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Exalted Ruler's M e s s a g e



On January 18th I attended the Central District Flag retirement at the Menlo Park Veterans Home. It was the first one I went to and I was very pleased to see that it was well attended and that there was 100% participation from the Central District Lodges. I said this before about ceremonies such as this, it makes you proud to be an American and to be an Elk. It's very small commitment on one's part to participate in something that reminds us all of, what the American Flag represents, that you can never say thank you enough to our veterans and to be thankful for the Elks for supporting such causes.

The Maxey Hall bathroom project is rapidly progressing toward completion. I think every member will be pleased on its outcome. I hope the finished job will spark interest on further projects on getting the Maxey Hall back in order. There has been some talk on having some sort of celebration after the bathrooms are done, perhaps a party or an open house - details will follow as the job nears conclusion.

The Lodge recently had some tree work done on the property. Some trees were removed and others had some overdue pruning. Rich's Tree Service spent an entire day working on the trees. I think they did a great job and the property looks much better. Next time you're at the Lodge, if you haven't noticed already, take a look around and I hope you are pleased at what you see.

Yours in Elkdom,
William Seavey, ER



Quote of the Month

"It's easy to make a buck. It's a lot tougher to make a difference."

--- Tom Brokaw



FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

- 1 John Misiak
- 2 Ralph Weber
- 4 Betty Volker PDD
Darlene Rymer
- 5 Dennis Nevi
- 7 Betty Jane Klikus
- 8 Stanley Autocunas PER
- 10 Francine Gargano
- 14 Charles DiMarco
- 16 Robert Cirullo
Joy Kerr
John Marish
- 17 Barbara Tumolo
- 19 Ralph Ekberg Sr.
- 24 Justina Buro
- 27 Karen Loeffler
- 28 Charles Mott

If your birthday does not appear correctly on the monthly birthday list please contact our Lodge Secretary to have the information corrected in the Members Database..

SPECIAL CHILDREN'S COMMITTEE

Our Alternate Ambassador Jady Waiser has been invited to Union Lodge for their Sweethearts Dance on February 8, 2014. I will be joining the Waiser family as Watchung Hills Elks Lodge 2252 SCC sponsor. If anyone wants to join us, please let me know and the Lodge SCC will sponsor you and we always appreciate your efforts and attendance. Thank you all for always being there for the Special Children's Committee.

Betty A. Volker, PDD
Chairwoman



For \$10.00 a year, you too can be an Echoes Booster.

All proceeds will offset the cost of printing and mailing the Bulletin. Thanks to those who have already pledged their support.

03/14

- Ken Burd
- Chris Burd
- Tony Ciufu
- Fred Cooke PER

04/14

- J.E.B. Irvine PER
- Stanley Autocunas PER

05/14

- Gerry DelPiano PER

08/14

- Stephen Terrible PSP

09/14

- Fran Bellew PER

11/14

- Barney Coughlin PER
- Doug Reeder



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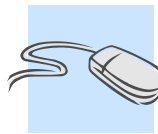
- MENU**
- Tempura Batter Fish
 - Seafood Salad
 - Coleslaw & Chips



FRIDAY, April 18, 2014

5:00 pm to 8:00 pm

\$14 Adults/\$6 Children



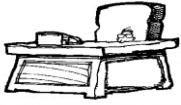
Information is Just a Click Away...

Be the first to see our Monthly Echoes Bulletin. We are now able to post the current Echoes Bulletin on the Elks.org website. We invite you to check out the Watchung Hills virtual page that is linked on the Elks.org site. It's simple:

1. Log on to Elks.org
2. Click on **LODGE LOCATOR** at the top right of the page
3. Enter our Lodge # 2252
4. Click on the News tab on left to bring up the newsletter

Check out all the tabs and don't forget to save the link to your bookmarks or favorites.

Any questions? - Please contact Kathleen Olesen
(kaolesen@verizon.net).



FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK

2014-2015 Dues Notices are going out. Dues are the same as last year payable no later than April 1, 2014. If you have a change to your mailing address, please let me know as soon as possible.

The following members have not renewed their membership for 2013-2014:

Frank Bello	Mark Francois
Mike Conrad	Denise Gargano
Karen DeBisco	Diane Mondoro
Michael Tenore	

If you know any of the seven who have not renewed their membership for 2013-2014, please help us out and try contacting them. They can call me, or even e-mail me at any time.

Now is the time to see if anyone would like to take over the secretary position for the 2014-2015 fraternal year. The job requires someone who is computer literate with the Internet, Word, and Excel. Most of all someone who wants to do the job and not just hold a position in the lodge. I will not lie and say it's easy, there is a lot of responsibility to handle. About ten to twenty hours a week on the average is spent. I will train anyone who takes the position and make sure they are comfortable before leaving him or her on their own. If you are thinking about it and want more information, please contact me at any time.

Paul Lowell, PER, Secretary
Cell phone: 908-230-7303, E-mail: xqc395@verizon.net



**D I S T R I C T
G O I N G S O N**

2/13	District Veterans Meeting at New Brunswick 7:30 PM – 8:30 PM
2/18	District SCC Meeting at South Amboy 8:00PM
2/25	District Veterans Bingo at Menlo Park Veterans Hospital
2/27	Vice President Clinic at Edisont 7:30AM

For up to date information check out:
<http://www.njelks.org/> and click on
NJ District Activities then Central District

**OFFICER NOMINATIONS FOR THE 2014-2015 ELK YEAR WILL BE
TAKEN DURING THE FEBRUARY 6, 2014 GENERAL MEETING.**

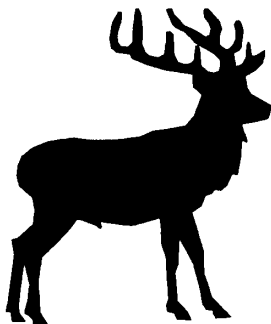
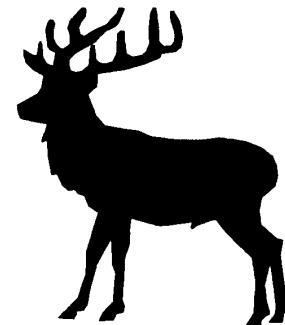


VETERANS COMMITTEE

The District Veterans Committee is planning a fund raiser. I will report more information as I receive it.

Please remember to thank a vet or any of our active military when you see them. It is because of their sacrifices that you and I enjoy our freedoms.

Yours in Elkdom, Fran Bellew, PER, Chair
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 **AMERICANISM** 

I am glad to announce the 7th and 8th grades winners for the Essay contest: 1st place John Kolibachuk 2nd place Aayushma Patel and 3rd place Brian Puccio. The Central District will judge them for the state winners

The Citizen of the Year is Bill McDonald. The Citizen of the Year dinner is on March 23, 2014 at Woodbridge Lodge starting at 2 p.m.

Our flag retirement at Menlo Park Soldiers home was well attended.

Please fly your flag proudly and have a happy Valentine's Day.

Yours in Elkdom, Lynn Spurrier, Chair
E-mail: spurrl@aol.com



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FEBRUARY 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2  Groundhog Day	3	4	5	6 Lodge Meetings Officers – 7:00 pm General – 8:00 pm	7	8
9	10	11	12 PER Meeting 7:30 pm Lincoln's Birthday	13	14  Valentine's Day	15
16	17  Presidents' Day	18 Board of Directors 7:00 pm	19	20 Lodge Meetings Officers – 7:00 pm General – 8:00 pm	21	22  Washington's Birthday
23	24	25	26	27	28	3-1
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