

# The *Elks* NEWS

Hamden Lodge #2224 B.P.O. Elks

## EXALTED RULERS MESSAGE

Members All:

The summer season is quickly coming to an end. It has been an enjoyable one at the Lodge. Attendance at dinners and events continued to increase. It was great to see so many members and friends supporting our activities. The upcoming autumn months will also feature many events to enjoy.

In October and November, we are planning fund raising events to support veterans in need. Our Order has been demonstrating our compassion for veterans since 1917. Details will be coming soon. In the meantime, our collection drive for clothing, toiletries, books etc. is continuing. Drop off your items at the members lounge. Remember our pledge: "So long as there are veterans, the Elks will never forget them."

We are also planning a "Sunday Dinner Show" in October. More details soon.

Remember to volunteer for a shift or two at the Durham Fair Sept 21-24. We collect the parking fees at Strickland Lot. This our biggest income producing event of the year! Signup sheet in members lounge.

Looking ahead, save the date of Saturday November 18 for our annual Turkey Shoot. It is always a fun time!

Remember, guests are always welcome to any event at our Lodge Home! Be proud of your membership in our great fraternal Order dedicated to Patriotism and Charity.

**"WE ARE-- THE ELKS!!"**

Fraternally  
Andy Caporossi PDD  
Exalted Ruler



Help collect parking fees at  
The 103rd Annual Durham Fair  
September 21 – 24, 2022

Help our Lodge by volunteering for a shift or two! This is one of our major fund raisers. Sign up in the lounge or contact Peter Freiler—[phfreiler@gmail.com](mailto:phfreiler@gmail.com).



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### **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](http://www.ctelks.org) - Hall Rentals: 203-645-7998

## MESSAGE BOARD

### Happy Birthday!

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

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNERS!

Most Meals \$13.00

Sept. 6th Penne w/  
Meatballs or  
Penne A la Vodka w/.  
Chicken Cutlet \$13

Sept. 13th End of  
Summer Picnic \$13

Sept. 20th Corned Beef  
and Cabbage \$15  
(Halfway to  
St. Patricks Day )

Sept. 27th Fish Fry

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

**Elks Care - Elks Share**



### Regular Lodge Meeting

Monday September 11  
& September 25  
7:30 PM



## HELP OUR VETERANS

We Are Collecting socks, underwear, hats, personal hygiene items, non perishable food items, gently used books.

All will be delivered to the VA to assist homeless Veterans and those in need.

## BUY YOUR TICKETS

**Saturday September 9th 5 PM**  
**Prime Rib Dinner by Chef Tom Lee**  
**Includes Salad, Baked Potato, Corn on the Cob**  
**& Special Dessert**  
**\$25.00 per person**  
**Advance Ticket Sale Only**



### Newest Members Initiated:

Louis Caciopoli, Barbara Hardy, Michael Hardy, Michael McGurrin, William Bafundo, Katy Reilly

## MESSAGE BOARD

### Tip of the Antlers

**Lobster Roll Special: Kathy Kelsey, Ray Bullard, Cathy Pleines,  
Don McNulty, Cheryl Eberg, Donna Nevins, Jenn Caputo , Dave Delgrego,  
Bob Gilbert;  
75 Dinners served to our Happy Diners!!**

**Wings & Karaoke: Bobby Nic for the great wings (as always)  
Thanks to DJ Dennis Downing from Derby Lodge as a last minute  
replacement for the music!!!**

Our attendance at Wednesday Night Dinners is growing.  
Now, more than ever it is important for us to have your reservation no later than  
the night before by 6 pm.  
Please call 203-248-2224 and leave your message  
Please help us plan accurately with your early reservations!

Our successful and enjoyable Bocce League season  
has come to a close.

An exciting and well played playoff game was held  
to break a tie for first place.

The Goodfellows were victorious over the Weazels  
who settled for second place. 3 C's and a K wound  
up in third place.



Over 50 members  
and guests en-  
joyed our Thursday  
night  
league and will-  
gather Sept 14 for  
the year end  
dinner.  
See you all next  
year

**Save the date!!!**

**SUNDAY OCT 22 2pm  
Sunday Dinner Show with  
Dino!!**

**Full Dinner with the music of  
Dean Martin  
as performed by Jack Lynn**

**More details soon**





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**Saturday  
September 30th**

**7-11 PM**

**Great Fun-  
Guests Welcome**

**Saturday September 30th  
Wings w/ your choice of  
sauce**

**6 for \$8.00 or  
12 for \$15.00**

**Served 5 pm until sold out**



# Karaoke Stars