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JUNE 2022 | Madison Elks Lodge #410

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Membership meeting held on the 2nd Wednesday of the month.

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A SUMMER TO REMEMBER

The month of May turned out to be merry indeed; kicked off with a Derby Day Party on the 7th. Members in their best hats turned out to bet on the ponies and sip mint juleps. There were lots of prizes and a winning time was had by all. The following day, we hosted a Mother's Day Brunch that was also well attended. Our regular events of Music Bingo on the third Wednesday and Euchre on the second Saturday continued. We've got lots more planned for the summer, starting with the **Bar opening Saturdays at 11 a.m.** A limited menu will also be available until 5 p.m. when the dining room opens as usual. Every **Thursday in June will feature live music** lakeside on the lawn (please bring your own folding chairs). Barbecue-style food will be available at 5 p.m. with music between 5:30 and 8:30 p.m. (those performing are listed on the calendar). Our popular 2-4-1 Burger Special on Thursday night will move to Wednesday night. Music Bingo and expanded Euchre continue (more details follow).



SUPPORT FOR MNA

By Trustee Lance Lattimer

The Marquette Neighborhood Association (MNA) was formed in 1968 with an elected board and a paid membership to promote the general economic and social well-being of the neighborhood. In the 1980s MNA took charge of organizing **Orton Park Festival**, an end-of-summer neighborhood tradition dating back to 1965. Under MNA, Orton grew from its origins as an annual picnic, where neighbors would drag grills into the park and listen to a few sets by local musicians, to a multi-day festival featuring the best of local, regional and touring bands.

In 1990 a second festival was added the first weekend of the summer at a quieter lakeside park at the east end of the neighborhood, Yahara Place Park. **Waterfront Festival** quickly developed its own niche within the area's spate of summer events. In addition to a great lineup of local and touring acts, the festival boasts a great array of vendors from local restaurants and businesses, the Dandelion Dash kids race, the River Alliance's hugely popular Fools' Flotilla, kids games and more. The weekend brings a true combination of new music and innovative features along with old community traditions. (Continued on next page)

(Continued) A formula developed in the early years of these events that has served the neighborhood well ever since. Local business partners are enlisted to help sponsor the festivals, providing the funds used to secure talent and infrastructure. Neighborhood restaurants, artists, small businesses and nonprofits are invited to participate as event vendors throughout the weekend. Many dozens of neighbors join in as volunteers, helping to organize games and featured events; sell beer, wine, soda, and festival shirts.

Proceeds from the events contribute the largest share of MNA's annual budget, allowing it to undertake community projects such as providing grants for neighborhood improvement projects, funding critical programming through nearby nonprofits, giving scholarships to college-bound teens, and paying for public arts projects and social events.

MNA is thrilled to have our friends at Elks Lodge 410 as partners in these iconic eastside events. We look forward to celebrating the summer with the B.P.O.E.!

SESSIONS AT McPIKE PARK

In addition to sponsoring the Waterfront Festival and Orton Park Festival, Madison Elks Lodge is proud to sponsor for the second year Sessions at McPike Park. This multi-night event happens every August and September in McPike Park, featuring musical acts from around the world. Each year it attracts about 3,500 people from around the area and benefits seven local nonprofits. Admission is free, but of course there is great food and drink for sale, an ongoing raffle and pop-up auctions. The Great Lawn will be filled with chairs for your comfort. A complete schedule of events is found at <https://sessionsatmcpike.org/>

Look for the Elks Tent at all these and other neighborhood events this summer! If you would like to volunteer to help, please contact the Secretary: secretary@madisonelkslodge.org

MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

We apologize for the delay in the installation of the east pier – the one reserved for members on a space available basis. This has been the result of an unforeseen structural issue that we are trying to resolve as quickly as possible. We thank you for your patience. As a reminder, the west pier which is installed is reserved by members for the season.

A second dues statement was sent out to delinquent members last month. If you received one, we don't want to lose you as a member. Please pay your dues promptly so you can once again use the facilities of the clubhouse.

Summer is a great time to bring guests to the Lodge. Please have them sign the guestbook and give them a membership application before they leave.



**Live Music on the
Lawn Every
Thursday in June**

5:30-8:30 

**Cookout Food Available for
Purchase Starting at 5:00**

Bring a Lawn Chair - 50/50 Raffle



Event will move inside in the case of rain



MADISON ELKS LODGE #410
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**FLAG DAY
CEREMONY &
BRUNCH**

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**SUNDAY, JUNE 12
CEREMONY 11:00 AM
FOLLOWED BY BRUNCH**

THE CEREMONY WILL FEATURE THE
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AMERICAN REVOLUTION AND THE
COLOR GUARD OF THE SONS OF
UNION CIVIL WAR VETERANS



MADISON ELKS LODGE #410
711 JENIFER ST. MADISON, WI 53703

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Chairman **Richard Olson** (2015-2017)

Secretary **Sherie Sasso** (2019-2020)

Treasurer **Lynn Aspinwall** (2017-2019)

ACTIVE MEMBERS

Dan Aspinwall (1971-1972)

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Hosted by:

DJ John Sherman

Every 3rd
Wednesday from
6pm - 8pm



Based on 30 players,
minimum payout \$10.00

	Payout
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

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POSTCARD FROM THE PAST



The Oshkosh Elks Lodge was chartered in 1894 as Lodge #280, but when it received its charter it was numbered 292! In 1913, its first clubhouse was erected and a new gymnasium added in 1927. Damaged by arsonists in 1978, it was abandoned and torn down that same year.

OLD IRONSIDES

From the Grand Lodge website

Most Americans instantly recognize the nickname of one of our country's most famous fighting ships, the *U.S.S. Constitution*. One of the first three naval vessels built in the United States, this 44-gun frigate with its solid oak hull and distinctive copper plating (courtesy of Paul Revere's shop) was launched in 1797, and began her legendary career within that year by ridding American waters of swarms of French privateers. In the early 1800s, African pirates based in Tripoli had so disrupted international sea traffic that the United States and others were humiliated into paying an annual tribute of "protection money" to keep trade going. In 1804, we had had enough and declared war on the piratical thugs of the Barbary States. As a consequence of the long procession of pirate vessels dispatched into the murky depths of the Mediterranean by our *Constitution's* pounding cannon, the Pasha of the Barbary States begged for unconditional surrender to bring "Operation Barbary Storm" to an end.



This episode alone would have been more than enough to ensure a place of honor in the annals of American naval history for this proud man-o'-war, but despite having to be remasted and repaired after each intense engagement, the indomitable *Constitution* continued to defend our shores and sea lanes as Britain's last attempt at regaining her truant colony, the War of 1812, reached across the Atlantic.

In August of 1812, with the British blockade of our eastern and gulf coasts strangling the flow of French trade goods, the *Constitution* broke free of Boston Harbor, then engaged the larger British frigate *Guerriere* in a long battle. The sight of cannonballs bouncing off her thick oak sides during this fierce contest prompted one gunner to taunt his British adversaries across the waves with "Huzzah, her sides are made of iron!" imparting a nickname she would carry forever. As final proof of the title, Old Ironsides reduced the *Guerriere* to floating rubble that wasn't even of value as a prize, then set her carcass on fire and sank her.

While there were many battles just as fierce before and after in the War of 1812, this particular incident occurred at a point when our morale was at its lowest point, with our national spirit still shackled by a centuries-old belief in Britain's Sovereignty of the Seas that needed to be shattered as it was on August 19th, 1812, before we could see the possibility of victory.

Her exploits would continue to make the *U.S.S. Constitution* the Grande Dame of the American fleet well into the next century, but the cost of battle had been high, and she now faced new enemies – old age and bureaucracy. Faced with yet another expensive overhaul of her tradition-soaked decks, the government first toyed with dismantling Old Ironsides in the 1830s. A young Boston law student, Oliver Wendell Holmes, rallied the public's patriotic spirit to preserve this treasure when his poem was published nationwide.

But time is an implacable enemy that would not ever be completely conquered, and in the early 1920s, faced with the most extensive reconstruction of the great ship's lifetime, a government unable to fully fund the project once again considered tearing Old Ironsides apart.

This time a prominent Massachusetts Elk learned of the ship's gloomy fate as it listed forlornly at the Boston Navy Yard docks. With the resources of the Order of Elks, the funding for repair could easily have been generated from within our ranks, but in our wisdom we saw that more was in need of repair than just the physical deterioration. Pledging the Order's support to stop any dismantling before it could begin, the Elks commenced a program throughout America's small towns and bustling metropolises that called on millions of our nation's children to show their reverence for this unique defender of liberty and her brave crewmen.

Through a network in 1,400 Lodges and dozens of radio broadcasts, collection drives, dramatic programs and essay contests were carried out during the month of October, 1925, and the precious pennies, nickels and dimes of millions of American children poured in. Of course, there was no way to prevent adult patriots from doing their part in such a noble cause, and it is understandable that the bulk of the \$537,000 needed came from them. Yet, as the Elks had anticipated, \$136,436.79 came from the renewed love and pride in countless young hearts, and purchased for them a stronger sense of participation and dedication that would become evident as these children grew into the men and women who built and defended America in the tumultuous decades that followed.

The *U.S.S. Constitution* is in residence at the Boston Navy Yard. Visitors are please asked not to make any disparaging remarks about her aging "threads," however; a current Pennies for Sails Campaign is being

AY TEAR her tattered ensign down!
Long has it waved on high,
And many an eye has danced to see
That banner in the sky;
Beneath it rung the battle shout,
And burst the cannon's roar;
The meteor of the ocean air
Shall sweep the clouds no more.

Her deck once red with heroes' blood,
Where knelt the vanquished foe,
When winds were hurrying o'er the flood,
And waves were white below,
No more shall feel the victor's tread,
Or know the conquered knee;
The harpies of the shore shall pluck
The eagle of the sea!

Oh, better that her shattered hulk
Should sink beneath the wave;
Her thunders shook the mighty deep,
And there should be her grave;
Nail to the mast her holy flag
Set every threadbare sail,
And give her to the god of storms,
The lightning and the gale!

—Oliver Wendell Holmes

conducted – once again in the classrooms of America – whereby our children's contributions will refit the *Constitution* with bright, crisp new sails. More details can be obtained from your local school or from your local Post of the American Legion who are administering this particular program.

Euchre – Additional Dates!

Playing Euchre is a great way to meet fellow Elks members. You get a new partner every game! Bring your friends.

Please sign up at the bar so we can ensure proper staffing!

Come for cards, stay for dinner!
Saturday features Prime Rib

\$5.00 per person Buy In
Prizes will be determined based on the number of entries

2nd Saturday June 11th

Register 3:00 pm – Play at 3:30 pm

2nd & 4th Wednesday's

June 8th and June 22nd
Register 5:30 pm – Play at 6:00 pm

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JUNE BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Thomas Ferrella, Dayton Jones, Kathy Peterson
3 John Brigham, Donald Komplin
4 Lynn Riley, Linda Strassman
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Sandra Williams-Martin
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27 Bert Slinde
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29 Gene Wilpolt
30 Mark Caine, Keelie Jones, Michael McDonald

WELKOME NEW MEMBERS

Initiated May 11, 2022:

- David M. Brown, Jr.
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"Supporting Elks Over 40 years"

JUN 2022

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	30 Memorial Day		1 2-4-1 Burgers moves to Wednesday nights, Dining Room	2 Back 40, Lakeside, 5:30 – 8:30 p.m.	3 Private Event, Lower Level	4
5	6	7	8 Membership Meeting, Lower Level, 7 p.m./Euchre, Wisconsin Rm.	9 Shekinah King, Lakeside, 5:30 – 8:30 p.m.	10 Lois Hoornstra at the Piano, Dining Room	11 Euchre, Upstairs, 3 p.m.
12 Flag Day Observance & Brunch 11 a.m.	13 Flag Day	14	15 Music Bingo Bar, 6 – 8 p.m.	16 The Broken Boards, Lakeside, 5:30 – 8:30 p.m.	17	18
19 Juneteenth/ Father's Day	20	21 Euchre, Wisconsin Rm., 5 p.m.	22 Bruce Edwin, Lakeside, 5:30 – 8:30 p.m.	23 Lois Hoornstra at the Piano, Dining Room	24 Private Event, Lower Level	25
26	27	28	29 Char and Donnie B, Lakeside, 5:30 – 8:30 p.m.	30		



In 1907, the Grand Lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks designated by resolution June 14 as Flag Day. The Grand Lodge of the Order adopted mandatory observance of the occasion by every Lodge in 1911 and that requirement continues. The Elks prompted President Woodrow Wilson to recognize the Order's observance of Flag Day for its patriotic expression. But it was not until 1949 when President Harry Truman, himself a member of the Elks, made the proclamation that thereafter June 14 would be a day of national observance.



WE HOPE TO SEE YOU AT THE LODGE

The office is open Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m., or by appointment. Email: office@madisonelkslodge.org. The Bar is open Wednesday from 11:30 a.m. until 3 p.m., and Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 4:30 p.m. until 10 p.m. **On Saturday the Bar is open 11 a.m. until 10 p.m. with limited food service until 5 p.m.** The Dining Room is open Wednesday from 11:30 a.m. until 3 p.m. and Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday from 5 p.m. until 9 p.m. For reservations or carryout, please call 608-255-1644 ext. 1.

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