy, Thomas Thompson
- 19 Robert Bartlett, Robert Gundlach, Dennis Heiden, Donald Shillinglaw
- 20 Gordon Burdick, Patricia Carroll, Corey Gresen,

- Donald Hurtgen, Daniel Reed
- 21 James Conklin, Steven Traudt
- 24 Nosheen Ajmal, Carey Karabis, Judith King, David Sorgel, Jamie Spalinger
- 25 Charles Dykman, Donald Kelleher, Christopher Martinez, Kimberly Snyder, Lisa Wilkins
- 26 Otto Gebhardt
- 27 Scott Roeming, Nancy Vidlak
- 28 Clare Bauer, Katie McGlenn, Mary Pankratz
- 29 Leigh Meier
- 30 Pam Keiner, Harrison Kessenich, Christopher Klinge, Debra Luetzow
- 31 Jonathan Burk

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



- Dean Baumgardner
- Tiffany Olson
- William Orosz
- James Patch
- Mildred Thousand

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Mon, 10/09	at Las Vegas	7:15 pm
Sun, 10/22	at Denver	3:25 pm
SUN, 10/29	VS. MINNESOTA	12:00 PM
SUN, 11/05	VS. LA RAMS	12:00 PM
Sun, 11/12	at Pittsburg	12:00 pm
SUN, 11/19	VS. LA CHARGERS	12:00 PM
Thurs, 11/23	at Detroit	11:30 am
SUN, 12/03	VS. KANSAS CITY	7:20 PM
Mon, 12/11	at NY Giants	7:15 pm
SUN, 12/17	VS. TAMPA BAY	12:00 PM
Sun, 12/24	at Carolina	12:00 pm
Sun, 12/31	at Minnesota	7:20 pm
SUN, 01/07	VS. CHICAGO	TBD

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 Pancake Breakfast, Camp Wawbeek, 9:50 a.m.	2	3	4	5 Live Music: Rusty Bumper, 6 - 9 p.m.	6	7 Private Event, Lower Level
8 Columbus Day	9	10	11 Lodge Meeting, Lower Level, 7 p.m. / Euchre, Wisconsin Room	12	13 Lois at the Piano, Dining Room	14 Euchre, 3:30 p.m.
15	16	17	18 Music Bingo, Bar, 6 - 8 p.m.	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 Euchre, Wisconsin Room, 5:45 p.m.	26	27 Lois at the Piano, Dining Room	28
29	30 Halloween	31				

Badgers

Oct 7 vs. Rutgers 11 a.m. (Homecoming)

Oct 14 vs. Iowa TBA

Oct 21 @ Illinois 11 a.m.*

Oct 28 vs Ohio State TBA

Packers

Oct 9 @ Las Vegas 7:15 p.m.*

Oct 22 @ Denver 3:25 p.m.*

Oct 29 vs. Minnesota 12 noon*

*The bar at the Lodge will be open and televise the game IF we have enough people who reserve in advance. Please add your name and number in your party to the sign-up sheet in the bar!



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