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Exalted Ruler's M e s s a g e



The 101st Wildwood reunion was held on June 6th-8th. Unfortunately because of prior commitments and the continued effect of economic downturn, I was the only representative of Watchung Hills. Despite this, I represented the Lodge well. I was a parade of one, I proudly marched with our nations flag in hand. But to be honest, I marched closely to Edison Lodge, which was the group in front of me, so I didn't look like such an idiot. All in all it was fun, I was glad to do it and I vow to increase our participation in next year's reunion by 100%. (If you know math and percentages, you realize that was a joke – but I digress.) But seriously, we should start thinking about next years reunion and if anyone is interested in going, we could do fund raisers throughout the year to offset the cost. The Wildwood reunion also saw the installation of The Central District's own, Pete Smith, as our new State President. I want to again congratulate Pete on his accomplishment and to let him know that he has our continued support in his upcoming year.

For those of you who don't know, our pool is opened for the season. Anyone who hasn't joined the pool, but would like to, please see Deb Case or any other member of the pool committee for information on how to do so.

Speaking about the pool - I was approached by the ER from New Brunswick, Sam Fisher, about visiting our Lodge. They do a bus trip to "nowhere" and he asked if they could come to our Lodge and enjoy the grounds and the pool. After asking members of the pool committee, who thought it would be a great idea to have other Elks come and join us for a day of fun, have decided to have an Open Pool Day for visiting Elks and our members. The tentative date is Saturday July 26th. Sam said they plan on making it to two or three Lodges that day, ours being the last visit, so they can enjoy the pool. Details of the day are still being worked out, but it will be a great time – so please join us. Sam also wanted to let me know that their annual picnic is August 9th. Anyone interested in going, please see me for details.

Wally O'Neill has approached me with a very interesting idea. The Watchung Hills #2252 garden competition. Teams of gardeners would choose an area to cultivate, maintain and beautify. This would be an on going event that would continue year after year. Let's face it our grounds could use sprucing up and they are too big for just one person to maintain. So if anyone is interested, please see Wally or myself for more information. This is an idea that is still evolving, so any input would be greatly appreciated. Oh yeah, if this becomes a successful project, then it will become "my idea" (another joke).

Yours in Elkdom,
William Seavey, PER



JULY

BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Deborah L. Metner
- 2 Rosario Bove
- 4 Morris S. Mackes Jr.
Vincent Oliva
- 5 Linda Helmstetter
- 7 Anthony F. Metner
- 8 Doug Reeder
- 9 Kim Frazier
Thomas N. Keller Jr.
- 14 Jeffrey Loeffler
- 15 Guy Treppiccione
- 18 Lisa Slater
William Sorensen
- 19 Melissa Balla
William J. Lewis Jr.
- 20 Kathleen Olesen
Amelia Przelomski
- 22 Duke Andersen
- 26 Peter Plesmid
John M. Volker, PER
- 27 Paula Heilman
- 28 Paul Lowell, Jr., PER
- 29 Joseph Bobko
Bryan Chiaravallo
Martie Reeder
- 30 Kenneth Burd
- 31 Joan 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

SPECIAL CHILDREN'S COMMITTEE

The selection for 2014-2015 annual Ambassadors has been completed and I am SO VERY PROUD to announce that Jadyn Waiser, one of our Special Children who has been attending our parties and this past year has represented Watchung Hills as our Alternate Ambassador has been selected as the Ambassador Child of Area 4 of the New Jersey State Elks. Area 4 consists of the Central District, East Central District and West Central District. Jadyn's parents are Michelle and Neal Waiser. **Congratulations to Jadyn!!!!** Jadyn is 10 years old, is very involved in ballet, modeling, she is a Jr. cheerleader of the JETS, loves music and dancing. We are so proud to have Jadyn and her parents Michelle and Neal with us.

This year's annual **Central District Committee picnic at Camp Moore is scheduled for July 20th**. This year we will be serving a pizza dinner and will be served at 6:00pm. Anyone wishing to attend please contact me for information and directions. This is a perfect time for anyone who has not been to Camp Moore to see it in action and to see the smiles on the faces of our Special Children.

The **Miracle Run is scheduled for July 27, 2013** and the picnic will be held at Stirling Lodge 2392. Raffle tickets for a Harley are on sale for \$20.00 each and tickets are still available. Remember that all proceeds from this event go to Camp Moore.

Betty A. Volker, PDD
Chairwoman

SICKNESS & DISTRESS

The Lodge has lost a beloved member **Michael Schettini** who passed away June 6th in Princeton NJ. Please keep member **Doug Reeder** in your prayers as he continues his recovery from emergency surgery



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.

08/14

Stephen Terrible PSP

11/14

Barney Coughlin PER
Doug Reeder

02/15

Ken Burd
Sandra Burd PER
Tony Ciuffo
George Dealaman
William Heilman
Arthur Lewis
Vincent Oliva
Ken Pawelek
Laura Pawelek
Melanie Savulich
Edward Staeger
Thomas Mac Stoker
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John Volker PER

03/15

John Balog
Edward Fehn PER
Alfred Meissner
Donna Lowell PER
Paul Lowell Sr. PER
William Seavey PER
Robert Venitelli

04/15

Jim Devizio
Kim Devizio
J.E.B. Irvine PER
Thomas Keller Jr.
Mike Killeya PER
Guy Treppiccione

06/15

Stanley Autocunas PER
Gerry Del Piano PER
Andy Kavanaugh

09/15

Fran Bellew PER



AMERICANISM



On June 14th Watchung Hills held their Flag Day service. It was well attended. Boy Scout Troop #228 under the leadership of Glenn Guerin did an outstanding job of displaying the history of our flags. Josh Guerin played taps Our soloist, Alyssa Puccio, sang God Bless America and the National Anthem with everyone joining in. Our guest speaker Police Chief Russ Leffert did an awesome job with the history of the American flag. Our officers all took part with the reading of the flag history. My committee provided the desserts.

Have a safe 4th of July.

Yours in Elkdom, Lynn Spurrier, Chair

How To Get
New Members?
ASK THEM!

Lodge 2252 Marches In Warren Township's Memorial Day Parade



Lodge 2252 FUTURE EVENTS	
9/13	Pig Roast

D I S T R I C T G O I N G S O N	
7/10	District Veterans Meeting at Watchung Hills 7:30 PM - 8:30 PM
7/20	Central District Committee picnic at Camp Moore
7/22	District Veterans Bingo at Menlo Park Veterans Hospital
7/27	Miracle Run Picnic at Stirling Lodge
<p><i>For up to date information check out: http://www.njelks.org and click on NJ District Activities then Central District</i></p>	



VETERANS COMMITTEE

Members all, the Menlo Park Veterans Nursing Home is in dire need of help with replenishing the clothing room for their residents. At this time I am asking for your help. Anyone who can donate new garments would be greatly appreciated.

The following is a list of their requests. Ladies knit slacks, elastic waist, Waist sizes 30" - 54"; Ladies summer shirts - NOT sleeveless large thru 2XL; Men's sweatpants, sweatshirts, and tee-shirts sizes large thru 4XL. I will also be hanging up their wish list consisting mainly of toiletries items. Any contributions will be greatly appreciated. Please drop off your contributions in the box I have provided at the Lodge.

Remember to thank anyone you may see that are in our armed services, for without them we may not be enjoying the freedoms we have today. Elks Care, Elks Share

Fran Bellew, PER - Chairperson Veterans National Services
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OUR BULLETIN'S GOING GREEN

Our Lodge is considering going green with our monthly bulletin come the end of the year. Our members will be able to read the latest versions:

- Online**
<http://www.elks.org/ldges/ldgenews.cfm?LodgeNumber=2252>
- Via e-mail** Please send your e-mail address to our Secretary at xcg395@verizon.net to insure you are on the monthly routing.
- Members without e-mail or computers may stop by the Lodge to check out a hard copy.**



Quote of the Month

"The art of being wise is the art of knowing what to overlook."

--- William James

Inside the bulletin July 2014

I will be attending the Grand Lodge Convention from July 11th-19th. In my absence, the Leading Knight, Guy Treppiccione will be in charge of the lodge. Please respect the officers of the lodge. It's not a time to throw spitballs and fly paper airplanes – if you know what I mean.

William Seavey, PER





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		1	2	3 Lodge Meetings Officers - 7:00 pm General - 8:00 pm	4 	5
6	7	8	9 PER Meeting 7:30 pm	10 District Veterans Meeting 7:30 pm	11	12
13	14	15 Board of Directors 7:00 pm	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26 Open Pool Day
27	28	29	30	31	8-1	8-2
8-3	8-4	8-5	8-6	8-7 Lodge Meetings Officers - 7:00 pm General - 8:00 pm	8-8	8-9