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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 private foundations)

▶ **Do not enter social security numbers on this form as it may be made public.**
 ▶ **Information about Form 990-EZ and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.**

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A For the 2016 calendar year, or tax year beginning 04-01-2016 , and ending 03-31-2017

B Check if applicable
 Address change
 Name change
 Initial return
 Final return/terminated
 Amended return
 Application pending

C Name of organization
 BENEVOLENT & PROTECTIVE ORDER
 ELKS 693

Number and street (or P O box, if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite
 PO BOX 693

City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code
 WISCONSIN RAPIDS, WI 54495

D Employer identification number
 39-0159970

E Telephone number
 (715) 423-1930

F Group Exemption Number ▶ 1156

G Accounting Method Cash Accrual Other (specify) ▶ _____

I Website: ▶ N/A

J Tax-exempt status (check only one) - 501(c)(3) 501(c)(8) ◀(insert no) 4947(a)(1) or 527

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

K Form of organization Corporation Trust Association Other _____

L Add lines 5b, 6c, and 7b to line 9 to determine gross receipts. If gross receipts are \$200,000 or more, or if total assets (Part II, column (B) below) are \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ ▶ \$ 140,325

Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances (see the instructions for Part I)
 Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part I

Revenue		Expenses		Net Assets	
1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	10	Grants and similar amounts paid (list in Schedule O)	18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)
2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	11	Benefits paid to or for members	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)
3	Membership dues and assessments	12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)
4	Investment income	13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20
5a	Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance		
5b	Less cost or other basis and sales expenses	15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping		
5c	Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a)	16	Other expenses (describe in Schedule O)		
6	Gaming and fundraising events	17	Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16		
6a	Gross income from gaming (attach Schedule G if greater than \$15,000)				
6b	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions from fundraising events reported on line 1) (attach Schedule G if the sum of such gross income and contributions exceeds \$15,000)				
6c	Less direct expenses from gaming and fundraising events				
6d	Net income or (loss) from gaming and fundraising events (add lines 6a and 6b and subtract line 6c)				
7a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances				
7b	Less cost of goods sold				
7c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)				
8	Other revenue (describe in Schedule O)				
9	Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6d, 7c, and 8				

Part II Balance Sheets (see the instructions for Part II)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part II

	(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
22 Cash, savings, and investments	104,110	22	85,198
23 Land and buildings	21,570	23	21,570
24 Other assets (describe in Schedule O)	165,070	24	188,142
25 Total assets	290,750	25	294,910
26 Total liabilities (describe in Schedule O).	8,754	26	9,286
27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	281,996	27	285,624

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (see the instructions for Part III)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part III

Expenses
(Required for section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations, optional for others)

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose?

PROVIDE FELLOWSHIP TO MEMBERS AND SERVICE TO COMMUNITY

Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. In a clear and concise manner, describe the services provided, the number of persons benefited, and other relevant information for each program title

28 See Additional Data Table			
(Grants \$)	If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	28a	
29		29a	
(Grants \$)	If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>		
30		30a	
(Grants \$)	If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>		
31 Other program services (describe in Schedule O)			
(Grants \$)	If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	31a	
32 Total program service expenses (add lines 28a through 31a)		32	

Part IV List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees (list each one even if not compensated — see the instructions for Part IV)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part IV.

(a) Name and title	(b) Average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC) (if not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation
MICHAEL SPRANGER PRESIDENT	2 00	0		
JOEL FLEWELLEN VICE PRESIDE	1 00	0		
ROBERT BERG SECRETARY	2 00	0		
JAMES DIETSCH TREASURER	4 00	1,800		
PETER ROGOSKI TRUSTEE	0 50	0		
STEVE ARCHIBALD TRUSTEE	0 50	0		
JOHN GERBER TRUSTEE	0 50	0		
RON BOHN TRUSTEE	0 50	0		
TIM PLOWMAN TRUSTEE	0 50	0		

Part V Other Information (Note the Schedule A and personal benefit contract statement requirements in the instructions for Part V) Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part V

Table with columns for question number, question text, and Yes/No response boxes. Questions include: 33 Did the organization engage in any significant activity not previously reported to the IRS? 34 Were any significant changes made to the organizing or governing documents? 35a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year from business activities? 35b If "Yes," to line 35a, has the organization filed a Form 990-T for the year? 35c Was the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization subject to section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements during the year? 36 Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets during the year? 37a Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions 37b Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year? 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 outstanding at the end of the tax year covered by this return? 38b If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved 39 Section 501(c)(7) organizations Enter 39a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9 39b Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities 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), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year, or did it engage in an excess benefit transaction in a prior year that has not been reported on any of its prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? 40c Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958 40d Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations 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? 41 List the states with which a copy of this return is filed 42a The organization's books are in care of JAMES DIETSCH Telephone no (715) 423-1930 Located at 2920 54TH ST N 2920 54TH ST N WISCONSIN RAPIDS, WI ZIP + 4 54494 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)? 42c At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside the U S ? 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 44a Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds during the year? 44b Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities during the year? 44c Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the year? 44d If "Yes," to line 44c, has the organization filed a Form 720 to report these payments? 45a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? 45b Did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?

	Yes	No
46 Did the organization engage, directly or indirectly, in political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I	46	No

Part VI Section 501(c)(3) organizations only
 All section 501(c)(3) organizations must answer questions 47-49b and 52, and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51. Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part VI

	Yes	No
47 Did the organization engage in lobbying activities or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II	47	
48 Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E	48	
49a Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?	49a	
b If "Yes," was the related organization a section 527 organization?	49b	

50 Complete this table for the organization's 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 title of each employee	(b) Average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation

f Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000 ▶ _____

51 Complete this table for the organization's 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 business address of each independent contractor	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation

d Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000. ▶ _____

52 Did the organization complete Schedule A? **NOTE.** All Section 501(c)(3) organizations must attach a completed Schedule A ▶ Yes No

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	2017-07-14 Date
JAMES DIETSCH TREASURER Type or print name and title	

Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name SUE WILLE	Preparer's signature	Date 2017-07-19	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed	PTIN P00044334
Firm's name ▶ LIGMAN & WILLE CPA LLC			Firm's EIN ▶ 39-2010784		
Firm's address ▶ 2804 POST ROAD STEVENS POINT, WI 544816415			Phone no (715) 341-3232		

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

Additional Data

Software ID:

Software Version:

EIN: 39-0159970

Name: BENEVOLENT & PROTECTIVE ORDER
ELKS 693

Form 990EZ, Part III - Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. In a clear and concise manner, describe the services provided, the number of persons benefited, and other relevant information for each program title.	Expenses (Required for section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations; optional for others.)	
<p>28 PROVIDED FELLOWSHIP TO MEMBERS AND SERVICE TO COMMUNITY THROUGH VOLUNTEER PARTICIPATION AND CASH DONATIONS (Grants \$)</p> <p style="text-align: right;">If this amount includes foreign grants, check here . . . <input type="checkbox"/></p>	28a	

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)**Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ**

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.

▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

▶ Information about Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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BENEVOLENT & PROTECTIVE ORDER
ELKS 693

Employer identification number

39-0159970

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990-EZ, PART I, LINE 8	USE OF BUILDING 10,783 VENDING 1,079 TOTAL 11,862

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990-EZ, PART I, LINE 16	BAR AND DINING ROOM LAUNDRY & LINEN 792 LICENSES 975 MEDICAL 457 SALES TAX 3,377 NON-INVESTMENT DEPRECIATION 9,375 FUNDRAISING EVENTS FISH FRY'S 5,552 GERANIUM SALES 702 EXPENSES PUBLICITY/PHOTOS 43 GRAND LODGE SUPPLIES 260 OFFICE SUPPLIES 528 BANK CHARGES 204 DUES & SUBSCRIPTIONS 120 COMPUTER SOFTWARE 1,213 CONVENTION TRAVEL 2,382 INSURANCE & BONDS 5,361 DIGITARY EXPENSE 1,496 OFFICER EXPENSE 161 LODGE SUPPLIES 13 PER CAPITA - NATIONAL 1,891 PER CAPITA - STATE 732 RITUAL EXPENSE 50 AWARDS/MEMORIALS 176 LICENSES 60 LATE FEES/ADJUST 49 VENDING EXPENSE 116 TOTAL 36,085

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990-EZ, PART II, LINE 24	INVENTORIES FOR SALE OR USE 2,362 2,438 EQUIPMENT 248,068 280,440 LESS ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION 85,360 94,736 TOTAL 165,070 188,142

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990-EZ, PART II, LINE 26	DEFERRED REVENUE 7,517 7,166 SALES TAX PAYABLE 565 974 PASS THROUGH LIABILITIES 368 783 PAYROLL TAXES PAYABLE 304 363