

TAWAS AREA LODGE NO. 2525

BPO ELKS A FRATERNAL ORGANIZATION

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Members All...

I would first like to thank Dave Conn, Steve Ferguson and Kim Otto for the amazing job they did with the rib dinners last month. The dinners were a hit and helped bring much-needed funds into the lodge.

It's nice to see more people returning from down south and coming back into the lodge. The men's golf league is off to a great start and we are enjoying the beautiful weather so far.

Fifteen new members were initiated last month and we have five more so far that will

be initiated this month. Keep bringing your friends and family into our wonderful lodge; we appreciate it.

The lodge has shirts, hats and sweatshirts for sale in the 11th Hour Club. Hats are \$20, T-shirts start at \$15 and sweatshirts start at \$26. Don one of these stylish articles of clothing and spread the word about our great lodge without even thinking about it!

See you at the lodge!

Fraternally Yours,
Ron Quinkert Jr., Exalted Ruler



JUNE 14TH *An Elks Tradition*

Patriotism has characterized the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America since the early days of the organization. Allegiance to the flag of our country is a requirement of every member. In 1907, the BPO Elks Grand Lodge designated, by resolution,

June 14 as Flag Day. The Grand Lodge of the Order adopted mandatory observance of the occasion by every Lodge in 1911 and that requirement continues today. The Elks prompted President Woodrow Wilson to recognize the Order's observance of Flag Day for its patriotic expression. But it was not until 1949 when President Harry Truman, himself a member of the Elks, made the proclamation that thereafter June 14th would be a day of national observance for the symbol of our country.

The Tawas Elks Lodge will observe Flag Day on Monday, June 14, with an outside ceremony at the Iosco County Veterans Recognition Plaza next to the Tawas City post office at 6:00 p.m. We will also present our Elks Scholarship awards to the winning students following the ceremony. These students worked very hard on their applications and I hope to see a large turnout from our membership to recognize their achievements. We will be awarding \$6,000 of scholarships. Please bring lawn chairs as seating is limited at the Plaza.

Brad Saegesser, Scholarship Chairperson
Tawas Area Elks Lodge #2525

Happy Birthday

If you see any of our June babies, be sure to give them a pat on the back or a great big hug. They are as follows:
1 - Brad Saegesser, John Thompson, Rodney Whitford;
4 - Norman Charters, Scott Wesley; **5** - Gary Mallon, Sean O'Farrell; **7** - Ross Flora; **8** - Wilhelm Wagner;
9 - Elbert Barbour, Gregory Brown; **10** - Diane Emmett;
11 - Murlene McKinnon; **13** - Colleen Bagwell, Kendall Krause, Dennis Revord; **14** - Todd Huebel; **16** - James Jacques; **17** - Richard Dulaney, David Loessel, James O'Farrell, George Sermon; **19** - Russell Besancon, Merlin Clear, Denise Kish; **20** - William Lancaster; **21** - Kim Otto; **22** - Kirk Johnson; **24** - Calvin Hewitt; **25** - Carl Jennings, Craig McMurray; **26** - David Schirmer; **27** - Ronald Chaney; **28** - Cloyde Miller, Ronald Quinkert, Brenda Sahr; **30** - Thomas Nelkie.

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

DAD

*God took the strength of a mountain,
 The majesty of a tree,
 The warmth of a summer sun,
 The calm of a quiet sea,
 The generous soul of nature,
 The comforting arm of night,
 The wisdom of the ages,
 The power of the eagle's flight,
 The joy of a morning in spring,
 The faith of a mustard seed,
 The patience of eternity,
 The depth of a family need.
 Then God combined the qualities,
 When there was nothing else to add,
 He knew His masterpiece was complete,
 And so, He called it...DAD.*

Chaplain Fred Duncan

365 Bank Club



Fred and Colleen Duncan	1
Neil and Ellen Mochty	1
Norman Charters	1
Kurt Sias	2
Lorraine Ferguson	3
Mitch Black	5
Gary Conklin	1
Larry Clute	1

Scott Hartsig
 Major Project Chairman

Because "Elks Care and Elks Share"



The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks has joined forces with **Donate Life America** to increase donations of organs, eyes and life-saving tissue. We, as Elks members, can help close the gap by promoting this important program. Elks give from the heart, so inspire others. Read stories of hope at www.donatelife.net. We all have the power to donate life. Register as an organ, eye and tissue donor today.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Name _____
 Membership No. _____
 Street Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____

NEW ADDRESS

Name _____
 Membership No. _____
 Street Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____

This "**CHANGE OF ADDRESS NOTICE**" must be received at the Lodge office by the 15th of the month in order for mailings to reach you in the succeeding month. To be sure a requested change of address is effective and properly recorded. **USE THIS FORM.** Don't phone this information to the office.

Thank You!

Everyone would like to extend a special message of appreciation to all the volunteer bartenders who took time to serve on Sundays during the winter months. These terrific people include Eric, Tammy, Ron, Katie, Neil, Stephanie, Patty, Gary and Ariana. Things just wouldn't be the same without wonderful members like all of you!



Do you enjoy coming out to the lodge for burger night every Thursday? It's been said that, in any organization, about five percent of the members do 90 percent of the work. Let's see if the Elks can stand out from the crowd. Volunteers are always needed. Ask to join a crew or form a crew of your own. Please call the lodge if you have questions or if you have a free night. Many hands make light work and you'll always have fun at your lodge! Just ask a volunteer!

It's easy to donate to ENF!

Here are the simple online steps for setting up monthly donations from your bank account.

First, go to www.elks.org. Holding your cursor (that little white hand) over the "Elks National Foundation" found on the red bar toward the top of the page, select "Support ENF" from the drop-down menu. Click on the first box which reads "Online Donation" with the picture of a red heart. Then click on the box that says "Donate Online Now." The first paragraph after "Thank You for Your Support" starts with "Giving just got easier." Select "click here." In the second paragraph, select "Automatic Gift from Bank" (click here). From that point, just read the directions and follow the instructions. It's simple to select any amount you wish and it makes donating easy and painless. A small amount each month adds up to a major donation each year and helps the ENF in so many ways. Won't you participate with your fellow Elks across the nation? The ENF thanks you for your support.

After past year, kids need guidance more than ever

As this year of Elkdom comes to a close, we are left with the question of, "What next?" Due to this past year, we have become accustomed to the unexpected and have had to navigate the unknown waters of a global pandemic. We have had to set our sense of normalcy to the side and figure out how not only to survive but move forward within such a tumultuous year. While we have all made sacrifices in our daily lives, we are not the only ones suffering a tremendous blow from the pandemic.

With school closures and the introduction of virtual learning, the youth of America have experienced an upheaval unlike any other. They were pulled from their classrooms and placed in front of computer screens. Instead of attending camps, going to friends' birthday parties or playing sports, they were plucked out of all activities and thrown into a virtual atmosphere void of community. What little control they had of their day-to-day lives had changed drastically, seemingly overnight.

Elks have always recognized children as an integral part of America's communities and a primary focus of this organization. Now, more than ever, we as Elks have the undeniable duty of helping today's youth move beyond regaining a feeling of normalcy. President Franklin D. Roosevelt once said, "We cannot always build the future for our youth, but we can build our youth for the future."

Keeping that in mind, let us approach this year with a feeling of fervor. As an Order that already gives so much to its communities, it can seem like a tremendous task to give even more. However, as an organization that already has

programs dedicated to promoting the growth of youth in this country, we are more than capable of giving the children of today a chance to expand their current viewpoints to make tomorrow better.

Whether it is sponsoring a Girl Scout or Boy Scout troop within your area, recognizing the hard work of students in your local schools or introducing youth to the Elks Antlers Program, no child within a Lodge's reach should go without the benefits that Elks Activities programs can provide. Without the many projects offered by State Associations and Local Lodges, more and more youth could be subjected to negative influences that could drive them from being the leaders of tomorrow. If anything, be bold when reaching out to your community's children. Let them know that, regardless of what may be happening in the world around them, the Elks will always be there to promote, nurture and help them become the future leaders of their homes, communities, country and perhaps even The Benevolent & Protective Order of Elks.

If your Lodge is struggling to create or implement an active Youth program, please refer to the Grand Lodge Youth Activities manual. There are many ideas within it that can be a great fit for your community. Get on the Grand Lodge website to download this and many more manuals that will benefit your Lodge. Contact other Lodges for advice. Call your district and state chairs for guidance. And always know the Grand Lodge Activities committee person for your area is only a phone call or e-mail away.

By *DUANE D. HELDENBRAND*
Grand Lodge Activities Committee Member

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OFFICERS FOR 2021-2022

Exalted Ruler - Ronald Quinkert Jr.

Esteemed Leading Knight - John Thompson

Esteemed Loyal Knight - Ronald Quinkert Sr.

Esteemed Lecturing Knight - OPEN

Secretary - Neil Hackborn

Treasurer - Jane Hackborn

Tiler - Gary Blaser

Esquire - Ben Drumm

Chaplain - Andy Baird

Inner Guard - Ed Beckley

Board of Directors:

Ronald Quinkert Jr. Michael Stonehouse

Dustin Chatt Matthew Haglund

David Bird Dave Conn

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<i>Summer weather is here! Come out and enjoy our beautiful deck!</i>		1 - JUNE PATTY	2 TAMMY/KAREN	3 BURGER NIGHT Hamburger \$3 ⁷⁵ Cheeseburger \$4 ⁰⁰ KAREN/ALEXA	4 ALEXA	5 KAREN
6 KAREN	7 Trustee Mtg. 6 p.m. Regular Mtg. 7 p.m. Lodge Closed	8 ALEXA	9 TAMMY/PATTY	10 BURGER NIGHT Hamburger \$3 ⁷⁵ Cheeseburger \$4 ⁰⁰ TAMMY/ALEXA	11 KAREN	12 ALEXA
13 ALEXA	14 Closed	15 KAREN	16 TAMMY/ALEXA	17 BURGER NIGHT Hamburger \$3 ⁷⁵ Cheeseburger \$4 ⁰⁰ PATTY/ALEXA	18 KAREN	19 ALEXA
20 <i>Happy Father's Day!</i> LODGE CLOSED	21 Trustee Mtg. 6 p.m. Regular Mtg. 7 p.m. Lodge Closed	22 PATTY	23 TAMMY/KAREN	24 BURGER NIGHT Hamburger \$3 ⁷⁵ Cheeseburger \$4 ⁰⁰ KAREN/ALEXA	25 ALEXA	26 ALEXA
27 ALEXA	28 Closed	29 ALEXA	30 TAMMY/PATTY	OPEN DAILY 3-8 P.M. CLOSED MONDAYS	KITCHEN OPEN Tuesday-Sunday 5:00-7:30 p.m.	

~ MENU SELECTIONS ~

Hamburger \$4⁵⁰ • Cheeseburger \$4⁷⁵ • French Fries \$2⁷⁵ • Onion Rings \$4 • Onion Straws \$3⁷⁵
French Fries/Onion Straw Mix \$3⁷⁵ • Sweet Potato Fries \$4 • Chicken Strips Basket \$6⁵⁰ • Shrimp Basket \$6⁷⁵
Jalapeno Munchers \$4 • Wings (each) \$1 • Wing Basket \$8 • Cheesesticks \$4