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2018 FALL CONFERENCE - APPLETON

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COMMITTEE MEMBERS	Fall Conf	Mid Winter	Spring Conv	Dist	LODGE & NUMBER
Hagen Dave - Chair	✓			S	Janesville #254
Bruckner Ken - Advisor	✓			C	Sheboygan #299
Cronin Kyle				S	Wisconsin Rapids #693
Holbrook Aaron				C	Beaver Dam #1540
Luechau Arnie				NE	Wausau #248
Schreiber Deb	✓			C	Oshkosh #292
Shortess Larry	EX			NW	Marshfield #665
Weisbach Phil				NE	Appleton #337
Whalen Cindy - Co-Chair	✓			S	Janesville #254

GUESTS					
Kerrn Lowson	✓				Milw 46
Kiara Brogan	✓				Manitowoc 687
Darlene Seidner	✓				Milw 46

GUESTS CONTINUED	Fall Conf	Mid Winter	Spring Conv	DIST	LODGE & NUMBER

Wisconsin *Elks* Association

Committee Report

September 15, 2018

Auditing Committee

Dave Hagen, Chairman

The auditing committee reviewed and approved the expenditures of the following WEA checking accounts.

Wisconsin Elks Association administration account for the period of April 1, 2018 through August 31, 2018.

Wisconsin Elks Association charitable account for the period of April 1, 2018 through August 31, 2018

Elks National Veterans accounts for the period of September 1, 2017 – August 31, 2018 for the following lodges:

- Madison #410
- Milwaukee #45
- Superior #403
- Wausau #248

The Grand Lodge Attendance Committee for period of August 1, 2016 through August 31, 2017, which includes the Reno Grand Lodge Convention.

The Grand Lodge Attendance Committee for period of August 1, 2017 through August 31, 2018, which includes the San Antonio Grand Lodge Convention.

BENEVOLENT FUND BOARD OF DIRECTORS #35A

2018 FALL CONFERENCE - APPLETON

			✓	Meets Friday 10:30 to 11:30 in Oaktag/Parchment	
BOARD MEMBERS	Fall Conf	Mid Winter	Spring Conv	TITLE	LODGE & NUMBER
Lou Sulsberger, PGER	✓			State Sponsor	Flora, IL #1659
Ken Bruckner	✓			President	Sheboygan #299
Todd Kustuck	✓			Vice-President	Platteville #1460
Dave DeRosier	✓			Chair, Board of Directors	Milwaukee #46
Dave Hagen	✓			Secretary/Treasurer	Janesville #254
Sam Demmin	✓			State President	Oshkosh #292
Nikki Shannon	✓			State President-Elect	Beaver Dam #1540
Jackie Heitmann	✓			Chair, Fund Raising	Portage #675
Karl Hanke	✓			VP NorthEast	Wausau #248
James Walsh Jr.	✓			VP NorthWest	Wisconsin Rapids #693
Michelle Wright	✓			VP Central	Sheboygan #299
Pat Moran	✓			VP South	Milwaukee #46
David DeRosier	✓			Trustee	Milwaukee #46
Andy Olander	✓			Trustee	Marshfield #665
Jaye Franklin	✓			Trustee	Marshfield #665
Joe Klumb	✓			Trustee	Marinette #1313
Tony Voulgaris	✓			Trustee	Oshkosh #292
Guest					
Mike Luhr	DEP				
Lou Sulsberger	PGER				
Nicky Shannon	Pres. Elect				
Dim Meyer	Grand Esteesteen Lechnight Knight				
Dennis Daily	Grand Lodge special Deputy w/				
~~Ken Bowsoot~~	~~Grand Lodge committee person~~				
Ken Brokner	Grand Lodge Government Relations				

Wisconsin Elks Benevolent Fund

Minutes of the Meeting of Board of Directors
2018 WEA Fall Conference, Appleton WI
September 14, 2018

1. Meeting of the Board of Directors was call to order @ 11:02 am by President Ken Bruckner, with the pledging to the Flag.
2. Roll call of officer with all present.
3. 28 members were present including PGER the Honorable F. Louis Sulsberger of Flora, IL Lodge #1659 and Grand Exalted Ruler, the Honorable Michael Luhr of Petersburg, AK Lodge #1615.
4. Minutes of the May 4, 2018 meeting were read and approved.
5. Treasure report was read and approved.
   a. $ 17,208.20 in Checking
   b. $2,104,896.00 in Funds
6. Luke Kuchenberg, from Tyson Ray's office, reviewed the status of the investment funds reporting a 3.45% portfolio performance.
7. Old Business:
   a. Ken reported that the renewals of the WBF category A&B raffle licenses were received.
   b. The audit report was completed and 2017 – 2018 tax returns were filed.
8. Jackie Heitmann reported on the benevolent fundraising.
   a. The raffle for the fall conference was the Penny Raffle.
      a. 1st Place $250.00 for Sandra Boss
      b. 2nd Place $150.00 gas card for Sherry Moore
      c. 3rd Place $50.00 gas card for Bob Willis
   b. Requested board approval to spend up to $500 for the mailing of WBF flyers to Lodges to be included in their due's statements and newsletters.
      A motion was made and approved.
   c. The committee is working on the details of the upcoming Mid-Winter conference fundraiser.
9. The following payments were approved by the Board:
   - $35,000 to the WEA for charitable programs
   - $1,825 to Richard Bruss CPA for audit and tax return fees.
   - $54.00 to the Wisconsin Department of Financial Institution for the annual corporation fee.
   - $210,470.00 to the Wisconsin Elks Association for funds received from ENF for scholarships.
   - Reimburse Dave Hagen for Penny Raffle gas gift cards for 2nd and 3rd place $200.00.
   - Authorizing $250.00 of the 1st prize winner of the Penny Raffle.
10. Weekend collections totaled $5,214.75
11. A moment of silence was held in memory of Mick Lamendola of Janesville Lodge #254. Mick was the former financial advisor to the WEB fund board.
12. Meeting was adjourned @ 11:40 am.

Respectively Submitted,

David A Hagen

David Hagen, Secretary/Treasurer

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Name of Committee Association Board of Directors

Date and Time of Meeting September 14,2018 8:30 AM

Chairman Dave DeRosier

Names of Those in Attendance

Dave DeRosier, Andy Olander, Karl Hanke, Sam Demmin, Jaye Franklin, Ken Johnson, Joe Klumb, Jeff Langton, Pat Moran, James Walsh Jr, Nikki Shannon, Michelle Wright, Tony Voulgaris

Names of those Excused

Not Excused

Visitors

GER Michael Luhr, PGER Lou Sulsberger, GLK Jim Meyer, George Meyers, Dave Hagen, Ron Shannon, Todd Kostuck, Ken Bruckner, Jason Somers, Bob Bohnsack, Rob Radig, Norm Behnke, Kathleen Hagen, Cindy Whalen, Jeff Miller, Tom Trudeau, Dennis Daley, Tom Widzinski, Kevin Lonien, Michael Wright, Bill Forest

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Date 9/14/18

Time 9AM

Committee Name B.O.D.

$4,000 WAS RETURNED FROM HILTON FROM NATIONAL CONVENTION. V.P REPORTS WERE EXCELLENT, VOTED TO EXTEND CONTRACT WITH PAPER VALLEY THRU 2026. WEA ELKS GRANTS ARE AVAILABLE. ANEW FUND WILL BE DEVELOPED FOR FALLEN OFFICERS, EMT'S OR FIREFIGHTERS.

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COMMITTEE: ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS
TIME AND DATE: 9 AM September 14, 2018
CHAIRMAN: DAVE DEROSIER
MEETING OPENED AT 9 AM WITH THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS
(LISTED IN A SEPARATE PDF DOCUMENT)

INTRODUCTION OF THE GUESTS

1. JIM MEYER, GRAND LECTURING KNIGHT, INTRODUCED MICHAEL LUHR, GER FROM ALASKA

MINUTES READ

1. MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES BY JOHNSON, SECOND BY OLANDER, MOTION PASSED

OLD BUSINESS

1. JASON SOMERS REPORTED THAT $4,000 WAS RETURNED BY THE HILTON IN SAN ANTONIO
2. JOHNSON REPORTED THAT JASON AND HIS TEAM ARE DOING A GREAT JOB WITH THE MEET AND GREET ROOM. JASON WELCOMES SUGGESTIONS

NEW BUSINESS

1. VP REPORTS PRESENTED:
   VP-NW – WALSCH
   VP-NE – KARL HANKE
   VP-C – MICHELLE WRIGHT
   VP-S – PAT MORAN
   DEROSIER COMMENTED THAT THE REPORTS WERE EXCELLENT

2. TREASURERS REPORT: LANGTON REVIEWED THE ACCOUNTING MANUAL.
   LANGTON REVIEWED THE FINANCIAL REPORT AND COMMENTED THAT THE FINANCIAL STATUS OF THE ASSOCIATION LOOKED VERY GOOD.
   LANGTON COMMENTED ON THE RAYMOND JAMES ACCT. HE NOTED THAT THERE IS $5,000 TO $7,000 AVAILABLE FOR USE IF NECESSARY.

3. SECRETARY REPORT: JOHNSON SUGGESTED USING THE AVAILABLE FUNDS TO SUBSIDIZE THE COST OF THE BANQUET TICKETS, STARTING FOR THE CONVENTION, MAY, 2019. MOTION BY OLANDER, SECOND BY LANGTON, MOTION PASSED.
   JOHNSON DISCUSSED SOME OF THE PROBLEMS BECAUSE OF THE VIKINGS USING THE HOTEL. AS SOON AS THE ROOMS ARE EMPTY ON SATURDAY, THEY WILL BE SET UP FOR THE VIKINGS TO USE.
   JOHNSON ASKED FOR APPROVAL TO NEGOTIATE $99 ROOMS THROUGH 2020 AND $109 THROUGH 2021. MID-WINTER OF 2021 WOULD BE $109 BUT MAY HAVE TO BE CHANGED FROM THE 1ST WEEKEND TO THE 2ND WEEKEND. MOTION BY OLANDER, SECOND BY LONIEN, MOTION PASSED.
   OLANDER PRESENTED THE MOTION TO EXTEND OUT 5 YRS FROM 2021, SECOND BY SHANNON, MOTION PASSED. OLANDER COMMENTED THAT HE DOES NOT BELIEVE THE DISTRICTS HAVE THE MAN POWER OR SUPPORT TO HANDLE A CONVENTION UNDER ONE ROOF. MILLER COMMENTED THAT THE ONLY CONCERN IS THE DRIVING FROM THE NORTHWEST LODGES.
   JOHNSON REPORTED THAT THE CONFERENCE MANUAL IS OUT OF DATE AND WILL NO LONGER BE USED OR UPDATED.

JOHNSON REPORTED THAT THE BALANCE SHEET SHOWED THE CURRENT INCOME AND EXPENDITURES.
JOHNSON POINTED OUT THAT THE BUGLE ONCE AGAIN RECEIVE AN AWARD OF EXCELLENCE AT THE GL CONVENTION.
THE DIRECTORY RECEIVES INFORMATION FROM CLMS. IF CLMS IS WRONG, THE DIRECTORY IS WRONG.
ONLY 2 LODGES HAVE REQUESTED ASSOCIATION GRANTS. THE GRANTS ARE FOR $3 PER MEMBER AND CAN BE USED FOR ANY 501(c) UNBUDGETED ACTIVITY.

4. PGER SULSBERGER REQUESTED OF ALL IN ATTENDANCE TO APPLY FOR GRANTS. NATIONAL FOUNDATION HAS LOTS OF MONEY AND WANTS TO GIVE IT TO LODGES.
   PGER SULSBERGER INTRODUCED GER MICHAEL LUHR.
   PGER SULSBERGER STATED THAT THE VP REPORTS WERE GREAT.

5. DEROSIER DISCUSSED THE DEATH OF A POLICE OFFICER FROM MILWAUKEE. MILWAUKEE LODGE $1,250 FOR THE FAMILY. IT WAS DONATED TO THE MEMORIAL FUND FOR FALLEN OFFICERS OF MILWAUKEE PD. DAVE SUGGESTED SETTING UP A CHARITABLE ACCOUNT TO PROVIDE $1,000 TO FALLEN OFICERS. OLANDER SO MOVED, JOHNSON SECONDED. DISCUSSION BY OLANDER TO INCLUDE FIRE FIGHTERS AND EMTS. HANKE NOTED THERE IS A PLAQUE OF HONOR FOR LIVING OFFICERS RECOGNITION AND A MEDAL OF HONOR FOR FALLEN OFFICERS. LOCAL LODGES NEED TO APPLY FOR THEM FROM GL TO BE AWARDED. MOTION BY WALSH, SECOND BY SHANNON TO AMEND TO INCLUDE FIRE FIGHTERS AND EMTS. FRIENDLY MOTION SO THE TWO ARE MERGED, MOTIONS PASSED.

6. JOHNSON ASKED TOM TRUDEAU TO SPEAK UPON BEHALF OF THE PRAYER SERVICE FOR SATURDAY EVENING. THERE WILL BE SINGING AND A VIDEO. IT WAS STARTED WITH THE ASHLAND VETERANS PROGRAM AND WAS WELL ACCEPTED. ENCOURAGED ALL TO ATTEND.

7. LONIEN SPOKE ABOUT THE POOR ATTENDANCE AT THE SUNDAY GENERAL SESSION.

8. MEETING ADJOURNED: 10:49 AM

Board Of Directors Report Northwest District

Ashland Lodge #137

The Lodge currently has full roster of Officers. They were approached by local Veterans for financial support for their newly acquire Veterans Center, they made a donation of $3,500.00. They also have pledged support the annual Veterans Banquet. They also will be part of the Evening Prayer Service to show part of their Veterans Tribute.

Chippewa Falls Lodge #1326

Brady Zwiefelhofer and Al Mazorol along with numerous Elks and DDGER Susan Gutknecht, had the pleasuring of attending the unveiling of the United States Marine Corps bridge tribute signage next to Leinenkugel's Lodge. Elk member, Scott Sullivan had the idea to dedicate bridges in Chippewa Falls to our military and our Lodge volunteered and support this cause financially. President of Leinenkugel Brewery, Dick Leinenkugel, was honored to see this tribute to our military and wanted other to know how and why the signage was appearing around our community; so the Leinenkugel family along with Scott had a special ceremony celebrating the military tribute bridges. There are three generations of Leinenkugel's and four members that have served in the Marines, so to have the USMC bridge tribute was meaningful especially to the Leinenkugel family. Mr. Jake Leinenkugel and Mayor Hoffman also spoke at this event along with starting the celebration with the USMC Color Guard.

Eau Claire Lodge #402

The highlight of August was State President Sam Demmin's visit on the 17th. We had a record turnout for a meet and greet and an extraordinary Friday night fish and shrimp dinner. Burger Night on the 28th will round out August. We are also pleased to report that we have four candidates awaiting initiation on September.

Marshfield Lodge #665

Their Veterans Services chairmen raised 6030.00 with a golf outing,and raised 700.00 at our hub city event selling brats for the vets.They raised another 340.00 for ENF with our meat raffle.

Our lodge was given a $25,000.00 gift from a past member and we are looking at using the money to improve our lodge.

Our PER's set up training events for the officer corp. once a month to assist us in learning what we need about various issues, statutes and rules of the order. We usually sit down for a dinner at our lodge and learn, take tests, watch presentation and have fun while learning. The training happens before a regular scheduled lodge meeting.

Rice Lake Lodge #1441

They had a initiation of 3 members this month. Continued with the lunch bunch program until school starts. Greeters every Friday night. Most notable was we had our state president visit along with our old timers picnic on Aug 19 which was very well received. Coming up in Sept we are working on fund raising and in Oct have our fund raising bowling event. We have had music some night to draw in more members.

Stevens Point Lodge #641

The Lodge remains optimistic though, we've gone through a lot worse problems and our active volunteers really make the place great even when it shows it's age! We will have some more formal information for you and other relevant folks fairly soon, our volunteers' vacations really make this time of year challenging. In August they hosted their Lodge Smoke-fest. Drug-Awareness approved, one of our members converted the old 40's era freezer from the lodge into a giant smoker. They had a fantastic event, and settled our treasurer's concerns about income a little bit. It's one of my favorite events our lodge does, and we had a lot of members bring non-member guests, it was a great opportunity to show the community how much fun it is to be an Elk in Stevens

Point. They had 2 additional practices with the officer group to ensure that the ceremony is impressive to the new members

Superior Lodge #403

They are continuously working to bring new members into Elkdom. The biggest success for membership gains has been the $1.00 application and reinstatement fee during the month of July. They continue to provide weekly functions that brings members to the lodge and as we move along we are looking for more ideas for newer functions that will interest our younger members. August turned out to be very busy as they closed out the Freedom Grant Project. We had 20 members help with this project by sorting and packing items for the back packs and boxes. We were able to fill 40 back packs with various snack and hygiene items for homeless veterans and delivered them around the city of Superior. We also sent 15 boxes of snack and hygiene items overseas to veterans from various units stationed in the Mideast. The largest upcoming project is the annual Halloween Party. They do this as a public event where they invite community members and delegates to attend. This year it is titled "Gypsy's, Tramps, and Thieves". Proceeds from this event coupled with grant funds will go to local challenge center. This is a fundraiser and Lodge Celebration wrapped into one large event. With Live Music, Fortune Teller, Food, and fun! Costume Competition as well as 50/50 drawings and prize baskets. Challenge Center members will be assisting with the event.

Wisconsin Rapids Lodge #693

They finished Military Mondays with the Rafters baseball club. About 500 veterans took part in this over the summer. This was a great success and was well received by the community. They have also been a big part of recent improvements to a project where the Lodge supplies and maintains a station for parents that can not afford diapers and other baby needs at no cost, at a local food pantry.

Vice President report North East District

Antigo – 276 members - The Antigo lodge is doing very well. They have zero debt and are working on improving the lodge building. They remain very active in the community and will be holding the Sportsman's banquet in a few weeks. My only area of concern is the lack of new members.

Appleton – 52 members - The Appleton Lodge is a shining example of what positive attitudes and hard work can do. I feel this lodge has over come many of its issues and now has very strong leadership with a group of officers that work very well together. I have spoken to them about the lack of Appleton officer attendance at the Sunday morning session. And they promised me that this issue will be resolved. Recently hosted the annual corn roast

Kaukauna – 44 members Kaukauna remains extremely active with in its community. They have strong a leadership however lack of new members who are not family does have me very concerned. They recently held the summer raffle with profits around $4,000

Oconto – 81 members -this is another good example of a very community minded lodge. The leadership is very strong, and the officer group works very well with each other. They will be vending at a fly in event at the Oconto Airport and have secured a separate insurance policy covering alcohol sales and liability. With many of the officers repeating positions year after year I do worry about potential burn out. Recently hosted a charity golf outing with the profits going to several local charities

Manitowoc- 196 members - Manitowoc is bringing in 21 new member this month!!!! That is outstanding. They are very creative with fundraising ideas including selling ice for the local ice carving competition and a very active soup for vets' program. Leadership in this lodge id strong but many repeat officers.

Green Bay – 59 members You can feel a great change in the level of pride and positive energy in the lodge vs 6months ago. With only 59 members they remain a strong force in the greater Green Bay area and continue to do good work for people in need. I am however greatly concerned about the burnout out of the officers. Several of the officer wear multiple hats and have spoken of being tired of all the time requirements. With zero new member being brought into the lodge I worry about the long-term effects on the officers and lodge. held a Drug Awareness event at the Firefly Acres Horse Farm during their annual fund raiser. They donated $500 to the farm through a grant last year. They provide therapy for people and horses. Now that September is here They will start up community activities again. Soup for Vets lunch, Wednesday night dinner and bingo, and Friday Trivia night will all start up. Ritual training is an area of great need for this lodge.

Marinette – 338 members Marinette has had some issues with the changing of the guard regarding the leasing of the kitchen. Concerns from a member sent to Grand lodge about non-members entering and using the facility have been investigated by the District Deputy and it his opinion that the lodge is taking very reasonable efforts to make sure non – members are

restricted to the dinning and bar areas while the they are open to the public during the permitted Restaurant hours. They have brought in some new members and are doing a good job in the community. The ER Joe has recently mentioned concerns about the finical cost of the building. Last month they had 2 reinstatements

Wausau – 675 members 72 unpaid – Wausau is in very hot water right now with lots of internal fighting. A group of Midnight Trustees have created lots of turmoil and are trying to remove several officers including the ER. Grand Lodge has appointed a special rep to investigate the situation. Because of the actions of several disruptive members attendance at social events is done. The restaurant is becoming finically productive and they have many outside events booked at the lodge. The outside of the building needs about $65,000 worth of work. And they have secured $50,000 in outside grants. Planning for the next raffle party has started with an estimated $15,000 in profits. Trivia is back, and the always popular packer club is starting with the first noon game. They had the last 400 block fundraiser for the summer, With each event this summer netting between 700 and $1500 in profits. They hosted quite a few events including part of the badger State games corn hole tournament with another three days coming up in February. On August 30th they were proud to present two checks in the amount of $1250 to boy Scouts and Girl Scouts organizations.

2018 Report for Wisconsin Central District

Neenah/Menasha #676- Held a very successful Corn Roast. Continue to encourage Members to bring their families to the Friday night social hour. Working on 2 youth events to utilize their ENF Promise Grant, plus using the Beacon Grant to promote their Meat Distribution program. Neenah has received $4,500.00 in CIP Grants. Also working on a Veterans Forum "Mission 22", a Veterans Suicide Awareness program. Currently have 83 Members, initiated 3 this past month, and have 1 awaiting initiation.

Baraboo Lodge #688- Looking to add activities, and dealing with budget shortfalls, but didn't elaborate. However, they are contemplating starting a Membership campaign. They are also looking into acquiring a different Lodge building. This past month they initiated one new member. However, they show 22 delinquents as of the latest report.

Sheboygan Lodge #299- Held several events; Golf Outing, Fishing Derby. The Lodge participated in a community Brat Day parade, held their annual ElkFest/Membership drive at the Lodge. They are currently taking nominations to replace their Lecturing Knight, replace all their Officer podiums, remodel their Lodge room, and update their kitchen. Going forward into the next few months, they are offering Packer/Badger parties and holding Kruegsfest to raise money for Veteran Programs. They currently have 12 candidates awaiting initiation.

Beaver Dam Lodge #1540- The Lodge participated in the "National Night Out", using one of the WI Elks Drug Awareness trailers. They held several Brat Fry's at area grocery stores, and are planning a golf outing in late September. They currently have 38 Members, with 2 delinquents, and 1 awaiting initiation. Looked into purchasing a piece of property to build a Lodge building, but the deal fell through because of the price.

Portage Lodge #675- The Lodge has started Packer/Badger parties, along with drink specials and Friday night dinners to encourage member participation. They replaced the pillars on their veranda. Going forward they are planning for the Hoop Shoot, Shop with a Cop, and their Christmas Basket Programs. They currently have 190 Members, with 10 awaiting initiation. Portage currently has 8 delinquents.

Oshkosh Lodge #292- The Lodge held several cookouts this past month for their members. Participated in 2 community events, one of which was a fundraiser for their Lodge. They will be installing a Loyal Knight on September 5th, thus filling all their officer positions. Because of funding, their parking lot project was tabled until next year. Currently have 323 Members, with 11 delinquents, and 2 awaiting initiation.

Watertown Lodge #666- The Lodge has been very active during the last month. Lodge activities include Blues Jams, Sheepshead Tournaments, and Presentation of the Lodge-sponsored Companion Dog. Their Thirsty Thursday and Trivia Night continue to be successful. They have several events lined up moving into the fall. However, they still have 30 delinquents who have not paid their dues. They did however initiate 2 new members this month and have one awaiting initiation.

Submitted by,
Michelle Wright, V.P. Central District

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Name of Committee Bowling #30

Date and Time of Meeting September 15, 2018, 10:00AM

Chairman Gary Cernoch

Names of Those in Attendance Gary Cernoch, Dan DesJardin, Lee Gile, Ron Gillan, Tom Goetz, Marla Gygli, Andy Larson, Scott Valenstein, Tony Voulgaris— PSP, Advisor, Jim Wold

Names of Those Excused

Not Excused Adam Severt

Visitors Arlyn Clarksen, Cal Polzin, Mike Roth, Dan Rostollan, Brian Jeanty, Rhonda Larson,

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COMMITTEE REPORT

DATE Sept. 15,2018

COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN Gary Cernoch

COMMITTEE NAME Bowling #30

The Meeting was Called to Order with the Pledge of Allegiance by Chairman Gary Cernoch at 10:00 AM.

Dan DesJardin from Waukesha Lodge handed out final recap financial copies from the 2018 Tournament. All told, the Tournament was very successful for the Lodge and participants.

Scott Valenstein from Sheboygan Lodge reported on the upcoming 2019 Tournament. The Entry Forms will be mailed to all individual Lodges within the next week. Packets will include: Entry Forms, Listing of available accommodations, Lodge special events during the Tournament. The Tournament will take place over the 5 weekends in March.

Gary announced the Wisconsin Seniors Bowling Tournament will be held in Fond Du Lac this year. It is open to all bowlers aged 55 and up. The Elks National Tournament will be held in Springfield, Ohio this year. For more information, contact Dan DesJardin.

It was brought up that Sheboygan should be aware of the new USBC rules that go into effect for their upcoming tournament.

Executive Secretary Tom Goetz reminded the Committee that we would need to elect a Co-Chairman at this meeting. Arlyn Clarksen nominated Dan DesJardin, No other nominations, so Dan was elected unanimously.

All were reminded to cash their checks from the last tourney so Waukesha can clear their books.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:18 AM

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Name of Committee Business Practices

Date and Time of Meeting 9/15/18 8:00 A.M.

Co- **Chairman** Jeff Langton

Names of Those in Attendance

Norm Behnke - Advisor
Jim Graf
Elliot Kaas
Jeff Langton
Joe Rossberg

Names of those Excused

None

Not Excused

Ralph Anderson	Robert Gutbrod	Robert Schwingle
Bill Gifford	Dan Rastollan	Ginger Waddell
Dan Foss	Ian Schiesl	

Visitors

Bruce Conrad	Bill Jorgensen	Brady Zwiefelhofer
Liz Kaas	Christine Gotta Comino	Richard Dumke
Leonard Preston	Shorty Hunkins	Mark Anderson
Bob Willis	James Francisio	Lynn McDonough

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Date 9/15/18

Time 8:00 AM

Committee Name Business Practices

Jeff Langton D.O. & Seminar on Unrelated Business Taxes & the IRS.

5 Members in Attendance

7 Members Absent & Unexcused

12 guests

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Name of Committee Executive Committee

Date and Time of Meeting September 15, 2018, 7:30 A.M .

Chairman Sam Demmin

Names of Those in Attendance

Sam Demmin, State President, Nikki Shannon, State President-Elect; Karl Hanke, V.P. N.E.; Pat Moran, V.P.; South, James Walsh, V.P. N.W.; Michelle Wright, V.P. C; George Myers, PSP; Ken Johnson, State Secretary; Jeffrey Langton, State Treasurer

Names of those Excused

F. Louis Sulsberger, State Sponsor; David DeRosier, B.O.D. Chairman

Not Excused

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Date September 15, 2018

Time 7:30 A.M.

Committee Name Executive Committee

Meeting called to order by State President Sam Demmin at 7:30 A.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Discussed the criteria for suggestion for the end of year awards for Lodge of the Year, Secretary of the Year, ER of the Year, Lady of the Year and Elk of the Year. Copies of the the criteria were handed out to all present. Suggestions are to be made to Sam by Mid-Winter Conference for his consideration. There was discussion about starting a membership clinic for each District and V.P. NE, Karl Hanke is willing to head this project up and will contact each of the V.P.'s to set something up.
Meeting adjourned at 7:50 A.M.

Respectfully submitted by:
Sam Demmin, State President

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Board of Directors Report
2018 Fall State Conference

South District

Pat Moran
Vice President

I. Introduction

II. District Updates

1. We held our District meeting on August 25, 2018 in conjunction with the District Deputy Clinic. All lodges were represented

2. All District Officer positions have been filled

3. The District donated $500.00 from its own fund to the Marshalltown IA relief fund

4. Lodges in the South District applied for 17 Elk Grants and received 12 Grants. Several lodges continue to apply for grants. A breakdown of what grants are being used for is listed in the individual lodge reports.

5. Total Elk membership in the District is 1,488. The District has initiated 56 new members since April 1, 2018 and has 11 candidates awaiting initiation.

6. The District has 133 delinquent members and a discussion was held at the District meeting on ways to reduce this number.

7. Lodges in the District are very active in their communities using grants or their own funded program

III. Lodges

A. Beloit

1) Grants Applied For
    a. Anniversary Grant
    b. Gratitude Grant
2) Grants Received
    a. Anniversary Grant 2017-2018
    b. Gratitude Grant 2017-2018
3) What Grants will be used for at your lodge
    a. Anniversary Grant was used for Veterans housing Supplies
    b. Gratitude Grant was used for Dictionary Project and Vets Roll
4) Number of New Members Initiated since 4-1-18
    a. 0
5) Number of Candidates awaiting Initiation
    a. 0
6) Top two or three Charity events in your community since 4-1-18

7) List some internal events in your Lodge
    a. We are now selling Koeze Nuts. Fund Raiser for the Lodge
8) Number of Members in your Lodge
    a. 41
9) Number of delinquent members
    a. 2
10) Issues/Concerns within your lodge that may require help
    a. None

B. Janesville

1) Grants Applied For
    a. Anniversary Grant
    b. Beacon Grant
    c. Gratitude Grant
2) Grants Received
    a. None
3) What Grants will be used for at your lodge
    a. Anniversary Grant to send veterans to Camp Waubeek
    b. Beacon Grant – Beacon of Hope Graduation party at lodge for homeless and other unfortunate students to help them have a normal day event in their lives
    c. Gratitude Grant – Dictionaries and bike rodeo, hand out dictionaries to 3rd graders. Donate bikes, helmets and locks for low income children
4) Number of New Members Initiated since 4-1-18
    a. 3
5) Number of Candidates awaiting Initiation
    a. 1 Plus 1 Reinstatement
6) Top two or three Charity events in your community since 4-1-18
    a. Bike rodeo
    b. Car show for vet funds
    c. Dessert auction for state major project and benevolent fund
7) List some internal events in your Lodge
    a. Golf outing
8) Number of Members in your Lodge
    a. 173
9) Number of delinquent members
    a. 13
10) Issues/Concerns within your lodge that may require help
    a. none

C. Madison

1) Grants Applied For
    a. Anniversary Grant
    b. Beacon Grant
    c. Gratitude Grant
    d. Promise Grant
2) Grants Received
    a. All of the above
3) What Grants will be used for at your lodge
    a. Beacon Grant was used to supply Backpacks and School Supplies to children in homeless shelters awaiting transition into new homes.
    b. Promise and Anniversary Grant is being used to help Design for a Difference with the transformation of their facilities at the East Madison Community Center (EMCC). The EMCC offers afterschool care, Homework assistance, Food Services and youth activities to underprivilege children in our community. The EMCC services over 2,500 families with meals and assistance every year and our grant money will be used to help provide supplies needed during the transformation.
    c. Gratitude Grant was used to supply Baby Supplies to Veteran's families with newborns that were in need of help. We had members donate many of the requested items and used the grant funds to purchase additional contributions. All of the items collected were delivered to the Woman's Health Center at the VA Hospital in order to be distributed amongst the families in need.
    d. Freedom Grant was used to pack 100 toiletry kits including socks and sweatpants were packed into reusable bags with our Elks logo on them and delivered to the VA Hospital to be distributed to Veteran's Homeless services in our area. Our members wrote out Thank You cards to the Veteran's to thank them for their service and had donations from our members to assist with the project.
4) Number of New Members Initiated since 4-1-18
    a. 39
5) Number of Candidates awaiting Initiation
    a. 8
6) Top two or three Charity events in your community since 4-1-18

Our Grant events listed above brought our members together to help our community. We are planning a Take Back Drugs event on October 27th for Drug Awareness and coordinating with local law enforcement to participate. In August, we hosted our Central Police District officers to a picnic with their families and asked them to help us coordinate our event in October. Several of the officers had never been to our Lodge and have expressed interest in joining and getting involved in our programs. We have several retired officers at our Lodge that are looking forward to helping with this event and getting the word out in our community. We are planning a Blood Drive at the Lodge on October 31st with a

Halloween costume party theme that is being organized by several members at the Lodge. We have never hosted a Blood Drive at the Lodge before and plan to open the invitation up to the neighborhood and community to bring more exposure to the Lodge. We also have our Hoop Shoot scheduled for December 15th which continues to grow each year. We have already reached out to a few former Badger Basketball players that are excited about getting involved this year.

7) List some internal events in your Lodge

Saturday, September 27th is our Elktoberfest party and we are hosting our State Presidents visit that night. (See Attached Elkliner for details). We have Music Bingo at the Lodge on the third Wednesday every month, which continues to bring members to the Lodge for a fun night out. Our music schedule for fall is filling up and we will be hosting several Badger and Green Bay Packer parties during the football season. Our Veteran's Breakfast is planning for November 10th, Breakfast with Santa is on Saturday, December 8th and our annual Spaghetti Dinner will be on Saturday, January 26th and our huge ENF Fundraiser is planned for February 9th. It is fun to have something to bring our members to the Lodge for big events each month and all of these events are great fun!

8) Number of Members in your Lodge
    a. 795
9) Number of delinquent members
    a. 68
10) Issues/Concerns within your lodge that may require help

We are pleased to report that we currently do not have any issues or concerns that require outside help. Our Board of Directors our filled with an amazing group of individuals that are engaged and involved. Our Audit and Accounting Committee is making significant progress in making adjustments as needed to make sure we are in full compliance. As with every Lodge, we struggle to get members to volunteer their time, so that we do not continue to rely on the handful of dutiful members that are always willing to help. We have some issues concerning our employees, but our House Committee is working to update the employee manual and job descriptions.

D. Milwaukee

1) Grants Applied For
    a. Promise Grant
    b. Anniversary Grant
    c. Beacon Grant
    d. Gratitude Grant
2) Grants Received
    a. Promise
3) What Grants will be used for at your lodge
    a. **Promise** - for $2500 for the Homeless Christmas Party
    b. **Anniversary** – asking members for suggestions on this. Was used last year on the Homeless Christmas party, as we didn't get the Promise last year
    c. **Gratitude** – asking members for suggestions on this one too, but must be used to help not-for-profit agencies towards meeting a need they might have
    d. **Beacon** – On going project to feed the needy in the Milwaukee area
4) Number of New Members Initiated since 4-1-18
    a. 7
5) Number of Candidates awaiting Initiation
    a. 1
6) Top two or three Charity events in your community since 4-1-18
    a. The Lodge along with the Lady Elks and the PER Association donated a total of $1,250.00 to a fallen office killed in a traffic accident in pursuit of a criminal.
    b. We are planning another event on Oct 3 for another fallen office killed in the line of duty trying to arrest a felon. PER's to have a raffle table that night, partial proceeds to go to the officers family from Lodge Catering during their pizza chicken night
    c. Golf outing – American Cancer Society
7) List some internal events in your Lodge
    a. Blood drive every 8-9 weeks
    b. County Senior Meal program 5 days a week
8) Number of Members in your Lodge
    a. 299
9) Number of delinquent members
    a. 35
10) Issues/Concerns within your lodge that may require help
    a. none

E. Platteville

1) Grants Applied For
    a. Anniversary Grant – Yet to be completed
    b. Beacon Grant
    c. Gratitude Grant – Yet to be completed
    d. Promise
2) Grants Received
    a. Beacon & Promise
3) What Grants will be used for at your lodge
4) Under privileged youth, seniors, victims of domestic abuse
5) Providing needed funds & misc items & services

6) Number of New Members Initiated since 4-1-18
    a. 3

7) Number of Candidates awaiting Initiation
    a. 0

8) Top two or three Charity events in your community since 4-1-18
    a. Relay for Life
    b. Ben's Walk (for suicide prevention)
    c. Hazel Green EMS Street Dance & Fundraiser

9) List some internal events in your Lodge
    a. ENF Chili Supper
    b. CP Fish Fry for State Major Project
    c. Fundraiser dinner for Marshalltown IA Lodge
    d. Spaghetti supper for Youth Activities

10) Number of Members in your Lodge
    a. 162

11) Number of delinquent members
    a. 15

12) Issues/Concerns within your lodge that may require help
    a. None

F. Waukesha

1) Grants Applied For
    a. Anniversary Grant
    b. Beacon Grant
    c. Gratitude Grant
2) Grants Received
    a. Anniversary, Beacon & Gratitude
3) What Grants will be used for at your lodge
    a) Anniversary – for Drug awareness program and Waukesha night out on Crime
    b) Beacon – used for Special needs Dinner/Dance on April 25th over 50 special needs students and adults attended along with their parents and or guardians
    c) Gratitude – VEX Robotics program at Waukesha STEM Academy Saratoga Complex. The program was part of the National VEX robotics program this year. We completely funded the whole program purchasing program materials, sets, contest entries, travel and misc expenses

4) Number of New Members Initiated since 4-1-18
    a. 4

5) Number of Candidates awaiting Initiation
    a. 1

6) Top two or three Charity events in your community since 4-1-18
    a. Drug Awareness Waukesha Night Out,
    b. Youth & Community Night Awards Banquet
    c. Special needs Dinner/Dance

7) List some internal events in your Lodge
    a. Thursday Social Night meals, Bocce, Bowling, Horseshoes trips

8) Number of Members in your Lodge
    a. 218

9) Number of delinquent members
    a. 11 (4 have already declined membership)

10) Issues/Concerns within your lodge that may require help
    a. Keeping and growing membership
    b. Activities for older members
    c. Activities for younger members
    d. Activities for all members
    e. Things to bring in the kids too

IV. State President Visits

Three visits are complete at Janesville, Beloit and Waukesha
All went very well
Upcoming visits are as follows
Madison Late September
Milwaukee Late January
Platteville Early April

V. Closing

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Name of Committee Conferences & Conventions

Date and Time of Meeting 9/15/18 @ 10:00 am

Chairman Ken Johnson

Names of Those in Attendance

Names of those Excused

Not Excused

Visitors

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CONFERENCES & CONVENTIONS (11)

2018 FALL CONFERENCE - APPLETON

Meets 10 to 11 in Evergreen (Lower Level)

PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION

COMMITTEE MEMBERS	Fall Conf	Mid Winter	Spring Conv	Dist	LODGE & NUMBER
Johnson Ken - Chair	✓			NE	Wausau #248
Brogan Annie	AB			NE	Manitowoc #687
DeRosier Dave - Advisor	✓			S	Milwaukee #46
Franklin Kay	✓			NW	Marshfield #665
Hafner Frank	EX			C	Neenah-Menasha #676
Henning Bob	✓			NE	Wausau #248
Kostuck Todd - Advisor	✓			S	Platteville #1460
Meyer Jim - Advisor	✓			C	Watertown #666
O'Brion Paul	EX			C	Portage #675
Schultz Jan	✓			NW	Marshfield #665
Sislo Donna	✓			NW	Superior #403
Somers Jason - Co-Chair	✓			S	Waukesha #400
Swantz Milt	✓			C	Watertown #666
GUESTS					
Carl Morse	✓				
Annie Hanke	✓			NF	Wausau 248

GUESTS CONTINUED	Fall Conf	Mid Winter	Spring Conv	DIST	LODGE & NUMBER

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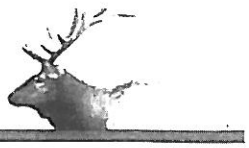

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Date 9/16/18

Time 10:00 am

Committee Name Conferences & Conventions

1) Pledge
2) Roll Call
3) Introductions
4) Old Business
   - Procedural Manual → Now Gone per BOD due to set contracts
5) New Business
   A) Meet & Greet Room & Clean Up After Themselves
      No Traveling Glasses
      No outside drinks to Luncheon or Banquet
      No raffles except those adopted by Board Allowed
   B) Credentials Report: Pre-Reg 157, 15 No-show, Total = 172
      On-Site Reg 49 → Full Total 219
      Ladies Lunch 27 / Association Lunch 69 / Banquet 97
   C) Current Event Report: Hotels Sold Out
      Power Issues which Damaged Hotel's System
   D) Future Sites: Contract through 2021, BOD agreed to negotiate an additional 5y
      May 2020 price goes to $101 per night
      Meals: $10 per person / $18 per couple for Luncheon / Banquet
      ↳ Balance paid by Investments
      ↳ Draw More Attendace Hopefully
   E) Comm. Member duties: Corrections being made
      Help for Jason, Bob helps w/ Flags
   F) Other: At moment - no online registration - only cash/check

- closed - 10:28 am

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CREDENTIALS & ELECTIONS (5)

Meets in Pooldome

2018 FALL CONFERENCE - APPLETON PAPER VALLEY

Total of 12 Hours of Registration

COMMITTEE MEMBERS	Fall Conf	Mid Winter	Spring Conv	Dis	LODGE & NUMBER	SPRING CONVENTION HOURS WORKED
Schultz Jan - Chair	✓			NW	Marshfield #665	9 Registration hours plus Friday &
Attended Conference & Conventions Meeting 1 Hour						Saturday Set-Up and Take-Down 4 hours
Franklin Kay - Co-Chair	✓			NW	Marshfield #665	9 Registration hours plus Friday &
Attended Conference & Conventions Meeting 1 Hour						Saturday Set-Up and Take-Down 4 hours
Anderson Colleen	✓			NW	Ashland #137	2 hours
Freidl Doris	✓			C	Watertown #666	4 hours plus Saturday Take-Down 1/2 hour
Gillen Ron	✓			S	Platteville #1460	2 hours
Godlewski Ben	✓			S	Waukesha #400	2 hours + Saturday Take-Down 1/2 hour
Goetsch Bob	✓			C	Beaver Dam #1540	2 hours
Gygli Marla	✓			NW	Rice Lake #1441	3 hours + Saturday Take-Down 1/2 hour
Hanke Annie	✓			NE	Wausau #248	2 hours
Howard, Sam	✓			C	Baraboo #688	2 hours
Kulick Diane	✓			C	Neenah-Menasha #676	2 hours + Saturday Take-Down 1/2 hour
O'Brion H. Paul	✓			C	Portage #675	2 hours + Saturday Take-Down 1/2 hour
Simmons Keith - Co-Advisor				S	Janesville #254	
Sislo Donna	✓			NW	Superior #403	3 hours + Friday Set-Up 1/2 hour
Swantz Milt - Advisor	✓			C	Watertown #666	Periodically checked Registration
Vandre Fran	✓			C	Watertown #666	8 hours plus Friday Take-Down 1/2 hour

Volunteers

Hafner Frank	EX			C	Neenah-Menasha #676	
Henning Bob	✓			NE	Wausau #248	4 hours
Lovelace Patricia	✓				Volunteer	8 hours + Friday & Saturday Take-Down
Miller Jeff	✓			NW	Rice Lake #1441	2 hours
Shortess Yvonne--spouse	EX			NW	Marshfield #665	

VISITORS - 220 Registered Elks - 2018 Fall Conference

- includes State Sponsor PGER Sulsberger, Grand Exalted Ruler Luhr, Grand Lecturing Knight Meyer

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Credentials & Election Committee
Fall 2018 Conference – September 13 to 16, 2018
Registration Hours—Friday from noon to 8 p.m. and Saturday from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Roll Sheets prepared and given to each Committee Chair. Of 37 Roll Sheets, 34 were turned in between Saturday and Sunday. Thank you.

The Badge Trays continue to work well. Committee has a new rolling suitcase to transport 4 trays—maximum size available. Committee's new computer and printer continues to work well. Faster process and able to print in color.

Committee sold meal tickets on Friday from noon to 8 pm and Saturday 7 am to 9:30 am.
Total Meal Participation: 27 Ladies Lunch , 69 Association Lunch, 97 Saturday Banquet

Registration: (2017 Fall Conference in parentheses)
171 Pre-Registrations (161) 185 minus 14 No Shows
25 On-Site Registrations Friday (21)
24 On-Site Registrations Saturday (23)
220 Total Elks attended Conference--includes GER Luhr and PGER Sulsberger—(205)
All 29 Lodges were represented
$1,491 turned in to Secretary Ken Johnson for on-site Registration Fees and on-site Meals

Number Attending from each Lodge (Fall 2017 in parentheses): Antigo 2 (6), Appleton 9 (8), Ashland 3 (3), Baraboo 5 (6), Beaver Dam 11 (8), Beloit 6 (6), Chippewa Falls 5 (5), Eau Claire 11 (11), Green Bay 3 (4), Janesville 10 (10), Kaukauna 4 (3), Madison 3 (4), Manitowoc 1 (3), Marinette 3 (1), Marshfield 6 (11), Milwaukee 11 (13), Neenah-Menasha 8 (6), Oconto 6 (7), Oshkosh 10 (8), Platteville 6 (7), Portage 8 (3), Rice Lake 9 (5), Sheboygan 15 (12), Stevens Point 7 (5), Superior 5 (6), Watertown 8 (8), Waukesha 15 (15), Wausau 25 (17), Wisconsin Rapids 3 (2).

Number of Lodge Officers in Attendance (Fall 2017 in parentheses): Exalted Rulers 25 (22), Leading Knights 20 (19), Loyal Knights 7 (8), Lecturing Knights 9 (9), Esquires 4 (6), Inner Guards 2 (3), Tilers 1 (0), Secretaries 19 (14), Treasurers 7 (7), Trustees 23 (13), Chaplains 5 (6).

Registration Workers: 14 committee members worked 1 or more shifts, 3 volunteers worked 1 or more shifts, 2 volunteers were excused. See Committee Check List Report for details of committee member and volunteer workers and hours.

Submitted by Jan Schultz

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Name of Committee Elks National Foundation

Date and Time of Meeting 9/15/2018 10:00 AM

Chairman Don Behnke, Sheboygan Lodge #299

Names of Those in Attendance

Don Behnke, #299, Aaron Holbrook-Vice Chairman,#1540, Dutch Engelson,#864, Kaye Fulton,#254, Joe Klumb,#1313, Christine Giacomino,#665
Rev. Janis Doleschal,#46, Bev. Sund,#676, Eugene Wusterbarth,#887, Ivan Craig Jr.,#292, Jeff Miller,#1441, Ryan Swantz,#666, Roman Baca#248
Lance Pliml,#693, PSP Norm Behnke,#292, Advisor

Names of those Excused

Jo Heath,#688, Bill Richards, #299, Cristine Crum,#403, Matthew Klecewski,#400,

Not Excused

Liz Kaas,#402, Kristy Marie VanBeek,#962, Lynn Aspinwall,#410, Anne Brogan,#687, Paul Reese,#1460, Laura Jungwirth,#641,

Visitors

PGER Lou Sulsberger, Flora, IL #1615, Kathleen Hagen,#254, Krista Martin,#1313, Kathleen Pluskat,#299, Ryan Reick,#337, Grant Phillips,#337,
Ben Godlewski,#400, Besty Jenkins,#676,

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Date September 15, 2018

Time 10:00 AM

Committee Name Elks National Foundation

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM, followed by the Pledge Of Allegiance. No one was kneeling! There were 22 members and guests in attendance, including PGER Lou Sulsberger.
First item of discussion was where the Lodge Chairs could first current and updated Lodge information, using the Quick Links segment, and phone numbers of the ENF Staff if they have Questions We then reviewed the updated information from 9/9/2018, where 13 state Lodges have already attained the GER's goal of $4.75 per member donations. Current District totals were then discussed, and it was noted that the Green Bay Lodge is #1 in the Nation in donations to the ENF! The Chairman's Challenge numbers were reviewed, a short discussion on how those numbers are tabulated throughout the year.
-We discussed the importance of having your Members make a yearly donation to the ENF. Several Lodges hold Fundraising events towards their ENF donations. However, it is great they make goal, however, their Members don't receive the information on the importance of what the ENF does for our Lodge and our State by the amount of funds returned to Wisconsin to support the many programs we have, our State Major Project, Scholarships, Veterans, and several more. Members need to hear the ENF message and make a personal yearly donation!
-All ENF Chairs were challenged to lead by example to make a donations themselves. They should also take advantage of the help from the ENF office. Use the "News to Use" articles to write a monthly message in their Lodge newsletter. Order new brochures, post articles about the ENF in their Lodge buildings. Make sure you discuss the ENF during your orientation program for new members. Challenge them to make a donation. Since October is ENF Month, every Lodge should conduct a Fund Raiser for the ENF!
-APPLY FOR THE ENF GRANTS, DON'T LEAVE $6,000 LAY ON THE TABLE!
-Meeting adjourned at 10:45 AM

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Name of Committee GOLF

Date and Time of Meeting 9/15 5:00

Chairman KIERAN "JOE" PURCELL

Names of Those in Attendance

JOE PURCELL DUTCH ENGLESON LEE GILE BOB GRIESER
ANTHONY WAMPFLER JIM WOLD

Names of those Excused

DON BEHNKE FRANK HAFNER

Not Excused

ROGER BONHAM STEVE BROGAN JIM PIKE ADAM SEVERT

Visitors

HANS WALTHER (ST. POINT) DAN DESJARDIN (WAUKESHA)

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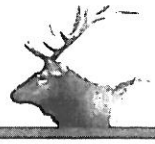

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Date 9/15

Time 9:00

Committee Name GOLF

REPORT FROM WAUSAU ON THE 2018 OUTING

REPORT FROM ST. POINT ON THE 2018 OUTING

BID FOR 2020 FROM EAU CLAIRE

BID FOR 2021 FROM RICE LAKE

DISCUSSION ON SENIOR AM - STAY AT TOWNS

TALK ABOUT AWARDS, PRIZES, BANQUET

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Name of Committee Government Relations

Date and Time of Meeting September 15, 2018 8am

Chairman Gina Staskal

Names of Those in Attendance

Gina Staskal #1540, Terry Hayden #402, Bill Forrest PSP #248 Advisor, Rob Radig #1540 Co-Chair

Names of those Excused

David Bowen #46, Frank Haffner #676

Not Excused

Justin Nickels #687, Richard Rassbach #402

Visitors

Joh DeRosier #402, Carl Morse #887

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Date September 15, 2018

Time 8:00 am

Committee Name Government Relations

The committee was called to order at 8:03am by Chair Gina Staskal. Attendance was noted and pledge recited.

Chair opened with the Mission Statement & 7 primary activities of the committee, which will be repeated at each meeting.

Chair led discussion regarding the responsibilities of local Lodge Chairs of Government Relations. Each Lodge Chair should obtain a copy of the Government Relations manual from their Secretary and then sit down with each Lodge Committee Chair to discuss what items they should be reporting on the charitable sheets as well as the time line for reporting.

Chair led discussion on Charitable Reporting statistics and handed out national and state information and reminded local Lodges they should be obtaining and sharing their Local reports with the membership.

Education: Chair handed out a copy of the Framework of Your WI Government textbook & explained that Beaver Dam, Watertown, & Milwaukee Lodges have taken part in the program, which mirrors the Dictionary program-handed out to 7th graders.

Social media: Chair reminded everyone that social media outlets should be utilized as much as possible but be sure to keep the alcohol out of your pictures.

General discussion took place on publicity, alcohol, charitable events & advertising, the Antlers Program and several other important, but non-committee related items.

Chair gave out contact information and encouraged anyone with questions to make contact.

Motion to adjourn Bill Jorgenson #254, 2nd by Bill Forrest #248. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:56am

See attached meeting materials.

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Government Relations Committee
September 15, 2018
2018 Fall Conference

The mission of the Grand Lodge Government Relations Committee is to guide the Grand Lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, its State Associations and its Local Lodges, in protecting and preserving the right to exist as a private, nonprofit, charitable organization, a status our great Order has enjoyed since our formation in 1868.

Primary activities for the Government Relations Committee

1. Charitable reporting
2. Monitor legislative laws
3. Advocate for or against legislation where necessary
4. Promote our programs and positive interaction with legislators
5. Educate members on laws that affect or order and its day to day operations
6. Assist with IRS audits
7. Social media and networking

(Please silence all cell phones)

Call to Order
Attendance
Pledge

Agenda:

Local Lodge Chairpersons

- Talk to local legislators – Leg. Dir.
- Have your Secretary download and give you a copy of the Government Relations Manual
- Charity Records book
- Share your Lodge's statistics in the newletter
- Share your Elks National magazine with your local library or city/village/county facility
- "Working Together to Make a Difference" GER Michael T. Luhr motto
- Go through manual with chairs of Lodge committees so they know what to look for & how to report

Charitable Reporting (handouts)

- National
- State
    - Breakdowns
- Share with news outlets in your area

Educate (book copies)

- Framework of your Wisconsin Government
- Mirror the dictionary program

Social Media

- Keep alcohol out of your pictures
- Publicize your charitable events; your hard work and great efforts should be shared

Other Discussions

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COMMITTEE CHECK LIST

Will you kindly furnish the names of the committeemen (ONLY WHO ACTUALLY ATTENDED) your committee meeting. Please be sure to indicate DATE AND TIME of your meeting and e-mail this form to the State Secretary at elksbugle@aol.comHe will post it on the Wisconsin Elks Association web site at wielks.org.

List Name of Visitors Separately
IT IS IMPORTANT that we have this report for checking purposes
PLEASE COOPERATE. Thank you!

Name of Committee Grand Lodge Attendance

Date and Time of Meeting 9/15/18 @ 8:00am

Chairman Jason Somers

Names of Those in Attendance

See Roll Sheet

Names of those Excused

See Roll Sheet

Not Excused

See Roll Sheet

Visitors

See Roll Sheet

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GRAND LODGE ATTENDANCE (17)

2018 FALL CONVENTION - APPLETON

Meets 8 to 9 in Evergreen

PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION

COMMITTEE MEMBERS	Fall Conf	Mid Winter	Spring Conv	Dist	LODGE & NUMBER
Somers Jason - Chair	X			S	Waukesha #400
Boehm Bill	X			C	Portage #675
Bohnsack Bob	X			C	Sheboygan #299
Brogan Kari	EX			NE	Manitowoc #687
Brogan Steve	EX			NE	Manitowoc #687
Buck Pat	EX			C	Neenah-Menasha #676
Conway George	X			S	Waukesha #400
Demmin Sam - Co-Chair	Excused			C	Oshkosh #292
DeRosier Dave	EX			S	Milwaukee #46
Holbrook Aaron	EX			C	Beaver Dam #1540
Kostuck Leah	X			S	Platteville #1460
Kostuck Todd	EX			S	Platteville #1460
Lange Jeannie	Excused			C	Oshkosh #292
Meyer Jim - Advisor	X			C	Watertown #666
Radig Rob	Excused			C	Beaver Dam #1540
Shannon Nikki	X			C	Beaver Dam #1540
Shannon Ron	X			C	Beaver Dam #1540
Sislo Dick	X			NW	Superior #403
Sislo Donna	EX			NW	Superior #403

HONORARY MEMBERS	Fall Conf	Mid Winter	Spring Conv	DIST	LODGE & NUMBER
Bruckner Ken	EX				Sheboygan #299
Bruckner Rogene	EX				Sheboygan #299
Laflin Jon	EX				Oshkosh #292
Nitze Dave	EX				Janesville #254
Nitze Pat	EX				Janesville #254
Swantz Milt	EX				Watertown #666
Swantz Nance	EX				Watertown #666
GUESTS					
Carl Morse	X				
Tom Trudeau	X				

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Date 9/15/18

Time 8:00 am

Committee Name Grand Lodge Attendance

1) Pledge
2) Roll Call
3) Reno 2017 Overview:
   - Loss due to "wording" in hotel contract
4) San Antonio ~~Reno~~ 2018 Overview:
   - Discussed issues w/ hotel
   - Ran through Refunds & Overcharges
   - Files handed over to Auditing
5) Quick discussion St. Louis 2019
6) Future Sites
7) Operations: GLAC will no longer handle deposits for Delegates, CC will be required w/ RSVP
   - will continue couple discount
8) Trailer: Needed Repairs
   New Graphics
   Proposal on new trailer being worked on
9) Closed

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National Convention

Reno 2017 – Overview Report

LINE ITEM		TOTALS
Lodge Donations	$2,300.00	
Hospitality Room Donations	$2,300.00	
WI Night Donations	$1,165.00	
Luggage Donations	$280.00	
Delegate Room Deposits	$4,350.00	
		$10,395.00
CC Processing Fees	($64.48)	
		$10,330.52
Site Visit	($1,193.15)	
		$9,137.37
Delegate Room Deposit Hotel Run	($4,230.57)	
		$4,906.80
Expenses	($11,173.30)	
		($6,266.50)
Donations/Raffles/Bar Tips	$3,059.00	
		($3,207.50)
Hotel Staff Tips	($80.00)	
		($3,287.50)
Hotel Refund	$272.94	
		($3,014.56)

National Convention

San Antonio 2018 – Overview Report

LINE ITEM		TOTALS
Lodge Donations	$2,600.00	
Hospitality Room Donations	$4,245.00	
WI Night Donations	$2,195.00	
Luggage Donations	$460.00	
Delegate Room Deposits	$7,950.00	
		$17,450
CC Processing Fees	($70.70)	
		$17,379.30
Site Visit	($796.52)	
		$16,582.78
Pre-Banquet Charge	($6,609.73)	
Pre-Banquet Over-Charge Return	$448.16	
		$10,421.21
Delegate Room Deposit Hotel Run	($6,757.61)	
		$3,663.60
Expenses	($7,245.42)	
		($3,581.82)
Donations/Raffles	$2,351.00	
		($1,230.82)
Pre-Banquet OverCharge Return	$636.51	
		($594.31)
Room Deposit OverCharge Return	$254.52	
		($330.79)
Hotel Return	$4,000.00	
		$3,660.21
Current Delegate Refund	($992.40)	
		$2,667.81
Current WBF Donation	($250.14)	
Current SMP Donation	($250.14)	
		$2,167.53