

I would like to start out with a BIG Thank you to everyone. I am so proud to be the Exalted Ruler of Lake Hopatcong Lodge and appreciate all your hard work. You all have made me feel so special and loved. My hopes are that you feel the same from me. I love each and everyone of you. We are one big family and that definitely showed this weekend. Everyone had a part in making this lodge shine. Congrats go out to the following:

Patsy: 1<sup>st</sup> place Bulletin Contest
Debbie W.: Highest Per Capita (ENF)
Mary and Joann: 2<sup>nd</sup> Place District Banner
Honor Guard: NWD 3<sup>rd</sup> Place and State 3<sup>rd</sup> Place
Christine and her team: Pat P.,Doug, June, Barbara P., Bridget, Kenny, Roxy, Gary, Mike S., Michele, S., Ralph, Joe, Ricky, Craig, Jamie, Mary and Charlie: NWD 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Float and State 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Float
Michele S.: NWD 2<sup>nd</sup> place Esquire
The Entire Lodge: NWD 1<sup>st</sup> place for Appearance, overall, Marching, and Music
Lodge Activities: State 1<sup>st</sup> place

I truly am so impressed. We really did a great job as a team. It just shows together we can do anything. Special thanks also go out to the House Committee led by Madelyn. The food was great and everyone had a great time. Thanks and appreciation also go out to all those that volunteered to assist the committee and shared all the hard work that goes on behind the scenes at the motel. Also thank you to our DJ's for keeping the music playing and keeping us entertained. I think Magnus (brother of Larissa our Ambassador) especially had a great time. I really enjoyed watching him dance. Maybe he will be famous one day and we can say we knew him when.

Now as June is hear already its reminds me that Father's Day is just around the corner. It is a time for me to reflect and remember my own Father, who was pretty spectacular. I could have never asked for a better one. He was kind, compassionate, charitable and loving. I never doubted for a minute how much he loved me. Family was first and everything he did he did for family. He would have made a terrific Elk. Happy Father's Day to all the Dads out there. Being a father is one of the most important things you will ever do as a man. You teach your sons how do become good men and your daughters how they should be treated by a man with respect, love and kindness. Always lead by example, your children are always watching. I hope to see you on Father's day at the Picnic.

Also I am looking forward to the following attending the following:

Initiation on Sunday June 11<sup>th</sup> at 10am, and following my first Eagle Scout Ceremony.

Sip and Paint sponsored by ENF on Thursday June 15<sup>th</sup>. Special Childrens Prom on June 17. June is going to be a busy month.

Also please remember to support the Ritual team by coming to Wed BBQ, Wheelbarrow of Cheer tickets and July 8<sup>th</sup> our Big BBQ where we pull the winner.

God Bless the Elks, God Bless American and God Bless our Troops Fraternally yours, Kathleen Caffrey, Exalted Ruler

2017-2018 LODGE OFFICERS				
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Exalted Ruler	Kathleen Caffrey 973-534-8283			
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Esquire	Heather Darling 973-527-1025			
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Inner Guard	Bridget Wisher, PER 973-633-6411			
Tiler	Sallimae Johnson, PER 973-713-4781			
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Secretary	Barbara Tokar, PER 201-207-7545			
1 Yr. Trustee	Gene Garabrant, PVP			
2 Yr. Trustee	Wayne McDonnell			
3 Yr. Trustee	Craig Lang			
4 Yr. Trustee	Tom Brown, PDD			
5 Yr. Trustee	Ken Wisher			

### **HOUSE COMMITTEE**

Madelyn Walrod, *PER, Chairman* Tom Chiappa Barbara Pirro June Vaananen Debi Werner Matt Winnans, PER John Shaw

### **PLANNING A FUNCTION?** OUR HALL IS AVAILABLE TO RENT FOR ANY FUNCTION

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL MADELYN AT 398-2770.

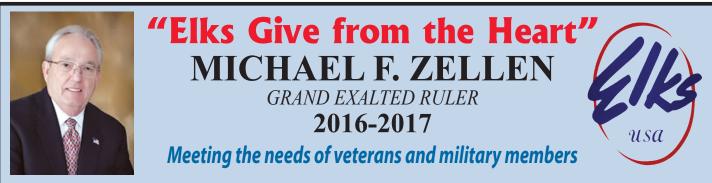
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Activities	Gerry Cook, PSP					
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Antlers	Tarin Chiappa					
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Community Activities	398-2770 Madelyn Walrod, PER 398-2770					
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Soccer Shoot	201-572-6297 Craig Lang 973-641-2291					
Special Children	Wayne McDonnell 862-579-5616					
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Army of Hope	Bob Ricker 973-288-1030					
Youth Activities	Tom Brown 973-919-5395					
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# JUNE BIRTHDAYS

We Would Like To Extend Our Best Wishes For A Happy Birthday To The Following Members



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The Elks National Veterans Service Commission was established in 1946, immediately after World War II, with the sole mission of "Serving Our Nations Veterans." Though much has changed since then, the Elks' dedication to serve our veterans and military members in need has never changed.

Recently, I traveled to Washington, D.C., the epicenter of the military and veterans' affairs government agencies. Joined by Past Grand Exalted Ruler Paul Helsel and Government Relations team members Shawn Bullard and Jennifer Naaden, we met with top military and veteran officials. In these meetings, I received resounding gratitude and admiration for the Elks' service to the military and veterans.

The leaders asked the Elks to join them in addressing two challenges. First, numerous veterans are struggling to find employment. Frequently employers misunderstand a veteran's skill set and how to utilize it. This confusion has led to an increase of homeless veterans.

Second, there is a lack of awareness among the National Guard Bureau of the Elks' programs available for their members, veterans and their families.

How can your Lodge alleviate these problems? The answer will vary Lodge to Lodge, but here are some ideas. Your Lodge could facilitate career fairs, host workshops for business leaders on translating a veteran's skills into success, and provide veterans with professional skills training. Additionally, your Lodge could provide scholarships for veterans to further their education.

Since the onset of the War on Terror, National Guard members have been called to serve at an unprecedented rate. This has created difficulties for soldiers and their families. Vice Chief of the National Guard Bureau Lieutenant General Hokanson asked for greater collaboration between National Guard units and Local Lodges.

Hokanson has shared information on the Elks' programs, encouraging his Adjutant Generals to form relationships with Local Lodges. I ask every Lodge to reach out to your local National Guard unit and engage it on how to best support the soldiers and their families.

Look for more details of my D.C. trip in the July/ August edition of The Elks Magazine for more about the new partnerships with congressional, administration and military leaders.

May God bless our veterans and the men and women who serve in the military worldwide, and may God bless America. They will all be in the line of duty, and some of them may give their lives in that duty.

Thank you for Caring and Sharing and for continuing to demonstrate that, "Elks are Leading the Way."

# "Elks Care - Elks Share."

# VETERANS COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE 2017

NEXT MEETING June 14, 2017

July 12, 2017 August 9, 2017 September 13, 2017 October 11, 2017 November 8, 2017 December 13, 2017



### SICKNESS AND DISTRESS

Our prayers continue for a speedy recovery to the following member: to **Jan Walsh, PER** who is still recuperating at home and doing great!



If you or someone you know that is in need of prayers please contact the lodge at: 973-398-9835.

### **HOUSE COMMITTEE**

It looks like that Summer is finally here! Our "Annual Elks Wildwood Convention Weekend" has come and gone. Everyone had a great time!! I would like to thank all my helpers with the hospitality of the convention. Without the volunteered that assisted, I could not have done it!!! Thanks again to you all!!

Please mark your calendars for Sunday, June 18th is our Annual Father's Day Picnic. Look for details in the newsletter.

> Madelyn Walrod, PER House Committee Chairman



### **VETERANS COMMITTEE**

We are working on gathering new items to give to our Veterans when they come to the lodge for our Annual Veterans BBQ. New items only please. 23<sup>rd</sup> July is the date. We are also working with Operation Chill Out - if you have any new baseball caps, sunscreen or bug spray please drop it off at the lodge. The Miners Baseball Game on the 9<sup>th</sup> of July - as stated last month - any Veteran of the Lake Hopatcong Elks Lodge is welcome to attend - we would be happy to buy your ticket. I have had 2 Veterans reach out to me already. I also had a lovely thing happen - a couple of members overheard what we were doing for the Miners Game and they offered to also pay for a ticket for a Veteran to go. So I will have signup sheets by the front door of the lodge by this Friday's dinner. You can sign up to go or sign up to support a Veteran. Our next committee meeting is 14<sup>th</sup> June @ 6:30 PM - you do not have to be a Veteran to join - all are welcome. Remember together we make it happen!

Fraternally Yours Peg Sharpe-Murphy, Veterans Committee Chairperson

### **SHOT FROM BAR**

Don't forget we are open every day at 1:00 p.m. Come on down to the lodge and watch your favorite teams play on one of our many TV's. Shoot a game of pool with a friend! Always a good time in our member's bar!

### **MONTHLY NEWSLETTER**

All news articles, photos and flyers <u>must be submitted by the</u> <u>20th of each month</u>. I thank you in advance. Patsy Schmidt, *Newsletter Editor* 

E-mail: patsygirl77@yahoo.com

# WHO'S COOKING WHAT FOR DINNER ON FRIDAY

# NIGHTS THIS MONTH?

Roast Beef James Macks

#### JUNE 16, 2017

Roast Turkey Derya Harquail, Sean MacMillan & Pat Esposito JUNE 23, 2017 Meatloaf

> Madelyn Walrod JUNE 30, 2017 1/2 Baked Chicken Debbie Hill



### PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

All Committee Chairs,

Please make sure that you are contacting Public Relations with all your upcoming events. They will be advertised in the local event calendars in our area as well as online sources. It is a great resource to get the word out to ensure the hard work of your committee be as productive and well attended as you want them to be.

Also if you have held an event please send pictures with names of people appearing in the photos. These will be sumbitted to the State Newspaper and Grand Lodge Magazine. (Please make sure the guidlines are being followed. No alcohol or tobacco products in the photos. Preferably no more than 5 people in each picture)

> Dawn Shaw Public Relations Chairperson (dawnjohn90@optonline.net

### **MOTORCYCLE COMMITTEE**

The Motorcycle Committee meeting will be held on June 7th at 7:00pm. Also a reminder that the Miracle Run is scheduled for July 30th.

Charles Horvath, Motorcycle Committee President



#### SPECIAL CHILDREN'S COMMITTEE Hello All,

We have NJ State Raffle Calendars for sale at \$20.00 to benefit Elks Camp Moore. We have our Special Children's Prom on Saturday, June 17, 2017 from 6:30pm to 10:30pm here at the lodge. All Special Needs kids 15 and up are eligible to attend. Please have the parents RSVP by June 12, 2017 to either myself or to Heidi so we have an accurate head count. On Tuesday, July 25, 2017 at Elks Camp Moore is the Annual District Ice Cream Social it will be held poolside immediately following our 6:30 meeting. We encourage anyone who wants to attend to please do so this is such a great event to be apart of. We also have will begin making plans for the picnic at ECM it details will be available in the July Newsletter.

That is all for now. Thank you for all of your support in helping to keep a smile on the faces of our Special Children!

> Fraternally Yours, Wayne McDonnell Special Children's Committee





First and foremost, I would like to Congratulate our newest and youngest member, Kayla Rose Stevens. Kayla has already hit the ground running and we are all very excited that she has joined us. The Antlers did an amazing job setting up, serving and cleaning up for the Mother's Day Brunch. I cannot say it enough; I am so proud of these Antlers for all they do. So, June is finally here. The Antlers are very excited about going to Wildwood. They have worked so hard to get there and I wish them all the best as they proudly represent The Lake Hopatcong Antlers Lodge #4 at the Parade. This month, we also have the honor of making the posters for GER Malcom McPherson for the National Convention in Reno. Michaela and Kayla have already started the process and it will be all Antlers on deck to get this done. This is such an honor and we are very proud to be part of Malcom's historic event. Our clothing drive once again has been very profitable. Keep those clothes coming and thanks to all who donated!!! We are always looking for new members. Membership in the organization is open to any individual who has passed their twelfth and not yet reached their twenty-first birthday, who is a citizen of the United States of America, of good character and who believes in the existence of God. If you know anyone who is interested, have them come check us out at our next meeting on June 11<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m.

> Fraternally Yours, Tarin Chiappa Antler Chairperson



### **ENF COMMITTEE**

Mark you calendars for June 15<sup>th</sup> Sip-N-Paint at 7:00pm. We will be painting on drinking glasses. You get to (2) glasses. There are choices please see flyer. We need to sell tickets in advance so that we can order the glasses. We don't want to order 20 wine glasses and everyone wants margrita glasses. If time willing for small price you will be allowed to paint a third glass. \$35.00

per person you get one free glass of wine or one pint of tap beer. You get to paint 2 glasses. There will be food available for a minimal cost. Please sign up asap so we can order glasses ... We still have a few tables left for our murder mystery dinner, including a small tricky tray and 50/50. Reserve your table now...discount when you fill table of 8 cost \$35.00 per person, otherwise it's \$40.00 per person. Sign up early!! Guaranteed a great night at a low cost.

> Debi Werner ENF Committee Chairperson





Thursday, June 15th





Advanced ticket includes 2 glasses of your choice to paint Must be picked out in advance of

> party 1 free glass of wine or 1 free pint of tap beer

7:00 p.m.



# \$35.00 Paint and Sip



Hurricane Pilsner Red and White Wine Margarita



Food will be available at an extra cost Walking Tacos **Hot Dogs Nachos and Cheese** 



R.S.V.P. by June 10th to Debi Werner @ purpledebi@yahoo.com

All proceeds benefit Elks National Foundation

Lake Hopatcong Elks Lodge #782

201 Howard Boulevard





# Lake Hopatcong Elks NJ State Ritual Champions

## invite you to a

Lake Hopatcong Elks, 201 Howard Blvd., Mt. Saturday, July 8<sup>th</sup> 2pm to 6pm

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Darts Billiards & Horseshoes \$20 - Adults \$10 - ages 13 to 20 \$5 - kids ages 3 to 12

> Soda Wine & Draft Beer

Burgers, Hotdogs, BBQ Chicken, Baked Beans, Corn on the cob, Assorted Salads & Desserts

Music

For tickets, call Sally at 973-713-3428 All proceeds to help support the Lake Hopatcong Elks Ritual Team in their quest to be the National Ritual Champions in Reno, NV

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