



Lake Hopatcong Elks
Lodge #782

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



JUNE 2021

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Exalted Ruler's Message

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"Building Hope for a Stronger Tomorrow."

2022



Hello Everyone,

Tom Rovito correctly answered last month's song title, Karn Evil #9 2nd Impression by Emerson Lake and Palmer. So, are you ready for this month's challenge? "Please allow me to introduce myself, I'm a man of wealth and taste. I've been around for long, long years, stole million man's soul and faith." Once again, the first lodge member that texts me the correct Song title and Artist to my mobile number 862-579-5615, this time will enjoy 1 Wednesday Night BBQ on me. Now on to the important items this month.

The month of June brings our members down to Wildwood for our State Convention, which runs from June 3rd-6th. First, I want to thank the members that have contributed countless hours producing our float that will be proudly displayed and driven in this year's parade. **Rick Gathen, PSP** and **Linda Gathen, PDD**, who coordinated and produced the float's concept and got everything started. **Pete Appaluccio, PDD**; **Jen Appaluccio, PER**; **Sean Macmillan, Derya Harquail** and **Mike Walsh** have all provided hours and ongoing contributions to the building of the float. We even had help from our ritual friends the **Larry's and Nancy** while they were visiting from the great state of Nebraska contributing to its construction. I want to also thank the **Hawthorne Caballeros Drum Corps** that will be providing our music ensemble during the parade on Saturday, 6/5/21. We hope to bring the coveted Governor's Trophy and several state awards back to the lodge due to the efforts of our marching members and our Honor Guard. I also want to congratulate our very own **Kathleen Caffrey-Winnans, PER**, who will be installed on Friday, 6/4/21 as the Northwest District Vice President.

As the restrictions are slowly being removed, please remember that we are continuing with our Wednesday Night BBQ's, Thirsty Thursdays and Friday Night Dinners. Thank you to the membership for your continued patronage to our lodge and I welcome you back after months of isolation. Please come and join us for great food and refreshments!

The month of June will conclude with our Americanism Committee's annual **Flag Day Service** on Sunday, 6/20/21 beginning at 11am and Father's Day BBQ will follow the service. The price will be \$8.00 to all the Father's and kids under 7, and \$15.00 to all other attendees.

Finally, the Ritual Team continues to prepare for Ritual Competition at the National Convention in Tampa, FL in hopes of winning the championship. We wish **Roxane Steffen** and her team the best of luck!

God Bless you all, our Special Children, our Veterans, our Service Members and most importantly, God Bless America!

Fraternally Yours,

Wayne McDonnell, Exalted Ruler

2021-2022 LODGE OFFICERS



Exalted Ruler	Wayne McDonnell 862-579-5615
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5 Year Trustee	Tom Brown, PDD

HOUSE COMMITTEE

Madelyn Walrod, PER, *Chairman*
 Lisa Rovito, PER
 Barbara Pirro
 Rich ter Linden
 Debi Werner
 Patsy Schmidt
 Derya Harquail

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TO RENT FOR ANY FUNCTION

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Antlers	Lisa Rovito, PER 201-978-7218 973-714-1334
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Elks National Foundation	Pete Appaluccio, PDD 973-736-7818
Flag Day	Linda Gathen, PDD 973-398-2097
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Public Relations	Diane Gleason
Softball Tournament:	Ricky Gathen

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Ritual	Heidi McDonnell, PDD 862-579-5616
Scholarship	Jennifer Appaluccio, PER 973-222-4547
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Soccer Shoot	Tom Brown, PDD 973-919-5395
Special Children	Heidi McDonnell, PDD 862-579-5616
Veterans	Ed Parrillo 973-398-6677
Army of Hope	Tom Rovito
Youth Activities	Tom Brown, PDD 973-919-5395

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

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



01	Michael K Hanley
01	Wesley Martin
01	Ronald Petillo
02	Patrick Esposito
03	Walter H Michalski
03	Joanne L Ridner
04	Patricia A Koba
04	Melissa VanCleve
05	Jill Fedorchak
06	Eugene J Garabrant
06	Edward Parrillo
06	Bruce Roznoy
07	Robert J Lupia
07	Loretta Rogers
08	Robert E Crocetti
08	Wally Hoskins
08	Diana Scotto
10	Elizabeth Castoro
10	Charles Russo
11	Lee Tylecki
12	Elaine Russo
13	Ellen Clark
14	Gina Marie Sedita
15	Raymond Hopler
16	Edward Hosler
16	Edward Kelly
18	Michael Grady
18	Jonathan Mutter
19	Scott Glennon
19	Douglas Moran
19	William G Norman Jr
22	Andrew Patin
22	Michelle C Stawniczy
25	Jordan Medley
26	George Irving
26	George Markou
28	Ken Chaplin
28	Brenda Kenna



“Elks Give from the Heart”

PAUL R. RYAN
GRAND EXALTED RULER
2020-2021



June : Our flag, our loyalty, and our veterans

Honoring the flag of our country on a day of national recognition for our flag is one of the proudest things we can do as Elks. After all, Flag Day was first introduced by the Elks.

You should be honored to put on the Flag Day ceremony. Talk to your city if they have a memorial that can be performed in conjunction with the Legion or VFW. My Lodge has performed it at a Veterans Hospital. Perform the ceremony in a place where many will see it and be educated by it. As you can see by my pin, the flag of the greatest country on earth is something that Stacey and I cherish deeply. I hope you will feel the same sense of pride this Flag Day.

That being said, you should also honor fathers this month. I know that my father has taught me a great plenty in life and I am so proud to call him dad.

My father-in-law has also been a great influence on me. My wife may have been the one that got me into the Elks, but he was the one who set me on my path and mentored me to where I am today. I am proud of them both and I am so glad that they have both been an influence to me.

Make sure to come to Tampa and partake in all of the great convention seminars and meetings. There is so much to do and so much to learn. You will also have a chance to meet other great Elks throughout the nation and gain new ideas and develop new connections. Don't just rush out and join your own state in their hospitality room—go get introduced to others.

Stacey and I look forward to seeing you soon in Tampa. Remember to Create Momentum for the Future of Elkdom!

“Elks Care - Elks Share.”



**Elks
National
Foundation**

NEW JERSEY ELKS FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP

The New Jersey Elks Family Scholarship is now \$900. These scholarships are available to children, grand-children and great-grandchildren (step-children, step-grandchildren and step-great-grandchildren) of New Jersey Elks. High school seniors as well as college freshman, sophomores, and juniors can apply. A student should apply each year of eligibility. It runs from April 15th to June 30th each year.

Applications for the 2021 contest will be available online at NJElks.org on April 15, 2021 and must be submitted by June 30, 2021.

Pete Appaluccio, PDD
ENF Committee Chairperson

SCAN & DOWNLOAD YOUR APPLICATION NOW!



5TH VETERANS CRUISE

ABOARD

Miss Lotta

JUNE 26TH, 2021

**TO RESERVE CRUISE ADMISSION, PLEASE CONTACT YOUR TOWN
REPRESENTATIVE BELOW:**

JEFFERSON

PATTY ROMANO
973-208-6102

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9AM - JEFFERSON & HOPATCONG VETERANS

11AM - MT. ARLINGTON & ROXBURY VETERANS

*The American Legion (210 Espanong Rd., Lake Hopatcong) will provide:
Free parking, complimentary shuttle & light lunch following each cruise*



SICKNESS & DISTRESS

LODGE OF SORROW

Our prayers to the family of **Elmer Poburski**, who was a member of 56 years.

Please keep in your prayers, **Gary Steffin**, who is recovering from surgery. Also keep in your prayers, those members who are still under doctors care and recuperating; **Laurie Betz, Gerald Sheard, Dawn Shaw and Herbert Moore**.

Please feel free to call or e-mail me if you know of a member who has fallen ill or to be placed on our prayer list at purpledebi@yahoo.com or 973-668-9302.

Debi Werner, Sickness & Distress Chairperson



HOUSE COMMITTEE

Our lodge patio looks absolutely beautiful!! A special thank you to **Marge & Red Curry and to their son, Scott** for the countless hours they put in planting flowers and decorating!! Thank you as always to **Mike Clarke and his crew** for keeping the grounds looking sharp! The next project here on the horizon to being completed is our patio near the pavilion. If you have some free time and would like to help complete this project please see **Mike Clarke**.

Our 1st Mother's Day Brunch with serving stations was a great success. A special thank you to **Debi Werner** for all her preparations, the beautiful flowers and time put into this event. People really enjoyed themselves! I would like to thank the House Committee, The Antlers, all our volunteers and those who attended in making this event a success.

As June approaches the NJ Elks State Convention in Wildwood is upon us. There are many members going down to participate in the festivities along with our new Drum & Bugle Corp, The Hawthorne Caballeros. We are all looking forward to great weather for our parade and taking home trophies!

June 20th will be the Flag Day Ceremony followed by a Father's Day BBQ. Look for details in this newsletter.

As always I am always looking for new cooks in the kitchen, please see me if you are interested in a Friday Night Dinner.

I'd like to wish all of our Dads a Happy Father's Day!

*Madelyn Walrod
House Committee Chairperson*

FRIDAY NIGHT DINNERS



JUNE 4, 2021

NO FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER

JUNE 11, 2021

Chicken Surprise

Tom Brown, PDD

JUNE 18, 2021

PASTA VARIETY

Madelyn Walrod, PER & Her Crew

JUNE 25, 2021

SHEPHARD'S PIE

Dawn & John Shaw, PER

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN COOKING A FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER

PLEASE CONTACT MADELYN @ 201-230-2596



I am very excited that the Antlers will begin meeting again at the end of June. The Antlers are Junior Elks and the Program is designed to bring young people together in our communities to get involved with the Elks in the many service related projects that our lodge sponsors. Membership 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 God. This program is an excellent way for the youth to receive volunteer hours required for High School graduation and is an asset when applying for scholarships. If you have any family members or friends that would be interested in joining the Antlers please contact me at 201-978-7218 or email me at lisarovito0525@optonline.net. I am also looking for members that would be interested in joining this committee. Some of you have already reached out to me but if anyone else is interested just let me know. Working with the youth in our community is very rewarding and fun and I urge members to get involved to make a difference. Once again the Antler's Clothing Drive continues to be very successful and I thank our members for their donations.

Fraternally, Lisa Rovito, PER, Antlers Chairperson

A SHOT FROM THE BAR

Please continue to watch out for specials on Facebook or an e-mail blast for our Wednesday Night BBQs, Thirsty Thursday & Friday Night Dinners!!



VETERANS COMMITTEE



The Lake Hopatcong Elks Lodge #782 and the Veterans Committee assisted the Mt. Arlington Council and Mayor in the Memorial Day Service on May 29th. The Memorial service was held inside the lodge due to the weather conditions. We had many in attendance and the service was beautiful. Thank you to all who attended.

Don't forget all Flags should be lowered at 1/2 Mast until Noon on May 31st in honor of all Veterans who paid the ultimate sacrifice.

Good luck to our lodge at the Wildwood Elks Convention this coming weekend, June 4-6. Our float, honor guard and marchers will do our lodge proud.

Monday, June 14th is Flag Day. All flags should be flown to honor our heros and disabled Veterans.

The Veterans Committee is planning a visit to the Lyons Hospital with food, snacks, drinks and canteen coupons for the Lyons Veterans.

Upcoming we will again be giving another hearing aids to a lodge Veteran. We gave a hearing aid previously to one of our Veterans held during our Veterans meeting last month.

I will be making contact with a personnel from Lyons Veterans Hospital this month in an effort to help the Veterans at the Senior Living Center.

On June 20th is Fathers Day and the 1st Day of Summer. Our lodge will be having our Annual Flag Day Service and a Father's Day BBQ to follow.

On June 26th four local towns will give Veterans a cruise on the Miss Lotta boat. There are sights around the lake where land lovers can view the tour. Please see the article within this newsletter for more information. Thank you to Mt. Arlington, Jefferson, Hopatcong and Roxbury for hosting this event.

Happy Father's Day to all our Dads, Grandads, Grandpas, and Pop-Pops both here and gone.

God Bless America and God Bless our Veterans
Ed Parrillo, *Veterans Chairman*

UPCOMING MEETINGS

June 9th
July TBD
August 25th
September 22nd



October 13th
November 10th
December 8th



SPECIAL CHILDREN'S COMMITTEE

Dear Members,

The committee held its first meeting of the new fraternal year this past month. We have a lot of fun plans in the works for our special children.

Our first order of business was to check in with the families. This was done by sending out a survey via Survey Monkey. We are still collecting surveys and we will have more info to share at our next meeting on how we will proceed thru the year. In addition to the survey results I will be sharing a calendar of events with the committee and go over what we will need.

If you're interested in becoming a part of the committee or want to see what we are doing and get involved by volunteering for upcoming events our next meeting will be held In person at the lodge on Wednesday, June 9th at 7:30pm. Stop by for Wednesday BBQ and stay for the meeting. We hope you will join us.

Until then...have a great big beautiful tomorrow!

Fraternally,
Heidi McDonnell, PDD
Lodge SCC Chairperson



That's right Alice, \$5 pitchers of beer at the Lodge on Thursdays & Sundays!!



Is Proud To Present Our

SUNDAY, JUNE 20TH

Service To Begin 11:00AM

FLAG DAY CEREMONY

~ Followed By ~

FATHER'S DAY BBQ

*Please join us for this beautiful and informative ceremony
which pays tribute to our American Flag and details the
history of the flag from the early Colonial days to present times*



Come Join Us For A Special Dad's Day BBQ

**HAMBURGERS, HOTDOGS, BBQ CHICKEN,
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DADS \$8 • ADULTS \$15 • KIDS UNDER 7 \$8

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WEDNESDAY

**TAKE
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NIGHT

BBQ

**DINE
INSIDE**

BRING A FRIEND!!

**PATIO
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\$10

**BURGERS
HOT DOGS
AND SALADS**

5PM - 7PM

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for a pick up time
201 230 2596.**



**Lake Hopatcong #782
Army of Hope
11th Annual Earl T. "Corky" Cornelius
Golf Classic**



**Friday August 13, 2021
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 72 Golfers
Cost \$120.00 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

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2021 JUNE



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
30	31 Ritual Practice	1	2 Load The Truck Night BBQ	3 THIRSTY THURSDAY 	4 No Friday Night Dinner ← NJ ELKS WILDWOOD CONVENTION	5
6 JUNE 4th-6th →	7 Ritual Practice	8 House Committee Meeting	9 BBQ VETERAN COMMITTEE MEETING	10 THIRSTY THURSDAY 	11 Friday Night Dinner	12
13	14 Ritual Practice 	15 Lodge Meeting 7pm	16 BBQ	17 THIRSTY THURSDAY 	18 Friday Night Dinner	19
20 FLAG DAY CEREMONY BBQ	21 Ritual Practice	22 House Committee Meeting	23 BBQ YOUTH GROUP MEETING 7PM	24 THIRSTY THURSDAY 	25 Friday Night Dinner	26
27	28 Ritual Practice	29	30 BBQ	1 THIRSTY THURSDAY 	2 Friday Night Dinner	3

YOUTH GROUP ACTIVITIES

I would like to invite anyone who might be intereted in joining this committe to attend the upcoming meeting on June 23rd at 7:00pm. If you have any questions regarding the Youth Group Committee please do not hesitate to reach out to me at 973-919-5395.

Tom Brown, PDD, Committee Chairperson

Membership Matters—A Lot

By Rick Gathen
GL Membership and
Public Relations



EVERY MEMBER of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks is important in improving the quality of life in our local Elks communities, and, in turn, improving the Elks communities as a whole. We pledge never to forget our veterans. Our programs help special-needs children and help our nation's youth with scholarships and drug prevention programs. We offer countless opportunities for social activities and new friendships. We are the premier charitable and patriotic organization in the United States.

With nearly 800,000 members working toward this great goal, no wonder the Elks are referred to as the **Best People On Earth**.

Your membership in the Elks matters to millions of deserving Americans. The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks would not be the organization it is today without your membership. There is a tangible and emotional benefit we all receive in return for the dues we pay.

Please remember—We all matter just by paying our annual dues!

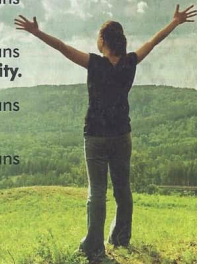
Thank you to each member of the Elks

Look at your Elks membership as a means for a better future for our youth.

Look at your Elks membership as a means for a better future for your community.

Look at your Elks membership as a means for a better future for our veterans.

Look at your Elks membership as a means for a better future for our nation.



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Elks 2021

ELKS SOCIAL MEDIA NETWORK

JULY 2021						
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11	Ritual Practice 12	House Committee Meeting 13	14 	THIRSTY THURSDAY 15 	Friday Night Dinner 16	17
18	Ritual Practice 19	Lodge Meeting 7pm 20	21 	THIRSTY THURSDAY 22 	Friday Night Dinner 23	24
25	Ritual Practice 26	House Committee Meeting 27	28 	THIRSTY THURSDAY 29 	Friday Night Dinner 30	31



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