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GRAND LODGE CONVENTIONS

2015	July 5-9	Indianapolis, IN
2016	July 3-6	Houston, TX
2017	July 16-19	Reno, NV
2018	July 1-4	San Antonio, TX
2019	June 30-July 3	St. Louis, MO

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STATE MEETINGS

2016 Fall Conference	Sept. 15-18, 2016
Paper V	Valley Convention Center
2017 Mid-Winter Conf	Appleton, Feb. 2-5, 2017
Paper '	Valley Convention Center
2017 State Conv	Green Bay, May 4-7, 2017
Radisson H	otel & Convention Center
2017 Fall Conference	Sept. 14-17, 2017
	Location Unknown

STATE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



First of all Michelle and I are truly humbled to have been installed as your State President and First Lady. We thank you for all your support and look forward to traveling with President-Elect and First Lady-Elect George and Muriel Myers, as we continue spreading Elkdom as we visit the Lodges throughout the state.

We would like to thank Ken and Nan Johnson for a wonderful Convention, they did an outstanding job again as usual. And also a huge thank you to Past State Presidents Bob

Bohnsack and Ken Bruckner for the Installation Ceremony for our new State Officers. And of course a big thank you to Tony and Mary Voulgaris for their great year of leadership to the Association and friendship and guidance to Michelle and I.

My hope this year, as with all my predecessors, is that this will be the year we show a statewide increase in membership. Last year we did a great job in slowing the decline and now that we have put on the brakes it's time to turn things around. Which brings me to my slogan for the year "Elks, Be Proud, Be Loud". As I've stated before it's time that the Elks are no longer "the best kept secret in town." You can begin this by being PROUD of all the great things you do as a Lodge and that we do as an organization. And then be LOUD about it. Don't be afraid to brag, share pictures and stories. Use every media opportunity at your disposal. Your Lodge newsletters, social media, TV, radio and local newspapers. This is the basis of the message we will be bringing as we travel the State.

Shortly we will be traveling to Houston for the National Convention and we hope to see many of you there. So much to learn and so many old and new friends from across the country, you don't want to miss it. It will be such an honor to carry in the flag of our State during the Opening Ceremony. Hopefully by the time you read this we will have returned with a wealth of knowledge to share. And to all the Past State Presidents that have offered advice...no, I will not trip on the stairs.

Fraternally,

Rob Radig, Sr. WEA State President

Revised 2016-2017 Presidents Visitation Calendar

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	LODGE/CITY	DAY OF WEEK	VISIT	DATE	
	GREEN BAY	THUR-SUN	CONVENTION	4/28 - 5/1/16	
Х	APPLETON	SATURDAY	FLAG DAY PARADE	6/11/2016	
Х	APPLETON	SATURDAY	STATE PRESIDENT VISIT	6/11/2016	
Х	FOND DU LAC	MONDAY	STATE GOLF TOURNAMENT	6/20/2016	
	CAMP WAWBEEK	SATURDAY	ELKS DAY AT CAMP	6/25/2016	
	PORTAGE	SATURDAY	STATE PRESIDENT VISIT	6/25/2016	
Ī	HOUSTON, TX	WEEK	NATIONAL CONVENTION	7/1/16-7/7/16	
	CHIPPEWA FALLS	FRIDAY	STATE PRESIDENT VISIT	7/15/2016	
	EAU CLAIRE	SATURDAY	STATE PRESIDENT VISIT	7/16/2016	
Ī	RICE LAKE	SUNDAY	STATE PRESIDENT VISIT	7/17/2016	
Ī	JANESVILLE	FRIDAY	STATE PRESIDENT VISIT	7/22/2016	
	WALWORTH LAKELAND	SATURDAY	STATE PRESIDENT VISIT	7/23/2016	
	BELOIT	SUNDAY	STATE PRESIDENT VISIT	7/24/2016	
	ASHLAND (Noon Combined)	SATURDAY	STATE PRESIDENT VISIT	8/6/2016	
	SUPERIOR (Noon Combined)	SATURDAY	STATE PRESIDENT VISIT	8/6/2016	
	TWO RIVERS	SATURDAY	STATE PRESIDENT VISIT	8/20/2016	
	SHEBOYGAN	SUNDAY	ELKS DAY	8/21/2016	
Ī	APPLETON	THUR-SUN	FALL CONFERENCE	9/15 - 9/18/16	
	SPRINGFIELD, IL	THUR-SUN	ILLINOIS FALL MEETING	9/22 - 9/25/16	
	CAMP WAWBEEK	,		10/2/2016	
Х	MADISON	SATURDAY	STATE PRESIDENT VISIT	10/8/2016	
Х	NEENAH	FRIDAY	STATE PRESIDENT VISIT	10/14/2016	
	WAUKESHA	SATURDAY	STATE PRESIDENT VISIT	10/15/2016	
	MARSHFIELD	SATURDAY	STATE PRESIDENT VISIT	10/22/2016	
X	KAUKAUNA	FRIDAY	STATE PRESIDENT VISIT	10/28/2016	
	OSHKOSH	SATURDAY	STATE PRESIDENT VISIT	10/29/2016	
	BARABOO	SATURDAY	STATE PRESIDENT VISIT	11/5/2016	
Х	WATERTOWN	SATURDAY	STATE PRESIDENT VISIT	11/12/2016	
	GREEN BAY	FRIDAY	STATE PRESIDENT VISIT	12/2/2016	
	OCONTO	SATURDAY	STATE PRESIDENT VISIT	12/3/2016	
	ANTIGO	SATURDAY	STATE PRESIDENT VISIT	12/10/2016	
	MARINETTE	SATURDAY	STATE PRESIDENT VISIT	1/7/2017	
	MILWAUKEE	SATURDAY	STATE PRESIDENT VISIT	1/28/2017	
	APPLETON THUR-SUN MID WINTER CONFERENC		MID WINTER CONFERENCE	2/1 - 2/5/17	
	WAUSAU	SATURDAY	STATE HOOP SHOOT	2/11/2017	
	WAUSAU	SATURDAY	STATE PRESIDENT VISIT	2/11/2017	
Х	BEAVER DAM	SATURDAY	STATE PRESIDENT VISIT	2/25/2017	
Х	FOND DU LAC	SATURDAY	STATE PRESIDENT VISIT	3/4/2017	
	MANITOWOC	FRIDAY	STATE PRESIDENT VISIT	3/10/2017	
	SHEBOYGAN	SATURDAY	STATE PRESIDENT VISIT	3/11/2017	
	IOWA CITY	WEEKEND	REGIONAL HOOP SHOOT	3/17 - 3/19/17	
	STEVENS POINT	FRIDAY	STATE PRESIDENT VISIT	3/31/2017	
	WISCONSIN RAPIDS	SATURDAY	STATE PRESIDENT VISIT	4/1/2017	
	PLATTEVILLE	SATURDAY	STATE PRESIDENT VISIT	4/8/2017	
	CHICAGO	WEEKEND	NATIONAL HOOP SHOOT	4/20 - 4/23/17	
L	GREEN BAY	THUR-SUN	SPRING CONVENTION	5/4 - 5/7/17	
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FIRST LADY'S MESSAGE

Hi Ho...Hi Ho...It's Off To Work We Go!

If you have not guessed by the introduction Rob & I love Disney almost as much as Bob & Char!

I would like to thank everyone that has supported Rob & myself over the past few years of touring this great State of Wisconsin.

I have made so many great friends and have had the opportunity to be involved as a member of Beaver Dam #1540 in working on many projects to help our community.



This year Rob & I will be visiting each of your Lodges and I will have a First Lady Pin that is special to me and I will be revealing them at Grand Lodge in Houston. You will find my pin at the Wisconsin booth with a portion of the proceeds going our State Major Project. Following that it will be available as we travel the State.

I will also be doing a fundraiser that will include "Something Special from Beaver Dam" and my proceeds will be going to the WI Benevolent Fund & The Bruckner/Bohnsack Campership Fund. I would like to thank you in advance for helping to support these two great causes.

M I C...see you real soon..... **K E Y**...Why? Because we love you!!

Michelle
Michelle Radig
First Lady, Wisconsin Elks Association

FROM YOUR PRESIDENT-ELECT

To all Elks:



I first want to thank all of the members that voted for me to give me this wonderful opportunity to serve you. I am humbled to be your President-Elect. Both Muriel and myself are looking forward to visiting all of the Lodges with Rob and Michelle this year. We have been making friends for the last two years at all of the Lodges as we visited them with Todd and Leah Kostuck and Tony and Mary Voulgaris. This year we will be with Rob and Michelle

Radig Sr. and hope to make more friends. As we start into our year as President-Elect and First Lady-Elect we are encouraged to talk about charitable giving. As many of you are aware, the more money we can contribute to the Elks National Foundation, the better everything is for us. Every dollar contributed to the ENF goes into a fund and only the profits from that are distributed to our Lodges to support all of our programs that we do in our Lodges. The same goes for the State Benevolent Fund, the principle is never touched. Only the interest and the profit is distributed to our Lodges to fund our programs. All of the grants we get for different causes come from these funds. It is a great way to fund our charitable projects.

As Muriel and I visit the Lodges with Rob and Michelle, we will be listening to your concerns and questions and we will try to act on what we can. All questions and suggestions are welcome.

Thank you again for your confidence in us and we will do our best to earn it and bring it forward.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

George A. Myers

George A. Myers, President-Elect Wisconsin Elks Association E-mail: gmyers9780@gmail.com 715-839-8958

INFORMATION FOR MAKING RESERVATIONS FOR THE FALL CONFERENCE AT THE PAPER VALLEY HOTEL

Radisson Paper Valley Hotel 333 West College Avenue Appleton WI 54911 **ROOM RATES**SINGLE \$97.00
DOUBLE \$97.00

PHONE NUMBER: 920-733-8000

When making your reservation, be sure to let them know that you are with the Wisconsin Elks Association.

The cut-off date for making reservations will be Wednesday, August 17, 2016. After the cut-off date, we cannot guarantee being able to get a room at this rate.

FROM YOUR STATE SPONSOR...

Greetings To All:

I would first like to congratulate all the new officers who have taken the controls of our Lodges and our Districts. Thank you for stepping up to the plate and if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Also, I would like to thank last year's officers for the excellent year we had and look forward to working with all of you in the future.



I know each and everyone's goal is a successful year hitting the goals of the Grand Exalted Ruler and State President in the Elks National Foundation and the Wisconsin State Projects. Also, let's strive this year to try and achieve that one plus member. The Order came very close to having a gain last year so let's all work together to achieve that goal.

As many of us get ready for the Grand Lodge Convention in Houston, Texas, to all those Exalted Rulers, please make all of the sessions and take back to your Lodges ideas that may enhance the operation of your Lodge. For many of you this will be your first Grand Lodge Convention. I remember fondly my first Convention so many, many years ago and I am sure your experience will be as good as mine was.

Looking forward to seeing everyone real soon. Let's all work together for the betterment of our communities and always remember. "Elks Care, Elks Share".

Until then, God Bless.

State Sponsor

Wisconsin Elks Association



SECRETARY OF THE YEAR: DONNA SISLO SUPERIOR ELKS LODGE #403



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ELK LADY OF THE YEAR: NANCY "NANCE" SWANTZ



ELK OF THE YEAR: RON BERTRAND WAUKESHA ELKS LODGE #400

VICE-PRESIDENTS REPORTS

NORTHWEST DISTRICT

By Nate Levenhagen, VP

Hello, my name is Nate Levenhagen from Rice Lake Elks Lodge #1441 Rice Lake, WI. Representing the Great Northwest District of the WEA. I have had the pleasure of meeting many of our local Lodges leaders at the spring Convention in Green Bay, and am looking forward to meeting more of you in Houston at the Grand Lodge Convention.



In the mean time I have already had the pleasure of participating in Eau Claire Lodge #402's Drug Awareness unit in that city's annual Memorial Day parade. Would you please keep me in the loop when your Lodge has a special function, I will try to attend as many as possible. Newsletters by email or snail mail will be greatly appreciated.

When in Houston network with as many Elks as you can. The friendships made and ideas shared will be invaluable and last a lifetime. Bring home these ideas and share with your Lodge and others throughout our district and state. It is through networking and collaboration that our Lodges will continue to grow and prosper.

Thank You for the honor of serving the great Northwest District.

SOUTH DISTRICT



June is here and July will be before we know it, but I hope everyone had a great Memorial Day. Lodges will have had their Flag Day programs and then it will be time to honor our fathers. Kids will be out of school and our families will be starting off on vacations. During this time Lodges will need to work hard at keeping current information to their members as to the events being held at the Lodges. Communication through newsletters and other media will be key to having productive events.

July will start off with celebrations on the Fourth with picnics and parades and fireworks. Also July in our district is State President's visits to Janesville on the 22^{nd} , Walworth-Lakeland on the 23^{rd} , Beloit on the 24^{th} . So there you have a perfect weekend; a fabulous dinner Friday night, a dessert auction Saturday night and a relaxing picnic on Sunday,

I hope everyone has a safe and happy summer. Remember our veterans and keep and extra lookout for children playing in the streets.

Respectfully,

Jeff Boss

VICE-PRESIDENTS REPORTS

CENTRAL DISTRICT



As we enter another year for our district the emphasis is on membership. I believe we have always had a goal of increasing membership we just haven't had the right tools or motivation. If you attended the ER/Leading Knight and Public Relation meetings at the State Convention you had plenty of ideas given to you by an enthusiastic Rick Gather. I know that Parades have been done for Memorial Day and everyone is gearing up for Flag Day, so let's have a great year accomplishing our goals.

Congratulations to all this year's officers. I hope you have a great year and by all means do not hesitate to ask if you have any questions that need answers. So as we go forward this year let us think how can we increase membership, get our message out to the community and most of all, have fun and live like Elks do: 'Proud and Loud'.

Fraternally

Michael
Michael Wright
Central District VP



Pictured above are the newly elected 2016-2017 Officers with State President Rob Radig, Sr. and State President-Elect George Myers.

FLAG DAY 2016



Saturday All Day Event Sept. 10, 2016 16th Annual Appleton Elks Reid Golf Course **Charity Golf Outing**

Scramble Format:

players will drive from the tee box (men from white determined and all four players will move up to that playing from the best lie. Each team will have only tees, women from red tees). The best drive will be club length of the designated best ball., however, it position. Your ball can be repositioned within one may not be moved from rough to fairway or out of a hazard, or moved closer to the hole. All players This event is a four-person scramble. All four one score. Winter Rules apply.

Schedule of Events:

7:45 am - 8:30 am Registration at Reid Golf Course 8:45 am - Event Announcements

with WAPL MC-Len Nelson

At the turn time: Cookout Grill food luncheon 2:30 pm - Cocktails and Soda 9:00 am - Shotgun Start

at Appleton Elks Lodge #337

4:00 pm - Pig Feast Dinner from ABC Pig Roasts 1103 W. College Ave, Appleton, WI Prizes & Winners Announced. Must be present to win or put name & phone # on ticket.

In case of rain, an 18 - Hole Golf & Cart pass will



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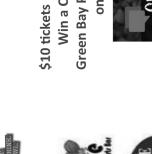
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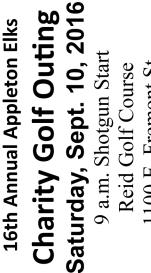


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Grant Programs, Hoop Shoot, Camp Wawbeek Veterans, Scholarship Programs, Vocational Respite Center, Drug Awareness at Schools, Boys & Girls Clubs, etc.

For Questions:

"The Loan Lady" dhinze@americu.com About Sponsorship, Donations, & Golfing Call 24/7: 920-277-7803 Contact Golf Director, Diane Hinze



available.

Green Bay Packer Player Jermichael Finley Win a Chance to golf with Former on the day of our Event.



Official Registration Flyer

Team Members:

Captain	Full Phone #
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Name	Full Phone #

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Email

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Number of Golfers Email

\$75.00 Cost per Golfer:

Total Golf Fees:

Checks Payable to Appleton Elks Golf and mail to Appleton, Wi 54914-5253 Lodge # 920-733-7337 Attention: Diane Hinze 1103 W. College Ave. Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks

prizes and Golfer Raffle items, Hole Sponsors Diane Hinze "The Loan Lady" 920-277-7803 We are in need of the following items: Door dhinze@americu.com. THANK YOU! Contact Golf Director on Cell 24/7 Payable to "Appleton Elks Golf" We Need Your Help!

COME JOIN US FOR A DAY IN THE SUN AS WE CELEBRATE

ELKS CHARITY GOLF OUTING Saturday, September, 10, 2016 **OUR 16TH ANNUAL** 9 a.m. Shotgun Start



Drink Tickets - Pig Feast Dinner at the Lodge - Door Prize Reid Golf Course, 1100 E. Fremont St., Appleton, Wi 18 Holes Green Fees - Cart Rental - Cookout Grill Lunch







Checks are payable to Appleton Elks Golf

Golf Format: Four Person Scramble, Winter Rules Individual Golfers are very welcome - \$75 Golf Fees - Foursome - \$300



Sponsorships:

- Major Hole Sponsor \$500 & Up Eagle Hole Sponsor - \$250
 - Sponsorship Listing Signage on Hole
- Birdie Hole Sponsor \$100 Signage On Hole

Call Diane Hinze 24/7 at 920-277-7803 with any questions



PRE-REGISTRATION FORM – DEADLINE AUGUST 17TH, 2016

FALL CONFERENCE, September 15th – 18th, 2016 Appleton Paper Valley Convention Center PRE-REGISTRATION FORM FOR W.E.A. CONFERENCE (REGISTRATION INFORMATION – PLEASE PRINT)

One form per member, please print

FIRST NAME:	LAST NAME		
ADDRESS:			
LODGE NAME:		_	
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Smoked Turkey Sandwich		@\$15.00	\$
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Grilled Seasonal Vegetable Wrap		@\$15.00	\$
ASSOCIATION LUNCHEON			
Smoked Turkey Sandwich		@\$15.00	\$
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Grilled Seasonal Vegetable Wrap		@\$15.00	\$
SATURDAY NIGHT BANQUET			
Chicken Cordon Bleu		@\$27.00	\$
OR			
Roasted Pork Loin		@\$27.00	\$
OR			
Baked Haddock		@\$27.00	\$
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Make Checks payable to WEA and send to Ken Johnson, State Sec. WEA, 1602 Foothill Avenue, Schofield, WI 54476

LADIES AND ASSOCIATION LUNCHEONS:

Smoked Turkey Breast: provolone cheese, cranberry relish and roasted apple and honey Dijon mayonnaise on a nine grain bun served with potato chips and coffee, tea or milk.

Grilled Seasonal Vegetable Wrap: Grilled marinated vegetables with aged Swiss cheese on a herb wrap served with potato chips and coffee, tea or milk.

SATURDAY NIGHT BANQUET:

Chicken Cordon Bleu: Breaded boneless breast of chicken filled with ham and gruyere cheese, finished with supreme sauce.

Roasted Pork Loin: Slow roasted pork rubbed with honey and thyme and finished with a light supreme sauce. **Baked Haddock:** A boneless haddock filet, baked with lemon pepper and toasted almonds.

All banquet entrees are served with a salad with choice of ranch or French dressing, green beans almandine, rice pilaf, rolls and butter and coffee, tea or milk.

FORMS POSTMARKED AFTER AUGUST 17TH, 2016 WILL BE RETURNED TO SENDER. YOU WILL HAVE TO REGISTER ON SITE AT A FEE OF \$25.00.

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