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Form **990-EZ**Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Short Form

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code
(except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

▶ Sponsoring organizations of donor advised funds and controlling organizations as defined in section 512(b)(13) must file Form 990. All other organizations with gross receipts less than \$1,000,000 and total assets less than \$2,500,000 at the end of the year may use this form.

▶ The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.

OMB No 1545-1150

2008**Open to Public Inspection****A For the 2008 calendar year, or tax year beginning****Apr 01, 2008, and ending****Mar 31, 2009****B** Check if applicable

- ☐ Address change
☐ Name change
☐ Initial return
☐ Termination
☐ Amended return
☐ Application pending

Please use IRS label or print or type. See Specific Instructions.

C Name of organization, number and street, city, town, state, and ZIP code

Benevolent & Protective Order of
2280 Sherman Elks Lodge # 228
1313 E Highway 1417
Sherman TX 75090-9232

D Employer identification number

75-1173185

E Telephone number

903-893-1994

F Group Exemption

Number ▶ 1156

• **Section 501(c)(3) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must attach a completed Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ).**

G Accounting method: ☐ Cash ☐ Accrual
Other (specify) ▶ mod accrual

I Website: ▶

H Check ☒ if the organization is **not** required to attach Sch. B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF)

J Organization type (check only one) - ☒ 501(c)(8) (insert no.) 4947(a)(1) or 527

K Check ☐ if the organization is not a section 509(a)(3) supporting organization and its gross receipts are normally **not** more than \$25,000.

A return is not required, but if the organization chooses to file a return, be sure to file a complete return.

L Add lines 5b, 6b, and 7b, to line 9 to determine gross receipts; if \$1,000,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ

▶ \$ 155,395.

Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances (See the instructions.)

		1	2	3	4	5a	5b	5c	6a	6b	6c	7a	7b	7c	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Revenue	1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received														19,033.												
	2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts																										
	3	Membership dues and assessments														15,525.												
	4	Investment income														158.												
	5a	Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory																										
	5b	Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses																										
	5c	Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a) (attach schedule).																										
	6	Special events and activities (complete applicable parts of Schedule G) If any amount is from gaming, check here ☐																										
	6a	Gross revenue (not including \$ of contributions reported on line 1)														8,946.												
	6b	Less: direct expenses other than fundraising expenses																										
6c	Net income or (loss) from special events and activities (Subtract line 6b from line 6a)														8,946.													
7a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances														100,889.													
7b	Less: cost of goods sold														37,385.													
7c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)														63,504.													
8	Other revenue (describe ▶ Rental Income)														10,844.													
9	Total revenue Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6c, 7c, and 8														118,010.													
Expenses	10	Grants and similar amounts paid (attach schedule)														4,296.												
	11	Benefits paid to or for members														4,508.												
	12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits														29,789.												
	13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors														15,400.												
	14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance														54,450.												
	15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping														370.												
	16	Other expenses (describe ▶ See Statement)														28,413.												
	17	Total expenses Add lines 10 through 16														137,226.												
Net Assets	18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)														(19,216.)												
	19	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)														250,524.												
	20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (attach explanation)																										
	21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20														231,308.												

Part II Balance Sheets. If Total assets on line 25, column (B) are \$2,500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ.

(See the instructions.)

		(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year
22	Cash, savings, and investments	26,955.	24,679.
23	Land and buildings	222,534.	210,135.
24	Other assets (describe ▶ Inventories)	1,757.	1,933.
25	Total assets	251,246.	236,747.
26	Total liabilities (describe ▶ Accounts Payable)	722.	5,439.
27	Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	250,524.	231,308.

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Expenses

(Required for 501(c)(3) & (4) organizations and 4947(a)(1) trusts; optional for others.)

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Part V Other Information (Note the statement requirements in the instructions for Part VI.)

		Yes	No
33	Did the organization engage in any activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a detailed description of each activity		X
34	Were any changes made to the organizing or governing documents but not reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes		X
35	If the organization had income from business activities, such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a (among others), but not reported on Form 990-T, attach a statement explaining your reason for not reporting the income on Form 990-T		
35a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more or section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements?		X
35b	If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?		
36	Was there a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or substantial contraction during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Schedule N		X
37a	Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions.	37a	0
37b	Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?	37b	
38a	Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee or were any such loans made in a prior year and still unpaid at the start of the period covered by this return?	38a	X
38b	If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved	38b	
39	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:		
39a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9	39a	
39b	Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities	39b	
40a	Section 501(c)(3) organizations Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under:		
	section 4911 ; section 4912 ; section 4955		
40b	Section 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations. Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year or did it become aware of an excess benefit transaction from a prior year? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I	40b	
40c	Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958		
40d	Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization		
40e	All organizations. At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If "Yes," complete Form 8886-T.	40e	X
41	List the states with which a copy of this return is filed.		
42a	The books are in care of Sherman Elks Lodge Telephone no 903-893-1994 Located at 1313 E Hwy 1417 TX Sherman ZIP + 4 75090-		
42b	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts.	42b	X
42c	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the U.S ? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country.	42c	X
43	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041 - Check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year	43	
44	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ	44	X
45	Is any related organization a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ	45	X

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Part VI Section 501(c)(3) organizations only. All section 501(c)(3) organizations must answer questions 46 - 49 and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51.

46	Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I	46	Yes	No
47	Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II	47		X
48	Is the organization operating a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E	48		X
49a	Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?	49a		X
b	If "Yes," was the related organization(s) a section 527 organization?	49b		

50 Complete this table for the five highest compensated employees (other than officers, directors, trustees and key employees) who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$100,000	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation	(e) Expense account and other allowances
NONE				
Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000				

51 Complete this table for the five highest compensated independent contractors who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."

(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$100,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
NONE		
Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000		

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Sign Here

Signature of officer: *Rick Lashley* Date: 12/2/09

Type or print name and title: Rick Lashley Exalted Ruler

Paid Preparer's Use Only

Preparer's signature: *Joyce A Horn* Date: 09/14/2009 Check if self-employed: ☒ Preparer's Identifying No. (See instr.): 450-21-8499

Firm's name (or yours if self-employed): Joyce A Horn CPA EIN: 75-2514263

address, and ZIP + 4: 800 N Travis Ste 101 Sherman TX 75090- Phone no.: 903-813-1109

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions ☒ Yes ☐ No

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Detail Sheet

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Name: Benevolent & Protective Order of

ID: 75-1173185

Description: Line 16 Other Expenses

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Application for Extension of Time To File an Exempt Organization Return

OMB No 1545-1709

► **File a separate application for each return.**

- If you are filing for an **Automatic 3-Month Extension**, complete only **Part I** and check this box ☒
 - If you are filing for an **Additional (Not Automatic) 3-Month Extension**, complete only **Part II** (on page 2 of this form).
- Do not complete Part II unless** you have already been granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868.

Part I Automatic 3-Month Extension of Time. Only submit original (no copies needed).

A corporation required to file Form 990-T and requesting an automatic 6-month extension - check this box and complete Part I only ☐
All other corporations (including 1120-C filers), partnerships, REMICs, and trusts must use Form 7004 to request an extension of time to file income tax returns

Electronic Filing (e-file). Generally, you can electronically file Form 8868 if you want a 3-month automatic extension of time to file one of the returns noted below (6 months for a corporation required to file Form 990-T). However, you cannot file Form 8868 electronically if (1) you want the additional (not automatic) 3-month extension or (2) you file Forms 990-BL, 6069, or 8870, group returns, or a composite or consolidated Form 990-T. Instead, you must submit the fully completed and signed page 2 (Part II) of Form 8868. For more details on the electronic filing of this form, visit www.irs.gov/efile and click on e-file for Charities & Nonprofits.

Type or print File by the due date for filing your return. See instructions.	Name of Exempt Organization Benevolent & Protective Order of	Employer identification number 75-1173185
	Number, street, and room or suite no. If a P.O. box, see instructions. 1313 E Highway 1417	
	City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. For a foreign address, see instructions. Sherman TX 75090-9232	

Check type of return to be filed (file a separate application for each return):

- | | | |
|---|---|------------------------------------|
| ☐ Form 990 | ☐ Form 990-T (corporation) | ☐ Form 4720 |
| ☐ Form 990-BL | ☐ Form 990-T (sec. 401(a) or 408(a) trust) | ☐ Form 5227 |
| ☒ Form 990-EZ | ☐ Form 990-T (trust other than above) | ☐ Form 6069 |
| ☐ Form 990-PF | ☐ Form 1041-A | ☐ Form 8870 |

- The books are in the care of ► **Sherman Elks Lodge**
Telephone No. ► **903-893-1994** FAX No. ►
- If the organization does not have an office or place of business in the United States, check this box ☐
- If this is for a Group Return, enter the organization's four digit Group Exemption Number (GEN) **1156**. If this is for the whole group, check this box ☐. If it is for part of the group, check this box ☐ and attach a list with the names and EINs of all members the extension will cover

1 I request an automatic 3-month (6 months for a corporation required to file Form 990-T) extension of time until **NOV 15**, 20 **09**, to file the exempt organization return for the organization named above. The extension is for the organization's return for:
► ☐ calendar year 20 or
► ☒ tax year beginning **Apr 01**, 20 **08**, and ending **Mar 31**, 20 **09**

2 If this tax year is for less than 12 months, check reason: ☐ Initial return ☐ Final return ☐ Change in accounting period

3a If this application is for Form 990-BL, 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter the tentative tax, less any nonrefundable credits. See instructions	3a	\$
b If this application is for Form 990-PF or 990-T, enter any refundable credits and estimated tax payments made. Include any prior year overpayment allowed as a credit.	3b	\$
c Balance Due. Subtract line 3b from line 3a. Include your payment with this form, or, if required, deposit with FTD coupon or, if required, by using EFTPS (Electronic Federal Tax Payment System). See instructions.	3c	\$

Caution. If you are going to make an electronic fund withdrawal with this Form 8868, see Form 8453-EO and Form 8879-EO for payment instructions

For Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see Instructions.

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