



Lake Hopatcong Elks
Lodge #782

Meetings
1st and 3rd Tuesday
(973) 398-9835



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BROTHERLY LOVE



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Exalted Ruler's Message

2019

A Fraternal Organization
Join Elkdom's Action Team
Make Your Friend a Member

2020



This year is moving so fast. Can you believe November is over and the holiday season is here!!

November was a busy month. Our Tricky Tray was a success due to the many prizes donated by our members and the hard work from our members. Special thanks to **Marge Curry** for her many hours and hard work she put in on this event. Thank you. The event was well-received and at one point during the evening there was standing room only. All had a great time.

I attended the fall conference in Long Branch and competed in the 11:00 O'clock Toast and Flag salute. I placed second in both events. Thanks to my partner, **Sallimae Johnson** for being the candidate during the competition.

We had our first Bacon Fest to raise seed money for our upcoming Leap in the Lake. The food was good and different, from BLTs to bacon cupcakes. There was also a pig race, thanks to our pigs, **Tom Brown, Rick Gathen, John Shaw, and Wayne McDonnell** for their good sportsmanship in this event. Congratulations to the winner **Rick Gathen**. *(I think he cheated. LOL)*

Next month will also be busy and hope all will help to make the Holidays special for our children. Our Holiday Appeal Program is up and running. If you wish to adopt a family or a child please see **Madelyn Walrod** or **Linda Gathen** who are coordinating this program. There is also our Hoop Shoot program, breakfast with Santa and ENF Christmas party.

As a final note tickets are now on sale for our New Year's Eve Party. Come out and start the year with friends and family.

God bless the Elk's, Our Troops and God bless the United States of America.

Fraternally,
Charles Horvath, Exalted Ruler

2019-2020 LODGE OFFICERS



Exalted Ruler	Charles Horvath 862-432-7702
Est. Leading Knight	Roxanne Steffen 973-650-0199
Est. Loyal Knight	Wayne McDonnell 862-579-5615
Est. Lecturing Knight	Sallimae Johnson, PER 973-713-3428
Esquire	Kathleen Caffrey, PER 973-543-8283
Chaplain	Michael Tresca, PER 973-288-1583
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Secretary	Barbara Tokar, PER 201-207-7545
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2 Year Trustee	Tom Brown, PDD
3 Year Trustee	Sean MacMillan
4 Year Trustee	Gene Garabrant, PVP
5 Year Trustee	John Shaw, PER

HOUSE COMMITTEE

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

PLANNING A FUNCTION?

OUR HALL IS AVAILABLE
TO RENT FOR ANY FUNCTION

FOR MORE INFORMATION
CALL MADELYN AT 398-2770.

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Accident & Prevention	Mike Clarke 973-713-2370
Activities	Madelyn Walrod, PER 201-230-2596
Americanism	Linda Gathen 973-398-2097
Antlers	Tarin Chiappa 973-714-1334
Bar Co-Chair	Debi Werner 973-668-9302
Community Activities	Madelyn Walrod, PER 973-398-2770
Convention	Linda Gathen, PER 973-398-2097
Drug Awareness	Dee Krowl 973-390-0638
Elks National Foundation	Debi Werner 973-668-9302
Fraternal Committee	Linda Gathen, PER 973-398-2097
Government Relations	Heidi McDonnell, DD-D 862-579-5616
Grounds Maintenance	Mike Clarke 973-713-2370
Hall Rental	Madelyn Walrod, PER 973-398-2770
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Indoctrination	Rick Gathen, PSP 973-398-2097
Investigation	Wayne McDonnell 862-579-5616
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Membership	Barbara Tokar 201-263-7035
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Pole Barn	Red Curry
Public Relations	Diane Gleason 315-246-8833

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Linda Gathen	973-398-2097
Barbara Tokar	201-207-7545
Ritual	Rick Gathen, PSP Linda Gathen, PER
Scholarship	Elena Tunstead 973-592-3591
Sickness & Distress	Sallimae Johnson, PER 973-713-3428
Soccer Shoot	Tom Brown 973-919-5395
Special Children	Wayne McDonnell 862-579-5616
Veterans	Ed Parrillo 973-398-6677
Army of Hope	Bob Ricker 973-288-1030
Youth Activities	Tom Brown 973-919-5395

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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



01	Heidi McDonnell
02	Robert Johnson
03	Richard Byrd
04	Dorothy Albinson
05	Marvin Heiskanen
07	Robert Corcoran
07	Lorraine Dziadul
08	Carol A. Boyle
08	Franklin J. Quimbly
08	Frank J. Spanp
11	Joann Grady
11	Laura Schroeder
13	Wayne McDonnell
13	Joseph Pennino
15	Stephen J. Leonard
15	Christine Malloy
15	Robert Rogalsky
18	Christopher Garcia
18	John Nadzeika
20	David G. Moran, Jr.
20	John Reynolds
21	Marilyn Miller
21	Fred Santucci
21	Lester E. Wright
22	Thomas Whelan
24	Hollie Bugg
24	Loren Meshulam
25	Henry J. Cole
25	Diane Glover
25	Ralph Polise
26	Joseph S. Rutkoski III
28	Dominick D'Altilio
29	Donna Rose Kupper
30	Carol Owings



“Elks Give from the Heart”

ROBERT L. DUITSMAN
GRAND EXALTED RULER
2019-2020



Lonely Members appreciate holiday cheer

Happy Holidays! Beth and I extend to each of you a safe and enjoyable holiday season, and a happy, prosperous, and successful new year.

While schedules become crowded with social and family engagements, we should remember our duties to one another as Elks. The holiday season is the loneliest time of year for many of our Members. For many reasons, they find themselves alone, and a lack of social opportunities is undoubtedly a large part of the heightened levels of depression experienced during this time of year.

As Elks, we should be mindful of those Members we haven't seen in a while, or who don't have anyone special in their lives. Try to reach out, to find out how Members are doing and if the Lodge can help with getting them to events. A simple phone call or visit may be the greatest gift some of our Members will ever want.

The Elks Memorial Service, to be held this year on Sunday, December 1, is a time to remember our departed Members. It falls under part of my slogan for the year, "Honoring the Past." It is a time to remember the people who brought our Lodges and Order to the heights they have reached.

Of course, it is also important to be mindful that the service is not just for our Members who remain among us, but also for the spouses and friends of our departed Members who may attend and who will appreciate a dignified and well-prepared event to honor the memory of their loved ones. Let's give it our best!

As I close this message, it goes without saying that the holiday season can be a time for alcohol consumption, and it falls on each of us to do our very best to keep consumption within limits. Unfortunately, our Order continues to be confronted with liquor liability lawsuits arising from our Lodges that are not diligent in monitoring the over-serving of alcohol. For the sake of everyone—Members, guests, and even strangers—let's all do our part to keep the holiday season safe.

“Elks Care - Elks Share.”

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

Your articles, flyers and photos are to be emailed to patsygirl77@yahoo.com by the 20th of each month. If you need additional time please do not hesitate to give me a call at 973-975-2325 to make any arrangements needed. If you wish to have your newsletter emailed to save a stamp, please send me an email and place "Save a Stamp" in the subject line.

Patsy Schmidt
Newsletter Editor



Elks
National
Foundation

Dont forget Annual Christmas Party being held on December 15th. There will be lots of food, a live band playing 50's and 60's. We have an ugly sweater contest with 1st place awarded a \$50.00 Visa gift card. Please look for details in this newsletter. I hope to see many of you there. It is always a great time! Merry Christmas to you and yours!

Debi Werner, ENF Committee Chairperson

WELCOME to OUR FAMILY

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

Initiated on November 5, 2019

New Member
Pamela Adams
Robert Adams
James Bizarro
Mark Blough
Jill Fedorchak
Scott Jentzen
Carol Glucksman



Proposed by
Madelyn Walrod
Madelyn Walrod
Debi Werner
Al Rennick
Debi Werner
Jan Walsh
Madelyn Walrod

Barbara Tokar, PER
Lodge Secretary



SICKNESS & DISTRESS

Caring thoughts of sympathy, understanding and friendship are extended to the following members who have lost a family last month: **Frank Orafino** whose 97 year old father in law passed away, **Sonja Joseph** whose sister has lost her battle with cancer and **Debi Werner** whose niece has passed away. Our sincerest sympathy to you and your families.

Our member **Frank Santarpia** has been recently hospitalized several times but is now home recuperating. We wish you a speedy recovery.

Please also keep Audrey Thompson in your prayers who has been in and out of hospital. (*They can't seem to find anything wrong*)

Please keep on your prayer list members who are still in recovery Joanne Grady, Debbie Ondish, Mary Beck, Charlie Horvath both Marge & Red Curry.

Please feel free to call me at 973-713-3428 or text me at hdstormy@optonline.net with any information on a member who has fallen ill or to be placed on our prayer list.

Fraternally yours,

Sallimae Johnson, PER, *Sickness and Distress Chairman*

Who's COOKING WHAT FOR DINNER ON FRIDAY NIGHT THIS MONTH?

We Are Full Of Surprises This Month!

DECEMBER 6, 2019
MEATLOAF
MADELYN WALROD, PER

DECEMBER 13, 2019
CHEF'S SURPRISE

DECEMBER 20, 2019
CHEF'S SURPRISE

DECEMBER 27, 2019
CHEF'S SURPRISE

Merry Christmas & **HAPPY NEW YEAR**

HOUSE COMMITTEE

The holidays are here! Where does the time go? The holiday appeal program is progressing nicely. There are still a few families not taken so if you would like to help out with a family contact **Linda or Madelyn**.

Breakfast with Santa is December 15th from 9:00 am to 11:00 am. Look for details in the newsletter.

Tickets for New Year's Eve are now on sale at the lodge. See the bartender to purchase tickets look for details in the newsletter.

If you have not noticed the parking lot lights are complete. This was a group effort. I would like to give a very special thanks to all who helped make this project possible. A special Thanks goes out to **Mike Clarke and Mike Grady** for organizing and making sure the work was done properly.

I would like to wish all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Madelyn Walrod, PER, *House Committee Chairman*



Lake Hopatcong Antler's News

Happy Holidays! Hard to believe that we are almost in 2020!!

First and foremost, The Antlers would like to Congratulate one of our very own members, **Christopher Merring** who is officially a United States Marine Private First Class. Way to go Chris, we knew you could do it!



We would also like to Congratulate the 15 Veterans that won the Friday Night Dinner Certificates in November. Thank you all again for your service!!!

Congratulations also goes out to **George Battaglia** for winning week 11 in Footballmania.

The Antlers donated bags of food to the Roxbury Food Pantry last month. Great job by all.

This month the Antlers will be shopping for the Holiday Appeal. It is such a wonderful thing we do here at the Elks and I am so proud that the Antlers have joined the Elks in giving back for the Holidays. We will also celebrate after shopping with a Holiday lunch.

The Antlers will also be helping out with Breakfast with Santa. Such a fun event and they cannot wait!

Our clothing bins are still going strong. Thanks to all who donate. It is an amazing fundraiser for us and allows us to give back in so many ways.

The Antlers would like to wish you and your families a very Happy Holiday and a Happy New Year!

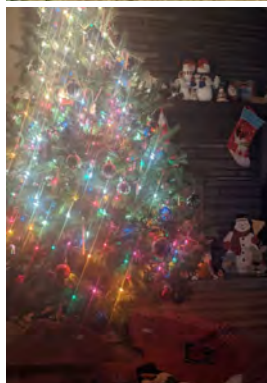
Fraternally yours,
Tarin Chiappa Antler Chairperson



Northwest District In Their Finest At Fall Conference

Still Need Your Tree, Perhaps A Wreath Or A Grave Blanket For Your Loved One?

Come down to the lodge and pick out a beautiful Christmas Tree fresh from Vermont, nicely decorated wreaths and grave blankets. *(While Supplies Last)*





BREAKFAST WITH SANTA
December 15, 2019

A Visit From Santa ... Don't Forget To Bring
Your Camera For A Picture To Remember!!

Lake Hopatcong Elks Lodge #782 • 201 Howard Boulevard • Mt. Arlington

ALL YOU CAN EAT BREAKFAST BUFFET

9:00am-11:00am

Adults \$7.00 • Kids \$3.00

All Children 10 & Under Will Get A Free Gift From Santa

Thank you to the Officers of Lake Hopatcong Elks #782 for doing an outstanding job with the Annual Memorial Service. What an inspiring tribute to our departed Members.



*Join the Officers of Lake Hopatcong Elks
as we remember our Members
who have departed this past year*

Joseph List, PER
Jan Walsh, PER
Rich Bennett
Brian Durkin
Rosemarie Juskus
Susan Linnartz
Catherine Murphy



*Annual
Elks Memorial Service
Sunday, December 1st
10:00 am*

*This is a beautiful ceremony open to everyone
Please honor our departed Members
and their families by attending
Refreshments will be served*



SPECIAL CHILDREN'S COMMITTEE

A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS and Happy New Year!

As we enter the Holiday Season, please take the time and consider helping those that are less fortunate in our local communities we serve. We are still looking for members to adopt some of our local families for our Holiday Appeal Program. Contact **Madelyn or Linda** if you are interested and they will provide you with the details. With that being said December is really busy for the Special Children's Committee.

We are heavily involved with 2 events on the same day. On Saturday, December 7, 2019 we have the District Christmas Party from 12:00-3:00pm at the Parsippany PAL Building. Open to the families of our Special Children. We will be providing lunch/refreshments, gifts and hosting Santa and his Elves for the kids. If you are available please come by and be apart of this wonderful event. At night, we have the District Adult Christmas Party/Ugly Sweater theme. Price is \$20.00 per person and we will have food, a cash bar, gifts and some jolly ole' fun. Please contact Wayne if interested in attending. This event is being held at the Boonton Lodge from 7:00-11:00pm.

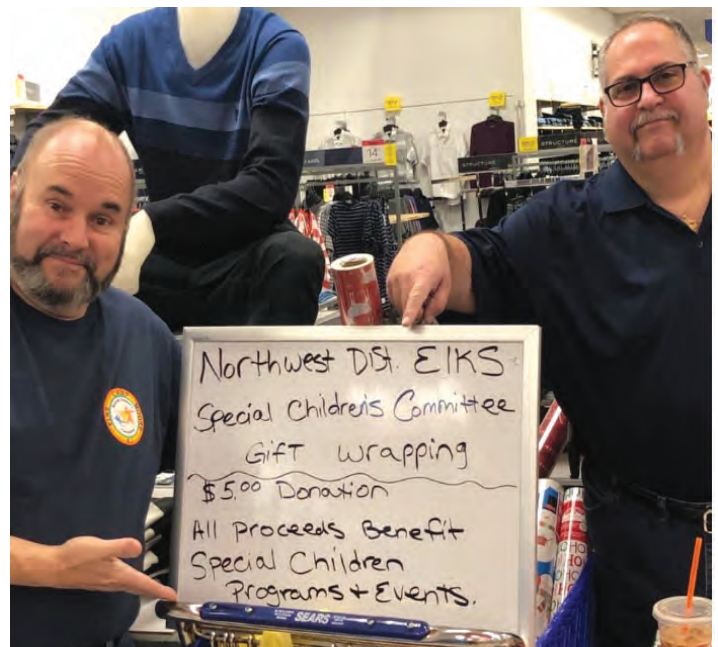
Then finally as we get closer to Christmas, we have our annual Special Children's Breakfast with Santa on Sunday, December 22, 2019 from 9:00-11:00am. This event is free to our Special Children and families but we need for your to RSVP to reserve your spot. We are still taking reservations but we are going to be at full capacity.

I still have State Raffle Calendars available to be purchased for the January-June 2020 period at \$20.00 per.

That is all for now. Thank you for all that our membership does to Help Keep the Smiles on the Faces of our Special Children!

Have a Blessed Holiday Season and Happy and Safe New Year's celebration. See you in January 2020.

Fraternaly Yours,
Wayne McDonnell, Special Children's Committee Chairperson





New Years Eve Party

Tues, December 31st

Lake Hopatcong Elks Lodge

*8 pm to 1 am * \$60 per person*

*Buffet Dinner * Open Bar*

DJ Music & Dancing

Champaign Toast at midnight

See the bartender for tickets or call Madelyn at 201-230-2596

3RD ANNUAL PATRICK'S PUB PIG ROAST FOR LEAP IN THE LAKE



470 RIVER STYX ROAD • HOPATCONG, NJ 07843 • 973-810-3884

BURGERS • HOT DOGS • SALADS
DRINK SPECIALS

\$20.00 ADVANCE • \$25.00 DAY OF EVENT

RAFFLES • LIVE MUSIC

SATURDAY, JANUARY 11TH

2:00 PM-7:00 PM



Support Team
Patrick's

Interested In Tickets
Contact Larry at
201-726-3412 Or Veronica
at 201-317-8212

ALL PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT OUR SPECIAL NEEDS CHILDREN PATRICK'S PUB LEAP TEAM
11TH ANNUAL LAKE HOPATCONG ELKS LEAP IN THE LAKE



OLD-FASHIONED ROAST BEEF DINNER

~ Hosted By The Veteran's Committee ~

SATURDAY, JANUARY 18, 2020
6:00PM- 10:00PM

ONLY \$8.99 A PLATE!

INCLUDES

ROAST BEEF, MASHED POTATOES
& GREEN BEANS
DESSERT & COFFEE

OLDIES MUSIC, MINI TRICKY TRAY, RAFFLE DRAWING
TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE BAR

ALL PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT THE VETERAN'S COMMITTEE



It's About to get UGLY



Grab your Wackiest, tackiest, and ugliest Christmas sweater

And join us for the 2nd annual

Northwest District Special Children's Committee

Ugly Sweater Christmas Party



Saturday, December 7, 2019

At Boonton Elks Lodge #1405

7pm - 11pm

Eat, Drink, & be Merry!



Prizes for ugliest sweater

Donation: \$20.00 per person

Please contact your lodge Chairperson to sign up

Or Tickets can be purchased at the door.

HOLIDAY OFFICER'S GET TOGETHER

2017-2018 State & Eastern Division

Ritual Championship Team

Merry Christmas
& HAPPY NEW YEAR



DECEMBER 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Ritual Practice	3 Lodge Meeting	4	5	6 Friday Night Dinner	7
8	9 Ritual Practice	10 House Committee Meeting	11	12	13 Friday Night Dinner	14
15 Breakfast With Santa  CHRISTMAS PARTY	16 Ritual Practice	17 Lodge Meeting	18	19	20 Friday Night Dinner	21
22 Our Special Children's  2019 Breakfast with Santa	23 Ritual Practice	24 House Committee Meeting	25 	26	27 Friday Night Dinner	28
29	30 Ritual Practice	31 	1	2	3 Friday Night Dinner	4

Lake Hopatcong Elks Veteran's Committee Black Friday Spaghetti Dinner



SUPPORT THE LAKE HOPATCONG ELKS
201 HOWARD BOULEVARD - MOUNT ARLINTON, NJ 07856

Eat, Drink & BE UGLY



**SATURDAY
DECEMBER 15TH
2:00-6:00PM**

\$20.00 PER PERSON

PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT THE LAKE HOPATCONG ELKS ENF FOUNDATION

Get Your Tickets Today!!

ELKS
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**WHAT SANTA WANTS
INITIATE
ALL
CANDIDATES
BEFORE XMAS**



PROJECT POSITIVE

JANUARY 2020

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	Ritual Practice	Lodge Meeting	1 	2	3 Friday Night Dinner	4
5	6 Ritual Practice	7 House Committee Meeting	8	9	10 Friday Night Dinner	11
12	13 Ritual Practice	14 Lodge Meeting	15	16	17 Friday Night Dinner	18 ROAST BEEF DINER 
19	20 Ritual Practice	21 House Committee Meeting	22	23	24 Friday Night Dinner	25
26	27 Ritual Practice	28	29	30	31 Friday Night Dinner	



LAKE HOPATCONG ELKS LODGE

No. 782

201 Howard Boulevard
Mount Arlington, NJ 07856



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