SMITHFIELD, RI LODGE OF ELKS #2359



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E.R. MESSAGE FOR JANUARY 2017

I hope everyone had a good holiday season. We are beginning a new year and I want to thank everyone that contributed to a successful 2016. There is only 3 months left to the lodge year and I hope the members will continue to increase our membership and support the Elks projects.

WE are just short of the Grand Exalted Rulers ENF goal of \$4.65 per member. Please make your pledge soon so that we can qualify for the \$2500 grant that we have been receiving in years past.

We have a major fundraiser on February 19, our annual Game Dinner. The tickets will again be \$35.00 per person and are available at the bar. Join us on Wednesdays and Fridays for Dinner this January.

Thanks go to Dennis Bonollo for getting us the Saturday night entertainment for many years. He is the Elk of the Month.

May you have a healthy and prosperous new year.

God Bless you all, Tim Chilinski Exalted Ruler

From the Secretary's Desk...

We have two new propositions for membership:

Lana Cheshier, proposed by Bette Anne Campbell

Eugene Potrzeba, proposed by Sharron Rothberg

Pending the results of their investigations, we will, hopefully, vote on these at the meeting on the 19th of January.

Dues notices will be going out at the end of the month. Dues this year will be \$97.00 for regular members and \$37.00 for Life Members. I strongly encourage you to support the Elks National Foundation and the 365 Special Needs Program.

I will be sending out final notices to our delinquent members. Per Grand Lodge Statutes, these notices shall go out in February and at the same time, I am to post a list of those receiving this notice on the Lodge Bulletin Board and report the posting of the list at the following meeting.

I would like to wish all of my Elk Brothers and Sisters and their families a Happy, Healthy, and Peaceful New Year!

Cheryl Pimental Lodge Secretary

Thank You Dennis Bonollo Elk of the Month

SPECIAL NOTICE

<u>DUE TO A CLERICAL ERROR, WE WILL BE RE-VOTING</u>

<u>ON THE</u>

LIFE MEMBERSHIP REQUEST FROM

JAMES ASHWORTH

AT OUR MEETING ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 19, 2017.

District Hoop Shoot

On January 7th, the District Hoop Shoot will be taking place



at 1PM at the Smithfield High School Gym. This is a great event that is free for the kids and the Hoop Shoot Director is looking for volunteers to help make this event another great one. Please contact Dennis Varone, II if you are interested in further supporting the Elks and if you can

dedicate your time to helping the kids have a great experience. Call Dennis at 996-6039. Thank you!

150 CLUB

On behalf of the 150 Club Committee I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for making this year's 150 Club party a great success.

Efforts like this on your part, help keep this Lodge going. This year 142 tickets were sold out of 150 tickets. That was great, but we strive for a complete sell out every year. Many members have taken next year's tickets, and we are hoping that everyone else who bought this year will do so again next year. Please let me know if you are not planning to take your ticket next year. We will be starting next year's season in January 2017. To be eligible, for the monthly drawing of \$25, remember you must be up to date .Let's make next year even better.

Ed Atchison

Chairman 150 Club, (401) 231-6865



Bristol Vets Elks Christmas Party

Coffee and pastries where given to the vets at the Bristol home. Polo shirts were also distributed.

The function was sponsored by the 10 lodges of the state association.



JANUARY 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Happy New Year	Hi Low Jack Starts @ 7pm	House Committee Meeting Starts @ 6:30 pm	4 Wednesday Menu	5 BOD Meeting 6:30 pm Lodge Meeting 7:30pm	6 Friday Night Dinner Karaoke 8 pm	7 Calamari Bros 7:30 pm
8	9 Hi Low Jack Starts @ 7pm	House Committee Meeting Starts @ 6:30 pm	11 Steak Fry	12	Friday Night Dinner Karaoke 8 pm	Fun Zone, New Band (50's music & line dancing.) 7:30 pm
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22	Hi Low Jack Starts @ 7pm	House Committee Meeting Starts @ 6:30 pm	25 Steak Fry	26	27 Friday Night Dinner Karaoke 8 pm	Vini Ames Duo 7:30 pm
29	30 Hi Low Jack Starts @ 7pm	House Committee Meeting Starts @ 6:30 pm				

GAME DINNER



SUNDAY FEBRUARY 19

\$35.



ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION



January is here and we haven't reached our per capita for this Elks year. I am asking everyone to help us push over the goal line. So we can go make a touchdown.

Your donation is what makes it possible to apply for a Gratitude Grant worth \$2,500.00. This grant is what makes it possible for us to contribute to our community, our youth and our Veterans.

So please make your donation big or small now. It would be very much appreciated and all of us will have a

HAPPY NEW YEAR Barbara Hines PER, Chairwoman