

Frackville Elks News The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America

Lodge No. 1533 Established: 1927

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2023-2024 Installation of Officers



The Frackville Elks Lodge No. 1533 held its annual Installation of Officers and Awards Ceremony on Saturday April 1, 2023. The new lodge officers for the 2023-24 term took the oath of office and were installed by Past Exalted Rulers of the lodge and visiting Past Exalted Rulers. Newly installed officers (seated left to right) include: Jaclyn Yanchulis, tiler; Lance Nelson, P.D.D.G.E.R., P.E.R., esquire; James Samelko, Jr., esteemed lecturing knight; John Rogers, P.E.R., esteemed leading knight; Tracy Dudash, esteemed loyal knight; Bill Mack, PA Elks State President, P.D.D.G.E.R., P.E.R., lodge secretary; Marianne Yanchulis, chaplain; Leanne Mogish, inner guard; Joseph Gudonis, 5-year trustee. Grand Installing Officers for the ceremony (standing left to right) include: Diana Hummel-Andrewcavage, P.E.R., grand installing tiler; Steve Tertel, P.E.R., grand installing treasurer; Theresa Reed, P.E.R., grand installing esteemed lecturing knight; Albert Gricoski, P.E.R., grand installing esquire; William Cickavage, P.E.R., grand installing leading knight; Matt Hatrak, newly installed Exalted Ruler for 2023-24; Tom Lowe, P.E.R., grand installing exalted ruler; Ron Bane, P.E.R., outgoing exalted ruler for 2022-23; Mark Andrewcavage, P.E.R., grand installing loyal knight and grand installing trustee; Mary Ann Dickerson, P.D.D.G.E.R., P.E.R. from Bloomsburg Elks Lodge No. 436, grand installing secretary; Gerard Kufrovich, P.D.D.G.E.R., P.E.R., from Mahanoy City Elks Lodge No. 695, grand installing inner guard; Robert Yutko, P.D.S.V.P., P.E.R., grand installing chaplain. Not pictured: Ronald Whalen, newly installed treasurer.

Monthly Kudos

The Lodge and Officers would like to send out Elks Kudos to the following members for their donations of time and materials over the past few months:

To Brute Cickavage, PER, Adam Sedar, Mike Paulonis for working on the storage addition!

To the students who have volunteered to collect stamps!

To all our Thursday night cooks!

To the singers and DJs who have made Karaoke night a success!

To our Patio Painters!

Lodge Hours



Thursday Friday Saturday Sunday

Open 6PM Open 6PM Open 3PM Open 3PM

Kitchen is open when the bar is open. Come to the Lodge for the food, stay for the company!









www.elks.org

www.paelks.com

Lodge Officers 2023-2024

Elected Positions

Exalted Ruler: Matthew Hatrak Leading Knight: John Rodgers, PER Loyal Knight: Tracy Dudash Lecturing Knight: Jim Samelko Secretary: William Mack, PSP Treasurer: Ron Whalen

Appointed Positions

Esquire: Lance Nelson, PDDGER, PER Chaplain: Marianne Yanchulis Inner Guard: Leanne Mogish Tiler: Jaclyn Yanchulis

House Committee Chair: Ron Bane, PER

Lodge Trustees

5-Year: Joe Gudonis

4-Year: Mark Andrewcavage, PER

3-Year: James Rovito 2- Year: Joseph Beecroft 1-Year: Michael Tomko, PER

We are asking all Committee Chairpersons to attend Lodge meetings to give a report on behalf of your respective committee members. Please provide a copy of your report to the Lodge Secretary after the meeting.



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Lodge of Sorrow

The faults of our members we write on the sands of time; their virtues, upon the tablets of love and memory...

 NAME
 Initiated
 Passed Away

 Charles McElhenny 10/25/1978
 03/17/2023

 Russell J Antalosky 02/01/1987
 04/03/2023

 John R Orris Jr
 04/01/1968
 05/24/2023

 Edward Kerlavage Jr 06/20/1978
 06/03/2023

"...to our absent members."

Have a membership candidate in mind? You can grab an "old school" paper application, or just simply have them apply electronically online! Just send them an invitation. Visit the Elks website at

www.elks.org



Lodge Membership Page

Membership & Lapsation Report

Beginning Membership **4/1/2023**: 534

INCREASES

Initiated: 12 Affiliated: 0 Reinstated: 3 Subtotal: 15

DECREASES

Dropped: 0
Transferred Out: 0
Absolute Dimit: 1
Deaths: 3
Expelled: 0
Subtotal: 4

Calculated Membership

Total: **545**Average Age: 59.06
Gains/Losses: +11

(as of 6/23/23)

DELINQUENCY

Dues Unpaid: 62 Lapsation Rate: 11.61%

CANDIDATES

Apps. On Hand: 16

LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Life: 77
Honorary Life: 2
Total: 79
Life Percentage: 14.79%

Top Membership Recruiters 2022-23

Ron Bane Stephen McCarthy 1 **Bo Rogers** Kristopher Chuma 1 Matthew Hatrak 1 **John Guers** 1 Gary Goodman Jillian Blackwell Christina Hale 1 Lance Nelson 1 Mark Andrewcavage 1 Don Dudash, Sr

Since April of 2023, 12 of our members have sponsored a new member!

New/Reinstated Members 2023-24

Holden Andrewcavage, Charles Blackwell, Gloria Jean Burda, Dave Ferraiolo, Donna Guers, Randy Lattis, Lawrence Schiff, Thomas Seiberling, Allishia Sleva, Nicholas Spotts, Mary Ann Stetz, Daniel Thomas

Propositions

None

Upcoming Initiation

William Delinsky, Darren Diehl, Ann Hawryliak, Zachary Joseph, Danielle Moyer, Patrick O'Boyle, John Jacob Petritsch, Bryan Rogers, Charles Sienkiewicz, Ronald Souchak, Joan Starr, Sandra Vagelatos, Daniel Wilhelm

Balloting On Candidates

Eugene Berdanier, John Gower, John Wasilewski





The mission of the Elks National Foundation is to help Elks build stronger communities. We fulfill this pledge by investing in communities where Elks live and work. We help youth develop lifelong skills, send students to college, meet the needs of today's veterans, support the charitable work of the state Elks associations, and fund projects that improve the quality of life in local Elks communities. Like all Elks, the Foundation values the belief that charity is the greatest of all virtues and that by sharing and giving, we have the power to replace sorrow and despair with hope and confidence. Donations to the Foundation help us fund programs that match our cornerstone values of knowledge, integrity and community. Please visit www.elks.org/enf for more information or to donate to this great cause.



Since 1963, the PA Elks Home Service Program has been helping to improve the quality of life for thousands of children and adults throughout Pennsylvania. We provide support and advocacy services to individuals of any age who have a developmental disability. Pennsylvania Elks Major Projects is sponsored by the Pennsylvania Elks State Association as their major charity. Since 1963, the Elks in Pennsylvania have raised more than \$22,729,557 to support the PA Elks Home Service Program. Other funding is provided by the Elks National Foundation and the PA Elks Legacy Trust Fund. To learn more about this program and make a generous donation, please visit www.paelkshomeservice.org today.

Cumulative Giving Hall of Fame

*Gold*Lance Nelson

Silver Theresa Reed

Permanent Benefactor William Cickavage William Mack

Honorary Founder Mark Andrewcavage Carl Bartholomew Chad Kramer Mary A. Pautienus Annual Giving
Hall of Fame
2022-2023
Faith

William Mack

Mercy

Justice

William Cickavage Theresa Reed

Peace

ENF STATE-LEVEL RANKINGS

The Frackville Elks Lodge ranks 1st out of 84 PA Lodges in ENF donations with a \$6.20 per capita and \$3,308.00 total (as of 6/19/23). Please donate today! Visit

www.elks.org/e nf/onlinegiving. cfm



SATURDAY JULY 29, 2023 2 P.M. - 6 P.M.

Frackville Elks Field cow on field from 2:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m. 1st place-\$1,500 2nd place-\$1,000 3rd place-\$500

\$20.00 PER TICKET INCLUDES FOOD AND BEVERAGES

Early bird cash drawing for a chance to win \$200!

Only tickets paid in full and returned by

July 14, 2023 will be eligible.

Drawing date: Saturday July 15, 2023

Tickets available at Frackville Elks or call Friendship Fire Company at 570-874-4030

We're #1! & ENF Fidelity Club

As you can see above Frackville Lodge ranks 1st in the state for per capita giving to the ENF! Although early in the year this is an amazing accomplishment. We would like to thank all members who have donated.

One of the easiest ways to donate to the ENF, besides enclosing your donation with your dues, is to join the ENF Fidelity Club.

The ENF Fidelity Club recognizes automatic, regularly scheduled donations through your bank account or credit card. These donations occur monthly (min \$5). To join go to: http://enf.elks.org/recurring

We currently have 5 members in the Fidelity Club, will you help double this to 10?

Please join us for some food, refreshments, and COW CHIPS, as we raise funds for the **PA Home Service Nurses!** Please stop in the lodge to purchase tickets. If you cannot make it to the lodge and would like a ticket, please email bpoe1533secretary@gmail.com and arrangements can be made to get you entered!

Reminder all 2023-2024 Lodge Dues are now Past Due

Just a reminder, that all dues are due by April 1, 2023 if you wish to continue frequenting the Lodge. The new membership cards will have a keycard, <u>orange</u> in color, to use for admission to the Lodge during regular business hours (Thurs/Fri after 6:00 p.m. and Sat/Sun after 3:00 p.m.). Members with the old <u>purple</u> keycards will be asked to pay their dues before being admitted to the Lodge, as the purple keycards will not work after April 1st.

Frackville Elks Birthdays

<u>July</u>

- 01 Burke, Amber
- 02 Fishburn, Christina
- 03 Kaledas, Robert
- 03 Seasock, John
- 03 Shelcusky, David J
- 04 Pavlock, Anthony
- 06 Blozusky, Frank J
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- 07 Hummel, Ralph L
- 08 Liptok, Joseph M
- 08 Sorce, Heather
- 08 Wetzel, Sharyn
- 09 Puls, Amy E
- 11 Bartashus, Thomas J
- 11 Goodman, Michael
- 11 Hart, Bruce T
- 11 Noraka, Joseph
- 12 Thomas, Daniel
- 13 Lukow, Leonard P
- 15 O'Connor, John P
- 15 Ulicny, Jane
- 16 Beecroft, Joseph E
- 17 Bellew, Brian
- 17 Guers, Donna M
- 19 Blackwell, Charles
- 19 Chesney, Joseph W
- 20 Phillips, Delmar C
- 22 Flannery, Raymond R 23 Brennan, Fred J
- 23 Cugusi, Paul
- 23 Rhoades, William
- 24 Gruber, Kristy
- 24 Zemgulis, Lisa G
- 25 Melnic, Michael
- 28 Houston, Robert
- 28 Wetzel, Holly
- 29 Litwhiler, Douglas
- 29 Tarconish, Edward J
- 30 Flynn, John F
- 31 Reed, Anita Lynn
- 31 Richmond, John M

August

- 01 Chuma, John
- 01 Grantham, Freda L
- 01 Hampford, Edward
- 01 Jackson, Danielle
- 02 Antalosky, Lon
- 02 Marshall, Paul
- 02 Najda, Joseph
- 02 Staconis, John J
- 03 Corbacio, John J 03 Semanchik, Mark
- 05 Cocco, Joseph
- 05 Kufrovich, Mark Paul
- 05 Morgan, Amanda L
- 05 Zula, Heidi
- 06 Goodman, Gary C
- 06 Mynuk, Scott N
- 06 Sims, David
- 07 Kowalonek, Stefan F
- 08 Anthony, Linda M

- 08 Courtney, Michael E
- 08 Klem, Albert R
- 10 Grimes, Lee A
- 10 Miller, Richard F
- 10 Pontician, John
- 12 Scheeler, Timothy
- 13 Guers, Eileen
- 14 Lawson, Edward
- 14 Westwood, Jason
- 15 Picht, Tracey
- 16 Seddon, Ione R
- 16 Thomas, Stephanie L
- 16 Yanchulis, Jaclyn A
- 18 Knarr, Nicole
- 18 Schaeffer, John W
- 19 James, Ronald
- 19 Kalce, Kathleen
- 21 Agostinelli, Michael L
- 21 Onorofsky, Louis R
- 22 Kempsey, Robert F
- 23 Davis, Steven
- 23 Dobrolsky, Thomas E
- 23 Holden, John T
- 23 Speidel, John David
- 24 Brennan, Pamela
- 24 Hess, Gary J
- 24 Kuzio, Stephen
- 24 McCormick, Robert
- 27 Langon, James P
- 27 Oberholtzer, Grace
- 29 Barnett, Brent D
- 29 Dillman, Donald R
- 29 Dobeck, Thomas J 29 Kellagher, Amanda
- 29 Salamak, Andrew
- 30 Shustack, Tyler
- 31 Felty, Steven
- 31 Tomko, Raymond J
- 31 Wagner, William R

September

- 01 DiObilda, Vincent E
- 01 Newberry, Donald E
- 02 Andrewcavage, Mark
- 02 Roman, Anthony J 02 Whalen, Ronald J
- 03 Fennelly, Earl R
- 03 Fennelly, Earl R
- 03 Griffin, John P
- 04 Jankaitis, Eugene P
- 04 Kufro, Scott
- 04 Samelko, James R
- 05 Bukowski, John J
- 05 Green, Robyn
- 06 Mengel, David
- 07 McCarthy, Stephen
- 08 McGlade, Sherry
- 09 Appler, Stacey Lynn
- 09 Baker, Gary
- 09 Connolly, John Peter
- 09 Huben, Michael J
- 09 Madden, Thaddeus J
- 11 Liptok, Catherine
- 11 Mentusky, Mark

Frackville Elks Annual Flag Day Ceremony



The Frackville Elks Lodge No. 1533 held its annual Flag Day ceremony on Sunday June 11, 2023. Lodge Officers were joined by members of multiple Veterans of Foreign Wars Posts, including Post No. 7654, Ashland; Post No. 3975, Auburn; and Post No. 6982, Coaldale; American Legion Post No. 398, Frackville; the local Boy Scouts Troop No. 745, Ashland; and Cub Scout Pack No. 652, Pitman in conducting the ceremony. The keynote speaker and guest of honor this year was the Honorable Tim Twardzik, Pennsylvania House of Representatives, District 123. Representative Twardzik gave a speech on respect for the Flag and honoring those who serve under our American Flag. Community members and Elks members in attendance were treated to food and refreshments following the special ceremony The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks is the only fraternal organization to

- 11 Starry, Dennis J
- 11 Szczyglak, Andrew J

require a formal observance of Flag Day.

- 12 Hart, Joshua
- 14 Andrewcavage,
- Elizabeth I
- 15 Shaner, Mike
- 16 Boris, Joseph R
- 16 Gudonis, Joseph J
- 16 Kleman, Patrick C
- 17 Cickavage, William
- 17 Subick, Ann 19 Manbeck, Roy F
- 19 Semanchik, John
- 19 Spotts, Nicholas
- 19 Wagner, Ken
- 20 Rakus, Donna 21 Kelly, Todd F
- 21 Wall, Donald
- 21 Yutko, Robert J
- 22 McCarthy, John
- 22 Smarkanic, Matthew 22 Stetz, Mary Ann

- 25 Reading, Joseph
- 25 Tokarczyk, Amanda
- 26 Buchanan, Renee J
- 26 Jordan, Ronald
- 26 Kovach, Jeffrey W 26 Mack, Karen A
- 28 Badger, Thomas E
- 28 Wixted, Laura 29 Halcovage, George F
- 29 Rogers, John J
- 30 O'Connor, John F

If your birth date is wrong, your information has to be corrected in the CLMS computer system.

Contact us and let us know today!



House Committee Memo

Ron Bane, Chairperson



H Message from the Exalted Ruler



Matthew Hatrak, E.R. 2023-2024

Fellow Members,

I would like to start by thanking our numerous Committee chairpersons, volunteers, and patrons for participation in our Frackville Elks Lodge events. John Guers and the entire Activities Committee have been spending numerous hours on the planning. Through rain, sunshine and smoke the music played on. We hosted a Valentine's Dance, Cinco de Mayo, and Kentucky Derby gatherings to name a few. The outside patio received a fresh coat of paint and new furniture. Our kitchen cooks have been doing a fabulous job with serving up our menu items. Have you tried our bugler burger with fluff or the various wing flavors? If you have any ideas for new food items, please feel free to contact me or the kitchen staff.

When visiting the lodge please welcome our newest bartenders Haylee and Jeff.

There are numerous events planned for the coming months. Please check this bulletin calendar, email, and Facebook to keep up on the latest events. Always remember, this is YOUR Lodge. We cannot survive and thrive without your support. Looking forward to seeing all of you at the Lodge.

Fraternally,

PMJB-L



Fellow Members,

I would like to thank everyone for the support you have shown me as the Exalted Ruler for the past three months, it truly is an honor to serve in this role.

Thank you to everyone that has been participating in all the activities and events, we look forward to seeing everyone at all the other events scheduled.

I encourage all new and old members to come to the lodge and see the improvements that have been made. With the expansion of our storage shed we will be able to use the Esquire Bar area more and the patio has turned into a great place to hang out and enjoy entertainment.

I will be traveling to Minneapolis, Minnesota to represent the lodge at the National Convention along with a few other members, in the month of July. It is an honor to be able to attend this event and I encourage everyone to follow the activities at the National Convention at the various websites: Elks.org, PAelks.org or the various social media pages. If you have not created your accounts on the webpages this would be a great opportunity, they are a great resource. I encourage all new and old members to recruit one new member to join, applications are available in the main hallway.

I look forward to seeing everyone down at the Lodge! Matthew Hatrak Exalted Ruler



Busy Time for Veterans Committee

The Frackville Elks Lodge No. 1533 collected hygiene and comfort items, from March through May, to donate to U.S. military Veterans residing in the Veterans Affairs Hospital, Lebanon, PA. Also, Elks Members visited two local nursing homes to visit U.S. military Veterans residing in the facilities and to help spread a little cheer as part of the ENVSC Adopt-a-Veteran program. The residents were treated to some doughnuts and coffee, and even a little karaoke fun during one of the visits!

Frackville Elks 2022-2023 Students of the Year



The Frackville Elks Lodge No. 1533 honored its 2022-23 Students of the Semester and Students of the Year award recipients. The breakfast and awards banquet was held on May 10, 2023. Out of a student pool of around 800 students, 200 students are picked for Student of the Month Awards during the months of Sept, Oct, Nov, Dec, Feb, Mar, Apr, May. From those 200 Student of the Month award recipients, 32 students are chosen as Students of the Semester (16 from the fall semester and 16 from the spring semester) based on academics, discipline record, attendance, work ethic, leadership, community service and other Elks attributes. At the awards banquet, four Student of the Year award recipients are announced after a ceremony honoring the 32 students in attendance.

2 Upcoming Benefits

Benefit for Dale Foose

Saturday Aug 26 12-8pm 2 Bands Adrenalyn Sakes Alive Basket Auction, Food and Drink

We are asking for donations from members to help the Basket Auction: baskets, gift cards, monetary donations. Contact Jackie 570-590-6941 or Terri 570-205-2014

Christmas in July Toys for Tots Benefit

Thursday July 27 6-9pm Special Menu: Marianne's Fresh Burgers Drink Specials and 50/50 Bring a toy and get a free draft

Annual Kentucky Derby Party



held a Kentucky Derby party on May 6, 2023 to raise money for the Youth Activities fund at the Lodge.

Money raised will help sponsor a Children's Movie Night later in the year during backto-school time and other youth events at the Lodge.

The Frackville Elks

Monthly Dinners

Our Monthly Dinners are held the 3rd Wednesday of the month starting at 4pm. Please call 570-874-1119 to reserve your dinner by Sunday.

We will take the months of July and August off to give our cooks a break.

Please check Facebook for the September 20th Featured Meal.

PER Association Meeting

The next meeting of the PER Association will be held on Sunday, July 9, 2023 at 445PM.

Pool Winners Daily Pool Winners:

Mark Hummel

Saturday Pool Winners:

None

You can't win if you don't come in!

Starting July 1, 2023 the cost to enter the Daily Pool will be \$1 and the cost to enter the Saturday Pool will be \$2. The maximum prizes will increase accordingly.

Elroy at the Spartan Games



Officers and members of the Frackville Elks Lodge No. 1533 attended the 5th Annual Spartan Games at North Schuylkill School District on May 9, 2023. The Spartan Games is a full-day of athletic events designed to promote athletics and competition to students with disabilities. Each year, 900 athletes from 19 schools across Schuylkill County and the surrounding areas descend on the school grounds to compete. The Elks educated the students in attendance on the dangers of illicit and prescription drug use and abuse using the Drug Awareness trailer and materials. Elroy the Elk joined all of the school mascots for fun, games, and other festivities.

JULY 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1
2	3	4 Independence Day	5	6	7 Patio Party w/ the Fat Cats 630p	8
9 PER Assoc 445p	10	11	12 Activity Cmt 6p House Cmt 7p	13	14	15 Ride for Veterans
16 Membership Cmt 5	17 Lodge Mtg 7p	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27 Christmas in July	28 Karaoke 7p	29 Cow Chip 2p
30	31					
		Reminder: Lodge events, programs, and activities are constantly being				

Reminder: Lodge events, programs, and activities are constantly being added or updated. Please check our Facebook Page or Monthly Email for details.

AUGUST 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9 Activity Cmt 6p House Cmt 7p	10	11	12
13	14 Blood Drive	15	16	17	18	19
20 Membership Cmt 5	21 Lodge Mtg 7p	22	23	24	25 Karaoke 7p	26 Dale Foose Benefit
27	28	29	30	31		
		•	Reminder: Kitchen is Open on Thursdays (6:00 P.M.) and Sundays (4:00 P.M.) to Elks Members and Guests			

SEPTEMBER 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		We will be starting an in house Dart League in September. Please sign up at the Lodge if interested!			1	2
3	4 Labor Day	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	Activity Cmt 6p House Cmt 7p	14	15	16
17 Membership Cmt 5	18 Lodge Mtg 7p	19	20 Monthly Dinner	21	22 Karaoke 7p	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

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Bulletin Mailings

We would like to thank all members who have signed up for email bulletins. This helps cut down the cost to the Lodge. If you would like to receive your Quarterly Bulletin by email, please email Lodge Secretary Bill Mack, PSP at bpoe1533secretary@gmail.com Your cooperation is greatly appreciated!

16th Annual Motorcycle Ride for Veterans

Our Ride for Veterans is old enough to drive! Breakfast will start at 9, with kickstands up at 11. Come join us as we support the Frackville Elks Veterans Service Program on a relaxing ride to Ricketts Glen State Park and back.

Saturday July 15 \$20 per person





Meetings

LODGE

(All Members Please Attend) Third Monday of each month 7:00 P.M.

ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

(Any Members Welcome) Second Wednesday of each month 6:00 P.M

HOUSE COMMITTEE

(Any Members Welcome)

Second Wednesday of each month 7:00 P.M

P.E.R. ASSOCIATION

(All PERs Please Attend)

Second Sunday in JAN/APR/JULY/OCT 4: 45 P.M.

TRUSTEES

(All Trustees Required to Attend)
Third Monday of each month
6:30 P.M.

Business Hours

MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY
CLOSED

THURSDAY & FRIDAY OPEN 6:00 P.M.

SATURDAY OPEN 3:00 P.M.

<u>SUNDAY</u>

OPEN 3:00 P.M.



Blood Services

Thank you to everyone for supporting our blood drives!

This year blood drives will now be held on the 2nd Monday of the month, the next is scheduled for:

August 14 1PM-6PM

Go to <u>www.redcrossblood.org</u> to schedule a time.



Blood Drive

For June we had a goal of 35 pints and collected 37! Thank you for your participation.

