

**A MESSAGE  
FROM THE**

# EXALTED RULER



**JOHN MIJAL  
EXALTED RULER**

Greetings everyone,

What a wonderful fall season we are having. Can you believe we are into the month of November and have hardly had any cold weather that Wisconsin is so used to getting by mid-October? Nice! Well, with that I do want to say and recap on just how a wonderful time was had by all on our 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration. If you were not there, you missed a great time and some great entertainment. I would like to also take the time to thank everyone involved who helped plan this enormous event, especially Jane and the girls who developed all of the invites and got them sent out to all the Lodges throughout the state. Speaking of, we did have some great representation from other lodges throughout Wisconsin such as Sheboygan, Baraboo, Janesville and others who helped us celebrate our special occasion. Thank You to all!

Moving into November, we are gearing up for our famous Widow's Night on November 14<sup>th</sup>. All of you who have participated in the past know just how much fun we can have. We are looking forward to seeing all of you soon so make your reservations ASAP.

Also, with the holiday season on our doorstep, we would like everyone to be aware of some of the great entertainment we have on store for you. Pay close attention to the bulletin for further updates on just who we will have playing some great music in our lobby and lower lounge. Speaking of holiday's, our Good Fellowship is in great shape and moving into full momentum. Ray and Lori have been busy with finding our families for the year. Anyone who would like to be part of this extraordinary event please come to the Lodge and get involved. To me, this has got to be one of the most self-rewarding festive events that I have ever seen and I hope that you will join us this year in helping to give back through Elkdom to those who need it most. You won't be disappointed. We will be sponsoring more families this year, thanks to all of your generous donations who made this happen and we will be looking for more of you to help sponsor families that we find. There is no cost to you, all you have to do is pick up the items from the stores and wrap and deliver with Santa. Believe me, it will touch your heart forever. I look forward to seeing you all soon.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John Mijal".

**Exalted Ruler**

## 248 Raffle News

The 2018 Wausau Elk's Raffle Party is set for Sunday, February 18<sup>th</sup>. I am proud to say that last year's event more than exceeded our expectations!! This year we would love to make it even bigger and better, but we could use your help. How can you help? \*Donate a new item for a side raffle \* Donate a basket to be raffled off \* Purchase a new item or gift card from any local business to be used or added to a raffle basket \* Make a monetary donation so the committee can purchase additional prizes.

Help is always welcome 3716 and needed. We spend one day assembling items and setting up the ballroom a week prior to the raffle, or make a commitment to be a part of the day's events by volunteering your time that day and be part of the fun! Tickets are already available for purchase only 300 will be sold and they are expected to go quickly, so get yours early!! Please see Karl or Annie Hanke, Kevin McCarthy, or your ER John Mijal to purchase yours today. They *will not* be available for purchase at the bar. If you have any questions, comments, suggestions, or would like to work or make a donation, please contact your committee chairmen.

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