



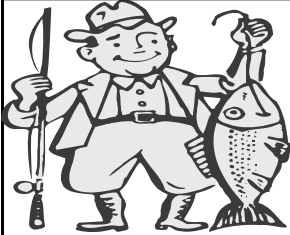
# ELKORAMA

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Brainerd Elks Lodge #615

April, 2010

## Fishing Fling



Brainerd Elks Lodge annual Fishing Fling is April 29, 2010. Social Hour starts at 5:00 p.m. Dinner of **Prime Pork** or **Chicken Oscar** is served at 7:00 p.m. Raffle is at 8:00 p.m. Only 175 tickets will be sold for **\$50.00**. Fabulous prizes include:

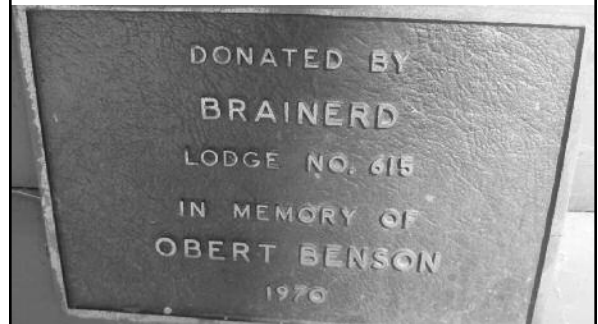
- 1<sup>st</sup> 2 Days 3 Nights for 4 at Wigwam Resort on Lake of the Woods
- 2<sup>nd</sup> \$500 Gift Certificate to Cub Foods - Brainerd/Baxter
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Vikings/Dallas Football Weekend with lodging
- 4<sup>th</sup> Dinner and Launch Trip for 4 at Blue Goose, Garrison
- 5<sup>th</sup> Aqua-Vu

Be sure to pick up your tickets at the lodge soon. Remind your family and friends to save this date NOW.

Thank you for the ticket printing courtesy of Close-Converse Commercial-Preferred Properties



New roof needed. The Obert Benson cabin at the Elks Youth Camp (see this month's History article) needs to be reroofed. Many of us remember that Brother Benson was a long time board member of the youth camp. Donations are being accepted toward replacement of the needed roof repairs. Donations are being accepted at Brainerd Elks Lodge.



## Just One More

April 1st is the start of a new lodge year and you can help make your lodge stronger, more active and more of a driving force in your community. You can do this by helping in the various lodge activities, starting up a new lodge activity or becoming involved in an activity that may have dropped by the wayside. In any case, BECOME



INVOLVED. The lodge is setting up the budget for the lodge, club and possibly gambling income. If you can help to make an activity more profitable, that means more money to "Make a Difference" in your community. If you can start a new function or activity you may be able to get members involved who are not involved at this time. The thought that "We never did this before" should be the farthest thing from your mind. Think outside the box, look for interesting ways to make money or have fun at your lodge. Any idea is worth considering. Maybe it's a garage sale, or an auction or a special dinner or whatever, but think about what you can do to help your lodge.

# Brainerd Elks Lodge #615

# ELKS HISTORY

## 50 Years Ago in the Elkorama

- ◆ BRAINERD ELKS INSTALL NEW OFFICERS AT APRIL 7 MEETING: Ross Olmstead , Exalted Ruler; Melvin Olson, Leading Knight; Everett Anderson, Loyal Knight; Warren Welton, Lecturing Knight; Barney Holtkamp, Chaplin; Roger Klein, Inner Guard.
- ◆ Dr. M.H. Carlson, Past Grand Tiler and Past President of the Minnesota State Elks Association, will be installing the officers at the annual installation ceremony. Willaim Van Essen, Past Exalted Ruler, will serve as Esquire during the ceremonies.
- ◆ A \$4,600 improvement program is now underway on the first floor of the Elks hotel building, Bill Van Essen, chairman of the board of Trustees announced.

## 40 Years Ago in the Elkorama

- ◆ Don Sande was elected to be the Exalted Ruler of the Brainerd Elks Lodge 615 at the regular meeting. Elected along with Sande to fill the other chairs in the Lodge are new Leading Knight Al Schlegel; Loyal Knight Norm Arveson; Lecturing Knight Bill Stein; Secretary Parker Campbell.
- ◆ Over 360 fathers and sons participated in the annual Fathers and Sons banquet. Brother Richard Culshaw who helped organize the event did an outstanding job as master of ceremonies. Brother Derrill Holland and son, Craig, recited the prayers with Brother Gordon and son Matthew, giving the father and son response.
- ◆ Barney Holtkamp presented a check to Jim Felton of Hibbing, chairman of the memorial fund. The check represents money donated by Elk members in memory of Obert Benson who was chairman of the Elks Youth Camp for many years.

## 30 Years Ago in the Elkorama

- ◆ (No Copy available)

## 20 years Ago in the Elkorama

- ◆ The Installation of Officers for 1990-1991 will be held on Thursday, April 2. Elected to be installed include Exalted Ruler Joe Masanz; Leading Knight Tom Borden; Loyal Knight Don Ryan; Lecturing Knight Vern Busho; Esquire Don Kirchner; Chaplain Don Stang; Secretary Parker Campbell; Treasurer Don Sande; Inner Guard Glenn Benest; Tiler Carl Johnson and Trustee Bill Hendrickson.
- ◆ On Thursday, April 11, the Brainerd Elks will be holding the 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Elks Auction. Any questions about this important fundraising event should be directed to Don Ryan..
- ◆ IN MEMORIAM--Richard Greer; Edwin Roe; Arden Scofield; Dr. Donald Werring; Bryant Marquardt and George Tsense...

## 10 Years Ago in the Elkorama

- ◆ The Annaul Fishing Fling will be held on April 26<sup>th</sup>. The guest speaker will be Ted Takasaki, Walleye Guru. (He) will be talking about how to catch walleye and other rough fish.
- ◆ IN MEMORIAM: John A. Thelen-Born December 5, 1930; Initiated January 19, 1962 and Passed Away March 2, 2000.
- ◆ WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS--Ronald Imgrund and Ed Vobejda—IT'S GREAT TO BE AN ELK!!

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### APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- 2 KOSHIOL, MEL
- 7 STONE, PHILIP M
- 8 ANTOLAK, JACK  
WISNESKI, JEFF
- 10 DEHEN JR MD, JAMES J  
FRAZIER PER, RAYMOND
- 11 NELSON, LEE
- 12 STEINBAUER, CHARLES P
- 13 MCALPIN, EUGENE M
- 14 JOHNSON, JONATHAN P
- 18 BUSHO, BRAD R  
JACOBS, GERALD
- 21 WENNER, DONALD R
- 23 PIETZ PER, KATHRYN L
- 25 IMGRUND, RONALD
- 27 VADNAIS, KEVIN J
- 28 SCHMITT, ALLEN
- 30 CASEY, FRED J

### Marshmallow Drivers

Hey, All you Marshmallow Drivers, have you been practicing? Time is getting close for our 1st annual Marshmallow Driving extravaganza! Do your practicing now before the heavy tourist season begins and you will have a leg up on your fellow competitors. And whatever you do be sure not to use the hard one. Soft and Fluffy rules!!!!!!

### Coming Events

May 6	Scholarship Banquet	Brainerd Elks Lodge
May 14-16	Youth Camp opener.Men	Elks Youth Camp
May 21-23	Youth Camp opener.Ladies	Elks Youth Camp
June 14	Flag Day	
June 25-26	MN Elks Convention	Red Wing, MN
July 4	Arts in the Park	Gregory Park, Brd.
July 4-8	Grand Lodge Convention	Orlando, FL

The deadline for anyone wishing to place an article in the May issue of the Elkorama will be April 15, 2009. Please email them to vanduyens@charter.net or leave articles at the lodge. Thank you.

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### Student of the Month - November

The student of the month for November is Amber Popp from Pierz/Healy High School. "Amber is a student who always has a smile on her face. Teachers have said she is a great student to have in class and leads by example" are the words of her counselor. Amber is captain of the dance team, is active in track and makes the Honor Roll each quarter. She

likes to be outside whenever she can and enjoys scrapbooking. Her future plans are to attend CLC for child care and education classes. Amber will receive the \$300.00 scholarship at the banquet in the Spring.



### February Student of the Month

The student of the month for February is Amanda Thompson from Pine River High School. "Amanda has an excellent rapport with people of all ages. She is well-liked and respected by both students and staff because of her genuineness, positive attitude and caring personality. She is very motivated about her future and career

goals." are a few of the words from her counselor. Amanda plans to attend the University of Minnesota Crookston and major in landscape design with a minor in sports and recreation management. She volunteers at the nursing home during the summers and works at Jerry's Supervalu. Amanda will receive the \$300.00 scholarship at the banquet in the Spring.

### Student of the Month - April

Our student of the month for April is Tyler Gubrud from Brainerd Area Education Center. Tyler is involved in basketball, football and his church. His leisure time activities include hockey, frisbee golf, hunting and fishing. His future plans are to attend the CLC engineering program. According to his counselor "Tyler is a quiet, unassuming young man who has thrived in the academic setting of the Area Education Center". Tyler will receive the \$300.00 scholarship at the banquet this Spring.



### Message from the Social Committee

- ◆ **April** - Kentucky Derby Party - Costumes, potluck - fun, fun, fun!
- ◆ **May 29<sup>th</sup>** - 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Rummage Sale! Event will be held in the Moose room. Drop off serviceable items May 17<sup>th</sup> through 26<sup>th</sup> (if you wouldn't buy it, don't bring it - no electronics) This should be a good money maker, but we will need help. Sign up sheets will be at Elks Club by the 1<sup>st</sup> of May listing jobs and times.
- ◆ **May 29<sup>th</sup>** - 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Craft Sale! Event will be held in the north parking lot. If you are a crafter or know someone who is, the spaces will be \$20.00 for a 12 x 12 space. Tables are available if you don't have your own. Sign up at Club starting May 1<sup>st</sup> or call Lorraine at 746-3954.

#### NOTE:

ALL PROCEEDS GO TO ELKS ACTIVITIES - If we don't have enough volunteers to help with these events they will have to be canceled.



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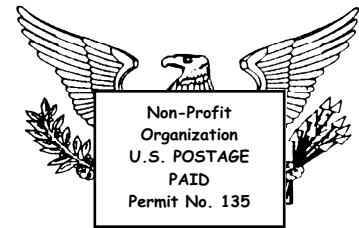


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 2010-2011**

- Exalted Ruler.....TBA
- Leading Knight.....TBA
- Loyal Knight.....TBA
- Lecturing Knight.....TBA
- Secretary.....Don Stang, PER
- Treasurer.....TBA
- Esquire.....TBA
- Chaplain.....TBA
- Inner Guard..... TBA
- Tiler.....TBA

**TRUSTEES:**

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- Bob Verkennes.....2nd yr
- Lorraine Berry, PER .....3rd yr
- David Smith.....4th yr
- Ron Bower .....5th yr

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<b>APRIL 2010</b>				<b>1</b> 5:00-7:00 Burgers By Peter & Erica	<b>2</b> 5:00-7:00 Fish Fry	<b>3</b>
<b>4</b> Club Breakfast @ Moose	<b>5</b> 5:30 Trustees 6:30 LODGE MEETING	<b>6</b> 5:30-7:00 PEPPERED STEAK By Carol, Cheri & Gwen	<b>7</b> 5:00 social committee	<b>8</b> 5:00-7:00 Burgers By Chef Ricky	<b>9</b> 5:00-7:00 Chef's Choice	<b>10</b>
<b>11</b> Club Breakfast @ Eagles Stillwater: Sunday Brunch	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> 5:30-7:00 PORK CHOPS By Betty Johnson	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> 5:00-7:00 Burgers	<b>16</b> 5:00-7:00 Chef's Choice	<b>17</b> District Deputy Clinic @ Wadena EAGLE SCOUT BANQUET By Cliff Carlson & Herman Wisneski
<b>18</b> Club Breakfast @ VFW	<b>19</b> 5:30 Trustees 6:30 LODGE MEETING	<b>20</b> 5:30-7:00 MEAT LOAF By Lorraine Embretson & Sharon Mathison	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> 5:00-7:00 Burgers	<b>23</b> 5:00-7:00 Chef's Choice	<b>24</b>
<b>25</b> Club Breakfast @ Legion	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> 5:30-7:00 DINNER TBA	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> Brainerd Elks Fishing Fling	<b>30</b> 5:00-7:00 Chef's Choice	