

**MINNESOTA ELKS**  
**MINUTES OF SPRING 2011 METRO DISTRICT MEETING & DISTRICT DEPUTY**  
**CLINIC**

DATE: April 15, 2011    TIME: 2:00pm    LOCATION: Red Wing #845    ATTENDANCE: 48  
INVOCATION BY: Kevin Riegelman    PLEDGE BY: Fred Tremper    PRESIDING: Neil Johnson  
OPENING REMARKS: Stephanie Riegelman, Red Wing Exalted Ruler    MINUTES APPROVED: YES

**PRESENTATION VO-TECH SCHOLARSHIP:** \$500 to Southeast Technical College, Red Wing

**DISTINGUISHED GUESTS PRESENT:**

-DDGER Royce Bottin, Esquire to DDGER Pat Tisot

-PDDGERS: Tom Hoelscher, Aaron Lundblad, Neil Johnson, Joe Donkers, Pat Wright, Craig DeForge

-PAST STATE PRESIDENTS: Kevin Riegelman, Joe Donkers

-STATE: State Esquire, Terry Wagner; State Chaplain, Craig DeForge

-EXALTED RULERS PRESENT: Robin Zimmerman - Dakota County #2832; Bob Cochran - Faribault #1166; Brandon Miller - Hopkins #2221; Donald Harju - Minneapolis #44; Stephanie Riegelman – Red Wing #845; Mark Eliason - St. Cloud #2843; Marv Koski - Stillwater #179

Roll call of Exalted Rulers: The Exalted Rulers introduced their members who were present and gave a brief update on their Lodge's activities and goals.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:** Copies available from District Secretary.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Youth Camp Building: Wayne Meyer is fund raising at Minneapolis Lodge for a new youth camp building. A proposal has been made that the Health House be upgraded and/or expanded in lieu of a new building.

State Raffle Tickets: Charlie Radika will be chairing again this year. Prizes have been restructured. Tickets to be given to lodges by percentage rather than equally divided.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Metro District Elk of the Year: Craig DeForge, Minneapolis #44

ER 101: Questionnaires sent to ER's came back favorably.

Grand Lodge Resolutions: Read through resolutions and proposed changes. Advised all ERs to speak with their members, obtain a consensus and be prepared to vote at national convention. There was an explanation on the interim reports "passed and effective" dates pertained only to the Advisory Committee actions not by the membership at large. Comments noted: once a month meetings were not enough, would lost contact with members; changing ritual would change what the Elks stand for; more Grand Lodge meetings would be electronic in nature.

**ELECTIONS**

None

**GOOD OF THE ORDER**

Lodges reminded to bring Fishing for Life boxes to camp opening.

Hopkins Lodge asked that registrations for the State Convention be turned in as soon as possible; there will be no golf tournament.

Youth Camp Opening, May 13-15, 2011

Ladies Youth Camp Weekend, May 20-22, 2011

2011 State Convention, Hopkins, June 24-25, 2011

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District Soccer Shoot, Minneapolis, July 10, 2011  
2011 Grand Lodge Session, Phoenix, AZ, July 17-21, 2011  
2011 Mid-Year Conference, St. Cloud, October 21-22, 2011

**LAWS AND RESOLUTIONS, James Michaels**

- Changes to lodge bylaws are due by May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2011.
- That all members attending the Metro District Spring Meeting and DD Clinic expressed their gratitude to Red Wing Lodge #845 for their hospitality in hosting this conference. Seconded and passed.

**DISTRICT DEPUTY MEETING**

\*Appropriate committee reports were given during this meeting as specified by the DDGER.

\* Resolutions need to be sent in now for the Metro District Esquire.

**DRAWING 50/50:**

\$105.00 to Brenda Shoults and \$105.00 going to the Youth Camp. \$210.00 total

**MEETING ADJOURNED WITH CLOSING PRAYER BY KEVIN RIEGELMAN, RED WING, AT 5:10 PM.**

**Respectfully Submitted**

Timothy Johnson  
Metro District Secretary