

IRON MOUNTAIN ELKS LODGE #700

MEETINGS ARE THE SECOND AND FOURTH TUESDAYS OF EACH MONTH. EMAIL — IRONMOUNTAINELKSLODGE 700@YAHOO.COM

April 2014

Exalted Ruler's Message

My Fellow Elks,

Well, The Lodge is sold. It's a sad time for many Elks but it had to be. A sign

of the times I suppose, everyone is busy with their lives nowadays and very little time for most other things.

On a good note, we still have our charter and can continue to be Elks! But we need your help. We still have some officer positions that need to be filled for the 2014 year and also committee chairs. If you feel you cannot chair a committee but



would like to help in an area of interest, whether it be Americanism, Hoop Shoot, ENF or any of the other important Elk projects, please let us know and we can get you in touch with the chairperson. We will be meeting at our Exalted Ruler's house (Barney) for the foreseeable future, 160 N. Pyle Drive. Please try and make a meeting or two this year and find out what is happening with the Iron Mountain Elks.

Spring may not come till July this year by the looks of things but when it does come, we will need some volunteers for the litter pickup on M95. If we don't get any people interested, this will be another community service we will have to drop, PLEASE don't let this happen.

That's all I have for now, remember we need <u>YOU</u> to keep the Elks going.

Rob Hibbard Leading Knight

ELKS CARE, ELKS SHARE

Officers

Exalted Ruler: Tom "Barney" Hagberg

Esteemed Leading Knight: Rob Hibbard

Esteemed Loyal Knight: Open *"should be you"*

Esteemed Lecturing Knight: Jerry Trepanier

Esquire: Bob Massicote

Chaplain: August Caruso

Inner Guard: Larry Ottinger

Tiler: Mike Nekhay

Secretary: Lori Massicote

Treasurer: Cinde Caruso

Trustees:

1 Yr.John Deldin2 Yr.James Sparapani3 Yr.Dan Ellis

Lady Elks President: Martee Trepanier

Coming Events:

April 8th Lodge Meeting 7:00PM April 22 Lodge Meeting 7:00PM April 26 UP Convention Manistique

FROM THE SECRETARY

Here it is, almost the new Elks Year. Thank you to all who have paid their dues. Those of you who have not please do so ASAP, as we must pay the Per Capita Fees for all members who are still on the roster as of April 1st. If you don't stay with us we lose a lot of money. If you want a demit, the only way we can grant one is if you are currently paid up to date. So after March 31st you would still have pay the new dues of \$60 for regular and \$40 for life. You may send your request by e-mail and I will print it and put it with your file.

Even though we sold the Lodge (which was a big financial burden as not enough members supported the bar or dining and special events) we are still Elks. We can do all of our Elk Programs which help the community, scholarships, Veterans and Special Needs Children without having the club. Granted the bar and dining was nice and we could have parties and doings in the lodge, but, the expense was killing us.

We need to have Officers who will be there and be active and committee chairmen for the Mandatory Committees required. Most of these committees only require a small amount of your time and are easy to do. Just a few of these are Veterans, Scholarships, Major Projects, Hoop Shoot, Pumpkin Patch and others. I have done all of these at some point and they are fulfilling knowing how they affected our community and peoples' lives. So PLEASE, if you can help with these in any way contact Barney or myself and we will help you know what is required. We need to do these things to be able to continue to be a Lodge and to keep our Charter.

You can contact me either by e-mail or by phone 906-828-1204 at any time. If not there leave a message and I WILL GET BACK to you. Barney can be reached by 906-774-6085. If not there leave him a message. We need to get back to being an active Lodge.

Yours in Elkdom,

Lori Massicotte, Lodge Secretary

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Our Mission

To inculcate the principles of Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity; to recognize a belief in God; to promote the welfare and enhance the happiness of its Members; to quicken the spirit of American Patriotism; to cultivate good fellowship; to perpetuate itself as a fraternal organization, and to provide for its government, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America will serve the people and communities through benevolent programs, demonstrating that Elks Care and Elks Share.