

# *WISCONSIN ELKS ASSOCIATION*



***2008 CONVENTION PROCEEDINGS  
106<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL SESSION  
MAY 1<sup>ST</sup> THRU MAY 4<sup>TH</sup>, 2008  
HOSTED BY SHEBOYGAN LODGE #299***

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**BUSINESS SESSION**  
**SATURDAY AFTERNOON**  
**MAY 3, 2008**

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** I will now call this Saturday afternoon General Session of the 2008 Wisconsin Elks Association State Convention to order. I will now call upon our State Chaplain, Rev. Michael Hackbarth, to give the Invocation. Please rise and remain standing.

**REV. MICHAEL HACKBARTH:** Let us pray. Direct us, O Lord, in all our doings with Your most gracious favor and further us with Your continual help, that in all our works begun, continued and ended in You, we may glory Your Holy Name. Amen.

**ALL:** Amen.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thank you. Please remain standing. I will now call upon members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #9156 of Sheboygan to Post the Colors. Color Guard, please Post the Colors. Please recite with me the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ALL:** I pledge Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America. And to the Republic, for which it stands, one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** At ease. Please remain standing while I dismiss the Color Guard. Color Guard you're dismissed. Please show your appreciation to VFW Post #9156 Color Guard for presenting the Colors at this General Session. You may be seated if you didn't hear that. Secretary will now take the roll call of officers.

**SECRETARY:** Take the roll call of officers. President Dennis Daly; President-Elect Tom Widzinski; Vice-President Northwest, Ora Payne; Vice-President Northeast, James Burmeister; Vice-President Central, Jackie Heitmann; Vice-President East Central, Don Johnson; Vice-President Southwest, Richard Josephson; Vice-President Southeast, Clyde Kennedy; Secretary, Me; Treasurer, Jeff Langton; Chaplain, Rev. Michael Hackbarth; Tiler, Dale Heitmann; Sergeant of Arms, Donnie Golembiewski; Inner Guard, Don Svoma; Parliamentarian, Bill Forrest; Photographer, Pat Buck; Historian, Ivan Craig; Elks National Home Coordinator, Jim Meyer; Insurance Advisor, Earl Sievwright. And going again, State Trustee Chairman, Earl Sievwright; Trustees John Bennett, Glen Friedl, Todd Kostuck, Joe Klumb, Bill Weinshrott. Grand Lodge District Deputies: Greg Vosswinkel from the Southeast; Southwest, Dave Nitze; East Central, Richard Peterman; Central, James Captain; Northwest, Cindy Duffy; and Northeast, Joe Rossley. Mr. President, the roll has been taken.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thank you. Sergeant of Arms would you please escort the Mayor of Sheboygan, the Honorable Juan Perez, to the podium so he may address the membership.

**MAYOR JUAN PEREZ:** Good afternoon Elks. It's a pleasure and an honor to have you in Sheboygan again. I know three years ago I was at the Elks Lodge to welcome you. We're pleased and honored that you chose Sheboygan again to hold your State Spring Convention. Sheboygan, for those of you who do not know, is about 52,000 people. We have about 14½ square miles in the community; about 201 miles of streets. We have 646 acres of park land green space. We believe that park land is very important to our future and to our children. We have three higher learning institutions here and we have over 50 churches. What I am trying to do is paint to you a brief picture of what Sheboygan is all about. It's a great, great community we hope you will enjoy while you're here. I know you have been here since Thursday, but if you haven't yet, go the John Michael Co-Arts Center, visit our restaurants, visit our riverfront. And the last three years we have added over 200 million dollars in economic development here; the new development its occurred. It's a very vibrant community. It's a bowling community, and it's opened up its arms and welcomes you. So again, welcome to Sheboygan, and we're honored and pleased that you've chosen Sheboygan for your State Spring Convention. Thank you.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thank you, Mayor for taking the time out of your busy schedule to come here today. Chair recognizes Joseph Klumb, a member of the Resolutions and Laws Committee, for a presentation.

**JOSEPH KLUMB, Marinette #1313:** Mayor Perez, in grateful appreciation for the efforts and cooperation of the city officials of the city of Sheboygan in making this 2008 State Convention of the Wisconsin Elks Association successful and memorable for all in attendance we give you this Special Recognition Award, and I thank you personally as well. I've had a wonderful time. Thank you.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thanks, Joe, Sergeant of Arms, please escort the Mayor from the room. Please remember that any time you are addressing the membership or making or seconding a motion, to please state your name and Lodge number. This is important so that the proceedings of the session are recorded accurately. The minutes of the last Wisconsin Elks Association State Convention in Wausau have been published. Are there any additions or corrections to the published minutes? Hearing none, Chair will now entertain a motion to approve the minutes as previously published.

**BOB GREISER, Wausau #248:** I make a motion that we approve the minutes as presented.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Second to the motion?

**CARL KNUESE, Stevens Point #641,** seconds.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** End of discussion. All in favor please indicate by the voting sign of an Elk. Hands down. Motion carried. The chair now recognizes Don Golembiewski, Chairman of the Credentials and Elections Committee, for his preliminary report.

**DON GOLEMBIEWSKI, Wausau Elks #248:** Membership attendance. People who registered previously and at the door, 293. Voting is 236. Thank you.



**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thanks, Don. We will now go directly into the election process. Chair now recognizes William “Bill” Forrest, Parliamentarian, to explain the nomination and election procedure.

**WILLIAM “BILL” FORREST, PARLIAMENTARIAN:** Thank you Dennis. Good afternoon, ladies and gentlemen. Bill Forrest, Wausau #248. The By-Laws of the Wisconsin Elks Association provide for the election of officers and selection of the Convention and the Mid-Winter Conference sites at this Convention. I want to remind everyone, it looks like there may be some contested positions where there could be a run-off. Please make sure that you stay in the room, because if you leave the room during the balloting you will not be permitted back in and so those individuals who are running for office that are expecting full support from the entire membership if lose because you left the room I hope you will feel a little guilty for doing that. Nominations are made from the floor for all elective offices followed by nominations for the Annual Convention and Mid-Winter Conference. In this case, there was only one Mid-Winter and one Convention site proposal. We will not have nominations. Those are automatically awarded at the conclusion, and that will be the Convention to Wausau in the Mid-Winter Conference for 2010 to Stevens Point. Vice-Presidents are nominated and elected only from their corresponding district, which is different than Trustees. Trustees are nominated from a specific district. Everyone in attendance holding voting credentials votes for those, so it is a statewide election process in that one. So please remember that if you do not have a contested office for Vice-President. But there will be an election for Trustee. Only the district people vote for Vice-President but everyone votes for Trustee. So I want to emphasize that so that everyone keeps that in mind. If there are more than two candidates for any position after balloting and if no candidate receives a majority of the votes cast, a run-off election for the office shall be immediately conducted, the voting being on the two candidates receiving the largest number of votes on the first ballot. In the case of a run-off, again, please do not leave the room. After the first ballot, you will not be permitted to re-enter and cast the ballot after that. At conclusion of my instructions, the President will call upon the Committee on Credentials and Elections to supervise and conduct the election and collect and count the ballots. If, at the time of completing the nominations where there is one candidate for any office or Conference and Convention site, the President will direct the Secretary to cast the unanimous ballot for such candidate. For those contested offices, your written ballot will be collected by the Committee on Credentials and Elections. When turning in your ballot, you must accompany it with your voting credential. After the ballots have been collected the regular business of the Convention may proceed until the committee is ready to report the results. Upon completion of the count, the committee will report results of the election. Pursuant to our By-Laws, the committee shall report the number of votes cast for each candidate for office and the number of votes cast for each Lodge bidding, which they don't have to do. Finally, regarding nominations, speeches and seconds, for President-Elect we will permit one nominating speech of not more than three minutes and two seconding speeches of no more than one minute each. For Trustees and Vice- Presidents, one nominating speech of no more than one minute and one seconding speech of no more than one minute will be permitted. In other cases, seconding speeches are optional. Mr. President, I move for adoption of these rules for the nominations.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thank you, Bill. Is there a second?  
I feel like Lance Pliml so close to the mike.

**BOB GREISER,** Wausau #248: I second that motion.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thank you. Any discussion. All those in favor vote by the voting sign of an Elk. Hands down. Opposed. Same sign. Motion carried. Thanks. Chair now recognizes Don Golembiewski for any addition instructions to the voting delegates.

**DON GOLEMBIEWSKI:** Don Golembiewski, Wausau #248: When you members finish voting, we'll have two members come down the center aisle, one on each side. We'll have a member at the head table to pick up the ballots. You can send them either way. Thank you, Dennis.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thanks Don. I will now entertain nominations and seconds for the office of State President-Elect.

**DAVE MADSON,** Sheboygan #299. I put in the name of Ken Bruckner for nomination for President-Elect. The officers and members of Sheboygan Lodge #299 have recognized and appreciated the dedication and leadership provided by Ken to his Lodge, district and State Association. He was initiated to Sheboygan Lodge in 1993 where he has served with distinction on many committees, proceeding through the chairs, serving as Exalted Ruler for the year 2001 and 2002, and currently serves as Trustee of that Lodge. He has served the Wisconsin Elks Association in many capacities, including the Veteran Service Committee, and was elected and served for two years as Vice-President of East Central. Everybody in Sheboygan Lodge unanimously supports, and I hope you all support, Ken Bruckner President-Elect.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Is there a second for that nomination?

**MIKE WIRTH,** Sheboygan #299: It is an honor and privilege to second the nomination of Ken Bruckner. Ken and his wife, Rogene, will make excellent President-Elect and First Lady-Elect. Ken's dedication to Elkdom will be put to good use during his term.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Do we have any other seconds for that nomination? Are there any other nominations for President-Elect? Are there any other nominations for President-Elect? Are there any other nominations for President-Elect? I will now open nominations for Vice Presidents starting with the Northwest. Are there any nominations for Vice-President Northwest? Vice-President Northeast?

**BOB HACKL,** Two Rivers #1380: Speaking on behalf of the nomination of Joe Rossley for Vice-President Northeast. He is not only an accomplished Elk, he is the only one silly enough to volunteer for the position.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thank you, Bob. Do we have a second for that nomination?

**JIM BURMEISTER,** Marinette #1313: I second the nomination of Joe Rossley for Vice-President, Northeast.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thanks, Joe. Are there any other nominations for Vice-President, Northeast? Are there any other nominations for Vice-President, Northeast? Are there any other nominations for Vice-President Northeast? Vice-President, Central.

No jokes, this is being recorded. **LANCE PLIML** Wisconsin Rapids #693: It's my distinct pleasure to place in nomination the name of Myron Keding for office of Vice-President Central District. Myron has obviously served as a Past Exalted Ruler and as a District Deputy in our district. He has done an outstanding job, but more importantly, his vision, his energy and his wisdom would be appreciated in that office in the future. So I would honorably place that name in nomination. Thank you.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Do we have a second for that nomination?

**KYLE KRONIN,** Wisconsin Rapids #693 seconds that. Myron would be great.



**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Are there any other nominations for Vice-President Central? Any other nominations for Vice-President Central? Any other nominations for Vice-President, Central? Vice-President, East Central.

**DON SEARS,** Fond du Lac #57. It's an honor today to place in nomination for Vice-President East Central a gentlemen and a good Elk. I happen to have had the honor of bringing him into Elkdom and I was the one that got him active in the chairs. He has one gigantic problem and I know that every Elk in Fond du Lac knows this. He does not know how to say no. So when we wanted something done, it was always, "Bob will do it" and he did a great job. I know he will serve our Order as Vice-President so I put the name of Bob Bohnsack Vice President, East Central.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Is there a second for that nomination?

**NORM BEHNKE,** Fond du Lac #57 seconds that nomination of Bob Bohnsack for Vice-President East Central.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Are there any other nominations for Vice-President East Central? Any other nominations for Vice-President East Central? Any other nominations for Vice-President East Central? Vice-President Southwest.

**PAT NITZE,** Janesville #254. I nominate Kay Fulton for the position of Vice- President Southwest District. Kay joined the Elks in 2000 and was the exalted ruler in 2007-2008. She is very active in support of our drug awareness program and has a strong commitment to the Veterans. Kay is very dedicated, hard working and an honorable person who truly believes in the Elks and promoting what we stand for; Charity, Justice and Brotherly Love. This is why I strongly nominate Kay Fulton for Vice-President of Southwest District.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thank you. Do we have a second for that nomination? Are there any other nominations for Vice-President Southwest Are there any other nominations for Vice-President Southwest? Any other nominations for Vice-President Southwest? Vice-President Southeast?

**JERRY CROUSE,** Waukesha #400: It is my distinct honor and indeed pleasure to nominate Dave Bohn for the Vice-President Southeast. His qualifications are very impressive. Past Exalted Ruler of Milwaukee Lodge #46 1999-2000, member of the Elks for 28 years, secretary of Milwaukee Lodge from 2001 to present. He is a leader in new member recruitment for the Milwaukee Lodge, outgoing Commander in Chief for the Wisconsin Scottish Rights, and an active fund raiser for Elks Charity Mac Fund, Special Olympics, Wisconsin Heart Association, Leukemia Society, United Cerebral Palsy and the Shriner Hospital. Thank you.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Is there a second for that nomination?

**JOHN BRUNO,** Waukesha #400. I am privileged to second the motion of Dave to the present position that he has requested. Thank you.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Are there any other nominations for Vice-President Southeast?

**KEITH SIMMONS,** Walworth-Lakeland #2201: It is my distinct pleasure to nominate from Milwaukee Lodge #46 Lisa Kromraj for the office of Vice-President Southeast She is a Past Exalted Ruler, she is very active in the community and also in the State Association and her

own Lodge. Professionally, Lisa holds a Master of Education degree from Cambridge College. She is currently a teacher and transition coordinator at the Alliant School at Milwaukee. Lisa is an accomplished public speaker, a publicized officer, a well-organized administrator and a confident decision maker. The credentials of Lisa Kromraj make her the ideal choice for Vice-President Southeast. Thank you.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Is there a second for that nomination?

I'm **GAIL TALECK**, of Racine #252. I second the nomination of Lisa Kromraj for Vice-President Southeast District. Lisa brings to our district experience, creative ideas and positive attitude. Through experience she knows the advantage of sharing information and uniting activities in the Southeast District. One example is her interest in the youth of our Lodges. She has attempted to organize the youth activities for the Southeast District. Knowing our youth is a major change to promoting Elkdom by uniting this group, she has sparked an interest in our future Elk leaders. Lisa is an asset to the district. It is time for her to move towards new challenges, bringing with her many talents and ideas, along with her ability to share information for the benefit of our district. Therefore, I second the nomination for Lisa for Vice-President of the Southeast District.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thank you. I will go back before we conclude the Vice-Presidents. Are there any nominations for Vice-President Northwest. Are there any nominations for Vice-President Northwest? Are there any nominations for Vice-President Northwest?

**BILL FORREST**, Wausau #248 State Parliamentarian: We will keep the position open. We just had a real quick side bar; we will keep the position open so that as the rest of the nominations occur, if there is a change of heart from anyone in the Northwest District that would be interested in filling the position we will go back and get a nomination for that before all of the nominations are closed. Absent nomination, the Trustees will appoint someone from the Northwest District pursuant to our By-Laws. Thank you.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** I will now open nominations for State Treasurer.

**JERRY CROUSE**, Waukesha #400. It is my distinct honor and deep pleasure to place the name of Jeff Langton for State Treasurer.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Are there any other nominations for Treasurer? Are there any other nominations for State Treasurer? Are there any other nominations for State Treasurer? I will now open nominations for State Chaplain.

**TERRY SHOEMAKER**, Fond du Lac #57. I have distinct honor and privilege of nominating a very good friend of mine, and a good Elk, for our Chaplain, Mike Hackbarth, he is also the best banjo playing Deacon I know.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Are there any other nominations for State Chaplain? Are there any other nominations for State Chaplain? Are there any other nominations for State Chaplain? I now open nominations for State Tiler.

**MIKE REBHahn**, Wausau #248: I am deeply honored to place in nomination, the name of Dale Heitmann for State Tiler of the Wisconsin Elks Association. Dale has served in that role for the previous year and I know he will continue to do a great job. Thank you.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Are there any other nominations for State Tiler? Are there any other nominations for State Tiler? Are there any other nominations for State Tiler? I now open nominations for State Sergeant-At-Arms.

**KEN JOHNSON,** State Secretary, Wausau #248. He's done a tremendous job, he's asked me to nominate him because I'm one of the few people that can say Don Golembiewski.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Are there any other nominations for State Sergeant-At-Arms? Are there any other nominations for State Sergeant-At-Arms? Are there any other nominations for State Sergeant-At-Arms? I now open nominations for State Inner Guard.

**KEITH SIMMONS,** Walworth Lakeland #2201. It's my honor and privilege to make a nomination for a very fine Elk, Terry Thompson from Janesville Lodge #254 for the position of Inner Guard for the State of Wisconsin. Terry has the experience and the dedication to further the works of the Wisconsin Elks Association. Brother Terry has served his Lodge for over 17 years as Exalted Ruler, Chaplain, Tiler, Loyal Knight and so on. He is currently serving as four-year Trustee. He served on many committees in the Lodge, both financial and social. Terry is also past Vice-President of the Southwest District. He has been working on state committees. He had the honor to design the State Major Project bin that was sold to support our fund raising for Camp Wawbeek at the Grand Lodge Convention last July. He is serving now as Secretary to the District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler from the Southwest. Terry would appreciate your vote and would serve as an officer of the Lodge of the State Association of the State Inner Guard. Thank you.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Are there any other nominations for State Inner Guard? Are there any other nominations for State Inner Guard? Are there any other nominations for State Inner Guard?

**DAVE MADSON,** Sheboygan #299: It is my honor and pleasure to put the name of Barb Berres in nomination for Inner Guard. She has been Past-Exalted Ruler of Racine Lodge, serving for the 2007 and 2008 Lodge year. She has been a member of that Lodge for six years. She started a dictionary program for Racine Lodge #252 and distributed almost 1,600 dictionaries to Racine area third graders. She has taken part in many Lodge activities in recent years, including scholarship judging, Soccer Shoot-Out, Hoop Shoot, Constitution contests, Veterans activities and many other fund raisers. She also has done a lot of functions at the Lodge with her husband, who has been a member of that Lodge for many years. She has helped him and done many things for him while he has been a member of the Elks Lodge. She has done many activities and she is willing to enhance, to help and do all the things for the Wisconsin Elk Association. It is my honor to put her name in for nomination. Thank you.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Are there any other nominations for State Inner Guard?

**GLENN FRIEDL,** Watertown #666: It is my privilege and honor to nominate this individual. Last year at this Convention I referred to her as a recharger from Colorado, if some of you people remember that incident. It is a case that she is still recharging. Not only does she recharge herself but she recharged the activities of the Watertown Lodge. Her background as far as academics and also her business background is tremendously outstanding. She holds a summa cum laude Masters Degree from the University of Colorado. She has also been Director of Training and Development for an international company, plus the Director of Human Resources. Since she got back to Watertown, she started her own insurance agency, which she owns and operates. It is a privilege to nominate Diane Kennedy for the position of Inner Guard. She has been a Leading Knight, a Loyal Knight and served as Exalted Ruler at our Lodge. She has been

on the state Officers Training Committee and has been appointed for this coming year as the chairman of the Officer Training Committee. Ladies and gentlemen, would you please join the Watertown Lodge in electing Dianne Kennedy for the position of Inner Guard. Thank you.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Are there any other nominations for State Inner Guard? Are there any other nominations for State Inner Guard? Are there any other nominations for State Inner Guard? I now open nominations for State Trustee for Central District.

**RAY DABLER,** Wausau #248: It gives me pleasure to nominate Mike Rebhahn for Trustee. The officers, members and Past Exalted Rulers Association of Wausau have endorsed him. Mike retired after teaching world history for 38 years so will give him a lot of time to work on the finances of our Association. He went through the chairs of Exalted Ruler in 1995 - '96. He was Vice-President Central District and served as Auditor to the District Deputy, Dale Heitmann. It gives me great pleasure to nominate Mike.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Is there a second to that nomination?

**DALE HEITMANN,** Wausau #248: On behalf of Wausau Lodge 248, the peers of Wausau #248, we fully support Mike Rebhahn for the position of Trustee. He has done an excellent job not only for our Lodge but working on state committees for the state and we fully endorse him and we ask for your support also. Thank you.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Are there any other nominations for State Trustee, Central District? Any other nominations for State Trustee Central? Any other nominations for State Trustee, Central? Now open nominations for State Trustee, East Central.

**JON LAFLIN,** Neenah Menasha #676: It is a distinct honor and privilege for me to nominate a fellow member of Neenah Menasha Lodge. He is our State Photographer. Pat Buck has worked diligently for our Lodge, for the State Association, travels to many, many State Presidents visits and is a dedicated Elk and a true friend. I nominate Pat Buck for Trustee East Central. Thank you.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Is there a second for that nomination. Are there any other nominations for State Trustee, East Central? Any other nominations for State Trustee, East Central? In case some of you might have thought that we missed the State Secretary, don't forget that last year that went to a two year term so we don't have to nominate and elect a State Secretary this year. There is only one proposal submitted as Bill said before for the 2010 Mid-Winter Conference at Stevens Point. One for the 2010 Convention at Wausau. So a nomination vote on those selection sites will not be necessary. I will now entertain a motion to close the nominations.

**CARL KNUESE,** Stevens Point #641 so moves.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Second to that motion.

**PAT MOORE,** Milwaukee #46 seconds the motion.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Any discussion. All those in favor, vote by the voting sign of the Elk. Hands down, Opposed. Same sign. Motion carried. I will entertain a motion to order the State Secretary to record a unanimous ballot for all the candidates who were nominated without opposition. In the site of the 2010 Mid-Winter Conference to be hosted by Stevens Point #641 and the 2010 State Convention to be hosted by Wausau Lodge #248.

**DAVE DEROSIER**, Milwaukee #46 so moves that the Secretary cast unanimous ballot for all uncontested positions but himself.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** We didn't need that because he is not running this year. Is there a second to that motion?

**RAY DABLER**, Wausau #248 seconds that.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Any discussion? All in favor please indicate by the voting sign of an Elk. Hands down. Opposed? Motion carried. Just a reminder, everyone is casting your vote for the position of state Inner Guard, there are three candidates for that position. At this time I would ask that those three candidates please come forward so that they can be recognized. They are Barb Berres, Racine Lodge #252; Dianne Kennedy, Watertown Lodge #666; and Terry Thompson, Janesville Lodge #254. And this is the position for State Inner Guard. Dianne, Barb, & Terry. Thank you. Don't forget when you address this assembly, please go to the microphone and identify yourself. And members of the Southeast District are voting for either Dave Bohn or Lisa Kromraj. Both from Milwaukee Lodge #46 for the position of Southeast Vice-President. I don't believe Dave is here but would Lisa please stand up and be recognized. Reminder, please stay in the room; do not leave. Remember, once you leave this area you will not be permitted to re-enter until the voting is completed. The chair now recognizes Don Golembiewski for final instructions to the voting delegates.

**DON GOLEMBIEWSKI**, Wausau #248. Just remember when you members are finished voting, you pass your ballots either way and when you do that use your official card and you rip off one end of this little card and pass it down with your big card.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** One end of this little blue card.

**DON GOLEMBIEWSKI**, Wausau #248. Yes Sir.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** The one that says voting credential.

**DON GOLEMBIEWSKI**, Wausau #248. Yes, Sir. And as far as the Vice-President goes, make sure you fill out the one if you're from the Southeast District.

**DON GOLEMBIEWSKI**, Wausau #248. Pass that down, also. That concludes my report.

**BILL FORREST**, Wausau #248: Thank you Don, please vote. Could I have your attention for just a minute? Again, I remind you that because we have three candidates, there is a potential run-off, so anyone leaving the room, Sergeant-At-Arms, Tiler and Inner Guard will be instructed to lock the doors and permit no one else to enter until the ballots are collected. If there is a run-off no one will be permitted to re-enter until the run-off ballot is collected, counted and the results announced. So please do not leave the room unless you do not intend to participate in the run-off ballot. We still have the opening for Vice-President, Northwest. I think, Don, before you leave the room to count the ballots, we want to call for one more opportunity for a nomination for the position of Vice-President Northwest. And again, if we do not have a nomination, the Trustees, according to the By-Laws, will be responsible for appointing the Vice-President from the Northwest. So I hope that vacancy will be addressed and be addressed immediately. Thank you.



**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thank you, Bill. Is there any nomination for Vice- President, Northwest? Did I hear a nomination for Dave DeRosier, Superior Lodge? Nominations for Vice-President, Northwest. Nominations for Vice-President, Northwest. Nominations are closed. While we're waiting for the results of the election from the Credentials and Elections Committee, we will continue the session with committee reports. Committees will be called by the numerical number by which they are listed in the directory. However, before we start with any committee report, we will start with the proposed budget from the State Trustees and then the proposed By-Law changes. State Trustee report, Earl Sievwright. Before Earl gets started, our State Secretary, Ken Johnson, has something he would like to bring before the membership.

**STATE SECRETARY KEN JOHNSON:** Thank you. You know there is a lot of history that happened today and I'm Ken Johnson, State Secretary, Wausau #248. But this is one of the first times that probably, most of us here, have ever seen the Central District Trustee have a name other than Earl Sievwright. Earl Sievwright has just been serving it longer than most of us have been members. So at this time, I would like to make a motion that whereas, Earl Sievwright has been a Trustee for 29 years; Earl has been Chairman of the Trustees for 26. Let it be known that the Wisconsin Elks Association cannot thank him enough for all the services he has done for this Association. Therefore, I propose Earl Sievwright be named Trustee Emeritus and, henceforth, his registration for all Conferences and Conventions be paid for by the State Association.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** I call Jeff Langton. Would you second that motion?

**JEFF LANGTON,** Waukesha #400 seconds.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** A motion has been made and seconded, is there any discussion? All those in favor, vote by the voting sign of an Elk. Hands down. Opposed. Please give Earl a standing ovation. Now, Earl, it's your turn.

**EARL SIEVWRIGHT,** Stevens Point #641, Chairman of the State Trustees, lame duck. The Trustees met yesterday morning bright and early and prepared the budget, a copy of which you all have in your hands or in your briefcase or you have already thrown it out. I would like to start with just a few remarks about the budget, if everyone would look at the administrative part of the budget, that's the long one, and if you have trouble reading yours you may come and read off of mine. If you would look at the very right hand bottom corner, we will start off with the investments that the State of Wisconsin presently have. We have in our regular money market, \$13,846.44. We have invested with A. G. Edwards, now known as Wachovia, \$198,259.19 We have a checking balance of a minus \$1,987.21, and if you know how Jeff Langton, who you just re-elected keeps his books, he doesn't ever put a nickel in the checkbook that isn't necessary. That gives us total assets of the state of \$210,118.42. If you just go up the line a little bit, you will see that we are proposing or we have income this year, from the money market, we are actually taking some money out to balance the administrative budget we are taking out a proposed \$15,000. Per capita dues this year were \$42,480.00. Our proposed investment income is \$17,500.00 our total estimated income for the year is \$74,980.00. The expenses are all itemized starting in the upper right hand corner and I don't think any of them need a lot of discussion at this time. If you will then turn over to the other side, turn the paper crosswise instead of straight up and down, in case you're having any problem. And again, let's go to the bottom first and look to see where the money is coming from. The first item is the Elks National Vet Service Commission. This is an in and out account the Grand Lodge sends directly to us on a quarterly basis and totals up to \$11,280.00. We received or will be receiving a Special Projects Grant of \$134,580.00. You'll notice that's approximately \$5,000,00 more than last year. We're getting a State Charities Grant. That's our direct one from the Elks National Foundation. This year we are getting \$71,500.00. We received last year \$72,290.00. Slight decrease. The Bonus



Grant this year is \$12,450.00. Last year it was \$24,890.00 so we're getting only about half as much from that. The State Wisconsin Benevolent Fund is giving us \$105,000.00 and that totals... I got one more number here, from the money market, we have a carry-over from last year of unspent funds of \$22,489.15 and when we have an overage in our charitable account, we must spend it in the following year. That total is \$357,299.15. If you look up above, that's what our proposed budget totals. So, we will be presenting a balanced budget and for the purpose of discussion, I move for it acceptance.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Is there a second to that motion?

**BOB GRIESER,** Wausau #248 seconds that motion.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Any discussion on the budget? Or the budget item number or amounts. If not, all those in favor, vote by the voting sign of an Elk. Hands down. Opposed. Motion carried.

**EARLE SIEVWRIGHT,** Stevens Point #641: Thank you. That concludes my report for the day.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thank you Earl. At this time, we will discuss and vote on the proposed By-Law changes as published on our state website. I will now call on our State Secretary, Ken Johnson, to make the motion to accept the changes.

**STATE SECRETARY KEN JOHNSON,** Wausau #248: The amendments have been published on the website and they have been mailed out or distributed to anyone that has requested it. I've got a copy in the hotel room for those of you who have requested it so at this time, I move for the adoption of the By-Law amendments.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** I'll call on Dave Madson to second.

**DAVE MADSON,** Sheboygan #299, Chairman of the By-Laws Review Committee seconds the motion.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thank you. Before any discussion I'd like to call on Joe Klumb, a member of the Resolutions and Laws Committee, for opinion on the proposed changes.

**JOE KLUMB,** Marinette #1313: The Resolution and Laws Committee has reviewed the proposed By-Laws changes. We've made some suggestions to the Committee that was revising the By-Laws, and we find that the By-Law changes are appropriate.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Before discussion and without any objection from the floor these are the rules for debate. For discussion, we will allow, if necessary, 15 minutes for the total discussion on the proposed changes and each person gets a limit of two minutes. We will go pro and con as we go through any discussion. I have asked Dave DeRosier to act as Parliamentarian, for this discussion only, to avoid any conflict of interest as Bill Forrest has been on the By-Law Committee for a number of years. If there are no objections, we will now start the discussion, if there is any.

**STATE SECRETARY KEN JOHNSON,** Wausau #248: We would just like to bring forth that this is a work in progress. Some of the things this committee really tried to accomplish is getting rid of the male term and get rid of the him and the her or his and hers and, in lieu of comedy, we have it that Dave Madson and I have worked hard. Let me just say we got rid of 40 hims and

hers. We thought we were doing good until Bob Hackl had to find another 24. Now those will go away as we do the final report. The other thing we are trying to do is get some uniformity to some of the committees and to “same Jane” some of the direction that the President-Elect is getting on committee appointments. Again, it’s not broke, but we’re trying to fix it. It’s been a long time since we have had a By-Laws review and amendment. Again, a work in progress, we’re going to keep coming back for a while until we get them totally done.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thanks Ken. Is there any other discussion? All those in favor, please vote by the voting sign of an Elk. Hands down. Opposed. Motion carried. Thank you. Before we continue with committee reports, what we will do is have the members approve all of the reports at one time and we will do that at the conclusion of the reports today and then we will do it again at the conclusion of all reports tomorrow. I’d like to remind you of any action regarding expenditures, budgeting or other action will require a motion so the committee chairperson or the person giving the report will make a motion at that time. If there are no objections to this procedure, we will continue with the reports. Please keep your reports short and to the point, but do not omit anything of importance. I’m going to call one committee out of order. First I’m going to call on Youth Activities, which will be followed by the Advisory.

Thank you, **CARL KNUESE**, Stevens Point #641. Youth Activities Committee met and once again had way more visitors than we had members. A brief soccer report was given by Jim Mafredas and a brief golf report was given by Nick McCauley. The packets will be here for this conference and the event will be in Marshfield on July 22<sup>nd</sup>. Arlyn Clarksen from Waukesha announced that Jim Doyle, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, does hereby proclaim the first week in May as Elks National Youth Week.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Advisory followed by Auditing.

**DAVE MADSON**, Sheboygan #299: Ron Bertrand, the current chairman, will give his report tomorrow.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Auditing, followed by Resolutions and Laws.

**AL HAMELE**, Portage #675: The Auditing Committee met. Eight persons were present, mostly guests. An extended discussion on the committee audits resulted in an incomplete report that will be continued in the final report that will be submitted at a later date to the Trustees. Thank you.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Resolutions and Laws, followed by Membership and Lapsation.

**JOE KLUMB**, Marinette #1313: Resolutions By-Laws committee met this morning and Chuck Hoornstra our chairman was absent. Bob Goetsch stood in for him. There were two members present. One guest. Discussion was relative to the By-Laws which I previously mentioned. The balance of my report will go on with the secretary.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thanks Joe. Membership and Lapsation followed by Lodge Development.

**BOB BOHNSACK**, Fond du Lac #57 for the Membership Committee. We met this morning and we had a very lively discussion. I am very thankful for all the people who do show up at this meeting; it’s an incredible sharing of ideas. One of my intents this year, along with Shirley Bittorf’s help, is to get these ideas out to all the Lodges. I understand not everyone gets a chance

to come. I do encourage you to please, over the course of time at the Conferences and Conventions, to please come to this meeting. It is really a great sharing opportunity; we all learn a lot from it for ideas on how to increase our membership and for this great organization. My report will be on file with the secretary.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thank you, Bob. For those of you that weren't aware, Bob, I appreciate you being here today. Bob's mother just passed away and was buried in this church yesterday. Thank you for being here today, Bob.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Lodge Development, followed by Business Practices.

**STEVE ROBERGE,** Rice Lake #1441, Lodge Development: We met this morning. The main part of the meeting was talk about the preliminary and organization steps taken to reform Lodges and open new Lodges. We are currently waiting for a reply from our Honorable Sabin for the go-ahead to start the preliminary steps to re-open the La Crosse Lodge. The rest of my report is on file with the Secretary.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Publicity and Public Relations, followed by Conferences and Conventions.

**CINDY DUFFY,** Rice Lake #1441: We had a really good meeting this morning. The proclamation that was read from Governor Doyle was because of Arlyn Clarksen from Waukesha Lodge. He has gone over and above everything helping with the Committee, and he doesn't know it but I think writing letters just became his permanent job. Also, we are trying to get the word out to everyone in the state and across the nation and to the Public Relations Committees. We want to do that by, the first step, most of our projects are towards our youth and what better place to do that is in the schools. So we have decided, and made a motion today, to spend some money and put a booth at the State Teachers Convention this fall. Hopefully, this will get the word out to our teachers, who will take it back to our youth. The rest of my report is on file with the Secretary.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thank you. I believe I skipped the Business Practices so if someone from Business Practices is here. They will be followed by Conferences and Conventions.

**TERRY SHOEMAKER,** Fond du Lac #57 from Business Practices. Thank you. We had a nice discussion this morning. I would like to thank, again, my sponsor, Jerry Crouse, and my Vice-Chairman for their support through all the years, and I would also like to thank Earle. Again, thank you very much for all you have done for all of us. The rest of my report is on file with the Secretary.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Now, Conferences and Conventions followed by Lodge Activities.

**FRANK HAFFNER,** Neenah-Menasha #676, Conferences and Conventions. My report is on file with the Secretary.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Lodge Activities followed by Officer Training. We're moving along quite well; just be ready.

**DAVID CRARY,** Madison #410: Lodge Activities. We had four members and 13 guests. Very interesting discussions and the rest of my report is on file with the Secretary.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thank you. Officer Training, followed by E.R./Leading Knights Advisory.

**DON SVOMA,** Waukesha #400, Officers Training: We had a meeting this morning. We had only three committeemen in attendance. It kind of bothered me until I found out that we had 23 guests. This is the important thing for our committee, the guests we get in. That way we know that the members of this organization are interested in the officers training. I have certificates I handed out to the Lodges. I have three left for Wausau, Oconto and Marinette. If someone from those three Lodges would see me in the back of the room I would appreciate it. At this time, I would like to ask the State President-Elect if he would get his Vice-Presidents this year more involved in this officers training so that the State of Wisconsin can be recognized by the Grand Lodge with 100 percent participation in the training test. That way we would have at least one from every Lodge, so that we can have 100 percent participation. I am going off the committee this year as the chairman. Our new chairman is going to be Dianne Kennedy. Please support her as you have me in the past. Also we advise the officers who were at that meeting to check the new Ritual Manuals. There are changes in the movements in the Opening and Closing. That is the floor work. It is a lot more impressive if you use those changes, and also there are some word changes in the Opening and Initiation. The rest of my report is on file with the Secretary.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thank you. I see that Don is in the back of the room. I will now call on Don Golembiewski, chairman of the Credentials and Elections Committee to announce the results of the election.

**DON GOLEMBIEWSKI,** Wausau #248: We will start with the Southeast VP: Lisa 33, Dave 24. State Inner Guard: Diane 108, Terry 60, Barb 30. Now the votes that were cast were 198, out of a possible 236. People are not here or whatever they are, Dave, I don't know where they are at. The way I got this figured out, Diane had 54.5%. Terry had 30 and Barb had 15. Concludes my report.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thank you Don. Thank you committee. I would now like the newly elected state officers to please stand and be recognized. All of them. Ladies and gentlemen, thank you. These are your new state officers for 2008-2009. I wish all of you a very good year in office. Please don't forget the trust that the members of the Wisconsin Elks Association have placed in you. Does anyone want to continue with the committee reports, or do want to suspend the reports at this time. We'll continue with them tomorrow morning. OK. We will now suspend the committee reports. And I would entertain a motion to accept the reports that have been given today. Second to that motion?

**PAT MOORE,** Milwaukee #46 seconds the motion.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Any discussion? All those in favor, vote by the voting sign of an Elk. Hands down. Opposed. Motion carried. We will continue with the committee reports at the General Session starting promptly at 8:30 tomorrow morning. We will be meeting at the Sheboygan Lodge. It is now my pleasure to introduce your President-Elect, Tom Widzinski, for any remarks.

**PRESIDENT-ELECT TOM WIDZINSKI:** Thank you Dennis. Let me begin by thanking all those who have been so gracious to place their name in nomination this afternoon for a state office. I thank all of you for taking time to exhibit the fact that you are willing to work for our State Association. Also, congratulations to all of the newly elected officers who will help serve and guide our Association through the year ahead. I would also like to extend my thanks, sincere thanks, to all of the committee chairman who have volunteered to serve our Association in their

various capacities for the year ahead. While I have mixed emotions, and I will talk more this evening, on my feelings for the upcoming year, I feel very confident that we are going to have a very prosperous year for the members of our Association. So I thank you very much for electing to stand forward and come forward to serve our members. Also, I have been asked to have the Trustees, if we could meet over in this corner, over towards our State Secretary, following the meeting. They have to conduct a short meeting to elect their officers for the year ahead, so please all State Trustees, meet over by our State Secretary. Thank you again for serving our Association and its members.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thanks Tom. It will just be a couple of minutes, so if you could just bear with us. Would our new President-Elect care to say a few words?

**KEN BRUCKNER,** Sheboygan #299: Thank you. Thanks Dennis. I'm going to make this real short. Thank you very much for your support this year as I traveled with the current President and the President-Elect. It was a great experience. I'm looking forward to working with all of you again next year and the following year. And thanks for accepting Rogene and me as we came to your Lodges to visit, other than those that we couldn't make because of inclement weather. Thank you very much.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Okay, some quick announcements. Our State Chaplain, Rev. Michael Hackbarth, will conduct the Prayer Service at 5:00 pm today here at First United Lutheran Church. Banquet this evening will be held at Sheboygan Elks Lodge. Cocktail hour will be from 6:00 to 7:00 with the Banquet starting at 7:00. Attire for the evening will be business suit or red jackets for the men, appropriate dress for the ladies. Are there any other announcements at this time? Any other announcements? Yes sir. Wait. Dave?

**DAVE ASSMANN,** Waukesha #400: On behalf of the request of the President, the Major Project drawing will be held before the General Session tomorrow morning. So if you have any tickets make sure we get them in tonight or if you want to buy any before the 8:00 session tomorrow morning.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Was there some other announcement in the back there? Hearing none, I will now call on our State Chaplain, The Rev. Michael Hackbarth, for the Benediction.

**REV. MICHAEL HACKBARTH:** Heavenly Father, You manifest in Your servants the sign of Your presence sent forth upon us; the spirit of love that in companionship with one another Your abounding grace may increase among us. Amen.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thank you Rev. Hackbarth. This concludes the Saturday Afternoon General Session of 2008 Annual Convention Wisconsin Elks Association.

**BUSINESS SESSION  
SUNDAY MORNING  
MAY 4, 2008**

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** I would like to remind you that before stating your reports or addressing the assembly to make sure that you state your name and Lodge number before addressing this body. I will now call the Sunday Morning General Session of the 2008 State Convention of the Wisconsin Elks Association to Order. State Chaplain, the Rev. Michael Hackbarth, would you please give the Invocation?

**REV. MICHAEL HACKBARTH:** Almighty and everlasting Father, You have given the Holy Spirit to abide with us forever. Bless, we pray, with His grace and presence the delegates assembled here in Your name that this Elks Association, being preserved in true faith and Godly discipline, may fulfill all that You desire in us. Guide us in our decisions that we may do what is right for the benefit of our Order of Elks, and for the benefit of those whom we seek to serve. This in Your name we pray. Amen

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** I will now call on the Color Guard from the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #9156 of Sheboygan to Post the Colors. Please salute our Flag. Post the Colors. Please recite with me the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ALL:** I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America. And to the Republic for which it stands, one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all. At ease. Please remain standing while I dismiss the Color Guard. Color Guard is dismissed. Please give the Sheboygan Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #9156 your applause for presenting the Colors. The State Secretary will now take the roll call of officers.

**SECRETARY KEN JOHNSON:** Everyone that is supposed to be here is here. Roll has been taken.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thank you Ken. The chair now recognizes Joseph Klumb, a member of the Resolutions and Laws Committee for a presentation. Come on forward. Exalted Ruler, Doug Grube, would you please approach the podium for a presentation?

**JOSEPH KLUMB,** Marinette #1313: Doug, I would personally like to thank you for a wonderful weekend and the Elks Association, Exalted Ruler Doug Grube, Sheboygan Lodge #299, "In grateful appreciation for the efforts and cooperation of Exalted Ruler Douglas Grube and all the members and spouses of Sheboygan Lodge #299 in making this 2008 State Convention of the Wisconsin Elks Association successful and memorable for all in attendance." Thank you Doug. Thank you very much.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thanks Joe. Doug, are there any comments that you would like to make at this time?

**DOUG GRUBE:** Thank you, Dennis. Thank you all for coming to the Convention. Very true; a memorable Convention. Our Convention Committee did a fantastic job. I think you all agree on that and this certainly proves it. They deserve this. This goes to every member of Sheboygan Lodge #299. Thank you.



**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thank you Doug. At this time I would also like to thank Sheboygan Lodge #299 for hosting this Convention. I'm sure everyone in attendance has had a great time this weekend. We will now continue with the committee reports. As a reminder, we will again approve all of the committee reports at the conclusion of all the reports this morning unless it involves an expenditure or other committee action, and then a motion will be made by the committee person giving the report and acted upon. We will start with the final report from Earl Sievwright and the State Trustees for Earl's final report.

Good Morning, **EARL SIEVWRIGHT**, Stevens Point #641, Chairman of the Trustees, very lame duck this morning. The Trustees on Friday, besides doing the budget, had one other prime piece of business that we talked about and that was Lodge Grants. Lodge Grants are available from the time of this Convention until December 31 of 2008. Please apply for these as soon as possible. Last year, an unbelievable amount of Lodges, 11, did not apply for Lodge Grants and left that money right on the table that they could have used for charitable works in their community. After the election yesterday, the Trustees met and elected new officers. The new Chairman of the Trustees is Todd Kostuck from Platteville. Would Todd please stand? The new Secretary and the old Secretary, Glenn Friedl, was re-elected, he is old in more ways than one, but that's... Please stand, Glenn. The new Trustees are Pat Buck and Mike Rebhahn, if they would please stand. Pat is from Neenah-Menasha; Mike is from Wausau. The retiring Trustees are Earl Sievwright and Bill Weinsrott. Is Bill here this morning? That concludes my report. I'd really ordered an easy chair or a rocking chair for this morning, but they said they would just bring the mike over here and I'd have to do it from a straight chair. Not easy.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thank you very much Earl. ER/Leading Knights Advisory followed by Drug Awareness.

**CHAD BORMANN**, Wisconsin Rapids #693, ER/Leading Knight Advisory Committee: The Committee met yesterday morning. We had a large turnout, which is good for this first meeting of the year. We had several guest speakers, but the part of the meeting I would like to talk briefly about is Grand Lodge Attendance. As of our meeting yesterday, we still had 12 Lodges in the state whose ERs have not yet turned in hotel reservations and paperwork for Grand Lodge. So if you're one of those Lodges that still needs to sign up for the trip to Anaheim, go ahead and see Past State President Jim Meyer yet today if you get a chance and get that paperwork turned in. Get your donation to the hospitality room turned in and get that taken care of so that Jim can get all of his affairs in order. Rest of my report is on file with the State Secretary.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thank you. Drug Awareness followed by Ritualistic Exemplification.

**DALE HEITMANN**, Wausau #248: We had 28 people at our meeting and that's wonderful. I was very happy about that. We held our Poster Contest. Two Rivers is going to be sent in to National for the Poster Contest. If I could see the ER or the Drug Awareness Chairman from there afterwards, because I need a hold harmless agreement from them. We had a report of the Lodges. There is a lot of activity going on. The trailers are going to be used extensively this year, so we are very happy about that. The rest of my report is on file with the State Secretary. Thank you,

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Ritualistic Exemplification, followed by Grand Lodge Attendance.

**GREGG VOSSWINKEL**, Milwaukee #46 making the report for Chairman Ben who had to leave early. It was just a rather anti-climactic and short meeting. Just discussed how things went at the Mid-Winter Conference as far as the individual and team competitions. There will be Ritual Clinic coming up at the Fall Conference. That is the annual one with our Area 5 Grand Lodge Ritualistic Exemplification committeemen here to conduct that. Our Mid-Winter Conference once again will have the Ritual Competition, District Degree teams and individual competitions and once again there will be an 11:00 O' Clock Toast Contest between the District Deputies and the District Vice Presidents. There is even some talk of some Past State Presidents getting involved in this, so scary thought. Meeting adjourned. There you go! All DD's and VP's will be mailed Fall Conference and Mid-Winter information some time in July. Meeting adjourned 8:20 am. This will be on file with the Secretary.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thank you. Grand Lodge attendance followed by Elk's National Service.

**DALE HEITMANN**, Wausau #248, Drug Awareness Chairman: If I could add one thing...I have all the posters in the back. If someone from each Lodge could come back and pick them up I would appreciate that.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Drug Awareness posters?

**DALE HEITMANN**, Wausau #248, Drug Awareness Chairman: Yes, Drug Awareness Posters.

**JIM MEYER**, Watertown #666. Just a reminder, it has already been stated once this morning, I do need them reservations for Grand Lodge. I still have 11 ER's - 11 Lodges who have not indicated whether they will be going or not. I need them within the next week. Please get them to me by mail, pony express or whatever. I have got 75 rooms gone out of my 80 block, however, I have been assured that I can pick some up from Illinois because they are not using their block. But I would like this as soon as possible. And to the Lodges, please get your donations - Lodge donations checks sent to me so I can get that deposited. I cannot cash the check out there if you bring it to me out there. Cash I'll accept. However, it's going to be a long trip out there and the way that fuel is, I am going to need all the money that I can get.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Elks National Service followed by Americanism.

**DICK KOHLBECK**, Wausau Elks #248: Met yesterday had reports from the hospitals and the hospital chair people. Discussed the deer hide program. Good thing is that we did collect more deer hides than we did the previous year. The best part is there are more Lodges participating now than ever before, so we're looking for a good year next year. I have some plaques to be presented so if the District Deputies would come forward, we'll present you with the plaques, and then I have got the awards for the individual Lodges. The District Deputies, where are they? Gregg Vosswinkel. Dave Nitze. Cindy Duffy. Richard Peterman. Joseph Rossley. And last but not least, James Captain from Rapids. Thank you. Okay, and now the awards and this is for the Veteran's Remembrance Report and for the Lodges. This is the under 301 members. Green Bay. Anyone here from Green Bay? Membership 301 - 500: Milwaukee. Okay. 501- 700: Sheboygan. No one's here. Okay. Thank you. Last but not least, from 701- 1,000: Madison. Those are our winners for this year and the rest of the reports on file with the secretary.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thank you, Dick. I would like the record to reflect that all six of the District Deputies were present here this morning to accept their awards. Americanism, followed by Elks National Foundation.

**MYRON KEDING,** Marshfield Lodge #665: Americanism. A review of the budget yesterday morning for the money that we do have to spend for the next year. We announced the Essay Contest for the winners of the state. In the fall, we will be looking again at the dictionary program and help any Lodges that need help with reimbursement. Again we will take a look at that in the fall. A new bill has been passed by the Senate. I should say in Madison, by the Senators and your Congress people, requesting that all flags over public buildings be USA made. And I would like to add that I think all Elks Lodges should also do the same. I'd like to remind everybody here, also, that we need to contact our Congress and Senators about the English language Bill and voice our opinions about that, also. Finally we had a lot of requests about the new float that has been built for the VA Hospital. I will post that site with Ken Johnson on the Americanism. Now I have the name, address, e-mail and phone number of that individual, so if you wish to use the float, you may contact her. The rest of my report is on file with the Secretary. Thank you.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thank you, Myron. Elks National Foundation, followed by Government Relations

**LANCE PLIML,** Wisconsin Rapids #693 for the Elks National Foundation. This year our state finished at \$7.15 a member. That's only 18<sup>th</sup> in the nation, but it is the third highest per capita that we've ever had. Our district winners were as follows: In the Southwest District, Beloit at \$11.24 per member; The Northwest District, Chippewa Falls at \$12.42; the Northeast District, Oconto at \$13.71; the Central District, Wisconsin Rapids at \$15.15; the Southeast District, Racine at \$16.73; and the East Central District, Kaukauna -- #1 in the state -- at \$31.27 a member.

**JIM MEYER,** Watertown #666: Very nice!

**LANCE PLIML,** Wisconsin Rapids #693: We had 10 lodges at over \$11.00 a member this year, and that is the most we've ever had at that level. The problem is we had four Lodges that missed goal this year, so our committee set a goal for next year, and we would like to see is 100% of our Lodges over the Grand Exalted Ruler's goal. And we would like to see our state per capita at \$10 per member. It is certainly do-able. I have several certificates back here for those 29 Lodges that met goal. Some have been picked up but most of them will be back here. I am not going to read them all. If somebody after the meeting would come and see us, that would be great. The other thing I want to talk about is managers manage and leaders create a culture where people want to participate and we need those people in this room. You are the leaders of this organization, so go into your Lodges and create that culture. Make people donate to the National Foundation, or encourage them to do that because this is what drives all of the programs we have; whether it be drug awareness, hoop shoot, the Veteran's programs - all of that comes from here. So go back, be leaders. Create that culture and get them involved. And if I may, Mr. President, the one last thing I'd like to mention is I'd like to recognize Ron Glaser who is in the back of the room. It's kind of fitting that we're here in Sheboygan because Ron is a former chairman of the ENF Committee, a long-time member and past Wisconsin State Elk of the Year. And Ron's heart will always be with us, but for health reasons he has had some difficulty getting to meetings and Ron, on behalf of the committee and myself, I'd certainly like to thank you for all your years of service.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thank you, Ron.

**LANCE PLIML,** Wisconsin Rapids #693: That will conclude my report. Thank you.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thank you, Lynn. Government Relations, followed by Hoop Shoot.

**JOHN RYBA,** Green Bay #259, Government Relation Chairperson: As usual, when it comes to Government Relations, the less you have to say, the better off we are. So that's my report, thank you.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thank you very much. And that's a good thing. Hoop Shoot, followed by National Foundation Scholarships

**TONY VULGARIS,** Oshkosh #292, Hoop Shoot Committee: Our meeting met Saturday morning. We wrapped up the 2007-2008 Hoop Shoot season. What a great year for Wisconsin! We had three kids qualify for the National Finals. We had an 8-9 year old girl from Milwaukee. She shot 19 out of 25 and finished sixth; a 10-11 year old boy from Portage who shot 21 out of 25 and finished fourth. And then our National Champion. We had Sarah Depouw, from Oconto who shot 23 out of 25 and then 9 out of 10 in a tie breaker with a girl from New Jersey, taking first place. A great accomplishment by Sarah. We are going to honor Sarah in the Oshkosh Fall Conference. We'll have her at the banquet there. Also, we were one of the five states in the country that had increased participation and 100% participation with all the Lodges, so thank you to all the Lodges for participating. Just a reminder, as stated in the Bugle, that I need all the new bids for the state contest for 2010. If you could please submit those by August, and also the Regional Contest will be held in Wisconsin, so if there is anybody that is interested in hosting the regional contest, please have the bids by August to me. And then finally, we recognized Kaukauna Elks Lodge for being the most improved Lodge for 2007-2008. They had over 3,000 kids participate in the Hoop Shoot program. They got involved in the school district so thank you to Kaukauna Elks Lodge and their director, Tom Halverson. The rest of my report is on file with the Secretary. Thank you.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thank you, Tony. As everyone probably is aware that Tony is our new Regional Hoop Shoot Director, and that's why a couple years the Regional Hoop Shoot will be here. Go ahead, Tony.

**TONY VULGARIS,** Oshkosh #292, Hoop Shoot Committee: State President, would somebody from Kaukauna Elks Lodge please come up to accept the plaque?

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** National Foundation Scholarships, followed by Committee for the Disabled.

**IVAN CRAIG, JR.** Oshkosh #292, Co-Chairmen, Scholarship Committee: We had a wonderful meeting. We had seventeen members and two guests present. Our President-Elect, Widzinski, was present. We listed the Legacy Scholarship winners that just were notified this week. We have a Zachary Smith from Lodge #666; a Kailey Smith from Lodge #57; a Michael Montenero from Lodge #864; a Brittany Drenkler from Lodge #248; a Donald Flucke from Lodge #57; an Amy Krueger from Lodge #57; an Andrew Kusters from

Lodge #252; a Zachary Ming from Lodge #675; and an Anna Wysocki from Lodge #641. Technical School scholarships are still open, but they have to be in by this Wednesday, and the rest of my report is on file with the Secretary.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thank you. Committee for the Disabled, followed by U.S. Constitution.

**JIM DICKENSON,** Wausau #248: Greg has mailed the application and instructions to all Lodge secretaries. The rest of the report is on file with the Secretary.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thank you. U. S. Constitution, followed by Elks Major Project.

**JEFF JULKA,** Fond du Lac #57, Chairman of U. S. Constitution: I am pleased to announce that we had 26 of the 33 Lodges participating in the U. S. Constitution Contest this year. That's the highest number of Lodges participating to date in recent times. The state contest was conducted on April 6 this year. A young man by the name of Zachary Smith from Walworth-Lakeland was our first place winner. He received a \$2,500 scholarship check. As many of you will recall, our total budget as far as scholarship checks for the program is \$22,000, so those 26 Lodges shared in that \$22,000 in scholarship money. I would encourage all Lodges to participate. We had seven Lodges that chose not to participate, and therefore denied a student from their area the opportunity to share in those scholarship dollars. I would remind everyone that the minimum award, the Honorable Mention Award at the state contest is \$500, so if you don't run a program in your local Lodge and don't send a contestant to the state contest, you deny a student of that opportunity. The 2009 state contest will be conducted on Sunday, March 29. All the information that you need to run your local contest will be distributed at the Fall Conference. That packet will contain the local test, the test key, and all of the supporting documentation that you need to conduct your local program. I encourage, again, all Lodges to participate in the 2009 program. The balance of my report is on file with the Secretary. Thank you.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thank you. Elks Major Project followed by recreation at State Convention

**DAVE ASSMANN,** Waukesha #400, Chairman State Major Project: Good morning. Our committee opened up with the approval of the Secretary and Treasurer's report. We're also looking at getting the new flag pole finished up with the new light hopefully before Elks Day. The raffle program that we're having this morning, I was reported that we brought in over \$21,000 and with approximately \$7,300 in expenses, we're going to do fine and we thank everybody for participating in the program. It really helps pay the bills. We also talked about the joint raffle with the Benevolent Fund and we will be holding that at the Fall Conference. We've changed it a little bit so that it is done at a Conference and not like last time when we did it on New Year's Eve. We will have the two each year, the joint at that one and at the convention we'll have the Elks Major Project Raffle, so it will just be the two. Camp Wawbeek, Paul O'Brion reported that all the campers are ready to go for their sessions. And the poster children, Bob Yost gave his report that everybody is doing fine at this time. We discussed in our old business the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary pin that's out and being sold by the PSP's for the Convention. Please support that if you would. And in new business, we had the budget discussed and approved for the new year. And it was also recommended that we move the ER March in Mid-Winter and we're working on that with our incoming president to Saturday afternoon, right after the lunch because everybody's



available right there. People are right there. We don't have people running out to get home on Sunday, and we think maybe we'll have a little bit better participation for people to see what's going on. The Board of Directors met and approved any bills that were involved, and just a note to our committee, the Board of Directors will be meeting immediately after this session in the bowling alley to elect all the board directors. I also have a note that Reverend Mike's service brought in \$77.53. Half going to the Benevolent Fund and half going to the Major project of \$38.76 and at Elks Day we will be paying our second payment to Easter Seals. We will have a balance at that time down to \$180,000. We are doing well. Things are coming along. Then we had our Raffle Drawing up there. If you noticed when we were starting the meeting today, Tom Widzinski was nice enough to do the drawings, so we have our winners: First place is David Reinbold from Manitowoc, \$1,000. Second place is Janice Windra from Sheboygan, \$500. Third place is Mrs. Joyce Palm from Sheboygan, \$250; Fourth place is R.R. Holsen from Kohler, \$150; and the Fifth place is Leslie De Salvo from Madison of \$100 and we thank you all for your participation. That's the end of my report. Thank you.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thank you, Dave. Thank you and your committee members and I also appreciate doing the raffle ahead of time to save us some time. Thank you. Recreation at State Convention, followed by Bowling

**DOUG VAVRICKA,** Platteville #1460, Recreation and Convention Committee: Again, Thank you for your participation and thanks for playing our game which is a tune toss this time. We did have two requests from two Lodges. Remember, you can ask for requests of reimbursement of non-funded youth activities that you do in the Lodge. We had two of them, and gave each Lodge \$100. Our winner this time is the ER, Doug Grube, from Sheboygan, #229. Thank you, Doug. And the rest is on file.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Was that his own spittoon? Is that why he won?  
Bowling, followed by Golf

**DAVE LANG,** Milwaukee #46: The tournament was in Sheboygan this past year. We had sixty teams. Dick Peterman passed all of the trophies and the moneys. Next year's tournament is going to be held in Platteville. The year after that is going to be in Antigo. Those who are interested in going to the National Bowling Tournament is next year is going to be held in Huntington, West Virginia. If you would like to go, contact me. The rest of my report is with the Secretary.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Golf, followed by Curling.

**JOE PURCELL,** Antigo #662: The 2009 Golf tournament is going to be hosted by Marshfield. We'll get more information on that in Oshkosh in September. The tournament this year is being hosted by Rice Lake. It's only seven weeks away. June 23. And guess what, there's only one foursome signed up. So please, please get your applications in. Get the money in. The rest of my report is on file. Thank you.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thank you. Report from Curling, followed by Legalized Gaming. Legalized Gaming, followed by Accident Prevention.

**PHIL THEUNE,** Sheboygan Lodge #299, Chairman Legalized Gaming: We met yesterday morning at 10:00. We had a nice turnout. We had 10 members and 14 guests. We had a guest speaker from the State Department of Administration, Randy. He's an auditor. He



gave us a slide presentation on the rules and regulations of running raffles. We had a discussion after the presentation on legal and illegal gambling. The meeting went very well. The rest of my report is on file. Thank you.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thank you. Accident Prevention, followed by Benevolent Fundraising

**MARION FLOOD,** Stevens Point #641, Accident Prevention: We report that we had a total of 8 reported accidents for the year 2007-2008. The seven involved slipped and falls; three of those were out in the parking lots. Two of them involved Bingo activities, so I hope those Lodges that have Bingo activities are making enough money to cover those claims. The rest of my report is on file.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thank you. Benevolent Fund Fundraising, followed by report from the Benevolent Fund.

**JACKIE HEITMANN,** Wausau #248: My committee also approved the joint raffle with State Major Project. We're excited to do that again. We've also decided that at Mid-Winter we will do a penny raffle for the Benevolent Fund, so please look for that in the lobby at Point. Dave DeRosier announced that he purchased a life insurance policy, with the beneficiary as the Benevolent Fund. He is letting us know information on this and we're going to have a representative at our meeting in September to explain how to be able to do this. Now, just a real short thing, because I am not an insurance agent, but basically, you would purchase an insurance policy, make the Benevolent Fund -- or you can do it for State Major Project -- where they are the beneficiary or the owner of it, I believe, right Dave? The owner of the policy. But you would pay the premiums and there are tax breaks on this, so start thinking about it. You're more than welcome to attend my meeting in September and hear what this gentleman has to say from Banker's Life. Balance of my report is on file.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thank you. Benevolent Fund, Inc., followed by Trustee Training

**KEITH SIMMONS,** Walworth Lakeland #2201. We met Friday morning. The bank balance at that time was \$77,392.40, including the \$40,000 from Wachovia. We guaranteed money to the Trustees of \$105,000 next year, which will help with their budget. At the present time we've got \$1,939, 679 in a fund. We approved \$40,000 to be given to the Trustees. And there was also a motion made to only keep \$7,500 in the bank, and the rest of it goes to Wachovia for investments. We wound up at the end of the day, with the donations, that we're going to give \$36,000 to Wachovia for investments. I want to thank every Lodge this year, with the donations from Harriet's raffle and the other ones; we only had one Lodge that didn't donate this year, but we wound up with \$40,725 being donated, which is \$3.73 per member. We wish to thank you very much and at the same time, we collected for next year already \$3,783. I wish to thank each and every Lodge for all their donations because this makes us be able to give more money to the Trustees so we can give it away right back to you. Thank you very much.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thank you, Keith. Is there any report from Trustee Training?

**DAVE MADSON,** Sheboygan #229, I mean #299: If any of you don't know what the joke is, if you notice on your Bugle on the front cover, Sheboygan Lodge is #229 so, but that's a

mistake. It happens. They put that in there to make sure everybody read it. Okay. We had a very good Trustees Training meeting yesterday. Talked a little bit about the update of the Training Manual. Jeff Langton and myself went through the whole manual. We updated it. We now handed it to the State Trustees to get their input. Hopefully by September, we'll be able to hand it out to those in attendance and we will also be putting it on the website so you can look at it. It's a very hands-on document. We also had Earl Sievwright talk about all the lodges and how you can get money from the state. He did a fine job. So this September meeting, we'll be looking over the Trustees Manual and at the Mid-Winter we're having Earl back again to talk about insurance. The rest of my report is on file with the Secretary.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thank you, David. Are there any other committee reports?

**RON BERTRAND, Waukesha #400:** Past State Presidents Advisory. Good morning. Thank you, Earl. Somebody's awake. We had 18 Past State Presidents available for the meeting at 1:00 on Friday. We had all of our reports made and we had a vote for our new officers and I am happy to say and am honored to be the new president for the next year. Terry Hubbard will be the new Vice-President. We retain Bill Forrest for his fine work as Secretary and Jon Laflin as Treasurer. We discussed a number of things. We went over the raffle. I want to thank everybody for participating yesterday and Friday in the raffle. I'll get into that in a minute. We discussed possibly changing the time so that those who would like to golf could get into the golf tournaments on the Fridays that their Lodges are giving them. We also discussed shortly, and will have it on the agenda next September, the possibility of the Past Day Presidents having a scholarship award, some way of raising some money to do that. The rest of my report will be on file with the Secretary. And if I could just have a few minutes, Mr. President, to give out the prizes from the raffle yesterday. Thank you to everybody, again for participating. I'd also like to congratulate, I'm sorry I wasn't here yesterday, all the people who got awards last night. I am sure they are well deserved. Fortunately, and I was very lucky to know who they were ahead of time, and from what I could see, they well deserved it. I would also like to congratulate the new officers for the coming year. Thank you for your service ahead of time. We had three winners. The number you were looking for was 1111. One thousand, one hundred and eleven cents. By Gosh, Scotty from Stevens Point got 1111. And Dave assures me he did not tell anybody, so Scotty's here? Scotty, what we did is because we had no idea how much money we were going to raise, we're giving away 30% of the total and that was broke down to 5, 10 and 15%. And Scotty got \$46.50. Now this lady works at a bank and she came up and said I can tell you how much to the dollar what's in there. How are you going to do that? She said because I work for a bank, and I know what a bag of coins weighs, or I mean has, I forget what bag she was talking about, but a bag this big she said holds so many coins, and she came in at \$1,000.50 or \$110.50 or \$110.35 which was the two closest ones next to Scotty. That is Peggy Rebhahn from Wausau. Peggy. Thank you again. Have a great evening - - afternoon.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thank you, Ron. The reason that Ron knew all the award recipients ahead of time was because he made all of the plaques for those awards, and I appreciate that very much, Ron. Credentials and Elections.

Good Morning. **DON GOLEMBIEWSKI, Wausau Elks #248:** Grand Lodge Sponsor, Honorable Robert J. Sabin, Des Plaines Illinois Lodge #1526. Special Deputy, Grand Exalted Ruler, Dave DeRosier, Past State President, Milwaukee Lodge #46; Grand Lodge Youth Activities, Keith Simmons, Past State President, Walworth-Lakeland #2201; Lodges present- 33 out of 33. Total members present- 293. Ladies present 103. Sheboygan ladies

present - 40. Total registration money- \$3,140.75 and I can't answer the 75 cents. Voting from yesterday: VP Southeast- Lisa 33, David 24; State Inner Guard- we had a three way contest- Dianne Kennedy - 108, that would be 54.5% of the vote. Terry Thompson - 60, 30%; and Barb, I don't know if I pronounce this right Berres- 30 votes, 15% of the vote. This concludes my report.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thank you, very much. Are there any other committee reports? I would then entertain a motion to approve all of the committee reports given this morning.

**KEITH SIMMONS,** Walworth-Lakeland #2201: So moved that all of the reports be approved.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Is there a second?

**REINE PALM,** Sheboygan #299: Seconds.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Any discussion? All those in favor vote by the voting sign of the Elk. Hands down, opposed? Motion is carried. I would like to thank all of the Committee Chairpersons and all of the members for their dedication serving on the various committees this year. You did make a difference. At this time, I would like to again announce the winners of the state awards so that their names will be a part of these proceedings. Elks National Service Award winner was Pat Moore from Milwaukee Lodge #46; Secretary of the Year was Barb Thomack, ER of the Year was Joe Kollross from Marshfield Lodge #665; Lodge of the Year, Sheboygan Lodge #299; Lady of the Year, Nikki Shannon from Portage; and State Elk of the Year, Ken Johnson. Congratulations again to all of the winners. Would anyone like to make a report on the Fall Conference in Oshkosh?

Good morning, **TOM WIDZINSKI,** Oshkosh #292: We're looking forward. Our plans are progressing and we're looking forward to hosting the members of the Association in Oshkosh in September. I will put a plug in again, if you are an aviation buff, our meetings are going to take place at the EAA Air Venture Museum. If you've never seen that facility or if you don't know anything about the EAA, come to Oshkosh the third week in July. They'll be 30,000 private aircraft on the ground around the airport. This is an air show of international caliber. The museum is quite a place to see, so please, please come. Welcome our newest Grand Exalted Ruler. I will tell you that there has been a change. The registration for the fall golf outing is posted on the website. It was listed in The Bugle. Our registration times have changed at the urging and advice of our Golf Chairman. Our new registration time is 9:30 - 10:30, and our Golf Outing tee times will start at 11:00. It gives you a little more time in the morning to get prepared, so we know some of you are traveling on Friday morning, so we had an early start and we were made aware that some people needed more time. We look forward and seeing all of you in Oshkosh in September. Thank you.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thank you, Tom. Would anyone like to report on the Mid-Winter Conference in Stevens Point? Well, I am sure they're getting ready for that. And now, I have the honor of again introducing the man who will be installed as your State President in an hour, or so. It will be the last time that I will be able to introduce him as the President-Elect. As I have stated before, it has been a pleasure to have traveled throughout the state with him and his wife this past year. I know he is looking forward to serving as

your President and I also know that he is well-prepared and will do a great job. From Oshkosh Lodge #292, Tom Widzinski.

**PRESIDENT-ELECT TOM WIDZINSKI:** Thank you, very much. I am very honored to be here this morning and to be installed as your State President. I trust and it is my wish that you will feel the same way a year from this point. I have a couple of things, as Joe Purcell mentioned, the Fall Golf Tournament in Rice Lake – I have scheduled my State President’s Visitation in Eau Claire and Chippewa Falls in Eau Claire for that Friday night and Chippewa Falls for Saturday night of that weekend of the State Golf Tournament, so if you are a golfer, I did this intentionally. If you are a golfer and you are headed up to Rice Lake for the State Tournament on Monday you might want to consider stopping off at Chippewa Falls on Saturday, and I know Greg is isn’t here this weekend because of a commitment. There will be a golf tournament in conjunction with my State President visit in Chippewa on Saturday, so I know a number of us will be in Chippewa on Saturday. We’re going to do a practice round up at Rice Lake on Sunday, and the tournament on Monday. So if you’re a golfer, you might want to consider that option. I have a request to ask of the Exalted Rulers and you’ll be getting a letter stating this, but in my visitations this year, as a Marine Corp Veteran, my Medallion this year I have dedicated to Veterans. The front side of the Medallion has the five branches of the armed forces on them. The front side has a Purple Heart, the emblem for the POW’s and MIA’s and those missing in action and an eagle, which to me symbolizes our public servants, our fire departments and our policemen that are helping to protect our country, as well as our veterans. When it comes time for my visitation, I am asking the Exalted Ruler to assign a veteran or civil servant to say the Pledge of Allegiance. I want that to be something that we hold dear to our hearts, so you’ll be getting a letter to that effect. I can assure you that I have plans in progress right now for a very special presentation in Oshkosh in September, and if I can pull this off, it will be well worth your trip to Oshkosh, so please consider that. I thank you, again, for your support and would love to see you all here for the Installation of officers, not only for me but because of the rest of our State Officers, and they deserve your support as well. So, thank you very much for this honor, and I look forward to the year ahead. Thank you.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** I would now ask if our soon-to-be President-Elect, Ken Bruckner, would like to say a few words.

**KEN BRUCKNER, Sheboygan #299:** I am sure that everyone wants to get out here today. I am going to keep this real short. Like I stated last night, thank you for your trust that you have put on our shoulders, and Rogene and I promise we’ll do our best for you. Thank you! Enjoy the rest of the day.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thanks, Ken. As soon as the room is ready, the Memorial Service will follow this session, followed by the Installation of Officers. The critique will follow the Installation. Is there anything else that needs to come before this session of the Wisconsin Elks Association?

**KEN JOHNSON, STATE SECRETARY:** I hate to take your time, but I need some direction because so much with the Elks, I keep asking, why do we do something? And I get an answer, “Because we always have.” And sometimes I need a little help. Now I am going to talk about the proceedings for a minute. It’s the printed document that everything that has occurred in these last two days. Now because we always have, we always taped and printed the Memorial Service and the Installation of Officers. I’m not quite sure why, except that we always have. Now as times keep going on and with the state’s no different

than your own local Lodges, we're looking at ways to cut some costs and everything else. I would like to look at discontinuing the Memorial and the Installation of Officers and having this proceedings now put on the website. I would like to just have it put there instead of mailing it out, because it is quite expensive to mail it, but if anybody wants it, I would obviously make a copy and mail it to them. I am looking for direction.

**BOB HACKL #1380:** I am hoping that's a motion because I would like to either make that motion or second it, depending on what he would try to do up there. You've got a second.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Okay, you've heard a motion and a second to discontinue the publication of the Memorial Service and the Installation of Officers and the proceedings will be put on the website, rather than making a booklet sent to everybody. I believe there is a motion and a second. Any discussion?

**BILL FORREST, Wausau Lodge 248:** Ken and I had an opportunity to discuss this prior to the session and that was the comment that I made to Ken that my guess is that it has always been done that way. The only thing that I would request that we do is to make sure that there is some record that is maintained because the Memorial Service does contain eulogies for past State Presidents and you know so that record I think needs to be kept in some fashion. So, Ken, I think that if you can come up with some alternative form. Also, some of the shenanigans that do occur during the installation of officers primarily the comments that are made by the incoming State President and the President-Elect I think are valuable records that again need to some way needs to be maintained, whether those are taped or kept on file, I think it would be appropriate. I do favor discontinuing the written form, but if it could be some way recorded that would be appropriate.

**DAVE DEROSIER, Milwaukee #46:** Ken, I've got to ask you a question, because you and I did have this conversation earlier. Are you saying there will be no recordings of those two sessions – the Memorial Service and the Installation?

**KEN JOHNSON, STATE SECRETARY:** It will stay on tape, just not printed.

**DAVE DEROSIER, Milwaukee #46:** Okay, and you asked me the question and I have had a chance to sit and think, okay? I was one who said, "We've always done it that way, because that's all I can remember." But then, something clicked. It is a part of the official proceedings of this Convention. Now, I don't know how far back we can go. I like what you're doing Ken, and I support it. I just don't want to make sure that we're disturbing something that we were supposed to be doing and forgot why. That's all I got to say about it.

**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** I recognize Dave. More discussion. All those in favor vote by the voting sign of an Elk. Hands down opposed. Motion is carried. Okay. Is there anything else that anyone has that needs to come before this session? I will now call upon our State Chaplain, Rev. Michael Hackbarth for the closing prayer. Please rise.

**REV. MICHAEL HACKBARTH:** Heavenly Father, You manifest in Your servants the signs of your presence. Send forth upon us the spirit of love, that in companionship with one another Your abounding grace may increase among us. Amen.

**ALL:** Amen



**PRESIDENT DENNIS DALEY:** Thank you, Rev. Mike. This concludes the General Session of the Spring Convention of the Wisconsin Elks Association. I hope that you are able to stay for the Memorial Service and Officer Installation. Thank you, again. Please have a safe trip home.

WISCONSIN ELKS ASSOCIATION												
2008-2009 Membership Statistics and Per-Capita Dues												
4/14/2009	MEMBERSHIP											MEMBERSHIP
LODGE	1999-2000	2000-2001	2001-2002	2002-2003	2003-2004	2004-2005	2005-2006	2006-2007	2007-2008	2008-2009	CHANGE	
ANTIGO # 662	297	294	296	288	281	277	274	266	271	268	(3)	
APPLETON # 337	153	138	140	140	133	124	124	107	113	93	(20)	
ASHLAND # 137	547	561	545	514	453	413	380	358	314	304	(10)	
BARABOO # 688	526	501	494	464	443	412	381	351	325	315	(10)	
BEAVER DAM # 1540	91	77	86	89	106	86	92	86	75	70	(5)	
BELOIT # 864	103	85	83	82	77	75	70	67	62	59	(3)	
CHIPPEWA FALLS # 1326	261	244	211	211	215	210	207	208	203	204	1	
EAU CLAIRE # 402	294	297	280	278	286	274	286	264	260	244	(16)	
FOND DU LAC # 57	743	739	712	720	713	700	665	645	623	586	(37)	
GREEN BAY # 259	255	245	224	198	176	176	143	126	110	161	51	
JANESVILLE # 254	431	425	409	394	386	351	312	294	269	259	(10)	
KAUKAUNA # 962	88	87	83	86	74	70	68	66	67	65	(2)	
MADISON # 410	1395	1396	1353	1366	1357	1184	1133	1094	1039	1029	(10)	
MANITOWOC # 687	379	380	397	412	412	438	435	418	379	356	(23)	
MARINETTE # 1313	510	510	476	477	469	440	420	401	410	410	0	
MARSHFIELD # 665	688	706	684	690	717	718	722	716	709	708	(1)	
MILWAUKEE # 46	561	562	559	533	527	513	467	451	437	427	(10)	
NEENAH-MENASHA #676	385	327	275	213	180	150	147	138	130	113	(17)	
OCONTO # 887	76	95	102	106	96	97	93	89	90	103	13	
OSHKOSH # 292	459	423	404	379	375	386	380	385	385	373	(12)	
PLATTEVILLE # 1460	265	243	238	218	207	206	204	203	195	203	8	
PORTAGE # 675	364	369	366	358	356	339	347	339	321	294	(27)	
RACINE # 252	108	107	99	97	87	95	88	85	82	84	2	
RICE LAKE # 1441	926	930	932	914	881	843	792	741	742	687	(55)	
SHEBOYGAN # 299	711	687	641	623	632	636	633	643	643	639	(4)	
STEVENS POINT # 641	807	773	749	710	678	643	595	535	474	458	(16)	
SUPERIOR # 403	599	546	505	469	436	403	391	369	374	364	(10)	
TWO RIVERS # 1380	217	214	236	215	218	186	164	152	116	112	(4)	
WALWORTH-LAKELAND # 2201	148	153	153	150	129	128	147	157	143	114	(29)	
WATERTOWN # 666	190	196	222	230	252	257	237	238	226	215	(11)	
WAUKESHA # 400	329	340	330	340	340	315	301	291	285	272	(13)	
WAUSAU # 248	822	834	855	899	912	899	889	864	860	839	(21)	
WISCONSIN RAPIDS # 693	224	228	230	228	223	219	206	200	187	179	(8)	
TOTALS	13952	13712	13369	13091	12827	12263	11793	11347	10919	10607	(312)	
		-240	-343	-278	-264	-564	-470	-446	-428	-312		

WISCONSIN ELKS ASSOCIATION  
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Charitable Account

Acct. # Budget Item	2003-2004	2004-2005	2005-2006	2006-2007	2007-2008	2007-2008	2008-2009
	actual	Actual Charitable	Actual Charitable	Actual Charitable	Actual Charitable	YTD Spent	BUDGET REQUEST
1A Elks National Vets. Service	\$10,440.00	\$10,440.00	\$10,440.00	\$10,440.00	\$11,210.00	\$11,210.00	\$12,330.00
1B WEA Veterans Commission	\$20,110.00	\$23,623.00	\$20,500.00	\$17,810.00	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
2 WEA Veterans Commission Expense	\$231.88	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$304.91	\$500.00
3 Committee for the Disabled	\$14,989.00	\$11,477.00	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$12,329.00	\$12,000.00
4 Drug Awareness Committee	\$19,200.76	\$20,000.00	\$16,000.00	\$16,000.00	\$16,000.00	\$16,560.49	\$16,000.00
5 Wisconsin Elks Major Project	\$35,000.00	\$35,000.00	\$28,000.00	\$28,000.00	\$33,000.00	\$33,000.00	\$35,000.00
6 Scholarship Committee	\$169,500.00	\$170,000.00	\$160,000.00	\$160,000.00	\$160,000.00	\$160,000.00	\$165,000.00
7 Scholarship Committee Expense	\$1,675.07	\$1,782.85	\$1,800.00	\$1,800.00	\$1,800.00	\$1,392.15	\$1,800.00
8 U.S. Constitution Contest	\$18,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$22,000.00	\$22,000.00	\$22,000.00
9 U.S. Constitution Committee Expense	\$948.61	\$1,011.85	\$1,100.00	\$1,100.00	\$1,100.00	\$887.73	\$1,100.00
10 Hoop Shoot Committee	\$20,420.56	\$18,246.43	\$18,000.00	\$18,000.00	\$18,000.00	\$17,720.84	\$18,000.00
12 Youth Activities Committee	\$8,750.05	\$8,440.53	\$9,000.00	\$9,000.00	\$9,000.00	\$6,165.81	\$9,000.00
17 Elks National Foundation Committee					\$450.00	\$239.72	\$600.00
18 Americanism Committee	\$7,499.95	\$7,366.24	\$6,500.00	\$6,500.00	\$6,500.00	\$6,918.40	\$6,500.00
25C The "Bugle" and WEA Directory & Web		\$2,401.59	\$0.00	\$2,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$2,844.97	\$4,000.00
35C Trustees Contingency Fund CHAR	\$30,111.49	\$28,213.83	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,230.00	\$1,500.00	\$14,519.15
35C(1) Lodge Grants			\$24,300.00	\$23,200.00	\$23,000.00	\$18,048.00	\$20,000.00
Totals-----	\$356,877.37	\$358,003.32	\$332,940.00	\$331,350.00	\$342,790.00	\$331,122.02	\$358,349.15
				\$331,350.00	\$342,790.00		

Proposed Income	2003-2004	2004-2005	2005-2006	2006-2007	2007-2008	2008-2009
	Actual	BUDGET Charitable	Budget Charitable	Budget Charitable	Budget Charitable	Budget Charitable
Elks National Vets. Service Commission	\$10,440.00	\$10,440.00	\$10,440.00	\$10,440.00	\$11,210.00	\$12,330.00
Special Project Grants	\$118,400.00	\$120,768.00	\$122,580.00	\$124,420.00	\$129,400.00	\$134,580.00
State Charities Grant	\$90,280.00	\$91,010.00	\$68,200.00	\$70,060.00	\$72,290.00	\$71,500.00
Bonus Grant	\$36,270.00	\$24,010.00	\$12,700.00	\$10,000.00	\$24,890.00	\$12,450.00
Wisconsin Elks Benevolent Fund	\$100,000.00	\$110,000.00	\$90,000.00	\$91,430.00	\$105,000.00	\$105,000.00
M&M char Transfer	\$16,308.64	\$16,810.00	\$16,285.00			\$0.00
M&M reg Transfer		\$4,170.00	\$12,735.00	\$25,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Last Year carry over						\$22,489.15
TOTALS-----	\$371,698.64	\$377,208.00	\$332,940.00	\$331,350.00	\$342,790.00	\$358,349.15
				\$331,350.00	\$342,790.00	\$358,349.15

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ADMIN. BUDGET

Acct. #	Budget Item	2004-2005 actual	2005-2006 actual	2006-2007 actual	2007-2008 BUDGET	2007-2008 actual	2008-2009 BUDGET REQUEST
11	Accident Prevention Committee	\$9.50	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$28.83	\$50.00
13	Ritual Judges	\$0.00	\$1,260.00	\$1,260.00	\$1,365.00	\$0.00	\$1,365.00
14	Ritual Committee Expense	\$810.76	\$900.00	\$900.00	\$1,020.00	\$1,609.91	\$1,135.00
15	Ritual Team to Grand Lodge	\$4,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,920.00
16	Credentials And Elections Committee	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$41.00	\$50.00
19	Lodge Development Committee	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
20	Business Practice Committee	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
21	Legal Expense	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
22	Exalted Rulers Leading Knights Comm.	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
23	Grand Lodge Committee Exp.	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$3,649.75	\$5,000.00
24	State Conferences and Committee Exp.	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
25A	The "Bugle" and WEA Directory & Web	\$11,000.00	\$13,400.00	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$11,552.63	\$12,000.00
26	Convention Proceedings	\$2,488.02	\$2,650.00	\$2,700.00	\$2,700.00	\$2,522.90	\$2,800.00
27	Office Expense	\$3,998.74	\$4,200.00	\$5,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$6,096.72	\$7,000.00
28	Publicity and Public Relations Comm.	\$1,111.75	\$1,800.00	\$1,800.00	\$1,800.00	\$1,135.00	\$1,300.00
29	President's Allowance	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
30	President's Grand Lodge Expense	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
31	President Elect's Allowance	\$1,600.00	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00
32	Secretary's Allowance	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$7,000.00	\$7,000.00	\$7,000.00
33	Secretary to Grand Lodge	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
34	Treasurer's Allowance	\$1,800.00	\$1,800.00	\$1,800.00	\$1,800.00	\$1,800.00	\$2,000.00
35	Trustees Contingency Fund ADMIN*	\$5,887.50	\$6,446.40	\$5,128.00	\$6,680.13	\$9,689.58	\$11,860.00
36	Lodge Activities Committee	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
37	Officers Training Committee	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$39.62	\$200.00
38	Laws and Resolutions Committee	\$463.05	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$473.60	\$700.00
39	Membership and Lapsation Committee	\$376.93	\$1,500.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$588.64	\$1,000.00
40	GRAND LODGE BOOTH COMMITTEE	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00
41	Office Equipment	\$817.73	\$712.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$1,000.00
42	Legalized Gaming	\$82.04	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$150.00
	Transfer from Regular Money Market						
	Totals-----	\$52,446.02	\$63,118.40	\$61,938.00	\$66,115.13	\$65,228.18	\$74,980.00

Total Proposed Admin.2008-2009 Expense Budget----- \$74,980.00

Proposed Income	2005-2006 Actual	2006-2007 Administrative Budget	2007-2008 BUDGET	2007-2008	2008-2009 BUDGET
checking from MM			\$5,439.13	\$5,439.13	\$15,000.00
Per-Capita Dues	\$47,172.00	\$45,388.00	\$42,480.00	\$43,676.00	\$42,480.00
Investment Income	\$16,000.00	\$17,000.00	\$17,000.00	\$19,500.00	\$17,500.00
TOTALS-----	\$63,172.00	\$62,388.00	\$64,919.13	\$68,615.13	\$74,980.00
Total Proposed Admin. 2008-2009 Income Budget-----					\$74,980.00

Money Market Index Account...REGULAR					\$13,846.44
A.G. Edwards (Investments).....					\$198,259.19
cking carry over					-\$1,987.21
total					\$210,118.42
Grand Lodge Trailer escrow					\$2,400.00

**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

<b>YEAR</b>	<b>CITY</b>	<b>PRESIDENT</b>	<b>SECRETARY</b>
1902	Ashland	* AF.Warden Waukesha #400	* M.H. Zacharias Oshkosh #292
1903	Ashland	* A.F. Warden Waukesha #400	* R.W. Parsons Oshkosh #292
1904	Fond du Lac	* R.S. Witte Milwaukee #46	* E.A. Traleven Fond du Lac #57
1905	Madison	* R.S. Witte Milwaukee #46	* J.P. Breitenbach Madison #410
1906	La Crosse	* George V. Levis Madison #410	* Thomas W. Burns La Crosse #300
1907	Waukesha	* L.S. Martin Milwaukee #46	* T.P. Buckley Waukesha #400
1908	Racine	* George B. Burrows Madison #410	* W.T. Thompson Racine #252
1909	Portage	* John H. Kehlor Kenosha #750	* H.A. Gunderson Portage #675
1910	Kenosha	* A.J. Horlick Racine #252	* Fred Butterworth Menasha #676
1911	Green Bay	* T.J. Pringle Milwaukee #46	* A.B. Fontaine Green Bay #259
1912	Sheboygan	* Frank R. Weeks Green Bay #259	* Theo. Benfey Sheboygan #299
1913	Manitowoc	* John C. Karel Milwaukee #46	* F.T. Taugher Manitowoc #687
1914	Wausau	* John C. Karel Milwaukee #46	* Theo. Benfey Sheboygan #299
1915	Oshkosh	* Otto R. Roenius Wisconsin Rapids #693	* Theo. Benfey Sheboygan #299
1916	Green Bay	* Otto R. Roenius Wisconsin Rapids #693	* Theo. Benfey Sheboygan #299
1917	No Meeting	* Otto R. Roenius Wisconsin Rapids #693	* Theo. Benfey Sheboygan #299
1918	Fond du Lac	* Chauncey Yockey Milwaukee #46	* Theo. Benfey Sheboygan #299
1919	Manitowoc	* Chauncey Yockey Milwaukee #46	* Theo. Benfey Sheboygan #299
1920	Milwaukee	* H.H. Dodd Fond du Lac #57	* Theo. Benfey Sheboygan #299
1921	Milwaukee	* Wiliam F. Hutgen La Crosse #300	* Theo. Benfey Sheboygan #299
1922	Beloit	* William F. Schad Milwaukee #46	* Theo. Benfey Sheboygan #299
1923	Madison	* William F. Schad Milwaukee #46	* Theo. Benfey Sheboygan #299



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1924	Milwaukee	* William F. Schad Milwaukee #46	* Theo. Benfey Sheboygan #299
1925	Superior	* George L. Dwinnell Waukesha #400	* Theo. Benfey Sheboygan #299
1926	Green Bay	* Carl Riggins Oconto #887	* Theo. Benfey Sheboygan #299
1927	Wausau	* Harry A. Keifer Wausau #248	* Theo. Benfey Sheboygan #299
1928	Oshkosh	* B.A. Arnold Oshkosh #292	* Theo. Benfey Sheboygan #299
1929	Marinette	* C.E. Broughton Sheboygan #299	* Theo. Benfey Sheboygan #299
1930	Racine	* Edward W. Mackey Manitowoc #687	* Theo. Benfey Sheboygan #299
1931	Sheboygan	* Edward W. Mackey Manitowoc #687	* Theo. Benfey Sheboygan #299
1932	Appleton	* Raymond C. Dwyer La Crosse #300	* Theo. Benfey Sheboygan #299
1933	Milwaukee	* J.W. Selbach Eau Claire #402	* Theo. Benfey Sheboygan #299
1934	Manitowoc	* J.W. Selbach Eau Claire #402	* Theo. Benfey Sheboygan #299
1935	Fond du Lac	* Myron E. Schwartz Two Rivers #1380	**Theo. Benfey Sheboygan #299
			* Lou Uecher Antigo #662
1936	Eau Claire	* Myron E. Schwartz Two Rivers #1380	* Lou Uecher Two Rivers #1380
1937	Madison	* R.W. Mills Fond du Lac #57	* Lou Uecher Two Rivers #1380
1938	La Crosse	* A.J. Geniesse Green Bay #259	* Lou Uecher Two Rivers #1380
1939	Wausau	* T.F. McDonald Marshfield #665	* Lou Uecher Two Rivers #1380
1940	Green Bay	* Frank T. Lynde Antigo #662	* Lou Uecher Two Rivers #1380
1941	Sheboygan	* Bert A. Thompson Kenosha #750	* Lou Uecher Two Rivers #1380
1942	Ashland	* Dr. C.O. Fillinger Marinette #1313	* Lou Uecher Two Rivers #1380
1943	Janesville	* A.W. Parnell Appleton #337	* Lou Uecher Appleton #337
1944	Appleton	* Frank L. Fawcett Milwaukee #46	* Lou Uecher Appleton #337
1945	Wausau	* William A. Uthmeier Marshfield #665	* *Lou Uecher Appleton #337
			* Leo H. Schmalz Kaukauna #962
1946	Milwaukee	* Frank W. Fisher Janesville #254	* Leo H. Schmalz Kaukauna #962
1947	Superior	* John C. Fay La Crosse #300	* Leo H. Schmalz Kaukauna #962
1948	Madison	* Dr. A. V. Delmore Two Rivers #1380	* Leo H. Schmalz Kaukauna #962

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1949	Appleton	* William M. Eulberg Portage #675	* Leo H. Schmalz Kaukauna #962
1950	Oshkosh	* William I. O'Neill Milwaukee #46	* Leo H. Schmalz Kaukauna #962
1951	Baraboo	* Ray J. Fink Neenah-Menasha #676	* Leo H. Schmalz Kaukauna #962
1952	Green Bay	** Lautie C. Welch Baraboo #688	* Leo H. Schmalz Kaukauna #962
		* E.H. Lattimer Wausau #248	
1953	La Crosse	* E.H. Lattimer Wausau #248	* Leo H. Schmalz Kaukauna #962
1954	Racine	* James H. Boex Green Bay #259	* Leo H. Schmalz Kaukauna #962
1955	Wausau	* Alfred E. LaFrance Racine #252	* Leo H. Schmalz Kaukauna #962
1956	Madison	* Kenneth F. Sullivan Madison #410	* Leo H. Schmalz Kaukauna #962
1957	Fond du Lac	* Arno J. Miller Portage #675	* Leo H. Schmalz Kaukauna #692
1958	Appleton	* Arthur J. Chadek Milwaukee #46	* Leo H. Schmalz Kaukauna #692
1959	Superior	* J. Martin Van Rooy Appleton #337	* Leo H. Schmalz Kaukauna #692
1960	Green Bay	* Jack F. Froom Wausau #248	* Leo H. Schmalz Kaukauna #692
1961	Oshkosh	* Dr. M.J. Junion Green Bay #259	* Leo H. Schmalz Kaukauna #692
1962	Manitowoc	* Dr. J.R. Casanova Watertown #666	* Leo H. Schmalz Kaukauna #692
1963	La Crosse	* James G. Franey Eau Claire #403	* Leo H. Schmalz Kaukauna #692
1964	Racine	* Paul A. Fischl Manitowoc #687	* Leo H. Schmalz Kaukauna #692
1965	Fond du Lac	* Harold Canaan Platteville #1460	* Vernon Hopf Kenosha #750
1966	Appleton	* John Robinson Kenosha #750	* Vernon Hopf Kenosha #750
1967	Madison	* Leo H. Schmalz Kaukauna #962	* Vernon Hopf Kenosha #750
1968	Milwaukee	* D.H. Everman Beaver Dam #1540	* C.F. Katzenmeyer Beaver Dam #1540
1969	Green Bay	* J.G. Chriske Green Bay #258	* C.F. Katzenmeyer Beaver Dam #1540
1970	La Crosse	* Maury Pohl Sheboygan #299	* C.F. Katzenmeyer Beaver Dam #1540
1971	Wausau	* John McDonald Chippewa Falls #1326	* C.F. Katzenmeyer Beaver Dam #1540
1972	Kenosha	* Thomas Pierce Madison #410	* C.F. Katzenmeyer Beaver Dam #1540
1973	Madison	* Joe Kovacs Fond du Lac #57	* C.F. Katzenmeyer Beaver Dam #1540
1974	Superior	* A.W. Kowalchyk Wausau #248	* C.F. Katzenmeyer Beaver Dam #1540

<b>YEAR</b>	<b>CITY</b>	<b>PRESIDENT</b>	<b>SECRETARY</b>
1975	Oshkosh	* Dr. Charles Gurtler Wisconsin Rapids #693	* C.F. Katzenmeyer Beaver Dam #1540
1976	Stevens Point	* Warren Foster Baraboo #688	* C.F. Katzenmeyer Beaver Dam #1540
1977	Wausau	* John Elleu Racine #252	* C.F. Katzenmeyer Beaver Dam #1540
1978	Green Bay	* Charles E. Bergstrom Superior #403	* C.F. Katzenmeyer Beaver Dam #1540
1979	Baraboo	Wendall H. Smith Appleton #337	* C.F. Katzenmeyer Beaver Dam #1540
1980	La Crosse	* Francis "Bill" Murphy Portage #675	**C.F. Katzenmeyer Beaver Dam #1540
			* H.M. Militzer Beaver Dam #1540
1981	Wausau	* Donald Grosenick Janesville #254	* H.M. Militzer Beaver Dam #1540
1982	Green Bay	* Dr. Francis Kruse Marshfield #665	* H.M. Militzer Beaver Dam #1540
1983	Janesville	Jon Laflin Neenah-Menasha #676	* H.M. Militzer Beaver Dam #1540
1984	Kenosha	* Arnold C. Knutson La Crosse #300	* H.M. Militzer Beaver Dam #1540
1985	Wausau	* Raymond A. Pickarts Madison #410	* H.M. Militzer Beaver Dam #1540
1986	Fond du Lac	Charles Green Oshkosh #292	* H.M. Militzer Beaver Dam #1540
1987	Green Bay	Robert G. King Antigo #662	* Hal Vilar Milwaukee #46
1988	Superior	Donald J. Sears Fond du Lac #57	* Hal Vilar Milwaukee #46
1989	Madison	Donald J. Slavik Appleton #337	Robert G. King Antigo #662
1990	Milwaukee	Harvey Gygi Wisconsin Rapids #693	Robert G. King Antigo #662
1991	Menasha	Reinhard Palm Sheboygan #299	Robert G. King Antigo #662
1992	Wausau	Marlin Hermann Waukesha #400	Robert G. King Antigo #662
1993	Janesville	Wayne Pickarts Madison #410	Robert G. King Antigo #662
1994	Superior	William "Bill" Forrest Wausau #248	Robert G. King Antigo #662
1995	Oshkosh	James Meyer Watertown #666	Robert G. King Antigo #662
1996	Stevens Point	Keith Simmons Walworth- Lakeland #2201	Robert G. King Antigo #662
1997	Wausau	David DeRosier Milwaukee #46	Robert G. King Antigo #662
1998	Fond du Lac	Robert Hackl Two Rivers #1380	Robert G. King Antigo #662
1999	Sheboygan	Milton Swantz Fond du Lac #57	Robert G. King Antigo #662

<b>YEAR</b>	<b>CITY</b>	<b>PRESIDENT</b>	<b>SECRETARY</b>
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

\* Deceased \*\* Died In Office

**DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND EXALTED RULERS  
WISCONSIN 1900 – 2007**

<b>YEAR</b>	<b>DISTRICT</b>	<b>NAME</b>	<b>LODGE</b>
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
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
1925-1926	East	Sidney Jones	Kenosha #750
	West	David Gardner	Platteville #1460



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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
	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. Fillingner	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. Ehmman	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
	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. Casanova	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. Weinkauff	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	Northeast	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
	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 Truymen	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
	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

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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
1991-1992	Northeast	Ken Thomack	Kaukauna #962
	Northwest	Albert Skinnis	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
	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 Hubbart	Manitowoc #687
	Northwest	Al Agamaite	Ashland #137
	Central	John Benbow	Wisconsin Rapids #693
	Southwest	Mick Lamendola	Janesville #254



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2000-2001	Northeast	Mike Parrish	Green Bay #259
	Northwest	Larry Yeazole	Superior #403
	Central	Bernard "Joe" Guithues	Antigo #662
	East Central	Bill Weinsrott	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
	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





