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*Next Lodge meeting: June 9th* 

## **ELKLINER**

Editor **Dan Curd** Photographer **John Lorimer** 

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

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## HAPPY DAYS ARE HERE AGAIN

Summer is always a glorious time at the Lodge, but having the health department's COVID-19 restrictions lifted, has made it even more special this year. In its statement on June 2, it said:

"Today I applaud the 63% of Dane County residents who have gotten vaccinated. This extremely high number allows us to make the decision today to lift our orders on June 2, when we estimate that 75% of those eligible for vaccine will have received their first dose," said Janel Heinrich, Director of Public Health Madison & Dane County. "Because not everyone is able to get vaccinated, particularly our kids younger than 12, even after the orders expire, unvaccinated people should continue to wear masks in public spaces."

On May 12, the first monthly membership meeting was held at the Lodge in over a year. Also, we had our first in-person initiation since the pandemic began when seven new Elks were welcomed into our fold. For the many persons initiated via Zoom the past months, we hope they will experience a Lodge initiation. Initiations happen at the regular meetings held the second Wednesday of the month with initiations scheduled for June, July and August. We also encourage those Zoom initiates to contact the Secretary about signing the Constitution and receiving their membership pins, flags and parking stickers.



The dining room is now open Wednesday for both lunch and dinner, as well as dinner on Thursday, Friday and Saturday (hours of operation are listed on the back page of the newsletter). We want to thank all those who have dined with us the past couple of months for your patience. It has been a challenge to say the least to adequately staff the Dining (Continued on next page.)

(Continued) Room and Bar. Thanks to the Board who have recruited many new employees. We hope to be back to normal operation soon.

Many members take advantage of boating to the Lodge and the east pier is available for docking on a first come, first served basis. The west pier is reserved 24/7 for members who rented boat slips for the season. When the clubhouse is open, you can access the bar and restaurant with your key card by the rear outside door (at the top of the stairway). Also, did you know that carryout drinks are now legal and available at the bar?

We will observe our first post-pandemic event on **Sunday**, **June 13**, **when we celebrate Flag Day**. The program will begin at **11 a.m**., lakeside, weather permitting. Assisting us in our observance are color guards from the Sons of the American Revolution (SAR) and Sons of Union Civil War Veterans. The Nathaniel Ames Chapter of the SAR (who now meet monthly at the Elks) will also present Madison B.P.O.E. Elks Lodge #410 its Flag Award. A buffet brunch will follow upstairs from 11:30 a.m. until 2 p.m. and we ask that you make reservations by calling (608) 255-1644 ext. 1. This event is open to the public.

We want to thank Ladies Auxiliary President LaVerne Schwengel and all its members for their plantings that beautify the Lodge each summer. Next time you visit, you will also see that a new tree, shrubs and perennials now grace the formerly barren area next to the street. In the fall, we hope to add other seasonal bulbs and perennials.

If you have not done so already, please submit your dues for 2021-2022. Checks should be mailed to the Madison Elks Lodge, 711 Jenifer Street, Madison WI 53703, or you can use a credit card, debit card, or e-check if you go to this secure website: <a href="https://search.revopay.com/elkslodge">https://search.revopay.com/elkslodge</a>. Please come enjoy the summer with us!

### **OUR NEW EVENT & BANQUET COORDINATOR**

We are very happy to have Carrie Sweet on board. She brings with her considerable experience as both a professional wedding planner and event coordinator for serval nonprofits. If her face looks familiar, you may have enjoyed one of her many performances with the Madison Theatre Guild, Stollers Theatre, Ltd., and Forward Theater Company. She can be reached by calling (608) 333-5694, or by calling (608) 255-1644 ext. 2.





#### JUNE BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Thomas Ferrella, Dayton Jones, Kathy Peterson
- 3 John Brigham
- 4 Lynn Riley, Linda Strassman
- 6 Scott Hamilton, Lois Hoornstra, Sandra Williams-Martin
- 7 Daniel Rustick
- 8 Randall Brown, Gerald Canon, Louis Fahey
- 9 John Barlow
- 10 Suzanne Brooks, Hugh Petersen, Ronald Frank Rotter
- 11 James Felder, Ralph Kamps, Marlowe Suter
- 12 Kenneth Deprey, Alexander Moderhock, Richard Murray, Laura Strong
- 13 Douglas J Christenson, Bernard Knesting
- 14 Walter Burkholder
- 15 Lindsey Lee, Steven Reinstra
- 16 Michael Barry, Adam Coyle
- 17 Denise Colwill, Greg King, Jeffrey Kraemer, Gabrielle O'Brien, Jesse O'Brien, Kevin Retelle
- 18 James Soderholm
- 19 Lee Nestingen, John Taylor
- 21 Dennis Mack
- 22 Paul Ashe, Neal Schlachter
- 23 Dick Falch, Joe Martino, Mary Riley
- 25 Thomas Linsmeier
- 26 Donald Amacher, James Berkenstadt, James Brandenburg
- 27 Raymond Schmitz Jr, Bert Slinde
- 28 Perry Bowers, Sally Jo Spaeni, Stacy Weber
- 29 Gene Wilpolt
- 30 Mark Cain, Keelie Jones, Michael McDonald

#### **WELKOME NEW MEMBERS**

Initiated May 12:

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President Harry S Truman signing bill enacted by Congress August 3, 1949, proclaiming June 14 "Flag Day."



# YOUR TABLE IS WAITING

The Dining Room is open Wednesday for lunch from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday for dinner from 5 p.m. until 9 p.m.. The Bar is open Wednesday from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. and Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 4:30 p.m. until 10 p.m. For reservations please call 608-255-1644 extension 1. The office is open Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m., or by appointment. Phone 608-255-1644 extension 3. Email: office@madisonelkslodge.org.

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