



## ***IRON MOUNTAIN ELKS LODGE #700***

MEETINGS ARE THE SECOND AND FOURTH TUESDAYS OF EACH MONTH.

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**June 2014**

### **Exalted Ruler's Message**

#### **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:**

Open "should be you"

##### **Tiler:**

Mike Nekhay

##### **Secretary:**

Lori Massicote

##### **Treasurer:**

Cinde Caruso

##### **Trustees:**

1 Yr. John Deldin

2 Yr. James Sparapani

3 Yr. Dan Ellis

##### **Lady Elks President:**

Martee Trepanier

My Fellow Elks,

Summer looks like it may just make it to the UP after all. Spring is definitely here, the birds are nesting in my outdoor speakers and my grass is growing out of control.

For those who still have not heard, we are still an Elks lodge and meeting the second and fourth Tuesdays at our Exalted Rulers house. Please try to make at least one meeting this year to see what's going on and help us to plan for the future or there may not be one.

Flag Day is June 14<sup>th</sup>, volunteers are needed for raising and lowering flags and for the ceremony, please consider helping.

We may have an Elks picnic this summer if there is enough interest. We are also looking at having some dinners and parties so let us know what YOU want out of your Elks Lodge.

If you know someone who has dropped out or planning on dropping out of the lodge ask them to reconsider, we do so much more than eat and drink. We are a charitable and benevolent organization, let's remember what Elkdom is and why we joined in the first place.



Rob Hibbard  
Leading Knight

***ELKS CARE, ELKS SHARE***

## **Coming Events:**

June 14<sup>th</sup> **FLAG DAY**

June 24 Lodge Meeting 7:00PM

July 22 Lodge Meeting 7:00PM

August 19 Lodge Meeting 7:00PM



### **Flag Day.**

June 14<sup>th</sup> is Flag Day, a day set aside to commemorate the adoption of Flag of the United States of America by the second continental congress on June 14<sup>th</sup> 1777. In 1907 the Grand Lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of the Elks adopted a mandatory observance of the occasion. In 1916 President Woodrow Wilson issued a proclamation officially establishing June 14<sup>th</sup> as Flag Day and in 1949 National Flag Day was established by an act of congress.

The Iron Mountain Lodge #700 has a ceremony every year at the Iron Mountain VA hospital for the veterans and public. If you can help, please let Barney know, if not, come down and enjoy the ceremony with the vets anyway.

Rob Hibbard  
Leading Knight

### **June Birthdays**



3	Richard Kercheval
6	Dan Pender
7	Marvin Fayas
17	Joe Warren
21	Jerry Trepanier
28	Michael Corcoran
29	James Formolo
30	Peter Tomassoni

### **June 14 Flag Day**

7:00AM Help needed putting Flags up at VA.

1:00PM Flag Day ceremony at VA pavilion.

Help needed taking Flags down after ceremony.

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### **365 Banks**

Richard and Char Rahoi

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### **Highway Clean-up**

Litter pickup on m-95, from the junction to two miles north was conducted on May 10th and finished on May 15th. We collected 28 bags of trash and trash that was too big to bag. About 5 hours was spent for both days. The following is a list of members that helped out. Barney Hagberg, Jim Sparapani, Tony Sparapani, Augie Caruso, Jerry Trepanier John Deldin, Mark Ellingson and Dan and Jan Ellis. A big thanks to all and we had a good time and a few laughs to boot. Our second pickup will be on July 12th or if rain July 19th. Hope more will show so that the same people are not expected to do it.

John Deldin  
Adopt a Highway  
Committee Member

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**We are looking into an Elks picnic for August 2.**

**Dogs, brats and/or burgers would be provided, members and guests would bring a dish to pass, i.e. beans, chips, dessert, etc. and your own drinks. If you would be interested please email the lodge at;**  
**IRONMOUNTAINELKSLODGE700@YAHOO.COM**

***Have You Paid Your 2014 Dues?***

## !!!!!!! ATTENTION !!!!!!!

With Memorial Day having just been celebrated I feel the need to say "THANK YOU FOR THE LIFE MY FAMILY AND I HAVE!"

If you are a veteran, could you please send us an email or note letting us know what branch of the service you were in? We would like to recognize all of our veterans that are members of our lodge.

And while I'm at it, THANK YOU so very much for the service you gave our country and for the freedoms you fought so hard to preserve. Not enough is said to our veterans and we should be very thankful and grateful for all you have gone through so that we could be free and live the lives that we are able to have. I know that I personally, along with my family thank and respect and am grateful for your service!! God knows what kind of life our country would have if you had not given so much of your life for our country. God Bless and thank you from the bottom of my family's hearts!

Lori Massicotte

### FROM THE DESK OF THE SECRETARY

Greetings from Chelsea, Alabama

Hope the weather there is getting much warmer and snow is finally gone. I am in Alabama for a couple months or so and weather is "hot". But nice to be able to be going camping and swimming in the month of May.

I am still doing the Secretary work from here, but without your help it is harder. Please keep me informed of anything that the Lodge does that is charitable and if you have questions send them to me at either the Lodge e-mail ironmountainelkslodge700@yahoo.com or my personal lorimascot@yahoo.com and I will return an answer as soon as I get them.

Currently we have 174 members of which 134 are paid current and 40 are delinquent. Those of you who requested a demit that did not get to the Lodge PRIOR TO MARCH 31, were not able to

receive one due to the fact that you have to be paid current to the request date. So, I have not been able to drop you at all. I am sorry for the problem, but Grand Lodge won't allow. Those of you whom have not paid your dues, when you send in, Barney will notify me and I will send your card out as soon as I get the information. If you normally have stickers on your card and you do not get them it is due to not having them on hand and unable to order. I assure you that it is only this year that not everyone gets all the stickers on their cards and I hope you will understand and bear with me for the present time.

Remember, we are still an Elks Lodge, even tho we do not have a building with a bar and dining facilities. We are meeting at 160 North Pyle Drive in Kingsford at the E. R.'s home. He has a meeting area set up in the basement and is very gracious to all that come to meetings. PLEASE, try to make the meetings as we need your input and help in keeping this wonderful organization alive and productive in our area. We have done so much in the past for our community, Veterans, and special needs children and can still do so if we all work together. I will continue to do my best as Secretary, but I do need your help in getting things to me, especially info from the different Committee Chairmen when things are done.

Hope the weather continues to get better there and will be back sometime in July if all goes well. In the meantime, if there is any member who would like to take the position of Secretary, I will be glad to train and help in any way that I can. I know it is hard to have your secretary out of town so much, but I try to keep up with all when gone. There are all kinds of help available to make the job easier. Mainly we need our members help in keeping us informed of things going on and turning in Committee reports.

Enjoy your summer and remember to take pride in being an ELK.

Yours in Elksdom,  
Secretary,  
Lori Massicotte

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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.