



Lake Hopatcong Elks  
Lodge #782

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



December 2024

CHARITY



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BROTHERLY LOVE



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## Exalted Ruler's Message

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

2024

Your next best moment is just waiting for you to discover it.

2025



December may be the last month in the year, but it is by no means the end of the Elk year, that ends March 31<sup>st</sup>. This is one of the busiest months for the Lodge. After coming off a month when the NSJEA held its annual Fall Conference and Veterans Day where we recognize the Sacrifices, Valor and Courage of our Veterans from all the branches of the military. The Lodge also had a few very successful events such as Tricky Tray, which had a record turnout congratulations to **Nancy and Dawn** for their hard work and new creative ideas and **Marge** for putting the Baskets together. Then there was the Medium Night that brought in crowds of people great job **Tom Brown and the Youth Activities Committee**. In November the Lodge also dedicated the Pole Barn to PSP **Gerry "Poppy" Cook and Bernard "Red" Curry** for their years of service to the Lodge. The wELKcome Wednesdays continued and the motorcycle committee had music which helped to bring out the crowd. **Ed and the Veterans committee** held their annual spaghetti dinner on the Friday after Thanksgiving. At the time of the writing of this letter the Lodge held its Memorial Service on Sunday December 1<sup>st</sup>. It was a very beautiful and moving ceremony to remember and honor our departed Members. A special thanks goes out to **Linda Gathen, PDD** for all her hard work in putting the ceremony together. Congratulations to **PSP PGLC Bob Ricker** for being appointed as the Grand Lecturing Knight of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. December begins with the homecoming of the **Northwest DDGER Lisa Rovito**. The Antlers are holding a fundraising wreath making event at Nesters. The Month has many holiday events over the next few weeks such as the House Committee Christmas party on December 14<sup>th</sup> followed by the SCC Christmas party on December 15<sup>th</sup>. The Lodge will be having its breakfast with Santa on Sunday December 22<sup>nd</sup>. If that's not enough the Annual Christmas appeal for families in the community and food baskets will be gathered at the Lodge. Thursday December 12<sup>th</sup> the Lodge will be putting together the baskets of food at 6:30pm. All are welcome to help. **A great big thank you to all the Members** who took families from the appeal list who are in need during this holiday season. Finally, don't forget the Lodge is having a New Years Eve party so get your tickets before they are sold out. I would like to wish everyone a Happy and Healthy Holiday and a Wonderful New Year.

*"Charity is the greatest of all the virtues and it should ever rule us in our hearts and our lives"*

Fraternally,  
Peter Appaluccio, Exalted Ruler

## 2024-2025 LODGE OFFICERS



Exalted Ruler	Peter Appaluccio, PDD 973-726-7818
Est. Leading Knight	Patricia Zdichocki 973-723-6462
Est. Loyal Knight	Walter Wurster 973-420-8165
Est. Lecturing Knight	Samantha Martin, PER 201-214-6925
Esquire	Matthew Winnans, PVP 201-572-8297
Chaplain	Kimberly Tweed 862-242-0116
Inner Guard	Jason Howard 973-294-6837
Tiler	Lisa Rovito, DD 201-978-7218
Treasurer	Linda Gathen, PDD 973-398-2097
Secretary	Barbara Tokar, PER 201-207-7545
Lodge Photographer	Linda Kline 973-476-1131
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2 Year Trustee	Tom Brown, PDD
3 Year Trustee	Wayne McDonell, VP
4 Year Trustee	Richard Gathen, PSP
5 Year Trustee	Richard Ter Linden

## HOUSE COMMITTEE

Debi Werner, Chairperson  
 Vicki Angle  
 Jen Brown  
 Sue Bruyere  
 Dawn Crocetta  
 Derya Harquill  
 Diane LaPreta  
 Nancy Loizou  
 Dawn Malanka  
 Annette McInerney  
 Debbie Sobierajski  
 Kim Tweed  
 Kathy Venier

## PLANNING A FUNCTION?

OUR HALL IS AVAILABLE  
 TO RENT FOR ANY FUNCTION  
 FOR MORE INFORMATION  
 CALL DEBI AT 973-668-9302

## COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Accident & Prevention	Rick Ter Linden 972-271-1804
Activities	Patsy Schmidt 973-975-2325
Americanism	Patricia Carley 973-534-0168
Antlers	Samantha Martin, PER 201-214-6925
Auditing & Accounting	Kathleen Caffrey, PDD 973-534-8283
Bar Chair	Nancy Loizou 973-632-1129
Community Activities	Patty Zdichocki 201-723-6462
Convention	Linda Gathen, PPD 973-398-2097
Drug Awareness	Samantha Martin, PER 201-214-6925
Co-Chair	Dee Krowl 973-390-0638
Elks National Foundation	Pete Appaluccio, PDD 973-736-7818
Flag Day	Rick Gathen, PSP 973-398-2097
Fraternal Committee	Linda Gathen, PDD 973-398-2097
Government Relations	Barbara Tokar, PER 201-207-7545
Grounds Maintenance	Trustees
Hall Rental	Debi Werner 973-668-9302
Hoop Shoot	Tom Brown, PDD 973-919-5395
Indoctrination	Rick Gathen, PSP 973-398-2097
Investigation	Cory Schmidt 973-440-7393
In-House Caterer	Debi Werner 973-668-9302
Lapsation	Barbara Tokar, PER 201-207-7545
Lodge Activities	Patsy Schmidt 973-975-2325
Membership	Barbara Tokar, PER 201-2077545
Maintenance Committee	(Reports to the Trustees) Alex Banos, Chris Loizou & Waler Wurster
Memorial Day	Linda Gathen, PDD 973-398-2097
Motorcycle	Walter Wurster 973-420-8165
Parades	Linda Gathen, PDD 973-398-2097
PER Association	Rick Gathen, PSP 862-324-2412
Pole Barn	Red Curry
Public Relations	Jennifer Appaluccio, PER 973-222-4547
Softball/Cornhole Tournament:	Ricky Gathen

## RELIEF COMMITTEE

Pete Appaluccio, Exalted Ruler	973-726-7818
Patty Zdichocki, Leading Knight	201-723-6462
Walter Wurster, Loyal Knight	973-420-8165
Samantha Martin, PER, Lecturing Knight	201-214-6925
Linda Gathen, PDD, Treasurer	973-398-2097
Barbara Tokar, PER	201-207-7545
Ritual	Heidi McDonnell, PDD 973-545-1557
Scholarship	Jennifer Appaluccio, PER 973-222-4547
Sickness & Distress	Lauren Greed 973-668-6733
Soccer Shoot	Tom Brown, PDD 973-919-5395
Special Children	Heidi McDonnell, PDD 973-545-1557
	Wayne McDonnell, VPE 973-841-9845
Veterans	Ed Parrillo 973-398-6677
Army of Hope	Matthew Winnans, PVP 201-572-8297
Youth Activities	Tom Brown, PDD 973-919-5395

01	Donna Falzarano
01	Heidi Mc Donnell
02	William Cullen
03	Richard Byrd
03	Douglas Smith
04	Robert M Edwards
04	Dave Schneider
05	Marvin Heiskanen
05	William A Wall
06	Erin De La Cruz
06	John R Merlino
06	Leon J Moreau
06	Erin Ronchetta
07	Robert Corcoran
08	Carol A Boyle
08	Marylyn DeLancey
08	Gregory O'Brien
08	Franklin J Quimby
08	Frank J Spano
09	Marty Kane
09	Kathryn Venier
10	Sophia Bonadeo
10	Donald Ellis
10	Patricia Seipp
10	Kathie Leanne Taft
11	Joann Grady
11	Laura Schroeder
11	Thomas Stokes
12	Mary Azagra-Monteiro
12	James S Siuzdak
13	Bruce Holly
13	Wayne Mc Donnell
14	Yvonne Ioffredo
14	Shirley Cooper Losak
15	Stephen J Leonard
15	Gina Lind
15	Christine Malloy
15	Robert Rogalsky
15	Karl H Then
16	Elizabeth Nelson
18	Christopher Garcia
18	John Nadzeika
20	David G Moran Jr
20	John Reynolds
21	Elizabeth Jackson
21	Marilyn Miller
21	Pamela Ricker
21	Lester E Wright
22	Nicholas Pignatello
22	Thomas Whelan
23	Howard Liebmann
23	Carol Pezzicara
24	Hollie Buff
24	Robert A Deiorio
24	James Meyer
24	Catherine Paluzzi
24	Charlotte Thom
25	Dawn Renee Scott
26	Louis P Pettinato
26	Joseph S Rutkoski III
26	Michelle S Terpstra
28	Dominick D'Altilio
29	Donna Rose Kupper
31	Lisa Adams

HAPPY BIRTHDAY MEMBERS OF DECEMBER



## ***“Elks Give from the Heart”***

**Douglas A. Schiefer**

GRAND EXALTED RULER  
**2024-2025**

***“Elkdom’s Heart for America”***

**Share Charity and Compassion This Holiday Season**



Merry Christmas! Let’s focus on the reason for the season: Remember to be kind and compassionate to one another as you attend social events at your Lodges. It must be a time when we can be the best of who we are. At the end of the day, it’s truly about putting our hearts toward enjoying family, friends, and service to others.

The Elks Memorial Service is to be held on the first Sunday of December. It is an occasion to honor those Elks who have passed away. It’s a time to remember the honorable way these Elks have served our Order. The great heart of Elkdom in our Eleven O’Clock Toast symbolizes how we feel about our departed Members.

Think of ways to serve your community by donating presents to underprivileged children and families and giving veterans a gift or holiday card. Giving is always better than receiving. Be sure to spread the word of your charitable works through your membership. I’m confident you’ll receive a positive response and many helping hands.

In 2019 GER Michael T. Luhr issued a challenge to Elks Members to raise funds for the Pearl Harbor National Memorial in Hawaii. There is no better way to honor the service and dedication of Americans, whose profound contributions to our nation should never be forgotten, so that generations to come will know and appreciate the enormous sacrifice of the “Greatest Generation.” Julia and I want to wish you a happy, joyous Christmas season. We wish your loved ones a heartfelt safe and enjoyable holiday season as you demonstrate “Elks Care—Elks Share” and show “Elkdom’s Heart For America.”

God bless our great Order and our troops, and God bless America!

***“Elks Care - Elks Share.”***

## ***Santa Claus Is Coming To Town***

### **SPECIAL CHILDREN’S COMMITTEE**

Hi members,

Our kids and the committee have had a pretty good fall and we plan to wrap up the year with our annual holiday festivities.

We held a virtual gift card raffle for Black Friday. Everyone enjoyed this event and we look forward to providing more like this. Families expressed how awesome it is that we are always thinking of the kids.

Our next event will be the District Christmas party at Parsippany lodge on Saturday, December 14th and then our Annual Breakfast with Santa at our lodge on Sunday, December 15th. We are looking at wrapping up the year with a virtual New Year’s Celebration, but more to come on that.

Please watch for the January newsletter for all the pictures from this month. Wishing everyone a very happy holiday season.

Until next year- have a great big beautiful tomorrow,  
Heidi & Wayne McDonnell  
SCC Co-Chairs



**SCAN HERE TO JOIN OUR  
FACEBOOK PAGE & VIEW  
UPCOMING EVENTS!!!**

**15<sup>th</sup> Annual LEAP IN THE LAKE**

For Our Special Kids  
Sponsored by Lake Hopatcong Elks #782  
**Saturday, March 2, 2024**  
Hopatcong State Park - 1:00 pm

Thaw out at our  
**Post Leap Party**  
at Lake Hopatcong Elks #782  
2 pm to 5 pm  
Food, Raffles, Giveaways,  
Music & More!

**VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION**  
[www.lakehopatcongelks.com](http://www.lakehopatcongelks.com)

All plungers will receive a complimentary ticket to the Post Leap Party, a "Leap in the Lake" sweatshirt and event souvenir items.  
Additional Post Leap Party tickets are available for \$20 per person  
All proceeds to benefit Special Children, Youth Programs & Building Renovation



## SICKNESS & DISTRESS

We are saddened to announce the passing of **Kimberly Douglas** who was a very active member of our Veteran's Committee. Also in sympathy we remember **Walter Michalski**, life member. Condolences to all of their family and loved ones during this difficult time. To our absent members.

Thoughts and prayers to our members who are ill or home recovering from recent sickness, injury, surgery or procedures: **Bob Venier, Dave Van Duynes, Laurie Betz, Jerry Shear, Jacob Desombre, Sonya Joseph and Howie Shimm.**

Also sending well wishes to **Michael Stockstill's Son, PER John Shaw's Mother** and also **Chris Hayden's Mother.** Our best wishes for a complete and successful recovery to all.

Extending well wishes to all our members. If you know of any member in need of our thoughts and prayers please contact me. Merry Christmas and a Happy & Healthy New Year!

Lauren Greed, Chairperson

973-668-6733 · LGreed83@gmail.com

## HOUSE COMMITTEE

*Happy November Members!*

Wow December is here and a busy end of year. Please note that welcome Wednesdays are not available for the month of December. Our committees will be back in January 8th with our Youth Activities Wing Night! Then our Veterans Committee will be bringing back their famous Italian Hotdogs. The House Committee will follow with our much loved grilled chicken topped with roasted peppers, mozzarella with a splash of balsamic glaze. We will close out the month of January with our Motorcycle Committee's famous cheesesteaks and live music by Joe Biglin.

December the 14th is our Christmas party, which is almost sold out. If you want to go, get your tickets soon. We are almost to our limit!!

The House Committee will be starting a raffle of \$500.00 in ShopRite gift certificates. The donation is \$5.00 per chance. With the cost of food, this will be a great raffle to win. Can't win if you not in it.

December 15th is our Breakfast with Santa for our special children. We will also be distributing our Holiday Appeal gifts. This is a great event to attend and help load the vehicles with presents and gift baskets for our families.

December 22nd is our famous breakfast with Santa. Come enjoy a buffet breakfast with a special visit from Santa. Please see the flyer in this bulletin for more information.

We will NOT be having Friday Night Dinner on December 27th. We will be prepping and decorating for our New Years Eve Party. The Four Man Trio will be back this year! Tickets are \$65 which includes a selection of hors'doeuvres, followed by a buffet dinner and Champagne toast at midnight to bring in a happy, healthy New Year to all.

*Wishing you and your families a very Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!*

Debi Werner, House Committee Chairperson

**FRIDAY NIGHT DINNERS**

**DECEMBER 6, 2024**  
BEEF STEW

**DECEMBER 13, 2024**  
STUFFED CHICKEN BREAST

**DECEMBER 20, 2024**  
KIELBASA & PIEROGI CASSEROLE

**DECEMBER 27, 2024**  
NO DINNER

## Friday Night Grill Menu

Hamburger .....	\$5.00	Hot Dog .....	\$3.00
With Fries.....	\$8.00	With Fries.....	\$6.00
With Onion Rings .....	\$9.00	With Onion Rings.....	\$7.00
Cheeseburger.....	\$6.00	Chicken Fingers (5 Pieces) ....	\$7.00
With Fries.....	\$9.00	Basket of Fries.....	\$5.00
With Onion Rings .....	\$10.00	Basket of Onion Rings .....	\$6.00

## WELCOME WEDNESDAY

**RETURNS 1-8-25 WITH WING NIGHT!**

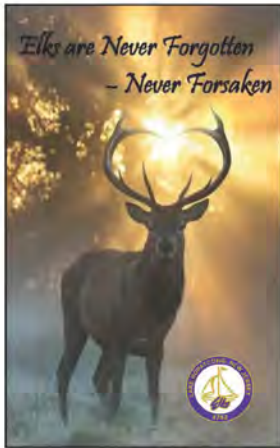
**CONGRATULATIONS LAKE HOPATCONG ELKS SOFTBALL TEAM FOR WINNING THEIR 10TH CHAMPIONSHIP!**

# Lake Hopatcong Elks Lodge #782

## MEMORIAL SERVICE

December 1, 2024

The 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of December is dedicated to the memory of all Elks we have lost in the preceding 12 months.



*Please Join Us  
As We Remember  
Your Loved Ones  
& Ours!!*

GATHERING BEGINS 10:00 AM  
BAGELS, ASSORTED MUFFINS  
& COFFEE/TEA

MEMORIAL SERVICE  
11:00AM



Wow the Months literally flew off the calendar, how are we in December? The Antlers are keeping busy serving wELKcome Wednesdays and our Friday Night dinners. Please continue to thank them for their hard work and dedication. Last month they helped with the lodge tricky tray, the Veterans Annual Spaghetti Dinner. The Antlers adopted a family of five this year from our Holiday Appeal Program and spent the afternoon shopping on November 27th. They had a great time shopping, and we stopped for lunch before we went back to the Lodge to wrap gifts.

Tickets Wreath & Sip at Nesters are on sale so join us on December 4th at this amazing event full of holiday spirit, you won't be sorry!!

As we turn to colder days and flurries the Antlers are selling snowmen and penguins in the members bar, it's an easy and fun way to support the Antlers.

We are planning another Make your own Mozzarella event soon and we are looking to hold bake sale so check your bulletin for updates. These fundraising events are to help send our Antlers to the Path and Peer Leadership Conferences. I am also working on getting ornaments in again for the holidays, keep an eye out.

Thank you for your continued donations to the clothing bins as it helps them make monthly donations to their charities. So, keep our bins in mind as you clean out your closets preparing for the holiday season. Reminder for parents we usually donate our children's less played with toys after the holidays to make way for their new gifts. If you could find your way to donate them prior to the holidays, you could be making a parent who might not have the money to hit the store and their child very happy this holiday season.

Please help us spread the word as we continue to look for ways to grow our numbers. Membership in the Antlers 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. As you can see it's a great time to be an ANTLER, we should all encourage the youth to join us. Applications and brochures can be found in the front lobby of the lodge. The Antlers do amazing things and have a great time serving our community as well as the lodge! We have so much in store for this year stay tuned for other upcoming events and watch to see what we do next!!

Remember Antlers today, Elks tomorrow!

Fraternally, Samantha P. Martin PER, Antler Chairperson



### Veterans Committee

Welcome to the cold weather as I'm writing this it's snowing in our area. We held our annual Black Friday Spaghetti Diner with a nice turn out. Thank you

to my committee for all your hard work, to all those who attended and to **AI** for providing us with music..

If you are able to donate t-shirts, socks and alcohol free toiletries for Veterans please bring to the lodge. We have a lot of knitted scarfs, throw blankets and hats from the women organizations and the ladies of the Mountain seniors and other knitting groups in the area. We will be distributing our collection at the Northwest District Birchwood Manor Roast Beef Dinner. Please bring it to the lodge by December 15.

Thank you to all who purchased a flag that we displayed at the flagpole memorial garden in the front of the lodge. Please come to the lodge to take your flags home. Thank you to our lodge officers for a very moving and well attended Veterans Day Service.

I would like to extend my well wishes to and get well **Howie Shim** on his recent hip surgery.

Lastly on a sad note I would like to express my deepest sympathy to all those who knew **Kim Douglas**. She was a very active member of our committee and will be greatly missed. Rest in peace.

Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

Ed Parrillo, Committee Chairperson





## Before You Know It, the Future Is the Past

As 2024 comes to a close, we find ourselves looking back on a year filled with challenges, triumphs, and the quiet but powerful moments that define who we are. Time may fly, but the impact we've made together at the Lake Hopatcong Elks Lodge will remain etched in the hearts of those we've touched for years to come.

This year, you—our extraordinary members—have shown what it truly means to make a difference. You've given more than just your time and effort; you've poured your hearts into every act of service. From feeding families and supporting veterans to mentoring our youth and bringing joy to our special children, your compassion has been nothing short of life-changing.

Think of the child who smiled because they finally felt included, the veteran who stood a little taller knowing they were not forgotten, and the family who found comfort because someone cared. Think of the special children who laughed, played, and felt truly seen because of your love. These are the moments that matter—the ones that transcend time and remind us of the power of kindness.

At the Elks, we're more than just neighbors. We're a family bound by the belief that together, we can build a better world. Whether it's through scholarships, youth programs, or simply being there for someone in need, you have turned obstacles into opportunities and challenges into hope.

As we step into 2025, let us carry forward the legacy we've built together. Celebrate the lives you've changed, the hearts you've lifted, and the futures you've brightened. Every act of kindness has created ripples far beyond what we can see, touching lives in ways that words cannot capture. Take pride in all you've done, for you are the heart and soul of this Lodge. Together, we are building something truly extraordinary—a community filled with love, compassion, and hope.

From the bottom of our hearts, thank you for all that you've given and all that you continue to do. Wishing you and your loved ones a joyful holiday season and a bright, hopeful new year.

With gratitude and love, Rick Gathen, Director, Grand Lodge Membership & Marketing

## December Special Festive Poinsettia Cocktail



### **YOUTH ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE**

**Thank You To All Who Attended  
Our Fundraising Event!**

**Thank You To Our Committee For All Your Hard  
Work To Make This A Great Success!!**



# WANT TO FILL YOUR CART?

## May Cupid Strike Your Heart!

### DRAWING VALENTINES DAY

### FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER 2-14-25



Tickets Available 12-14 For \$5 Donation. See Any Bartender!

### SPECIAL CHILDREN'S COMMITTEE BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Sunday, December 15, 2024

9:00 AM to 11:00 AM

Lake Hopatcong Elks Lodge

201 Howard Blvd. | Mt. Arlington, NJ 07834

Our special friends are invited to attend this annual event. Each special child will receive a gift from Santa.

Special Children & their immediate family are asked to RSVP

By no later than Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup>

Email: LH782.SCCEvents@gmail.com



MEDIA

ALERT

A Fraternal Organization

2750 N. Lakeview Avenue, Chicago, IL 60614-1889

Contact: Rick Gathen  
Phone: (862) 324-2412

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

#### ELKDOM'S HEART FOR AMERICA THIS DECEMBER

Chicago, IL – This December, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks is spreading hope and holiday cheer across the nation and beyond. From small towns to major cities, Elks Lodges in all 50 states, Puerto Rico, the Philippines, and the Panama Canal Zone are stepping up to serve their communities. Elk volunteers will deliver food baskets and gifts to thousands of struggling families, while hospitalized Veterans—our nation's heroes—will be honored with visits, gifts, and festive celebrations. The Elks' unwavering promise remains: "So long as there are Veterans, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks will never forget them." This year alone, the Elks have provided over \$55 million in support to Veterans and active-duty service members, aiding more than 300 VA medical centers, clinics, and care facilities with food, comfort packages, and recreational activities.

#### Investing in Futures and Communities

The Elks will also review thousands of scholarship applications this month, contributing \$5 million annually to help students achieve their dreams. Their Community Investment Program will deliver \$16 million to local projects that enrich and uplift neighborhoods. In 2024, the Elks' commitment to service has totaled over \$505 million, embodying their motto: "Elks Care – Elks Share."

#### Join the Elks in Service

With nearly 1,800 Lodges and 800,000 members, the Elks welcome American citizens aged 21 and older who believe in God to join their mission. Learn more at [www.elks.org](http://www.elks.org) or explore membership opportunities at [Join.Elks.Org](http://Join.Elks.Org). Together, let's make this holiday season brighter for all. For over 156 years, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks has been a cornerstone of community support and patriotism. From aiding Veterans to empowering youth and strengthening neighborhoods, the Elks are dedicated to building a stronger, more compassionate future.

Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks • Grand Lodge

Elks Care – Elks Share

# MAKE & TAKE

## SNACK & SIP

**December 4, 2024**  
7:00pm-9:00pm  
\$55.00 Per Person

~ Your Choice ~

**Christmas Wreath ❄️ Kissing Ball ❄️ Grave Blanket**  
**All Art Supplies Provided By Nester's**

**NESTER'S GREENHOUSE**  
234 STANHOPE SPARTA ROAD #2988  
BYRAM TOWNSHIP, NJ 07821

~ Benefits Antlers Attending Peer Leadership ~



*Motown  
Pop Dance*

*Rock n Roll  
R&B*

# **DOO WOP CHRISTMAS PARTY**

*Featuring The Jersey Jones*

**DECEMBER 14, 2024**  
**2:00PM-6:00PM**

Lake Hopatcong Elks • 201 Howard Boulevard • Mt. Arlington

**\$30.00 PER PERSON**

**~ CASH BAR AVAILABLE ~**

Light Snacks • Cheese/Pepperoni Platters  
Sausage Peppers & Onions • Pork Loin With Apricot Balsamic Glaze  
Blackened Chicken Over Smoked Gouda Penne Pasta  
Salad With Zesty Italian Dressing • Coffee • Dessert

**L I M I T E D   T I C K E T   S A L E S**

**For Reservations Please Call Debi Werner at 973-668-9302**





# **BREAKFAST WITH SANTA**

***DECEMBER 22, 2024***  
***9:00AM-11:00AM***

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

201 Howard Boulevard • Mount Arlington, NJ 07856 • 973-398-9835

***ALL YOU CAN EAT***  
***BREAKFAST BUFFET***

**ADULTS \$10.00 • KIDS \$5.00**

All Children 2 & Under Will Receive A Free Gift From Santa



**ADMISSION \$65**

**2025**



**NYE DINNER & DANCING**  
**8:00PM-1:00AM**

*Live Music By*  
**Four Man Trio**

**Appetizers • Charcuterie Boards**  
**Dinner Buffet-Style • Dessert**  
**Coffee • Champagne Toast**  
**(Cash Bar Available)**

*For Ticket Information Call:*







**Debi Werner 973-668-9302**



**Lake Hopatcong Elks • 201 Howard Boulevard • Mount Arlington, NJ 07856**



# December 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1  Absent Member Service	2 Ritual Practice <b>MOTOCYCLE COMMITTEE MEETING 6PM</b>	3 LODGE MEETING	4 POOL LEAGUE	5 <b>Darts</b>	6 Friday Night Dinner	7
8	9 Ritual Practice	10 HOUSE COMMITTEE MEETING	11 POOL LEAGUE Veterans Committee Meeting	12 <b>Darts</b>	13 Friday Night Dinner	14  Christmas PARTY
15  Special Children's Breakfast With Santa	16 Ritual Practice	17 LODGE MEETING	18 POOL LEAGUE	19 <b>Darts</b>	20 Friday Night Dinner	21
22  BREAKFAST WITH SANTA	23 Ritual Practice	24 HOUSE COMMITTEE MEETING	25  MERRY Christmas	26 <b>Darts</b>	27 Friday Night Dinner	28
29	30 Ritual Practice	31  NEW YEAR'S EVE				

## PRE-LEAP IN THE LAKE 2024 FUNDRAISER



**BURGERS • HOT DOGS • BBQ CHICKEN  
BAKED BEANS • MAC-N-CHEESE • PASTA SALAD**

**\$25.00 ADVANCE • \$30.00 DAY OF EVENT**

**LIVE MUSIC • 50/50**

**BEER • WINE • SODA PACKAGE AVAILABLE**

~ CASH BAR ALSO AVAILABLE ~

SATURDAY  
**FEBRUARY 22<sup>nd</sup>**  
→ 2PM-6PM  
2025



Lake Hopatcong Elks Lodge #782  
201 HOWARD BOULEVARD  
MOUNT ARLINGTON, NJ 07856

**TICKETS ON SALE SOON!**

PLEASE SEE ANY BARTENDER FOR TICKETS OR CONTACT:  
Cory Schmidt at 973-440-7393 • smokinschmidty@yahoo.com

(ALL PROCEEDS TOWARDS LAKE HOPATCONG ELKS LEAP IN THE LAKE GRAND TOTAL)



## OLD-FASHIONED ROAST BEEF DINNER

~ Hosted By The Veterans Committee ~

**TAKE-OUT OR DINE-IN**

Reservations For Inside Dining Recommended & Appreciated

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 4, 2025**

**6:30PM-8:30PM**

**ONLY \$15.00 A PLATE!**

INCLUDES: ROAST BEEF, MASHED POTATOES,  
GREEN BEANS, SALAD & HOMEMADE DESSERTS BY KAREN

**DANCE TO THE MUSIC WITH DJ AL**

**TO PLACE OR ORDER OR MAKE A RESERVATION  
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# January 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	notes
			1 Happy New Year <b>2025</b>	2 <b>Darts</b>	3 Friday Night Dinner	4 <b>Veterans Roast Beef Dinner</b>	<b>Make Reservations For Roast Beef Dinner</b>
5	6 Ritual Practice	7 LODGE MEETING	8 <b>WELCOME WEDNESDAY POOL LEAGUE</b>	9 <b>Darts</b>	10 Friday Night Dinner	11	<b>Join A Leap In The Lake Team</b>
12	13 Ritual Practice	14 HOUSE COMMITTEE MEETING	15 <b>WELCOME WEDNESDAY POOL LEAGUE</b>	16 <b>Darts</b>	17 Friday Night Dinner	18	<b>Sign Up To Cook A Friday Night Dinner</b>
19	20 Ritual Practice	21 LODGE MEETING	22 <b>WELCOME WEDNESDAY POOL LEAGUE</b>	23 <b>Darts</b>	24 Friday Night Dinner	25	<b>Pay My 2025 Dues Early!</b>
26	27 Ritual Practice	28 LODGE MEETING	29 <b>WELCOME WEDNESDAY POOL LEAGUE</b>	30 <b>Darts</b>	31 Friday Night Dinner		



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