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November 2020 | Madison Elks Lodge #410

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4 Year **Denise Stromme**

5 Year **Tom Lyons**

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

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PILOTING THE LODGE THROUGH THE PANDEMIC

We have always prioritized your safety, and in these uncertain times, this is no different. That's why we are practicing and enforcing best practices in the midst of COVID-19.

As you know, safety recommendations — including those for our members, guests and staff — can and have changed in accordance to the CDC guidelines and Public Health Madison and Dane County regulations. You can count on us to keep up-to-date with the latest requirements from the local, state and federal government. Currently, our dining capacity is limited to 25% of our total capacity — about 110 people. All tables must be six feet apart. In-person meetings are restricted to a maximum of 10 persons inside and 25 persons outside.

We ask our members to wear masks or facial coverings, wash/sanitize your hands before coming to the Lodge, and — most importantly — stay at home if you are feeling sick.

You can stay abreast of what's happening by receiving our emails and following us on [Facebook](#). That's where we'll first update you with any news.

Because of the current restrictions our monthly membership meetings are now held via Zoom technology. We regularly email members a link to access the meeting and I hope you will join us on the second Wednesday of the month. (If you need a link, email: secretary@madisonelkslodge.org.)

Obviously, the current situation has been a financial hardship for many of us, including our employees, who I hope you will support when you come to the Lodge. It has also been devastating to our wedding and catering business. Virtually all of the events scheduled this year were canceled or postponed. We are very disappointed that we will not be able to host our annual Veterans Day breakfast this year, but hope to honor those who served in another way.

We are able to stay open in large part thanks to successfully securing a \$78,000 Paycheck Protection Program loan which can only be used toward payroll and utility expenses. Despite our drastic reduction in revenue, expenses go on at the Lodge. Much of our infrastructure is now 55 years old, including two pumps in need of replacement. Recently, we updated lighting and the electrical system to remain in compliance with code. This summer the city billed the Lodge for its share of a new traffic signal at the corner of Blount and Jenifer Street. All bills and expenditures are available in the (continued on next page)

PILOTING THE LODGE THROUGH THE PANDEMIC (continued)

Treasurer's reports and membership meeting minutes on our secured [410 page](#) on the Grand Lodge's website, elks.org. (You must register to view this information.)

As some of you are aware, the Grand Lodge is now directly mailing out dues statements. If you received one, I encourage you to pay as soon as possible. Many of you historically make a donation to the Lodge's maintenance fund when you pay your dues. If you haven't, please consider doing so.

We all look forward to a future when things return to normal at the Lodge. In the meantime, if you have specific questions not addressed here or on our website, reach out to us.

Your leadership and staff appreciate your understanding and support.

NEW LANDSCAPING

Old age and street construction took their toll on the shrubs and trees that once graced the front of the Lodge. A couple of years ago, those that remained were removed by the city when they redesigned their easement on Jenifer Street. After an online fundraising effort to replant, thanks to the generosity of our members, we believe we have enough money to proceed. We will have to depend upon volunteers, however, for labor. We anticipate this project will be completed by early spring. If you would like to donate money or contribute labor, please contact the secretary.

NEW HOURS, NEW MENU

The bar and dining room are currently open on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday from 4:30 p.m. until 9 p.m. We have a new dinner menu that has nightly specials. On Thursday night we have three steak or chicken tacos served with rice and beans for \$10. Friday fish fry offers either three pieces of cod or lake perch served with coleslaw and French fries for \$14. Saturday night features prime rib with a choice of soup or salad and potato, and three portion sizes – small (8 oz.) \$14, medium (10 oz.) \$16, or large (14 oz.) \$18. Each evening there is also a chef's special. If you would like a copy of the full menu, email: secretary@madisonelkslodge.org. To make a reservation or order a carry out, call 608-255-1644, ext. 1.

P.E.R. ASSOCIATION

Chairman: **Richard Olson**

Secretary **Sherie Saso**

Treasurer **Lynn Aspinwall**

Active Members

Dan Aspinwall

William H. Aspinwall

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James Mueller

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- 4 Robert Hermanson
- 7 David Lombardo, William Phillips,
- 8 Betsy Bazur-Leidy, Richard Blotz,
Randy Hellenbrand, Don Kieler,
Max Oleson, Park Waller
- 9 Mike Moran
- 10 Marc Miele, Pat Ploc
- 11 Donald E. Johnson, Casey Kenney,
Frederick Kinney, Alan Thomsen,
Wendy Wait
- 12 Tino Balio
- 13 Susi Haviland
- 14 Jeffrey Knupp, Roger Rohde
- 15 Donald Campbell, Marcy Heim,
Harland Klagos, Robert Tremlett
- 16 Charles Karpelenia
- 17 David Polley, Charles Wagner
- 19 Dennis Kruger
- 20 Steven Seeliger
- 21 Michael Finley, Dean Hewitt
- 22 Brian Jarecki
- 23 Robert Baggot, Ralph Brown,
Timothy Cornelius, Thomas Unke
- 24 Harvey Alexander, Paul Molinaro
- 26 Richard Lichtfeld, James Orlando
- 27 Sam Rasmussen
- 28 Ryan Endres, Neva Lafleur,
Mike Paulus, Audrey Polencheck
- 30 Don Faith, Raymond Maida
John Schneider

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Initiated October 14:

John A Marshall
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James Orlando

Transferring from other lodges:

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We need your support more than ever!

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