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BARABOO, WI

May 1ST – May 4TH , 2014

1 P R O C E E D I N G S

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3 MR. SHANNON: Good afternoon, everyone.

4 Could you all please be seated.

5 Please turn off your cell phones. Or

6 leave them on and everybody call somebody. And if it

7 rings, it's a $20 donation to the Benevolent Fund.

8 So you make up your mind whether you want to turn it

9 off or keep it on.

10 (Inaudible discussion away from the microphone.)

11 MR. SHANNON: Welcome to the Saturday

12 general session of the 2014 Wisconsin Elks

13 Association state convention. I now call this

14 session to order.

15 I'd like to introduce Honorable Lou

16 Sulsberger, past Grand Exulted Ruler, Flora,

17 Illinois, Lodge 1659.

18 Thanks for coming, Lou.

19 (Applause.)

20 MR. SHANNON: Now I call on Reverend

21 Mike for the invocation.

22 MR. HACKBARTH: Please pray with me.

23 Almighty and Everliving God, source of

24 all wisdom and understanding, be present with those

25 who take counsel at this Wisconsin Elks Association

1 Convention. Teach us in all things to seek first
2 your honor and glory. Guide us to perceive what is
3 right, and grant us both the courage to pursue it and
4 the grace to accomplish it. In your most holy name
5 we pray. Amen.
6 ALL: Amen.
7 MR. SHANNON: Thanks, Reverend Mike.
8 Please recite with me the Pledge of
9 Allegiance and salute our flag.
10 ALL: I pledge allegiance to the flag
11 of the United States of America and to the republic
12 for which it stands, one nation, under God,
13 indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.
14 MR. SHANNON: State Secretary, Ken
15 Johnson, will now take the roll of officers.
16 MR. JOHNSON: Mr. President, the roll
17 has been taken, and they're all present --
18 MR. SHANNON: Thanks, Ken.
19 MR. JOHNSON: -- to the best of my
20 knowledge.
21 MR. SHANNON: Okey-dokey.
22 At this business session, when
23 addressing the membership, please step to the mike
24 and speak slowly, beginning by stating your name and
25 your lodge. This is required to have an accurate

1 accounting of the proceedings.

2 The minutes of the 2013 WEA convention

3 have been published on the WEA Elks website.

4 Are there any additions or corrections

5 to these published minutes?

6 MR. JOHNSON: I make a motion to

7 approve them as submitted.

8 MR. SHANNON: Is there a second?

9 MR. JOHNSON: I guess I'm Ken Johnson

10 from Wausau 248.

11 MR. SHANNON: Is there any discussion?

12 MR. SIMMONS: Keith Simmons seconds it.

13 MR. SHANNON: Is there any discussion?

14 All in favor, signify with a sign of an

15 Elk.

16 Those opposed, same sign.

17 Minutes approved.

18 The Chair will now recognize Jan

19 Schultz, Chair of the Credits -- Credentials and

20 Elections, for a preliminary report.

21 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hey, that ain't

22 Jan.

23 MS. SCHULTZ: (Inaudible.)

24 Jan Schultz, Marshfield Lodge No. 665.

25 We had 183 preregistered with 8

1 no-shows for a total of 175. On-site registration,
2 55 members for a total of 230 members present. 196
3 members are eligible for voting.
4 MR. SHANNON: Thanks, Jan.
5 We will now proceed directly forward to
6 the elections.
7 The Chair recognizes Bill Forrest, past
8 State President, State Parliamentarian, to explain
9 the nomination and election procedures.
10 MR. FORREST: Can everybody see me?
11 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: No.
12 (Inaudible discussion away from the microphone.)
13 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yeah.
14 (Inaudible discussion away from the microphone.)
15 MR. FORREST: Good afternoon, ladies
16 and gentlemen. Bill Forrest, Wausau 248, State
17 Parliamentarian.
18 The bylaws of the Wisconsin Elks
19 Association provide for the election of officers at
20 this convention, which is the most important decision
21 that we make as state association Elks during the
22 course of the year as we elect new leadership.
23 Regarding officers, all Elks in good
24 standing in this association are eligible to hold
25 office with the exception that the office of

1 President and President-Elect may be held only by a
2 past Exulted Ruler.
3 Per our bylaws, the annual election
4 shall be held on this Saturday of the convention.
5 Nominations are to be made from the
6 floor for all elective offices.
7 Vice-Presidents are nominated and
8 elected only from their corresponding district.
9 Trustees are selected, one Trustee from
10 each Grand Lodge district in Wisconsin and two
11 at-large for a total of six Trustees.
12 Today we are selecting two at-large
13 Trustees and to fill the unexpired term for the south
14 district Trustee. Regarding these offices,
15 nominations will be taken for the two offices of
16 Trustee-At-Large separately.
17 President Shannon will request
18 nominations for the Trustee-At -- first
19 Trustee-At-Large office. Upon closing nominations
20 for the first Trustee-At-Large, the President will
21 then open nominations for the second Trustee-At-Large
22 office.
23 An individual may only be nominated for
24 one of these openings.
25 I remind you that all Trustee positions

1 are voted upon by the entire delegation. So contrary
2 to what the rules are for only voting for your
3 district for Vice-President, Trustees are voted on by
4 all delegates. So make sure that you do vote for
5 both the Trustee-At-Large positions plus the Trustee
6 south district position.
7 Jan has indicated to me that there has
8 been some confusion in the past regarding elections
9 because what people have been accustomed to doing is
10 writing all of the nominations on their ballot and
11 then turning the ballot in. You either need to
12 indicate -- for example, if you're voting for the one
13 Trustee-At-Large position, either only identify one
14 name. Or if you write all the names down for any
15 office, circle the position or the person that you
16 are actually balloting for. Otherwise, Jan is going
17 to have to declare that ballot is invalid because
18 they don't know who you are then voting for. So make
19 sure that it's clear on your ballot.
20 If there are more than two candidates
21 for any position after balloting, if no candidate
22 receives a majority of the votes cast, a run-off
23 election for the office shall immediately be
24 conducted, the voting being on the two candidates
25 receiving the largest number of votes on the first

1 ballot. So if we were to have three nominations for
2 a position, probably for President-Elect, then we
3 would have a run-off if -- if someone did not receive
4 a majority.
5 So, Tony, I guess that's kind of a
6 heads-up.
7 If you choose to leave the room in
8 between balloting and there's a run-off, you will not
9 be admitted back into the room. So make sure that
10 you stick around for the conclusion of the balloting.
11 At the conclusion of my instructions,
12 the President will call upon Jan Schultz, the
13 committee on Credentials and Elections, to supervise
14 and conduct the election and collect and count the
15 ballots.
16 Jan has indicated that they will have
17 people positioned in the four corners of the room.
18 After you complete your ballot, take your voting
19 credential and your ballot to the person who will be
20 collecting them.
21 In the past, when we were always
22 passing them to the end of the aisle and collecting
23 them, sometimes the voting credentials got dropped on
24 the floor or got commingled, so it was very difficult
25 to understand from the people counting the ballot

1 whether it was a valid ballot or not.

2 So we think that by having you take

3 those ballots to the Credentials and Election person

4 collecting the ballots, that it will be more

5 efficient.

6 If, at the time of completing the

7 nominations, there's one candidate for any office,

8 the President shall direct the Secretary to cast the

9 unanimous ballot for such candidate.

10 For those contested offices, your

11 written ballot will be collected by a committee -- as

12 I indicated before, a committee member.

13 Upon completion of the count, the

14 committee shall report the results of the election by

15 reporting the number of ballots cast for each

16 candidate for office and the number of votes that --

17 that were totaled.

18 Finally, I propose the following rules

19 for nomination and seconding speeches:

20 For President-Elect, one nominating

21 speech of not more than three minutes and two

22 seconding speeches of no more than one minute each.

23 For Trustees and Vice-Presidents, one

24 nominating speech of no more than one minute and one

25 seconding speech of no more than one minute.

1 In all cases, seconding speeches are
2 optional. So they're not required.
3 For all other offices, nominating
4 speeches are permitted with no seconding speeches to
5 be allowed.
6 Mr. President, I move for the adoption
7 of these rules for nomination.
8 MR. SHANNON: You have heard the
9 motion. Is there a second?
10 MR. DALEY: Dennis Daley, Watertown
11 666, seconds.
12 MR. SHANNON: Is there any discussion?
13 All in favor, please vote with a sign
14 of an Elk.
15 Those opposed, same sign.
16 Motion carried.
17 Thanks, Bill.
18 The Chair recognizes Jan Schultz for
19 any additional instructions for the voting delegates.
20 MS. SCHULTZ: There aren't any.
21 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: None.
22 MR. SHANNON: None?
23 Thank you, Jan.
24 Nominating for the office of State
25 President-Elects are now open.

1 MR. WIDZINSKI: Tom Widzinski, past
2 State President, Oshkosh 292.
3 Mr. President, past Grand Exulted Ruler
4 Sulsberger, my fellow state officers, and all of you,
5 my fellow Elks, a year has passed since I stood
6 before you and spoke about a close friend and brother
7 Elk of mine. I spoke to you pertaining the
8 dedication to our order on a local level, district
9 level, state level, and national level. While most
10 of you are already aware of this man's service to our
11 org -- organization, I'm sure there were a few who
12 were unaware of his many accomplishments. Having
13 traveled throughout the state this past year, I hope
14 that you have had the opportunity to become better
15 acquainted with this dedicated Elk. I spoke briefly
16 how this man's accomplishments have helped make our
17 programs and the programs of our order successful to
18 those of our community, our state, and our nation. I
19 mentioned that his views aligned with the -- the
20 minds of most of us, with the exception of his choice
21 regarding a professional football team.
22 In one of our recent publications, he
23 had his picture, and underneath it was stated that
24 he's willing to meet us halfway. He has shown us
25 that there is a little green-and-gold side to his

1 character.

2 Since this is the state convention of

3 the Wisconsin Elks Association and not that of some

4 other nameless neighboring state to the west, I

5 appeal to all of you to overlook this minor flaw in

6 his character and remember him only for the many

7 accomplishments that he has achieved thus far for we

8 all know that the only way for a professional athlete

9 wearing a purple jersey to have the opportunity to

10 wear a Superbowl ring would be if they bought it or

11 purchased it on eBay.

12 Bearing that last aforementioned

13 scenario, I humbly ask for your support as it is both

14 an honor and a privilege to place before you the name

15 of Anthony, "Tony," Voulgaris, for the office of

16 State President-Elect of the Wisconsin Elks

17 Association. Thank you.

18 MR. SHANNON: Is there a second to this

19 nomination?

20 MR. WEINSHROTT: Bill Weinshrott, Fond

21 du Lac Lodge 57.

22 It's my privilege to second Tony

23 Voulgaris. I've always known him by that name

24 because when he came to our school in the 7th grade

25 at (inaudible) where I worked, I watched him grow in

1 academics and sports, but I think he took more time
2 with sports. I watched him graduate from high
3 school, go to college, come out of college, become a
4 businessman, a hard worker. He grew up with a hard
5 work ethic with his family. And he got married, had
6 a family of his own, and became an Elk and a true Elk
7 and a dedicated Elk. And I ask for your support for
8 Tony. True friend.
9 Thank you.
10 MR. SHANNON: Are there any other
11 nominations for State President-Elect?
12 MR. BERTRAND: I have a follow-up
13 second for Tony.
14 Ron Bertrand, Waukesha Lodge 400.
15 I have known Tony for a few years. And
16 I think we all have seen what a wonderful Elk he is.
17 He's not only on the state level, the lodge level,
18 but also the Grand Lodge level. And I hope that he
19 has all the support of this -- this gathering.
20 And thank you very much.
21 MR. SHANNON: Are there any other
22 nominations for State President-Elect?
23 Are there any other nominations for
24 State President-Elect?
25 Hearing none, nominations are closed.

1 For further nominations, only one
2 second is necessary. Additional seconds are
3 optional.
4 Nominations for Vice-President,
5 northwest district, are now open.
6 Northwest. Northwest.
7 (Inaudible discussion away from the microphone.)
8 MS. CRUM: Cristine Crum, Superior
9 Lodge 403.
10 I would like to nominate past Exulted
11 Ruler, Daniel Crum, for Superior Lodge 403 for the
12 position of northwest district Vice-President. Dan
13 joined the Elks so he could do more charitable work
14 for his community than he could do on his own. In
15 doing so, he has saved -- served his lodge as an
16 officer for the past five years. Throughout his
17 years as an officer, he has continued to support his
18 lodge, state association, and Grand Lodge.
19 The Superior Lodge 403 Past Exulted
20 Rulers Association also supports his nomination.
21 Thank you.
22 MR. SHANNON: Is there a second?
23 Are there any other nominations for
24 Vice-President, northwest district?
25 Are there any other nominations for

1 Vice-President, northwest district?

2 Are there any other nominations for

3 Vice-President, northwest district?

4 Hearing none, nominations are closed.

5 Nominations for Vice-President,

6 northeast district, are now open.

7 MR. BRIEN: Jerry Brien, Kaukauna Elks

8 Lodge No. 962.

9 I'm proud to nominate David Abts from

10 Two Rivers. He's a past PER and he's the current ER,

11 and he's eager to do more in the state association.

12 MR. SHANNON: Is there a second?

13 Are there any other nominations for

14 Vice-President, northeast district?

15 Are there any other nominations for

16 Vice-President, northeast district?

17 Are there any other nominations for

18 Vice-President, northeast district?

19 Hearing none, nominations are closed.

20 Nominations for Vice-President, central

21 district, are now open.

22 MR. BEHNKE: This person that I'm

23 nominating to be Vice --

24 (Inaudible discussion away from the microphone.)

25 MR. BEHNKE: Oh. I'm Norm Behnke, Fond

1 du Lac Lodge No. 57. Microphone was supposed to know
2 that.
3 This person I got to know quite a few
4 years ago. It was a very cold February 9th in 1948.
5 And I was just a little boy. And I can remember my
6 mother and dad hurrying me out of the house. And it
7 was a strange morning because my dad didn't go to
8 work.
9 Well, then late in the afternoon, I
10 came home from school, and my grandma was there and
11 told me that I had a brother.
12 And we've been very close forever. And
13 I'd like to see him -- I didn't think this was going
14 to happen to me. I'd like to nominate him for
15 Vice-President, central, of the Wisconsin Elks
16 Association.
17 (Inaudible discussion away from the microphone.)
18 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Who is it?
19 (Inaudible discussion away from the microphone.)
20 MR. SHANNON: Is he your brother?
21 MR. BEHNKE: Norm's brother, Donald.
22 (Applause.)
23 MR. SHANNON: Is there a second?
24 MR. BOHNSACK: Bob Bohnsack, past State
25 President, Sheboygan Lodge 299.

1 It is my honor to second the nomination
2 of Don Behnke for Vice-President of central district.
3 I've known Don for quite a number of years. I know
4 that he stands quite tall in his own lodge as well as
5 around the state. And I also appreciate the fact
6 that -- of what he has done for the ENF over all the
7 years that he has been in charge of that. The man is
8 a very accomplished -- I want to say fundraiser
9 because I want to say that people really do respond
10 to Don's requests for donations to the ENF. And he's
11 done an outstanding job for, not only the lodge, not
12 only the district, but the state as well. So it is
13 my honor to nominate -- second the nomination of Don
14 Behnke.
15 MR. SHANNON: Are there any other
16 nominations for Vice-President, central district?
17 Are there any other nominations for
18 Vice-President, central district?
19 Are there any other nominations for
20 Vice-President, central district?
21 Hearing none, nominations are closed.
22 Nominations for Vice-President, south
23 district, are now open.
24 (Inaudible discussion away from the microphone.)
25 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Oops. A little

1 bit higher.

2 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Are you done

3 playing around?

4 MR. NITZE: Dave Nitze, past State

5 President, Janesville Lodge 254.

6 I would like -- I have the honor of

7 presenting Dave Hagen, nomination for Vice-President,

8 south. Dave has been a member of the Janesville

9 lodge for 20 years. He has served as the Janesville

10 lodge Accountant for 19 years. He's been a Trustee

11 at the lodge from 2010/'11; ER, Janesville 254, from

12 2011/2012 and 2012/2013. He is a member of our PR

13 association. And he served various local lodge

14 committees over the last 20 years - Drug Awareness,

15 Backyard Bash, Spaghetti Dinner, Youth Banquet

16 Chairman, Wild Game fundraiser, Entertainment

17 committee, and also Veteran's Chairman. He also

18 presenting -- presented the Elks Medal of Valor to

19 the family of J. T. Benjamin O'Neill. And he served

20 on numerous Wisconsin committees. And right now, he

21 is a Chairman of the Auditing committee appointed by

22 Ken Bruckner in 2009. And he's still the current

23 Chairman of that committee.

24 I am proud to give Dave's name for VP,

25 south.

1 MR. SHANNON: Is there a second?
2 Are there any other nominations for
3 Vice-President, south district?
4 Are there any other nominations for
5 Vice-President, south district?
6 Are there any other nominations for
7 Vice-President, south district?
8 Hearing none, nominations are closed.
9 Nominations for State Secretary are now
10 open.
11 MR. JOHNSON: I would love to Ron, but
12 it's a two-year term, and I am in the first of the
13 two years.
14 MR. SHANNON: Well, we still want to
15 know if there's any nominations so...
16 MR. JOHNSON: I nominate Ron.
17 MR. SHANNON: Thanks, Ken. Sorry about
18 that.
19 Is there --
20 (Inaudible discussion away from the microphone.)
21 MR. SHANNON: How about the State
22 Chaplain? Is he on a two-year term too?
23 (Inaudible discussion away from the microphone.)
24 MR. SHANNON: Okay.
25 (Inaudible discussion away from the microphone.)

1 MR. SHANNON: Nomination for State
2 Chaplain are now open.
3 MR. CRAIG: Usually when I do this
4 nomination I cry like a baby, so I'm not going to
5 make it a long one this time. It gives me --
6 (Inaudible discussion away from the microphone.)
7 MR. CRAIG: Oh. Ivan Craig, Junior,
8 Oshkosh Lodge 292. Not Don's brother.
9 At this time, it gives me great
10 pleasure to nominate the Reverend Michael Hackbarth
11 for State Chaplain.
12 MR. SHANNON: Is there a second?
13 Are there any other nominations for
14 State Chaplain?
15 Are there any other nominations for
16 State Chaplain?
17 Are there any other nominations for
18 State Chaplain?
19 Hearing none, nominations are closed.
20 Nominations for State Tiler are now
21 open.
22 MS. LANGE: Jeanie Lange, Baraboo Lodge
23 No. 688.
24 It is my pleasure to nominate an Elk
25 who has been a member of this organization for over

1 32 years. He is a past Exulted Ruler and a past
2 District Deputy to the Grand Exulted Ruler. I would
3 like to nominate my friend, Ernie Bellin, from
4 Neenah-Menasha lodge.
5 MR. SHANNON: Is there a second?
6 Are there any other nominations for
7 State Tiler?
8 Are there any other nominations for
9 State Tiler?
10 Are there any other nominations for
11 State Tiler?
12 Hearing none, nominations are closed.
13 Are there any nominations for State
14 Treasurer? They are now open.
15 MR. HACKL: I'm Bob Hackl, past state
16 geezer, from Two Rivers Lodge 1380.
17 It is my distinct pleasure to nominate
18 Jeff Langton for the job of State Treasurer.
19 MR. SHANNON: Is there a second?
20 Are there any other nominations for
21 State Treasurer?
22 Are there any other nominations for
23 State Treasurer?
24 Are there any other nominations for
25 State Treasurer?

1 Hearing none, nominations are closed.
2 Nominations for State Sergeant-In-Arms
3 are now open.
4 MR. BOHNSACK: Bob Bohnsack, past State
5 President, Sheboygan Lodge 299.
6 It is with great honor and privilege
7 that I nominate Bill Weinshrott for the office of
8 Sergeant-At-Arms for the Wisconsin Elks Association.
9 Not only is Bill a really good Elk, Bill is also a
10 very close friend, a very good friend, a true friend,
11 someone who really helped Char and I the year that we
12 were State President. I can't tell you how many
13 things that he did for us that year.
14 But he's also been active in his own
15 lodge. He's been a past Exulted Ruler, a past
16 District Deputy, Grand Exulted Ruler.
17 Bill has always held true with helping,
18 and he holds true to his responsibilities. He
19 carries out with -- his duties of any office that
20 he's ever held with dignity and dedication.
21 So it is with great honor to present
22 Bill Weinshrott as a candidate for Sergeant-At-Arms.
23 Thank you.
24 MR. SHANNON: Is there a second?
25 MS. ERICKSON: Jennel Erickson, Oshkosh

1 Lodge No. 292, Exulted Ruler.

2 Fellow Elks, it is with the utmost

3 respect and honor I second my friend, our friend,

4 William, "Bill," Weinshrott, for Sergeant-At-Arms of

5 the Wisconsin Benevolent and Protected Order of Elks.

6 MR. SHANNON: Are there any other

7 nominations for State Sergeant-At-Arms?

8 Are there any other nominations for

9 State Sergeant-At-Arms?

10 Are there any other nominations for

11 State Sergeant-At-Arms?

12 Hearing none, nominations are closed.

13 Nominations for State Inner Guard are

14 now open.

15 MR. SWANTZ: As long as my voice holds

16 out --

17 Milt Swantz, past State President, Fond

18 du Lac Lodge No. 57.

19 It's with great pride that I nominate

20 my son, Ryan Swantz, for the position of Inner Guard.

21 And I also must apologize to everyone.

22 I did promise the last time you seen me I would have

23 a red jacket. I made the mistake of ordering it in

24 Florida. It came out an ugly burgundy.

25 MR. SHANNON: Is there a second?

1 Are there any other nominations for
2 State Inner Guard?
3 Are there any other nominations for
4 State Inner Guard?
5 Are there any other nominations for
6 State Inner Guard?
7 Hearing none, nominations are closed.
8 Are there any other nominations for
9 State Trustee-At-Large 1?
10 MR. FRANKLIN: Jaye Franklin,
11 Marshfield Lodge No. 665.
12 It is with great pleasure and honor
13 that I nominate Andy Olander, Marshfield Lodge, for
14 the position of State Trustee-At-Large.
15 Thank you.
16 MR. SHANNON: Is there a second?
17 Are there any other nominations for
18 State Trustee-At-Large 1?
19 Are there any other nominations for
20 State Trustee 1?
21 MR. WALSH: Jim Walsh, Stevens Point
22 Lodge 641.
23 It would be my pleasure to nominate
24 George Meyers from the Eau Claire lodge for this
25 position. I've known him for the last couple years

1 and has become a good friend.

2 MR. SHANNON: Is there a second?

3 Are there any more nominations for

4 Trustee-At-Large 1?

5 Are there any more nominations for

6 Trustee-At-Large 1?

7 Are there any other nominations for

8 Trustee-At-Large 1?

9 Hearing none, nominations are closed.

10 Nominations for State Trustee-At-Large

11 2.

12 MR. BUCK: Pat Buck, Neenah-Menasha

13 Lodge No. 676.

14 I have the honor to date to place into

15 nomination the name of Rob Radig, Senior, whose local

16 and state experience and work experience provide him

17 with the skills needed for the office of State

18 Trustee-At-Large. Rob has been a member of the

19 Beaver Dam lodge for 14 years, served as an officer

20 for all but three of those years. Currently serving

21 as Exulted Ruler for the second time. Has also

22 received Elk of the Year award twice. Currently

23 serves as Chairperson of his lodge's Drug Awareness

24 program, Government Relations, and Youth Activities

25 committee as well as Chair of the Christmas Basket

1 program and has been the lodge historian for the last
2 12 years.
3 At the state level, Rob has served as
4 State Inner Guard for two years and is currently the
5 Vice-President for central district.
6 As Vice-President, he set out to and
7 accomplished several goals for the district,
8 including a district-wide family picnic,
9 district-wide fundraiser, and a bus trip to the Elk's
10 Memorial -- Veterans Memorial in Chicago.
11 He also serves as a member of the Drug
12 Awareness committee, Youth Activities, Resolutions
13 and Laws, and serves as Chair of Government
14 Relations.
15 Rob is currently employed in restaurant
16 management and has served the last ten years as
17 alderman with the City of Beaver Dam Common Council.
18 These job skills will be invaluable in helping make
19 the financial decisions to keep the association
20 fiscally responsible and sound.
21 I ask for your support in electing Rob
22 Radig, Senior, as State Trustee-At-Large.
23 MR. SHANNON: Is there a second?
24 MR. HOLBROOK: Aaron Holbrook, Beaver
25 Dam Lodge 1540.

1 I'm proud to second that nomination.
2 You've heard all of Rob's accomplishments. I would
3 just like to add that you can tell by those
4 accomplishments, he knows how to work with people,
5 and he knows how to unite people.
6 MR. SHANNON: Are there any other
7 nominations for At-Large -- Trustee-At-Large 2?
8 MR. LENZ: Robert Lenz, Exulted Ruler,
9 Marshfield Elks No. 65.
10 On behalf of the membership of the past
11 Exulted Rulers of Marshfield Lodge 665, it is my
12 honor to nominate Robert Rennells for the position of
13 Trustee-At-Large of the Wisconsin Elks Association.
14 Brother Rennells has moved through the
15 chairs and is a past Exulted Ruler. He has served on
16 several lodge committees during his time with the
17 lodge and is currently a member of the Membership
18 committee, the Chair of the lodge Veterans Program,
19 Flag Day coordinator, and a lodge Trustee. He has
20 served as District Deputy to the Grand Exulted Ruler
21 for northwest district, 2011/2012, and is the current
22 EN -- EVNS representative for the Clark County VA
23 Outpatient Clinic. He is the current member of the
24 WEA Elks National Service Committee.
25 Brother Rennells brings experience,

1 having served two terms as a member of the board of
2 directors of the Wisconsin Academy of Physicians
3 Assistants, his professional organization, as well
4 as -- as having served as its president.
5 He has also served on the board of
6 directors of the Wisconsin Academy of Physician
7 Assistants Foundation, the charitable arm of the
8 academy for three terms.
9 He is a retired military officer,
10 having served 23 years on active duty in the United
11 States Air Force.
12 We, the members of Marshfield Lodge
13 665, know that Brother Rennells will be a valuable
14 addition to the Trustees of the Wisconsin Elks
15 Association, and we are very proud to make this
16 nomination.
17 Thank you.
18 MR. SHANNON: Are there any other
19 nominations --
20 Oh. Is there a second to that?
21 MR. KOLLROSS: Joe Kollross, Marshfield
22 665.
23 It gives me pleasure to second the
24 motion for Bob Rennells as State Trustee. Bob and I
25 went through the chairs together, and I found Bob to

1 be a pleasure to work with, hardworking, and always
2 brings well-thought-out ideas to the table. So he's
3 a good man.
4 MR. SHANNON: Are there any other
5 nominations for Trustee-At-Large 2?
6 Are there any other nominations for
7 Trustee-At-Large 2?
8 Are there any other nominations for
9 Trustee-At-Large 2?
10 Hearing none, nominations are closed.
11 I heard a phone go off. Would the
12 person whose phone went off please stand up. I heard
13 a phone go off.
14 $20 donation to the Benevolent Fund
15 678. Thank you.
16 Are there any other nom -- are there --
17 pardon me?
18 (Inaudible discussion away from the microphone.)
19 MR. SHANNON: Nominations for State
20 Trustee, south.
21 MR. DALEY: Dennis Daley, Watertown
22 Lodge No. 666.
23 I'd like to nominate Dave DeRosier for
24 the position of Trustee, south. Dave was initiated
25 into the Superior Lodge 403 in 1972. Held all the

1 chairs. Served as ER in '79, Vice-President of the
2 northwest, 1981, and District Deputy, Grand Exulted
3 Ruler of the northwest in 1982.
4 Then he moved to Milwaukee in 1988.
5 Served as State Trustee in 1992, State President in
6 1997. He was ER in Milwaukee in 2006, '7, Special
7 Deputy to the Grand Exulted Ruler, and is currently
8 Treasurer in Milwaukee Lodge 46.
9 Married to his wife Kate for over 28
10 years.
11 I consider Dave a good friend. And I
12 know he will do a good job as a State Trustee. And I
13 ask for your support in electing him to that
14 position.
15 MR. SHANNON: Is there a second?
16 MR. SIMMONS: Keith Simmons,
17 Walworth-Lakeland Lodge 2201.
18 I second the nomination for Dave
19 DeRosier. After working with him for the last five,
20 six years on the Benevolent Fund, I know he'll do a
21 good job as a Trustee.
22 Thank you.
23 MR. SHANNON: Are there any other
24 nominations for Trustee, south?
25 Are there any other nominations for

1 Trustee, south?

2 Are there any other nominations for

3 Trustee, south?

4 Hearing none, nominations are closed.

5 I will now entertain a motion to have

6 the State Secretary record a unanimous ballot for all

7 can -- candidates who were nominated without

8 opposition.

9 The Chair recognizes past State

10 President, Bill Forrest, State Parliamentarian, for

11 the motion.

12 MR. FORREST: Mr. President, I move we

13 cast -- that the Secretary be instructed to cast the

14 unanimous ballot for Tony Voulgaris, President-Elect;

15 Daniel Crum, northwest Vice-President; Dave Abts,

16 northeast Vice-President; Don Behnke, Vice-President,

17 central; Dave Hagen, Vice-President, south; Chaplain,

18 Mike Hackbarth; Tiler, Ernie Bellin; Jeff Langton,

19 for Treasurer; Bill Weinshrott for State

20 Sergeant-At-Arms, Ryan Swantz for Inner Guard; and

21 Dave DeRosier, Trustee, south district.

22 MR. SHANNON: You have heard a motion.

23 Is there a second?

24 MR. DALEY: Dennis Daley, Watertown

25 666, seconds.

1 MR. SHANNON: Is there any discussion?
2 All those in favor, voting sign of an
3 Elk.
4 Those opposed, same sign.
5 Motion carried.
6 We are about to start the voting
7 process. As a reminder to everyone who is casting a
8 vote for the various positions, where there is more
9 than one candidate for the same position, I would ask
10 that all of those who are seeking election to the
11 office who have other runnings in opposition, please
12 come forward so that the members can recognize who is
13 seeking their support.
14 State Parliamentarian, would you please
15 repeat those positions and the names of which they
16 will be voting.
17 MR. FORREST: Trustee-At-Large Position
18 No. 1. Andy Olander, Marshfield lodge. George
19 Meyers, Eau Claire lodge.
20 Trustee-At-Large No. 2. Rob Radig,
21 Beaver Dam. Robert Rennells, or Bob Rennells,
22 Marshfield.
23 A couple of last-minute instructions.
24 Make sure that you use the golden rod ballot. You
25 have a golden rod and a yellow. Please use the

1 golden rod ballot.

2 MR. SHANNON: Thank you, Bill.

3 The Chair now recognizes Jan Schultz

4 for final instructions to the voting delegates.

5 MS. SCHULTZ: Jan Schultz, Marshfield

6 Lodge 665.

7 Now we got it?

8 Members of our committee will be in the

9 four corners of the room and in the back. And please

10 turn in that gold ballot, just the first stub of your

11 credentials. Make sure they are together or they

12 will not be accepted.

13 I have no further instructions. Thank

14 you.

15 MR. SHANNON: Thank you, Jan.

16 I ask that you please remain in the

17 room. Once you leave this room, you will not be

18 permitted to reenter until the voting is complete.

19 If there is a need for another ballot,

20 it is crucial that all who plan to cast that ballot

21 will be in attendance.

22 (Inaudible discussion away from the microphone.)

23 MR. SHANNON: Let's get back in our

24 seats so we can get going with this.

25 (Inaudible discussion away from the microphone.)

1 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Last call.

2 (Inaudible discussion away from the microphone.)

3 MR. SHANNON: Now we will continue with

4 the other business of this session, beginning with

5 the board of directors report.

6 The Chair recognizes Dennis Daley,

7 secretary of the board of directors.

8 MR. DALEY: Dennis Daley, Watertown

9 Lodge No. 666.

10 The board met on Friday morning, 9:00.

11 All members were present except John Bennett and

12 Chuck Berens, who were excused.

13 Our special guest was our State

14 Sponsor, Lou Sulsberger.

15 We started out -- we discussed the bill

16 that was a carryover from last year from the Drug

17 Awareness committee for $2,644.87 that was part of

18 last year. And at that -- the time, the board voted

19 not to pay that bill at that time.

20 Then we next started talking about the

21 budgets. And I'll start with the administrative

22 budget. And you all should have copies of that.

23 There's two-sided. "Administrative" it says at the

24 top would be that budget. This was a little easier

25 this year because of the increase in dues amount. As

1 you can see, the expenses were $59,879.76. The
2 income carryover, just going down in that last column
3 on the right, was 4,243.66. Per capita dues of
4 50,56 -- 556. (Inaudible) interest, $110. And it
5 was printed, and we didn't correct the error, but
6 that 14,840 for a transfer from Raymond James should
7 be $4,970.10 to produce the same income of 59,879.76
8 for a balanced budget.
9 At this time, for purpose of
10 discussion, I would like to make a motion to approve
11 the printed budget of 59,879.76.
12 MR. JOHNSON: Ken Johnson, Wausau,
13 State Secretary, seconds that motion.
14 MR. SHANNON: You have heard a motion,
15 and there's been a second. Is there any discussion?
16 All in favor, vote with the sign of an
17 Elk.
18 Those opposed, same sign.
19 Motion carried.
20 MR. DALEY: So turning the paper over,
21 we'll go to the charitable budget. Charitable budget
22 of $343,304.62. Going down, you can see the income
23 of 17,880 from the National Vets Commission,
24 projected Special Project grants, state charities for
25 a total of 343,304.62 for a balanced budget.

1 For purposes of discussion, I will make
2 a motion to approve the proposed charitable budget.
3 MR. JOHNSON: Ken Johnson, Wausau,
4 State Secretary, seconds that motion.
5 MR. SHANNON: You have heard the motion
6 and the second. Is there any discussion?
7 All in favor, vote with the sign of an
8 Elk.
9 Those opposed, same sign.
10 Motion carried.
11 MR. DALEY: We continued with our
12 meeting. There was an issue regarding the Veterans
13 Service Committee checking accounts. And the board
14 instructed Jeff Langton to meet with that committee
15 to try to resolve the -- the issue.
16 The board also approved that the -- at
17 the present time, the State President is
18 automatically board Chairman. The board approved
19 changing that -- that the new -- the Chairman of the
20 board of directors would be elected by the new board
21 of directors. And this election would occur right
22 during or right after the general session on Saturday
23 with the new board members voting for those offices.
24 Vice-President reports were presented.
25 Jeff Langton also gave the Treasurer's

1 report and did mention that the board, during the
2 summer, had -- or during the past few months, had
3 approved staying with Theisen (phonetic) as their
4 advisor on our Raymond -- on our account. And now
5 it's with Raymond James.
6 Mid-winter conference. There's been a
7 problem with The Plaza in Wausau and that supposedly
8 it's going to be sold. And there was some issues up
9 there. So the board approved changing the venue. We
10 hadn't signed the contract with The Plaza yet -- or
11 Ken hadn't. So we changed -- changed that venue to
12 Paper Valley in Appleton for the 2016, '17, '18
13 mid-winter conferences. So that means we'll be
14 going -- we already have approved the 2015 at Paper
15 Valley. So we'll also be going there through '16,
16 '17, and '18.
17 WEA has a raffle license now in the
18 association name so we can legally conduct raffles.
19 We also approved that the State
20 Secretary can vouch for someone that comes to an
21 association meeting and maybe possibly forgot his
22 card or for some reason the cards weren't issued.
23 But the State Secretary will be able to vouch for
24 that person.
25 And although the board cannot force a

1 lodge to contribute for our meet-and-greet room, the
2 board strongly encourages that each lodge do so.
3 The rest of my report is on file with
4 the Secretary.
5 MR. SHANNON: With the committee
6 reports, to save time, we recommend to have all the
7 reports approved at the conclusion of today's
8 meeting. And we will also at the conclusion of the
9 general session tomorrow as well.
10 However, action requiring a motion,
11 expenditures, budgeting, et cetera, committee
12 Chairperson or designated member of the committee
13 will, at the end of the report, entertain a motion
14 for approval.
15 If there are no objections in this
16 procedure, we will begin with the reports. Proceed
17 with committee reports in alphabetical order, but I
18 had a request so he could talk to a lot of us. Elks
19 National Foundation.
20 Come on up, Lance.
21 MR. PLIML: Thanks. And thanks for
22 bringing the microphone down.
23 Lance Pliml, Wisconsin Rapids Lodge No.
24 693 - that's not that hard to do, Norm - reporting
25 for the Elks National Foundation.

1 I wanted to get up here today because,
2 often times, I speak on Sunday morning when there's
3 actually very few people in attendance.
4 This was a banner year for the Elks
5 National Foundation in Wisconsin, and I wanted to
6 make sure you hear that. Because sometimes when
7 you're in your own lodge and there's a few dollars
8 contributed to the Elks National Foundation, you
9 might not realize the good works that are done
10 throughout our state and throughout our nation.
11 You have to attend a state conference
12 or convention. You need to get to a Grand Lodge
13 convention to really see what the sum of all those
14 donations do.
15 And this year we participated at a very
16 high level in making those dreams come true for a lot
17 of people. We had the highest state per capita in
18 our history by a lot. We beat the previous record by
19 almost 10 percent, almost 70 cents per member. We
20 had eight lodges over $15 per member. We had 13
21 lodges over $10 per member. We had 20 over $7 per
22 member. We had only four lodges that didn't make
23 goal this year. Every single district exceeded the
24 Grand Exulted Ruler's goal by more than $2. We had
25 18 of our lodges that were up in contributions from

1 last year. And then Oconto back-to-back $20 years.
2 The important thing -- and when you get
3 to see what we do, if you get to a Grand Lodge
4 convention, and you listen to those scholarship
5 winners speak or you see those people whose lives we
6 greatly affect, you re -- you -- you have an
7 opportunity to realize the work that we do and where
8 those dollars go.
9 In the state of Wisconsin, we got back
10 $4.16 for every dollar contributed last year. We
11 contributed $8.47 per member as a state of Wisconsin.
12 The district winners this year in the
13 northwest district was Wisconsin Rapids at $15.66.
14 And it's listed as the southeast
15 district on our forms here, or the south district,
16 was Walworth-Lakeland at $19.81.
17 The central district, Sheboygan, at
18 $21.08.
19 The northeast district, Oconto, at
20 $24.20.
21 Total donations. Sheboygan led the way
22 with $12,861.
23 And in the chairman's challenge, which
24 is somewhat of an indication where we're going to be
25 in the future because of the programs they put in

1 place, it was the vice-chairman of the Elks National
2 Foundation committee, lodge Chairman extraordinaire,
3 Don Behnke, who, for the second year in a row, has
4 won that particular competition.
5 If the State President would allow me
6 to digress for just one moment, this was a great
7 year, but we had a couple lodges who didn't make it.
8 I have served in this position for somewhere around
9 25 years. And I always said I would step down
10 eventually when every lodge met goal. Well, we
11 didn't quite get there. We're getting close to $10 a
12 member, but we don't have quite every lodge at goal.
13 So this last year -- some of you are
14 probably familiar with fracking, you know, one of the
15 ways we're getting a lot of gas in this country, why
16 we're a net oil exporter right now. And in the state
17 of Wisconsin, we produce frack sand, which is using
18 the fracking process. And -- and I happen to chair
19 the task force for the state of Wisconsin. And I had
20 the opportunity not too long ago to fly out to
21 Albuquerque, New Mexico. And while I was on that
22 flight -- I was one of the first ones on the plane.
23 And I sat down along an aisle seat. And as the
24 people are coming on the plane, I'm wondering who's
25 going to sit next to me.

1 Well, pretty soon a very beautiful
2 young woman, very voluptuous, carrying a young child,
3 sits down in the window seat right next to me. And
4 more passengers board. And pretty soon, a very
5 dapper-looking, distinguished gentleman in a service
6 uniform comes in. And I later find out he's an Air
7 Force colonel. And he sits between myself and the
8 young lady.
9 And, you know -- and the flight
10 progresses. And there's small talk going the whole
11 time we're -- we're flying out, chatting.
12 The young lady had a baby - I don't
13 know - probably four, five, six months old. And the
14 baby was absolutely quiet the entire flight. Just
15 absolutely quiet.
16 And as we began our descent down into
17 Albuquerque, the baby started to cry. And at that
18 time, this mother very discreetly removed her breast
19 and began breastfeeding this young child. She was
20 somewhat embarrassed, but it was very discreet. The
21 Air Force officer and myself just kind of
22 small-talked on the side and chatted, tried to look
23 away.
24 And as the flight landed and the baby
25 had stopped crying immediately upon feeding, the Air

1 Force officer looked at the young lady and said, boy,
2 he was sure hungry, and -- and he's a fine-looking
3 young man. And the lady said, I'm really sorry to do
4 this, but my pediatrician said the longer he's on the
5 breast, the less discomfort he'll have in his ears,
6 the more it will equalize the pressure. The pilot
7 looked at me and said a thousand (inaudible), and we
8 chewed gum.
9 So I -- I always try to wrap this up
10 with a point. Sometimes. We have 28 lodges that are
11 doing the right thing, and we have four that have
12 been chewing gum. Try something different next year.
13 I'd really like to see every lodge get to that 100
14 percent because I'm sure that our State President -
15 and he should be very proud; like I said, this was a
16 monumental leap forward in what we have done - and
17 our State Sponsor are probably very proud of the
18 state. And I would love to sit up here next year and
19 tell you every lodge made goal.
20 That ends my report. Thank you.
21 MR. SHANNON: Thanks, Lance.
22 Okay. Starting at the top of the
23 order, Auditing --
24 MR. HAGEN: Yeah.
25 MR. SHANNON: -- followed by

1 Resolutions and Laws.

2 MR. HAGEN: Dave Hagen, Janesville No.

3 254, Chairman, Auditing committee.

4 We met at 11:00 a.m. this morning and

5 reviewed the books of the Wisconsin Elks Association

6 charitable and administrative accounts and investment

7 accounts from the last meeting, which was February

8 1st, 2014, through April 25th, 2014. And we have

9 approved the expenditures for both the charitable and

10 administrative accounts. This concludes the fact

11 that we have audited then all of the records and

12 books for an entire year, all checkbooks for the

13 association. So they are all audited and all

14 approved.

15 We also heard from Jeff Langton a

16 recommendation that Veterans' checkbooks at the local

17 lodges should probably be in the federal ID number of

18 the Wisconsin Elks Association. We had a discussion

19 on that. And we made -- or we are making a

20 recommendation to the Trustees to approve -- asking

21 them to approve that the local charities for Elks

22 Veterans' accounts be all under the Wisconsin Elks

23 Association federal ID number, which could save a lot

24 of problems in the future.

25 The rest of my report is on file with

1 the Secretary.

2 MR. SHANNON: Resolutions and Laws

3 followed by Membership and Lapsation.

4 Membership and Lapsation followed by

5 Lodge Development.

6 MS. BRIEN: Kathy Brien, Kaukauna 962,

7 Chairman of the Membership and Lapsation.

8 We announced this morning that we are

9 going to, through Grand Lodge, have a membership

10 specialist. He'll join the Grand Lodge at June 1st.

11 Our members are very excited about that, hoping he

12 brings in a lot of new ideas that we can use in our

13 lodges.

14 A few other ideas, though, that were

15 thrown out by our lodges that they're trying,

16 surveying what kind of things the lodges would like

17 to see done in their group.

18 Partnering and joining the tavern

19 league seems to be working for some.

20 Awards to firemen, policemen, newspaper

21 editors, some publicity there.

22 Finding something unique about your

23 lodge and then promoting that one thing; and then the

24 next year possibly coming up with another idea to

25 promote.

1 Generating enthusiasm with our current
2 members so that those members are enthusiastic about
3 having others join them.
4 And to tap into the senior centers.
5 There's a lot of viable good leadership there. And
6 so we were hoping maybe some of the seniors would
7 join us with their expertise in their fields.
8 So the rest of the report is on file
9 with the Secretary.
10 MR. SHANNON: Lodge Development
11 followed by Business Practices.
12 MR. ROSSLEY: Joe Rossley, Marinette
13 Lodge No. 1313, cochairman of the Lodge Development.
14 Committee met this morning. Two
15 members present, six guests.
16 We discussed the possibility of
17 locations to develop new lodges within the state. We
18 decided to concentrate on the area south of Milwaukee
19 and West Bend area. We're requesting a stray Elks
20 list -- a stray Elks list from the Grand Lodge. And
21 once that's completed, we will proceed from there.
22 The rest of my report is on file with
23 the Secretary.
24 MR. SHANNON: Business Practices
25 followed by Publicity and Public Relations.

1 MR. SHOEMAKER: This is awfully low.
2 Greetings. Terry Shoemaker, Fond du
3 Lac Lodge No. 57, Chairman of the Business Practices
4 committee.
5 It's good to see all of your smiling
6 faces, especially you, Mike.
7 We had a very interesting meeting. I
8 enjoyed the guests that came. We discussed many,
9 many things. I can't tell you all of them because we
10 don't have enough time. And I will tell you that my
11 report is on file with the Secretary.
12 MR. SHANNON: Business Public --
13 Publicity and Public Relations followed by
14 Conferences and Conventions.
15 MR. HOLBROOK: Aaron Holbrook, Beaver
16 Dam Lodge 1540.
17 I just wanted to get up and remind
18 everybody that, as a member, you can access elks.org.
19 And on that website, there is a ton of material that
20 you can use to publicize events at your lodge,
21 including a publicity -- or a public relations - or
22 excuse me - a press release generator. And you can
23 save that in your name. So you can write a press
24 release for your event this year, save it, and update
25 it for next year.

1 In addition, that there's MP3 files you
2 can download and use for broadcast media.
3 And there's just a ton of resources for
4 all of the activity chairs as well, so Hoop Shoot and
5 Drug Awareness programs.
6 There's a ton of things that can help
7 you at that website, elks.org.
8 MR. SHANNON: Conference and
9 Conventions followed by Lodge Activities.
10 Lodge Activities followed by Officer
11 Training.
12 MR. ENGLESON: Dutch Engleson, Beloit
13 lodge.
14 Today we had a good meeting. We were
15 talking about the different ideas for the lodge
16 activities that the other -- all the lodges have.
17 Milwaukee lodge. They had a fundraiser
18 for Fisher House, which is the same thing as Ronald
19 McDonald House, only it's for the veterans.
20 Manitowoc lodge has now purchased a new
21 building. They are going to be having an open house
22 in June.
23 So there's lots of different activities
24 going on at all these different lodges, and it would
25 be good for more people to come to our meeting and

1 kind of find out what's going on.

2 The rest of my report will be on file

3 with the Secretary.

4 MR. SHANNON: Officers -- Officers

5 Training followed by ER Leading Knight Advisory.

6 MR. KINNEY: Good afternoon. Mike

7 Kinney, Officer Training, Vice Chair.

8 The total attendance today was 22 with

9 three members, and the rest were visitors.

10 Topics of discussion were those items

11 applicable to the recent and near future time frame.

12 Sort of -- that is attending Grand Lodge, annual

13 Grand Lodge audit, Flag Day, Grand Lodge, ENF grants,

14 and WEA grants. There was also a 20-question test on

15 the Grand Lodge statutes covering PER and Grand

16 Lodge, auditing and accounting and their functions

17 with the Grand Lodge audit, lodge dues, balloting and

18 elections, bylaws, Flag Day, and officer

19 responsibilities.

20 The topics at future meetings were ask

21 feedback on the current form of training was noted

22 and evaluated.

23 Test on the statutes appeared very

24 favorable.

25 Thank you.

1 MR. SHANNON: We're going to insert
2 Benevolent Fundraising directors so Keith can wake
3 up.
4 MR. SIMMONS: Keith Simmons.
5 I go to bend it down, and it comes out.
6 Walworth-Lakeland Lodge 2201.
7 Secretary/Treasurer of the Benevolent Fund.
8 We had a meeting yesterday. For the
9 first time since the fund has been going at the end
10 of March in 19 -- 2014, we had $2,000,565 in the
11 fund. Right now -- we -- we drawed out $40,000 to
12 give to the state assoc -- association for their
13 work. Right now I had 47,000 -- $47,600 in the fund
14 bank account. We had to pay our property plus
15 insurance of $107. We did approval -- now we have
16 $1,942,718 in the fund. We -- right now with the
17 $40,000, we're at about $1.9 million that we have
18 given back to the Wisconsin Elks Association for
19 their charitable works. You guys have done an
20 outstanding job again.
21 And I'd like to say one thing. With
22 what you do for the Elks National Foundation and the
23 Benevolent Fund, that makes your $334,000 budget
24 available. We give $110,000 this year.
25 Now, if anybody would like the $40,000,

1 I have a check here. And I'll --

2 You want -- you want me to bring it to

3 you? I mean, just a minute. I'll make it --

4 (Inaudible discussion away from the microphone.)

5 MR. SHANNON: At this time, our State

6 Sponsor would like to make -- like to make a couple

7 announcements.

8 MR. SIMMONS: Don't touch it.

9 MR. SULSBERGER: I'd like to -- some of

10 you are probably leaving after this meeting, and I

11 would like to mention that last weekend we went to

12 our State President's roast down in Elmhurst,

13 Illinois. And your former sponsor was there. And he

14 and Marge looked great. Bob is -- he has a few

15 little issues. He's carrying an air tank that

16 they're trying to wean him off of. But he told me to

17 make sure I said hello to all of you. You know,

18 he -- he gets around pretty good, and he's sharp as a

19 tack for a man who turned 90 in January. So keep --

20 always keep him in your prayers, though, because he

21 is -- he's a mentor of mine and probably to many of

22 you.

23 So I'd like to announce the officers

24 for the Benevolent Fund next year. It wouldn't be

25 the Benevolent Fund without Keith being the

1 Secretary/Treasurer. David DeRosier will be the
2 Vice-President. And the President next year will be
3 Ken Bruckner.
4 All right. I'll -- I'll just drop it
5 for now and -- and let him go on with his reports.
6 MR. SHANNON: Thanks, Lou. I think you
7 surprised Rogene (phonetic).
8 ER Leading --
9 (Inaudible discussion away from the microphone.)
10 MR. SHANNON: ER Leading Knight
11 Advisory followed by Drug Awareness.
12 MR. SIMMONS: No. I wasn't done yet.
13 I have my new assistant fundraising
14 chairman here that's got plaques for the -- the
15 lodges that gave more than $3 a member. And --
16 All right. Is Baraboo lodge here?
17 Anybody from Baraboo? They give 13 and 14 both.
18 All right. Beaver Dam. 13 and 14
19 lodge. They're doing excellent.
20 Beloit 864. Anybody here?
21 Yeah. We want to make sure everybody
22 is here, guys. That's the reason why I asked to do
23 it now.
24 Okay. Eau Claire. Is there 402?
25 Anybody from Eau Claire?

1 Oh, golly. There's that tall fellow
2 back there. That's Nitze's brother.
3 Green Bay 259. Anybody here?
4 Almost done. We're getting close.
5 Janesville 254. 2013.
6 MR. SHANNON: If you know your lodge
7 got over that 3, why don't you get up and move a
8 little closer --
9 MR. SIMMONS: Yeah.
10 MR. SHANNON: -- because we've got to
11 move this along.
12 MR. SIMMONS: Okay. Kaukauna 962.
13 Marinette. Marinette.
14 (Inaudible discussion away from the microphone.)
15 MR. SIMMONS: Oh.
16 No, Nitze, you aren't from Marinette.
17 Milwaukee 46. They're 13 and 14.
18 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Who's the next
19 one?
20 MR. SIMMONS: Neenah-Menasha. I've got
21 to say something about Neenah-Menasha. That's my
22 buddy, Pat Buck. I'll tell you, Neenah-Menasha this
23 year topped their one from last year. 17 and some
24 odd cents per member to the Benevolent Fund.
25 (Applause.)

1 MR. SIMMONS: Thank you very much.
2 Oshkosh.
3 Platteville.
4 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Right here.
5 MR. SIMMONS: Yeah. Okay.
6 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Platteville.
7 MR. SIMMONS: Platteville. Yeah. Give
8 it to that good-looking girl.
9 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Two Rivers.
10 MR. SIMMONS: Two Rivers. I'm going
11 with (inaudible) here.
12 (Inaudible discussion away from the microphone.)
13 MR. SIMMONS: Watertown.
14 Wausau.
15 MR. SHANNON: Thanks, Keith.
16 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: I'll give it to
17 you.
18 MR. SIMMONS: And Walworth-Lakeland had
19 $7 and something, second place.
20 Thank you very much for all your
21 donations, everybody.
22 MR. SHANNON: Thanks, Keith.
23 (Applause.)
24 MR. SHANNON: ER Leading Knight
25 Advisory followed by Drug Awareness.

1 Drug Awareness followed by Ritualistic
2 Exemplification.
3 MR. BRIEN: Jerry Brian, Vice Chairman
4 of the Drug Awareness committee for Kaukauna 962.
5 I filled in until Cindy was able to
6 come. It gave me an opportunity to kind of give a
7 state of Drug Awareness test as I was being asked to
8 be the new State Chairman next year.
9 We had a lot of discussion on the
10 trust -- on the trailers, trying to find out exactly
11 where the trailers were at and their usage and that.
12 We want to better utilize the trailers.
13 We welcomed Dale Heitmann to our
14 meeting. It was great to see him as -- back in
15 the -- in the troops there. And he's offered to help
16 on the committee as well.
17 A potential idea was to allow vouchers
18 for the different -- if a lodge wanted to do
19 something Drug Awareness, get materials, say, like
20 basketballs or water bottles and that, it's getting
21 too cost-prohibitive to send them to one location and
22 then to have to send them to a second location. The
23 idea, much like with the Youth Activities is
24 currently doing, money would be allotted to the
25 lodge. And they would have to show sufficient

1 receipts and check formation back in -- in front to
2 indicate what they spent it for. So that amount
3 hasn't been agreed upon because we didn't know
4 exactly how much money was going to be there, but it
5 was a potential idea that we had there.
6 We're trying to set up more of an
7 educational aspect of the Drug Awareness committee to
8 get it back into -- a lot of problems. We recognize
9 all the things that are happening in the country
10 right now. And a lot of times if we're going to
11 promote that, we need to have a little bit better
12 education to better understand what it is these
13 communities are going through. We don't need to be
14 the experts, but we do need to be better educated
15 about that.
16 There was discussion on the -- the
17 status of tents that were asked for by the members at
18 the -- the last meeting, but -- and that didn't go
19 through. So there was a lot of discussion on that.
20 The rest of the report is on file with
21 the Secretary.
22 MR. JOHNSON: Ron, maybe you forgot.
23 You said you didn't have to worry about me for a
24 while anymore.
25 Would you like --

1 MR. SHANNON: Ritualistic
2 Exemplification followed by Grand Lodge Attendance.
3 MR. MEYER: Jim Meyer, Watertown 666.
4 Just a last-minute reminder. Between
5 now and tomorrow, if you have reservation forms made
6 out to go to Grand Lodge, please get them to me.
7 Please go back to your lodges and tell
8 your secretaries to get that check to me in the
9 amount of $100 per lodge.
10 And the delegates, if you have not
11 already by now, please send your donations to me
12 because I cannot cash checks once we get to New
13 Orleans.
14 I have about -- I just had another
15 cancellation. So I have maybe one or two rooms left.
16 I have to know by Monday if I have to order more
17 rooms. So anybody thinking of going, please do it
18 this weekend. I will not promise you if you do it a
19 week from now or a month from now that you will be at
20 the same hotel.
21 The rest of my file is on (inaudible).
22 (Inaudible discussion away from the microphone.)
23 MR. SHANNON: The rest of your file is
24 on report.
25 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Wish him a happy

1 70th birthday.

2 MR. SHANNON: Hey, Jim, happy birthday.

3 (Singing.)

4 MR. SHANNON: National Veterans Service

5 followed by Americanism.

6 Americanism followed by Elks

7 National -- no. Executive -- no. The Government

8 Relations.

9 MR. BELLIN: Are we sure?

10 Ernie Bellin, Neenah-Menasha Lodge 676.

11 We held our meeting this morning. And

12 there was 17 of us there.

13 And the report is on file with the

14 Secretary. Thank you.

15 MR. SHANNON: Government Relations

16 followed by Hoop Shoot.

17 Hoop Shoot followed by National

18 Foundation Scholarships.

19 MR. VOULGARIS: Tony Voulgaris, Oshkosh

20 292, Chairman of Hoop Shoot committee.

21 State President, I'm just trying to

22 figure out the alphabet. Hoop Shoot, I ended up --

23 MR. SHANNON: I go by --

24 MR. VOULGARIS: What's in the book?

25 MR. SHANNON: -- this --

1 MR. VOULGARIS: Oh. It's a different
2 alphabet. All right.
3 MR. SHANNON: -- so -- I think the H is
4 written in Greek.
5 MR. VOULGARIS: I'm -- I'm trying to
6 learn. This next thing coming up in a couple years,
7 so I'm trying to learn the alphabet.
8 So our committee met Saturday morning,
9 8:00 a.m. Again, I was preaching to the choir. We
10 had a small attendance.
11 We recapped our state, regional, and
12 national contest since our last conference.
13 We had the honor of being represented
14 from -- with a young boy from Janesville 254, Noah
15 Groshen (phonetic). Unfortunately, he shot 19 out of
16 25. Finished in seventh place.
17 The Hoop Shoot packets for the upcoming
18 year will be getting mailed in July to the lodge --
19 lodges or your Hoop Shoot director that you have
20 listed.
21 At the state finals, we recognized
22 Marshfield 665 as the most improved lodge. Thank
23 you, Marshfield 665. Also, to the local director,
24 Joe Kollross, for promoting the Hoop Shoot in your
25 community.

1 With that said, unfortunately, we had
2 three lodges that did not participate in the Hoop
3 Shoot program.
4 And also, I wanted to say thank you,
5 thank you to you for all your donations to ENF.
6 We had the honor of having our
7 President and our First Lady joining us at the
8 national finals in Springfield. And they witnessed
9 what kind of a program that the ENF does with the
10 Hoop Shoot and promoting this program to all the
11 families around the country. 72 families that were
12 just thrilled of what we do for -- for the kids and
13 their families.
14 So the rest of my report is on file
15 with the Secretary. Thank you.
16 MR. SHANNON: National Foundation
17 Scholarships followed by Committee for the Disabled.
18 MR. OLANDER: Andy Olander, Marshfield
19 Lodge 665.
20 Once again, you can be very proud of
21 Wisconsin and the scholarship program. I thank the
22 Trustees/board of directors for the wonderful budget
23 that we are provided this year so we are able to
24 provide more students, once again, with scholarships.
25 We had a young gentleman from Manitowoc

1 hit the $5,000 per year for four years bracket. Not
2 first place, but good enough to give us a good
3 reputation.
4 And 16 others are getting the $4,000
5 awards, 1,000 for four years.
6 We have our -- again, a very, very
7 active committee. They've done very well in that
8 they promote the -- the product we have, which is
9 almost -- well, in this case, $162,000 to be spent
10 just on scholarships.
11 Our legacy program, I wish we could get
12 more information. Or at least if I could, I could
13 pass it on. Today the applications are submitted
14 online. Go directly to Chicago. And the next thing
15 we hear about is who the winners were. I have no
16 idea how many students apply. I have no idea what
17 sons, daughters, grandchildren, et cetera, et cetera,
18 et cetera, had applied from different lodges and were
19 not awarded. And those lodges would like to give
20 recognition to those students, if -- if at all
21 possible, maybe with additional monies. But at least
22 they would be able to understand how many awards
23 we're getting. The -- and that's the legacy. So if
24 we could get some more communication from Chicago, we
25 would appreciate it.

1 The technical college, we -- we just
2 ended that -- that program. We're going to be
3 notifying those people within the next few days about
4 what they will be receiving and how to get those
5 monies.
6 So we've had a very successful year.
7 And ladies and gentlemen, the more that you give into
8 the National Foundation and the Wisconsin Benevolent
9 Fund increases our product and our amounts of monies
10 to the students of Wisconsin.
11 Thank you.
12 My report is on file with the
13 Secretary.
14 MR. SHANNON: Okay. I believe the
15 results are in. We will stop there. I -- can we
16 have a motion?
17 MR. DALEY: Dennis Daley, Watertown
18 666.
19 I'll make a motion to accept all the
20 reports that have been submitted so far.
21 MR. SHANNON: Is there a second?
22 MR. SIMMONS: Keith Simmons,
23 Walworth-Lakeland Lodge 2201, seconds that.
24 MR. SHANNON: Is there any discussion?
25 All in favor -- oh. Hold on.

1 (Inaudible discussion away from the microphone.)
2 MR. SHANNON: We'll do a couple more
3 reports after the election -- after the reelection
4 results. Okay?
5 Voting sign of an Elk in favor.
6 Those opposed?
7 Motion carried.
8 I now call on Jan Schultz to re --
9 announce the results of the election.
10 MS. SCHULTZ: Jan Schultz, Marshfield
11 Lodge 665.
12 State Trustee-At-Large No. 1. George
13 Meyer got 74 votes. Andy Olander, 77 votes. There
14 were 156 total ballots cast. There were five
15 noncounted.
16 State Trustee-At-Large No. 2. Same
17 thing. There were 156 ballots cast. There were five
18 no-votes. Couldn't tell who you wanted. Rob Radig,
19 Senior, got 102 votes. Bob Rennells got 49 votes.
20 So Andy Olander and Rob Radig, Senior,
21 are your two Trustees.
22 MR. SHANNON: Thank you, Jan.
23 Let's give them a round of applause.
24 (Applause.)
25 MR. SHANNON: Will the newly elected

1 officers please stand.

2 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Who's the

3 tallest one?

4 MR. SHANNON: Let's give them all a

5 round -- let's give them all a round of a hand.

6 They're going to do a great job next year.

7 (Applause.)

8 MR. SHANNON: Don't forget. You're all

9 going to meet after this in --

10 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: In the corner

11 here.

12 MR. SHANNON: -- in the corner behind

13 Ken to elect your new director president.

14 I will now entertain a motion to

15 destroy the ballots.

16 MR. FORREST: Bill Forrest, Wausau 248,

17 (inaudible).

18 MR. SHANNON: Is there a second?

19 (Inaudible discussion away from the microphone.)

20 MR. SHANNON: Is there any discussion?

21 All those in favor, vote with the sign

22 of an Elk.

23 Those opposed, same sign.

24 Motion carried.

25 Okay. Let's do just a couple more

1 committee reports.

2 Let's get back up here Conference and

3 Conventions. We'll get that one done real quick.

4 I want to get -- then after that, we'll

5 follow by Recreation and State Convention.

6 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Is there anybody

7 from Ashland here?

8 MR. HENNING: Bob Henning (phonetic),

9 Wausau Lodge No. 248, Conventions and Conferences

10 committee.

11 Just a brief update that Ken had

12 stopped by. The next four winter conferences will be

13 at the Paper Valley Inn due to a sale of the building

14 in Wausau, if he hasn't reported that yet.

15 And we will be working on a Convention

16 and Conference manual.

17 And I've -- I've also added some stuff

18 in Excel spreadsheets that I'm going to be sending

19 out to committee members to review as we adjust our

20 calendar.

21 I will be filing this electronically.

22 And the rest of my report will be on file with the

23 Secretary. Thank you.

24 MR. SHANNON: Recreation at State

25 Convention followed by Youth Activities.

1 MS. STASKAL: Gina Staskal, Beaver Dam
2 1540, Vice of Chair of Recreation at State. Thanks
3 for letting me butt in.
4 We pulled the winning ticket for
5 today's 50/50 raffle.
6 The rest of the report is on file with
7 Ken already.
8 So the number is a gray ticket. And I
9 apologize. I used two different colored tickets for
10 the --
11 (Inaudible discussion away from the microphone.)
12 MS. STASKAL: There were red, and there
13 were gray. We pulled a gray ticket. So if you have
14 a red one, sorry. You can toss them.
15 (Inaudible discussion away from the microphone.)
16 MR. SHANNON: But thanks for the
17 donation.
18 MS. STASKAL: Yeah. We did
19 phenomenally well this time, considering we had the
20 issues that we had at the last convention here with
21 the gaming rules. And I'm not going into that.
22 The number is 2791527, 2791527.
23 If no one claims it here, it will be
24 on -- posted at -- in the meet-and-greet room. And
25 you will need to contact Doug Vavricka or Ken

1 Bruckner. And I will try to get those on there.
2 MR. JOHNSON: Say it again, the
3 number.
4 MS. STASKAL: The number is 2791527.
5 And I forgot to tell you. It is $150
6 because we took in 300 today.
7 Thank you very much.
8 (Inaudible discussion away from the microphone.)
9 MS. STASKAL: You won it?
10 (Inaudible discussion away from the microphone.)
11 MS. STASKAL: Did you win it?
12 (Inaudible discussion away from the microphone.)
13 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER:
14 Mr. Soon-To-Be-President-Elect.
15 MS. STASKAL: Okay. Okay. Honest to
16 gosh, this was not fixed.
17 (Inaudible discussion away from the microphone.)
18 (Applause.)
19 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Oh. Thank you,
20 sir.
21 (Inaudible discussion away from the microphone.)
22 MR. JOHNSON: If I could have your
23 attention just for a second. And Gina just touched
24 on this. To the committee Chairpeople who are
25 putting the reports up here, this is great. But

1 please go back. And on the website, there's an
2 electronic version that makes it so nice and legible.
3 You just fill it out. It's a pdf right -- and do
4 that and send it to me electronically. And then that
5 way, I can put it on the website, and it's completely
6 legible to understand and read. I trust you. If you
7 read some of these that are sitting up here, you
8 ain't going to do it. So please go back.
9 And by chance you cannot do it, there's
10 somebody in your committee or somebody in your lodge
11 that can help you do that.
12 But please do it electronically, and
13 please do it within the next week so I can get it on
14 the site.
15 There are some people who buy new
16 computers and have to procrastinate and wait a long
17 time to submit their reports in.
18 MR. SHANNON: This will con -- we'll
19 continue -- we will continue committee reports
20 tomorrow morning. General session will start
21 promptly at 8:30.
22 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: I thought he
23 said you'd like (inaudible) --
24 MR. SHANNON: State Sponsor Lou, do you
25 have anything to say at this time?

1 State Chaplain Mike Hackbarth's prayer
2 service will be at 5:00 p.m. here at the hotel right
3 next door.
4 (Inaudible discussion away from the microphone.)
5 MR. SHANNON: Banquet here at the
6 hotel. Cocktails at 6:00. Dinner at 7:00.
7 Dress code. Coat and tie for man --
8 for the man. Red jacket will suffice. Dressy attire
9 for the ladies.
10 Are there any other announcements?
11 MR. WIDZINSKI: Mr. President, Tom
12 Widzinski, Oshkosh 292.
13 On behalf of the State Advisory
14 committee, the State Advisory committee has been
15 selling ties for the past several years as a
16 fundraiser. And I would urge any of you that have
17 someone special that does not have a Wisconsin Elks
18 Association unofficial tie, that bear in mind
19 Christmas is not that far away. So I've got them, if
20 you need them.
21 MR. SHANNON: Arnie?
22 MR. LEUCHAU: Mr. President, if I may,
23 Arnie Leuchau, Wausau 248.
24 There will be a meeting of the
25 committees for the State Major Project and a

1 Wisconsin Benevolent Fund right after this session is
2 over just outside of this room.
3 Thank you.
4 MR. SHANNON: Thanks, Arnie.
5 I now will call on Reverend Mike to
6 give the benediction.
7 MR. HACKBARTH: Please pray with me.
8 Heavenly Father, you manifest in your
9 servants the signs of your presence. Send forth upon
10 us the spirit of love, that in companionship with
11 another, your abounding grace may increase among us.
12 Amen.
13 ALL: Amen.
14 (Inaudible discussion away from the microphone.)
15 MR. JOHNSON: And remember those new
16 members who have been elected that make up the board
17 of directors, meet back here by the screen quick.
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1 P R O C E E D I N G S

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3 MR. SHANNON: Could I get everybody to

4 take their seats, please?

5 (Inaudible discussion away from the microphone.)

6 MR. SHANNON: Good morning, all. Nice

7 to see all the cheery faces and smiles here because

8 they had a good time last night. And thanks for

9 coming this morning.

10 Make sure your cell phones are off or

11 else we can have one ring and we can have 20 more

12 dollars, like we did yesterday, to the Benevolent

13 Fund.

14 I'll be right back. Sorry about that.

15 Welcome to the Sunday session of the

16 general session of the 2014 Wisconsin Elks

17 Association state convention. I now call this

18 session to order.

19 Please. Thank you.

20 Reverend Mike, could you please come up

21 for the invocation.

22 MR. HACKBARTH: Please pray with me.

23 Heavenly Father, the fountain of all

24 wisdom whose will is good and gracious and whose law

25 is truth, we beseech you so to guide and bless our

1 representatives in this Wisconsin Elks Association,
2 that they may enact such laws as shall please thee to
3 the glory of thy name and the welfare of this people.
4 And we ask this in your name. Amen.
5 ALL: Amen.
6 MR. SHANNON: Now, recite with me the
7 Pledge of Allegiance.
8 ALL: I pledge allegiance to the flag
9 of the United States of America and to the republic
10 for which it stands, one nation, under God,
11 indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.
12 MR. SHANNON: You may be seated.
13 This is a continuation of our business
14 session. So remember, when you step to the mike,
15 speak slowly. Begin by starting your -- stating your
16 name and your lodge. This is required to have an
17 accurate accounting of the proceedings.
18 We went over this yesterday, so you
19 know how to make a motion and a second, so we will
20 continue on.
21 Committee reports we will get into
22 again. So let's start with Credentials and Elections
23 followed by Committee for the Disabled.
24 MS. SCHULTZ: Good morning. Jan
25 Schultz, Marshfield Lodge 665. Chairman, Credentials

1 and Elections committee.

2 Special guest to our convention was

3 State Sponsor Louis Sulsberger from Illinois Lodge

4 1659 and Illinois First -- First Vice-President,

5 Corey Cochram (phonetic), from 1234.

6 We had 15 committee and noncommittee

7 members working registration at least one shift. We

8 had six shifts with four workers. Ten committee and

9 noncommittee members worked the election.

10 Preregistration was 183, eight no-shows, 175. We had

11 26 on Friday, 29 on Saturday, for 230 total members

12 attending. 196 members were eligible to vote. 33 of

13 those were delegates from their individual lodges.

14 156 people voted. And the results were given

15 yesterday. We had 25 ERs, 14 Leading Knights, 8

16 Loyal Knights, 5 Lecturing Knights, 3 Esquires, 3

17 Tilers, 3 Chaplains, 1 Organist, 25 Trustees, 16

18 Secretaries, 8 Treasurers, and 1 Inner Guard. That

19 list is as accurate as the people who were

20 registering indicated.

21 There's a new committee for 2014/'15.

22 Zach Hammond and Vern Gove have been added.

23 Sometime please contact me, if you are

24 here.

25 And we do not have anyone from the

1 northeast district, and we would welcome any
2 additional help or members.
3 And that concludes my report. I will
4 digitally file it with the Secretary online.
5 MR. MICHAELS: Scott --
6 MR. SHANNON: Committee on the Disabled
7 followed by U.S. Constitution.
8 MR. MICHAELS: Scott Michaels,
9 Sheboygan Lodge 299.
10 We ran our Committee for the Disabled
11 meeting yesterday morning at 9:00. We had -- sadly,
12 we had no members of the committee other than the
13 Chairman and the Chair -- Vice Chairman and our
14 advisor. So I urge all of you members of lodges with
15 members to try to get them to our next meeting.
16 We had no applications for -- for
17 reimbursements. And then I will as well ask that all
18 of you go back and shake the trees for all of the
19 great charitable work you do and bring some
20 applications for the fall and winter convention.
21 The rest of my report has been e-mailed
22 to the Secretary.
23 Thank you.
24 MR. SHANNON: U.S. Constitution
25 followed by Youth Activities.

1 MR. JULKA: Jeff Julka, Fond du Lac 57,
2 chairman, U.S. Constitution.
3 The committee conducted the Wisconsin
4 Elks Association U.S. Constitution this year on
5 Sunday, March 30th.
6 We had 26 of the 32 lodges
7 participating in the program this year. That means
8 that there were six lodges who deprived students from
9 their area the opportunity to share in these
10 scholarship dollars. That is disappointing, ladies
11 and gentlemen.
12 It was our pleasure to distribute this
13 weekend $21,880 in scholarship funds to those who
14 were participating. Those checks were distributed
15 yesterday. The balance will be mailed to the
16 appropriate lodges who were not represented at
17 yesterday's meeting.
18 The top 13 students received
19 scholarship awards ranging from $675 up to $2,625.
20 And the remaining students, the remaining 11
21 students, each received a $500 honorable mention
22 scholarship award.
23 I will remind all the lodges,
24 especially those who did not participate in the
25 program this year, that the minimum scholarship award

1 at the state level is $500. So each of you six
2 lodges left $500 on the table.
3 Remember, we look forward to
4 participation from all 32 lodges in next year's
5 program. The 2015 program will begin in the -- at
6 the fall conference when we distribute the packets
7 with all the materials necessary to conduct your --
8 your program. I encourage all lodges to have a
9 representative -- representative present at our 9:00
10 a.m. meeting at the fall conference to pick up that
11 packet, ask any questions that they may have, and we
12 certainly offer our assistance as committee members
13 to any lodges that need help in developing their
14 local programs so that students in their area can
15 share in these scholarship dollars.
16 The balance of my report is on file
17 with the Secretary.
18 Thank you.
19 MR. SHANNON: Youth Activities followed
20 by Elks Major Projects.
21 MR. WIDZINSKI: Good morning. Tom
22 Widzinski, Oshkosh 292, Vice Chairman advisor for
23 Youth Activities.
24 I would like to just remind everybody
25 that the summer months prior -- leading up to our

1 next meeting will be quite busy as far as the youth
2 of our communities are concerned. We've got youth
3 banquets. Some have already been held. We've got
4 others that are upcoming in the immediate future. We
5 also have soccer contests.
6 And the date for the state youth golf
7 contest is July 16th in Marshfield at the River Bend
8 Golf Course. So packets were distributed yesterday.
9 If not, contact Marshfield, and they will see that
10 you get the information. Try to spread that word out
11 as much as you can so we get good youth participation
12 in that.
13 On a closing note, as advisor to the
14 Lodge Activities, Americanism committee, and Youth
15 Activities, I would like to state for the record and
16 thank Dutch Engelkey (phonetic), Lodge Activities,
17 Myron and Kim Keding, Americanism committee, and Nick
18 McCauley of the Youth Activities since they are
19 stepping down. I would like to take this opportunity
20 on behalf of the state association to thank them for
21 their service to -- to the association in the state
22 of Wisconsin.
23 The rest of my report will be filed
24 with the Secretary.
25 MR. SHANNON: Thanks for doing that,

1 Tom. Appreciate it.

2 Elks Major -- Elks Major Projects

3 followed by Bowling.

4 MR. DABLER: Ray Dabler, Wausau 248,

5 Chairman of the State Major Project.

6 To begin with, there was $59 in the tip

7 jar at the meet-and-greet room. And this morning,

8 Ron turned that over to the State Major Project

9 committee.

10 Thank you, Ron.

11 MR. SHANNON: You're welcome.

12 MR. DABLER: On the building -- the --

13 the Phase 2 and 3 of our building project, the two

14 additions on the dining room, we had planned on doing

15 that this spring.

16 Last Thursday, I got a -- well, it was

17 a little before. It was on April 14th. I got an

18 e-mail from Ken Saville, and then he called me. And

19 they felt there was too many people going to be

20 around during the construction thing, so he wanted to

21 wait until the end of August to do that construction

22 project. So we will -- we plan on having the bids

23 out so that -- in time so that they will have that

24 done and, hopefully, like, on September 1st or

25 something they can start the -- the additions.

1 Also, clean-up day at the camp is now
2 Monday, May 12th. It's not on a Saturday. So I know
3 people have to work, but there's a lot of us that
4 don't presently work. So if anybody that could come
5 down and bring a broom -- or a rake or -- it's pretty
6 much clean-up of the -- around the cabins and flower
7 beds and so on. So anybody that could come on
8 Monday, the 12th, we'd appreciate it. Bring a couple
9 more people from your lodge, if you can.
10 Elks Day will be, again, the last
11 Saturday in June, on the 28th. So please come and
12 attend that. Hopefully some new officers that have
13 never been there will show up and see what the camp
14 is really all about.
15 Also, our raffle pro -- or the Camp --
16 for respite, the camperships, Christy has got eight
17 campers. So there's two from each district this
18 year. And that's all set, and they will be going to
19 camp this summer.
20 On the raffle, we opened the raffle
21 tickets on Wednesday. And approximately 14,500,
22 which was down 900 some dollars from last year.
23 And I do now have the winners of the
24 raffle that were drawn by the President and
25 President-Elect this morning:

1 Fifth place for a hundred dollars is
2 Vance Rayburn (phonetic) from Madison.
3 Fourth place, 150, Richard Wedig
4 (phonetic) from Oshkosh.
5 Third place, 250, Gary Alberts from
6 Portage (inaudible).
7 And second place for 500 is Jim Brigham
8 (phonetic) from Wisconsin Rapids.
9 And first place, a thousand, is
10 Mr. Allen McGowan (phonetic) from Aniwa, Wisconsin.
11 So those are the winners.
12 And the rest of my report -- report
13 will be filed with the Secretary.
14 Thank you.
15 MR. SHANNON: Bowling followed by Golf.
16 MR. FORREST: Bill Forrest, Wausau 248,
17 advisor of the Bowling committee.
18 Recently concluded the 2014 bowling
19 tournament hosted by the Walworth-Lakeland lodge.
20 Prize money was distributed at yesterday's meeting to
21 the winners of the competition.
22 The 2015 bowling tournament will be
23 held in Baraboo.
24 The 2016 bowling tournament was awarded
25 to the Antigo lodge. So that would be in February

1 and March of 2016.

2 For lodges interested in putting in a

3 bid for the 2017 bowling tournament, those will be

4 accepted from the lodges in the northwest district

5 and will be reviewed next year at this time and

6 awarded.

7 That concludes my report.

8 Ken, I'm supposed to tell you that Tom

9 Getz (phonetic) has it in the mail.

10 MR. SHANNON: Golf followed by Curling.

11 MR. PURCELL: Kieran Purcell, Antigo

12 Lodge 662.

13 The 2015 golf tournament will be hosted

14 by Rice Lake. And actually, we'll be playing in

15 Barron.

16 If anybody wants to put in bids for the

17 2'16, next May, we'll vote on that.

18 The golf tournament this year is at

19 Sheboygan on June 23rd. And unfortunately, we're not

20 getting many applications. So if anybody is

21 interested, I have some entry forms plus hotel

22 advice.

23 And thank you.

24 MR. SHANNON: Curling followed by

25 Legalized Gaming.

1 Legalized Gaming followed by Accident
2 Prevention.
3 MR. LONIEN: Kevin Lonien, Milwaukee
4 Lodge No. 46, Legalized Gaming.
5 We met yesterday morning at 10:00 a.m.
6 We had 20 in attendance representing 14 lodges from
7 the state.
8 The differences between legal gaming
9 and illegal gambling as defined by the state were
10 discussed.
11 The Class A license and Class B raffle
12 license distinctions were explained.
13 The general rules for con -- conducting
14 bingo were discussed. There are two lodges in the
15 state that will be starting up bingo for the first
16 time.
17 And the rest of my report will be filed
18 with the State Secretary.
19 MR. SHANNON: Accident Prevention
20 followed by Benevolent Fundraising.
21 MR. WIRTH: Mike Wirth, Sheboygan 299,
22 Accident Prevention.
23 Yesterday we -- at our meeting, we
24 reviewed types of insurance provided by AON. And we
25 reviewed annual insurance reviews for the state

1 associations.

2 And one of the things is Grand Lodge

3 mandates that each lodge assigns an Accident

4 Prevention Chairman from it. And the attendance at

5 my meeting yesterday was only five. So I think we

6 have 29 lodges in Wisconsin. So we're short a few.

7 And I'd like to remind the Exulted Rulers, if they

8 don't appoint one, they're automatically on the

9 Accident Prevention committee, being Chairman of

10 their lodge.

11 And the rest of my report is on file

12 with the Secretary.

13 MR. SHANNON: Benevolent Fundraising

14 followed by Trustee Training.

15 MS. HEITMANN: Jackie Heitmann, Wausau

16 248.

17 Hi, Nan.

18 We had our meeting at 10:00 yesterday

19 morning. And unfortunately, I'm rebuilding this

20 committee. And there were a total of eight of us in

21 attendance. And a couple of people I kind of twisted

22 their arm but -- so we had an informative meeting.

23 We're trying to -- to pull ourselves back together

24 and -- and get back on track.

25 We had heard that there was a

1 possibility of not being included with the State
2 Major Project for the raffle in fall. And so we
3 discussed that and had a stop-gap measure in place in
4 case that would have happened, but it did not.
5 And we've also got some other ideas for
6 raffles. We're going to be trying to get our impact
7 back out, get our -- our PR back out. I've already
8 sent letters to the new ERs as they were coming in.
9 I hope to send letters to the lodges to put into
10 their bulletins even with graphics as far as the
11 Wisconsin Benevolent Fund supports a third of the
12 state budget. So a real good sign is a third missing
13 on the Drug Awareness trailer. A third missing on a
14 Hoop Shoot child. So we're -- we're going to be
15 working on those type of things.
16 I had been told that all the stickers
17 were gone. And some appeared in my car over this
18 weekend. So I do have a couple of rolls. I've
19 already given one to Wausau and one to Marshfield.
20 Are there any lodge secretaries here
21 that know that they need these?
22 Okay. I do have some more on order.
23 So we will be back in stock with those.
24 I need more people on this committee.
25 And by the sounds of it, we all do. But this is a

1 vital comm -- committee that supports everything. So
2 we -- we really need to --
3 To the ERs, to the members here, my
4 meetings are typically at 10:00 on Saturday morning.
5 Please get somebody there. We need ideas. We need
6 people for this committee. And we need to keep
7 going. And thank you for having us back.
8 MR. SHANNON: Trustee Training.
9 Are there any committees that were
10 called yesterday that weren't in the room that would
11 like to give their report?
12 Jeanie Lange?
13 MS. LANGE: Good morning. Jeanie
14 Lange, Baraboo Lodge No. 688, Chairman of the ER
15 Leading Knight committee.
16 We met at 9:00 - yeah - 9:00 yesterday
17 morning. We had several visitors. A lot of
18 information was -- was given.
19 First, Jim Meyer came in and spoke
20 about Grand Lodge and what's going on down there,
21 transportation. There are several lodges' ERs that
22 have not yet registered to go to Grand Lodge, and he
23 needs to have that information no later than
24 tomorrow.
25 Ken Johnson came in and explained what

1 he needs for updating the -- the directory. I guess
2 there had been some confusion about getting that
3 information to him. So he clarified exactly what he
4 needed there.
5 Jackie Heitmann came in and spoke about
6 the Benevolent Fund and how they are restructuring
7 that committee and also asked for volunteers to help
8 get on that committee.
9 Lou Sulsberger and Dave Madson came in
10 and -- and spoke with us. And they stressed the
11 importance of attending the DD clinics. That's kind
12 of been an issue where it's gotten blown off. And
13 that's not going to be happening. Unless somebody is
14 excused, you could be removed from your office.
15 Scott Michaels from Sheboygan came in
16 and spoke to us about the Committee for the Disabled,
17 that there are funds available, and several lodges
18 have not applied for those.
19 We also spoke about the importance of
20 having and using the annotated statutes. I was
21 amazed at the number of ER Leading Knights that did
22 not know what that book was. They hadn't seen it.
23 We also -- I also had a copy of the
24 officers' manual. Several had never seen that.
25 So we kind -- we kind of stressed how

1 those are really great resources and that you --
2 those are your go-to books.
3 They were also encouraged to get on the
4 elks.org website. Get a user name. Set up an
5 account because that's another really good resource.
6 The balance of my report will be filed
7 with the Secretary.
8 MR. WEINSHROTT: Bill Weinshrott, Fond
9 du Lac Lodge 57, Veterans Service Commission
10 Chairperson.
11 Yesterday we had our meeting, and I'd
12 like to thank all the Elk members, all the lodges,
13 National Foundation and the state, for all the
14 support that they give the veterans.
15 I'd like to thank Jeff Langton for
16 coming in and giving us advice for possibilities of
17 our checking books and Central District
18 Vice-President, Rob Radig, for his fundraiser for the
19 veterans.
20 And thank all the Elks for their
21 service and help.
22 The rest of the report is with the
23 State Secretary.
24 MR. SHANNON: Any other committee
25 reports?

1 If you weren't at the dinner last
2 night, I'd like to --
3 (Inaudible discussion away from the microphone.)
4 MR. SHANNON: -- let you know who won
5 all the --
6 Oh, excuse me. Steve.
7 MR. SCHULTZ: Good morning. I'm not on
8 your list yet -- or that list anyhow.
9 Steve Schultz, Marshfield Lodge 665,
10 Chairman of the Secretary Training and Grand Lodge
11 Chicago Lodge Membership System. State coordinator
12 shared with Karl Seidl from Manitowoc lodge.
13 We had a secretaries' workshop
14 yesterday morning. There were 18 secretaries in
15 attendance, most with their laptops. And my 18 does
16 not agree with my wife's 16. So we're going to have
17 a little discussion at home when we arrive there
18 later.
19 We had numerous visitors throughout the
20 day. It was an open discussion. We discussed
21 changes that Klems (phonetic) is making often, the
22 mechanics of doing Klems, and red flag issues.
23 Individual secretaries with their laptops had their
24 issues addressed right there in the workshop, and we
25 achieved success with all of those.

1 I am happy to report that all lodges in
2 the state of Wisconsin met the Grand Lodge deadline
3 for filing their annual membership report on May 1st.
4 However, we have six lodges that
5 haven't done their charity report. And there was
6 confusion on their part that -- that Karl and I
7 addressed.
8 Three new secretaries were present.
9 And we welcomed them and were very happy that they
10 were there.
11 And I have learned recently that there
12 are at least two lodges -- two lodges for sure that
13 do not have secretaries in Wisconsin. And this issue
14 came very much to light in my household this past
15 week when a phone call was made to my wife regarding
16 the Appleton lodge, which has no secretary. No dues
17 statements were sent out. No checks were received.
18 And at least one member from the Appleton lodge
19 wished to attend this session and had no current
20 membership card. So the state -- you gentlemen up
21 there have dealt with that issue, but I'm sitting
22 there on the other side of my office thinking -- I
23 have a thought -- I have another option for this, and
24 I presented that to State Sponsor Lou the other
25 night. And he said to proceed with this. And then

1 when our meeting convened yesterday morning, I
2 bounced this thought off the secretaries in
3 attendance. And this thought was that Karl Seidl and
4 myself are Grand-Lodge-appointed coordinators for the
5 state of Wisconsin. If he and I had log-ins and
6 passwords for each lodge -- and, of course, we -- Boy
7 Scout honor. We'd keep that secret. I could act as
8 a secretary from my office for any lodge in the state
9 in an emergency situation like this week happened in
10 Appleton. I could have printed out membership cards
11 and mailed them to the gentleman that wished to be
12 here for a week or two or maybe even two months.
13 Now, it seems to be common that
14 secretaries retire, some pass, some get pissed, some
15 move on. So in a situation like this, you know, if
16 we had the log-in and password, we could tend to
17 secretarial duties from the lodges in Wisconsin by
18 remote temporarily.
19 So that was brought up as a motion on
20 our secretaries' meeting and passed.
21 And State Sponsor Lou gave me the idea
22 to go on to Brian Klatt (phonetic) and present that to
23 him and see just where that goes. FYI.
24 My report will be filed.
25 MR. BOHNSACK: Bob Bohnsack, past State

1 President, Sheboygan Lodge 299, Chair of the Past
2 State President's Advisory committee.
3 I'm still wondering about the alphabet.
4 (Inaudible discussion away from the microphone.)
5 MR. BOHNSACK: Never mind.
6 We did meet on Friday morning. There
7 were -- we had our special guest, Lou, our State
8 Sponsor, with us, and we appreciate that very much.
9 It brings lots of words of wisdom for us.
10 Reports and discussion on a number of
11 issues.
12 But the -- probably one of the most
13 important things was the election of officers. The
14 Chair for the -- for this next year now is, again,
15 myself. Vice Chair is Dave Nitze. Secretary, Bill
16 Forrest. And the Treasurer is Jon Laflin.
17 The balance of that report will be on
18 file with the State Secretary.
19 Thank you.
20 MR. SHANNON: Any more --
21 (Inaudible discussion away from the microphone.)
22 MR. SHANNON: Do I have a motion to
23 accept -- do I have a motion to accept the reports?
24 MS. HEITMANN: Jackie Heitmann, Wausau
25 248, moves to accept the reports.

1 MR. SHANNON: Do I have a second?
2 MR. FORREST: Bill Forrest, Wausau
3 Lodge 248, second.
4 MR. SHANNON: Any discussion?
5 Those in favor, voting sign of an Elk.
6 Those opposed?
7 Motion carried.
8 If you weren't at the dinner last
9 night, I gave out the awards for the year.
10 Lodge of the Year, Oshkosh.
11 (Applause.)
12 MR. SHANNON: Secretary of the Year,
13 Anne Brogan from Manitowoc.
14 (Applause.)
15 MR. SHANNON: ER of the Year, Kathy
16 Brien from Kaukauna.
17 (Applause.)
18 MR. SHANNON: Lady Elk of the Year,
19 Marsha Morse from Oconto.
20 (Applause.)
21 MR. SHANNON: Elk of the Year, Dennis
22 Daley from Watertown.
23 (Applause.)
24 MR. SHANNON: Now I'd like to introduce
25 our state sponsor, Lou Sulsberger from Flora,

1 Illinois, Lodge 1659, for a few words.

2 MR. SULSBERGER: Thank you, Ron.

3 I -- I'm going to bug out a little

4 early this morning. I got a call this morning that

5 one of my older sisters is not doing well. So I

6 probably need to get on home.

7 I want to thank you all again for being

8 you and doing what you do.

9 And I congratulated Ron and Nikki on

10 the job they did last night. I -- I mean, for the

11 whole year, I did it last night.

12 And I wished Todd and Leah a lot of

13 luck and Tony and Mary to enjoy the moment because

14 it's going to be a lot of fun for you.

15 The two people I did forget --

16 forget -- I forgot last night is our secretary.

17 Ken, thank you for everything you and

18 Nan do.

19 And our Special Deputy. I don't know

20 what I'd do without Dave Madson.

21 And I thank you very, very much.

22 I -- I've sat here yesterday afternoon

23 and this morning. I've heard the reports. And the

24 reports were good reports, but some of the -- the

25 meat and potatoes in it, I didn't -- a little

1 disturbing when, you know, you have 32 lodges and you
2 only have 18 ERs show up. So I ask the district
3 sponsors and the DDs to revisit your lodges and find
4 out why some of them weren't here. You know, this --
5 it's not mandatory, but there's a lot of, you know --
6 a lot of information is -- is out there in this -- in
7 these subcommittee meetings and what have you. So
8 encourage more folks to come, especially the Exulted
9 and Leading Knight because they'll need that
10 information when they finish their -- the ER finishes
11 his year and the Leading Knight for next year.
12 That's all really I -- what I want to
13 say other than I want to thank you very much.
14 And I know yesterday we celebrated a
15 couple birthdays. But if you have a drink today -
16 and it doesn't matter if it's water, iced tea, or
17 cold Budweiser - lift it -- lift it to the heavens
18 and say "Happy Birthday, Carol." My dad would be a
19 hundred years old today.
20 Thank you.
21 MR. SHANNON: Thanks, Lou.
22 We're going to --
23 MR. JOHNSON: Just a couple things I'd
24 like to bring forward.
25 A little confusion that -- for the

1 upcoming conferences, conventions, and mid-winter --
2 yeah. The Plaza has not been sold. It's in the
3 process of being sold in Wausau. And so we've moved
4 the venues there for the following three years. '15
5 is already booked at the Paper Valley. For the next
6 three years after that will be Appleton, Paper
7 Valley. It will be just a better venue for all of us
8 here to do that.
9 I'd also like to report -- and the
10 website is doing good, but I'd like to have more
11 input from people.
12 And really, if you've got something
13 happening this weekend, don't contact me on Thursday
14 to have it on the website for Friday for the weekend.
15 A little hard to get that all done quick.
16 One other thing for the record.
17 Because now the raffles is called the association
18 raffle, which, by default, my wife is Co-Chair and
19 I'm Chair -- Co-Chair with her, I'd like to go on the
20 record that, again, on the raffles, they turned in
21 last night $705 to State Major Projects and $705 to
22 the Benevolent Fund.
23 My report is on file.
24 MR. SHANNON: Reverend Mike, do you
25 have some donations you'd like to hand out?

1 MR. HACKBARTH: Yeah. I don't know if
2 I qualify as a committee or not, but may it please
3 the Court, Hackbarth, Michael, Fond du Lac 57, Chair
4 of Evening Prayer committee.
5 We had a good turn-out last night. And
6 I -- I really do appreciate all of you that do show
7 for evening prayer.
8 And I'm going to be like Lance. I'm
9 not going to rest until I get everybody in there, but
10 let time take its -- take its track.
11 But through your generosity, I have
12 some donations for State Major Project, the ENF, Elks
13 National Foundation, and the Benevolent Fund.
14 Are there any representatives from --
15 ah. State Major Projects.
16 $53 to each function.
17 Jackie, you are --
18 Benevolent Fund, $53.
19 And someone from the National
20 Foundation? Ah. Don. $53 again.
21 And I just really appreciate being able
22 to serve you in whatever capacity I can. And I thank
23 you all.
24 (Applause.)
25 MR. SHANNON: Thanks, Reverend Mike.

1 The memorial service will follow after
2 this session. We're going to take a small break so
3 the rest of the women can get down here for the
4 memorial service. Then following the memorial
5 service will be the installation of officers.
6 Any other announcements?
7 Todd, would you like to say something?
8 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yes. I'd like
9 to say a little bit since we have some people here.
10 Thank you.
11 We're still looking for three Exulted
12 Rulers to give toast -- the 11:00 toast at the Grand
13 Lodge convention. So I'd appreciate it, if anybody
14 is interested in that, please contact me. I'd very
15 much appreciate that. It has been quite an honor to
16 be able to do that. So if you can get those names to
17 me, that would be great.
18 Also, for the Vice-Presidents and
19 President-Elect, I have manuals for you. So before
20 we leave today, after installation, would you please
21 see me so that I can distribute your -- your manuals,
22 your how-to books, for the year. So I'd appreciate
23 that also.
24 And then I'd also like to thank
25 everybody here for their full support that I've

1 gotten over the -- the past several years. It's been
2 a great journey. And thank you very much.
3 MR. SHANNON: Thanks, Todd.
4 (Applause.)
5 MR. SHANNON: Any other announcements?
6 If not, then I'll call on Reverend Mike
7 for a benediction. Please stand.
8 MR. HACKBARTH: Please pray with me.
9 Heavenly Father, again, you manifest in
10 your servants the signs of your presence. Send forth
11 upon us the spirit of love that, in companionship
12 with one another, your abounding grace may increase
13 in us. Amen.
14 ALL: Amen.
15 MR. SHANNON: Okay. Well, that will
16 conclude this 2014 Sunday general session of the
17 Wisconsin Elks Association. So thank you for coming
18 this morning.
19 And we'll get set up for the memorial
20 service. Thank you.
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	WISCONSIN ELKS ASSOCIATION					
	Budget-2013-2014	**Charitable**	**Account**			
		2010-2011	2011-2012	2012-2013	2012-2013	2013-2014
		Actual	Actual	BUDGET	Actual	BUDGET
Acct.	Budget Item	Charitable	Charitable	Charitable	Charitable	Charitable
				20% Red.		
1A	Elks National Vets. Service	$11,822.08	$14,280.00	$16,490.00	$11,929.83	$17,880.00
1B	WEA Veterans Commission	$19,000.00	$20,000.00	$16,000.00	$16,000.00	$16,000.00
2	WEA Veterans Commission Expense	$477.19	$465.61	$400.00	$400.00	$400.00
3	Committee for the Disabled	$9,990.02	$7,184.00	$9,600.00	$5,889.00	$9,600.00
4	Drug Awareness Committee	$14,906.97	$15,001.92	$12,000.00	$11,603.86	$10,500.00
5	Wisconsin Elks Major Project	$40,000.00	$40,000.00	$32,000.00	$32,000.00	$40,000.00
6	Scholarship Committee	$159,000.00	$188,500.00	$150,800.00	$158,325.00	$150,000.00
7	Scholarship Committee Expense	$2,420.84	$1,612.68	$1,600.00	$1,749.07	$1,600.00
8	U.S. Constitution Contest	$24,500.00	$26,850.00	$29,850.00	$29,850.00	$21,880.00
9	U.S. Constitution Committee Expense	$750.00	$987.06	$1,100.00	$1,007.67	$880.00
10	Hoop Shoot Committee	$18,170.77	$13,909.99	$14,720.00	$14,191.00	$15,000.00
12	Youth Activities Committee	$8,500.00	$9,960.50	$8,000.00	$8,000.00	$8,000.00
17	Elks National Foundation Committee	$148.39	$926.26	$400.00	$178.11	$400.00
18	Americanism Committee	$6,395.83	$8,848.12	$6,800.00	$6,915.68	$6,800.00
25C	The "Bugle" and WEA Directory& Web	$3,036.32	$2,959.09	$2,400.00	$2,342.92	$3,000.00
35C	Trustees Contingency Fund CHAR	-$1,595.00	$1,015.47	$1,020.16	$2,067.51	$2,382.51
35C(1	Earle Seivwright Charitable Grants	$17,210.00	$15,406.00	$14,400.00	$10,037.50	$14,400.00
35C(6)	Defered Scholarships			$21,500.00	$21,500.00	
	Totals----------	$334,733.41	$367,906.70	$317,580.16	$312,487.15	$318,722.51
	Proposed Income	2010-2011	2011-2012	2012-2013	2012-2013	2013-2014
		Actual	Actual	Budget	Actual	BUDGET
		Charitable	Charitable	Charitable	Charitable	Charitable
	B&B & Pat Nitze carry over					$18,035.00
	Elks National Vets.Service Commission	$14,280.00	$14,185.00	$16,490.00	$15,980.00	$17,880.00
	Special Project Grants	$144,160.00	$148,480.00	$102,610.00	$102,610.00	$103,360.00
	State Charaties Grant	$71,500.00	$68,520.00	$71,050.00	$71,050.00	$73,210.00
	Bonus Grant	$18,460.00	$27,210.00	$18,270.00	$18,270.00	$18,270.00
	Wisconsin Elks Benevolent Fund	$95,000.00	$95,000.00	$100,000.00	$100,000.00	$105,000.00
	Last Year MM carry over	$19,618.55	$29,247.81	$40,465.16	$10,000.00	$1,002.51
	TOTALS----------	$363,018.55	$382,642.81	$348,885.16	$317,910.00	$336,757.51
	Total after subtracting B&B and Defered			$320,618.17	$311,143.01	$318,722.51
	B&B			$6,766.99	$6,766.99	$10,030.00
	Defered scholarship carry over			$21,500.00	0	$0.00
	Pat Nitze					$8,005.00

	WISCONSIN ELKS ASSOCIATION	***ADMIN. BUDGET***				
	Budget-2013-2014					
		2010-2011	2011-2012	2012-2013	2012-2013	2013-2014
Acct.	Budget Item	Actual	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
				18%Red.		
11	Accident Prevention Committee	$0.00	$32.79	$26.89	$17.89	$50.00
13	Ritual Judges	$373.28	$310.08	$254.27	$254.27	$360.00
14	Ritual Committee Expense	$640.90	$451.65	$370.35	$150.94	$500.00
15	Ritual Team to Grand Lodge	$5,920.00	$7,200.00	$5,904.00	$5,904.00	$0.00
16	Credentials And Elections Committee	$14.75	$408.85	$335.26	$0.00	$500.00
19	Lodge Development Committee	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$50.00
20	Business Practice Committee	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$50.00
21	Legal Expense	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$100.00
22	Exalted Rulers Leading Knights Comm.	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$50.00
23	Grand Lodge Committee Exp.	$5,063.10	$6,500.00	$5,330.00	$5,534.35	$7,000.00
24	State Conferences and Committee Exp.	$0.00	$45.00	$36.90	$0.00	$100.00
25A	The "Bugle" and WEA Directory& Web	$9,604.57	$10,942.08	$8,972.51	$7,356.55	$11,000.00
26	Convention Proceedings	$642.46	$873.10	$715.94	$772.15	$1,000.00
27	Office Expense	$5,959.51	$7,075.73	$5,802.10	$5,123.27	$7,200.00
28	Publicity and Public Relations Comm.	$1,908.98	$2,000.00	$1,640.00	$0.00	$615.00
29	President's Allowance	$5,000.00	$5,000.00	$4,100.00	$4,100.00	$5,000.00
30	President's Grand Lodge Expense	$1,500.00	$1,500.00	$1,230.00	$1,230.00	$1,500.00
31	President Elect's Allowance	$4,000.00	$4,000.00	$3,280.00	$3,280.00	$4,000.00
32	Secretary's Allowance	$7,000.00	$7,000.00	$5,740.00	$5,740.00	$7,000.00
33	Secretary to Grand Lodge	$1,500.00	$1,500.00	$1,230.00	$1,230.00	$1,500.00
34	Treasurer's Allowance	$2,000.00	$2,000.00	$1,640.00	$1,640.00	$2,000.00
35	Trustees Contingency Fund ADMIN*	$7,424.14	$8,465.75	$6,365.93	$4,383.80	$7,948.71
36	Lodge Activities Committee	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$100.00
37	Officers Training Committee	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$200.00
38	Laws and Resolutions Committee	$572.98	$154.36	$126.58	$154.35	$640.00
39	Membership and Lapsation Committee	$0.00	$17.83	$14.62	$0.00	$350.00
40	GRAND LODGE BOOTH COMMITTEE	$600.00		$650.00	$358.00	$500.00
41	Office Equipment	$413.00	$1,384.84	$1,135.57	$315.47	$3,500.00
42	Legalized Gaming	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$50.00
	Transfer from Regular Money Market		$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	
	Totals----------	$60,137.67	$66,862.06	$54,900.92	$47,545.04	$62,863.71
	Proposed Income	2010-2011	2011-2012	2012-2013	2012-2013	2013-2014
		Adminstrative	Adminstrative	Adminstrative	Adminstrative	Adminstrative
		Actual	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
	carry over	$12,826.24	$22,159.69	$4,089.86	$13,500.00	$83.71
	Per-Capita Dues	$39,280.00	$37,340.00	$35,768.00	$35,768.00	$34,780.00
	Investment Income	$16,000.00	$17,037.23	$17,000.00	$17,000.00	$16,000.00
	Investment Used					$12,000.00
	TOTALS	$68,106.24	$74,579.98	$54,900.92	$60,592.79	$62,863.71
	Money Market Index Account....REGULAF	$1,298.63	$16,020.05	$4,362.54	$5,000.00	$0.00
	Wells Fargo (Investments)...	$205,932.33	$205,932.00	$208,399.05	$208,399.05	$213,329.72
	cking carry over	$171.77	$6,139.64	$829.54	$829.54	$83.71
	total	$207,402.73	$228,091.69	$213,591.13	$214,228.59	$210,207.72
	Grand Lodge Trailer escrow	$0.00	$1,956.94	$1,956.94	$1,956.94	$1,956.94
	Conference Income				$1,248.77	$1,248.77
	Eau Claire Convention				$2,469.50	$0.00
	meet&greet					$950.00

WISCONSIN ELKS ASSOCIATION

2013-2014 Membership Statistics and Per-Capita Dues

LODGE	2001 2002	2002 2003	2003 2004	2004 2005	2005 2006	2006 2007	2007 2008	2008 2009	2009 2010	2010 2011	2011 2012	2012 2013	2013 2014	MEMBERSHIP CHANGE
ANTIGO # 662	296	288	281	277	274	266	271	268	264	258	260	258	259	1
APPLETON # 337	140	140	133	124	124	107	113	93	84	79	65	65	62	(3)
ASHLAND # 137	545	514	453	413	380	358	314	304	294	275	256	178	179	1
BARABOO # 688	494	464	443	412	381	351	325	315	303	289	284	282	282	0
BEAVER DAM # 1540	86	89	106	86	92	86	75	70	66	51	48	48	44	(4)
BELOIT # 864	83	82	77	75	70	67	62	59	58	59	55	55	53	(2)
CHIPPEWA FALLS # 1326	211	211	215	210	207	208	203	204	194	179	170	163	169	6
EAU CLAIRE # 402	280	278	286	274	286	264	260	244	261	255	248	234	216	(18)
FOND DU LAC # 57	712	720	713	700	665	645	623	586	554	500	467	435	436	1
GREEN BAY # 259	224	198	176	176	143	126	110	161	150	98	92	86	90	4
JANESVILLE # 254	409	394	386	351	312	294	269	259	244	241	243	238	217	(21)
KAUKAUNA # 962	83	86	74	70	68	66	67	65	64	63	57	56	55	(1)
MADISON # 410	1353	1366	1357	1184	1133	1094	1039	1029	997	950	892	827	773	(54)
MANITOWOC # 687	397	412	412	438	435	418	379	356	380	296	161	156	130	(26)
MARINETTE # 1313	476	477	469	440	420	401	410	410	430	422	418	412	411	(1)
MARSHFIELD # 665	684	690	717	718	722	716	709	708	695	697	681	658	662	4
MILWAUKEE # 46	559	533	527	513	467	451	437	427	401	399	372	334	309	(25)
NEENAH-MENASHA #676	275	213	180	150	147	138	130	113	104	100	98	88	88	0
OCONTO # 887	102	106	96	97	93	89	90	103	104	97	97	96	94	(2)
OSHKOSH # 292	404	379	375	386	380	385	385	373	340	330	313	325	326	1
PLATTEVILLE # 1460	238	218	207	206	204	203	195	203	239	246	278	239	226	(13)
PORTAGE # 675	366	358	356	339	347	339	321	294	266	244	240	219	200	(19)
RACINE # 252	99	97	87	95	88	85	82	84	80	70	0	0	0	0
RICE LAKE # 1441	932	914	881	843	792	741	742	687	640	610	611	616	625	9
SHEBOYGAN # 299	641	623	632	636	633	643	643	639	627	646	648	629	610	(19)
STEVENS POINT # 641	749	710	678	643	595	535	474	458	434	429	412	384	353	(31)
SUPERIOR # 403	505	469	436	403	391	369	374	364	368	350	340	334	330	(4)
TWO RIVERS # 1380	236	215	218	186	164	152	116	112	111	115	115	109	99	(10)
WALWORTH-LAKELAND # 2201	153	150	129	128	147	157	143	114	107	89	78	85	80	(5)
WATERTOWN # 666	222	230	252	257	237	238	226	215	205	200	191	185	185	0
WAUKESHA # 400	330	340	340	315	301	291	285	272	265	250	253	252	237	(15)
WAUSAU # 248	855	899	912	899	889	864	860	839	815	765	738	753	756	3
WISCONSIN RAPIDS # 693	230	228	223	219	206	200	187	179	171	163	154	143	139	(4)
														0
TOTALS	13369	13091	12827	12263	11793	11347	10919	10607	10315	9815	9335	8942	8695	-247
		-278	-264	-564	-470	-446	-428	-312	-292	-500	-480	-393	-247	

ANNUAL SESSIONS OF THE
WISCONSIN ELKS ASSOCIATION
AND IT'S PAST PRESIDENTS AND SECRETARIES

Organized at Ashland, Wisconsin – April 22, 1902
A.F. Warden, Waukesha #400, Chairman
M.H. Zacharias, Oshkosh #292, Secretary

YEAR	CITY	PRESIDENT	SECRETARY
1902	Ashland	* AF.Warden	* M.H. Zacharias
		Waukesha #400	Oshkosh #292
1903	Ashland	* A.F. Warden	* R.W. Parsons
		Waukesha #400	Oshkosh #292
1904	Fond du Lac	* R.S. Witte	* E.A. Traleven
		Milwaukee #46	Fond du Lac #57
1905	Madison	* R.S. Witte	* J.P. Breitenbach
		Milwaukee #46	Madison #410
1906	La Crosse	* George V. Levis	* Thomas W. Burns
		Madison #410	La Crosse #300
1907	Waukesha	* L.S. Martin	* T.P. Buckley
		Milwaukee #46	Waukesha #400
1908	Racine	* George B. Burrows	* W.T. Thompson
		Madison #410	Racine #252
1909	Portage	* John H. Kehlor	* H.A. Gunderson
		Kenosha #750	Portage #675
1910	Kenosha	* A.J. Horlick	* Fred Butterworth
		Racine #252	Menasha #676
1911	Green Bay	* T.J. Pringle	* A.B. Fontaine
		Milwaukee #46	Green Bay #259
1912	Sheboygan	* Frank R. Weeks	* Theo. Benfey
		Green Bay #259	Sheboygan #299

YEAR	CITY	PRESIDENT	SECRETARY
1913	Manitowoc	* John C. Karel	* F.T. Taugher
		Milwaukee #46	Manitowoc #687
1914	Wausau	* John C. Karel	* Theo. Benfey
		Milwaukee #46	Sheboygan #299
1915	Oshkosh	* Otto R. Roenius	* Theo. Benfey
		Wisconsin Rapids #693	Sheboygan #299
1916	Green Bay	* Otto R. Roenius	* Theo. Benfey
		Wisconsin Rapids #693	Sheboygan #299
1917	No Meeting	* Otto R. Roenius	* Theo. Benfey
		Wisconsin Rapids #693	Sheboygan #299
1918	Fond du Lac	* Chauncey Yockey	* Theo. Benfey
		Milwaukee #46	Sheboygan #299
1919	Manitowoc	* Chauncey Yockey	* Theo. Benfey
		Milwaukee #46	Sheboygan #299
1920	Milwaukee	* H.H. Dodd	* Theo. Benfey
		Fond du Lac #57	Sheboygan #299
1921	Milwaukee	* Wiliam F. Hutgen	* Theo. Benfey
		La Crosse #300	Sheboygan #299
1922	Beloit	* William F. Schad	* Theo. Benfey
		Milwaukee #46	Sheboygan #299
1923	Madison	* William F. Schad	* Theo. Benfey
		Milwaukee #46	Sheboygan #299

YEAR	CITY	PRESIDENT	SECRETARY
1924	Milwaukee	* William F. Schad	* Theo. Benfey
		Milwaukee #46	Sheboygan #299
1925	Superior	* George L. Dwinnell	* Theo. Benfey
		Waukesha #400	Sheboygan #299
1926	Green Bay	* Carl Riggins	* Theo. Benfey
		Oconto #887	Sheboygan #299
1927	Wausau	* Harry A. Keifer	* Theo. Benfey
		Wausau #248	Sheboygan #299
1928	Oshkosh	* B.A. Arnold	* Theo. Benfey
		Oshkosh #292	Sheboygan #299
1929	Marinette	* C.E. Broughton	* Theo. Benfey
		Sheboygan #299	Sheboygan #299
1930	Racine	* Edward W. Mackey	* Theo. Benfey
		Manitowoc #687	Sheboygan #299
1931	Sheboygan	* Edward W. Mackey	* Theo. Benfey
		Manitowoc #687	Sheboygan #299
1932	Appleton	* Raymond C. Dwyer	* Theo. Benfey
		La Crosse #300	Sheboygan #299
1933	Milwaukee	* J.W. Selbach	* Theo. Benfey
		Eau Claire #402	Sheboygan #299
1934	Manitowoc	* J.W. Selbach	* Theo. Benfey
		Eau Claire #402	Sheboygan #299
1935	Fond du Lac	* Myron E. Schwartz	**Theo. Benfey
		Two Rivers #1380	Sheboygan #299
			* Lou Uecher
			Antigo #662
1936	Eau Claire	* Myron E. Schwartz	* Lou Uecher
		Two Rivers #1380	Two Rivers #1380

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1937	Madison	* R.W. Mills	* Lou Uecher
		Fond du Lac #57	Two Rivers #1380
1938	La Crosse	* A.J. Geniesse	* Lou Uecher
		Green Bay #259	Two Rivers #1380
1939	Wausau	* T.F. McDonald	* Lou Uecher
		Marshfield #665	Two Rivers #1380
1940	Green Bay	* Frank T. Lynde	* Lou Uecher
		Antigo #662	Two Rivers #1380
1941	Sheboygan	* Bert A. Thompson	* Lou Uecher
		Kenosha #750	Two Rivers #1380
1942	Ashland	* Dr. C.O. Fillinger	* Lou Uecher
		Marinette #1313	Two Rivers #1380
1943	Janesville	* A.W. Parnell	* Lou Uecher
		Appleton #337	Appleton #337
1944	Appleton	* Frank L. Fawcett	* Lou Uecher
		Milwaukee #46	Appleton #337
1945	Wausau	* William A. Uthmeier	* *Lou Uecher
		Marshfield #665	Appleton #337
			* Leo H. Schmalz
			Kaukauna #962
1946	Milwaukee	* Frank W. Fisher	* Leo H. Schmalz
		Janesville #254	Kaukauna #962
1947	Superior	* John C. Fay	* Leo H. Schmalz
		La Crosse #300	Kaukauna #962
1948	Madison	* Dr. A. V. Delmore	* Leo H. Schmalz
		Two Rivers #1380	Kaukauna #962

YEAR	CITY	PRESIDENT	SECRETARY
1949	Appleton	* William M. Eulberg	* Leo H. Schmalz
		Portage #675	Kaukauna #962
1950	Oshkosh	* William I. O'Neill	* Leo H. Schmalz
		Milwaukee #46	Kaukauna #962
1951	Baraboo	* Ray J. Fink	* Leo H. Schmalz
		Neenah-Menasha #676	Kaukauna #962
1952	Green Bay	** Lautie C. Welch	* Leo H. Schmalz
		Baraboo #688	Kaukauna #962
		* E.H. Lattimer	
		Wausau #248	
1953	La Crosse	* E.H. Lattimer	* Leo H. Schmalz
		Wausau #248	Kaukauna #962
1954	Racine	* James H. Boex	* Leo H. Schmalz
		Green Bay #259	Kaukauna #962
1955	Wausau	* Alfred E. LaFrance	* Leo H. Schmalz
		Racine #252	Kaukauna #962
1956	Madison	* Kenneth F. Sullivan	* Leo H. Schmalz
		Madison #410	Kaukauna #962
1957	Fond du Lac	* Arno J. Miller	* Leo H. Schmalz
		Portage #675	Kaukauna #692
1958	Appleton	* Arthur J. Chadek	* Leo H. Schmalz
		Milwaukee #46	Kaukauna #692
1959	Superior	* J. Martin Van Rooy	* Leo H. Schmalz
		Appleton #337	Kaukauna #692
1960	Geen Bay	* Jack F. Froom	* Leo H. Schmalz
		Wausau #248	Kaukauna #692
1961	Oshkosh	* Dr. M.J. Junion	* Leo H. Schmalz
		Green Bay #259	Kaukauna #692

YEAR	CITY	PRESIDENT	SECRETARY
1962	Manitowoc	* Dr. J.R. Casanova	* Leo H. Schmalz
		Watertown #666	Kaukauna #692
1963	La Crosse	* James G. Franey	* Leo H. Schmalz
		Eau Claire #403	Kaukauna #692
1964	Racine	* Paul A. Fischl	* Leo H. Schmalz
		Manitowoc #687	Kaukauna #692
1965	Fond du Lac	* Harold Canaan	* Vernon Hopf
		Platteville #1460	Kenosha #750
1966	Appleton	* John Robinson	* Vernon Hopf
		Kenosha #750	Kenosha #750
1967	Madison	* Leo H. Schmalz	* Vernon Hopf
		Kaukauna #962	Kenosha #750
1968	Milwaukee	* D.H. Everman	* C.F. Katzenmeyer
		Beaver Dam #1540	Beaver Dam #1540
1969	Green Bay	J.G. Chriske	* C.F. Katzenmeyer
		Green Bay #258	Beaver Dam #1540
1970	La Crosse	* Maury Pohl	* C.F. Katzenmeyer
		Sheboygan #299	Beaver Dam #1540
1971	Wausau	* John McDonald	* C.F. Katzenmeyer
		Chippewa Falls #1326	Beaver Dam #1540
1972	Kenosha	* Thomas Pierce	* C.F. Katzenmeyer
		Madison #410	Beaver Dam #1540
1973	Madison	* Joe Kovacs	* C.F. Katzenmeyer
		Fond du Lac #57	Beaver Dam #1540
1974	Superior	* A.W. Kowalchyk	* C.F. Katzenmeyer
		Wausau #248	Beaver Dam #1540

YEAR	CITY	PRESIDENT	SECRETARY
1975	Oshkosh	* Dr. Charles Gurtler	* C.F. Katzenmeyer
		WisconsinRapids #693	Beaver Dam #1540
1976	Stevens Point	* Warren Foster	* C.F. Katzenmeyer
		Baraboo #688	Beaver Dam #1540
1977	Wausau	* John Elleu	* C.F. Katzenmeyer
		Racine #252	Beaver Dam #1540
1978	Green Bay	* Charles E. Bergstrom	* C.F. Katzenmeyer
		Superior #403	Beaver Dam #1540
1979	Baraboo	* Wendall H. Smith	* C.F. Katzenmeyer
		Appleton #337	Beaver Dam #1540
1980	La Crosse	* Francis "Bill" Murphy	**C.F. Katzenmeyer
		Portage #675	Beaver Dam #1540
			* H.M. Militzer
			Beaver Dam #1540
1981	Wausau	* Donald Grosenick	* H.M. Militzer
		Janesville #254	Beaver Dam #1540
1982	Green Bay	* Dr. Francis Kruse	* H.M. Militzer
		Marshfield #665	Beaver Dam #1540
1983	Janesville	Jon Laflin	* H.M. Militzer
		Neenah-Menasha #676	Beaver Dam #1540
1984	Kenosha	* Arnold C. Knutson	* H.M. Militzer
		La Crosse #300	Beaver Dam #1540
1985	Wausau	* Raymond A. Pickarts	* H.M. Militzer
		Madison #410	Beaver Dam #1540
1986	Fond du Lac	* Charles Green	* H.M. Militzer
		Oshkosh #292	Beaver Dam #1540
1987	Green Bay	Robert G. King	* Hal Vilar
		Antigo #662	Milwaukee #46
1988	Superior	Donald J. Sears	* Hal Vilar

YEAR	CITY	PRESIDENT	SECRETARY
		Fond du Lac #57	Milwaukee #46
1989	Madison	Donald J. Slavik	Robert G. King
		Appleton #337	Antigo #662
1990	Milwaukee	Harvey Gygi	Robert G. King
		Wisconsin Rapids #693	Antigo #662
1991	Menasha	Reinhard Palm	Robert G. King
		Sheboygan #299	Antigo #662
1992	Wausau	Marlin Hermann	Robert G. King
		Waukesha #400	Antigo #662
1993	Janesville	Wayne Pickarts	Robert G. King
		Madison #410	Antigo #662
1994	Superior	William "Bill" Forrest	Robert G. King
		Wausau #248	Antigo #662
1995	Oshkosh	James Meyer	Robert G. King
		Watertown #666	Antigo #662
1996	Stevens Point	Keith Simmons	Robert G. King
		Wal-Lakeland #2201	Antigo #662
1997	Wausau	David DeRosier	Robert G. King
		Milwaukee #46	Antigo #662
1998	Fond du Lac	Robert Hackl	Robert G. King
		Two Rivers #1380	Antigo #662
1999	Sheboygan	Milton Swantz	Robert G. King
		Fond du Lac #57	Antigo #662

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2000	Watertown	John Bennett	Ken Johnson
		Ashland #137	Wausau #248
2001	Fond du Lac	*Gerald Crouse Sr.	Ken Johnson
		Waukesha #400	Wausau #248
2002	Wausau	John Belany	Ken Johnson
		Rice Lake #1441	Wausau #248
2003	Watertown	*Ken Thomack	Ken Johnson
		Kaukauna #962	Wausau #248
2004	Watertown	Norm Behnke	Ken Johnson
		Fond du Lac #57	Wausau #248
2005	Sheboygan	Dave Madson	Ken Johnson
		Sheboygan #299	Wausau #248
2006	Oshkosh	Ronald Bertrand	Ken Johnson
		Waukesha #400	Wausau #248
2007	Wausau	Terry Hubbartt, Sr.	Ken Johnson
		Manitowoc #687	Wausau #248
2008	Sheboygan	Dennis Daley	Ken Johnson
		Watertown #666	Wausau #248
2009	Wausau	Tom Widzinski	Ken Johnson
		Oshkosh #292	Wausau #248
2010	Wausau	Ken Bruckner	Ken Johnson
		Sheboygan #299	Wausau #248
2011	Wausau	Bob Bohnsack	Ken Johnson
		Fond du Lac #57	Wausau #248

YEAR	CITY	PRESIDENT	SECRETARY
2012	Marshfield	Dave Assmann	Ken Johnson
		Waukesha #400	Wausau #248
2013	Eau Claire	Dave Nitze, Sr.	Ken Johnson
		Janesville #254	Wausau #248
2014	Baraboo	Ron Shannon	Ken Johnson
		Portage #675	Wausau #248

* Deceased ** Died In Office

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND EXALTED RULERS

WISCONSIN 1900 – 2014

YEAR	DISTRICT	NAME	LODGE
1900-1901		Thomas B. Mills	Superior #403
1901-1902	East	F.W.A. Brown	Oshkosh #292
	West	A.M. Fox	Stevens Point #641
1902-1903	East	Henry C. Baker	Madison #410
	West	Henry Allison Lathrop	Marshfield #665
1903-1904	East	John M. Kehlor	Kenosha #750
	West	Henry Allison Lathrop	Marshfield #665
1904-1905	East	R.S. Witte	Milwaukee #46
	West	Michael E. Dillon	Ashland #137
1905-1906	East	Myron D. Fethers	Madison #410
	West	O.J. Sorenson	La Crosse #300
1906-1907	East	John F. Donovan	Milwaukee #46
	West	W.J. Conway	Wisconsin Rapids #693
1907-1908	East	John F. Donovan	Milwaukee #46
	West	J.M. Dodd	Ashland #137
1908-1909	East	G.H. Joachin	Madison #410
	West	J.M. Dodd	Ashland #137
1909-1910	East	William S. Smeiding, Jr.	Racine #252
	West	E.A. Gatterdam	La Crosse #300
1910-1911	East	William E. Schad	Milwaukee #46
	West	Charles R. Fridley	Superior #403
1911-1912	East	William F. Schad	Milwaukee #46
	West	Charles R. Fridley	Superior #403
1912-1913	East	O.B. Osborn	Beloit #864
	West	Fred Stussy	Eau Claire #402

YEAR	DISTRICT	NAME	LODGE
1913-1914	East	J.P. Frank	Appleton #337
	West	John Clark	Superior #403
1914-1915	East	Clifford E. Randall	Kenosha #750
	West	William J. Conway	Wisconsin Rapids #693
1915-1916	East	Frank A. Fuller	Oshkosh #292
	West	William J. Conway	Wisconsin Rapids #693
1916-1917	East	Frank A. Fuller	Oshkosh #292
	West	Walter Fowler	Superior #403
1917-1918	East	George C. Sayle	Madison #410
	West	Thomas J. Connor	Chippewa Falls #1326
1918-1919	East	John W. Gauerke	Green Bay #259
	West	Thomas J. Connor	Chippewa Falls #1326
1919-1920	East	Louis . Fellenz	Fond du Lac #57
	West	John E. Barron	Eau Claire #402
1920-1921	East	Louis J. Fellenz	Fond du Lac #57
	West	C.T. Robinson	Superior #403
1921-1922	East	T.E. Walsh	Janesville #254
	West	C.T. Robinson	Superior #403
1922-1923	East	Edward W. Miller	Marinette #1313
	West	H.A. Kiefer	Wausau #248
1923-1924	East	B.W. Arnold	Oshkosh #292
	West	Otto R. Roenius	Wisconsin Rapids #693
1924-1925	East	B.W. Arnold	Oshkosh #292
	West	Otto R. Roenius	Wisconsin Rapids #693

YEAR	DISTRICT	NAME	LODGE
1925-1926	East	Sidney Jones	Kenosha #750
	West	David Gardner	Platteville #1460
1926-1927	East	Frank P. McAdams	Watertown #666
	West	Charles H. Cashin	Stevens Point #641
1927-1928	East	E.W. Mackey	Manitowoc #687
	West	T.J. Reinert	Antigo #662
1928-1929	East	Henry C. Baker	Racine #252
	West	R.F. Hoehle	Superior #403
1929-1930	East	William L. Schad	Milwaukee #46
	West	R.C. Dwyer	La Crosse #300
1930-1931	Northwest	J.H. Wallis	Rice Lake #1441
	Northeast	Charles E. Broughton	Sheboygan #299
	South	Frank A. Maxwell	Madison #410
1931-1932	Northwest	Thomas F. McDonald	Marshfield #665
	Northeast	A.J. Geniesse	Green Bay #259
	South	C. Homer Dauber	Waukesha #400
1932-1933	Northwest	J.E. Newton	Hudson #640
	Northeast	A.J. Geniesse	Green Bay #259
	South	Phillip T. Weber	Racine #252
1933-1934	Northwest	M.A. Sauter	Superior #403
	Northeast	Elmer S. Nelson	Antigo #662
	South	F.R. O'Neal	Beloit #864
1934-1935	Northwest	Walter B. Chilsen	Merrill #696
	Northeast	Elmer S. Nelson	Antigo #662
	South	Frank W. Koenig	Watertown #666
1935-1936	Northwest	W.Del Curtis	Wausau #248
	Northeast	W.L. Ainsworth	Fond du Lac #57
	South	Otis L. Tranary	Kenosha #750
1936-1937	Northwest	Charles H. Cashin	Stevens Point #641

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	Northeast	Myron E. Schwartz	Two Rivers #1380
	South	Howard T. Ott	Milwaukee #46
1937-1938	Northwest	Joseph W. Selbach	Eau Claire #402
	Northeast	Jacob Federer	Sheboygan #299
	South	John C. Fay	La Crosse #300
1938-1939	Northwest	Albert J. Godfrey	Chippewa Falls #1326
	Northeast	Frank T. Lyne	Antigo #662
	South	J.C. Welch	Baraboo #688
1939-1940	Northwest	Earl F. Otto	Wisconsin Rapids #693
	Northeast	Dr. C.O. Fillinger	Marinette #1313
	South	William J. Eulberg	Portage #675
1940-1941	Northwest	William A. Uthmeier	Marshfield #665
	Northeast	Jim Kettenhofer	Green Bay #259
	South	Frank W. Fisher	Janesville #254
1941-1942	Northwest	Fred Schroeder	Wausau #248
	Northeast	Dr. A.V. Delmore	Two Rivers #1380
	South	Wm. F. Ehmann	Madison #410
1942-1943	Northwest	L.H. Gerdes	Eau Claire #402
	Northeast	Ray J. Fink	Menasha #676
	South	B.F. Magruder	Racine #252
1943-1944	Northwest	John Berg	Superior #403
	Northeast	J.M. Van Rooy	Appleton #337
	South	Carl Noelke	La Crosse #300
1944-1945	Northwest	Hubert L. Perrin	Ashland #137
	Northeast	Charles Urbanek	Manitowoc #687
	South	Ernest F. Marlatt	Kenosha #750
1945-1946	Northwest	O.J. Soilheim	Hudson #640
	Northeast	Harvey Abraham	Oshkosh #292
	South	W.I. O'Neill	Milwaukee #46

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1946-1947	Northwest	W.A. Uthmeier	Marshfield #665
	Northeast	H.L. Londo	Green Bay #259
	South	E.L. Hubbard	Beaver Dam #1540
1947-1948	Northwest	J.G Franey	Eau Claire #402
	Northeast	J.N. Poole	Sheboygan #299
	South	R.C. Fett	Janesville #254
1948-1949	Northwest	Lyle Webster	Rice Lake #1441
	Northeast	Leo H. Schmalz	Kaukauna #962
	South	Charles Schuetze	Waukesha #400
1949-1950	Northwest	E.H. Lattimer	Wausau #248
	Northeast	Paul H. Hutchinson	Antigo #662
	South	R.W. Piquette	Platteville #1460
1950-1951	Northwest	H.C. Sargent	Superior #403
	Northeast	W.F. Reinke	Marinette #1313
	South	G.R. Lyons	Madison #410
1951-1952	Northwest	M.L. Hughes	Eau Claire #402
	Northeast	Dr. W.C. Finn	Fond du Lac #57
	South	Arno J. Miller	Portage #675
	South	Tedd Oettinger	Waukesha #400
1952-1953	Northwest	A.C. Brezinski	Stevens Point #641
	Northeast	Judge A.W. Parnell	Appleton #337
	South	A.E. LaFrance	Racine #252
1953-1954	Northwest	B.W. Becker	Marshfield #675
	Northeast	W.H. Jessen	Green Bay #259
	South	Dave Speaker	Kenosha #750
1954-1955	Northwest	W.J. Conway	Wisconsin Rapids #693
	Northeast	George Bake	Green Bay #259
	South	Norm Schultz	La Crosse #300
1955-1956	Northwest	George D. Boyer	Ashland #137

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	Northeast	G.S. Vassau	Antigo #662
	South	Dr. Austin Sipple	Beloit #662
1956-1957	Northwest	Jack R. Froom	Wausau #248
	Northeast	N.N. Trossen	Neenah-Menasha #676
	South	Dr. J.R. Casanovaa	Watertown #666
1957-1958	Northwest	John H. Stauber	Marshfield #665
	Northeast	H.P. Berzinsky	Two Rivers #1380
	South	Hugh B. McGreal	Milwaukee #46
1958-1959	Northwest	Ernest Johnson	Eau Claire #402
	Northeast	Otto Stielow	Sheboygan #299
	South	Cecil Rittenhouse	Baraboo #688
1959-1960	Northwest	Robert G. Schill	Wisconsin Rapids #693
	Northeast	Paul Fischl	Manitowoc #687
	South	Tedd Oettinger	Waukesha #400
1960-1961	Northwest	Forrest Froberg	Chippewa Falls #1326
	Northeast	Chester Weed	Oskosh #292
	South	Harold M. Canaan	Platteville #1460
1961-1962	Northwest	James M. Schultz	Appleton #337
	Northeast	Robert C. McGrew	Hudson #640
	Southeast	Arthur J. Chadek	Milwaukee #46
	Southwest	Kenneth F. Sullivan	Madison #410
1962-1963	Northwest	James H. Boex	Green Bay #259
	Northeast	M.C. Weinkauf	Rice Lake #1441
	Southeast	D.H. Evermann	Beaver Dam #1540
	Southwest	George O. Fahler	Janesville #254
1963-1964	Northeast	W.W. Hubbell	Marinette #1313
	Northwest	Donald G. Foltz	Superior #403
	Southeast	John H. Robinson	Kenosha #750
	Southwest	C.E. Krebsbach	La Crosse #300

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1964-1965	Northeast	Patrick Diercks	Antigo #662
	Northwest	Francis Brandl	Eau Claire #402
	Southeast	Edward Kremer	Fond du Lac #57
	Southwest	Charles Drury	Portage #675
1965-1966	Northeast	James Hendricks	Manitowoc #867
	Northwest	Forrest Huntsinger	Ashland #137
	Southeast	Maurice Pohl	Sheboygan #299
	Southwest	Neal Johnson	Stevens Point #641
1966-1967	Northeast	Lawrence Jolin	Sturgeon Bay #2076
	Northwest	John N. McDonald	Chippewa Falls #1326
	Southeast	Eugene Scherwenka	Milwaukee #46
	Southwest	Al W. Kowalchyk	Wausau #248
1967-1968	Northest	George Ellis	Two Rivers #1380
	Northwest	Tom O'Connel	Hudson #640
	Southeast	Eugene H. Korzilius	Racine #252
	Southwest	Wayne Rasmussen	Marshfield #665
1968-1969	Northeast	Thomas C. Hytes	Kaukauna #962
	Northwest	Leighton George	Rice Lake #1441
	Southeast	H.M. Militzer	Beaver Dam #1540
	Southwest	Kenneth D. Currier	Beloit #864
1969-1970	Northeast	Al Weigandt	Oshkosh #292
	Northwest	Lloyd Klofanda	Eau Claire #402
	Southeast	John Pugh	Waukesha #400
	Southwest	Warren Foster	Baraboo #688
1970-1971	Northeast	Larry Adams	Neenah-Menasha #676
	Northwest	John J. Moran	Ashland #137
	Southeast	Robert W. Speaker	Kenosha #750
	Southwest	Dr. Charles Gurtler	Wisconsin Rapids #693
1971-1972	Northeast	Robert Leithen	Appleton #337

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	Northwest	Charles Bergstrom	Superior #403
	Southeast	Ed Froh	Sheboygan #299
	Southwest	O.A. Barth	Platteville #1460
1972-1973	Northeast	William Lucas	Green Bay #259
	Northwest	Kieran Purcell	Antigo #662
	Southeast	John T. Elleu	Racine #252
	Southwest	George E. Rapp	Madison #410
1973-1974	Northeast	William Lucas	Green Bay #259
	Northwest	Kieran Purcell	Antigo #662
	Southeast	John T. Elleu	Racine #252
	Southwest	George E. Rapp	Madison #410
1974-1975	Northeast	V.G. Thedick	Marinette #1313
	Northwest	Earle Sievwright	Stevens Point #641
	Southeast	Gordon Roth	Walworth-Lakeland #2201
	Southwest	Roland Fitzpatrick	La Crosse #400
1975-1976	Northeast	Robert Smithers	Fond du Lac #57
	Northwest	George Lella	Wausau #248
	Southeast	Russell Twesme	Watertown #666
	Southwest	Donald Grosenick	Janesville #254
1976-1977	Northeast	Louis Vits	Manitowoc #687
	Northwest	Ronald Sommerfeld	Chippewa Falls #1326
	Southeast	Tony Sanfilippo	Milwaukee #46
	Southwest	Francis W. Murphy	Portage #675
1977-1978	Northeast	Robert Natrop	Kaukauna #962
	Northwest	Dr. Francis Kruse, Jr.	Marshfield #665
	Southeast	Robert G. Lee	Waukesha #400
	Southwest	John Gray	Baraboo #688

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1978-1979	Northeast	Jack Truyman	Oshkosh #292
	Northwest	Harold Kuehn	Rice Lake #1441
	Southeast	Dale Rudy	Kenosha #750
	Southwest	Gordon Stephens	Platteville #1460
1979-1980	Northeast	Jon Laflin	Neenah-Menasha #676
	Northwest	Eugene LaFave	Eau Claire #402
	Southeast	Harb Graumann	Sheboygan #299
	Southwest	Darwin D. Scoon	Madison #410
1980-1981	Northeast	Joseph Vareka	Two Rivers #1380
	Northwest	George M. Vivian	Ashland #137
	Southeast	Harold Tuttle	Racine #252
	Southwest	Arnold C. Knutson	La Crosse #300
1981-1982	Northeast	Wendall H. Smith	Appleton #337
	Northwest	Harvey J. Gygi	Wisconsin Rapids #693
	Southeast	Leo McGlade	Walworth-Lakeland #2201
	Southwest	John C. Duner	Janesville #254
1982-1983	Northeast	Verne J. Buege	Green Bay #259
	Northwest	David DeRosier	Superior #403
	Southeast	Thomas Lemke	Fond du Lac #57
	Southwest	Earl Lange	Beaver Dam #1540
1983-1984	Northeast	Donald S. Johnson	Oconto #887
	Northwest	Mike Sutton	Hudson #640
	Southeast	Ralph Meiers	Watertown #666
	Southwest	Willis Smythe	Portage #675
1984-1985	Northeast	Robert L. Harner	Marinette #1313
	Northwest	Robert G. King	Antigo #662
	Southeast	Hal Vilar	Milwaukee #46
	Southwest	Ray A. Getschmann	Baraboo #688
1985-1986	Northeast	Robert Hackl	Manitowoc #687

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	Northwest	Carl F. Knuese	Stevens Point #641
	Southeast	Richard T. Fennig	Waukesha #400
	Southwest	William White	Platteville #1460
1986-1987	Northeast	Donald LaCount	Kaukauna #962
	Northwest	William L. Forrest	Wausau #248
	Southeast	James P. Ipsen	Kenosha #750
	Southwest	James Joyce	Madison #410
1987-1988	Northeast	Charles Green	Oshkosh #292
	Northwest	Everett Berg	Marshfield #665
	Southeast	Reinhard L. Palm	Sheboygan #299
	Southwest	Harold Worchel	La Crosse #300
1988-1989	Northeast	Joe Vareka	Two Rivers #1380
	Northwest	Pete Lukowitz	Chippewa Falls #1326
	Central	J. Duane Hinkens	Wisconsin Rapids #693
	East Central	Don Thiede	Neenah-Menasha #676
	Southeast	John Neuenfeld	Racine #252
	Southwest	Charles Weber	Janesville #254
1989-1990	Northeast	Dr. Francis E. Moes	Green Bay #259
	Northwest	Herbert T. Zimmer	Rice Lake #1441
	Central	William Kubeny	Antigo #662
	East Central	Donald J. Sears	Fond du Lac #57
	Southeast	Robert Watson	Walworth-Lakeland #2201
	Southwest	Keith Brown	Portage #675
1990-1991	Northeast	Lynwood Harrand	Marinette #1313
	Northwest	Gerald Miller	Eau Claire #402
	Central	Marion "Bud" Flood	Stevens Point #641
	East Central	Leo Stutz	Sheboygan #299
	Southeast	Wilfred Riedl	Watertown #666
	Southwest	R.W. "Bud" Hopper	Beloit #864

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1991-1992	Northeast	Ken Thomack	Kaukauna #962
	Northwest	Albert Skinnes	Ashland #137
	Central	Ray Dabler	Wausau #248
	East Central	Donald J. Slavik	Appleton #337
	Southeast	Charles Gronitz	Milwaukee #46
	Southwest	Roger E. Stieve	Baraboo #688
1992-1993	Northeast	John Mountford	Manitowoc #687
	Northwest	E.L. "Bud" Hinaus	Superior #403
	Central	Eugene Danielson	La Crosse #300
	East Central	Donald Youngworth	Oshkosh #292
	Southeast	Joe Schoenwalder	Waukesha #400
	Southwest	Neil Reichers	Platteville #1460
1993-1994	Northeast	Thomas Thill	Marinette #1313
	Northwest	Weldon Payne	Rice Lake #1441
	Central	John Roherty	Marshfield #665
	East Central	Frank Hafner	Neenah-Menasha #676
	Southeast	Anthony Mattson	Racine #252
	Southwest	F. George Mader	Madison #410
1994-1995	Northeast	Paul LaVene	Two Rivers #1380
	Northwest	E.L. "Bud" Hinaus	Superior #403
	Central	Robert Berg	Wisconsin Rapids #693
	East Central	Royden Brunet	Fond du Lac #57
	Southeast	John Davis	Walworth-Lakeland #2201
	Southwest	Robert "Bucky" Buchanan	Janesville #254
1995-1996	Northeast	Edward L. Hartman	Sturgeon Bay #2076
	Northwest	Allan Anderson	Ashland #137
	Central	Gary Cernoch	Antigo #662
	East Central	Fred Henckel	Sheboygan #299

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	Southeast	Glenn Friedl	Watertown #666
	Southwest	Kenneth A. Ebnetter	Portage #675
1996-1997	Northeast	Arnold "Arnie" Beimborn	Green Bay #259
	Northwest	James P. McFaul	Superior #403
	Central	Andy Olander	Stevens Point #641
	East Central	Gerald Brien	Kaukauna #962
	Southeast	Roger Cielinski	Milwaukee #46
	Southwest	Ron Wittenberg	Beloit #864
1997-1998	Northeast	James A. Boatman	Marinette #1313
	Northwest	Nathan Levenhagen	Rice Lake #1441
	Central	Donald Golembiewski	Wausau #248
	East Central	Bodo Bube	Appleton #337
	Southeast	Gerald Crouse	Waukesha #400
	Southwest	Sammy Howard	Baraboo #688
1998-1999	Northeast	James H. Krueger	Marinette #1313
	Northwest	Ken Schaller	Eau Claire #402
	Central	Steve Schultz	Marshfield #665
	East Central	Joe Matusinec	Oshkosh #292
	Southeast	T. "Jeff" Johnson	Racine #252
	Southwest	Todd Kostuck	Platteville #1460
1999-2000	Northeast	Terry Hubbartt	Manitowoc #687
	Northwest	Al Agamaite	Ashland #137
	Central	John Benbow	Wisconsin Rapids #693
	East Central	Fred Kulick	Neenah-Menasha #676
	Southeast	David H. Cox	Walworth-Lakeland #2201
	Southwest	Mick Lamendola	Janesville #254

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2000-2001	Northeast	Mike Parrish	Green Bay #259
	Northwest	Larry Yeazle	Superior #403
	Central	Bernard "Joe" Guithues	Antigo #662
	East Central	Bill Weinshrott	Fond du Lac #57
	Southeast	Dennis Daley	Watertown #666
	Southwest	Gary Alberts	Portage #675
2001-2002	Northeast	Joe Klumb	Marinette #1313
	Northwest	Michael Spielman	Rice Lake #1441
	Central	Jim Ostrowski	Stevens Point #641
	East Central	Elmer Budrecki	Sheboygan #299
	Southeast	David Lang	Milwaukee #46
	Southwest	Gerald Steiner / Wayne Pickarts	Madison #410
2002-2003	Northeast	Richard Dumke	Oconto #887
	Northwest	Charles Edson	Eau Claire #402
	Central	Thomas Goetz	Wausau #248
	East Central	Thomas Rasmussen	Kaukauna #962
	Southeast	Donald Svoma	Waukesha #400
	Southwest	Bruce Meyer	Baraboo #688
2003-2004	Northeast	Paul LeVene	Two Rivers #1380
	Northwest	William Schiller	Superior #403
	Central	Lance Pliml	Wisconsin Rapids #693
	East Central	Joel Hinze	Appleton #337
	Southeast	Albert Derga	Racine #252
	Southwest	Douglas Vavricka	Platteville #1460
2004-2005	Northeast	James Behnke	Marinette #1313
	Northwest	Trevor Zimmerman	Eau Claire #402
	Central	Douglas Foemmel	Stevens Point #641
	East Central	Ivan Craig, Jr.	Oshkosh #292

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	Southeast	Don Brown	Walworth-Lakeland #2201
	Southwest	Vern Gove	Portage #675
2005-2006	Northwest	Ora Payne	Rice Lake #1441
	Northeast	Jeff Wigen	Manitowoc #687
	Central	Dale Heitmann	Wausau #248
	East Central	Patrick Buck	Neenah-Menasha #676
	Southeast	Ronald Layton	Watertown #666
	Southwest	Daniel Krueger	Janesville #254
2006-2007	Northwest	Richard Ford	Superior #401
	Northeast	Pat Trepanier	Oconto #887
	Central	Myron Keding	Marshfield #666
	East Central	Terry Shoemaker	Fond du Lac #57
	Southeast	Laine Meyer	Beaver Dam #1540
	Southwest	Albert "Dutch" Engleson	Beloit #864
2007-2008	Northwest	Cindy Duffy	Rice Lake #1441
	Northeast	Joseph Rossley	Marinette #1313
	Central	James Captain	Wisconsin Rapids #693
	East Central	Richard Petermann	Sheboygan #299
	Southeast	Gregg Vosswinkel	Milwaukee #46
	Southwest	David Nitze, Sr.	Janesville #254
2008-2009	Northwest	Steve Roberge	Rice Lake #1441
	Northeast	Carl Morse	Oconto #887
	Central	James Gnacinski	Antigo #662
	East Central	Kathy Brien	Kaukauna #962
	Southeast	David Assmann	Waukesha #400
	Southwest	David Crary	Madison #410

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2009-2010	Northwest	George A. Myers	Eau Claire #402
	Northeast	James Burmeister	Marinette #1313
	Central	Scott Kovatch	Stevens Point #641
	East Central	Ryan Swantz	Appleton #337
	Southeast	Robert Berres	Racine #252
	Southwest	Patricia Nitze	Janesville #254
2010-2011	Northwest	Chad Bormann	Eau Claire #402
	Northeast	Lenora Sheahan	Two Rivers #1380
	Central	Mike Rebhahn	Wausau #248
	East Central	Tony Voulgaris	Oshkosh #292
	Southeast	Lee Gile	Walworth-Lakeland #2201
	Southwest	J. Merle Alt	Baraboo #688
2011-2012	Northeast	Gary Sheahan	Two Rivers #1380
	Northwest	Robert Rennells	Marshfield #665
	Central	Myron "Ron" Shannon	Portage #675
	South	Benjamin Godlewski	Milwaukee #46
2012-2013	Northeast	Ken Johnson	Wausau #248
	Northwest	Sal Cuomo	Stevens Point #641
	Central	Ernie Bellin	Neenah-Menasha #676
	South	Thomas Fiedler	Platteville #1460
2013-2014	Northeast	David Crevcoure	Green Bay #259
	Northwest	James Walsh, Jr.	Wisconsin Rapids #693
	Central	John Bruno	Watertown #666
	South	Tom Fiedler	Platteville #1460