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The Voice

Lodge #693 – January 2022

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Hello Fellow Elks Members,

Joy and I want to send out a very special Happy Holidays to everyone and pray that this next year will be better than the last two.

Now for some well-deserved thank you messages. I want to send a big thank you to Lance Pliml for putting together the very successful Sportsmans' night. We had a record night and fun was had by all. Also thank you to all the members who stepped up to volunteer that night. We held a Memorial Service last Sunday for seven of our Absent members. Thanks to the PERs for performing this ritual. Thank you, Bob Berg, for putting together the Christmas Tree delivery, and most of all, thank you for coordinating the Christmas Basket program. Another huge thank you goes out to the volunteers who delivered the trees and baskets. If it were not for your help, this program would have gone on the wayside like so many did this past couple of years. Last, a big thank you goes out to Brian Spranger for running our annual Hoop shoot again. It takes place 9 am to noon on Dec 18th. Please call Brian Spranger to volunteer for this event.

On January 9th we are having a Jambalaya cook off. There is a \$5 entry fee for contestants and the cost to eat is \$5. The Lodge doors open at 11:00 am with judging starting at 11:30. Stick around and watch the Packer game while eating some fantastic concoctions. Yum, yum, yum!

On January 22nd we will have a pancake, sausage, and egg breakfast to raise money for those scout members who do not have the funds to partake in scouting events. Please come down and not only support our Lodge but also support our future leaders. Serving is from 8:00 am to 11:00 am. The cost is \$8 dollars per person. There will also be take-out ordering available. We will also need some volunteers for this fund-raiser. Call me at 715 459 8255.

Drive safely as we watch Covid-19 recede in the rear-view mirror, and let's have a Happy New Year!

Leo "Pete" Rogoski

Exalted Ruler Elks Lodge 693





Memorial Service in memory of our 7 Elk members who passed in 2020 and 2021. *Gone, but never forgotten.*

IN MEMORIAM



January 2022 Lodge Events & Elk Birthdays						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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			E.		Derrie Foodworks New Year's Eve Party	Happy Birthday, Charles Lester! Happy New Year!
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Happy Birthday, Melvin Potter!		Dinner & Elk Member meeting 7 pm	BLNGO 6:30 pm		Fish Fry Fundraiser	Happy birthday, Bob Zueger!
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Happy birthday, Gary Berna! Jambalaya Cookoff 11 am	Elk Ladies meeting Happy Birthday, Lee Steinhilber!	Couples Steak Night at the Lodge! 5:00 pm Happy Birthday, Pete Rogoski	6:30 pm		Fish Fry Fundraiser	
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Happy Birthday, Patricia Berg!		Dinner/Elks BOD 5:30 pm Member Meeting 7 pm	(3) (1) (0) 6:30 pm		Fish Fry Fundraiser	Scout troop pancake breakfast fundraiser 8-11 am
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31	Dinner @ the Elks! 5:00 pm	3 N C O 6:30 pm		Fish Fry Fundraiser	
Stop in and get your free birthday drink at the Lodge in January!						
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Mains

Chicken Tender Basket \$10

Cheese Quesadilla \$6.50 Add Chicken \$8.50

Fried Shrimp Basket \$13.50

Bruschetta Alfredo \$11 Add Chicken \$13

BBQ Pulled Pork Mac & Cheese \$12

Chicken Carbonara \$13

Consuming raw or undercooked meats, poultry, seafood, shellfish, or eggs may increase your risk of foodborne illness

Hello, Elk Members! We will have a meeting for Lenten fish fries on Sunday, January 16th at 2:00 pm at the Lodge. We can use your help this year for as many Fridays as you are available. Come to the Lodge on 1/16/22 to find out all about the possible tasks.

Patty Miller

Hello Elk Ladies!

It was great to see everyone at our meeting and have the opportunity to visit and wish you all a Merry Christmas! Thank you to Ann and Lynn for the delicious hors d'oeuvres. Next month's committee is Patti and Barb. Thank you to everyone for the donations for the Humane Society! Keep those affected by the recent deadly tornados in your thoughts and prayers.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara Plowman

Elk Ladies President

Grand Lodge News

Connecting with your community is key

By W. J. Bryan

Committee Member

Happy new year, my Brother and Sister Elks.

The dawn of the new year is filled with anticipation of the new Elk Year. PER Nights are being planned, officer nominations are discussed and forthcoming, and, in many Lodges, the next Exalted Ruler is likely known. Whether now or after nominations, we encourage the new ERs to make a thoughtful selection of their Local Lodge Government Relations committee chairman. They can be a valuable asset to your leadership team.

We encourage local events, such as meet and greets after local elections. They can contribute to your publicity. Your chairperson can ensure Charitable Reports are completed in a timely manner by committee and event people and submitted to the secretary for entry. These reports result in goodwill when posted on social and print media with the story of what your Lodge contributed to the community.

Your chairperson should invite local officials to Lodge events such as Flag Day, scholarship dinners, youth and drug awareness activities, veterans events, and other appropriate functions.

Contact community officials regarding local needs, and always have at hand the amount your Lodge has contributed over the years to your community. Demonstrating your charitable contribution towards your community will encourage a positive response to your needs.

This would not be a Government Relations Committee article if I didn't mention a charitable reporting reminder. Be sure and count all those hours, miles, and dollars you used during the last two months with Veterans Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas, and other events at the height of our charitable year!

Elks Memorial perpetual care

Originally dedicated in 1926 to the memory of our fallen Elks of World War I, the Veterans Memorial Building is at the heart of Elkdom. Magnificently constructed in Chicago, the Memorial is a breathtaking structure representing the values Elks cherish. Through the years, the Memorial has been rededicated to honor the memory of American veterans who have died for our great nation. Our duty is to ensure this Memorial remains an extraordinary symbol of the bravery and patriotism of these veterans.

By making an individual or Lodge 501(c)(3) donation, you will assist in the perpetual care and continued restoration of this beautiful Memorial. Go to elks.org and click "Veterans Memorial" on the home screen. Take a virtual tour, read about the history, plan a visit, make an online donation, or mail a donation today.



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January 2022: The Voice of Lodge #693

- Jan. 4 Elks member meeting: Dinner begins 5 pm; Meeting at 7 pm
- Jan. 5 Bingo: Doors open 5 pm; game starts at 6:30 pm
- Jan. 7 Fish Fry Fundraiser: Dinner begins at 5:00 pm
- Jan. 9 Jambalaya Cookoff 11:00 am
- Jan. 11 Steak "Date Night" Tuesday! Dinner begins at 5:00 pm
- Jan. 12 Bingo: Doors open 5 pm; game starts at 6:30 pm
- Jan. 14 Fish Fry Fundraiser: Dinner begins at 5:00 pm
- Jan. 18 Board of Directors 5:30 pm; Lodge Meeting 7:00 pm; Initiation
- Jan. 19 Bingo: Doors open 5 pm; game starts at 6:30 pm
- Jan. 21 Fish Fry Fundraiser: Dinner begins at 5:00 pm
- Jan. 22 Scout troop pancake breakfast 8:00-11:00 am
- Jan. 25 Dinner at the Elks: Dinner begins at 5:00 pm
- Jan. 26 Bingo: Doors open 5 pm; game starts at 6:30 pm
- Jan. 28 Fish Fry Fundraiser: Dinner begins at 5:00 pm