



ELEVEN BELLS

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Grand Haven Lodge #1200
Officers for 2022-23

Lodge Officers

Exalted Ruler	Rick Boyink
Leading Knight	Lee Patterson
Loyal Knight	Jason Eppler
Lecturing Knight	Sue Arnold
Esquire	Sheryl Wescott
Secretary	Kari Smith
Chaplain	Linda Daugherty
Treasurer	Woody Presley

Trustees

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

Thank you for your donations

2022

GOLD KEY BOOK:

MMP:

ENF: Sue A, Thomas Crum

GOLD KEY: Deb M, Chris G

PINK BANKS:

Gold Key Credit Union/Bank:

January is a great month to
update information with
the Elks. Especially your
email address!

Upstairs Rental Enquiries, Call
the Bar Manager

Like us on Facebook Grand Haven
Elks Lodge # 1200



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

**NEXT INITIATION IS
THURSDAY, JANUARY
12TH**

WELCOME

AMERICANISM

HISTORIC HAPPENINGS FOR THE
MONTH OF JANUARY

*GEORGE WASHINGTON
UNVEILS THE FIRST NATIONAL
FLAG
*ALASKA ADMITTED AS A STATE
*"COMMON SENSE" BY
THOMAS PAYNE PUBLISHED
*GOLD DISCOVERED AT SUTTER
MILL, STARTING THE
CALIFORNIA GOLD RUSH
*MICHIGAN BECOMES 26TH
STATE
*THE 13TH AMENDMENT
ABOLISHING SLAVERY IS
SUBMITTED TO THE STATES
FOR RATIFICATION

**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**

JOIN US FOR A FREE BIRTHDAY DRINK!

Danny	Williamson	01	02
Bruce	Quada	01	02
Julie	Fox	01	04
Lee	Patterson	01	04
Cathie	Gagnon	01	04
Hilary	Bodman	01	05
Mark	Garlock	01	07
Joseph	King	01	10
David	Link	01	10
Matthew	Hemmerly	01	11
Stacey	Rea	01	13
Jani	Ingersoll	01	14
Bruce	Ingersoll	01	14
Jack	Olthof	01	17
Michael	Lankes	01	17
Thelma	Oosterbaan	01	19
Warren	Smith	01	19
Terri	Gasaway	01	20
Thomas	Hart	01	20
Mary	Thomasma	01	22
Jose	Ochoa	01	23
Renee'	Knipp	01	23
Clinton	Draeger	01	23
Timothy	Adams	01	23
Jennifer	Klaassen	01	24
Nancy	Hillila	01	25
Gail	Hoyt	01	25
Angela	Taylor	01	27
Mary	Johnson	01	28
Gilda	Weeks	01	28
Carol	Olthof	01	30
Daniel	Smart	01	31
Fred	Beckett III	01	31
Wayne	Boes	01	31

MESSAGE FROM THE EXALTED RULER

Rick Boyink, Exalted Ruler

Happy and Prosperous New Year to you and your family!

The holiday season is special, but not all get to enjoy in the holiday spirit. This year with the proceeds from the Shop and Sip 23 vendor booth rentals the Grand Haven Elks Lodge #1200 were able to purchase gifts for three families in need who would otherwise not been able to celebrate the season.

As we enter the new year it is always fun to reflect on Lodge accomplishment of the past year, and it is even more exciting prioritizing our projects for the coming year. Would you like to get more involved in the Lodge? Come January 9th we will be accepting nominations for the Officers and the 5-year Trustee positions. If you are interested contact me at RickBoyink@yahoo.com or stop by the Lodge for a conversation.

As you develop your 2023 Bucket List make sure it indicates stopping the Lodge once, or maybe twice, at week. This will allow you to enjoy the Elks camaraderie, the fun Lodge activities, and maybe even volunteer to participate in one of our various community events.

See you at the Lodge!

Resignations and Appointees

Because of personal reasons, Deb Mohr has decided that it is best to resign from her two-year Trustee position. Deb has been solid contributor as trustee and a true example of a caring Elk. Deb promises to continue to be as active as possible. Mark Easton has resigned his remaining one-year Trustee position. But I have appointed Mark to fulfill Deb's two-year trustee position. I have also appointed Donn Herreman to fulfill the remaining months of the one-year Trustee. Discussion and final approval will be conducted at the January 9th Lodge meeting.

FROM THE DESK OF THE SECRETARY

Kari Smith, Secretary

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JANUARY SPECIALS

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

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

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

FRIDAY NIGHT DINNERS

1/6 – No Dinner

1/13 - TBD

1/20 – ENF Soup Dinner

1/28 – Big Salad Night (details forthcoming!)

MEETINGS

1/9 Trustee Meeting 5:45pm, Lodge Meeting 7pm

1/15 Activities Committee Meeting, 6pm

1/23 Lodge Meeting 7pm



2022 BAR UPDATES: Updated to a new POS System, Updated to a new Keno System, Installed a new soda gun, Added draft beer, Added more craft bottle beer, Added bottle of wine, Added some higher quality bourbons, Laminated beer and wine list versus chalk board

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE BLOODY MARY MIX OFF – CONTACT
SHARI

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE EUCHRE TOURNAMENT – CONTACT
GAIL HOYT

House Rules and our By-Laws can be found on Elk.org. Get signed up with Elk.org for a great source of information!

THANK YOU FOR ALL THE MEMORIES 2022!!

The Elks is a place to gain new friends, share laughter, tears and cheers. The Elks is forever grateful for each and every Elk member that walks through the door, to have a space to gather, create memories and call home.

Purpose of the Elks:

The Elks Fraternal Order was founded "To promote and practice the four cardinal virtues of Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity; to promote the welfare and enhance the happiness of its members; to quicken the spirit of American Patriotism and cultivate good fellowship."

How the Elks began:

In the U.S.A., the Elks began with a group of actors and entertainers led by Charles Algernon Sidney Vivian, an Englishman. They chose the name Elk because of the animal's stately qualities.

The Grand Haven Elks Lodge is looking forward to a prosperous 2023!

2022 GRAND HAVE ELKS 1200 LODGE ACCOMPLISHMENT LIST

95 Contributor Campaign (raised \$10,045) Repaired the North Wall
Finished Ladies Restroom
Installed new kitchen stove
Installed a highly secured internet for the Elk's computers
Installed secured internet for quest
Installed electronic bulletin board
Removed dated artifacts
Removed cabinets that sliding doors were dangerous
Built cabinets and added movable cabinets for the kitchen
Painted all the dark paneling
Refinished: Lobby podium, Information Table, Upstairs podium, Round Meeting Table
Installed a new ATM
Installed New Jukebox
Installed Fireplace Electrical Insert
Sofa and 2 Wing Chairs
Installed Electronic Office Locks

2022 EVENTS

Coast Guard
Bloody Mary Mix Off
Golf Tournament
Pub Peddle
Haunted House
Ski and Snowboard Swap
Shop and Sip
Jingle Bell Parade
Children's Christmas Party

2022 TEAM ACTIVITIES

Dumpster Day I and II
Installed 3 dehumidifiers in basement
Established relationship with Tri-Cities Historical Society
Hosted State Presidents
Flag Day
Elk's Memorial
Veteran's Day
Re-engaged Hoop Shoot

2022 Grand Haven Elks 1200 Grant Money Expenditures

Beacon Grant:

Grand Haven Area Schools, Bucs Pantry \$750.00
Grand Haven Area Schools, Lunch Reimbursement \$500.00
Hand 2 Hand \$500.00
Salvation Army \$750.00
Food Distribution Center \$750.00
Love in Action \$750.00

Impact Grant:

Grand Haven Area Schools, Homeless Liaison \$2000
Winter clothing for children

Gratitude Grant:

Cornhole Tournament \$450.00
Hope House \$1,300.00
Momentum Center Meals \$250.00
Kenzie B Cafe \$500.00

The Cornhole tournament \$\$ was amended to include a Valentine Party

COMMUNICATION

The nominations for officers and the 5 year trustee will be conducted on the January 9th lodge meeting, the lodge meeting begins at 7pm. This is nominations only, voting for these positions is February 27th. To attend our lodge meetings you must be a member, be able to produce your membership card (spouse cards are not accepted) and be a member in good standing.

CURRENT POSITIONS AND CURRENT HOLDERS OF THE POSITIONS:

Exalted Ruler – Rick Boyink

Leading Knight – Lee

Patterson

Loyal Knight – Jason Eppler
Arnold

Lecturing Knight – Sue

5 year Trustee – Ed Smith, will be moving to the 4 year trustee position, leaving the 5 year Trustee position open.

JANUARY EVENTS:

Saturday, January 21 – BLOODY MARY MIX OFF! The Heritage Festival Committee is once again sponsoring the BLOODY MARY MIX OFF. The event is 12pm to 5pm. We will have several Bloody Mary Mix Off entrants. Come down and taste them all and vote! WE ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC! Invite your friends, family, neighbors down. We will have applications available.



Saturday, January 28 – WINTERFEST EUCHRE TOURNAMENT.

\$20 per 2-person team – payment at check in

Registration begins at 10:45am and the games begin at 12pm

Sign up at the bar or call 616-842-0970

Bloody Mary and Mimosa Bar & Hot Dogs

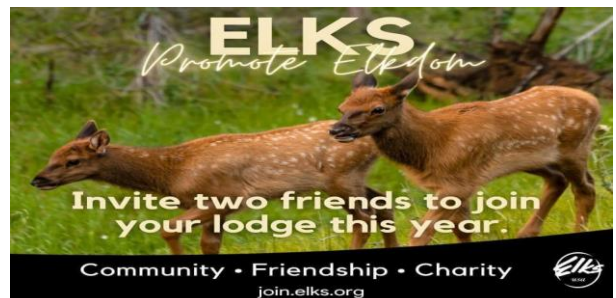
WE ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!

The tournament chair is looking for card tables – 5-6 of them. Bring them to the lodge by January 27, put your name on them!

“Thank You” is two of the kindest words you can say, say them often!



**COMING SOON –
NEW SWAG!!**



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.

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.

The star of Fidelity has been repaired and rehung.
The 11th hour clock has had its bulbs replaced and is functioning great.

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 to the lodge that faces 3rd Street, that was broken at the attempted break has come in and is installed!

The fireplace insert is completely done and looks great! The fireplace is up and running smoothly. Thank you Travis for work on the insert and Kevin Behm for the electrical.

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!

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THANKS
FOR
BEING
AWESOME

THANK YOU TO THE JINGLE BELL PARADE COMMITTEE:
LEE PATTERSON, JIM PATTERSON, ED SMITH, KARI SMITH

THANK YOU TO THE FAMILY DINNER COMMITTEE:

SHARI, PAM and The Book Club

KIDS PARTY COMMITTEE:

SUE ARNOLD, SHERYL WESCOTT, ROBERTA EVEREST, GAIL HOYT

JINGLE BELL WAS A SMASHING SUCCESS!

THANK YOU EVERYONE WHO PARTICIPATED IN
THE POTLUCKS AND FRIDAY NIGHT DINNERS IN
THE MONTH OF DECEMBER!



**Thank you, Sarah, Sheryl, Sue A & Denise for
hosting the ladies Christmas Party. Everyone had
a blast!!**



THANK YOU TO ALL THE VOLUNTEERS FOR THE HOOP
SHOOT! THANK YOU DONN HERREMANN FOR
HEADING THE HOOP SHOOT THIS YEAR.

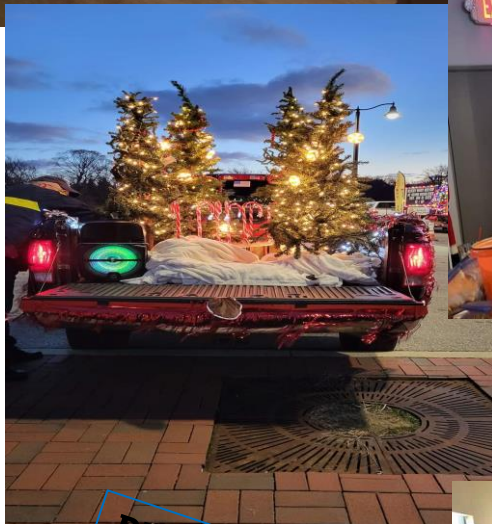
THANK YOU

A "pre-thank you to all the volunteers stepping up to help
with events for January. The Bloody Mary Mix Off and The
Euchre Tournament



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 @
LPATTERSONELKS1200@OUTLOOK.COM**



**JINGLE
BELL FUN!**



**Ladies Christmas
Party Crazy
Fun!!!**

