

GR Lodge 48 Bugle

January 2022

EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY PER GRAND LODGE STATUTES- THE BAR
WILL BE CLOSED DURING ALL LODGE MEETINGS

SAVE THE DATE

Feb 12—Valentine Dinner/Dance

March 4—April 15 — Lenten Fish Fry



Please come and join us at the

Grand Rapids Elks Lodge #48

917 Bridge NW

In the back parking lot

ANNUAL CHILI COOK OFF

January 15, 2022

\$25 per team

Sign up at the bar

Limit 10 teams

Limited to small (1 lb. or less) butane/propane stoves
due to poor power. No game meat, Store purchased
food only.

11:00 start cooking 3:00 Judging

Music

50/50s

Drink Specials

Open to

the Public

Call Don PER Chairman 648-8653. Questions....

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New Member

Michelle

Weatherhead



Welcome!!

**Proposed new
member**

Stacey Boughman-
Teacher

Honoring the Past—Embracing the Future



As we usher in 2022, let us embrace the endless possibilities that loom on the horizon. Looking back over 2021 let's not forget the motto of the Elks, "The faults of our Brothers and Sisters we write upon the sand, their virtues upon the tablets of love and memory."

During this New Year, please remember to be kind, because you are lucky enough to have Elks family close by. Many individuals join the Elks to have this extended family. So reach out to more than your close circle of friends and include a fresh face from time to time. Your small expression of friendliness will have a major impact on others lives. So love each other, cherish our members together and let's celebrate this New Year with our family of the "Best people on earth".

Also, we celebrates our Elks Memorial Service on December 5th for all the Elk members who passed away the last two years...so remember the ending of our 11th Hour toast... to our absent members.

Always be safe and generous!!

See you at the Lodge!! It's great to be an Elk!!

Elks Care Elks Share

Mike Kicz

Exalted Ruler



VOLUNTEER!! THE SOCIAL COMMITTEE NEEDS HELP WITH YPUR EVENTS!



Duane Bucklin	01
Harold Larson	06
Kenneth pierce	07
John Shaut	10
Mark Bydalek	12
Ted Liberski	13
Gary Evanzo	14
Emilio Tobar	19
Kerry Smith	20
James Varenhorst	21
William Freeman	22
Joe Koenig	22
Thomas Pelak	23
Thomas Rooney	25
James Troutman	26
Michael Alkema	29
Roger Andrezejewski	29
Steven King	29
Michael Host	30
Max MacKellar	30
Robert Velding	31

If we missed your special day, please let us know.

Social Club Hours

Sunday	Closed
Monday	Closed
Tuesday	4-8 pm
Wednesday	4-8 pm
Thursday	4-8 pm
Friday	4-8 pm
Saturday	6-10 pm

Michigan Major Project

W For Lodges on the west side of the state, we are participating with the Spartan Nash grocery stores! Just bring in your receipts into your lodge, where your Major Project Chairman will bundle them up and mail them to the Major Project office. Again, drop the D&W, Family Fare, Forest Hills Foods, ValuLand receipts off at the lodge and help us earn that first \$1,000. There is a box in the lobby.

If you need more information on this program, please contact Diane Dusendang, Ex. Director.



Blood drive coming soon. Watch your eblasts and Facebook for details.



Have you registered?
Sue Murtland Chair



We celebrate all service men and women.

Friday of every month is wear a Red Shirt day, in honor of our veterans.

ADOPT A VET

We will be starting a new program at the lodge. Would you like to spread a little cheer for the residents at the Veterans Home? Do you want to be a pen pal? Some of them have no family or visitors that come to see them. Want to be a friend? Ask questions; send cards; check in with phone calls, if possible? Invite veterans to be guests at Lodge meals and events? Remember birthdays, special events and especially holidays?

Watch for more information next month.



Sue Murtland

Veterans Representative/Lodge Chair

Your Lodge Officers 2021-2022

Exalted Ruler

Mike Kicz

Leading Knight

Jerry Merrell, PER

Loyal Knight

Scott Smith, PER

Lecturing Knight

Chad Freeland

Secretary

Jackie Palasek

Treasurer

Kim Hickey

Chaplain

Roger Gritters

Esquire

Ted Liberski, PER

Inner Guard

Dave Leasure

Tiler

Emilio Tobar

Trustees

Andy Felde 3 yr.

Diane Dusendang PER 2 yr.

Steve Kosten PER 1 yr.

Lodge Committees 2021-2022

Accident Prevention-Chad Freeland, Andy Felde

Activities-Sue Murtland

Auditing-Mike Kramarz

Blood Drive-Sue Murtland

Boy Scout Liaison-Randy Birtles, Scott Smith

Drug Awareness-Betty Lampani

ENF-Sue Murtland/Diane Dusendang

Flag Day/Memorial-Mike Kicz

Fraternal-Mike Kicz

Gold Key-Sue Murtland

Government Relations-Chris Leasure

Hoop Shoot-Don Freybler, Mike Kicz

House-Steve Kosten

Kid's Christmas-Mike Kicz

Membership/PR-Steve Kosten. Ted Liberski

Memorial Day-Chris Leasure

Michigan Major Projects-Diane Dusendang

Newsletter-Sue Murtland

PER-Chris Leasure

Scholarships-Sue Murtland

Social-Diane Dusendang, Jackie Palasek

Veterans-Sue Murtland



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National
Foundation

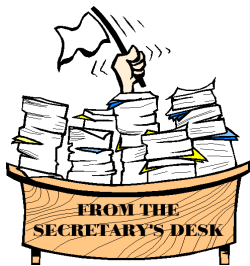
Are you a Fidelity Club member through the Elks National Foundation? Do you know what this is? What does it do for the Elks? How can you help?

Fidelity Club is the ENF's sustaining giving program. Donors who establish automatic, monthly gifts to the Foundation have their names listed on the website and receive special recognition, like an exclusive pin.

Sustaining gifts help your favorite Foundation programs continue to grow.

They help increase Lodge's per-member-giving totals—that means that your Lodge could more easily qualify for a Gratitude Grant and its Fidelity Club bonus. We at Lodge #48 use the attitude Grant to help homeless youth at 3-11 Youth Housing, Feeding America, and this year we will be adding_____. With you monthly donations we can add \$500 as a bonus to the Gratitude Grant and help more people in the community.

The easiest way to support the ENF is by establishing your monthly gift-if you haven't already-at **enf.elks.org/fidelity**.



What a fun and busy year we've had! We've initiated 6 new members in the last month alone! If you see a new face around, make sure you stop and introduce yourself.

I would like to remind members that all expenditures MUST be voted on by the Lodge before a purchase can be made. If you submit receipt/voucher for anything purchased without Lodge approval, you may (or may not) get reimbursed for the purchase. Statute XII, Sec. 12.0770 Opinion 20: Appropriations set forth in a budget do not authorize the expenditure of funds until the Lodge passes a specific motion authorizing same.

The membership dues for Grand Lodge have gone up this year. Please watch the newsletter for an update on how this affects our Lodge.

Membership Dues for 2022-2023 Lodge Year

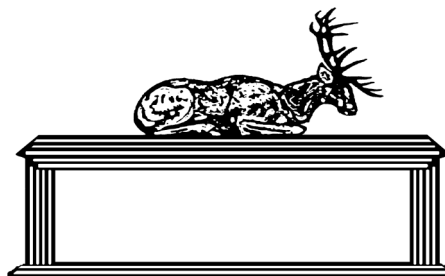
Under Section 4.231, 14.150 and 14.300, Laws of the Order, in addition to their regular dues, it is now mandatory for the collection of the Grand Lodge per Capita and Assessments from each member, including Life Members. The total Per Capita for Grand Lodge, Elks Magazine and Insurance is now **\$24.00 per member. For Grand Lodge** expenses and operations \$6.50; for subscription to **Elks Magazine** \$5.50; for **General Liability Insurance** Assessment \$12.00 (this was \$7.00). **Total due to Grand Lodge** \$24.00. The above figures, as well as the dues to our Lodge and the State Association dues will be included in the combined total on your Annual dues statement.

Jackie Palasek

Lodge Secretary

Lodge Stats

Active members	245
Regular members	163
Life members	75
Delinquents	7
Candidates	0
Transfers	0
Charter—December 12. 1886	



Please pray for the family of
Abraham G Rossi, Life Member
December 5, 2021



Members

Widows/Spouses

Linda Cole-Village View on 4 mile NW

Lois Telzerow- Clark Home E. Beltline

Donna VanGessel-at home

Sunshine



We have a new Sunshine person!

Thank you to Joan Rodriguez for volunteering to do this. But she needs your help. If you know of someone that needs a little cheering up, a shoulder, a hug, send us the name. she will send out a card from all of us. Thank you, Joan.

Delinquents

Anne Gallagher	Bonita Gerke	John Handlin
Karl Killman	Jack Lamothe	Timothy Mroz
Charles Deschaine		



Thanks to all the volunteers that made the Hoop Shoot a success!

We had an Ugly Sweater party on December 4. With a Beacon Grant through ENF we were able to present a check for \$3,500.00 to Toys for Tots(65). Thanks to everyone that donated and made the night a great success. And a huge thank you to Jackie Palasek who does such tremendous work for Toys for Tots.





Thanks to all the members and Officers that made the Toys for Tots Distribution Day a huge success! Thanks to ER Mike Kicz, Lecturing Knight Chad Freeland, and House Committee member Randy Birtles for cooking brats for all the volunteers! Thanks to Martha Bosch, Treasurer Kim Hickey, Secretary Jackie Palasek for staying the entire day. At our distribution site (Kentwood Community Church) we served a total of 1,324 families and 3,622 children! Thanks for making this Christmas brighter for our community.



We had a gift wrapping event and bake sale that raised over \$100 for our Lodge! Thanks to Beth Stribley, Betty Lampani and Kim Hickey for being our "gangsta wrappers".

January 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4 Social/ House 6:00 pm	5 Happy hour 4-6 Darts \$1 Chili Dogs	6 Pop Up Dinner	7	8 Trivia Nite
9	10	11 Lodge meeting 6:30 pm	12 Happy hour 4-6 Darts \$1 Chili Dogs	13 Burger Nite	14	15 
16	17	18 Board 6:30	19 PER meet- ing 6:00 \$1 Chili Dogs	20 Pop up Dinner	21	22 Winter Blues Trivia
23/30	24/31	25 Lodge meeting 6:30 pm	26 Wine and Canvas \$1 Chili Dogs	27 Steak Nite	28	29