



ELEVEN BELLS

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Grand Haven Lodge #1200
Officers for 2022-23

Lodge Officers

Exalted Ruler	Rick Boyink
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Treasurer	Woody Presley

Trustees

1 year	Mark Easton
2 year	Deb Mohr
3 year	Jim Patterson
4 year	Eric McKinley
5 year	Ed Smith

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Bremer, Trach
Fochtman, Michelle
Gish, Taryn
Hemmerly, Matthew
McLean, Monica
Ruwe, David
Sparks, Robert
Stolarski, Holly
VandenHeuvel, Kyler
Zydor, Theodore

JOIN US FOR A FREE BIRTHDAY DRINK!

Taryn Gish 12/1
John Siemion 12/01
Richard Anderson 12/02
Brad Berzack 12/03
Dan Clark 12/03
Gregory Cook 12/04
Michelle Fochtman 12/05
Carol Klouw 12/05
Erin Pierce 12/05
David Bazany 12/06
Mickey Fevaleaki 12/06
Nicholas Meints 12/06
Robert Stolsonburg 12/06
Tonia Ertzinger 12/07
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Charles Peterson 12/09
Gregory Schmeling 12/09
Rachael Cooper 12/10
Jeffrey Julie 12/10
Terry Minor 12/11
Robert Verduin 12/11
Joseph Prinzi 12/12
Tracy Bremer 12/13
Jeffrey Baxter 12/15
Tabitha Haan 12/15
Kate Magyar 12/15
James Fegley 12/16
Michael Murphy 12/16
Daniel Young 12/16
Beverly Simpson 12/17
Margret Bazany 12/18
Marisue Brace 12/20
Geramy Detwiler 12/20
Lori Foley 12/20
Sheila Hardy 12/20
Matthew Daniels 12/21
Kathryn Dood 12/21
Michael Wheeler 12/21
Monica McLean 12/22
Linda Doane 12/24
Steven Resnick 12/24
Joann Brainard 12/26
Jeffery McClain 12/26
James Johnson 12/28
Patrick McCormack 12/28
Ernest Schroeder 12/28
Miguel Ochoa 12/29
Jerry Kendrick 12/30
Ed Lobbezoo 12/31
M Veach 12/31

Thank you for your donations
2022

GOLD KEY BOOK: Anonymous
MMP: Maria Korving
Debbie & Tom Joiner

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AMERICANISM DECEMBER

December 1, 1955 The Civil Rights movement begins
December 6, 1884 Washington Monument completed
December 7, 1941 Japan attacks Pearl Harbor, the U.S. formally enters WWII
Dec. 14, 1899 George Washington dies.
December 121, 1620 The Mayflower pilgrims land at Plymouth Rock

PRAYERS & WELL WISHES

Please keep Tom
Thompson
Ed Smith and Linda
Durham – We are so glad
you are feeling better!!

Upstairs Rental Enquiries, Call
the Bar Manager



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Elks Lodge # 1200

MESSAGE FROM THE EXALTED RULER

Rick Boyink, Exalted Ruler

Happy Holidays! No matter where you are I hope you take time to share some Elk holiday spirit with anyone and everyone. It is a truly special time of the year.

If you know me, then you know that I'm always looking forward. What's next? What needs to be accomplished? But being on vacation I've had time to reflect on our accomplishments over the past several months. This put a smile on my face thinking about the number of different volunteers that have participated in the Grand Haven Elks Lodge #1200 events and activities. It has been a great several months. Thank you all.

December promises to be another exciting month at the Lodge. Starting with the Jingle Bell Parada, the Children's Christmas Party and Hoop Shoot competition serving as warmups. Be sure to check the monthly Elks #1200 calendar and come join in the fun and the excitement. I'm confident you will have a great time!

Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year...

Rick

FROM THE DESK OF THE SECRETARY

Kari Smith, Secretary

Hello! December will be the last opportunity to pay dues for this current year. If you have not paid by December 31st, you will be dropped from our roster.

Please take notice of the increase in dues for 2023-24. This increase comes from Grand Lodge.

It's going to be a busy and fun month at the Lodge!

Happy Holidays, Everyone!

Kari Smith, Secretary

FROM THE DESK OF Grand Haven Lodge 1200:

"Maybe Christmas doesn't come from a store. Maybe Christmas, perhaps, means a little bit more." The Grinch

PLEASE HAVE A WONDERFUL HOLIDAY SEASON THIS DECEMBER. BE SAFE, SPEND LOTS OF TIME WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS . HAPPY HOLIDAY AND MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL OF OUR ELK MEMBERS!

DECEMBER SPECIALS

Every Tuesday in December the special is 2 beers and a pizza - \$10

Every Wednesday in December the wing special is \$.75 wings

Every Thursday in December is the Chicken Strip Basket special \$10

FRIDAY NIGHT DINNERS

12/4 No Dinner

12/9 Potluck Dinner – Bring your favs to share!

12/16 Enchilada Dinner \$12 by Jim and Lee

12/23 Pizza Night

12/30 Rick and Group - TBD



MEETINGS

12/6 Ladies Christmas Party Meeting 6 pm

12/12 Trustee Meeting 5:45pm, Lodge Meeting 7pm

12/14 Ladies Christmas Party 6pm to 9pm

12/18 Activities Committee Meeting

12/26 No Lodge Meeting

EVENTS!!!

Friday 12/2 Jani Ingersoll playing the sounds of Christmas on her flute from 5pm to 6pm. No Dinner this night.

REMINDER

This Christmas Season we have our Salvation Army Angel Tree going on, we also have the Humane Society Bag for donations and Crusade for Toys

HOOP SHOOT!

We are in need of volunteers for the hoop shoot! There will be a meeting on December 11, at 3 pm at the lodge to discuss the Hoop Shoot competition on December 17. The Hoop Shoot on December 17th is from 8 am to approximately 12 pm

Donn Herreman is heading up the Hoop Shoot, contact him for any details.

Christmas Eve the Lodge will be open from 3pm to 7pm, bring snacks to share! Closed Christmas Day.

New Years Eve – the Lodge is open until 10 pm. Appetizers and desserts from 4pm to 7pm, at 7pm there will be a champagne toast.



COMMUNICATION

THE ELKS MEMORIAL WILL COMMENCE ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4 AT 1 PM
ALL FAMILY AND FRIENDS ARE INVITED TO THIS MEMORIAL RECOGNIZING OUR
FALLEN MEMBERS FROM THIS PAST YEAR:

RUDY BENGSTON
DOUGLAS DAUGHERTY
CHARLES PETERSON, JR.
DONALD STYX
LARRY FISCHER
JOHN HAMMOND

PLEASE JOIN US AFTER THE CEREMONY FOR HORS DEVOURS AND FELLOWSHIP

JINGLE BELL WEEKEND EVENTS!

Friday 12/2 Jani Ingersoll playing the sounds of Christmas on her flute from 5pm to 6pm. No Dinner this night.

Saturday, 12/3 is when all the action happens! We are kicking off Jingle Bell by having the kids party at 3pm. Hot cocoa bombs, cookies and snacks, We will also have story time by the fireplace and coloring Christmas pictures to hang on the lodge wall. Santa will be making his annual appearance! Please get signed up at the bar 🍷

The Family Dinner is at 5pm. Bring a dish to pass. Shari and Pam and their team will be cooking up a delicious meal. Get signed up at the bar.

From 4pm to 6pm our own Jani Ingersoll will be playing the sounds of Christmas on her flute 🎵

The Jingle Bell Parade is at 6pm. Come down and see the parade, the Elks has a new float in the parade, The Candy Cane Forest, come check it out!

After the parade, come and get warm at the Elks. We are **open to the public** for Jingle Bell. Invite your friends, neighbors, relatives down to the Elks to check out our lodge and they can see how much fun we have there!

To top the evening off at 8pm is the Michigan vs Purdue Big Ten Championship game! All the TV's will be showing the big game, come down and watch the game with us.



**STAG SWAG ARE
GREAT CHRISTMAS
GIFTS!!
HATS \$20, T-SHIRTS
\$20, SWEATSHIRTS
\$30**



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Lodge Project Page

A page dedicated to show what items need to be done around the lodge, let us know if you notice something to be added, and especially if you are willing to help

Repair Front Entrance

We have an estimate to repair the cracks in the concrete of our front entrance.

This will mean installing epoxy and joints; wash and seal our front entrance wall up to the roof line

We also have the front door itself that has been compromised over the years because of the weight from the concrete Elks sign above it, causing it to sag.

We are in the process of getting quotes on that whole project. Projected cost to fix the door and the concrete above it is in excess of \$20,000.

We are looking into replacing the cement Elk logo above the door with granite.

We have a 95 year old historical building that is in need of repair.

If you notice anything in the building that needs repair, please bring it to a trustee and they'd be more than happy to bring it to the trustee meeting.

The side door of the building facing 3rd street is in need to be replaced. The trim around the door is rotted. We also had someone try to break in that door which hurt the door even more. Our door has been ordered. THE DOOR SHOULD BE ARRIVING VERY SOON (it's taken a few months!)

We also have repair that needs to be done to our front lobby area where it had leaked and the plaster is falling apart. The east side of the building by the fireplace area is in need of plaster repair also be cause of leaks.

We are looking into getting our wiring/electrical fixed up and updated this is in process! The electrician has came in and evaluated our electrical needs.

MUCH OF THE WIRING HAS BEEN COMPLETED!

The fireplace insert was donated and is temporarily sitting in the fireplace spot. There is going to be a frame built around the insert to make it look awesome! Travis has been working on getting the frame done. THANK YOU TRAVIS!

The basement steps are painted and have skid strips on them, much safer!

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Thank you Tracy and Terri for decorating the lodge, it looks very festive!



THANK YOU

THANK YOU TO OUR PIZZA MAKERS,
YOU MAKE OUR BELLIES HAPPY!!!

**VOLUNTEERS IS WHAT MAKES THE ELKS
GO AROUND!! THANK YOU EVERYONE
FOR YOUR VOLUNTEER**



THANKS
FOR
BEING
AWESOME

THANK YOU EVERYONE FOR VOLUNTEERING FOR THE VETERANS DAY LUNCH. Angela from Culvers did a wonderful job on the meal! We served over 120 people and had over 20 volunteers to make it happen.
THANK YOU EVERYONE WHO PARTICIPATED!!

The Friendsgiving was awesome! THANK YOU EVERYONE who participated in this meal to make it happen!



THANK YOU EVERYONE FOR THE FRIDAY NIGHT DINNERS FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER



Thank you Susie Penning and the Book Club for the Shop & Sip. A lot of compliments on the event!!

Deb Mohr would like to thank everyone at the Elks for their kindness and generosity since Tom's medical issue. Her thanks and love go out to everyone!!



THANK YOU EVERYONE OF OUR ELK MEMBERS FOR CONTINUING TO MAKE OUR LODGE A SUCCESS!! WE HAVE THE BEST MEMBERS – EVER

WANT TO GIVE AN ELK A "KUDOS"? CONTACT LEE PATTERSON @
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Veterans Day Lunch



DONATION OPPORTUNITIES
Angel Tree –
Salvation Army
Human Society
Crusade for Toys



New seating area



Elk Proud

There are several ways to get your Elk info! Join our Facebook page, join elks.org, video bulletin board at the lodge, shout outs (make sure you have a good email address for the lodge) and the newsletter! Send any pics that you may potentially want to put on this page to: lpattersonelks1200@outlook.com

