

Rochester Elks 2120 March 2010

2009/2010 Officers

Exalted Ruler.....Kathy Easterday
Leading Knight.....Susie Hilton PER
Lecturing Knight.....Lori Alterson
Secretary.....Jackie Holloway PER
Treasurer.....Bob Maes
Tiler.....Jon Good
Chaplain.....Roberta Foor
Inner Guard.....John Garrett
Trustees.....Sue Bair, Ed Foor, Tom
Bair PER, Jack Hoge, Roy Pilachowski

Telephone Numbers/Web Sites

Lodge 223-3704
Pro Shop 223-4427
Web site elks2120.tzo.com

Grand Lodge www.elks.org
Indiana Elks www.indianaelks.org

St Patrick's Day Party

It's Wearin' of the Green at
Rochester Elks Lodge, Friday ,
March 19th. We will feature Irish
Specials including Corned Beef
and cabbage. There will also be
entertainment and drink
specials. So put an O' in front of
your name and plan to attend
this entertaining celebration of
St. Patrick's Day. Everyone is
Welcome!

NEED GOLF MEMORABILIA!!!

If you have old golf clubs,
pictures, golf bags etc. you would
like to get rid of, please call Sue
Bair @ 223-6059.

Thank you.

A Message From The Outgoing ER

Greetings All,

As we enter into our final month of the fiscal year, I have just a few words to say to the members. I thank you for the opportunity to serve as your Exalted Ruler this year. It has been an experience and an education that I will never forget. I thank you for your support this year. I would also like to say thank you again for allowing me to represent Rochester #2120 at the National Convention. To my officers thank you for all of your hard work. Finally to the incoming officers I wish the best.

Sincerely,

Kathy, PER

A Message From The Incoming ER

Starting April 1st I will be taking over as ER for Elks Lodge 2120. Many friends and members have asked me why I would want to take on this job. I've asked myself the same question. The answer is really quite simple. When you feel as strongly about the potential of this Lodge as I do, in terms of what it can become and how it can make a difference in the lives of our members as well as the impact it can have on our community, then the answer is obvious.

I look forward to working with the members and officers of the Lodge. There are significant challenges ahead for all of us and I will not be the least bit shy in asking members, officers and trustees to help achieve the level of success that I know the Lodge can reach. Contrary to popular belief volunteer is not a dirty word. We need many of you to step up to the plate and help.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as your new ER.

Jack Hoge

CLEAN OUT AND DONATE !

It's the Elks Lodge Rummage and Treasure Sale, April 24th from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. If you have some nice "treasures" you would like to donate please bring them to the Lodge no later than April 7th. All proceeds will go for improvements to the Lodge and Golf Course.

Winter Hours
Bar

Monday.....Closed
Tuesday..... Closed
Wednesday & Thursday...3PM to 9 PM
FridayNoon to 10 PM
Saturday.....3PM to 7 PM
Sunday.....10 AM to 6 PM

Dining Room

Sunday Brunch.....10 AM to 2 PM
Friday.....5PM to 10 PM

Pro Shop

The Pro Shop will be open depending on the weather. If closed, pay at the bar.

Looking Ahead

Friday, July 9th

Ike returns by popular demand. Details to follow.

We have dock space available for rent. Anyone interested should inquire at the bar.

March 20th

Texas Hold ‘Em

12:30 pm Registration
1:00 pm Start
(Note earlier start time)

\$30.00 buy-in
\$30.00 optional re-buy.

Newly Elected Officers

At the last meeting in February the following slate of officers were elected for the 2010 – 2011 year.

Exalted Ruler.....Jack Hoge
Leading Knight..... Tom Bair PER
Loyal Knight.....Susie Hilton PER
Lecturing Knight.....Lori Alterson
Secretary.....Roberta Foor
Treasurer.....Bob Maes

There was one Trustee position up for election and that was filled by Monte Pickens.

With the election of Jack Hoge and Tom Bair as noted above, there will be two vacant Trustee positions effective April 1st. A special election will be held to fill these positions. Anyone interested in one of these positions should contact Jack Hoge. Nominations will of course be accepted from the floor at the regular meeting.

SPRING TIME AT THE ELKS

Ahhh, spring. The golf course and pro shop will soon be up and running. The Dining Room (Knickers on the Lake – feel free to wear yours!) will be returning to pre-winter hours and our piers will mark the opening of the Lake season. Know of someone who would like to be an Elk’s member? Please remember we have waived the initiation fee for March. Dues are \$40.00. If your dues are in arrears, you cannot purchase beverages after April 1st. Lots of decorating has been done to the Lodge and thanks, Kent Mills, for allowing us to remove the sailboat and sell it. Don’t forget our Sunday Brunch buffet...still only \$8.95 for adults and \$5.95 for children 5 to 12. It really is the best going.

Hope to see you at the Lodge soon – and often!

Tom Bair, Trustee

Wedding Receptions, Graduation Parties, Office Parties, etc. whatever your special needs, we can accommodate you. Let us help you plan your event including your menu (either a full buffet, a sit down dinner or just hor d’oeuvres), decorations and entertainment.

From The Trustees

As all of you members know the fiscal year is coming to an end as of March 31st. As our fiscal year runs from April 1, 2009 thru March 31, 2010 I thought it would be appropriate to itemize what we have accomplished over the past year.

1. The condition of the golf course this past year is truly impressive. It is in better shape than it has been in recent memory. If you have played this past year you know how much improved it is. If you didn't play last year, give it a try this year – you will enjoy it!
2. A game room has been added for the kids in order for them to have a place to entertain themselves.
3. The plumbing and insulation in the women's bathroom has been upgraded in order to keep pipes from freezing.
4. The men's bathroom has been repainted. The women's bathroom is scheduled to be repainted also.
5. 80% of all downstairs interior walls have been repainted.
6. A lounge area with sofas, chairs, lighting and a fire place has been created for our members and their guests to enjoy.
7. A number of new wall fixtures and decorations have been added to the lodge to create a more attractive and relaxing atmosphere.
8. Outside lights and concrete have been replaced or repaired.
9. Another TV has been added to the bar area making it possible to see TV from any side of the bar.
10. We have added a Sirius XM radio sound system for the listening pleasure of our members and guests.
11. We have purchased several new pieces of equipment for the kitchen.
12. 80% of all the old heat registers have been removed, improving the appearance of the Lodge.
13. Since the members voted to operate our own kitchen/dining room we have made many improvements to the kitchen and its operation. At this point in time, it is probably the best place in the area to dine.
14. We have added two new exhaust fans to the kitchen.
15. The flooring on the dance floor as well as the kitchen have recently been stripped and waxed. Looks good.
16. We added new piers last year.

With all of this said, I want to emphasize that none of it could have taken place without the support of our members and many volunteers. With your support, many more wonderful improvements can be made to the Lodge.

Saturday April 17th

As noted in the February Newsletter, we are having a special \$1000.00 drawing on Saturday, April 17, 2010. Only 300 tickets will be sold at \$10.00 each. Pretty good odds! Ticket sales have been very good but there are still some left. Ask Thelma at the bar or any Officer if you are interested in purchasing a ticket. A “home cooked meal” is included in the price of your ticket. (How can you go wrong with a deal like that?)

This is a really fun affair. While the drawing is the main attraction, there are a number of additional gaming events being planned. These include a blackjack table as well as a dice table. Tip boards featuring various prizes will also be featured. We have a number of volunteers already lined up but can always use more. Contact any officer or trustee or just leave your name at the bar if you would like to help out

Dinner will be served, buffet style between 5:30 pm and 7:30 pm. The drawing will begin at 8:00 pm. This is a fundraiser for the Lodge so we hope you will all participate. Mark your calendars for a FUN NIGHT at the ELKS!

JUST A RIPPLE OF INFORMATION

We continue to make improvements to the Lodge so members will come out more and enjoy it. The majority of this work has been done through donations. If you care to donate for paint, carpet cleaning, decorations, etc. it would be appreciated. Also, we need to purchase four or five more round tables. Ahhh, once again, donations are accepted. Thanks to all who paid their per capita. I hope all of you are looking forward to lots of new and different “projects” and “opportunities” coming to our Lodge in the future. I know I do!

Sue Bair, Board of Trustees

The following appeared in the March 2, 2010 issue of the Rochester Sentinel.

The way it was 50 years ago

Stockholders of the Rochester Country Club voted unanimously Wednesday to lease all property and facilities to Rochester Elks Lodge 2120.

**The News-Sentinel
of March 3, 1960**

Membership Drive

In an effort to enlist additional members, the months of February and March have been designated as New Member Months. During this drive for new Elks members the normal initiation fee of \$25.00 will be waived. Know of anyone interested in joining? Now is the time. Talk to friends and neighbors and see who might be interested. Turn their names over to any officer or trustee and they will follow up. Application forms are always available at the Lodge.