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1st Tuesday of month @ 6:00pm

**Board of Directors Meeting:**  
2nd and 4th Tuesday of month  
@ 6:30pm

**Lodge Meeting:**  
2nd and 4th Tuesday of month @ 7:30pm

**Charities Committee:**  
3rd Monday of the month @ 6:00pm

**Elk Riders Meeting:**  
3rd Tuesday of the month

**Audit Committee:**  
Last Thursday of the month @ 6:30 pm




**Fall River Lodge #118**  
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Hall Accommodates	Rental	Deposit
Main 225 ppl.	\$350	\$75
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REGULAR MEETING AT 7:30 PM

**Gilbert Carreira**  
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2745<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting: February 14, 2023  
2746<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting: February 28, 2023

**FEBRUARY 2023**



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Pitch League 7:00 PM Desserts	2	3	4
5 Grant Committee 1:00 PM	6	7 House Committee Meeting 6:00 PM	8 Pitch League 7:00 PM Desserts	9	10 Music Scarlett 8:00 PM	11
12 Super Bowl #57	13	14 BOD Meeting 6:30 PM Lodge Meeting 7:30 PM	15 Pitch League 7:00 PM Desserts	16	17	18
19	20 Charities Committee 6:00 PM	21 Elk Riders Meeting	22 Pitch League 6:30 PM Pizza Party	23 Audit Committee 6:30 PM	24	25
26	27	28 BOD Meeting 6:30 PM Lodge Meeting 7:30 PM				



**ER'S CORNER**

February is upon us, as is the end of our year. February is a very busy time at the Lodge. There will be a PER night at our first meeting of the month, Feb. 14th. It is also the night for nominations for the year 2023-2024, we will

also be having an initiation that night, as you can see very busy! The second meeting will be the night for election of officers, the time is yet to be determined but will be announced at our first meeting of the month and posted in the lounge. Our Installation of Officers will be on Friday, March 24th. Hope to see you at these meetings. Please remember to contribute to ENF.

Fraternally yours,  
 Gil Carreira  
 Exalted Ruler  
 Fall River Lodge of Elks, #118

## SECRETARY'S CORNER



Dues for the 2023-2024 membership will be \$91.25, this is an increase of \$5.00 as assessed by the Grand Large.

When paying your dues, for the upcoming year, please consider making a donation to the ENF.

## FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK



Please send me any information that will be beneficial to our lodge membership. My email is [railroadjc@aol.com](mailto:railroadjc@aol.com). The deadline is the 15th of the month for submissions to the bulletin. Please contact the secretary with your correct email address to make sure we have your correct email. Thank you for your support. – Jay Chatterton

### Membership Report

Membership as of 4/1/22	809
Current Enrollment	914
Gain	105
Increase	117
Decrease	12
Delinquency	36 4.45%
Applications on hand	12
Life Members	93
Honorary Life Members	4

### Proposition for membership A. Douglas Matthews

Jay Chatterton-Secretary



### LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Anyone wishing to request a life membership must have been a member for 30 years. You must have completed 30 years of membership. All you have to do is write a letter to the lodge secretary requesting life membership.

### GRANT COMMITTEE MEETING

The next meeting of the grant committee will be held on Sunday, February 5, 2023 at 1:00 p.m.



If you know of any member who is ill or in distress, please notify Leading Knight Brian Brisson, or Exalted Ruler Gil Carreira. email: [frelks118@yahoo.com](mailto:frelks118@yahoo.com)

### THE HYMEN RACKLIN SCHOLARSHIP

The Hymen Racklin scholarship committee will be meeting shortly to refine the application for the 2023 school year. The scholarship is for area high school seniors who have a family member who is a member of the Fall River Elks Lodge 118 in good standing. Please stay tuned for further details in the March bulletin, Elks 118 website, and postings in the social quarters regarding the application process.

Thank you.  
 John Lapointe  
 Racky Scholarship Committee

*The clock of their last day has stopped  
 "Tis the hour of eleven"  
 Remember, the faults of our members  
 We write on the sand:  
 Their virtues upon  
 the tablets of love  
 And memory.*



Lodge By-laws, House Rules and Rules of the Order may be accessed by going to [www.elks.org/members](http://www.elks.org/members). Just register and sign in.

## SAVE THE DATE



March 15, 2023

through

April 15, 2023

Installation of Officers  
 (more info to come).

On March 12, 2023

the Grant Committee in partnership with the Fall River WIC office will be holding a Community Baby Shower

Charities Committee: Lisa Carreira Chairperson

Thank you to everyone who participated in the giving tree and how successful it was.

## GRANT COMMITTEE

On March 12, 2023, the Grant Committee in partnership with the Fall River WIC office will be holding a Community Baby Shower. Parents in need will be identified by WIC and will include soon-to-be mothers within 3 months of their due date and new mothers up to 3 months post-partum. All families invited to participate in the Community Baby Shower will receive a gift bag with essential baby items and a children's book to promote literacy.

Starting February 1, 2023, there will be a bin outside the door of the social quarters for donations of diapers, wipes, receiving blankets, onesies, and children's books. We would appreciate any help that our members can provide.

If you know of a family that could benefit from this, please contact Shelly McCann at 508-642-2112. Any questions regarding the baby shower can be directed to any member of the Grant Committee. Thank you as always for your support!

FR Elks #118 Grant Committee  
 Eric Copsetta, chairman  
 Wally Szczepkowski  
 Rodney Medeiros  
 Vicki Costa  
 Shelly McCann

## COMING EVENTS



February 4, 2023

South District Spaghetti dinner at the Wareham/New Bedford Lodge. Dinner is from 5 to 7 pm. Cost \$10.00

February 5, 2023

Mass. Elks Regional Meeting at the Attleboro Lodge.

February 10, 2023

Music featuring Scarlett in the Lounge. Starting at 8 pm. We will also be having chicken Mozambique for sale for \$8 dollars a plate. Starting at 5 pm.

February 12, 2023

Super Bowl – 57

Activities Committee: Brian Brisson Chairman

February 10, 2023 – On February 10th we will be having Scarlett live in the lounge. Starting at 8 pm. We will also be having chicken Mozambique for sale for \$8 dollars a plate. Starting at 5 pm.

There is a lot of wonderful events planned for the upcoming year so stay tuned for updates.

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MANDATE: Parking in the fire lanes is not permitted. Violators are subject to ticketing and/or towing.**

**NO EXCEPTIONS**

### DO YOU RIDE A MOTORCYCLE?

Do you like riding in bike runs and helping charities? The Fall River Lodge 118 Elk Riders is looking for new members. Contact Tom Worsley, any Elk Rider, or applications are available at the Lodge Lounge Bar.

### PITCH LEAGUE RETURNS



Pitch League restarted on Jan. 4. New members welcomed to join. Sign-up sheet in lounge

Feb. 1 - Pitch League 7PM - Desserts

Feb. 8 - Pitch League 7PM - Desserts

Feb. 15 - Pitch League 7PM - Desserts

Feb. 22 - Pitch League 6:30 PM - Pizza Party