## THE BULLETIN

#### **APRIL 2023**

#### **LODGE OFFICERS**

Exalted Ruler
William Cranmer 609-658-7459

Leading Knight Scott Walter 609-510-4950

Loyal Knight Joe Ratajczak 609-658-7150

Lecturing Knight Stephanie Kowalski 609-227-1738

**Secretary** Jessica Waite 609-937-9843

Treasurer
Karl Swanson, PER 609-332-9052

**Esquire**Bob Faber 609-468-9810

Chaplain
Dave Wriggins 609-694-2763

Inner Guard Kevin Marosovitz 609-658-5628

**Tiler** Glen Varanyak 609-456-7282

#### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Five Year
Bruce Smith 609-558-1306

Four Year Don Burns 609-477-8615

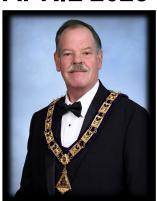
Three Year Jason Ispanky 215-630-3229

Two Year Bill Perna 609-529-6811

One Year Grason Jones. PER 609-306-2943

**Justice** Jesse Smith PER 609-647-<u>5974</u>





#### **EXALTED RULER'S MESSAGE**

Hello Fellow Elk Members.

Welcome to a new year in Elkdom.

First, I would like to thank all of the PERS for the fantastic job they did installing all of the new Officers for the upcoming year. Congratulations to all the new officers for the Women's Auxiliary. May your upcoming year continue to be a great success.

A deep hearted thanks to Grason Jones, Jessica Waite, Stephanie Kowalski, and their entire team for putting on a great annual Installation of Officers. Thank you very much for all you did. It was a great time and everyone enjoyed the event.

A special thank you to Jesse Smith, PER for all your guidance and encouragement over the last year. It has been so much appreciated.

To all the new Officers and Chairpersons, I look forward to working with you and your teams over the next year. If there is anything that you need, please reach out.

To all the members of Bordentown Lodge 2085. Please continue to come out and support our lodge. There are many events coming up this year and your continued support will make the events a great success.

Fraternally,
William Cranmer
"Honoring Our Hometown Heroes"





## Women's Auxiliary

Hello Members,

If you know anyone who is sick, hospitalized or has recently passed away, please notify Cynthia Groffie at 609-239-2569.

MEETING REMINDER EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING – FIRST WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH AT 7:30pm GENERAL MEETING – SECOND WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH AT 7:30pm

Heather Cheesman, PER President

#### **AUXILIARY OFFICERS**

**President**Heather Cheesman 609-298-7828

Vice President
Nancy Debnarik 609-870-2048

Secretary Christina Heineman 609-954-2302

Treasurer
Patty Marosovitz 609-658-6936

**Conductress** *Kim Muehleisen* 

Chaplain Cynthia Groffie 609-239-2569

#### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Three Year Carole Moore 609-433-7979

Two Year Jody Turner 609-273-1425

One Year Shirley Solarski 609-731-9752





## Sandwich Night Menus 6pm-7pm \$10

April 5, 2023 Veterans - Italian Roast Pork
April 12, 2023 House - Pork Roll or Cheesesteak, Salad, Dessert
April 19, 2023 Convention - Crispy Chicken Sandwich, Regular, Big Dog or Buffalo Style
April 26, 2023 Elks Pool Team – (Proceeds Benefit New Tables) TBD



## **Secretary Notes**

This past year has indeed flown by. I have enjoyed being your Secretary and thank you for trusting in me for a third year.

I would like to thank all of the past Officers for their dedication. A special thanks also to the Past Exalted Rulers for their willingness to help-out in so many ways.

I have faith in the judgment, care and concern that the new slate of Officers have for our Lodge and know that they will do their best in addressing any issues needing improvement, and that we continue to maintain a high level of service to our community and our Members.

Congratulations to Exalter Ruler, Bill Cranmer and all of our '23-'24 Lodge Officers and Women's Auxiliary Officers!

Jessica Waite
Lodge Secretary



## **Leading Knight's Message**

During the past year our Lodge has seen growth, prosperity and flourished as a place to enjoy time with friends and our Elk families under the direction of ER Jesse Smith, our newest PER - thank you Jesse! As your incoming Leading Knight, I am truly honored to serve and will continue to support and encourage my fellow Officers, our Ladies Auxiliary and Committee Chairs, and of course our amazing volunteers. Our calendar is quickly filling with many great events and I look forward to seeing you at them. If you have a question, suggestion or just want to share a friendly Elk hello my door is always open.

Scott Walter Leading Knight

## Membership

#### PROUD TO BE AN ELK

The lodge grows when members propose new candidates to become an elk. Be an Ambassador for the lodge. Bring a family member and/or friend to one of our functions and promote the lodge.

Dropped members can be reinstated for a \$30 application fee. Also, a 2/3rd vote at a general Lodge meeting is required. Once this is accomplished, you will need to pay the prorated dues. No back dues are assessed.

Jack Becker, PER Chairperson



#### **PER**

Going forward we will be meeting the 4th Tuesday of each month at 7pm to accommodate the new incoming officers. Thank you to this past year's PER Chair Ed Taddei for a job well done. Thank you to all the PER's who participated in this year's Installation of Officers. Our next meeting is Tuesday April 25th, 7 pm.

Grason Jones, PER

Chairperson

#### **Shuffleboard**

We are down to our last 4 games of the season. Standings as of 3-6-23: Team 4 Karl S. 6-3, Team 3 Antonia S. 6-3, Team 1 Bob F. 5-4, Team 5 Lind D. 5-4, Team 6 Grason 3-6, Team 2 Jay S. 2-7. Anticipated League Dinner Friday May 19th.

#### **Convention 2023**

Congratulations to Linda DeLucia! She is the winner of the free room drawing for the 2023 convention.

The Convention Committee is selling Spring has Sprung 50/50 tickets. \$5.00/ticket. Drawing will be April 8th. See Chrissy for tickets. Come celebrate Cinco De Mayo with us. Friday May 5th 6-8pm we will be offering an all you can eat Taco and Nacho bar. \$15.00/person. The bar will be serving up Margarita's.

There are a few rooms available for Convention, June 2-4. All contracts must be filled out and returned by April 1st with full payment.

If you are marching, please be on the lookout for dates/times as fittings will be held at the lodge Patty Marosovitz Chrissy Heineman

Co-Chairperson Co-Chairperson

## **Lodge Activities**

The next scheduled Lodge Activities meeting will be on Friday, April 28, 2023 at Deptford Lodge. The monthly meetings are held on the fourth Friday of each month, as scheduled and the location is rotated throughout the district lodges.

The district encourages all Exalted Rulers, Leading Knights, and any officers to attend and participate. The meetings are very informative and usually review the Statutes and have training sessions. All are welcome!

Hank Elmer, PDD

Chairperson

## **Army of Hope**

The State Army of Hope Committee continues to remember/assist the families of our New Jersey fallen heroes, the severely wounded soldiers/veterans and those with severe post-traumatic stress disorder and their families.

Hank Elmer, PDD

Chairperson



#### **ENF**

The Elks National Foundation helps Elks build stronger communities through programs that support youth, meet the needs of veterans, and invest in the communities where Elks live and work. The ENF has a scholarship program, the Community Investments Program, the Hoop Shoot and the Drug Awareness Program, plus it supports the Elks National Veterans Service Commission. You can learn more at <a href="elks.org/enf">elks.org/enf</a>, or by talking to me! I can also tell you more about the ways to support ENF's work.

Our 2023-2024 Per-Member-Giving Goal: \$4.80, we are currently at \$0.00, so please send in your donations or give here: DONATE

A 501(c)(3) public charity, the Elks National Foundation helps Elks build stronger communities through programs that support youth, serve veterans and meet needs in areas where Elks live and work. For more information on the ENF, visitelks.org/enf. Review the 2022-20223 grants and appropriations at enf.elks.org/appropriations.

Looking forward to another fantastic year! If you would like to join the ENF Committee, please reach out to me at <a href="mailto:Stephkowalski3@outlook.com">Stephkowalski3@outlook.com</a>, the more the merrier!

Stephanie Kowalski

Chairperson

#### Student of the Month

Our Committee Chair Ellen Benowitz hosted another Student of the Month on Wednesday March 15th. Ellen presented 6 students from our area schools with Certificates of Merit and a \$25 Gift Card. Thank you Ellen for a job well done. Thank you to Mr. Don Fillinger in the generous scholarship donation he set up in the memory of his son, Daniel S. Fillinger.

Grason Jones, PER

Southwest District Chairperson

## **Special Youth and Charities**

The \$10,000 Dinner will be on April 6th. Must be 21 to attend. The dinner is catered by beautiful downtown Toscano Restaurant. Dress Code Business Casual. No hats, Bermuda shorts ok, blue jeans ok, no rips or tears, no tank tops, no t-shirts, collard shirts.

Grason Jones, PER

Chairperson

#### **Trustees**

Thank you Bruce Smith, this past year's Head Trustee, for all you and your team got accomplished. Thank you Dan Parrotta and his Can Do Committee.

Grason Jones, PER

Chairperson



### **Veterans/America**

Wednesday, April 5th is Veterans Committee Sandwich Night. The menu is Italian Roast Pork Sandwich with Spinach and Provolone Cheese made by Frank the Baker, on Torpedo Roll, Potato Wedges, Cole Slaw, Dessert and Coffee. Come out and join us for dinner.

We are very proud to have 5 new members joining our Veterans Committee. We welcome you and look forward to you helping us out with this committee. Our committee is still selling Pull Tabs Tuesday night before regular bingo. Come out and join the fun and support the Veterans Committee. NJ Veterans Memorial Home in Vineland has a Resident In Need Wish List for 2023. Information of what is needed will be forthcoming.

Sandy Schemelia Chairperson



### **Women's Gourmet**

Women's Gourmet has openings for additional tables! Gourmet is the 3rd Thursday of each month. Prospective Table Captains assume the responsibility of a minimum 5 attendees in order to have a table. Reservations are required by the Saturday before. **NEW** table captains must be a Member.

For more information or to indicate interest, please contact me (609) 937-9843 or <a href="mailto:ladiesgourmet2085@gmail.com">ladiesgourmet2085@gmail.com</a>

Jessica Waite Chairperson

#### **Men's Gourmet**

Men's Gourmet is on the 13th this month. As previously announced, the price for Gourmet has increased to \$50 per person.

Edward Taddei, Jr., PER Chairperson



## **Special Children's Committee**

Our next Sunday breakfast is set for April 16th. See you all there. As a reminder, the price of breakfast is \$10. The menu has not changed and we hope to bring you our good hot breakfast as always. Elks Camp Moore applications are out for the 2023 season. Please contact me for an applications 609-731-8616 or <a href="mailto:kyle.wisn@gmail.com">kyle.wisn@gmail.com</a>). It is now a completely online process and I can easily step you through it.

P.S. SCC needs your help. We have been very successful in raising money for activities for kids, I thank you all for your help. We are running out of kids. We need kids to enjoy our bowling events, our baseball games, and going to Camp Moore. If anyone knows of special children in our area who would like this, please send them our way. We are also in need of members to come and help out at our activities. Extra hands are always needed and appreciated.

You can always contact me at 609-731-8616 or kyle.wisn@gmail.com

Kyle Wisn

**Chairperson** 

## Chaplain

#### **Member Sick List**

Heavenly Father, we ask that you grant these special people a speedy recovery and a future full of good health. Amen.

#### **Departed Members**

William Jones

Barbara Tkaczuk

May Almighty God grant our brothers the rewards of good life and offer comfort and solace to their bereaved families. To our absent members. Amen.

If you are aware of anyone who is sick, hospitalized or has unfortunately passed away, notify **Chaplain Dave Wriggins or davew2262@aol.com**. It is important to us that we show respect to our Members at all times, most importantly in death. As we no longer call their names on the Roll, let us honor them one last time. It has been a pleasure being your chaplain for 22-23 Elks Year.

Dave Wriggins

Chairperson

## **ELK OF THE MONTH**

APRIL OCTOBER 2022 - Vira Jaskir 2023 -MAY 2022 - Libby McAleavy NOVEMBER 2022 - Rich Brettell **DECEMBER 2022 - Tom Fratticcioli** JUNE 2022 - Darlene DeLuca-Campbell JULY 2022 - Tara Woodcock JANUARY 2023 - Lisa Jantz **AUGUST** FEBRUARY 2023 - Karen Walter 2022 - Larry Hannawacker SEPTEMBER 2022 - Ralph Cianfrano MARCH 2023 -









## 2023 Convention Committee Steak Dinner

Friday, May 12, 2023

#### **Two Seatings**

6:00 pm Seating: Upper Ballroom

7:00 pm Seating: Bar Area (First Come First Serve)

#### **Tickets & Reservations**

Tickets are \$25.00 per person

Reservation required by May 6, 2023

#### **Contact:**

Don Wirth (609) 273-7189 donwirth@comcast.net













#### **Together Everyone Achieves More**



## 2023-2024 Committees and Chairpersons

AMERICANISM	Jim Turner	609-203-6696	MEMBERSHIP	Jack Becker Sr, PER	609-915-6815
ARMY OF HOPE	Hank Elmer, PDD	609-610-6780	INVESTIGATION INDOCTRINATION	Grason Jones, PER Danny Sholes, PDD	609-306-2943 609-870-7216
Audio Video	Scott Walter	609-510-4950	MEMORIAL SERVICE		609-647-5974
AUDITING	Michael Grant, Jr	609-744-9911	WEMORIAL SERVICE	,	
BAR	Barry Mollis	609-954-4902	MOTORCYCLE	Jack Becker Jr.	609-947-4615
Bingo	Chuck Betros	609-510-6030	Parliamentarian	Rich Groth	609-203-5718
BLOOD DRIVE	Patty Marosovitz Dave Rooney, PER	609-658-6936 609-610-2358	PER Association	Grason Jones, PER	609-306-2943
BULLETIN	Jason Campbell	609-668-5167	PUBLIC RELATIONS		
Camera Club	Kevin Marosovitz	609-658-5628	QUOITS LEAGUE		
	5 5 "		RITUAL COACH	Danny Sholes PDD	609-870-7216
CAN DO	Dan Parrotta	609-588-0807		•	
CHARITIES	Jesse Smith, PER	609-647-5974	RENTAL AGENT	Melissa Sprague	609-470-7631
COMMUNITY WELFARE	David Rooney, PER	609-610-2385	SAFETY	Bruce Smith	609-558-1306
CONVENTION	Kevin Marosovitz	609-658-5628	SCHOLARSHIPS	Ellen Benowitz	609-847-2622
FLOAT	Patty Marosovitz Christina Heineman	609-658-6936	SECURITY CAMERAS	Rill Perna	609-529-6811
D (DIOTRIOT)	Christina Hememan	609-954-2302	SICKNESS AND	Dave Wriggins	609-694-2763
PARADES (DISTRICT)	Robert McVicker PDD, PST, PVP, PER	609-731-1225	DISTRESS		
DRUG AWARENESS	Rosemarie Weaver	858-414-5341	SHUFFLEBOARD	Grason Jones, PER	609-306-2943
ELKS NAT'L FUND	Stephanie Kowalski	609-227-1738	SPECIAL CHILDREN	Kyle Wisn	609-731-8616
ENTERTAINMENT			SPECIAL YOUTH & CHARITIES	Grason Jones, PER	609-306-2943
FLAG RETIREMENT			STUDENT OF MONTH	Ellen Benowitz	609-847-2622
GOVERNMENT RELATIONS	Jessica Waite	609-937-9843	TRUSTEES	Grason Jones, PER	609-306-2943
Golf	Kevin Marosovitz	609-658-5628	VETERANS	Sandy Schemelia	609-213-0068
GOURMET - WOMENS	Jessica Waite	609-937-9843		,	
Gourmet – Men	Ed Taddei, PER	609-280-3364	WHEELCHAIRS & EQUIPMENT	Jason Ispanky	215-630-3229
SPECIAL CHILDREN'S Bowling	Sue Giancola	609-324-9010	Women's Auxiliary	Heather Cheesman, PER	609-298-7828
House Governing Body	Scott Walter	609-510-4950	YOUTH ACTIVITIES	Jesse Smith, PER	609-647-5974
INSTANT RAFFLE	Bill Cranmer	609-658-7459		Antonia Smith	609-578-7113
LODGE ACTIVITIES	Hank Elmer, PDD	609-610-6780			

Committee Chairs,

See the officer that is assigned to your committee below. If there is a district meeting that you cannot attend, please notify the officer that is assigned or the Exalted Ruler.

Scott Walter Better Parades (Float), Entertainment, Charity, Can-Do

Joe Ratajczak Bingo, Youth Activities, Drug Awareness Stephanie Kowalski Membership, Americanism, Special Children, ENF



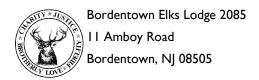


## April 2023



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 KIDS EASTER EGG HUNT	3 LODGE MTG	4 BINGO 7:00	5 SANDWICH NIGHT	\$10,000 DINNER	7	8
9 EASTER LODGE IS CLOSED	10	11 BINGO 7:00	12 SANDWICH NIGHT	13 MEN'S GOURMET	14 THE GREASEBAND	15
16 SCC BREAKFAST	17 LODGE MTG	18 BINGO 7:00	19 SANDWICH NIGHT	20 WOMEN'S GOURMET	21 KARAOKE BURGER NIGHT	22 SW DISTRICT BINGO
23/30	24	25 BINGO 7:00	26 SANDWICH NIGHT	27	28 MYSTERY GOLF TRIP	29

LODGE COMMITTEE MEETINGS				
LODGE MEETINGS - 1ST AND 3RD MONDAY 7:30PM	HOUSE COM - 4TH MONDAY 7:30PM			
BOARD OF DIRECTORS- 2ND MONDAY 7:30PM	YOUTH ACTIVITIES - 1ST WEDNESDAY 7:30PM			
SPECIAL CHILDREN'S COM - 4TH MONDAY 7:00PM	VETERANS COM - 3RD WEDNESDAY 7:15PM			
MEN'S GOURMET - 2ND THURSDAY 6:30PM	WOMEN'S GOURMET - 3RD THURSDAY 6:30PM			
SHUFFLEBOARD—1ST & 3RD MONDAYS POST MTG	MOTORCYCLE COM - 2ND TUESDAY 7:00PM			
AUXILIARY GEN. MTG - 2ND WEDNESDAY 7:30PM	PER ASSN - 4TH WEDNESDAY 7:30PM			
AUXILIARY BOARD MTG - 1ST WEDNESDAY 7:30PM	MEMBERSHIP - 3RD WEDNESDAY 7:30PM			
CONVENTION COM 1ST TUESDAY 7:30PM	AUDIO/VIDEO COM - 2ND TUESDAY 7:30PM			





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Darlene and Jason Campbell **Editors** 



# **APRIL**

Please join us and say Happy Birthday to our April Birthday Elks!
Birthday Elks, please come to the lodge within the month of April and receive your free gift.

Greg Adams
Sherri Barrett
John Bayless
Christopher Bell
Gunar Benedict
Bret Brown

Melissa Burk-Pocino Robert Clugsten Michael Conboy Robert Cook Mark Costner Cary Crivelli

Sherry Delehanty David Dibblee Henry Elmer Rose Ermi Stephen Estwan Walter Fajgier III Jim Falzini

Zak Fischer Carl Graf III Michael Grant Jr Richard Groth Joseph Haines Jr Lawrence Himm Alvin Holtzclaw Ludovico Iezzo Rhoda Jasko Teresa Jewell Jean Johnson Charles Lloyd Thomas McDonough Sarah McEwan

Jim Misek
Michael Moloney Jr
Rodger Nagy
Lynn Nappa
Rebecca Nucera
Donna Pelehaty
Ricardo Pina
Taras Posewa
Charles Quicksall Jr

Frederic Miller

Charles Quicksall Jr Nelson Rainer Diane Robinson Clinton Rockhill Jr James Rohrbach
Edward Rosina II
John Rosina
Harold Smith
Shirley Solarski
Jon Swanson
James Swanson
John Tyrrell
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Scott Walter
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