

The **Elks** NEWS

Hamden Lodge #2224 B.P.O. Elks



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EXALTED RULERS MESSAGE

Members All;

Last month, this message focused on the Elks National Foundation and the importance of this charitable trust and how it impacts our communities throughout the USA.

This month, I am pleased to report that our Lodge has applied for and has been awarded three ENF grants to support worthy projects in our own Hamden-North Haven community.

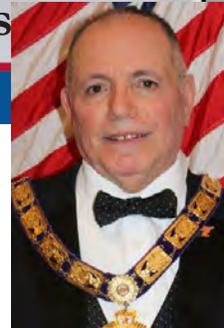
A Spotlight Grant totaling \$2000 will be given to North Haven Community Services to support their food and fuel program for qualifying residents.

A Gratitude Grant totaling \$3500 will be given to Grace and St. Johns Church to support their ongoing Friday Night Community Dinners open each week to individuals and families in our area.

A Beacon Grant totaling \$4000 will be given to support We Are The Village, a non-profit organization that conducts after-school and summertime programs for middle and high school aged children in our community.

This is all made possible through the generous donations of our Lodge members to ENF and is returned back to our Lodge so we can do our part in supporting worthwhile programs that benefit the youth and disadvantaged in our community. This is a prime example of the purpose of our Order: promoting patriotic and charitable programs in the communities we serve. Be proud of your membership and all that we do Remember as always, Elks Care--Elks Share

Fraternally
Andy Caporossi PDD
Exalted Ruler



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**Saturday
February 25th
w/ DJ Melanie
7-11 PM
Great Fun-
Guests Welcome**

New Members Left to Right: Joseph Godley, Daniel Rogers, Jr., Jessica Hill, Geneene Luedee & Christian Calandro



SUPERBOWL LVII

Sunday February 12th

**Come down to watch the game, have some snacks and beverages
Bring a dish for Pot Luck if you'd like.
Halftim thru end of 3rd Quarter
"Special Bar" for Members
in good standing**

Lounge Opens at 3 PM

Lounge Hours

Wed & Thurs 4 to Close

Friday 3 to Close

Saturday 2 to Close

Permittee—

Mike Romano

Visit Hamden's Lodge pages at www.ctelks.org - Hall Rentals: 203-645-7998

MESSAGE BOARD

Happy Birthday!

To our members with February Birthdays: Drop in for your free birthday beverage "on the house."

WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNERS!

Meals \$13.00

Feb 1 Stuffed Cabbage

Feb 8th Garlic Chicken

Feb 15th Soup n' Salad Bar

Feb 22nd Fish Fry (Ash Wednesday)

Eat-in or Take-Out
Due to the increasing costs of food, it is important for us to plan as accurately as possible to avoid over-buying and waste, we request reservations now **REQUIRED.**

Deadline is Tuesday 6pm before meal. Leave message 203-248-2224
Thanks for your understanding

COUNTRY LINE DANCING With COSMO

Friday February 24th
7-9 PM

Beginners welcome
Lessons at 7
Bring a friend



Regular Lodge Meetings

Monday Feb 13th
Monday Feb 27th

Eagle Scout Presentation



Saturday Night Social

February 25th

Wings

5pm -ON

6 for \$8.00 or 12 for \$15.00

Your Choice of sauces

Elks Care - Elks Share



Feeding the Community



Tip of the Antlers



Bobby Nick for another outstanding job of providing us with batches of tasty wings for all to enjoy on "Wing Night"

Kathy Kelsey, Tammy Shea & Joy Wildman for the delicious soups offered at our Wednesday Night Soup n' Salad Bar

Kevin Kranich for our on-going painting projects around the Lodge

To the "Country Line Dancers" group for their continued generous donations to our Lodge Building Fund and Charities

Deadline for all items in the March Elks News is February 15th. Send your submissions to Jennycap101@gmail.com or jessicakelsey990@live.com.