



# *The Bugle*

## *Fall Conference 2013*

**WELCOME G.E.R. MILLARD PICKERING  
AND 1ST LADY, SUSANNE**



**Pictured is Grand Exalted Ruler Millard Pickering and 1st Lady, Susanne  
with State President Ron Shannon and 1st Lady, Nikki  
at the 2013 Grand Lodge Convention in Reno, NV**



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2013 Fall Conference . . . Baraboo, Sept. 12-15, 2013  
HoChunk Convention Center  
2014 Mid-Winter Conf Appleton, Jan 30-Feb 2, 2014  
Paper Valley Convention Center  
2014 State Convention . . . . Baraboo, May 1-4, 2014  
HoChunk Convention Center

## **WISCONSIN ELKS WEBSITE:**

**[www.wielks.org](http://www.wielks.org)**

## **GRAND LODGE CONVENTIONS**

2014 . . . . . July 13-17 . . . . . New Orleans, LA  
2015 . . . . . July 5-9 . . . . . Indianapolis, IN  
2016 . . . . . July 3-6 . . . . . Houston, TX  
2017 . . . . . July 16-20 . . . . . Reno, NV

The Wisconsin Elks has a new website, which also now has a bulletin board and a video which you view by clicking in the top right corner. There are also an abundance of photos from Grand Lodge.



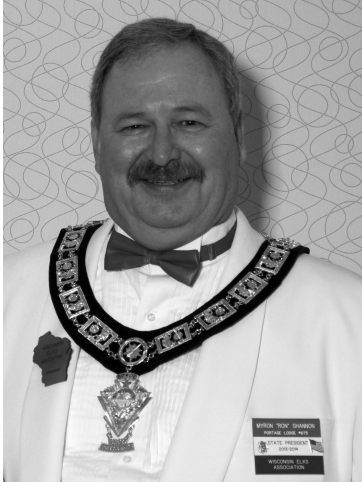
## A black and white portrait of a middle-aged man with short, graying hair and a mustache. He is wearing glasses, a dark pinstriped suit jacket, a white shirt, and a striped tie. A small American flag pin is visible on his left lapel. He is smiling slightly and looking directly at the camera against a plain, light-colored background.



**"Elks Live COMMUNITY Elks Give"**

# *FROM YOUR STATE PRESIDENT*

To All members and Friends,



It was a great honor to carry the State Flag of Wisconsin at the 149<sup>th</sup> Grand Lodge Opening Ceremony in Reno. To all the Wisconsin attendees, thank you for your support.

I want to thank all the new DD's for procuring the seating for all the sessions. They were perfect.

Nikki and I would like to thank Jim Meyer and his committee for the great job with the Hospitality Room. The Tuesday Night Party went off without a hitch. We had the officers of the Illinois Elks over for a snack. Then, walking down the hall we saw our new Grand Exalted Ruler, Millard Pickering, and his lady, Susanne. We introduced them to all the Elks that were in attendance. They will be our guests in September at HoChunk.

I am looking forward to seeing all of you in September. Let's all try to wear our red jackets that weekend for the meetings. Dress for the Saturday Night Banquet is red jacket or dark suit.

As you may know, my slogan for this year is 4 Ever Elkdom. This brings into play Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity. Remember that these are the cornerstones of Elkdom. We, as Elks, must use these as tools to try and find new members.

Everyone enjoy the summer and we'll see you in September.

4 Ever Elkdom,

*Ron*

Myron "Ron" Shannon, State President  
Wisconsin Elks Association

## **LADIES RAFFLE BASKET DONATIONS APPRECIATED!!**

This is just a reminder that any donations of baskets for the Ladies Raffle at the Fall Conference would be very much appreciated. Because of your past generosity we have been able to make a sizable donation to both the Wisconsin State Major Project and the Wisconsin Benevolent Fund at our Conferences and Conventions. Let's try to make an even bigger donation at the Fall Conference!

If you have any questions, please contact me at 715-355-0758 or [elksbugle@aol.com](mailto:elksbugle@aol.com).

Thanks in advance for your generosity!

Nan Johnson



# ***STATE PRESIDENT'S CALENDAR***

08/24/2013	Saturday	State President's Visitation – Two Rivers
09/12-15/2013	Weekend	Fall Conference – HoChunk Conv Ctr., Baraboo
09/19/2013	Weekend	IL State Conference – Springfield, IL
10/05/2013	Saturday	State President's Visitation – Madison
10/18/2013	Friday	State President's Visitation – Neenah-Menasha
10/19/2013	Saturday	State President's Visitation – Waukesha
10/26/2013	Saturday	State President's Visitation – Marshfield
11/02/2013	Saturday	State President's Visitation – Antigo
11/08/2013	Friday	State President's Visitation – Kaukauna
12/06/2013	Friday	State President's Visitation – Green Bay
12/07/2013	Saturday	State President's Visitation – Oconto
01/04/2014	Saturday	State President's Visitation – Marinette
01/11/2014	Saturday	State President's Visitation – Oshkosh
01/18/2014	Saturday	State President's Visitation – Fond du Lac
01/25/2014	Saturday	State President's Visitation – Baraboo
01/30/2014	Weekend	Mid-Winter Conference – Appleton
02/08/2014	Saturday	State President's Visitation – Milwaukee
02/16/2014	Saturday	State Hoop Shoot
02/16/2014	Saturday	State President's Visitation – Wausau
02/22/2014	Saturday	State President's Visitation – Beaver Dam
03/07/2014	Friday	State President's Visitation – Manitowoc
03/08/2014	Saturday	State President's Visitation – Sheboygan
03/21-23/2014	Friday/Saturday	Regional Hoop Shoot – Iowa City, IA
03/29/2014	Saturday	State President's Visitation – Stevens Point
04/05/2014	Saturday	State President's Visitation – WI Rapids
04/26/2014	Saturday	State President's Visitation – Platteville
05/01/2014	Weekend	State Convention – HoChunk Conv. Ctr., Baraboo

## ***“4everelkdom”***

### **A NOTE OF THANKS TO JIM MEYER, PSP, CHAIRMAN, GRAND LODGE ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE**

As the current Chairman of the Board of Trustees for the WEA, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you and your committee for another wonderful job well done. Reno was hot (though not as bad as back home in Wisconsin). We had a great hotel and a great Hospitality Room to cool off in, to meet with old friends and to discuss what we learned and heard that day.

The Wisconsin Hospitality Room was again second to none. Everyone I ran into in the elevators and around the area couldn't say enough great things about the room. You and your committee worked very hard to make sure everyone that could make it to the room had a place to meet, enjoy a cool beverage and some great snacks. The “Wisconsin Night” was again a great success. Plenty of good food and beverages, and everyone had a great time.

Seeing all of the red shirts definitely made our presence known. The hotel enjoyed having us there, and took good care of us, and we in turn took good care of the spaces they provided.

Thanks to Jim, his committee and all the attendees. You did Wisconsin Proud!

Pat Buck  
Chairman, State Trustees  
Wisconsin Elks Association

# *FROM YOUR STATE PRESIDENT-ELECT*

Greetings to all!

In May when being installed as President-Elect, I thought of the wonderful year that lay ahead of Leah and me. What a great opportunity to visit all the Lodges, see old friends, and make new ones. It has not been a disappointment; in fact, it has passed all expectations. With the wonderful hospitality we enjoy with every visit, Leah and I find it difficult to express our gratitude. We do thank everyone.



Leah and I also attended the Grand Lodge Convention in Reno. There is nothing like attending a convention. Starting with the Opening Ceremony, seeing the Scholarship and Hoop Shoot winners and seeing the state booths and Grand Lodge awards that were presented to all the committees, it was a great experience. Along with visiting with our members and guests in the Wisconsin hospitality room, we had the honor of meeting Millard Pickering, the new Grand Exalted Ruler for 2013-2014, as he made a visit to our hospitality room. Our good friends from Illinois came for a visit on Tuesday for our Wisconsin Party. We had the pleasure of meeting Coy and Vickee Cockrum, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President for Benton, Illinois, who will be the next State President for Illinois. This made for a wonderful time. Again, Jim and the Grand Lodge Attendance Committee outdid themselves with providing an outstanding hospitality room. A lot of work went into the room and it showed. Thank you to all who helped to make it a success.

Thank you to the Leading Knights and Lodges that have made your State Presidents Night visitation dates for 2014-2015. If you have not done so, please get this information to me no later than the Fall Conference. Any chairperson of a state committee that has an event date set for 2014-2015; please provide me with that information also. Thank you.

*Todd*

Todd Kostuck, State President-Elect  
Wisconsin Elks Association

# ***A WORD FROM YOUR STATE SPONSOR...***

Greetings to All:



I very much look forward to being with you at the Fall Conference at HoChunk Convention Center in Baraboo. As of this writing, I am not sure that Beth will be able to join us, but if she can't she sends her best wishes and looks forward to seeing you all again in January.

I would like to take this opportunity to apologize to you who attended the Reno convention. I do regret not being able to spend more time with you.

I am confident that the great Elks of Wisconsin will give our Grand Exalted Ruler Millard Pickering and his wife Susanne a warm and friendly welcome. I know they are looking forward to joining us as much as we are them.

I look forward to visiting with all of you and renewing old friendships. I know your stay in the Baraboo area will be a very enjoyable one.

**GO PACKERS!!**

*F. Louis Sulsberger*

F. Louis Sulsberger  
Past Grand Exalted Ruler  
Wisconsin Elks Association Sponsor

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New Trustee for South District

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Tom Fiedler as the new Trustee for the South District of the Wisconsin Elks Association. Tom will be completing this year of Todd Kostuck's term, due to Todd's election as President-Elect. Tom will have to face election at the 2014 Spring Convention, for the remaining amount of Todd's term. I would like to thank Dave DeRosier and Tom for showing commitment to assisting the State association in this time of need. I would also like to thank all of the members of the Board of Directors for taking the time to cast their votes. I am looking forward to this upcoming year and the organizing of our new Board of Directors.

Thanks again to everyone.

Pat Buck  
Chairman of Board of Trustees



# ***STATE CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE***

*Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. Ephesians 6: 10-11 New King James*



Paul exhibits one of the traits of good leadership by warning the people of Ephesus about the tough times that are to come. They (Ephesians) are up against Satan himself, an enemy who will do everything to stop their progress.

To help allay their fears, Paul lays out a specific plan for his friends in Ephesus. They are not to approach this enemy with their own strength, but remembering that with God on their side they can defeat this foe. Paul then

instructs his friends to put on the whole armor of God so they may stand and prevail. Paul (serving as an officer under God) issues orders to his troops.

When leaders practice the Law of Intuition, they provide their people with:

- A strategy to win
- Knowledge of the opposition
- The resources they need
- A plan how to use them
- Detailed communication

I have a fondness for utilizing military metaphors, and it seems that Paul had some knowledge of military jargon and he used those terms regularly. I realize that we are not in a fight with Satan nor anyone else, yet, when looking at the leadership constructs exposed in this Bible passage from the New Testament, I can't help but apply this message to our lodges.

It seems fair to note that some lodges may be facing the challenge of declining membership. This loss of members may be due to many elements, yet the people in leadership must confront this challenge and do it in a way that assures the membership that their elected officials are moving to correct the situation.

A workable stratagem may take the time and efforts of concerned and dedicated people. Yet if the aforementioned structure is followed, success is sure to occur.

**Blessings,**

**Rev. Mike**

Rev. Michael Hackbarth  
State Chaplain  
Wisconsin Elks Association

# ***VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORTS***

## **NORTHEAST DISTRICT**

**CHUCK BERENS, V.P.**



Summer is in full swing as we race through the Lodge year!

I hope you have all had success with your Kid's Fishing, Flag Day, Soccer Shoot and Lodge cookouts and picnics. Activities like those are what drives our Lodges and brings members into our fold. Every Lodge faces participation problems but this time of year gives us the chance to share events that have a broad appeal and can really show what our order represents. If we present them correctly, everyone can play a part and they put a public face on Elksdom that our communities need to see.

We are also coming up on the Fall Conference. This is another great opportunity to show your members what it means to be an Elk. Exalted Rulers and Officers, the State conferences should be attended by all your Lodge officers and committee chairs, but you also need to encourage all your members to attend our conferences. You don't have to be on a committee to have a great time and gain the benefits of sharing experience with other Elks from all over Wisconsin. Just talking with others in the hospitality rooms often sparks an idea that can bring great benefits to your own Lodge. It's always interesting to learn how someone else is dealing with the concerns we all face and one good new idea makes the entire conference worthwhile. A big part of boosting our membership and effectiveness at home is ensuring that our

Lodge officers participate in and understand our programs. The State conferences are a great place to hone your leadership skills. I'm looking forward to seeing you there.

## **CENTRAL DISTRICT**

**ROB RADIG, SR., V.P.**



Hi All!

It seems hard to believe that we have completed a quarter of the year already. Feels like just yesterday we were all in Eau Claire being installed, and now Grand Lodge has come and gone. Well with plenty of time ahead of us on this incredible journey, we will continue to move forward and show the world what Elksdom is all about.

I have enjoyed my visits with the lodges thus far and I must say, as I learn more and more about what the Lodges are doing for their communities, it makes me even prouder to call myself an Elk. And as we continue to visit lodges throughout the upcoming months, I look forward to learning and celebrating with you, the accomplishments of your Lodge.

One of my goals this year was to bring the district together, to unite the Lodges, if you will. And as a start we have organized the first, and hopefully will continue as annual, Central District Elks Family Picnic. This will be a chance for everyone in the District to get together and enjoy the company of their fellow Elks, Families and friends. I look forward to seeing you all there. And of course by the time you read this, I am hoping we all had a great time.

## ***HATS IN THE RING FOR VICE-PRESIDENT***



The members and officers of Fond du Lac Lodge #57 endorse Don Behnke, PER, as a candidate for Vice President of the Central District of the WEA. Since becoming an Elk over twenty years ago, Don has been active in numerous leadership roles at Lodge 57 and at the State level. At the Lodge level, Don has served as ER, Trustee, and ENF Chairman. He was awarded Lodge "Elk of the Year" twice for his work with the ENF. Under Don's leadership, Lodge 57 became and continues to be, a top donor to the ENF in the Central District.

On the State level, Don serves as Vice-chair of the ENF Committee where he continues his untiring efforts to make Wisconsin one of the best in the country. Don is currently a Permanent Benefactor to the ENF. He also serves on the State Golf and the State Officer Training Committees.

Don is a veteran of the US Navy having served during the Vietnam era. Don and his wife Lee are owners of Henes & Associates Court Reporting Service. They are members of the Church of Peace in Fond du Lac, where Don has served as President of the Church Council.

We whole-heartedly support Don in his campaign for Vice President of the WEA Central District, confident that he will do his best to make the district strong especially in its relationship to the Elks National Foundation.

Sincerely & Fraternally,

*John Emery, ER*

John Emery, Exalted Ruler Lodge #57

*Brian Lorrigna, PER*

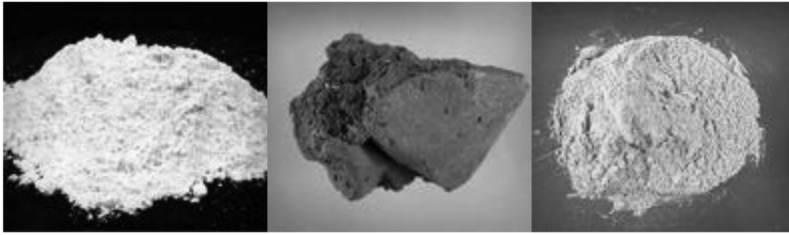
Brian Lorrigan, President Lodge #57 PER Association

*Norm Behnke, PER, PSP*

Norm Behnke, Past State President



## Heroin



*The Bugle editor, Ken Johnson, asked me to write a series of informative articles about drug and alcohol abuse. I am not an expert on this subject, but have been with the Two Rivers Police Department for 28 years and currently hold the rank of Patrol Lieutenant.*

Heroin is an opiate, a class of drugs that are either naturally derived from the flowers of the poppy plant, or synthetic substitutes. In the case of heroin, it's produced from morphine, a naturally occurring substance that comes from the seedpod of poppy plants. All opiate abuse, including heroin and many prescriptions painkillers carries a strong risk of addiction and physical dependence. Heroin is abused by injecting, snorting or smoking it, and all three can cause the same level of addiction, as well as serious health problems and even death.

Heroin enters the brain very quickly, making it particularly addictive. It's estimated that almost one-fourth of the people who try heroin become addicted. And over time, heroin users develop a tolerance, meaning that more and more of the drug is needed to achieve the same results.<sup>1</sup>

According to The Wisconsin State Crime Lab around 350 heroin submissions were processed in 2009. Then, just three years later, in 2012, that number nearly doubled.

Heroin overdose deaths are on the rise across Wisconsin. Last year alone, heroin deaths climbed by 50 percent. Drug use has spread from inner cities like Chicago across state lines. Heroin is infiltrating many of Wisconsin's suburban communities and rural areas at alarming rates.<sup>2</sup>

Heroin which was once prevalent in the 60's and 70's, has made a vicious and deadly come back.

— by Gary Sheahan

1. [www.abovetheinfluence.com/facts/drugs/heroin](http://www.abovetheinfluence.com/facts/drugs/heroin)
2. [www.sheboyganpress.com/.../Deadly-doses-Gannett-Wisconsin-Media-In](http://www.sheboyganpress.com/.../Deadly-doses-Gannett-Wisconsin-Media-In)

	<b>WEA - 2013 Fall Conference</b>	
	<b>SCHEDULE OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS</b>	
		<b>ROOM</b>
<b>Friday, Sept.13 2013</b>		
<b>8:00 AM - 10:30 AM</b>	<b>Board of Directors</b>	<b>Lower Dells H</b>
<b>10:30 AM - 11:30 AM</b>	<b>Benevolent Fund</b>	<b>Lower Dells H</b>
<b>1:00 PM - 3:00 PM</b>	<b>PSP Advisory</b>	<b>Lower Dells H</b>
<b>12:00:00 PM-8:00 PM</b>	<b>Registration</b>	<b>Lower Dells Atrium</b>
<b>Saturday, Sept. 14 2013</b>		
<b>8:00 AM - 11:00 AM</b>	<b>Registration</b>	<b>Lower Dells Atrium</b>
<b>7:30 AM - 8:00 AM</b>	<b>Resolutions &amp; Laws Committee</b>	<b>Lower Dells C</b>
<b>7:30 AM - 8:00 AM</b>	<b>Recreation at Convention</b>	<b>Lower Dells G</b>
<b>8:00 AM - 9:00 AM</b>	<b>Accident Prevention</b>	<b>Upper Dells D</b>
<b>8:00 AM - 9:00 AM</b>	<b>Americanism</b>	<b>Upper Dells C</b>
<b>8:00 AM - 9:00 AM</b>	<b>Ritualistic Exemplification</b>	<b>Lower Dells Salon A</b>
<b>8:00 AM - 9:00 AM</b>	<b>Govt. Relations</b>	<b>Upper Dells E</b>
<b>8:00 AM - 9:00 AM</b>	<b>Grand Lodge Attendance</b>	<b>Lower Dells E</b>
<b>8:00 AM - 9:00 AM</b>	<b>Business Practices</b>	<b>Lower Dells H</b>
<b>8:00 AM - 10:00 AM</b>	<b>Sec/CLMS Training</b>	<b>Lower Dells F</b>
<b>8:00 AM - 9:00 AM</b>	<b>Hoop Shoot</b>	<b>Lower Dells G</b>
<b>8:00 AM - 9:00 AM</b>	<b>Ritualistic Exemplification</b>	<b>Lower Dells C</b>
<b>8:30 AM - 10:30 AM</b>	<b>State Sponsor / DDGER/Esquire</b>	<b>Upper Dells Salon</b>
<b>9:00 AM - 12:00 PM</b>	<b>Elks Major Project</b>	<b>Upper Dells D</b>
<b>9:00 AM - 10:00 AM</b>	<b>Publicity and Public Relations</b>	<b>Upper Dells E</b>
<b>9:00 AM - 10:00 AM</b>	<b>Committee for the Disabled</b>	<b>Lower Dells C</b>
<b>9:00 AM - 10:00 AM</b>	<b>Lodge Development</b>	<b>Lower Dells Salon B</b>
<b>9:00 AM - 10:00 AM</b>	<b>U.S.Constitution Contest</b>	<b>Lower Dells Salon A</b>
<b>9:00 AM - 10:00 AM</b>	<b>Golf</b>	<b>Lower Dells E</b>
<b>9:00 AM - 10:00 AM</b>	<b>ER/Leading Knight Advisory</b>	<b>Lower Dells H</b>
<b>9:00 AM - 10:00 AM</b>	<b>Youth Activities</b>	<b>Lower Dells G</b>
<b>9:00 AM - 11:00 AM</b>	<b>Elks National Service Vets.</b>	<b>Upper Dells C</b>
<b>10:00 AM - 11:00 AM</b>	<b>Elks National Foundation Scholarship</b>	<b>Lower Dells Salon B</b>
<b>10:00 AM - 12:00 AM</b>	<b>Drug Awareness</b>	<b>Upper Dells E</b>
<b>10:00 AM - 11:00 AM</b>	<b>Membership and Lapsation</b>	<b>Lower Dells G</b>
<b>10:00 AM - 11:00 PM</b>	<b>Conferences and Conventions</b>	<b>Lower Dells E</b>
<b>10:00 AM - 11:00 AM</b>	<b>Officer Training</b>	<b>Lower Dells H</b>
<b>10:00 AM - 11:00 AM</b>	<b>Benevolent Fund Raising</b>	<b>Lower Dells C</b>
<b>10:00 AM - 11:00 AM</b>	<b>Legalized Gaming</b>	<b>Lower Dells Salon A</b>
<b>10:00 AM - 11:00 AM</b>	<b>Bowling</b>	<b>Lower Dells F</b>
<b>11:00 AM - 12:00 PM</b>	<b>Elks National Foundation</b>	<b>Lower Dells G</b>
<b>11:00 AM - 12:00 PM</b>	<b>Auditing</b>	<b>Lower Dells C/D</b>
<b>11:00 AM - 12:00 PM</b>	<b>Curling</b>	<b>Lower Dells Salon B</b>

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		<b>ROOM</b>
<b>11:00 AM - 12:00 PM</b>	<b>Lodge Trustee Training</b>	<b>Lower Dells Salon A</b>
<b>11:00 AM - 12:00 PM</b>	<b>Lodge Activities</b>	<b>Lower Dells F</b>
<b>12:00 PM</b>	<b>Ladies Luncheon (Cocktails 11:00 AM)</b>	<b>Upper Dells A</b>
<b>12:30 PM - 1:30 PM</b>	<b>Association Luncheon</b>	<b>Upper Dells B</b>
	<b>Photos with the GER to follow Luncheon</b>	
<b>5:00 PM</b>	<b>Evening Prayer with Rev Hackbarth</b>	<b>Upper Dells Salon</b>
<b>6:00 PM</b>	<b>Cocktails</b>	<b>Upper Dells A/B</b>
<b>7:00 PM</b>	<b>Banquet</b>	<b>Upper Dells A/B</b>
<b><u>Sunday, Sept. 15 2013</u></b>		
<b>8:30 AM</b>	<b>General Session</b>	<b>Lower Dells B/H</b>
<b>8:30 AM</b>	<b>Ladies Advisory</b>	<b>Lower Dells C/D</b>

**PLEASE NOTE**

**There is always the possibility of having to change the location of a meeting. Please check the boards at the Fall Conference to verify the rooms where your meetings are being held.**

**HOUSING INFORMATION FOR MID-WINTER CONFERENCE**

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Appleton, WI 54911  
Phone: 920-733-8000  
Toll Free: 800-333-3333

\$95.00 per night



# Baraboo Elks Lodge #688

Invites you to visit  
While you are attending  
The Wisconsin Elks Association  
Fall Conference  
We are located at 623 Broadway  
(Please use the 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue Entrance)



## Welcome to Baraboo Elks Lodge #688!!

We are excited that the State Elks Fall Conference is being held at the Ho-Chunk Convention Center. While you are in Baraboo, stop in and visit the Elks Lodge.

We will be open Friday at 3:00 PM and Saturday at 10:00 AM.

On Friday, we have made arrangements to golf at the Baraboo Country Club. Tee times have been blocked from 10:00 - Noon on Friday.

Please call the Country Club directly to reserve your tee time at (608) 356-8195.

After golfing, come down to the Lodge for a fish dinner.

I hope that you enjoy the weekend by meeting old and new friends.

Have a safe trip to and from Baraboo.

Fraternally,  
Gary Baker  
Exalted Ruler

### Lodge Hours and Offerings:

#### **Thursday Sept. 12, 2013**

5:00 PM - Close

#### **Friday Sept. 13, 2013**

3:00 PM - Close

Fish or Steak Dinner

With choice of potato,

Choice of salad and bread basket.

**Dinner will be served upstairs in the hall from 5:00 9:00 PM**

For your pleasure, the lower lounge will be open all evening with music from 8:00 – 11:00 PM

#### **Saturday Sept. 14, 2013**

10:00 AM - Close

We will be offering an "Off the Grill" Menu

Raffles will be held throughout the weekend.

Transportation will be available from the Convention Center to the Lodge  
Friday beginning at 3:00 PM and Saturday beginning at 10:00 AM  
Transportation provided by Mike Hoppe, Glacier Valley Ford, Baraboo

## Rice Lake Elks Lodge Supports Community Initiatives

Rice Lake Elks Lodge donated \$2,000 to local charitable initiatives. The donations, made possible by a Gratitude Grant, which the local Lodge qualified from donations from members.

Gratitude Grants are used to support local, charitable activities.

Gratitude Grants offer the opportunity for the local Lodge to serve and support the community to make it stronger.

Non-profit groups and special events receiving monies were, Lakeview Medical Center Hospice Program, Rice Lake Girls Softball Association, Rice Lake Youth Curling Program, Toys for Tots, Friends of the Library, Barron County Veteran's Program, Youth Bowling Programs, Muscular Dystrophy, Spirit of Christmas Project, Natures Edge Therapy Center, Golden K-Petunia Project and Rice Lake United Way.

This project was made possible by a grant from the Elks National Foundation, the charitable arm of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Through its Community Investments Program, the Elks National Foundation awards grants to local Elks Lodges to help the Elks strengthen their communities. This year, the Elks National Foundation will award \$6.5 million in grants to benefit Elks communities.

To get involved with this or other Elks Lodge projects, email Project Manager Trustee Jeff Miller-(PER) or Secretary Marla Gygli at [rlelps1441@chibardun.net](mailto:rlelps1441@chibardun.net). For more information about how the Elks National Foundation invests in local communities, visit the Elks National Foundation website at [www.elks.org/enf/community](http://www.elks.org/enf/community).



Pictured above are (left to right) ENF Chair, Marla Gygli (Elks #1441 Secretary), Bob Anderson (United Way President), Sue Nelson (United Way Campaign Coordinator) and Anne Gallagher (Exalted Ruler Elks #1441 and United Way Member)

### **FOND DU LAC LODGE #57 DONATES NEW OUTBOARD**

A group of members from Fond du Lac Lodge #57 donated a new 25hp Mercury motor to Camp Wawbeek to use on their pontoon boat. The motor has electric start, and also has power trim so they don't physically have to enter the water to raise it up when docking. Hopefully, this motor will provide years of enjoyable boating to the campers and staff.



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### **Rice Lake Elks Lodge Supports “We Share Food” Pantry**

Rice Lake Elks Lodge #1441 makes monthly donations to the “We Share Food” Pantry, located on Coleman Ave, Rice Lake. Members and guests donate non-perishable food items or make monetary contributions demonstrating “Elks Share, Elks Care”, way of life. Donations are accepted at anytime, however on the last Friday of each month members and guests are encouraged to bring the food items in when they come in to dine. Monthly donations average \$100 per month.





## **Dean's List Event Supports Scholarship Program**

The Dean's List Orchestra partnered with the Rice Lake Elks Lodge to bring the Big Band Sound to Elk Members and their guests on Wednesday, July 24th, 2013.

The event raised \$400 for the local Elks scholarship program, with over 150 Elks members and guests in attendance. Musicians came from Duluth to Chetek, Cable to Clear Lake, Rice Lake and in between. The talent and time of the individuals are donated to be a part of the band and to continue this type of music to listen and dance to.

The group donated this performance to Elk scholarship initiatives. Monies received from performances as a rule go toward scholarships and equipment for the UW-BCC music department in Rice Lake.

The Dean's list was formed in 1967 for the dedication of the UW Barron County Campus in Rice Lake under the direction of Dr. John Meggers. The group continues today as an 18 piece Big Band playing the original swing tunes of the 30's, 40's and much more.

The Dean's List will perform again at the Rice Elk Lodge on November 6, in honor Veteran's both locally and nationwide. Shown below is Kris Warner, special guest of the Dean's List Orchestra.





# Wisconsin Elks Association Curling Bonspiel

November 1 – 3



## Hosted by Wisconsin Rapids Lodge # 693

The Wisconsin Elks Association Curling Bonspiel will be held at the Wisconsin Rapids Curling Club and hosted by the Wisconsin Rapids Elks Lodge #693 on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, November 1-3, 2013. A Bonspiel requirement is that at least one member of each 4 person team must be an Elk member in good standing. The spiel is open to any combination of men or women. An entry fee of \$200.00 per team is required and guarantees at least 3 six-end games. Free beer, liquor, snacks, and lunch will be provided all weekend at the Curling Club along with a dinner and banquet at the Wisconsin Rapids Elks Lodge Saturday night.

Spectators are welcome to watch in the heated viewing

The highly sought after Dietz Eulburg Traveling Trophy will be awarded to the 1<sup>st</sup> Place team, to be prominently displayed at their respective Elks Lodge for one year until the next bonspiel, along with awards of Elks Bonspiel pins.

Twelve teams participated in the 2012 bonspiel that was hosted by the Marshfield Elks Lodge #665 with the Sault Ste Marie team of Jim Slack as skip earning the traveling trophy and winning title. The balance of the results are as follows:

Runner up in the 1<sup>st</sup> event was the George Spindler Team from Marshfield #665

2<sup>nd</sup> Event Winner: Tim Hovre Team from Marshfield #665  
Runner up: Bob Runnels Team from Marshfield #665

3<sup>rd</sup> Event Winner: Jerry Beguhn Team from Rice Lake #1441  
Runner up: Mike Swanson Team from Wisconsin Rapids #693

4<sup>th</sup> Event Winner: Carolyn Mickelson Team from Rice Lake, #1441  
Runner up: Dean Markwardt Team from Marshfield #665

The Wisconsin Rapids Elks Curling Committee hopes to have 12-16 entries from throughout Wisconsin and the ever present Sault Ste Marie again this November.

For more information, please contact: [wiswani@wctc.net](mailto:wiswani@wctc.net) or pick up an entry form at your local Elks Lodge.

## ***A NOTE OF THANKS...***

819 W. Marquette Street  
Appleton, WI 54914

July 8, 2013

Ken Johnson, Secretary Wisconsin  
Elks Association 1602 Foothill  
Avenue Schofield, WI 54476

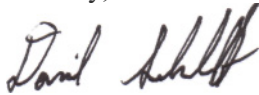
Dear Members of the Wisconsin Elks Association:

I am writing to again express my thanks for the \$1000 Wisconsin Elks Association which I received for this past 2012-13 academic year.

Last fall I began my freshman studies at Washington University in St. Louis with the goal to obtain a major in Electrical Engineering. After several months I decided to pursue a second major in Systems Engineering in addition to Electrical Engineering, which will allow me to focus on understanding and improving the systems which distribute electrical energy in our communities. This past year I completed courses in physics, calculus and linear algebra, computer science, introductions to Electrical and Systems Engineering, culture studies, and Spanish. I was blessed to have maintained a 4.0 GPA through both semesters. I would not have been able to accomplish this if paying for my education had been a constant worry throughout the year. Your generous gift significantly helped to alleviate this worry.

Thank you again for your support and encouragement shown to me and to many other students of Wisconsin. I will not forget your generosity as in the years ahead I make a priority of supporting the students of Wisconsin through donations to schools and by supporting scholarship funds as you have done.

Sincerely,



David Sehloff

### **LADIES ADVISORY GROUP TO MEET SUNDAY MORNING**

I would like to extend an invitation to anyone interested to attend the Ladies Advisory meeting on Sunday morning at 8:30 a.m. This is a time of sharing ideas and getting new ideas for meetings or fund raising in individual Lodges. Come and share what the ladies are doing in your Lodge.

Hope to see you on Sunday at the Fall Conference.

Char Bohnsack, President  
Ladies Advisory

2012—2013 Wi Elks Benevolent Fund, Inc. Lodge Donations Etc

Lodge & No.	Members	Donations	\$/Member
Antigo #662	258	\$ 380.00	\$ 1.47
Appleton #337	65	-----	-----
Ashland #137	178	_____	_____
Baraboo #688	268	\$1,077.00	\$ 4.02 *
Beaver Dam #1540	48	\$ 150.00	\$ 3.13 *
Beloit #864	55	\$ 217.00	\$ 3.95 *
Chip. Falls #1326	163	\$ 440.00	\$ 2.70
Eau Claire #402	234	\$ 723.50	\$ 3.09 *
Fond du Lac #57	431	\$ 481.00	\$ 1.11
Green Bay #259	86	\$ 500.00	\$ 5.81 *
Janesville #254	238	\$ 775.00	\$ 3.26 *
Kaukauna #962	56	\$ 242.00	\$ 4.33*
Madison #410	827	_____	_____
Manitowoc #687	156	_____	_____
Marinettee #1313	412	\$ 551.00	\$ 1.34
Marshfield #665	658	\$1,064.00	\$ 1.62
Milwaukee #46	334	\$2,262.75	\$ 6.77 *
N. Menasha #676	88	\$1,133.00	\$12.88 * 1st
Oconto #887	96	\$ 224.00	\$ 2.33
Oshkosh #292	325	\$1,173.00	\$ 3.60 *
Platteville #1460	239	\$ 742.57	\$ 3.11 *
Portage #675	219	\$ 486.00	\$ 2.22



Rice Lake #1441	616	\$ 940.00	\$ 1.53
Sheboygan #299	629	\$ 367.00	\$ 0.59
Stevens Point #641	384	\$ 70.00	\$ 0.18
Superior #403	334	\$ 791.17	\$ 2.37
Two Rivers #1380	109	\$ 375.00	\$ 3.44 *
W-Lakeland #2201	85	\$ 600.00	\$ 7.06 *
Watertown #666	185	\$ 891.10	\$ 4.82 *
Waukesha #400	252	\$ 520.00	\$ 2.06
Wausau #248	753	\$3,261.53	\$ 4.32 *
WI Rapids #693	143	\$ 305.00	\$ 2.13
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Total	8,942	\$20,742.62	\$ 2.32
Pay Pal		\$ 146.81	
SMP/WBF Raffle		\$5,291.00	
South District		\$ 33.50	
Fines		\$ 60.00	
Elks Ladies		\$1,300.00	
Pat Nitze First Lady		\$ 470.00	
Rev. Mike		\$ 81.00	
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		\$28,124.93	\$3.15 *

# PRE-REGISTRATION FORM – DEADLINE DECEMBER 28, 2013

MID-WINTER CONFERENCE, JANUARY 30 – FEBRUARY 2, 2014

Paper Valley Convention Center, Appleton, WI

PRE-REGISTRATION FORM FOR W.E.A. Conference

(REGISTRATION INFORMATION – PLEASE PRINT)

One form per member, please print

FIRST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ LAST NAME \_\_\_\_\_ (AS YOU WANT IT TO APPEAR ON YOUR BADGE)

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

LODGE NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

SPOUSE/GUEST (FIRST & LAST NAMES) \_\_\_\_\_  
(BADGE PROVIDED ONLY IF ATTENDING LUNCHEON)

PRE-REGISTRATION FEE:	<u>NO TICKETS</u> 1 @ \$15.00	<u>COST</u> \$ 15.00
LADIES LUNCHEON Traditional Italian Buffet	_____ @ \$21.50	\$ _____
ASSOCIATION LUNCHEON The Tailgater	_____ @ \$21.50	\$ _____
SATURDAY NIGHT BANQUET Chicken Cordon Bleu Or Roast Sirloin of Beef	_____ @ \$27.50 _____ @ \$28.50	\$ _____ \$ _____
ALL MEALS INCLUDE TAX & TIP	TOTAL	\$ _____

Make Checks payable to WEA and send to Ken Johnson, State Sec. WEA, 1602 Foothill Ave. Schofield, WI. Schofield WI 54476

## LADIES LUNCHEON:

**Traditional Italian Buffet** – Tossed garden salad with choice of balsamic vinaigrette or creamy Italian dressing, tomato, cucumber and feta salad, antipasto platter, steamed Italian vegetable blend, meat lasagna, fettuccini marina, tortellini alfredo, garlic parmesan bread and strawberry and Limoncello Italian cream puff and coffee, iced tea and milk

## ASSOCIATION LUNCHEON:

**The Tailgater** – Grilled hamburgers and Wisconsin bratwurst (with hot sauerkraut) and bakery fresh buns, German potato salad, coleslaw, ranch-style baked beans, sliced watermelon, leaf lettuce, sliced tomatoes and onions, kosher pickle platter, potato chips, whole grain and yellow mustards, ketchup, pickle relish and assorted cookies, brownies and bars and coffee, iced tea and milk

## SATURDAY NIGHT BANQUET:

**Chicken Cordon Bleu** – Breaded boneless breast of chicken filled with ham and gruyere cheese, finished with supreme sauce, served with garden fresh salad with buttermilk ranch or French dressing, rice pilaf and island vegetable blend, rolls and butter, grasshopper pie and coffee, tea and milk

**OR**

**Roast Sirloin of Beef** - Slowly roasted baron of beef rubbed with Dijon mustard and our secret spice blend, sliced and topped jus lie, served with tossed salad with choice of buttermilk ranch or French dressing, garlic mashed potatoes, green beans almondine, rolls and butter, grasshopper pie and coffee, tea and milk

**FORMS POSTMARKED AFTER DECEMBER 28, 2013 WILL BE RETURNED TO  
SENDER. YOU WILL HAVE TO REGISTER ON SITE AT A FEE OF \$25.00.**



## Elks National Foundation News Release

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July 29, 2013

**For immediate release**

### **Elks Family Matters**

CHICAGO, IL—Being a part of the Elks family means so much more than spending summers at the pool or filling up at a pancake breakfast. It means being supported by Elks close to home and across the country. No members of the Elks family know this better than recipients of the Elks National Foundation Emergency Educational Grant.

Exclusively for children of deceased or totally disabled Elks, the Emergency Educational Grant provides students with financial assistance throughout college. Between July 1 and December 31, eligible students may apply for this renewable, one-year grant of up to \$4,000. The grant is for educational assistance only and is not intended to cover the entire cost of a college education.

For Emergency Educational Grant recipients, support from the Elks family is essential for building a stronger future. Consider Jessie Haskell, an EEG recipient sponsored by Bellows Falls, Vt., Lodge No. 1619. After the death of her father, Jessie was uncertain whether she could continue her education. Thanks to her Elks National Foundation scholarship, Jessie is now a junior at the Community College of Vermont. With the Elks' support, she is following in her parents' footsteps and becoming a teacher.

"My goal is to make a difference in people's lives as a teacher and coach, just like my father," says Jessie. "Support from my Elks family has helped me to gain confidence, stay in school, and work to accomplish this goal."

This year, the Elks National Foundation allocated 300,000 to fund Emergency Educational Grants. If you know any Elks children who may be eligible to receive an Emergency Educational Grant, encourage them to apply. Show scholars they have the Elks' support by building meaningful relationships with Elks scholars on college campuses near your Lodge. For more information on how to connect with Elks scholars, visit [www.elks.org/enf/scholars](http://www.elks.org/enf/scholars).

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*Helping Elks Build Stronger Communities*

*The Elks National Foundation helps Elks build stronger communities through programs that support youth, serve veterans, and meet needs in areas where Elks live and work.*

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**DISTRICT DEPUTIES GRAND EXALTED RULERS 2013**  
**(left to right) Jim Walsh, John Bruno, David Crevcoure and Tom Fiedler**