



'57' Varieties



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It is with appreciation, humility and honor, that I step into the position of Exalted Ruler, of our Elks Lodge #57, for the lodge year 2014-2015. It is with trepidation, excitement and honor I accept this position.

I do so with some amount of trepidation. Trepidation, because of the mantle I take on, after the leadership of John Emery, is one of strength and wisdom. I feel the task of living up to his knowledge and abilities. Thank you, John, for your dedication and direction. Our lodge has become a better place, this past year, because of the imprint you leave.

Trepidation, too, comes from the seemingly endless tasks before us. We face numerous challenges in the future, and at times, they seem overwhelming. Always at the top of that list, is keeping our doors open, open and inviting to each of us that know what a vibrant and familial place this can be. We need to work together to see our membership grow, our club fit the needs of those members, and continued consistency and service improvements. We should all be here for each other, as that is a basic definition of the word fraternal.

Trepidation, as your Exalted Ruler, isn't due to my lack of experience, as much as it my desire that this is OUR Elk's Club and it can only be as good as each of us helps it to be. Every member should feel their voice is as important as another's. I encourage everyone to consider this. We, uniquely, have many talents and my goal is to use those talents and work together. It is that joined purpose that will take us into the next year with renewed respect, unified and intent on our purpose.

The excitement I have comes from our new days and new ways. We are all aware no organization survives if they become stagnant. We must constantly search for new lifeblood and creative ways to meet the needs of our diverse membership. This does not negate our legacy and erase the history of those who came before us. They, too, encountered many of the same issues. We are forever tied to the paths they forged, for our own journey. Please join me in that journey.

As your new ER, I feel the excited commitment of seeing the lift project move on to the next level. This achievement should be primary to each of us. We should enable every person to participate, fully, in all activities. We realize that any day, at any time, any one of us, could need the availability of the lift, for assistance. Let's do this!

I feel an excitement of our club working together to increase club profits. Through these profits we can be more true to our mission, dedicating more monies to our worthy and necessary projects. We all can see the impact of our help, financially, to Camp Wawbeek, in providing much needed respite to families with disabled children. Additionally, funding for those at the Wisconsin Veteran's Home at King, is a small way to give back to those, in the service of our country, who have given so much to us. We should dedicate ourselves to these relevant causes, that help provide the backbone of Elk's Lodge #57.

My excitement is working with leaders from all walks of life. We have such an amazing group of people that we see and interact with, in our club. We can do a better job taking advantage of their skill set, expertise and experiences. While some may be threatened by the strength of others, I am excited to be able to learn and grow, with their input and advice.

Lastly, I move into my role with great honor, as your Exalted Ruler. There have been so many people who have aided me in getting to this point. Greatest accolades to Kelly and Fritz, as our "front people", and their loyal staff, who keep our operations going forward, with smiles on their faces and doing whatever it takes, for the good of the order.

It has been a privilege to serve with our Board of Governors. It is easy to be critical, but difficult to step up and get the job done. Many of you have mentored me on my journey, as an Elk and in life. I appreciate that. Our lodge respects your willingness to serve. Thank you.

The Elk's Lodge #57 continues to provide a meaningful impact to our members, our community and our world. We are proud of the ancestry and heritage of those who came before us. I hope you will join me in my commitment to leave the lodge in better shape, fiscally, and with a deep conviction of solidarity, in the next year. I am so honored to be your new, Exalted Ruler. I look forward to new days and new ways of continued growth, service and the future of an Elk's Lodge #57 we are all proud to be a part of.

Fraternally yours,
Josh Emanuel

FOND DU LAC ELKS '57' VARIETIES

Elks Lodge #57 Brick Fund

Fond du Lac, Elk Members. Summer is just around the corner now. So it is time to put together another order of Bricks for the Front Entrance. It is starting to look real nice with the Bricks that have been put in the Fond du Lac Elks Lodge walk of Honor. We have order blanks at the Lodge that you can fill out, with what ever you would like. Life Member with date Initiated. Members, Past Exalted Officers, Auxiliary Members, Past Auxiliary Officers

If you do not know what you want to put on the Brick please give me a call and I will help you out. The company that makes up the Bricks likes us to have 20 orders, this way we get the best price.

This donation of \$100.00 will pay for the Brick and the balance will be used, for some program at the Lodge. So Please Members Consider Purchasing a Brick.

Any questions, Please call Norm Behnke 920-948-4823 or e-mail ncbjab@charter.net

Thank you, Norm Behnke, PER, PSP

Ask the bartenders to save the pull tabs from your soda and beer cans for our Camp Wawbeek program.

OPEN BOWLING for the month of April will be on Friday, April 25. from 6pm till close.

Elk #57 members, if you have changed your phone number or your email address? Please contact the Lodge Secretary so that she has your current information.

Wisconsin Elks Golf Tournament
2014 The 2014 Wisconsin Elks Golf tournament will be held in Sheboygan on Monday, June 23, 2014. It will be a shotgun start at 10:00AM, with a scramble format. Forms are available on the lodge bulletin board. Cost is \$68.00 per golfer. This event is for Elk members and guests.

FDL ELKS LODGE 57 BOWLATHON 2014
FDL FIREFIGHTERS VS FDL POLICE
All \$\$ go to Charity – up to \$1500 to be awarded!
1st place - \$500 to the team with the most accumulative points
\$100 - Individual with the highest score (single game)
\$100 – Individual with most strikes
\$50 – Team with most strikes
\$750 – Raw Pin Playoff (Best bowler from each side bowl for most pin points per frame - \$75/frame)
When: Saturday, April 26th
Time: 6:00
All Fire Fighters, Police and their families are invited to the bowling event. Please come and cheer on your favorite team.

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APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Philip Shepherd	01
James Driscoll	02
Eric Ferdinand	03
Elton Hilt	03
Joseph Ramirez	03
Joseph Moore	04
Michael Wagner	04
Alfred Sang	06
Sally Arthur	07
David Dille	07
Gustave Mielkie	07
Tim Kulogo	10
Jeffrey Zwicky	10
Robert Abel	12
Wayne Rose	13
William Everson	15
John Rosenfeldt	15
Thomas Borgen	20
Jeffrey Faris	20
T Artz	22
Howard Eggleston	23
William Carey	24
Mark Riechers	24
Dr Timothy Wells	24
Michael Berg	25
Gregory Stewart	25
Chuck Westby	25
Kevin Lemke	27
H Hierl	30
Charles Weber	30



ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION

**Per Member donations as of February 28, 2014
\$15.15 Per Member**

As we go forward into the next Elks fiscal year, 2014-2015, please take a look at what we accomplished as a lodge for the Elks National Foundation. We have donated more than \$6,600 to the ENF. We have signed up 12 new members to the ENF this past year. We had another member pass the \$1,000 level, plus one member who passed the \$2,000 level in cumulative donations to the ENF. Many other members have surpassed the \$100, \$250 and \$500 levels, as well. Each and every member of Lodge #57 who donated to the ENF this year should feel very proud in knowing that they have helped numerous students and veterans for many years into the future. However, the best part of donating is the increased amount the state of Wisconsin will receive to help our program at Camp Wawbeek. Please make a note of this date: The last Saturday in June is Elks Day at the camp. Make the effort to go over to the camp to see the work the Elks of Wisconsin have done, and continue to do, in support of this project. You will be impressed! The camp is located on Hwy 13, just north of Wisconsin Dells. It is very easy to find.

As a lodge, we have some challenges ahead of us in this coming fiscal year. We need to continue our support of the ENF, and also support our lodge/club to make sure it continues as a strong and viable organization here in Fond du Lac. Remember our motto: "Elks Care/Elks Share," meaning we need all our members to support our lodge/club and the programs that the Elks sponsor throughout our state and nation.

Remember, all donations to the ENF are tax deductible.

Also, congratulations to these ENF donors who have reached the next level in donations to the ENF: Arlene Sesing \$500, Ron Emanuel \$250, and Richard Wehner \$100

Let's continue to work together!

Don Behnke, PER
ENF Chairman
Lodge #57

The lodge will be trying to sell unused stack chairs from the ball room.

We have approx. 200 in colors red, orange, and yellow.

If a member's church or organization wants to consider purchasing some or all, contact Gary Soll at 920-922-0850 daytime phone.



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(Ask at bar for tickets)

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Auxiliary President 2013-2014

Hopefully by the time this article comes out, we will be enjoying some springtime weather. It's been a long winter and I'm sure we are all glad to see it end. That brings me to the topic of my second term as your President will also come to an end. In case you haven't heard, it really is an easy position to do. And this is the month we will be looking for some fresh ideas for next years'

speakers and volunteers to fill the Board.

Christina Metivier and I will be looking for a Nominating Committee to fill the positions. I'm not saying that the current Board members won't stay in their positions, but please be prepared to be asked in the event one of them wants to step down.

As mentioned, we have a request from the Lodge to do a "Children's' Easter Egg Hunt". So I will be looking for volunteers. Is there anyone interested in stepping up to do this?

I want to thank Joan Pinch and Karen Ruedinger for handling the registration table this past month. Also, thank you to all that brought items for the Solution Center.

In the Membership Booklet on the menu for March was stated "fish fry", It will actually be a stuffed pork chop as the main entree. Our speaker will be Beata Lieders on "Project Blake". It should be a very interesting topic. I hope we have a nice turn out too!

Last month was Jeanna Giese, who spoke on her experience on her survival from being bit by a bat. She is a miracle and has proven that life does go on.

Just a reminder: If you attend the meeting in your birthday month; you will be given a free birthday drink compliments of the Auxiliary.

Hope to see you down at the Lodge for one of the Social functions or a great meal one of these days!!!

Claudia Beaster-Christie
920-948-5871

Fond du Lac Lodge #57 2013 - 2014

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- April 2Margo Lemke
- April 12 Lorita Driscoll
- April 16Judy Rupp
- April 17 Jeanette Wall

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Widow ID's and Key Cards are available upon request. Please contact Trista Holz at 922-2363 or tristaholz@gmail.com to obtain your cards. Thank you!

DATE TO REMEMBER!

Easter brunch, April 20th.
Serving at 11am and
12:30pm



Mothers Day Brunch

SUNDAY, MAY 11TH

SERVING AT 11:00 AM & 12:30 PM



Elks Organization provides easy access to program manuals

Message from
the Grand
Exalted Ruler

MILLARD C. PICKERING

Even in volunteer work, we all think about the cost/benefit formula as a metric for the effectiveness of our efforts. Time is a very valuable commodity, and no one has enough to entirely ignore wastefulness.

Fortunately, as Elks, we have many tools readily available to help us be more efficient in our tasks.

I would wager that if you look about the offices of your Lodge Secretary you will find several manuals related to the various tasks and offices common to any Local Lodge. These manuals have been developed over time, often by experts, and frequently updated to help people do their tasks more efficiently and to answer many frequent questions about the operations of our Order. Most of us who have served as District Deputy recall reviewing the checklist of these manuals as a part of the annual official visitation. Sometimes we had to blow a little dust off the covers to read what they were.

Well, after a great deal of effort by our Grand Secretary, Bryan Klatt, and the Chicago staff, most of these important resources are now available online from your easy chair at home or wherever you access the digital universe at Elks.Org.

These manuals offer a wealth of information to anyone involved in Lodge operations. There are ideas and tips gathered from around the country over many years, which can help your Lodge be more successful and avoid common problems.

Those hard-copy volumes were hard to keep track of, not easy to update, and sometimes only available during Lodge office hours. With online access, any registered Elks Member has information at his or her fingertips 24/7.

Why not take a moment to look over all the information offered at Elks.Org?

You might be surprised at what you find and how much time it can save you.

See you down the road.



New Lodge Pin!

Do you have our new Lodge pin? The pin was designed by one of our own members, Ron Emanuel from the Goldsmith? Ask one of the bartenders about them, the cost is just \$5.00.

Great Gift Idea!

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APRIL SPECIALS

SERVED DAILY 11:30 AM -7:30 PM

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TUES. 1st ROAST BEEF SANDWICH W/POTATO SALAD
WED. 2nd BAKED CHICKEN DINNER
THURS. 3rd SLOPPY JOE
FRI. 4th POORMAN'S, PERCH OR HADDOCK W/FRENCH FRIES & COLESLAW
DINNER SPECIAL SEAFOOD COMBO PLATTER
SUN. 6th **MEET THE OFFICERS 3PM - 5PM**

TUES. 8th TACOS
WED. 9th LIVER AND ONION DINNER
THURS. 10th SCALLOPED POTATOES & HAM
FRI. 11th POORMAN'S, PERCH OR HADDOCK W/FRENCH FRIES & COLESLAW
DINNER SPECIAL BAKED SALMON W/DILL SAUCE
SAT. 12th **THE KING AND DIAMONDS SHOW**
SUN. 13th **WILD & CRAZY GOURMET BLOODY MARYS**

TUES. 15th BACON RANCH CHICKEN WRAP
WED. 16th LASAGNA
THURS. 17th MEATLOAF DINNER
FRI. 18th POORMAN'S, PERCH OR HADDOCK W/FRENCH FRIES & COLESLAW
DINNER SPECIAL STUFFED WALLEYE
SUN. 20th **EASTER BRUNCH 11:00AM & 12:30PM**

TUES. 22nd BRAT & KRAUT W/FRIES
WED. 23rd LIVER AND ONION DINNER
THURS. 24th BAKED CHICKEN DINNER
FRI. 25th POORMAN'S, PERCH OR HADDOCK W/FRENCH FRIES & COLESLAW
DINNER SPECIAL SURF & TURF
SAT. 26th **DD CLINIC, AFTERGLOW, POLICE/FIRE BOWLING, WEDDING**

TUES. 29th BLACK & BLUE BURGER W/FRIES
WED. 30th CHICKEN STIR FRY

EASTER BRUNCH 11:00AM & 12:30PM
BAKED HAM, BAKED CHICKEN, SAUSAGE LINKS,
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Call 920.922.5757 to check on room and date availability.

April 2014

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 Lodge Noon Kiwanis	2 Bowling Brew Club	3 Bowling	4 Jess Ellison	5
6 Meet the Officers 3pm – 5pm	7	8 Youth Leader Noon Kiwanis Entrepreneurs	9 Board Bowling Optimist	10	11 Jess Ellison	12 Neil/King
13 Bloody Mary Bar Doors open 10am	14	15 Lodge Noon Kiwanis House Fly Fishers	16 Southshore	17 Navy Club	18 Jess Ellison	19 Cktl Bowling
20 EASTER BRUNCH 11:00AM & 12:30PM	21	22 Noon Kiwanis Auxiliary Investment	23 Optimist	24	25 Jess Ellison Open Bowling	26 DD Clinic Afterglow Fire/Police Bowling Wedding
27	28	29 Steak Night Noon Kiwanis	30			