



Oct-Nov-Dec 2023

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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Frackville Elks Soccer Shoot Winners!!!

The annual Elks Soccer Shoot contest was held at Shadle Soccer Complex, Gordon on Sunday, September 10, 2023. The event was chaired by Esteemed Leading Knight Bucky Rodgers and sponsored by Frackville Elks Lodge No. 1533 and was free to all participating boys and girls ages 7 to 15 from throughout Schuylkill County. Age divisions included: Boys U-8, U-10, U-12, U-14, U-16 and Girls U-8, U-10, U-12, U-14. Winners of each of the gender and age divisions will move on to the PA Elks Northeast District Soccer Shoot Contest to be held this autumn on a date to be announced. Overall, 35 student participants and 12 Elks volunteers were in attendance for the event.



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:

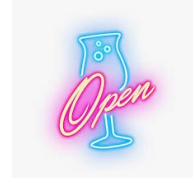
To Brute Cickavage, PER, Adam Sedar, Mike Paulonis for working on the storage addition!

To all our Elks members and the individuals and business who supported the Fundraiser for Dale!

To all our Thursday night cooks!

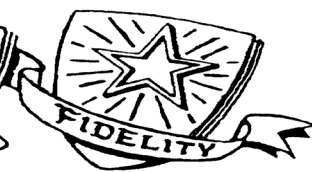
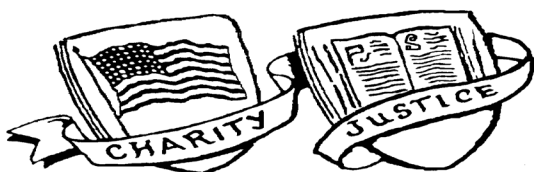
To the singers and DJs who have made Karaoke night a success!

Lodge Hours



Thursday	Open 6PM
Friday	Open 6PM
Saturday	Open 3PM
Sunday	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 Becroft
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.



[www.elks.org/lodges/home.cfm?](http://www.elks.org/lodges/home.cfm?LodgeNumber=1533)
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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 Antallosky	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
Theodore Chabon	07/10/1968	06/30/2023
Paul Anthony	05/21/1952	07/26/2023
William Rhoades	12/07/1971	08/24/2023

"...to our absent members."

Lodge Membership Page

Membership & Lapsation Report

Beginning Membership
4/1/2023: 534

INCREASES

Initiated: 26
Affiliated: 0
Reinstated: 4
Subtotal: 30

DECREASES

Dropped: 0
Transferred Out: 0
Absolute Dimit: 1
Deaths: 6
Expelled: 0
Subtotal: 7

Calculated Membership

Total: 557
Average Age: 59.14
Gains/Losses: +23
(as of 9/22/23)

DELINQUENCY

Dues Unpaid: 42
Lapsation Rate: 11.61%

CANDIDATES

Apps. On Hand: 9

LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Life: 75
Honorary Life: 1
Total: 76
Life Percentage: 14.23%

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



Top Membership Recruiters 2022-23

Ron Bane 2
William Cickavavge 2
Bo Rogers 2
Keith McCauley 2
21 Members 1

Since April of 2023, 25 of our members have sponsored a new member!

New/Reinstated Members 2023-24

Holden Andrewcavage, Eugene H Berdanier, Charles Blackwell, Robert Bobiak, Lee Bohard, Joseph Buchanan, Gloria Jean Burda, William Delinsky, Dave Ferraiolo, Joseph S Gera, John Gower, Donna M Guers, Ann Hawryliak, Randy Lattis, Danielle Moyer, Joseph Najda, Patricia O'Gurek, John Jacob Petritsch, Bryan Rogers, Lawrence Schiff, Thomas Seiberling, Allishia J Sleva, Nicholas Spotts, Joan Starr, MaryAnn Stetz, Daniel Thomas, Sandra Vagelatos, JohnP Wasilewski, Edward J Wassell, James E Zimmerman

Propositions

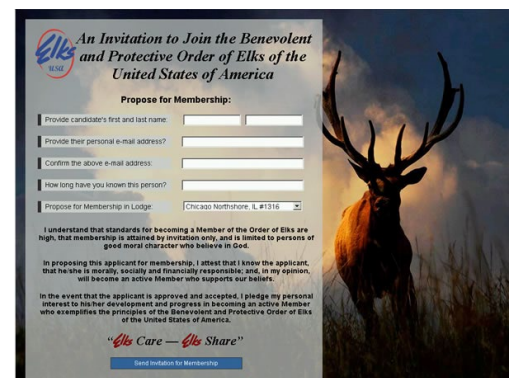
None

Upcoming Initiation

Robert Savitsky, Mary Lou Sorokach, Michael S Spearing

Balloting On Candidates

Steve Dyszel, Edgar B Herwick, Richard Melendez, William L Sheffy, Kyle H Watkins, Paula Wright





Elks National Foundation, Inc.

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.



Pennsylvania Elks HOME SERVICE PROGRAM

50+ Years of Caring & Sharing

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
Delmar Phillips Sr

Annual Giving Hall of Fame

2022-2023

Faith

William Mack
Lance Nelson
Theresa Reed

Mercy

William Cickavage

Justice

Theresa Reed
Mark Andrewcavage

Peace

Cheryl Bobiak

ENF STATE- LEVEL RANKINGS

The Frackville Elks

Lodge ranks **2nd**
out of 84 PA

Lodges in ENF
donations with a
\$9.37 per capita and
\$5,002.11 total (as of
9/17/23). Please
donate today!

Visit

**[www.elks.org/e
nf/onlinegiving.
cfm](http://www.elks.org/enf/onlinegiving.cfm)**

A Word of Thanks

Dale and I would like to express our deep appreciation and gratitude to Jackie Yanchulis and all the members of the Frackville Elks who helped to make his benefit such a great success.

It was a very emotional day for he and I, not only because of the hardships he is going through but also just knowing there are so many wonderful people who are willing to give of themselves to help.

It was quite a community event!

The proceeds from the benefit will go towards home changes and medical equipment that will assist him in improving his mobility at home, in order to keep him safe.

Your kindness, hard work, and concern will forever be remembered.

May God bless and keep you all,

Dale & Bonnie Foose

We're #1 ! & ENF Fidelity Club

As you can see above Frackville Lodge ranks 2nd in the state for per capita giving to the ENF! 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 6 members in the Fidelity Club, will you help double this to 12?

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, **orange** 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 **purple** 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

October

03 Lecher, William
 04 Cunningham, Russell
 04 Hatrak, Matthew
 04 Martin, Lowell P
 05 Cappel, Gina Marie
 05 Ferrari, Mary A
 06 Fleischut, Gary
 06 Sleva, Allishia J
 07 Padamonsky, George
 08 Pasker, Gene M
 09 Blozusk, Frank J
 09 Ernst, Bruce
 09 Griffin, John P
 09 Hitzel, Andrew G
 09 Kushuarra, Fred
 09 Morgan, John M
 09 Yeselski, David J
 10 Brobst, Sammy
 10 Cheripka, George M
 11 Malocu-Schwalm, Rose
 11 Sukana, Andrew F
 13 Di Casimirro, Ettore L
 14 Whitecavage, Annetta
 15 Lavelle, James M
 15 Mentzer, Gregory M
 15 Pautienus, William J
 16 Wolfe, George H
 17 Szczyglak, John
 18 Schaeffer, Bryan
 19 Dean, Kris
 20 Waldman, Susan
 28 Marshall, Jennifer
 28 Shober, Tom
 29 Dillman, Robert
 31 Reading, Diane Marie
 31 Schiff, Lawrence
 31 Seiberling, Thomas
 31 Shumski, Stanley

November

01 Boychak, Frederic T
 01 Cappel, Johnna
 01 Lindenmuth, Donald
 01 McCauley, Keith A
 02 Gera, Joseph S
 02 Laurusevage, Jason
 02 Sheffy, Zachary
 03 O'Connell, Susan
 04 Dampman, Robert N
 04 Guers, John E
 05 Bokunewicz, Christine
 05 O'Connor, Mary Kathleen
 05 O'Neill, Joseph V
 06 Zahodnick, Nicole
 07 Fetterolf-Weller, Dorothy J
 07 Hawranick, Michael J
 07 Nagle, Alan R

08 Maceiunas, Renee
 08 Miller, James
 10 Ruschaki, John
 11 Brayford, Jeanmarie
 11 Huth, John F
 11 Sajone, Anthony
 11 Yanuskiewicz, Michael M
 12 Blumel, Michael
 13 Fennelly, David J
 14 Macek, Beverly
 15 Sedar, Adam
 16 Macker, Michael P
 16 Zilker, Leon P
 17 Miller, Thomas
 18 Goodman, Christopher C
 19 Corotto, James
 19 O'Brien, Patricia
 20 Herbst, David J
 21 Kurdy, Robert J
 21 Nemeth, Jeffery A
 22 Petritsch, John Jacob
 22 Santor, Zachary
 22 Yotko, Michael J
 23 Demauro, Kathleen
 24 Manbeck, Roy
 24 Tarson, John
 25 Miernicki, Helen M
 27 Bell, Richard
 27 Jones, Haley
 27 Orosco, Robert

December

01 Blackwell, Jillian
 02 Mongrain, Robert H
 02 Seresky, David
 03 Mengel, Roy W
 03 Sabol, Karen A
 04 Kilker, Anthony J
 04 Lazusky, John J
 04 Wassell, Edward J
 05 Smarcanic, Andrew D
 07 Buchanan, Joseph
 07 Reilly, Robert C
 07 Smith-Briley, Barbie A
 08 Barket, Mark A
 09 Chowansky, John
 09 Domalakes, Lawrence
 11 Hopko, Paul
 13 Britt, Sandra
 13 Butler, Shawn M
 13 Tertel, Stephen P
 15 Lindenmuth, Mary A
 15 McCoach, Chris
 18 Sorce, Gregory M
 19 Souchack, Ted J
 19 Tokarczyk, George
 19 Zimmerman, Don F
 20 Hawryliak, Ann
 20 O'Connor, James
 20 Palewicz, Thomas
 20 Peleschak, David
 21 Hawranick, Stefan J
 23 Hinkle, Bruce H

Frackville Elks at Back To Schol Fair



The Frackville Elks Lodge No. 1533 sponsored use of the Pennsylvania Elks Northeast District Drug Awareness Trailer for use at the inaugural Back to School Fair held on Monday August 7, 2023, at Schuylkill Intermediate Unit 29, Mar-Lin. The Elks members distributed anti-drug literature to children and parents. They also gave out candy, Frisbees, stress balls, water bottles, drawstring bags, pencils, bookmarks, and other drug-free items. Participating in the event include (left to right) Ron Bane, Past Exalted Ruler; Emersyn Miller, Middleport; Bill Mack, Past State President and Lodge Secretary

25 Tenaglia, James P
 26 Kitsock, Michael J
 26 Kowalewski, Christopher
 27 Loeper, Mary Anne
 27 Sleva, Daniel
 28 Malick, Donald
 28 Tomko, Bernard A
 30 Kelly, Theresa
 30 Munley, Ryan P
 31 Carl, Robert S
 31 Makuta, Carl P

If your birth date is wrong, your information has to be corrected in the CLMS computer system. Contact us and let us know today!

PER Association Meeting

The next meeting of the PER Association will be held on Sunday, October 8, 2023 at 445PM.

Pool Winners

Daily Pool Winners:

None

Saturday Pool Winners:

Bill Rogers

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.

House Committee Memo

Ron Bane, Chairperson



A Message from the Exalted Ruler

Matthew Hatrak, E.R. 2023-2024



Fellow Members,

The Lodge has certainly been very active over the summer months! We again have many activities and functions planned for the upcoming Holiday season, and hope that you can find a few to your liking to come to the Lodge and support.

I would briefly like to remind you of a few of our House Committee rules as we have been lax in enforcing and have noticed some un-Elk like behavior recently.

House Rules

The following rules are set forth and enforced by the House Committee of the Frackville Elks Lodge No. 1533:

- All members will be governed at all times by Grand Lodge Statutes, Lodge By-Laws, and House Rules. Any member bringing guests will be held responsible for their conduct and compliance with these House Rules. House Rules are in effect any time you and your guests are on Lodge property.
- No admittance or service will be provided unless your dues are current, and paid in full, for the Lodge year.
- Any member in good standing wishing to extend the courtesy of the Lodge to their spouse; (or to the widow of a deceased member) may do so by request to the Secretary of the Lodge who will issue an Elks Identification Card. The ID card does not carry the privileges of the Lodge, however, they are for identification and all courtesies of the Lodge will be extended.
- Sexual harassment, using religious or racial slurs, and fighting are not permitted.
- **Vile, obscene and insulting language used in an Elks Lodge or club is an offense against the Laws of the Order.**
- Bartender, House Committee Member or any Officer may verbally warn you for any infraction. Continued bad conduct will result in you being asked to leave and may result in a hearing following at least a (10) day written notice of alleged violation of club rules or conduct unbecoming an Elk committed on club premises.; further action such as suspension may result following the results of the meeting. Warnings on repetitive occasions may be progressive.
- **No smoking tobacco or any type of electronic vaping devices inside the physical Lodge building.**
- Illegal gambling is prohibited. Gambling that is held to be illegal by Federal, state or local jurisdictions is a violation under the Statutes of the Order.
- Removal of any property, supplies, furnishings, appliances, or any other equipment is forbidden unless express permission is obtained from Board of Trustees, ER or House Committee chairman.

Fellow Members,

It is hard to believe that we are entering the Fall Season, seems like just yesterday our busy activities committee was preparing for all the summer patio activities.

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 members to come to the lodge not just for all the planned events but to stop in and enjoy socialization and networking. Everyone makes up the Lodge family, so please come and see all the fun we can have.

A few weeks ago, we started a Dart League which has drawn in a lot of interest. Feel free to stop in on a Wednesday night even if you do not play to see what the league is all about. Our outdoor storage area is coming along, and we hopefully will be finishing up this project soon. Adding this area has allowed us to clean up the small Esquire bar, which is a great place for small committee meetings, family events etc. If interested in seeing that area for possible use, please see any lodge officer.

Last month I delivered my report from the National Convention, this was truly a great experience to meet and be with other members of the Elks. Next year it will be in Austin Texas, try on attending to see what goes on with the National Grand Lodge.

In a few weeks we will have the fall state conference, all members are eligible to attend this event. If you are interested in attending, please let an officer know.

I encourage all members to try and recommend one new member to the lodge, there is a digital application on www.elks.org that makes this process even easier. If you have not been to the site, I strongly encourage you to check it out.

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

Frackville Elks Breakfast to Return as Frackville Elks Brunch

We have held breakfast planning meetings, for ANY Elk member interested in volunteering, on Sunday August 20th and Sunday September 17th. We will be holding our next planning meeting on Sunday October 22nd at 6:00 P.M. We still do not have a complete committee of volunteers, and I would love to add a few more helpers to the list. At the next meeting we will further discuss the list of job duties and the ordering of food and supplies.

At our previous meetings, we finalized the menu and the date of our first brunch event, to be held Sunday November 5, 2023 from 9:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. Then we will have brunch events every month on the first Sunday of each month through June. The November menu will be as follows: Eggs (made to order), potatoes, toast, bacon, sausage, pancakes, and French toast for breakfast. We will have coffee, tea, and juices available. The cash bar will be open for the following drinks: mimosa, bloody Mary, draft beer, and soda. Our brunch items will be BLTs or BBQ sandwich, with chips, pickles, fruit and cake. The breakfast items on the menu will slightly change month-to-month and the featured brunch items for the next month will be announced at the current brunch event.

Frackville Elks Veterans Service Committee

On Tuesday July 11, 2023, members of the Frackville Elks Lodge's [Elks National Veterans Service Commission](#) committee purchased items, assembled eight Welcome Home kits valued at \$2,400 and delivered one of them to a Veteran in need in Pottsville, and the seven others to the Veterans Multi-Service Center in Reading. Welcome Home kits are intended for homeless Veterans or Veterans at risk of homelessness. Elks Lodges across the country help Veterans establish their homes by building and delivering Welcome Home Kits, which generally include some small furniture, kitchenware, and cleaning supplies. Items can be new or used, donated or purchased.



Frackville Elks Local Scholarship Winners

The Frackville Elks Lodge No. 1533 recently established a local scholarship program and selected four award winners for the inaugural year of the program. The criteria for applying for the scholarship includes that the student must be a North Schuylkill senior enrolled in the college preparatory program or attending the Schuylkill Technology Center. There is a focus on academics, attendance, and discipline record, but judges place an extreme focus on the community service record of the student as a major requirement for consideration for the award. This Year's Winners:



Timothy Herring Kamryn Mengel Brooke Powis Joshua Shimko

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.

Oct 18 – Breaded Pork Chops

Nov 15 – Check Facebook

Dec 20 – Meatloaf with Mac n Cheese



The Veteran's Committee will be holding a "Jeeps for Wreath" event on Saturday, November 11.

Registration starts at 1pm with the Run starting at 2pm. The Run will end at the Frackville American Legion with a dinner. Please see Leanne Mogish or Theresa Reed to register.

Veteran's Committee Bus Trip

The Veteran's Committee will sponsor a bus trip on December 2 to the Wilkes Barre Penguin's Hockey Game. Veterans are free, includes hockey ticket, all you can eat buffet with soft drinks, transportation to and from game departing from lodge at 3:30 pm. Each veteran can bring a companion for \$50. Tickets are first come first serve. You must sign up at lodge or by calling Ann at 570-205-1015 by November 3rd. If additional seats are available, they will be sold at cost of \$50 for additional guests or lodge members.

OCTOBER 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8 PER Assoc 445p	9 Columbus Day	10 Activity Cmt 6p House Cmt 7p	11	12	13	14 Frackville Fright 5K
15 Membership Cmt 5	16 Lodge Mtg 7p	17	18 Breaded Pork Chops	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28 Annual Halloween Party w/ Adrenalyn
29	30	31 Halloween				

NOVEMBER 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5 Brunch	6	7	8	9	10	11 Veterans Day Jeep Run Children's Paint and Sip
12	13	14 Paint and Sip Activity Cmt 6p House Cmt 7p	15 Monthly Dinner	16	17	18 Frozen Turkey Giveaway and Bean Soup Sale Toys for Tots Fundraiser
19 Membership Cmt 5	20 Lodge Mtg 7p	21	22	23 Thanksgiving Day	24	25 Thanksgiving Dance w/Another Side
26	27	28	29	30		
	Reminder: Lodge events, programs, and activities are constantly being added or updated. Please check our Facebook Page or Monthly Email for					

DECEMBER 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3 Elks Memorial Service Brunch	4	5	6	7	8	9 Elks Members Christmas Party
10	11	12 Activity Cmt 6p House Cmt 7p	13	14	15	16
17 Membership Cmt 5	18 Lodge Mtg 7p	19	20 Meatloaf w/ mac n cheese	21	22	23
24	25 Christmas	26	27	28	29	30
31 New Year's Eve w/ Sakes Alive						

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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!



MARINE CORPS RESERVE



Annual Fundraisers for Toy for Tots

Nov 11 Children's Paint and Sip \$20
10am

Nov 14 Adult Paint and Sip 6pm

Nov 17 Toys for Tots Fundraiser w/
band Adrenalyn and many Basket
Raffles

Join us on 1, 2, or all of these dates as
we raise money for this worthwhile
cause!

Meetings

LODGE

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

ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

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

HOUSE COMMITTEE

(Any Members Welcome)
Second Tuesday 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.

SUNDAY

OPEN 3:00 P.M.



**American
Red Cross**

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
are scheduled for:

**October 9
December 11
1PM-6PM**

Go to www.redcrossblood.org
to schedule a time.



**THE TIME TO
GIVE BLOOD
IS NOW
Blood Drive**

Elks Care - *Elks* Share