



Lake Hopatcong Elks
Lodge #782

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



AUGUST 2017

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Exalted Ruler's Message

2017

A Fraternal Organization
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I can't believe how fast July flew by. There were so many exciting events that I was fortunate enough to be a part of and to proudly represent our lodge. The first thing was, of course, the Grand Lodge Convention in Reno. What a grand time everyone had. The competition was tough. We did our best and unfortunately we did not win. But you never know what's going to happen on game day. I had such an adrenaline rush that day. The excitement was in the air. I am so proud of the team for doing a great job. It was great to compete with the best of the best in ritual. Thank you so much to Rick and Linda Gathen for their great coaching, **Madelyn Walrod** who is the "Ritual Mom", and our cheering **squad (Barbara Pirro, Dawn Shaw, Trish & Scott Kearney and Joe & Marion Pennino)**. I really appreciate all your support and guidance. I also want to congratulate Florida for winning 1st place.

During the convention I went to the meetings every morning and learned a lot. The highlights for me were watching the **new GER Malcolm McPherson** and his team being installed with all the new District Deputies and of course accepting the All-American Lodge 1st place award. That was quite exciting to walk up there and have more than 7,000 people watching me while I received this great honor. Also I was asked to give the 11 o'clock toast in front of the entire state at the NJ State Elks Banquet. It was such an honor. We all really had a great time together. This trip was truly amazing and I will never forget it.

On July 22nd, I was honored to be apart of the ENF Christmas Party. We didn't get the big crowd we were hoping for but those in attendance really enjoyed the food and the music provided by DJ Jean. Thank you so much to ENF Chairperson **Debi Werner**. You always do such fantastic and professional events for ENF.

The following day I was able to attend the Annual Vets Picnic. Meeting all those men and women from Lyons hospital was quite amazing. They were so appreciative of the time we spent with them, when all we wanted to do is appreciate them and their sacrifice for our country. One of them even remembered Matty and brought him a bubble activity pack. I was so touched. He opened it up right away and there were bubbles everywhere.

On July 27th we held our Comedy Show, to benefit the Ritual Team. Thank you to all the sponsors and to everyone who attended the event. The comedians were great and everyone had a lot of laughs.

The month ended with the Annual Miracle Run, with Lake Hopatcong being one of the stops. Thanks to everyone who helped out. I will report more about this next month.

August will also be a very exciting month. We have the Golf Outing at the Homestead for Army of Hope on August 11th. I will be at the lodge this year assisting Madelyn with the luncheon. It is not to late to get a foursome together. Contact Bob Ricker at 973-886-0160.

Next we will have our Annual Seafood Fest on August 19th. This year will be fantastic. We will be honored to have many Past Grand Exalted Rulers and Past State Presidents with us. It is a great opportunity to meet our highest-level leaders of Elkdom. I have met many of them already and they are really great and down to earth people. Get your tickets soon. They are selling like hotcakes. Let's pray for fabulous weather. Looking forward to a great time.

We also will be having an initiation of new members in August some time. Look for an email blast as to the exact date when it is determined. Before you know it August will come and go too. So enjoy the rest of the summer vacation. Let's hope September will be just as exciting.

Fraternally yours,
Kathleen Caffrey, Exalted Ruler

2017-2018 LODGE OFFICERS



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3 Yr. Trustee	Craig Lang
4 Yr. Trustee	Tom Brown, PDD
5 Yr. Trustee	Ken Wisner

HOUSE COMMITTEE

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

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Army of Hope	Bob Ricker 973-288-1030
Youth Activities	Tom Brown 973-919-5395

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

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



01	Amanda DeTroy
01	Rosemarie Juskus
02	William LeFever
03	Kathleen Caffrey
03	Rose E Marino
04	Michael Bohrer
04	Jon Sperry
05	Thomas Brown
05	Leonard Sunshine
07	Richard Gathen
07	Dave Hubay
07	David Riser
07	Joseph Zemanek
08	Patrick Krowl
09	Edward Dehm
09	Squire F Osborne Jr
09	Ray Pruden
10	Tom Natale-Drown
13	Robert A Shortridge
13	Keith V Siminski
13	Jason Tate
14	Karl Then
15	Marjorie Curry
15	Karen Mariani
17	Blase Cassibba
17	Diana Kunka
18	Michael E Lopez
19	Scott Fitzgerald
20	William T Kerr
20	Peter Messina
21	John Barber
22	Brian Sterling
22	Keith J Willoughby
23	Frank J Arminio
23	Anthony Caserta
23	Nino Denino
23	Elizabeth Sadow
25	David P Fasanello
25	Zorrie Riazanow
26	Leonard J Podlaski
26	Michael A Suplicki
26	Joseph Weston
27	Lisa Berg
27	Michael Yaros
28	Helen Hutchinson
28	Roger Nitto
28	Cory Schmidt
29	William J Auriemma
29	Ronald Palladino
30	Susan W Johnston
31	Kathleen Marshall



“Elks Give from the Heart”

MALCOM J. McPHERSON, JR.
GRAND EXALTED RULER
2017-2018



Community Awareness Is Theme For 2017-2018

As I begin my journey this year, I want to extend my sincerest gratitude to you, the Elks community, for trusting in me to serve as your next Grand Exalted Ruler. I could not have achieved this honor without the unwavering support and guidance of many of my fellow Elks, family and friends.

My theme for the 2017-18 fraternal year is “Strengthening Elkdom Through Community Awareness.” By definition, community is “a feeling of fellowship with others, as a result of sharing common attitudes, interests and goals.”

Elks are community, and it is my hope for the coming year that by working together with the Elks National Foundation and through our more than 775,000 Members and nearly 2,000 Lodges nationwide, we can build both stronger communities and stronger Elks.

With the Elks mission of supporting veterans, aiding special and underprivileged children, and promoting the growth of our youth through scholarship, Drug Awareness and sports programs, we will ultimately build a bond with each other while making our local communities a better place to live.

For 2017-18, one of my goals is to increase membership. As we begin celebrating our 150th year of Elkdom, I ask that you promote the great work of Elkdom to your communities. To exist for 150 years, the Elks are doing great work. We must continue to inform our communities of our great works to increase membership and continue to strengthen our programs.

I challenge you to identify the specific ways in which you can foster the Elks values of charity, justice, brotherly love and fidelity in the places you live and work.

Pat and I are looking forward to meeting many of you in your Local Lodges and communities throughout our travels this year. Until then, I leave you with the old Irish Blessing: “May the road rise to meet you; may the wind be always at your back; may the sun shine warm upon your face...”

And may the hand of an Elk always be near.
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
August 9, 2017

September 13, 2017
October 11, 2017

November 8, 2017
December 13, 2017

SHOT FROM THE BAR

Its almost football time!!! Pre-games for the NFL will start soon as well as college football. You can also watch Nascar and base-ball. The member’s bar is open everyday by 1:00 p.m.

MOTORCYCLE COMMITTEE

There will be no Committee Meeting this month. See you in September!!

Charles Horvath,
Motorcycle Committee President

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

All news articles, photos and flyers must be submitted by the 20th of each month. I thank you in advance.

Patsy Schmidt
Newsletter Editor

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SICKNESS AND DISTRESS

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

HOUSE COMMITTEE

As July comes to the end the lodge had a great trip to the national convention in Reno. The team represented the lodge well. It was great and exciting being a part of the celebration of the nomination for Malcolm McPherson Jr. for Grand Lodge Exalted Ruler. He will make New Jersey proud.

August is the month for the annual seafood fest. Tickets are available from all bartenders or call Madelyn at 201 230-2596. This is always a great time for all in attendance. There will be plenty of food and spirits for all.

I would like to thank **Roger Nitto and Mike Clarke** for the hard work and diligence in redoing the picnic tables. They look new ... a great job done!!

Madelyn Walrod PER
House Committee Chairman



WHO'S COOKING WHAT FOR DINNER ON FRIDAY NIGHTS THIS MONTH?

AUGUST 4, 2017

Pork & Sauerkraut
Madelyn Walrod

AUGUST 11, 2017

Chef's Surprise

AUGUST 18, 2017

Chef Surprise

AUGUST 25, 2017

Shepherd's Pie

John & Dawn Shawn



VETERANS COMMITTEE

Hello All:

We had a wonderful day when our Lodge Member Veterans joined 19 Veterans from Lyons VA Hospital for a day of BBQ and games. I would like to thank the members of the Veterans Committee and our friends who's help and assistance was greatly appreciated. Special shout out to Mike! We will be working our first BBQ the 2nd August. Please come out and help us raise a little money so we can do more for our Veterans.

Fraternally Yours.

Peg Sharpe-Murphy

Veterans Committee Chairperson



SPECIAL CHILDREN'S COMMITTEE

Hello All,

As we are running through our Summer, there is one major event to promote that will be here before you know it.

We will start selling tickets for the NWD SCC Camp Moore Picnic. This will be held on Saturday, September 16, 2017 from 12:00-5:00pm, price shall be \$15.00 for adults, \$7.00 for 8 and under. All profits raised from ticket sales shall be going directly to assist with the Elks Camp Moore Revitalization Project. Many of the buildings on the property were donated and are maintained by the Northwest District such as the Telethon Building and the Pavilion. There is much needed repairs to be conducted to inside and outside bathrooms as well as some additions to be made inside of the Telethon Building that will commence during the off season before the 2018 camp season opens. We need the help of our membership from our lodge as well as from the entire district to get behind our State Major Project. With the addition this year of the Water Spray Park for the Camp, the amount of kids that we provide sponsorship too continues to be at full capacity. To our newer members, if you have never visited the Elks Camp Moore property there will be tours provided, the pool and spray park will be operating and we will provide food, refreshments, some games and more. Please purchase tickets to this event, you will be pleasantly surprised to see what your monetary donations will go towards to assist in the upkeep of this property and most of all to Help Keep the Smiles on the Faces of our Special Children! For ticket information please see the accompanying flier and you can contact Wayne for additional information. Tickets will be provided to the bartenders for sale at the lodge beginning August 1, 2017.

Thank you all for the continued support!

Fraternally Yours,
Wayne McDonnell
Special Children's Committee



I would like to start off by saying how proud I felt when I saw the videos on Facebook of the posters that the Antlers worked so hard to put together for GER, Malcolm McPherson for Reno. They all did an awesome job!!!!

The Antlers took the month of July off for some vacation time and relaxation.

The Clothing Drive trailer has been moved but is still going strong! Please keep those donations coming.

Our Antlers donated monies in July to Habitat for Humanity – Veteran's Build. It is so nice to see how these teenagers and young adults are researching and choosing charities of their choice each month.

August will find us busy again. I am having a pool party and BBQ for the Antlers this month. Our very first Wednesday night BBQ will be August 30th. Would love to see a great show of support for our Antlers.

The Footballmania tickets are out! Get yours while they last. Please see the flyer for more details. Tickets can be purchased online as well as at <http://www.charitymania.com/give/A7184>.

As always, membership is open to anyone ages 12–20. If you know anyone with interest, please contact me. Enjoy the rest of the summer!

Fraternally yours,
Tarin Chiappa
Antler Advisor

RITUAL COMMITTEE

Congratulations to the **Officers of Lake Hopatcong** for representing our Lodge and State of New Jersey at the National Convention in Reno Nevada. Overall the team placed 6th in the Eastern Division of the nation.

Kathleen Cafferty placed 2nd which is outstanding. **John Shaw** had the highest score on the team. We had six Officers place in the top half of the Eastern Division. We were in the top in most of the judging criteria.

Please join me in congratulating our Officers for their hard work and dedication.

Thanks,
Rick Gathen



State	Growth
1st Place California/ Hawaii	+649
2nd Place Florida	+352
3rd Place New Jersey	+294
Connecticut	+210
Rhode Island	+139
Nevada	+123
Maryland	+73
Delaware DC	+56
Massachusetts	+56
New Hampshire	+45
Maine	+40
Colorado	+33
Mississippi	+24
Arkansas	+22

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*Every Wednesday Evening From 6:00pm-7:30pm
Starting March 29th Through September 27th*

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(Final Wednesday Subject To Change Pending Weather)

**SALADS & MUCH
MUCH, MORE!**

**Lake Hopatcong #782
Army of Hope
7 th Annual Earl T. "Corky" Cornelius
Golf Classic**



**Friday August 11, 2017
Farmstead Country Club in Andover
7:00 AM Continental Breakfast
8:00 AM Shotgun Start
Includes Green Fees and Cart
Prizes and Dinner at Lake Hopatcong Elks
1 Hour Open Bar
Limited to the first 100 Golfers
Cost \$100.00 per golfer**

Make checks payable to Lake Hopatcong #782 Army of Hope

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Contact Person _____ Phone _____

For more information please call Robert Ricker 973-886-0160

Please Sponsor a Hole \$50.00

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**Make checks payable to Lake Hopatcong #782 Army of Hope
and Mail to**

**Robert Ricker
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Lake Hopatcong Elks #782



11th Annual Seafood Festival

SATURDAY, AUGUST 19th

2:00PM-6:00PM

DRAFT BEER • WINE • SODA

ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT

**Steamers, Clams, Shrimp, Clam Chowder, BBQ Chicken,
Burgers, Hotdogs, Corn-On-The Cob, & Assorted Salads!!!**

**PLUS YOUR CHOICE OF
Whole Lobster Or 16Oz. Steak!!!**

What A Bargain!! Only \$60 Per Person!!

ADVANCE SALES ONLY!

See A Bartender For Tickets Or Call Lodge At 973-398-0440 Or You Can E-mail Joe At jpennino50@yahoo.com For More Info.

Northwest District Elks Special Children's Committee Annual Picnic at Elks Camp Moore

**Join us for a fun afternoon of Music/ Dancing, Swimming, Camp Tours,
Games, Tricky tray, 50/50, & Fun!**

Tickets are \$15.00 for Adults/\$7.00 kids 8 & under

Menu: Pulled Pork, BBQ Chicken, Sausage & Peppers, Macaroni Salad,
Potato Salad, Cole Slaw, Clam Chowder, Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Corn-on-
the-Cob, Watermelon, Dessert, and More!

**Bring the Kids &
Enjoy the new
Spray Park!**



September 16, 2017

12pm – 5pm

**For Tickets Please contact your Lodge Chairperson or Call District
Chair Wayne McDonnell 862-579-5615**

**All Proceeds from Picnic to benefit Camp Moore
Revitalization project & building maintenance.**

August 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30	31	1 Lodge Meeting	2 Boat School 	3 Boat School	4 Friday Night Dinner	5
6	7 Ritual Practice	8 House Committee Meeting	9 Seniors 	10	11 Friday Night Dinner 	12
13	14 Ritual Practice	15 Lodge Meeting	16 	17	18 Friday Night Dinner	19 
20	21 Ritual Practice	22 House Committee Meeting	23 Seniors 	24	25 Friday Night Dinner	26
27	28 Ritual Practice	29	30 	31	1	2



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WE'RE  BACK

Elks National Foundation and The Antlers Lodge #4



ENF and the Antlers have teamed up to sell FootballMania tickets. All proceeds benefit many different charities, including, but not limited to, Youth Activities, Veteran's and Special Children.

For \$20 you get music downloads at www.charitystudio.com and an exciting, complimentary FootballMania sweepstakes game card! You have the chance to win \$1,000s in prize money!

FootballMania 17 Week Edition is an exciting and engaging sweepstakes that gives participants a chance to win prize money during each of the 17 weeks of the professional football season. Your sweepstakes game card contains 3 random teams in each week of the FootballMania season - a different set of teams each week. No two game cards have the same 3 teams in any given week.

Winning game cards are determined based on the points scored by the football teams assigned to it. If two game cards have the same score, the total yards gained by the 3 teams is used as a tiebreaker. The 8 highest scoring game cards and the 3 lowest scoring game cards each week win prize money! In the event that a team has a bye, that team will be assigned their point total from the previous week. Official Rules available upon request.

Please see any Bartender, Antler, Tarin Chiappa, Debi Werner or Mike Clarke for tickets.

You may also purchase online with a credit card at <http://www.charitymania.com/give/A7184>.

We had many winners last year! Don't miss out on this exciting game!!

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

To All Committee Chairs,

Please make sure that you are contacting public relations with all your upcoming events. They will be advertised in the local events calendars of newspapers as well as online sources and our Facebook page and Twitter. Please take every advantage of the public relations committee. It is a great source to get the word out on what the lodge is doing. Your committees work hard, let that shine thru and be proud to share.

Also, if you have held an event please send pictures (please include names of those appearing in the pic with title if applicable) and the committee/event name and a brief synopsis of the event. I would like to submit articles to the State Newspaper and Grand Lodge Magazine.

Remember to document your events ... always take pictures but be sure that the guidelines are being followed. No alcohol or tobacco products in the picture. When you are doing an organized group shot try to have no more than 5 people in the shot and you should have the lodge banner in the picture.

If you do not have anyone to take pictures, please contact me in advance and I will do my best to attend and cover your event. My schedule is pretty tight, so the sooner you let me know, the better. You can also email me your photos to dawnjohn90@optonline.net or call me at (908) 887-1969 if you have any questions.

Dawn Shaw
Public Relations Chairperson

September 2017

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



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