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GRAND LODGE CONVENTIONS

2018	July 1-4	San Antonio, TX
	June 30-July 3	

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Youth Activities James Burmeister
U.S. Constitution Jeffrey Julka
Elks Major Project Ray Dabler
Recreation at State Convention Douglas Vavricka
Bowling
Golf Kieran "Joe" Purcell
Curling Carolyn Mickelson
Legalized Gaming
Accident Prevention Mike Wirth
Benevolent Fund Jackie Heitmann
Trustee Training Tom Disalvo
STATE MEETINGS

2017 Fall Conference Appleton, Sept 14-17, 2017
Paper Valley Convention Center
2018 Mid-Winter Conference Appleton
February 1-4, 2018
Paper Valley Convention Center
2018 State Convention Appleton, May 3-6, 2018
Paper Valley Convention Center
2018 Fall Conference Appleton, Sept. 13-16, 2018
Paper Valley Convention Center
2019 Mid-Winter Conference Appleton
January 31 – February 2, 2019
Paper Valley Convention Center
2019 State Convention Appleton, May 2-5, 2019
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Independence

Easter Seals Wisconsin Newsletter
Summer/Fall 2017

Celebrating 25 Years of Respite!



The Wisconsin Elks/Easter Seals Wisconsin Respite Camp celebrated their 25th Anniversary on June 24th in conjunction with the annual Elks Day celebration.

Easter Seals Wisconsin and the Wisconsin Elks began their partnership in the 1970s with funding for various projects around camp. Throughout the years, Easter Seals noticed a void in respite services available to families of children and adults with disabilities statewide. With the support of the Wisconsin Elks lodges and State Major Project, the Wisconsin Elks/Easter Seals Wisconsin Respite Camp was created in 1992 on 400 wooded acres in Wisconsin Dells.



Respite Camp was the first overnight respite program in the state of Wisconsin and started by serving a handful of campers in two week-long sessions. We have since grown to offering 14 Respite weekends during the school year and 10 week-long sessions during the summer. This year we will serve a record number of 811 campers.

The Wisconsin Elks have provided annual support and camperships in excess of \$1 million along with \$2 million in building new facilities at Respite Camp. In the last few months alone, they have provided funding to remodel the Lodge bathrooms and donated new furniture, including sofas, loveseats and chairs.

Without the support of the Wisconsin Elks, families and caregivers would not have the opportunities they have today – a place where their loved ones are safe and provided new experiences in challenge and independence in a nurturing outdoor environment filled with fun – and provided a respite from what is often 24-hour care.

Thank you to the Wisconsin Elks for their dedication and support to Wisconsin families of loved ones with disabilities. We look forward to many more years of a successful program and many more Elks Days to come.



Thank you, Wisconsin Elks!











Easter Seals Wisconsin

Helping people with disabilities gain greater independence since 1926

August 8, 2017

Wisconsin Elks Major Project, Inc. Attn: Ray Dabler 1602 Foothill Ave Schofield, WI 54476

Dear Ray & Elks Friends,

On behalf of the individuals with disabilities and families served by Easter Seals Wisconsin, we would like to THANK YOU for your very generous donation of \$15,349 to Respite Camp that added sofas, chairs and love seats for the Elks Respite Camp. Your tremendous support has once again heartened and renewed our efforts as we continue to serve record-high numbers of campers with disabilities each year. Please accept our deep gratitude.

Over the past many years the Wisconsin Elks Association has been incredible partners with Easter Seals Wisconsin in helping to build and strengthen Respite services to Wisconsin families. Since the Wisconsin Elks/Easter Seals Respite Camp opened in 1992, the Wisconsin Elks have provided funds to help make sure Respite Camp continues to be the premier provider for people with disabilities and their families. This past year we served over 800 campers – a number that we all are proud of! We would not be able to provide these opportunities without the support of the Elks Major Project, Inc.

Camp offers many things – a chance to try new things in a secure, nurturing environment, an opportunity to be with other people with disabilities, and an opportunity to explore outdoor adventures in a setting where 100 percent of activities are adapted to meet the needs of individuals with disabilities.

Due to your support, campers requiring one-to-one care will have the opportunity to participate in activities that are often not available to them in their communities and to enjoy the many programs that make Respite Camp both essential and unique, while offering families a much-needed break from the often demanding care needs of their loved ones.

"Izzy can't wait to visit you all again. You probably see her smiles, but don't realize how long they last after she comes home...and how they come back when she knows she will go again. I can't say enough good things and I tell people about the camp all the time."— Camper parent

Thank you for your partnership to make a real difference in the lives of hundreds of Wisconsin campers and families. We have included a photo sheet which shows the smiling faces that your support helps make possible.

With heartfelt gratitude,

Christine Fessler CEO/President

Carissa Peterson, CTRS

Director, Camp & Respite Services

This letter serves as a receipt for your contribution of \$15,349.00, in accordance with Internal Revenue Service regulations, and verifies that Easter Seals Wisconsin did not provide any goods or services to you in consideration for this gift.

Respite Care facility in cooperation with the Wisconsin Easter Seals Society



About the Wisconsin Elks/Easter Seals Respite Camp





Caring for a child with a disability — who is medically fragile, highly disruptive or cannot be left alone because he could harm himself or others — can be very stressful. For parents and caregivers whose loved ones have developmental and <u>physical disabilities</u> so complex they must have one-to-one supervision twenty-four hours a day, a respite from care giving is of vital importance.

Operating year-round, the **Wisconsin Elks/Easter Seals Respite Camp** is unique. Not only are we one of the only programs in Wisconsin that provides overnight, individualized <u>respite care</u>, but we also accept campers with severe and multiple disabilities who have been turned down by many other programs.

Each camper's around-the-clock individual counselor ensures that the camper's daily routine is maintained at camp. These highly-trained and caring counselors are assisted by 24 hour <u>program staff</u> and volunteers and are <u>backed up</u> with the expertise of our on-site registered nurse. Parents and caregivers can take comfort in knowing that their loved ones' needs are being met.

And then the fun begins! Because of the one-to-one care Respite Camp provides, activities can be carefully tailored to meet the recreational, social and emotional needs of each and every camper.



Campers can take part in tandem bike and tractor-trailer rides, enjoy swimming and nature hikes, and experience the thrill of our high ropes course. A variety of sports and games are offered (on rainy days and in cold weather, we have a gym full of equipment so that the fun is uninterrupted), and campers also enjoy our accessible playground with swings, a sandbox and climbing equipment. There are field trips as well, to pumpkin patches and zoos and attractions in nearby Wisconsin Dells.

Source: http://camp.eastersealswisconsin.com/index.php/respite-one-on_one-sessions/

Web: http://camp.eastersealswisconsin.com/index.php/respite-one-on_one-sessions/

WISCONSIN WELCOMES

MALCOLM J. McPHERSON, Jr.

GRAND EXALTED RULER

2017-2018

Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the U.S.A

Malcolm J. (Mac) McPherson, Jr. was born in Newark, New Jersey on December 7, 1955 to Malcolm J. McPherson, Sr. and Miriam (née Murray) McPherson. Malcolm has one sister, Susanne McPherson. He attended Sacred Heart Grammar School, Lyndhurst High School, Seton Hall University, and Seton Hall Law School, graduating law school in 1981.

Malcolm met his wife Patricia (Pat) (née Schember) in high school and they were married on August 15, 1981. They have two daughters, Meghan and Mallory, both of whom are officers of Lyndhurst Lodge No. 1505. Upon graduation from law school, Malcolm joined the law firm of Edwards and Antholis as an associate until becoming a partner in 1986, remaining there until 1990.

In 1991, he opened his own private practice specializing in civil law, including matrimonial, municipal land use, wills and estates. He was also a former attorney for the Passaic County Elks Cerebral Palsy Treatment Center. In 1992, he was appointed the attorney for the Lyndhurst Rent Leveling Board and presently still holds that position.

Malcolm was initiated into Lyndhurst Lodge No. 1505 in March 1981, proposed by his soon to be father-in-law, Walter Schember, Sr. He was installed as Lodge Esquire in March 1982 and continued on as Esteemed Lecturing Knight, Esteemed Loyal Knight, Esteemed Leading Knight and elected as Exalted Ruler in 1986-1987. Following that, Malcolm served his Lodge in many capacities including Justice of the Subordinate Forum from 1987-2005. He achieved Honorable Life Membership in April 1997.

On the State level, he served as Chairman for the North Central District's Ritual Committee as well as being a certified Ritualistic judge, which he continues to be to this day. He served as attorney for both the New Jersey State Elks Association Convention and Special Children's Committee. Malcolm was also Chairman of the New Jersey State Laws Committee. He was elected President of the New Jersey State Elks Association 1999-2000.

At the Grand Lodge level, Malcolm was appointed District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler of New Jersey's North Central District in 1995-1996, Grand Lodge Ritualistic Committeeman in 2002-2003, Grand Lodge Committee on Judiciary in 2003-2005, member of the Grand Forum from 2005 until 2010, serving as its Chief Justice, and Chairman of the Pardon Commission in 2009-2010, Special Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler for the state of New Jersey from 2009 to the present.

On a personal level, Malcolm was a member and coach of the Little Falls Athletic Club. He coached basketball and softball in Little Falls from 1989 until 2001. He was a member of the American Bar Association. He and his family are parishioners of Our Lady of Mount Carmel R. C. Church.



STATE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

To My Fellow Elks:



It has been a long and busy summer, but a very good one. The Grand Lodge in Reno was a great experience; I really felt proud to carry our State Flag at the Opening Ceremony. The new Grand Exalted Ruler seemed like a very nice and caring and dedicated Elk.

While at the Grand Lodge we voted on some changes to our statutes and the ones that passed apply to all of our Lodges. I am hoping that all of our Exalted Rulers will go over the changes with their Lodge members and make sure they understand and comply with the changes. Some of us may not agree with all of the changes, but every change was voted on by the delegates at the Grand Lodge Convention and the ones that passed became a part of our statutes.

One of the highlights of the Fall Conference is that the Grand Exalted Ruler (Malcolm McPherson Jr.) and his wife (Patricia) will be visiting us along with our State Sponsor, P.G.E.R. F. Louis Sulsberger and his wife, Beth. It should be a very good time and I know that everyone will show them our great Wisconsin hospitality. Remember, he visits our Conference to meet the people, so when you see them introduce yourself and shake their hands.

By the time the Conference comes, Muriel and I will have visited about one-third of our Lodges and have had a great reception from each Lodge visited. We really appreciate that and are looking forward to visiting the rest of our Lodges and spreading the word to "Be

Proud Of Elkdom". By doing this we can help our organization grow and prosper. We need to reach out and invite more people to join our organization. One of my goals this year is to have a positive gain in membership for the state and not lose any more Lodges. By gaining membership, we will be able to keep the Elks Organization going.

One last thing: As Muriel and I visit the Lodges, we don't go just to visit the officers. We like to meet all of the members and talk to them.

Fraternally,

George A. Myers
George A. Myers, State President
Wisconsin Elks Association



ILLINOIS ELKS AIDING PHYSICALLY-CHALLENGED CHILDREN

Illinois Elks Children's Care Corporation P.O. Box 222, Chatham, Illinois 62629-0222

Thank you for the memorial received in this office for Robert J. Sabin, Sr.

An acknowledgement has been mailed to:

Mrs. Marge Sabin

120 Village Drive Unit 133

Arlington Heights, IL 60004-4582

Physically-challenged children are helped by gifts such as yours! "THANKS"



2017-2018 STATE PRESIDENT TRAVEL PLANS



LODGE/CITY	DAY OF THE WEEK	VISIT	DATE	THEME/DRESS CODE	LOCATION	
*Appleton	Fri. thru Sun.	Fall Convention	9/15 thru 9/17	Red Jacket	Appleton	
Madison	Saturday	State Presidents visit	9/30/2017	Red & White casual	Lodge	
Wi. Dells Camp Wawb.	Sunday	Pancake Breakfast	10/9/2017	Red shirt	Camp Wawbeek	
Neenah/Menasha	Friday	State Presidents visit	10/13/2017	Red & White casual	Lodge	
Waukesha	Saturday	State Presidents visit	10/14/2017	Red & White casual	Lodge	
Marshfield	Saturday	State Presidents visit	10/21/2017	Red Jacket	Lodge	
Kaukauna	Friday	State Presidents visit	10/27/2017	Haloween	TBD	
Oshkosh	Saturday	State Presidents visit	10/28/2017	Red & White casual	Lodge	
Baraboo	Saturday	State Presidents visit	11/4/2017	Red & White casual	Lodge	
Green Bay	Friday	State Presidents visit	12/1/2017	Red & White casual	Lodge	
Oconto	Saturday	State Presidents visit	12/2/2017	Venison Feed	Lodge	
Antigo	Saturday	State Presidents visit	12/9/2017	Red causal	Lodge	
Marinette	Saturday	State Presidents visit	1/6/2018	Red & White casual	Lodge	
Milwaukee	Saturday	State Presidents visit	1/27/2018	Red & White casual	Lodge	
*Appleton	Fri thru Sun	Mid-Winter Convention	2/2 thru 2/4	Red Jacket	Appleton	
Wausau	Saturday	State Hoop Shoot	2/10/2018	Red Shirt	Wausau	
Wausau	Sat. evening	State Presidents visit	2/10/2018	Red Jacket	Lodge	
Beaver Dam	Saturday	State Presidents visit	2/24/2018	Red & White casual	TBD	
Waukeska	Fri./Sat.	State Bowling	3/2/2018	Casual	Waukesha	
Iowa City	Saturday	Regional Hoop Shoot	3/10/2018	Red Shirt/Casual	Iowa City	
Manitowoc	Friday	State Presidents visit	3/16/2018	St. Patrick's Day	Lodge	
Sheboygan	Saturday	State Presidents visit	3/17/2018	Red Jacket	Lodge	
Stevens Point	Friday	State Presidents visit	3/23/2018	Red Jacket Lodge		
Wisconsin Rapids	Saturday	State Presidents visit	3/24/2018	Red Jacket	Lodge	
Platteville	Saturday	State Presidents visit	4/7/2018	Red Jacket Lodge		
*Green Bay	Fri thru Sun	Spring Convention	5/4 thru 5/6	Red Jacket	Green Bay	

BE PROUD OF ELKDOM

MOM SAYS "THANKS" FOR RESPITE CAMP

Dear Elks Club,

I want to take a chance to thank you for sending my son to camp. It was a once in a lifetime experience. He had the time of his life, and for the first time was given independence to be at an overnight experience for a length of time without his parents. This is such a huge blessing for our family, especially A.J.

Camp helped his independent living skills, social skills and self esteem. He left with new friends and memories that will last for years to come. As his mom, it was amazing to see him at camp with kids who had similar unique abilities. It was a joy to see, and brought tears to my eyes. Again, this was such an all-around beautiful experience and I thank you from the bottom of my heart for making it possible.

Thank you again so much!!

Sincerely,

Sarah Sprenger

STATE PRESIDENT-ELECT'S MESSAGE

STATE SPONSOR'S MESSAGE



I can't believe how quickly the time is going by. We just returned from Grand Lodge in Reno, have made eight Lodge visits, attended Elks Day at Camp Wawbeek, participated in three parades and now summer is coming to an end. Jeannie and I have been having a great time traveling with State President, George, and First Lady, Muriel, visiting all of the wonderful Lodges in our state promoting George's message of "Be Proud Of Elkdom". The hospitality we've received has been top notch and we can't thank you enough. We are looking forward to the visits yet to come to hear about all the great things you are doing in your communities to promote Elkdom.

I would like to thank Jason and Melissa Somers for all the hard work and the great job they and their committee did for our state hospitality rooms at Grand Lodge this year. Throughout the week I heard from many states how wonderful the Wisconsin hospitality was and how friendly the folks from our state are. I am happy to announce that Jason has agreed to continue as our Grand Lodge Attendance Committee Chairman.

Thank you to the Leading Knights that have already contacted me to schedule the date for their State President's Visit for 2018-2019. If you have not already done so, please contact me as soon as possible; the the calendar is filling quickly. Dates will be scheduled on a first come basis. My address is 2880 Commander Ct., Oshkosh, WI 54901, e-mail: samdemmin@aol.com and phone: 920-379-9012.

I look forward to seeing all of you in Appleton at Fall Conference and I wish you all safe travels.

Fraternally,

Sam Demmin
Sam Demmin, State President-Elect
Wisconsin Elks Association

Dear Delegates and Guests:

Welcome to Appleton and to the 2017 Fall Conference! Beth and I have been looking forward to our trip here and the chance to see our good friends from the great State of Wisconsin.

In addition to the regular business we will all tend to this weekend, we are most fortunate to have our Grand Exalted Ruler, Malcom McPherson, Jr., and First Lady, Pat, here for their official visit. Beth and I have known Malcom and Pat for many years going back to when we served together on the Grand Lodge Ritual Committee. We are excited for them to be here and I know you will all give them a warm and wonderful welcome.

Enjoy the Conference and please take advantage of all it has to offer. I thank you for being here and for your continued commitment to our great Order.

F. Louis Sulsberger
Past Grand Exalted Ruler

Wisconsin Elks Association Sponsor

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FIRST LADY'S MESSAGE

VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT



Summer is going by fast. We have visited six Lodges and gone to Grand Lodge. It has been so nice revisiting these Lodges – visiting with old friends and making new ones. I want to thank each and every one of them for making us feel so welcome.

Grand Lodge in Reno was a wonderful experience for us. We got to see what a great Order the Benevolent & Protective Order of Elks is; visit all the booths and learn about each state's major projects. As Elks, we play a very big part in helping our communities, wherever there is a need. It makes me proud to say I am part of the Elks. A big thank you to our Grand Lodge Attendance Committee for the great job.

I am looking forward to the Fall Conference in September. We will be hosting the Grand Exalted Ruler, Malcolm McPherson Jr., and First Lady, Patricia, of Lyndhurst, New Jersey. Please join George and I and give them a big Wisconsin welcome.

Muriel Myers

Muriel Myers, First Lady Wisconsin Elks Association

Fall Conference Association Raffle

This is just a reminder to all of you who will be attending the Fall Conference that we can use any and all raffle prizes that you care to donate for the Association Raffle. Your generosity is what sells the tickets which, in turn, makes the money that allows us to do all the good things that we do through the Elks Association Raffle. All donations are appreciated!!

*Man*Nan Johnson

Karen Bennett



CENTRAL DISTRICT

BY NIKKI SHANNON, V.P.

I would like to say thank you to the Central District for having the confidence in me to represent the Central District as your Vice-President. It is an honor and I am looking forward to seeing you at your Lodge State President's Visits.

Most of you know me, but for those of you who don't, I have been a member of Beaver Dam Lodge #1540 for the past two years. Prior to moving to Beaver Dam I was a member and PER of Portage Lodge #675. I am also Past First Lady of the Wisconsin Elks.

I am excited to be working with State President, George Myers, and President-Elect, Sam Demmin, and spreading President Myers theme this year, "Be Proud Of Elkdom". I also get the pleasure of bragging about your Lodge's accomplishments!

To do the bragging I will need a copy of your Lodge's newsletter every month. Also prior to the Lodge visit you will need to send me the information that President Myer's Protocol Director sends to you. I cannot share all the great things your Lodge is doing in the community if I do not know. This is the time to shine.

Prior to each State Conference and Convention I also need a Lodge report of activities to report on.

As State President George says, "Be Proud Of Elkdom"; when you are proud it will shine through in all that you do.

Looking forward to seeing you at the visits in the Central District. Invite all members to come to the Lodge visit; not just the officers. Every member is part of a Lodge's accomplishments, not just the Officers and need to hear and share in the pride.

See you soon.

FROM THE CHAPLAIN

When they had crossed over Elijah said to Elisha, "Ask what I shall do for you before I am taken from you." And Elisha said, "Please let a double portion of your spirit be upon me." He said, "You have asked a hard thing. Nevertheless, if you see me when I am taken from you, it shall be so for you; but if not, it shall not be so. 2Kings 2:9-10 NIV

Every leader needs a mentor, especially emerging leaders. God took Elisha through the preparation necessary under the tutelage of Elijah. Please note several principles outlined in 1Kings (chapter 19) and 2Kings (chapter 2) underlying Elijah's preparation.

Elisha's Preparation

Leadership Principle

He was anointed to replace Elijah

Leaders must understand their call and role.

Elisha touched Elijah's mantle long
before he entered his ministry.

Elisha burned his farm tools. Leaders must surrender former ambitions.

He stuck with Elijah wherever he went. Leaders must pursue good mentors.

He absorbed all he could from Elijah. Leaders must hunger to grow and develop.

It seems to me that there are some similarities in leadership principles found in the Elks Association and in this story from the Bible. We may not have God's direct hand in our leadership process (however helpful that may be) yet we can see certain procedures in this story that have value in our organization.

Many people feel called to serve their Lodge and it is to their benefit that they follow the teachings of a successful past leader. One's desire to grow in their respective Lodge and enhanced by good mentorship with the aid of time-honored leadership principles can only result in positive results for the person and the Lodge.

Blessings,

Reverend Michael
Reverend Michael Hackbarth, Chaplain
Wisconsin Elks Association

INFORMATION FOR MAKING RESERVATIONS FOR THE MID-WINTER CONFERENCE AT THE RADISSON PAPER VALLEY HOTEL

Radisson Paper Valley Hotel ROOM RATE

333 W. College Avenue

Appleton, WI 54911 \$99.00

PHONE NUMBER: (920)733-8000 or (800) 333-3333

When making your reservation, be sure to let them know that you are with the Wisconsin Elks Association. The <u>CUT-OFF DATE</u> for making reservations will be <u>JANUARY 4TH, 2018</u>. After the cut-off date, we cannot guarantee being able to get a room at this rate.

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Friday,	Sept.15, 2017	ROOM
9:00 AM - 10:30 AM	Board of Directors	OAKTAG/PARCHMENT
10:30 AM - 11:30 AM	Benevolent Fund	OAKTAG/PARCHMENT
12:00 PM - 8:00 PM	Registration	POOLDOME
1:30 PM - 3:00 PM	PSP Advisory	OAKTAG/PARCHMENT
<u>Saturday,</u>	Sept.16, 2017	ROOM
7:30 AM - 8:00 AM	Pres. Pres. Elect. & V.Ps	EMPIRE (LOWER LEVEL)
8:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Registration	POOLDOME
7:30 AM - 8:00 AM	Resolutions & Laws Committee	OAKTAG
8:00 AM - 9:00 AM	Accident Prevention	CORTLAND
8:00 AM - 9:00 AM	Americanism	PIPPIN
8:00 AM - 9:00 AM	Ritualistic Exemplification	CROWN
9:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Ritual Competitions	CROWN
8:00 AM - 9:00 AM	Grand Lodge Attendance	EVERGREEN
8:00 AM - 9:00 AM	Business Practices	SALON C
8:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Sec/CLMS Training	SALON D
8:00 AM - 9:00 AM	Hoop Shoot	MACINTOSH
8:00 AM - 12:00 AM	Recreation at Convention	LOBBY AREA
8:30 AM - 10:30 AM	State Sponsor / DDGER/Esquire	EMPIRE (LOWER LEVEL)
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Elks Major Project	OAKTAG
9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Youth Activities	CRIMSON (LOWER LEVEL)
9:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Elks National Veterans Service	PIPPIN
9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Committee for the Disabled	PARCHMENT
9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Lodge Development	OAKTAG
9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	U.S.Constitution Contest	BOND
9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Golf	EVERGREEN (LOWER LEVEL)
9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	ER/Leading Knight Advisory	SALON C
10:00 AM - 12:00 AM	Drug Awareness	CRIMSON (LOWER LEVEL)
9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Publicity and Public Relations	MACINTOSH
10:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Elks National Foundation ENF	PARCHMENT
10:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Membership and Lapsation	MACINTOSH
10:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Conferences and Conventions	EVERGREEN (LOWER LEVEL)
10:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Elks National Foundation Scholarship	SALON C
10:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Benevolent Fund Raising	At their table
10:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Legalized Gaming	ASPEN
10:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Bowling	SALON D
10:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Officer Training	BOND
11:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Auditing	PIPPIN
11:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Curling	MCINTOSH
11:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Lodge Trustee Training	ASPEN
11:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Lodge Activities	SALON D
11:30 PM	Ladies Luncheon (Cocktails 10:30 AM)	EMPIRE
12:00 PM	Association Cocktails	SALON C
12:30 PM - 1:30 PM	Association Luncheon	SALON C
5:00 PM	Evening Prayer with Rev Hackbarth	MACINTOSH
6:00 PM	Cocktails	EMPIRE (LOWER LEVEL)
7:00 PM	Banquet	EMPIRE (LOWER LEVEL)

PRE-REGISTRATION FORM – DEADLINE DECEMBER 26, 2018

MID-WINTER CONFERENCE, FEBRUARY 1-4, 2018
PAPER VALLEY CONVENTION CENTER, APPLETON
PRE-REGISTRATION FORM FOR W.E.A. CONFERENCE

(REGISTRATION INFORMATION - PLEASE PRINT)

One form per member, please print

FIRST NAME:	LAST NAME			
ADDRESS:				
LODGE NAME:				
SPOUSE/GUEST (FIRST & LAST NAM	MES)			
(BADGE PR	OVIDED ONLY IF ATTENDING LUNC			
	NO TICKETS	COST		
PRE-REGISTRATION FEE:		1	@\$15.00	\$ 15.00
LADIES LUNCHEON				
Chicken Salad on a Croissant			@\$14.25	\$
OR				
Roasted Pork Loin			@\$16.00	\$
ASSOCIATION LUNCHEON				
Tailgater Buffet			@\$20.00	\$
SATURDAY NIGHT BANQUET				
Ballotine Asiago			@\$24.00	\$
OR			_	
Baked Haddock			@\$24.00	\$
ALL MEALS INCLUDE TAX & TIP			TOTAL	\$

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LADIES LUNCHEONS:

Chicken Salad on a Croissant: Chicken Salad, served with Pesto Mayonnaise, Lettuce, Tomato and Radish Sprouts. Served with Potato Chips.

Roasted Pork Loin: Roasted Pork Loin rubbed with Honey and Thyme, topped with a Light Supreme Sauce. Served with Salad, Broccoli Florets, Garlic Mashed Potatoes and Rolls and Butter.

ASSOCIATION LUNCHEON:

Tailgater Buffet: Grilled Hamburgers with Bakery Fresh Buns. Grilled Wisconsin Bratwurst with Hot Sauerkraut and Bakery Fresh Buns. Served with German Potato Salad, Coleslaw, Ranch Style Baked Beans, Sliced Watermelon, Leaf Lettuce, Sliced Tomato, Onion, and Kosher Pickle Platter, Potato Chips, Whole Grain and Yellow Mustard, Ketchup, and Pickle Relish. Assorted Cookies or Assorted Brownies and Bars.

SATURDAY NIGHT BANQUET:

Ballotine Asiago: Boneless Breast of Chicken, filled with Asiago, Pecorino Romano, Onions, Garlic, Sun-Dried Tomatoes and Supreme Sauce. Served with Salad, Green Beans Almondine, Rice Pilaf, and Rolls and Butter. **Baked Haddock:** A Boneless Haddock Fillet, baked with Lemon Pepper and Toasted Almonds. Served with

Salad, Green Beans Almondine, Roasted Red Potatoes and Rolls and Butter.

All offerings are served Coffee, Tea or Milk.

FORMS POSTMARKED AFTER DECEMBER 28, 2018 WILL BE RETURNED TO SENDER. YOU WILL HAVE TO REGISTER ON SITE AT A FEE OF \$25.00.

HATS IN THE RING FOR STATE PRESIDENT-ELECT



The officers and members of Beaver Dam Lodge #1540 and the Past Exalted Ruler's Association of Beaver Dam Elks Lodge #1540 proudly announce their support of Nikki Shannon for the office of State President-Elect of the Wisconsin Elks Association.

Nikki became an active Elk member seven years ago at Portage Lodge #675 after her husband, Ron, told her if she wanted to give input to the Lodge that she needed to become an Elk and that is when Pat Nitze proposed her and the rest is history. Prior to becoming an Elk she was part of the Ladies Auxiliary in Portage for as long as Ron was a member.

Nikki served as ER at Portage Lodge #675 2014-2015. When her job as a nurse at the Dodge County Detention Facility took her and Ron to Beaver Dam she transferred to the

Beaver Dam Lodge #1540, where she proudly served as ER 2016-2017 and is currently Leading Knight.

Nikki was Elk Lady of the Year 2007-2008. She was in charge of the food for the hospitality room for the Grand Lodge Attendance Committee for 19 years. She is currently the Vice-President of the Central District and Chairman of the ER-Leading Knight Committee.

Nikki has been married to her husband, Ron for 24 years. They have seven children between the two of them. She continues to work as a nurse at Dodge County Detention Facility.

Nikki is dedicated and enthusiastic about what Elkdom is all about and, therefore, the members of Beaver Dam #1540 and members of the Past Exalted Rulers Association proudly support Nikki Shannon for the office of State President-Elect of the Wisconsin Elks Association. Thank you for your support of Nikki in this important role of Elkdom.

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Exalted Ruler P.S.P., P.E.R.

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President

P.E.R. Association



The Beloit Elks Lodge #864 has announced this year's Scholarship winners. Pictured from the left are: Alex Mireles, \$500, W.E.A. Technical Scholarship; Jack Speckman and Rachel Nagel, Brodhead High School, \$1,000 one-year each; Jinan Sous, Turner High School, \$4,000, four-year ENF 2017 Most Valuable Student Scholarship. Not pictured is Abby Miller, Beloit Memorial High School, \$1,000 one year scholarship.



The members of the Wausau Lodge #248 participated in the United Ways "Fill A Back Pack, Fill A Need" school supplies drive. Members and volunteers bought over \$250 in school supplies through the Lodge's Youth Activity fund. These much needed supplies consisted of filling over 20 new back packs with various school items, such as crayons, markers, folders, notebooks, colored pencils and glue. Pictured left to right is Rick Gesicki, Lodge Member, Mary Gesicki, Lodge Volunteer, Kevin McCarthy DDGER, Wendy McCarthy, Lodge Member, Marcelo Coscio, Loyal Knight and John Mijal, Exalted Ruler.

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PICTURED ABOVE ARE THE DISTRICT DEPUTIES FOR 2017-2018. THEY ARE (left to right) KEVIN MC CARTHY, NORTHEAST DISTRICT, STEVE SCHRAUFNAGEL, NORTHWEST DISTRICT, JAMES JIRACEK, SOUTH DISTRICT AND AARON HOLBROOK, CENTRAL DISTRICT.