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Exalted Ruler's Message

I hope everyone safe and enjoyable summer. Now it's back to school, back to work and back to a full Fall activity schedule in Elkdom.

BIG NEWS! The lodge will resume live music and dinner on Friday, September 10, *with a few notable changes.* There is no longer a cover charge and the music will vary from week to week. We will no longer have the same band week-in and week-out. Our Executive Chef, Alex Ebewak is back with the tastiest food in town. Another important change is that the lodge has retained a public relations firm, *Nightingale and Nightingale* to help promote our music and dance Friday nights. They will also help increase our hall rentals and catering business. We hope to see you and your family and friends for some great food, great music and great company.

On **Thursday, October 7th,** we will welcome our new District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler Craig Munn, on the occasion of his Official Visit to Huntington Lodge. This will be great evening and one you should not miss!

Our new *Grand Exalted Ruler, Michael Smith* has emphasized his theme of ***Elk Passion*** — we must increase our membership!!! Only two states in the union, have been able to increase their membership. All others states membership roles have decreased, some with big numbers. I urge everyone to bring in a new member or two in the coming year. This will help us tremendously. We need everyone's participation.

I have recently appointed, Jack Safarik, our Esteemed Leading Knight, as the new chairman of the lodge Board of Governors. I am sure that Jack will do a great job in this leadership position. We also have a new Audit Committee, consisting of Bob Dos Santos, *Chairman*, Dan Phelyn, and one our new younger members, Bill Mulligan. George Dos Santos has been doing a fine job as the chairman of the Finance Committee. Together with his team they have managed to maintain the value of our investments. Not an easy task in this faltering economy.

And speaking of finances, at our October 21st meeting we will be discussing and voting on whether or not to accept an offer that we have received to sell the lodge building. You will be receiving a letter shortly in the mail, that will give more details. This discussion and vote will be critical to the future of Huntington Lodge. Your participation is definitely encouraged.

The lodge was scheduled to have a *Night at the Races*, this past August but it was cancelled due to the death of our Past State President **Jim Barrie**. Jim was a true and loyal Elk, and a great friend to our lodge. His presence will be surely missed. We hope to reschedule the Night at the Races very soon. Stay tuned!

Elks care, Elks share. This past June, a contingent of Elks from Huntington Lodge participated in an *Extreme Makeover Home Edition* for the Lutz family, in East Setauket. Within 5 days a whole house was built. See the attached pictures of Bob Ryan, Tom Litwin, and myself during the height of the construction. And look for us when the show airs on ABC, this Fall.

It is with extreme pleasure that I report on the success of this years annual Golf Tournament. As most of you know, the purpose of the event is to raise the money, we use for the many charitalbe cause we support. This money goes to pay for events for our veterans, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and

many of our other charitable endeavors. My thanks goes out to chairman, George May and his entire committee for a spectacular job well done.

On July 31st, Eagle Scout Zack Kulsziski, Troop 200, Elwood, had his Eagle Court of Honor at the lodge. As you may know, the beautiful pegola in the Lorraine Martin Memorial Garden, behind the lodge was Zack's Eagle project. Zack really did an incredable job. We wish him well in college. I'm sure Zack will be a success in whatever career he pursues in life.

Lastly, I apologize for the tardiness of the Trail this past Summer. Due to heavy demands at work, it was not possible for our new editor to print the July/August until the end of August. If you missed it, it is posted on our lodge website.

Bob Gaun
Exalted Ruler

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sept. 16th	General Meeting	8:00 p.m.
Sept. 17th	Friday Night Dinner/Dancing	7:00 p.m.
Sept. 24th	Friday Night Dinner/Dancing	7:00 p.m.
Sept. 26th	300 Club Buffet	3:00 p.m.
Oct. 1st	Friday Night Dinner/Dancing	7:00 p.m.
Oct. 6th	District Deputy Lodge Audit	6:30 p.m.
Oct. 7th	District Deputy Official Visit	8:00 p.m.
Oct. 8th	Friday Night Dinner/Dancing	7:00 p.m.
Oct. 15th	Friday Night Dinner/Dancing	7:00 p.m.
Oct. 21st	General Meeting	8:00 p.m.
Oct. 22nd	Friday Night Dinner/Dancing	7:00 p.m.
Oct. 29th	Friday Night Dinner/Dancing	7:00 p.m.

Please Party Responsibly

FRIDAYS
LIVE MUSIC
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featuring Executive Chef Alex
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Open to the Public
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EVERY FRIDAY 7:30-11:30 PM
No Cover Charge • Cash Bar • Dinner Menu Available
Credit Cards Accepted

300 CLUB

Bill Martin, *Secretary*

This 300 Club Season draws to another exciting conclusion with the drawing of our two big $150 winners at the a free 300 Club Buffet on Sunday afternoon, Sept. 26th. Your ticket entitles you and a guest to to enjoy a great meal and even better company.

Here is a list of this seasons winners:

5/5 - 81 & 234
5/12 - 134 & 221
5/19 - 113 &152
5/26 - 61 &73
6/2 - 111 & 244
6/9 - 267 & 300
6/16 - 137 &07
6/23 - 183 & 199
6/30 - 86 &87
7/7 - 147 & 195
7/14 - 133 & 137
7/21 - 177 & 236
7/28 - 216 & 237
8/4 - 89 & 199
8/11 - 17 & 242
8/18 - 90 & 272

For tickets and or further information about the new upcoming 300 Club drawing that begin again in January, please call Bill Martin at 631-271-4187 or 271-1565

RECENT PASSING

Bill Martin, *Secretary*

George Cousin #2942

Joseph Gazz #482 (63 yr. member)

Frank Callaghan #2199

Charles Hubbs #3107

They are gone, but not forgotten...

ELKS CARE, ELKS SHARE

This summer, an number of brothers from the Huntington Elks piched in on three nights in June, helping to rebuild a house for a needy family in East Seatauket, as part of the ABC show *Extreme Makeover Home Edition*. These brothers included Bob Ryan, Tom Litwin, Doug Bassin and ER Bob Gaun. They were even interviewed on camera. Watch the show when it airs this Fall to see if they get their 1.5 minutes of fame or ended up on the cutting room floor. Either way they had a great time and know that their effots are appreciated.

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LODGE MEETING NIGHTS
First and third Thursdays of each month at 8:00 PM.

NOTICE TO PROPOSER OF APPLICANTS
There is an Initiation fee of $75.00 of which $50.00 must accompany each application form. The Membership Committee meets at the Lodge Tuesday following the Lodge Session, and will be glad to hear from any Brother for or against any candidate. The Committee request that all sponsors accompany their candidates on evening of interview.

Lodge Officers 2010-2011

EXALTED RULER
Robert Gaun

LEADING KNIGHT
Jack Safarik

LOYAL KNIGHT
Douglas Bassin

LECTURING KNIGHT
Vivian Concar

SECRETARY
William Martin, PER

TREASURER
Gordon Beaubien

TILER
Stan Sielaff

ESQUIRE
Judith Warden

CHAPLAIN
Robert Vandenburgh

INNER GUARD
Wayne Cammer

LODGE TRUSTEES

ONE YEAR
Nick Menza

TWO-YEAR
Robert T. Ryan, PDDGER, Chmn.

THREE YEAR
Walter Kuhn Jr., PER

FOUR-YEAR
Alex Kankula

FIVE-YEAR
Edward Farquhar, PER

LODGE SPONSOR
Kevin Schaefer, PDDGER