The Voice

Lodge #693 – May 2022

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Greetings from our Exalted Ruler

Hi, everyone! It has been a great first month as Exalted Ruler. I think we have a dynamic leadership team from top to bottom and I am really looking forward to utilizing our combined creativity in the community very soon.

Before I get into that too much, I want to thank our newest Past Exalted Ruler (PER) Pete Rogoski for organizing and delivering a great State President's Night for our lodge at the end of March. It was a great opportunity for me to meet more of our members and leaders from across the state to develop ideas for our lodge moving forward.

Currently, our bingo program is doing amazing. Attendance is great, enthusiasm from the patrons is palpable and it is driving good business for our caterer and in turn for the lodge as well. This month, I look forward to getting our Mother's Day celebration together and celebrating the day with the most special among us all, our area moms. Please help us out if you can, volunteer, share some creative ideas for gifts for moms, and anything else you can contribute will make the day most special. Stay tuned to your emails for more information.

Back to outreach into the community. If you recall, my goal is to find even more ways for the lodge to be charitable within and for our community. This past meeting, we agreed to host a new group of veterans to come and share fellowship and experiences within the lodge. In the next few meetings, I am hopeful to set up a new program in the community similar to our youth Hoop Shoot program.

Soccer participation in the Wisconsin Rapids area is at an all-time high and I would like to see us create an Elk's Soccer Shoot/Skills program. This is a great way to get youth more active in the community and to keep our name out there as well. Currently we are looking for a member to help lead this committee and develop a program similar to what is done by other Elk Lodge Soccer Shoots. If you have an interest or know of someone who would be a good fit by becoming a new member, please let me know.

Another big need currently is someone to head up our Drug Awareness committee and program. The Elks nationally run very successful programs and I know with the members we have outreach from us in this area would be highly successful as well. As you can tell the ideas we have are only as good as the people we can put together to run them. Now is a great time to become involved again and to find community individuals who share our values to become members who can lend their expertise and experience to help make our programs successful.

To wrap up I hope you have had a very Happy Easter and I look forward to celebrating Mother's Day with you very soon.

All my best,

Scott Krug

Exalted Ruler
Elks Lodge 693

May 2022 Lodge Events & Elk Birthdays

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Happy birthday Ken Kostelic!	Dinner & Elk Member meeting 7 pm Happy birthday Josh Hafenbredl!	BINGO 6:30 pm			Happy birthday Brian Spranger! Brat Fry Baker St Quality Foods 10am-2pm
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Happy birthday David Petersen!	Elk Ladies meeting	Couples Steak Night	BINGO 6:30 pm Heroes Café 8-10:00 am	Happy birthday Joel Flewellen!	Happy birthday Michael Winters!	Happy birthday, Norman Trickey
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Happy birthday Earl Haefs!	Happy birthday Jeff Brewbaker & Mike Wiberg!	Dinner @ 5:00pm BOD mtng 5:30pm Member mtng @ 7:00pm Happy Birthday, Rodney Bush!	BINGO 6:30 pm	Happy birthday Jim Bingham!	Happy birthday Daniel Witter!	
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	Happy birthday Dale Shirek	Dinner at the Elks begins @ 5:00pm Bar opens at 4 pm Happy birthday Kenneth Haupt & Bob Zimmerman!	6:30 pm BINGO 6:30 pm Heroes Café 8-10:00 am			
29	30	31				
	Military Mondays Rafters Opening Game	Dinner at the Elks begins @ 5:00pm Bar opens at 4 pm	BINGO 6:30 pm			

Volunteers needed for the May 7th brat fry at Quality Foods on Baker St. Can you spare an hour or two of your day? Contact Tom Derrie!

Elk members: Stop in and get your free birthday drink!

Military Mondays with the Wisconsin Rapids Rafters

Brought to you by American Heroes Café & Elks Lodge No. 693

On Monday night home games of the Wisconsin Rapids Rafters Baseball team, Military veterans and active-duty residents will get a ticket to the game, along with a Rafters hat, hot dog, and fountain soda--all free to them! There is not a limit on the number of military attendees. There are 7 Military Monday home games this year including 5 in a row beginning on May 30th! The schedule for Military Mondays this year is:

May 30 @ 6:35 pm
June 7 @ 6:05 pm
June 14 @ 6:05 pm
June 21 @ 6:35 pm
June 28 @ 6:35 pm
July 12 @ 6:35 pm
August 2 @ 6:35 pm

To ensure you military folks can get a free ticket each week there is a home game on Monday night, go to the ticket office to *get your free ticket ahead of game day*.

May/June

HOME / AWAY

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
	30 6:35 GB	31 6:35 @GB	1 6:05 MAD	2 6:05 MAD	3 6:35 LAK	4 6:35 LAK
5 1:05 WIS	6 6:35 @WIS	7 OFF	8 6:05 WIS	9 6:35 @WIS	10 6:35 @GB	11 6:35 @GB
12 5:05 KEN	13 6:35 KEN	14 6:35 @FDL	15 6:35 @FDL	16 11:35/ 6:35 WIS(DH)	17 6:35 @MAD	18 6:35 MAD
19 1:05 RFD	20 6:35 RFD	21 6:35 FDL	22 6:35 FDL	23 6:35 @LAK	24 6:35 @LAK	25 6:35 GB
26 1:05 @GB	27 6:35 @KEN	28 6:35 @KEN	29 6:35 @KMO	30 6:35 @KMO		

July

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
ALL GAME TIMES LISTED AS LOCAL TIME BASED ON HOME TEAM AND ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE					1 6:35 LAK	2 6:35 LAK
3 6:35 GB	4 12:05 @GB	5 OFF	6 6:35 WIS	7 6:35 @WIS	8 6:35 @RFD	9 6:35 @RFD
10 1:05 @FDL	11 6:35 FDL	12 6:35 LAK	13 6:35 LAK	14 6:35 WIS	15 6:35 @WIS	16 6:08 @MAD
17 1:05 @MAD	18 NWL All-Star Break @ Wisconsin Rapids	19	20	21 6:35 @FDL	22 6:35 @FDL	23 6:35 MAD
24 4:05 @MAD	25 6:35 @LAK	26 6:35 @LAK	27 12:05/ 6:35 @WIS (DH)	28 6:35 LAK	29 6:35 LAK	30 6:35 GB
31 1:05 @GB	FDL=Fond Du Lac Doc Spiders GB=Green Bay Rockers KEN=Kenosha Kingfish KMO=Kokomo JackRabbits			LAK=Lakeshore Chinooks MAD=Madison Mallards RFD=Rockford Rivets WIS=Wisconsin Woodchucks		

August

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
	1 6:35 KMO	MLDS* @LAC	3 6:35 KMO	4 6:35 @MAD	5 6:35 MAD	6 6:35 GB
7 6:35 GB	8 6:35 FDL	9 6:35 FDL	10 6:35 @MAD	11 6:35 MAD	12 6:35 FDL	13 6:35 @FDL
14	15 NWL PLAYOFFS	16	17	18	MAJOR LEAGUE DREAMS SHOWCASE AUGUST 2nd -LA CROSSE, WI	

A Message from the Elk Ladies' President

Hello Elk Ladies,

It was so great to have almost everyone at the meeting! We are a small group but a) we know how to fun! and b) each and everyone of you should be proud of the works we accomplish! Our meeting was again productive in many ways and glad to report we have full slate of officers for the 22-23 year. Thank you to everyone who are maintaining their current offices and to those that stepped up and took an office. Be proud! We will be voting on our charities next month so be ready for that important piece of the meeting. Also remember to bring your monetary donations for the Stuff the Bus initiative that we will supporting again this year. I hope you all had a blessed Easter and look forward to seeing you in May. May's committee will consist of everyone bringing a little somethin' somethin' to eat.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Plowman
Elk Ladies President

Doors open for dinner 5-8 p.m.

DERRIE'S foodworks
Elk's Lodge Menu

Starters

Cheese Curds $8
Onion Rings $6

Mains

Chicken Tender Basket $12

Cheese Quesadilla $7
Add Chicken $10

Chicken Alfredo $14

Chicken Carbonara $15

Burgers & Sandwiches

Served with fries - Add sweet potato fries for $1.50

Pesto Caprese Grilled Cheese $10
Deluxe Smashed Burger* $11
Mushroom Swiss Burger* $12
Patty Melt* $13

Friday Fish Fry

Only available Fridays
Served with choice of potato, coleslaw, lemon, and homemade tartar sauce

Atlantic Cod Dinner	
1 piece	$8
2 piece	$11
3 piece	$14
Perch	$16
Shrimp Dinner Served with cocktail sauce	$16
Fish & Shrimp 2 Cod & 2 Shrimp	$15

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

**All prices include 5.5% sales tax

Kids Corner - $6 each

Cheeseburger & Fries
Chicken Tenders & Fries
Hot Dog & Fries
Grilled Cheese & Fries

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May 2022: *The Voice of Lodge #693*

May 3	**Dinner begins 5pm; Meeting at 7pm**
May 4	**Bingo: Doors open 5pm; 1st game starts at 6:30 pm**
May 6	**Friday night dinner at the Lodge**
May 7	**Brat Fry at Baker St. Quality Foods**
May 9	**Elk Ladies monthly meeting at 6 pm**
May 10	**"Date Night" Tuesday! Dinner begins at 5:00 pm**
May 11	**Bingo: Doors open 5pm; 1st game starts at 6:30 pm; Heroes Café 8-10:30 am**
May 13	**Friday night dinner at the Lodge**
May 17	**Board of Directors 5:30pm; Lodge Meeting 7:00 pm**
May 18	**Bingo: Doors open 5pm; 1st game starts at 6:30 pm**
May 20	**Friday night dinner at the Lodge**
May 24	**4th Tuesday: Dinner begins at 5:00 pm**
May 25	**Bingo: Doors open 5pm; 1st game starts at 6:30 pm; Heroes Café 8-10:30 am**
May 27	**Friday night dinner at the Lodge**
May 31	**5th Tuesday: Dinner begins at 5:00 pm**