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Lodge meetings are the 2nd and 4th Monday of the month except on holidays. July and August—2nd Monday only.

Officers

Exalted Ruler Leading Knight Loyal Knight Lecturing Knight Secretary Treasure Esauire Chaplain Inner Guard Tiler Organist Soloist

Michael Ginger Worwa Kari Larson Raquel Bourne Danielle Arthur Cindy Muzetras Christie Marrs Candyce Ferrentino Carrie Opheim Risa Anderson Rachel DeVille Amy Lynn Nelson

Trustees

(2nd/4th Monday 6:00pm) Bob Arthur, Sue Huttner Scott Johnson, Mike Opheim Scott King

House Committe

Aaron Kuznia, Clyde Ulku, Kristen Bethke, Kristi Halverson, LaNae Spooner Sandy Hongerholt, Tom Hedlund





Exalted Ruler Michael Shinn



Members All,

Welcome to the new fiscal year of Elkdom!

First of all, I would like to introduce myself for those of you that don't know me. I am Michael Shinn your new Exalted Ruler and have been a member for 12 years. I'm also a 24-year retired Navy veteran.

Secondly, I would like to introduce the officers for 2022-2023. Esteemed Leading Knight: Ginger Worwa, Esteemed Loyal Knight: Kari Larson, Es-REACH OUT TO MEMBERS teemed Lecturing Knight: Raquel Bourne, Es-

quire: Christie Marrs, Chaplain: Candyce Ferrentino, Inner Guard: Carrie Opheim, Tiler: Risa Anderson. Secretary: Danielle Arthur, Treasurer: Cindy Muzetras, Organist: Rachelle DeVille, Soloist: Amy Lynn Nelson, 1st Year Trustee: Robert Arthur, 2nd Year Trustee: Sue Huttner, 3rd Year Trustee: Scott Johnson, 4th Year Trustee: Michael Opheim and 5th Year Trustee: tee: Scott King.

Thirdly, I want to thank all the officers for stepping up this year and becoming part of the team. It was a difficult task to fill the positions as there were a number of officers who chose not to go forward. Let's make this a great and fun year. I also want to thank the officers that are stepping down and for the hard work and dedication they all put in this past year.

Fourth, I would like to say that this year I decided to do something different. Similar to what the Grand Exalted Rulers and State Presidents do, I have chosen a slogan for my year as Exalted Ruler and that is: **REACH OUT TO MEMBERS.** I chose this slogan because I started thinking about all the things we do as a lodge. We reach out to our veterans, we reach out to our youth, and we reach out to our community, but the one thing we're not very good at, is we don't **REACH OUT TO MEMBERS.**

If someone comes in that you don't know, don't be afraid to go over and introduce yourself and say hello. **MAKE THEM FEEL WELCOME.** Get them involved. They joined the Elks because they like the volunteerism we do and would like to help.

The past month was a busy month. We kicked off our fish fry on the 4th of March and it seems every week was busier than the week before. Awesome! Every Friday Bargo has been going very strong as there seems to be no place to sit. St. Patrick's Day parade was full, and the costumes were fun. I would like to thank "Cadillac Jack's DJ" our own Michael Stevens for supplying the music for the day and keeping people around for

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his fabulous tunes. Our lodge hosted Minneapolis #44's Officer Installation and dinner on the 19th and ironically, they had 44 of their own people that attended the event.

I would like to close this month's newsletter by saying I look forward to working with all the great people of this wonderful organization and let's make this an outstanding year. **REACH OUT TO MEMBERS!**

Fraternally, Michael Exalted Ruler

| Membership Report | Birthdays | | |
|----------------------------------|--|--|--|
| As of March 16, 2022 | The following members have birthdays this month: | | |
| Next Initiation: TBA | This info is posted at the | | |
| This info is posted at the Lodge | Lodge | | |



Bean Bag Champions: Congratulations to Sean Daniels & Michael Shinn (from team S&M) for winning the winter bags session! This is twice in a row that their names are being placed on the coveted trophy! Great shoot'in fellas!

A spring session of bags will be starting sometime in April/May (on Wed. nights, exact date tbd). Anyone interested in signing up as a full -time player or participating as a substitute should drop a line to: elks2221bags@gmail.com which gets on the mailing list for further updates.

Please Join Us For A Benefit Honoring Brandon Wharton

Saturday, April 23^{rd} from 1pm - 5pmHopkins Elks / $30 8^{th}$ Ave S

- Pulled Pork Sandwiches \$7.00
- Silent Auction
- Bottle Game
- Meat Raffle







Brandon was tragically taken away from his family and friends on December 27, 2021. Brandon always sought to help others. He made every small part of the world he touched better. Passionate about craft beer, rock climbing, coffee, cycling, and general nerdiness. Especially devoted to his wife, family, and countless friends.



This benefit is for his wife and soulmate, Vanessa. Monies raised will help with any miscellaneous bills she has incurred due to Brandon's untimely passing.

Brandon was the son of Cindy Wharton and step-son of Chris "ZUKES" Hazuka, both longtime Hopkins Elks and Hopkins community members. As well as many other family member and friends.

How can I help? Please consider making a silent auction, bottle or monetary donation. All monies raised will go directly to Vanessa.

Donations can be dropped of at the Hopkins Elks (marked attn ZUKES), sent directly to Cindy (952-451-2358), Zukes (612-418-2212) or

cash to Venmo @A-Beauclaire (9246) (private acct to avoid fees from GoFundMe – etc).

Please email <u>abeauclaire@gmail.com</u> with any questions.





Hopkins Mainstreet Day Pet Adoption Event May 21, 2022



- 1. People to help at the booth on Mainstreet: selling t-shirts, tie blankets/collecting donations for Midwest Animal Rescue, handing out literature and just chatting people up. 2 hr shifts 9am 4pm
- 2. People to help with set up and/or take down of the tents on Mainstreet and at the Lodge. 8-9am and 4-5pm.
 - 3. People to help with dogs/puppies who come to the pet adoption event at the Elks Lodge. 11am 3pm



Please sign up on the bulletin board at the lodge.

Questions?

Contact Carrie Opheim (612)743-6844

Or Mike Opheim (952)270-2079





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CALLS FOR ARTICLES

Do you have an article you would like to submit to the monthly Hopline? As long as your article is Elks-related send it to: weeklyupdates@hopkinselks.org.

CALENDAR INFORMATION

<u>click this link</u> to see all currently scheduled events

| APRIL 2022 | | | | | | | | |
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| SUN 9AM-9PM | MON 11AM-11PM | TUE 11AM-11PM | WED 11AM-11PM | THU 11AM-11PM | FRI 11AM-12AM | SAT 10AM- | | |
| | | | | Lunch—Check Updates 5:30-7:30pm GRILL NIGHT | 1 Lunch—Check Updates NOON BARGO 5:30pm FISH FRY | 2 11a—??p Sloppy Joes NOON—?? COMMUNITY BABY SHOWER AT VFW | | |
| 3 9am Sunday Bkfst | 4 Lunch—Check Updates | 5 Lunch—Check Updates BURGER NIGHT 5:30-7:30pm | 6 Lunch—Check Updates FOOD-5:30-7:30p HOUSE COMM MTG—5:15pm SPECIAL EVENT MTG—6:15pm | 7 Lunch— Check Updates 65:30-7:30pm GRILL NIGHT | 8 Lunch— Check Updates NOON BARGO 5:30pm FISH FRY | 9 11a—??p Sloppy Joes | | |
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