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LODGE INFORMATION 2023-2024

Exalted Ruler Leading Knight Loyal Knight Lecturing Knight Secretary Treasurer Esquire Chaplain Inner Guard Tiler Parliamentarian **Presiding Justice** 1 Yr Trustee 2 Yr Trustee 3 Yr Trustee 4 Yr Trustee 5 Yr Trustee

Kathy Marsh Bob Sosinski Brett Rescheske Gina Staskal Colleen Sosinski Deb Schreiber Jason Ellis Barb Mezera Greg Mezera Tom Varde Tom Widzinski Michael I Roth Ieff Groff **Iim Staskal** Mark Schmidt Sandy DeYoung Keith Reischl

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Vice President	Judy Seibold	920-420-5248			
Secretary	Meg Reichenberger	920-376-1139			
Treasurer	Lanette Pomplun	920-685-6093			
Tiler	Sherry Katzenberger	608-576-5366			

Lodge opens at 3:00 pm Tuesday - Friday until close. Happy Hour 3-6 pm Tuesday-Friday 7:00 p.m. Weekly Sign In Drawing on all Tuesday's

The kitchen will be closed until further notice.





Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 7:00 p.m. Weekly Sign In Drawing	3 Lodge meetings 7:00	4 7:30 payday drawing \$10 drawing	5 7:00 p.m. Weekly 50/50 drawing	6 PER fundraiser tailgate 4pm - EOG
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28	29	30 7:00 p.m. Weekly Sign In Drawing				

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Greetings Oshkosh Elks 292 Members,

Well, the 2024-2025 Lodge year is here! And with that, comes movement in all things at our lodge. Not only Officers and Trustees, but with appointed positions, volunteers, and committee members as well. Thank you to all who have given your time and talents in one of these positions. And welcome to those of you joining one of the vacant positions for the upcoming year.

As the newly elected exalted ruler for the 2024-2025 lodge year, I can say, I am humbled, honored, and SCARED! Mostly humbled and honored to represent our lodge and its membership. I say "scared", because so many of you have given me words of encouragement and support, and offers of help in whatever may come up, and I don't want to disappoint any of you.

I promise to do my best to support our membership and always consider that entity first while dealing with lodge duties this next year.

We are fortunate to be coming into a new year with all Officer and Trustee positions filled. Gina Staskal will be joining the returning Officers as Lecturing Knight. Jim Staskal and Kieth Rieschl are joining the Trustees as 2 yr. and 5 yr., respectively. Greg Mezera will be taking over as Inner Guard, Barb Mezera as Chaplin, and Deb "Redbird" Schrieber as Treasurer.

To all the returning Officers, Trustees, and Volunteers, a heartfelt thank you for choosing to again, donate your time and talents to our lodge membership.

A very special thanks to both Pam Schedivy for her time as Chaplin, and to Deb "Redbird" Schrieber for leading our lodge this past year as ER.

2023-2024 was a good year for our lodge with all things Elks, supporting our community through grants and volunteerism. Being visible as active community members participating in events such as parades, National Night Out, zooaloween, and distributing holiday food baskets, just to name a few. And, supporting each other by socializing at our lodge with activities like the meat raffle, bingo, and tailgate parties.

I am counting on all of you, to continue to support your lodge in any way you can. Let's all combine efforts to make 2024-2025 as successful as possible and have a lot of fun along the way. I hope to see you at the lodge!

Kathy Marsh Exalted Ruler kmarsh.wielks@gmail.com

SECRETARY NEWS from Colleen Sosinski

Hello Fellow Elks!

Congratulations to the 62% of our members who paid their dues on time. Thank you so much! If you have not paid your dues yet and need a new statement, please call/text or email me and I will print a new one for you. Payments were due at the end of March and can be dropped off at the Lodge or mailed to Oshkosh Elks Lodge P.O. Box 942 Oshkosh, WI 54903-0942. DO NOT SEND MAIL TO THE FERNAU ADDRESS!!! If there are extenuating circumstances, please let me know, we may be able to help.

On March 6th we Initiated Kari Van Pay who was proposed by Chrissy Esselman. She has already jumped in and helped out at several fish fries. Please say hi when you see her at the lodge.

Come join us at the State Convention that is being held May 2nd-5th at Hilton Paper Valley in Appleton. The Early Registration Deadline was March 30th, but you can still register for sessions at the Convention.

As always feel free to contact me with questions/concerns at 920-410-7538 or 292.Elks.Sec@gmail.com



Memorial Service

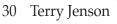
The Oshkosh Elks Lodge #292 has a Memorial Service team available for any member in good standing when they pass away. This is a beautiful service performed by our Past Exalted Rulers and is usually done at the viewing and takes about 25-30 minutes. The only catch is that it needs to be requested. You can let your funeral director know or call Jason Ellis at 920-379-8150. It is a very nice way to honor our deceased members.

April birthdays

- 2 Alan Abraham
- 4 Paul Morton
- 4 Mary Petzold
- 4 Mary Laflin
- 5 Vince Moore
- 7 Ron McBrair
- 8 Richard Witak
- 9 Nick Wellenstein
- 10 Gary Fredrick
- 10 Karol Foster

- 14 Lee Ziebell
- 17 Heidi Krause
- 17 William Miller
- 18 Kristin Fassbinder 29 James Martin
- 21 Richard Hunt
- 22 Sandy Schmidt
- 23 Jane Mathe
- 23 Thomas Meredith
- 24 Judy Seibold
- 26 David Krueger

- 26 Diane Groff
- Barb Mezera 27
- 28 Jake Perry
- 29 Tom Schertz
- 30 Jennifer Fiebig





STOP IN FOR YOUR FREE **BIRTHDAY DRINK!!**



Oshkosh *Elks* Lodge #292 <u>By-Law Revisions</u>

Members All:

Pursuant to the wishes of the Officers and Members present at the regularly scheduled lodge meeting held on February 21, 2024, a discussion was held regarding changes to the By-Laws. After the discussion was held a proposal was set forth to amend the following By-Laws:

1. Article V, Section 5 – Of the Treasurer which currently reads as follows:

"He shall be required to give bond to the Lodge in the sum of \$20,000.00 for the faithful performance of his duties, and shall receive as compensation for his services the sum of \$600.00 per annum, payable monthly."

The proposed amendment to Article V, Section 5 would read as follows:

"He shall attend all officially called District Deputy Clinics for his Lodge unless excused for good cause shown to the District Deputy with jurisdiction. He shall be required to give bond to the Lodge in the sum of \$5,000.00 for the faithful performance of his duties and shall receive as compensation for his services the sum of \$7,200.00 per annum, payable monthly."

This letter shall therefore serve as notice to all of our current membership that the above mentioned changes to the By-Laws and House Rules will again be discussed at the regular Lodge Meeting scheduled for April 17,2024. After discussion, a vote will be taken and ratified by those present. Please make arrangements regarding your schedule so that you can be present to participate in the discussion and vote being held. This notice is served to all so that they can exercise their right of franchise in Oshkosh Elks Lodge #292.

Respectfully submitted,

Greg Mezera, PER

Wapiti

I have a new email address: jangrable@icloud.com

Submissions for the Wapiti are due by the **15th of every month** in the mailbox at the lodge. **After the 15th you need to call Jan Grable at 920-203-0165 or email to jangrable@icloud.com.** If you have something that needs to have a later deadline you must notify the Exalted Ruler, as we **send to the printer no later than the 21st of the month**. (You may submit word or pdf files.) Thank You



Sunday, May 12, 2024

Ritual 11:00 am Lite Lunch Served Immediately After the Ritual (About 11:30 am)

Menu: TBD

\$TBD per person + Tax & Tip

Reservations are required!

Reservations requested by April 30, by calling the lodge during normal business hours 3:00-8:00 (Tues-Fri) or signup sheet at the bar.

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Do You Want Food at the Lodge? Then think about this... Meeting Tuesday April 23rd at 6 pm

Anyone wanting to help with committee work investigating lodge foodservice with volunteers. There are lodges of comparable size to ours that have food without hiring kitchen staff. This group would look at all aspects of how these lodges are doing their food serve. If you would like to be involved or have questions, please contact Kathy Marsh at, kmarsh.wielks@gmail.com

Elks Ladies News

2023 WOW Luncheon Meet at 11:30 am

April 24 - The Chalice, May 22 - T J's Harbor, June 26 - Wendt's (at 4:00pm), July 24 - Cozumel, Aug. 28 - Highland Steak House (OCC), Sept. 25 - Friar Tucks, Oct. 23 - Perkins, Nov. 20 - Chili's, Dec. 31 - The Roxy Come join us - for reservations call Helen Cihlar 920-582-4168. (Note: effective 2024 the lunches are on Wednesday except for Dec. 31.)

Elk Ladies Meeting February 13, 2024

Chaplain Sue Kosmer started the evening with a prayer about making sure you THANK everyone for the Gift of Love. A lovely meal was catered In by La Sure's. For dessert we had a birthday cake and the Elks executives and members sang happy Birthday to all of us ladies.

President Pat Seibold started the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Treasurer and Secretaries reports were read, accepted and approved .

Old but on going news: April dinner theatre and fundraiser is April 27. Tickets are on sale at the meetings and at the bar. The Roxy will be catering in the dinner. There will be 3 choices to choose from. The entertainment will be by Ted Wilcox and Beth Hansen. Chocolate raffle will be a gorgeous earring and necklace set from Reimers Jewelers. We are in need of raffle basket items or monies to purchase items! Please bring them to the next 2 meetings. Some basket theme items: Golf, Grill, tailgate, wine, sport, etc...

New business: Helen Cihlar presented the slate of officer for 2024-2025; President Teri Royer, Vice President Judy Seibold, Treasurer Lanette Pomplum, Secretary Pat Seibold, and Tiler Jane Mathe

Mary Petzold announced that the program for June will be a presentation from/about the Teacher's Closet. A list of Items to be donated, will be sent out.

Committee heart centerpieces were given out. 50/50and basket winners were announced.

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Meg Reichenberger

Elk Lady Membership Dues	New Member	Current Member
Name:		
Address:		
Phone:		
Birthday-Month/Day:		
Email:		
Name of Elk Member in Good St	anding:	
	(Husband – Significa	ant Other – Parent – Child that is an Elk Member in Good Standing)

Check box if you would like to be added to the No Call list.

Total Amount Due: \$15.00Dues are for Membership Year – June 1, 2024 to May 31, 2025

Please fill out the above form and put with your check payable to: Elks Ladies of Oshkosh Lodge #292.

Dues will be collected at the April & May meetings. If you choose to mail your payment, please send to the following address: Lanett Pomplun, 3175 County Rd E, Eureka, WI 54963

Thank you for being an Elk Lady and we look forward to your continued membership!





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