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- 1 Year **Tya Lichtie**
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- 4 Year Don Geier
- 5 Year Jim Schuessler

Membership meetings held on the 2nd Wednesday of the month and also the 4th Wednesday in February, March, and April.

#### **ELKLINER**

Editor **Dan Curd** Photographer **John Lorimer** 

If you would like to submit something for publication or place an advertisement, please email:

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#### A MESSAGE FROM THE ER

Wow! What a summer we had! Our sponsorship of the Marquette neighborhood festivals. Trivia Night

neighborhood festivals, Trivia Night, Music Bingo, and our excellent lineup of talented musicians on Tuesday and Thursday nights.

And then came Elktoberfest on September 8. I can't wait to hear the amount of money we made in that one day. Then, two weeks later, we hosted a fundraiser for Stand Down Madison which provides informational materials and services to Veterans. Again, I can't wait to hear how much money was raised for this amazing organization.

But, for me it's not all about the money. It's about the members who organized these events and the great number of enthusiastic volunteers. I was blown away by the organization of Elktoberfest and Stand Down Madison. They both ran like a well oiled machine! So, THANK YOU to everyone who was involved in the planning, and all the volunteers who made them happen!

I have some exciting news! Several years ago, our charities account lost its tax-exempt status. Well, that status has been reinstated! Donations to the new Madison Elks Lodge No. 410 Foundation, Inc. are completely tax deductible. Trustee Tya Lichte led the charge to reinstate our status. A new corporation had to be formed and submitted to the IRS. It took many months of back and forth to complete the process. So, thank you to Tya and everyone she worked with to make this happen.

As we head into the fall season, I hope to see many of you at the Lodge. Remember, every time you eat in the restaurant or have a couple of drinks in the bar, you are supporting the Lodge. All of our profits from the bar and restaurant go back into maintaining the Lodge and giving back to our community. And you get to enjoy our beautiful view and your fellow Elk members!

In Elkdom,

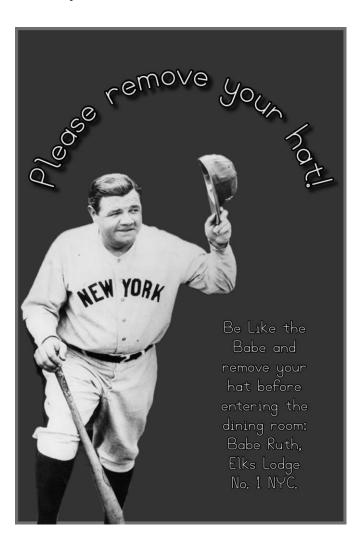
**Sherie Sasso** 

#### LEGACY SCHOLARSHIP

Legacy Awards applications are now open! High school seniors who are the children or grandchildren of dues-paying Elks are encouraged to apply. While the \$4,000 award may be what catches your eye, the scholarship is bigger than just monetary aid. Don't believe us? Just ask 2024 Legacy scholar Denton Wiggins.

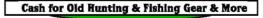
"This scholarship not only alleviates financial burdens but also fosters a sense of belonging and pride in being part of a tradition of giving back to others," says Wiggins. "It empowers me to pursue my academic and personal goals with confidence, knowing that I am supported by an organization dedicated to making a positive impact on individuals and communities alike."

Click <u>here</u> for eligibility requirements and to learn more about the Legacy Awards. Applications close on February 3, 2025.











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#### POSTCARD FROM THE PAST



What is now the Wisconsin Room as photographed in the 1980s prior to construction that extended the front and back of our clubhouse. Originally this space was designed as a ballroom with its own exterior entrance. At some point it was converted into a private dining room and a rear wall added, creating its own cloak room (you can see the windows over the outside doors in the back of the photograph).

#### JEROME GARTNER



1933 – 2007 Exalted Ruler 1993 –1994

Jerome "Jerry" Dwayne Gartner was born on November 24, 1933, in La Crosse, Wisconsin, the son of Clarence Lester Frederick Gartner and Elva Marion Peterson. After graduating from La Crosse Central High School, he went on to attend the University of Wisconsin in La Crosse and Madison. In 1953 he married

Bonnie Erickson and the couple had three daughters.

Jerry spent four years as a staff sergeant in the Air Force during the Korean War. He retired from the Madison Police Department as a sergeant after 29 years of service. He was also employed in the Dane County Sheriff's Office in the court system for three years. His pastimes were golfing, bowling and hunting. He was a member of the Madison Professional Police Officers Association, the Madison Identification Association and Madison Elks 410 where he served as Exalted Ruler from 1993 to 1994. Gartner was also active in Good Shepherd Lutheran Church and the Fitchburg Singers.



Jerome Gartner died of leukemia at age 73 on April 20, 2007. His obituary stated that in lieu of flowers he wished for donations to be made to the Madison Elks Lodge's elevator fund. He is buried in Madison's Forest Hill Cemetery.

#### **BUILDING & GROUNDS**

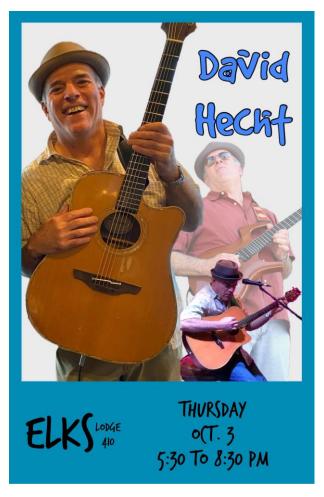
#### By Jim Schuessler

Our annual fall cleanup of the lodge grounds and building exterior will take place on Saturday, October 19 at 9 a.m. Many hands make light work! Please join us if you can. We'll have coffee and treats waiting for you. For more information contact LaVerne Schwengel at <a href="mailto:laverne2222@att.net">laverne2222@att.net</a> or (608) 332-7246.

We will notify members by email when the piers will be removed for winter.

Please support the Capital Campaign so we can proceed with our plans for remodeling the bathroom. We want to thank Chauncey Hunker and Michael Schmidtke for their generous donation!

Our Building and Grounds Committee is focused on saving costs and improving our Lodge for our members and guests to enjoy. For more information, contact Jim Schuessler at <a href="mailto:ischuessler@starkhomes.com">ischuessler@starkhomes.com</a> or call or text (608) 445-0766.







# T. H. E. DANCE!

# T.uesday with the H.ighlights at the E.lks DANCE!

Enjoy an evening of ballroom and line dancing downstairs! Here's what the evening has in store!



6:30-7:30 pm Marcy and the Highlights Trio Dance set 7:30-8:00 pm Line Dance Lesson – **September 17** will be with our own Elks member, Nancy Vidlak 8:00-9:00 pm Another hour of dance music! Doors open at 5:00 pm with food available for purchase and a full cash bar.

For ELKS \$5/person for guests \$10/person. Your cover includes a Highlights drawing for fun prizes.

AND, a portion of every dance will be given to an Elks benevolent cause, demonstrating that *Elks* Care and Elks Share!

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Join us September 17 and mark your calendars now for the monthly dances – Oct 15, Nov 5, Dec 10, and Jan 14!

#### P.E.R. ASSOCIATION

Chairman Richard Olson (2015-2017)

Secretary Sherie Sasso (2019-2020)

Treasurer Lynn Aspinwall (2017-2019)

#### **ACTIVE MEMBERS**

**Kevin Pohlkamp** (1989-1990)

Jim Mueller (1990-1991)

**Ed Ledwidge** (1994-1996)

Chuck Hoornstra (1995-1996, 2001-2002)

Kristi Barbian (2011-2013)

Steve Sasso (2013-2015)

#### **AUXILIARY**

President LaVerne Schwengel

Past President Gloria Simley

Vice President Donna Campanelli

Secretary Jeanette May

Treasurer Michelle Braithwaite

#### **BOARD MEMBERS**

**Ann Bailey** 

**Carol Rohde** 





\$ 50.00 Game 1 \$ 50.00 Game 2 \$ 50.00 Game 3 75.00 Game 4 Game 5 \$ 100.00 50/50 Drawing

Game 6 \$ 125.00 6 game packets Single sheets for games 3-6 \$5 each

#### 50/50 Raffle **Tickets**

\$5.00 each or 5 for \$20.00

Madison Elks Lodge #410 711 Jenifer Street Madison, WI 53703



#### OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Claim your free birthday drink at the bar during your birthday week.

- 1 Luke Hutchins, William Parsons, Patricia Smith
- 2 Donna Hellenbrand, John Hofer
- 3 George Choles, Kathy Condit
- 4 Amy Mager, Vincent Rust, Heidi Schaefer
- 5 Thomas Benell, Debra Goff
- 6 Connie Ryan, LaVerne Schwengel
- 7 Christopher Atkinson, Merlin Gerber
- 8 Lars Barber, Patrick Collins, Scott Kelly, Thomas Rickner
- 9 Laura MacIsaac, Lupe Montes
- 10 Kathleen Griffiths, Lonnie Lingard
- 11 Jay Koritzinsky
- 13 Andrew Burish
- 15 Jean Jones, James Mandt, Michael Schmidt
- 16 Kevin Hanna, Brian Hellmer, Roger Ingalls, Eugene Murphy, Scott Smith
- 17 John DeWitt, Burr Fraser, Peter Gunderson, Ann Shapiro Hodel, Philip Krause, Michael A. Peters, Jen Plants
- 18 Michael Gilomen, Dennis Hull, Chauncey Hunker, Steven Keppy, Thomas Thompson
- 19 Robert Bartlett, Robert Gundlach, Donald Shillinglaw

- 20 Gordon Burdick, Patricia Carroll, Corey Gresen, Donald Hurtgen, Daniel Reed
- 21 James Conklin, Steven Traudt
- 24 Nosheen Ajmal, Carey Karabis, Judith King, David Sorgel, Jamie Spalinger
- 25 Charles Dykman, Donald Kelleher, Christopher Martinez, Kimberly Snyder, Lisa Wilkins
- 26 Otto Gebhardt
- 27 Scott Roeming, Nancy Vidlak
- 28 Clare Bauer, Katie McGlenn
- 29 Lee Fritz, Leigh Meier
- 30 Pam Keiner, Harry Kessenich, Christopher Klinge, Debra Luetzow
- 31 Jonathan Burk

#### **WELKOME NEW MEMBERS**

Gail Baerwolf

Beverly Fergus

Robert Nicholas

Patrick Rohde







#### **ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE**

September has been chock full of events to keep our Elks members tapping their toes and celebrating what it means to be an Elk.

Gemuetlichkeit was on full display at Elktoberfest on September 8. We danced and sang to the music of Freistadt Alte Kameraden Band, tasted some great German beer and feasted on delicious food, much of which was lovingly made by Elks members from authentic German recipes. Entertainment Committee members received a lot of great feedback from participants, so if you'd like to attend again or missed it this year, keep your eyes open as we secure a date and plan for next year's event. As always, volunteers invested a lot of time and energy to make the event possible, so please thank them and consider volunteering for future events! We couldn't have done it without them.

The energy and dancing continued on September 17 when Marcy and the Highlights brought their highly engaging dance band to the lower level. Many current Elks members and guests took to the dance floor to the mix of blues, Latin, country and music standards performed in very fine fashion by the band. They'll be back again on October 15, November 5, December 10 and January 14, so mark your calendars. For those of you hesitant to strap on your dance shoes, there will be a free dance lesson between sets of the show. For \$5 per person it's a great way to engage with fellow Elks and have some fun learning some new moves at the same time! Food will be available for purchase. Thanks to our faithful team of volunteers who set up, tear down, serve and cook food and make the event possible.

And if all this isn't enough, the Thursday night music series began September 3 upstairs in the bar and will continue through the winter months. Stay tuned to "This Week at the Elks" to see who will be performing and plan to stop on by for a drink, dinner and the great music.

If you are interested in helping to plan and implement events to entertain and engage our members, please contact one of our cochairs, Allison Cooley at <a href="mailto:alliecool1@gmail.com">alliecool1@gmail.com</a> or Samantha Linden at <a href="mailto:samantha.linden20@gmail.com">samantha.linden20@gmail.com</a>.

#### **SEE YOU AT THE LODGE**

The office is open Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m., or by appointment. Email: <a href="mailto:office@madisonelkslodge.org">office@madisonelkslodge.org</a>. The bar is open Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 4:30 p.m. until 10 p.m. The Dining Room is open Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday from 5 p.m, until 9 p.m. For reservations or carryout, please call (608) 255-1644 ext. 1.



## **SEEN AT THE LODGE**

Elktoberfest 2024









## T.H.E. Dance

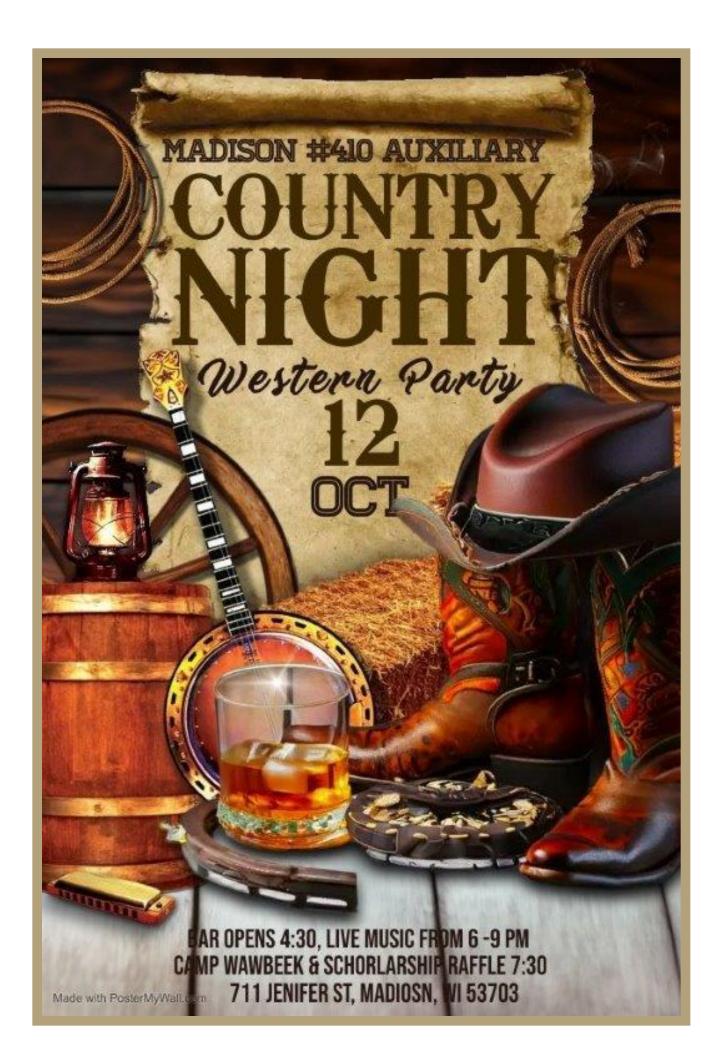














# **AUXILIARY MEMBERSHIP FORM**

(Fiscal Year 4/24 – 3/25)

Annual Dues = \$25
Name:
Address:
Preferred Phone:
Email:
May the Leadership contact you with volunteer opportunities?
YES NO
Submit this form and dues payment (cash or check) at any Auxiliary Meeting, or mail it to:
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