

Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks
Big Rapids Elks Lodge No. 974
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SECRETARY Carl Boroff	TREASURER Lynn Cook
<u>Trustees</u> Susan Johnson-4 Dan Wanink-3 Greg Johnson-1 Jim Lindsey-2 Joyce Sonntag-5	<u>Governing Body</u> Four Elected Officers and Trustees

Birthday? Anniversary? Wedding? Retirement?

Need a place to hold your special event?

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 Your help would be appreciated.

Rental Rates & Deposit
 Lodge Members is \$75.00,
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Lodge Meetings – 7:30 pm on the first and third Thursday of each month except July & August meetings for the third Thursday. The Club Room of the Lodge is open at 4:30 pm Monday -- Fridays. Closed Saturdays til further notice except for special functions.



Greetings from your Exalted Ruler

April, 2010

Well, my run is over. I'll step down before you throw me out. It's been a wonderful experience. I've made many new friends and have lots of good memories. I'd like to extend a lot of gratitude to all you who helped me make it through. You know who you are.

This month has been busy and you need to know we had a great time at Ritual competition in Manistee and the guys all worked hard. Special thanks to Shana, Joyce, and Sue for a great St Patty's Day dinner. Congrats to the winners of the "Pot O Gold" drawings. Our "Ham Raffle and dinner was a success. Special thanks to Will Iltis, Tom Stellard and Carl Boroff and their crews and families for a great night. Congrats to Becky & Karen for winning the new hams. Remember Luau is April 10th. Be sure to set the date aside to have fun with the new group of Officers and the dinner and partying.



Chad Currie -- Exalted Ruler

Greetings from your Incoming Exalted Ruler



I am humbled to be elected as your Exalted Ruler for the second time. It is an honor to serve you again. My goals are to increase membership by asking all members to nominate a new member. I also want to see our members utilize the Lodge facilities by coming to Taco Night on Mondays and Fish Fry on Fridays. Please help financially by using your facilities.

A big Thanks to Chad and Carrie Currie for giving us two years of their lives.

Don't forget to stop in for your birthday drink.

Elks Care - Elks Share

Paul DesNoyers – Incoming Exalted Ruler

<p>Those who would like to receive their newsletter via email, please give us your email address or tell us if you can read it via www.brelks.com. Please let us know. Our Lodge now has an email address: elksbpo974@tucker-usa.com. Because of the increasing cost of postage and printing of our newsletter the Lodge has decided to send the newsletter by email to those who can receive it. Mailings will still be available to those without a computer.</p>	<p>Mail at: 20241 ASH DRIVE BIG RAPIDS, MI 49307</p> <p>Tel. 231-592-1007 888-592-1007 Fax 231-592-1007 e-mail: kwalz39@hotmail.com</p> <p>KEN WALZ PERSONAL INJURY ATTORNEY</p> <p>CONFERENCES AT LOCATIONS CONVENIENT TO CLIENT</p>
<p>Luau Party Saturday, April 10th Dinner tickets \$15.00 available at the bar Cocktails 5:00 Installation: 6:00 Dinner: 7:00 approximately Music & Dancing: until ????</p>	<p>Ken has 40+ years of medical-legal experience. Dedicated now to seeking compensation for you, in association with specific expert attorneys/law firms through-out Michigan and adjoining states.</p>

Proposed for Membership

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| Anne St Louis | Proposed by | Nick Czinder |
| Joshua Smith-Hanen | Proposed by | Nick Czinder |
| John Crosby | Proposed by | Paul DesNoyers |
| Clair Worthington--Transfer Demit from Allegan Lodge #1621 Proposed by Lynn Cook | | |

April 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Happy Hour 4:30-6 Lodge Meeting 7:30pm	2 Gals Fish Fry	3
4	5 Board Meeting 5:30pm Taco Nite 5:30-8pm	6 Yooper Nite 5:30-out of food Pasties \$8/til gone Cudighies/\$5	7 Happy Hour 4:30-6 Burger & Fries Nite Free Pool/Game Nite	8 Margarita Nite	9 Iltis Fish Fry	10 Luau Party 5-cocktails 6-initiation 7-dinner, dance
11	12 Taco Nite 5:30-8pm	13 Happy Hour 4:30-6	14 Happy Hour 4:30-6 Burger & Fries Nite Free Pool/Game Nite	15 Happy Hour 4:30-6 Lodge Meeting 7:30pm	16 Currie Fish Fry	17
18	19 Taco Nite 5:30-8pm	20 Happy Hour 4:30-6	21 Happy Hour 4:30-6 Burger & Fries Nite Free Pool/Game Nite	22 Martini Nite	23 PER Fish Fry	24
25	26 Taco Nite 5:30-8pm	27 Happy Hour 4:30-6	28 Happy Hour 4:30-6 Burger & Fries Nite Free Pool/Game Nite	29 Happy Hour 4:30-6	30 Carl & Lynn Fish Fry	May 7 Trustees May 14 Gals May 21 Iltis May 28 Currie

Upcoming Activities

Apr 1	Lodge Meeting 7:30pm
Apr 5	Board Meeting 5:30
Apr 6	Yooper Night
Apr 8	Margarita Nite
Apr 10	Luau Party 5-cocktails, 6-init...
Apr 22	Martini Nite

REMINDER Membership Dues

**Pay by April 1st to remain active.
Get a friend to join.**

Elks Care - Elks Share

Yooper Night

April 6th

5:30 p.m. – til out of food

Try something New and Tasty

Enjoy Cudighies and pasties

Play euchre and listen to “Da Yoopers”
You’ll get a kick out of their UP humor

Cudighi – spiced sausage made into patties.

A **cudighi sandwich** consists of a **cudighi** patty, served with tomato-based sauce, and melted mozzarella.

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Amounts: LIMITED, come early...

Cudighi - \$ 5.00 each

Pasties -\$ 8.00 each (only 60 available)

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

April Birthdays

MEMBERS

- 02 Donald Campbell
- 03 Glenn Norton
- 05 Adam Currie
- Roger Harrison
- 07 Carol Middaugh
- 08 Todd DesNoyers
- Robert Henderson
- 09 Mark Jensen
- 10 Alva Turner
- 12 Gary Sole
- 13 Gary Cox
- 14 David Byrnes
- 17 Bruce Miller
- 18 Richard Kowalkoski
- 20 Carl Schuberg
- 21 Ralph Manting
- 23 Timothy Ehgotz
- 24 Walt Lutz
- Charles Siegert
- 28 Curt Ray
- 29 James Emerich

SPOUSES

- 01 Christina LaCross
- 02 Sally Jones
- 03 Brenda Cook
- 04 Monica DeLaney
- Carol Utke
- 05 Stacy Manor
- 06 Ruth DeGreen
- 14 Cathy Campbell
- 23 Eileen Tucker
- 30 Pat Faber

ANNIVERSARIES

- 01 Carl & Kathleen Schuberg
- 03 Joseph & Elizabeth Czinder
- 11 David & Carol Stader
- 15 Jim & Charlene Fisher
- 18 Carl & Joan Boroff
- Jim & Lynn Minier
- 20 Phillip & Carmen Currie
- 22 Richard & Penny Schuberg
- 27 William & Beverly Tiseo



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