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From Your Exalted Ruler

...Hello again, well things seem to be smoothing out and running well, Saturday nights are picking up, The Queen of Hearts Progressive raffle sales are getting better. We can use your help on the raffle, if you want to sell some tickets please send an email to Mark or Chuck QOH@elks1588.com. This is a public raffle therefore, we can sell them to anyone. There have been some changes inside the club room and we are fine tuning them with discussions which seem to be happening on a daily basis between the officers, trustees and committee people. As I write this we are getting ready to open the patio and have our first Saturday initiation. I will update you on both of these next month. Please know that if you have input or ideas we welcome them, just join us at a meeting every 1st and 3rd Tuesday. You will get your time to bring your ideas, thoughts and even complaints. If we can't give you an answer right away we will certainly be as prompt as possible. Please enjoy the new format of our newsletter and newly updated website, please follow us on Facebook and update your email address by submitting it to info@elks1588.com. We are using every way possible to keep you informed as to what's happening. Thanks and I hope to see you soon.

Jeff Bolen

"Some people want it to happen, some wish it would happen, others make it happen."

- Michael Jordan



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Secretary Spot-

Hello every one I would like to thank you for showing your support for Jerry Olli on Saturday the 18th. Without the following people I alone couldn't have pulled it off. Thank you- Craig Covey, Dan Martin ,Tom Robinson, Bob Mills, Pat and Jennifer, Knowles, Dan Boychuk, Katie Tomas, Jeff and Angel Bolen, Chuck Pankey and Mark Fanning. We had a very good time roasting Jerry, I hope every one did too. Out with the old in with the new, Help me! Help me! Katie, There is so much to do behind the scenes! A lot of paper work for the State, District, National, and also for the City. Well onward we go wish me luck. ~ Ron Reid

Share the pride of Elkdom: Connect with new members

By Rick Gathen Membership and Public Relations Manager MI Elks Newsletter April 2015

No matter how good you are at membership retention, you'll still need to recruit new Members. Prospective members will likely be more receptive to joining your Lodge if your message comes with an endorsement from someone they value. Public relations provides a huge opportunity for such peer recommendations to help spread your communications to prospective members. And since your Members are the ones sharing your message with their friends and family, those friends and family will be more likely to actually listen to what you have to say and join your Lodge. Make sure every new Member gets three applications to recruit friends and family. They will earn the prestigious GER Award pin.

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Elk Sports-

By Gary D

Must be spring around these parts. I'm seeing a lot of fish belly colored legs (sorry guys), and equal sightings of pretty ladies in sun dresses. That warm sun sure feels good on my fish belly colored legs. That also means the end of the season for the Friday Night Trio Bowling League at Luxury Lanes. It took us till the final 10 weeks to get our last team but I think they were worth it. The newest Elk, Brian White, and his band of merry men, Marc Murphy and Zach Hreha, were a welcome addition to our league. Zach particularly made his mark early by banging out his first career 300 game. It's always a big thrill to see someone get their first perfect game. He'll probably be cranking them out left and right now that he's got a taste. He joined the likes of Ralph Clemens and Jimmy Wilk, the high average gunners of the league, and Michael Kelley for High Game of the league. Jimmy captured High Series with a 791 mark. Oh, that's right. Which team won the league? Well hold onto your sun bonnet. It wasn't my team, The Mad Men, although we were in the roll-off by virtue of winning the 1st trimester. Pronto Pest was there as well, winning the 2nd trimester. The 3rd team in the mix, KT Sales, got there by romping past everybody in the 3rd with a 57-13 mark. In the round-robin match KT got the early jump, beating my guys by 49 sticks thanks to a 247 game by their anchorman Dave Sutter. We were able to stick it to them in the 2nd game, with Chris Fiebig's 225 and yours truly finding his way with a 243, leaving us deadlocked going into the last game. Pronto Pest tried to keep up but I think the lights got in their eyes. Rob Goble chipped in with a steady 629 series but was a tad overmatched going 1 against 3. Our guys had to switch lanes for the 3rd game and just got overpowered by the sharp-shooting Dave Sutter who crushed all in his way with a 257 game and a fine 722 series. Chris Fiebig did his best with a 237 effort, but he was gobbled and we were gobbled. So, congratulations to KT Sales on their three-peat. Sutter and his teammates Michael Kelley and David Duckworth will go into next season as the well-earned Team #1, again. But they should look in their rear-view mirror for that new team of whippersnappers. They just may be reaching for that torch. A round of kudos to the runners-up Mad Men, with George Gollnick, myself, and Chris (Bam Bam) Fiebig. As well as the Pronto Pest gang of Steve (Chico) Alcalá, son Scott (Scooter), the aforementioned Rob Goble, and Danny Tucker. We'll be looking to exact a measure of retaliation next season, for sure. To quote the Chicago Cubs: "Wait till next year." Have a safe and happy summer everyone.



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Trustee Corner

Members all,

How befitting I write this column for you at the hour of eleven as I remember our absent members. My father, your fellow elk, being one of them. He loved this Lodge as much as I do and had big role in assisting the lodge to invest wisely, ensuring its financial stability for many years. As most of you "older" members remember he put up some financing for the building next door many years ago. That investment has been a very profitable one for our lodge. We sold the building along with many financial responsibilities that are attached to owning it. We bought the building next door for \$30,000 the negotiated sale price is \$212,000. We saved a good amount of money by not going thru a commercial real estate broker and dealing directly with Mike Hennes. He has been one of the best tenants a landlord could ask for! One big bonus is that because the building was free and clear of any debt we were able to finance a mortgage to Mike. We will earn an additional \$57,076.86 in interest over the next 12 years. The nice thing is we will be receiving a monthly payment that will give us the financial security to do more good in the world.

After going through most of our archives I could easily see how this lodge helped its citizens for close to a century!

I am proud to be member of Ferndale Elks #1588 and most of all I am grateful to all our fellow members who have gone before us. Thank you for your guidance. To our absent members.

Fraternally yours,
Richard Guay
Trustee Chairman.

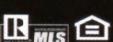


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Letter From the Editor:

Members all,

The lodge has been looking for ways to save and raise money to make our lodge more financial stable. One thing we have done is made the Hour of Eleven in house. I have stepped up and volunteered my time to do the layout, format and editing. Doing so we can accomplish a lot and save money doing it ourselves. If you would like to submit an article the due date is the 20th of every month. You can send it via email, Facebook, etc.

One of our newer members Chris Harris has taken on the task of selling advertisement space. You will see a lot more ads in the Hour of Eleven. These local companies have donated in upward of \$1000 to the lodge for these ads. Ads with a elk insignia indicate the ad was taken out by a business owner from our lodge. We have voted to use these funds strictly for lodge upgrades and improvements. Over the coming months you will see some of these improvements implemented.

If you own a business and are interested in advertising please feel free to contact Chris Harris at **advertising@elks1588.com**. Also be sure to check out our updated website!

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Fraternally yours,
Chuck Pankey

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May 9 Saturday

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DJ B-White 8pm

May 25 Monday

Lodge opens at 9am
Parade at 10pm

May 2 Saturday

Cinco De Mayo/ Derby Party 3pm
Queen of Hearts Raffle 8pm
DJ Rico 8pm

May 16 Saturday

Queen of Hearts Raffle 8pm
Game Night
Dan The Band 8pm

May 30 Saturday

Ferndale Pride (Public Day)
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Thanks, Jeff Benson

Unaffiliated spouse

We have been asked if a spouse who chooses to take an Absolute Dimit, or has been dropped for non-payment, may enter and stay in the Lodge. Yes, if he or she conforms to Section 14.190 Opinion 03 of the 2014 Statutes Annotated, which states: "The exception permitting visitation of a Lodge by a non-suspended spouse, or a delinquent Member spouse, means that the non-suspended or unaffiliated spouse is treated as if he or she were never a Member." Your Annual Membership Report was filed on April 1, but have you filed your Annual Charity Report? Has the Lodge paid the Grand Lodge per capita and assessments? April 30 is quickly approaching. A common question has arisen as to when the Grand Lodge-calculated membership total will be lowered to coincide with the Local Lodge total. This will happen when the Secretary sends the paperwork to the Grand Secretary and the 2014-2015.

— Bryan Klatt, Grand Secretary

OCHO DE MAYO

Friday May 8, 2015

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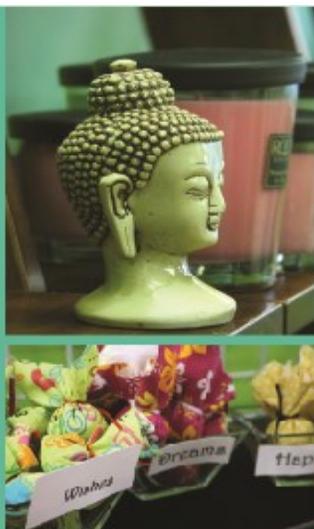
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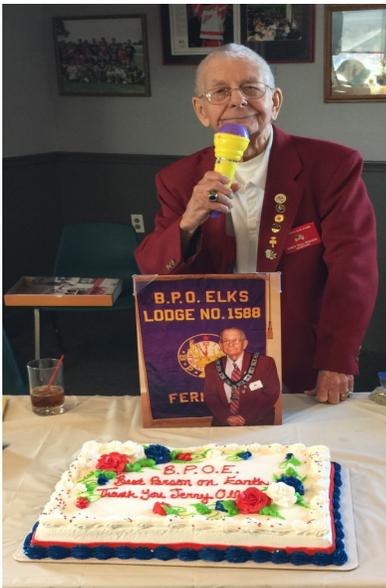
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Jerry Olli's Retirement Roast- April 18th



We would like to thank everyone who came out to celebrate the retirement of Jerry. He was roasted turned over and roasted again! He capped the night off by singing us his rendition of New York, New York. He told all of us he was demitting to the Guam Elks Lodge #1281. They would be the only Lodge who hasn't heard of Jerry Olli and would accept him. Jeff Bolen our ER said "he would not be signing any paperwork for him instead, he appointed Jerry as Emeritus Secretary for our lodge". Jerry has taught thousands of people the real definition of Elkdom and he will now forever be a Ferndale Elk!

~ House Committee



BY-LAW PROPSAL

On April 21, 2015 There was a Motion made by Rick Guay to change our General Membership Meeting start time from 7:00pm to 7:30pm It was seconded by Joe Swierz. Tabled by Mark Fanning until May 5th meeting at 7pm. If you have any discussion , support or objection please attend that meeting.

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A Thank You from PDDGER and Retired Secretary for the Big Roasting held on April 18.

Thanks to Katie Murphy-Tomas, PER & Secretary- Ron Reid and House Chair/Trustee- Chuck Pankey for their hard work, good food and entertainment shared by all the brothers & sisters who spent a few hours honoring and roasting me. Guests from other lodges were William (Bill) Dyda- Metro District Chaplain PER Royal Oak/Detroit #34, Gary Kalap Metro District Secretary PER Lapeer Area Lodge #2567, Tom Robinson- Metro District Secretary P.E.R., Warren Sterling Heights #2292 Alex D. Boychuk - District Gold Key Chair also a Past P.E.R. from our lodge and now a member of Clawson/Troy Lodge #2169 and Jerry Alexie- P.E.R, Past Metro District Vice-Chairman Warren Sterling Heights Lodge. Thanks to Ron Reid P.E.R. for his historical story of my trip through 40 years of Elkdom and thanks to Tom Connelly P.E.R. my golf partner who was Exalted Ruler and installed me in October of 1973. My sponsors son George Gollnick was present along with a crowd of our faithful Elk members. Craig Covey former mayor took pleasure in polluting my history as an elk and had everyone laughing their fannies off. Another member, Dan Martin, Ferndale councilman proceeded to create me as a very nice guy. Thanks Dan. Past Exalted Ruler Bob Mills proceeded to make me into a sharp sucker, jokester and comedian. Thanks to Dennis Sage P.E.R., John Voorhies P.E.R., Pat Flaherty P.E.R. for showing up. My two sons Daniel & Keith with my grandson Tivie Powell, his lovely wife Stephanie, and my beautiful great grandchildren Emma & Wyatt. Thank You to everyone who came for the afternoon and thank you for the chance to sing some Karaoke and hear my grandson, his wife and my great grand daughter sing. I would like to thank the House Committee for the music provided by D.J. Rico. Thank You to our photographer Larry Mills and our Exalted Ruler Jeffery Bolen P.D.D.G.E.R. What More can I say? I hope I didn't miss anyone.
 ~ Jerry Olli P.D.D.G.E.R.

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Starting on June 6th at 7pm we will be starting a Monthly Birthday Celebration. If your Birthday falls in that month you will receive a \$10.00 drink credit for this event!



Behind The Bar-

Fellow Elks,

One of the hardest tasks of life is change. When I took on the task of running the lounge I knew it would be a difficult one. We have to make sure the Elks accounting principles and practices are followed. This is why some of the drink prices have changed. I am looking at the cost of what we sell and taking member input into consideration when setting prices. I knew from the beginning some feathers would be ruffled and others would be excited of the changes that are happening. I have been to every District Meeting and have asked several Lounge Managers their opinions and how they run their lounge, etc. One thing you may have noticed is the weekly entertainment we now have. With this is another overhead cost, so I have asked other lodges what they do. Each one of them has told me they raise drink prices to help defer the cost. So our drink prices raised during entertainment \$0.50. Some of you have noticed some of you have not. On average it has raised your bill \$5-7, not bad considering you get 4-5 hrs. of entertainment. Drink Prices have been the same at our Lodge for years, yet the prices for the lodge to purchase them have gone up like everything else. Recently the lodge members approved a \$.25 per drink increase. This will help us maintain the cost of goods sold level, as well as allow us to have more flexibility in activities for you as well as the community. Because of the drink prices raising I have suggested that we only raise the drink pricing by \$.25 during event/entertainment hours and have a 3-6pm \$.25 off Happy Hour every day. Which was also approved by the members at the meeting. I am hoping those whose feathers were ruffled understand that we are all here for one purpose and one purpose only, to let our lodge prosper for years to come so 30 years from now our kids have a lodge to go to.

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In the name of Elkdom,
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- May 5-** Lodge Meeting 7pm \$2 You call its 9p-11p
- May 8-** Euchre Night (Benefit for New Up grades) sign in 6:30pm starts at 7pm
- May 9-** Queen of Hearts 8p, DJ B-White 8p
- May 16-** Queen of Hearts 8p, Dan The Band 8p
- May 19-** Lodge Meeting 7pm \$2 You call its 9p-11p
- May 23-** Queen of Hearts 8p, DJ B-White 8p
- May 30-** Ferndale Pride- Queen of Hearts 8p, Dj Rico 8p (Public Day)

* Drink Prices increase \$0.25 for Entertainment

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