

Spirit of Elks 46

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Exalted Ruler Message

Hello. As the saying goes, "*April showers bring May flowers*". And considering the severe thunder storms we have been experiencing, we hope all of your families and friends will continue to be safe and sound during these heavy rains.

The topics this month are: our lodge events and the tenets we live by. For this current month, we got off to a fast start. We had the *President's Visit*, *Chair Bowling*, and *Easter Brunch* on our first weekend. During our first lodge meeting we initiated 12 new members. For the April 20th lodge meeting, we may have as many as 6 more new members. That would total 18 new members in the first month of the new lodge year. Our goal is another 20 to 30 more new members this lodge year.

In the near future, the coming events include but are not limited to the *State Conference*, *Mother's Day* program, *Flag Day*, Raffle drawing, and the local and State Golf tournaments in June and July.

With regard to the tenets we live by, the question came up about *why* we are planning to do nursing home visits and parades. The best answer comes from the station of the Lecturing Knight (Brotherly Love). You may remember these words. We will paraphrase: "*Let us do good unto others, for we pass this way but once. The passing moment is ours long enough to clasp the hand in friendship, to lighten each other's burdens. This is Brotherly Love.*"

The bottom line is that we will strive to continue living by the tenets we are sworn to uphold: Brotherly Love, Justice, Charity, and Fidelity. *And all of our members can contribute by recommending more groups to be helped from our charitable work. Thank you.*

Have a nice day ...

Landry Long, DBA

*Mother's Day
Observance
Sunday, May 10th
4 pm - Lodge Room*

"Mothers and their children are in a category all their own.

There's no bond so strong in the entire world.

No love so instantaneous and forgiving."

—Gail Tsukiyama

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Milwaukee, WI 53223
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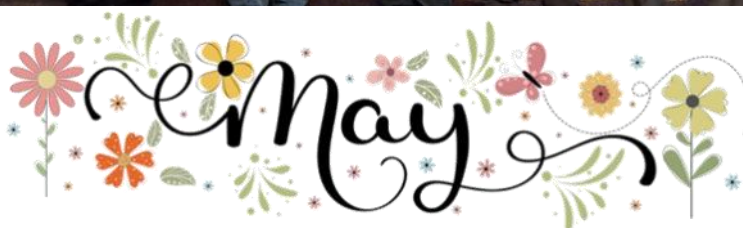


New Members Initiated
April 13th and April 20th



Our New Members

Jesse Ray Boskon
Quontrall Conley
Lynn Cook
Yvonne Finch
Ken Grayson
Roderick Johnson
Timothy Klatt
Brittany Langston
Steven Manning
Dale Morgan
Danielle Musta
Shannon Orvis
Thomas Shropshire
Joyce Walker
Chris Watts Jr
Joshua Weatherford
Eric Whitelav
Addo Williams Jr.
Bruce Yenter



Surprise Visitors!



**Elks
Most**

About 2 weeks ago, Eli Mulvany and I received a surprise text message from the ENF department at Grand Lodge. The Elks National Foundation (ENF) has selected Milwaukee Lodge #46 as one of three lodges in the country to bring last years group of Most Valuable Students (MVS) to our lodge to discuss with Officers and members ENF and how we have utilized it within our community.

The reason they chose our lodge as one of the three in the country; is they have been impressed with usage of grants and the number of students who have applied for scholarships from our lodge. This is a huge honor for our lodge to be recognized for our grant and scholarship activities.

The MVS students that will visit our lodge consist of 16 students who have received Elk Grand Lodge Scholarships and come from all parts of the country.

While visiting our lodge these students can assist us with organizing the items purchased from the Spotlight grant money and help distribute them in our community thereby, performing a valuable service to our lodge and community.

Currently this visit is scheduled for Thursday May 21st and details have not yet been finalized. Please watch for more details on this visit on the lodge monitor in the lounge.

We hope that members and Officers of this lodge will take time to welcome these students and advisors to our lodge. Again this is a HUGE HONOR for Milwaukee Lodge #46 as only 3 lodges in the country are selected for MVS recipients to visit.

Please stay tuned for further details

Sincerely
Pat Moran and Eli Mulvany
ENF District Chair and ENF Lodge Coordinator



MAY

- 2 James Wildt
- 3 Justin Guenwald
- 3 James Quartana
- 9 David Hoppe
- 9 Colleen Kobe
- 9 Jacquelyn Royter
- 10 Anthony Buffamonte
- 11 Michael Lewand
- 11 Frank Paretti
- 14 Jeffrey Jaroczynski
- 17 Bruce Fischer
- 19 Karen Diehl
- 20 Daeni Belling
- 20 Don Raba
- 21 Jeffrey Van Calligan
- 23 Reginald Stallworth
- 24 Alicia Herrera-Long
- 25 Bruce Yenter

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MONTHLY LUNCH BUNCH

After a brief discussion at our April lunch bunch, it was decided that our May lunch should be Scalloped Potatoes with Ham mixed in with the potatoes. Our luncheon is on May 13th. Price for the luncheon is \$18.00 with dessert.

Food & Fellowship

NIGHT

**Third Wednesday's
of the Month**

**Food Available for Purchase
5:30 - 7:30 PM**





Thank you to all the volunteers for their time and energy that helped make Wheelchair Bowling now "Chair Bowling" a success! Between the entry fee, 50/50's, donations, and extra food income a total of \$1,183 was raised to send a child to Respite Camp.

Kevin Lonien, PER
Lodge Secretary

Thank You!

Little Library



As the grant coordinator for the Elks National Foundation this year and I have been busy giving away ENF funds to the community through their Community Improvement Program grants. Again this year, we qualified for and received our Gratitude grant. Through our lodge support, we have also qualified for all of the available bonuses. Thank you to all who have donated to the ENF either through dues statements, individual donations or by joining the Fidelity Club. With the available \$5,000 bonuses, we have applied to put this money towards continuing and expanding our Little Free Library program. We will be purchasing additional libraries and books. My hope is to purchase a surplus of books so that we can keep these libraries full for at least a year, maybe longer.

Because we would like these libraries to be placed throughout the community, I am seeking volunteers to allow installation of a library in front of their house or place of business. Installation will be taken care of by the lodge and the library will be filled with books to get started, plus additional books to replenish the library as needed. Once they are on the map and in use, they are expected to be self-sufficient, requiring only occasional replenishment during busy times.

Volunteers need not do anything specific other than monitor the library and clean it up once in a while or clear a path during the winter, nor are they expected to purchase books themselves (but are not discouraged from doing so). Ongoing maintenance or repairs will be taken care of by the lodge.

Keep in mind that the best places for these libraries will be in high traffic areas or where children congregate such as school bus stops, near business that serve families and in neighborhoods.

Please contact Elisabeth Mulvany at elimulvany@elks.org or via text message at 757-234-9114 if you are interested in becoming a steward for a little free library in your area.

Thursday Lunch Specials

Join us for
Thursday Lunch
Served Noon - 2:00pm



Variety of
Burgers & Sandwiches
Enjoy a cup of Amy's
delicious Soups!

Elks Care - *Elks* Share

EXALTED RULER BRYON HANCOCK APPRECIATION AWARDS

Chauncey Yockey
Dave Conway

Past Exalted Ruler
Peggy Eakle

Officer of the Year
Doug De Lauier

Volunteer of the Year
Sue Fritsche

Elk Lady of the Year
Julie Gauger

Plugs President
Landry Long

Elk of the Year
Kurt Rummel



Pictured Above Left to Right: Landry Long, Dave Conway, Peggy Eakle, Byron Hancock, Julie Gauger, Kurt Rummel, John Fritsche

EXALTED RULER'S BEER AWARD WINNERS

Brian Gauger
Pabst Blue Ribbon

Kevin Lonien
Miller High Life

Lou & Tracy Rothe
Bud Lite

John & Sue Fritsche
Miller Lite

Kurt Rummel
Rumple Minze



Pictured Above Left to Right: Kurt Rummel, Byron Hancock, John Fritsche, Lou & Tracy Rothe, Kevin Lonien, Doug DeLauier, Brian

MILWAUKEE ELKS LODGE
Mee-Kwon Golf Course
6333 W. Bonniwell Road, Mequon

**GOLF
OUTING**

THURSDAY, JUNE 18th
8:30 a.m. Shotgun Start

\$95 per person includes: 18 holes, Golf cart for two,
Dinner & 1 drink @ Milwaukee Elks Lodge

Please sign up and pay at the Lodge Bar
Make checks payable to the Milwaukee Elks

Questions Call Dave Lang 262-253-4042



Served
4:30 - 7 pm

By Lodge Catering



**2026 Wisconsin Elks Association
State Golf Tournament
Monday, July 27, 2026
Hosted by Milwaukee Elks Lodge 46**

Monday, July 27, 2026

Where: Dretzka Park Golf Course, 12020 W. Bradley Road, Milwaukee, WI 414-354-7300

Cost: \$100 per golfer

Includes: 18 holes of golf w/cart, hole prizes, drink ticket at lodge #46, dinner, raffles, and many fun events. The lodge will be open Sunday afternoon for early arrivals.

Format: 4-person Scramble. This tournament is open to all Elks and friends. Foursomes may be coed. At least 1 Elk member is required in every foursome. As in the past, this is a fun event, and there are no prizes for placement, except for the traveling trophy.

**** Deadline for registration:** Monday, July 20 2026. late registration is \$110 per player.

Questions: Contact Dave lang at 262-253-4042

Note: Check-in time for golf will start at 7:30 a.m. with a shotgun start at 9:00 a.m. A \$10.00 fee will be imposed to each player who registers after the cutoff date.

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Register for the 2026 Elks State Golf Tournament (PLEASE PRINT YOUR INFORMATION)

Team Captain: _____ **Phone:** _____

Lodge Name and Number _____

1. _____ 2. _____

3. _____ 4. _____

Number of golfers with dinner: _____ @\$100=\$. _____

Number of golfers without dinner: _____ @ \$80 = \$. _____

Number for dinner only: _____ @\$35=\$. _____

**Make checks payable to:
Milwaukee Elks Lodge #46
2026 State Golf Tournament
5555 W. Good Hope Rd
Milwaukee, WI 53223**

Congratulations to our 2026-2027 Officers



Elected Lodge Officers 2026-2027

Exalted Ruler	Landry Long	414-520-9140	landrylong@yahoo.com
Leading Knight	Doug DeLaurier	414-708-8847	dougd@elks46.org
Loyal Knight	Del Toles	262-350-9100	dct823@yahoo.com
Lecturing Knight	Shelia Conley Patterson	414-233-5151	sconley1113@gmail.com
Secretary	Kevin Lonien, PER, PVP, PDD	414-350-0598	kjlonien@gmail.com
Treasurer	Dave Lang, PER, PDD	414-403-1312	barbaralang1@outlook.com
5 th Yr Trustee – 1 Yr Term	Bryon Hancock, PER	414-587-6380	hancocbb@gmail.com
4 th Yr Trustee - 2 Yr Term	Elisabeth Mulvany, PER	757-234-9114	elimulvany@elks46.org
3 rd Yr Trustee - 3 Yr Term	Diane Harris Kay	414- 852-0518	blackwsdm@aol.com
2 nd Yr Trustee - 4Yr Term	Peggy Eakle, PER	414-429-9573	pegelks46@gmail.com
1 st Yr Trustee - 5 Yr Term	Dave DeRosier, PSD, PDD, PSP	262-305-9314	daveisnelk@wi.rr.com

Appointed Officers

Esquire	Vacant	Inner Guard	Cheryl Rodriguez
Chaplain	Alicia Herrera-Long	Tiler	Dave Conway

Leave Your Membership Doubts Behind

By RICK GATHEN

Membership Marketing Director



When it's time to renew your Elks membership, a question may cross your mind: Does my membership really matter?

Yes. It does. So leave your doubt at the door. When you walk into your Lodge, you walk into a place where veterans are honored, children are protected, and communities are lifted. You stand shoulder to shoulder with Elks across this nation—past, present, and future—who believe in

service, compassion, and doing the right thing.

Your membership is not symbolic. It feeds families. It funds scholarships. It supports veterans. It changes lives. You may not always see the impact—but it's there, every day, in every community we serve.

Being an Elk means showing up. It means caring. It means belonging to something bigger than yourself.

So, renew with pride. Move forward with confidence. You are an Elk. And that matters. Leave your doubt at the door.

Milwaukee No.46 MEMBERSHIP STATS 2026/2027	
Beginning Membership 4/1/2027	206
Initiated	19
4/20/2027 Membership Total	225
Delinquency 6 months	41
Applications on Hand	
Ready for Initiation	2

