

Coventry-West Greenwich Elks #2285 42 Nooseneck Hill Road, W. Greenwich, RI 02817-1522

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Exalted Ruler's Message

I love the month of June. The flowers are in bloom, the sun is shining and the weather is warm. We get to start to visit our beautiful beaches. Father's Day is this month, and on behalf of myself, my husband Ray, our members and our lodge, I want to wish all our Fathers in Elkdom a Happy Father's Day.

On June 4th, the RI State Elks is sponsoring a Dinner and silent auction for the upcoming Grand Exalted Ruler, Mike Zellen at Tricity Lodge #14. Tickets \$20.00 per person, please let me know if you need tickets. On **June 5th**, the lodge will be participating in Flag Day at the Bristol Veterans Home 1pm. The ceremony will be fantastic, come join us.

The weekend of **June 11 & 12** the lodge was approved to host a booth at the Air National Guard Airshow. We will be selling beer, and a portion of the sales with be donated to the lodge. If you would like to volunteer, Gerald Richardson (State Trustee) is the chairperson, he will coordinate the volunteers. Gerald can be reached at 401-578-5941.

On June 15th Networking at the Elks 7pm, if you own a business or just want to share your job with fellows Elks, come join us and make some connections within the members of the lodge. June 18th the Elk Riders is having their monthly Steak Fry, Tickets are available in the lounge. June 25th is Youth Awareness day, starts at 9am, bring your children, grandchildren, nieces, nephews.

My Elk of the Month for June is **John Lewis**, he has been working so hard on the maintenance in the lodge. When you see him, say Thank You. When he finds out something needs to be done, he just does it. John, thank you, it's a pleasure working with you.

While at the lodge find the card with the keyword on it from the May bulletin hidden somewhere in the lounge. Find the card win the prize

I will be heading to the National Convention in Houston TX on July 2nd. I will report back to the lodge the at the July meeting.

We are looking to increase the bulletin ads in our monthly bulletin. We will be offering three months of free ads! To that end we will be collecting your business card to use for your free ad in the June, July and August newsletter. In September these prime spaces will be available for a nominal fee. If you would like to participate drop off your business card off at the lodge with the Steward on duty addressed to Lynn Bergeron, Bulletin Editor. For more information please contact Lynn Bergeron, her email address is Ldbergeron21@gmail.com.

If you have an idea or suggestion, call me anytime 401-487-9927. Let's make things happen together.

Fraternally Yours in Elkdom, Annette L. McKay, PER 04-05 & 12-13 Exalted Ruler '16-17

Elks Mission

To inculcate the principles of Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity; to recognize a belief in God; to promote the welfare and enhance the happiness of its Members: to guicken the spirit of American patriotism; to cultivate good fellowship; to perpetuate itself as a fraternal organization, and to provide for its government, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America will serve the people and communities through benevolent programs, demonstrating that

Elks Care

and

Elks Share.

Charity - "When we give cheerfully and accept gratefully, everyone is blessed."

Maya Angelou

Justice – "Justice is the firm and continuous desire to render to everyone that which is his due"

<u>Brotherly Love</u> – should be established every day of every month of every year.

Secretary's Corner

NEW MEMBER NEWS

Name	Occupation	Proposed By
Thomas O'Malley	U.S. Navy Engineer	Lesley Grimes
Rosemary Cardoza	Teacher	Robert Cardoza
Lucy Szydlo	Retired	Bev Swanson
Carmine Broccoli	Shipper/Receiver	Steve Pimental
Joanne Broccoli	Office Admin.	Steve Pimental
Linda Morton	Retired	Annette McKay
Linda Riendeau	Retired	Annette McKay
Peter Gamba	Mechanic	Patrick Moran
Keith Lake	Verizon Tech	Patrick Moran
Michael Powell	Management	Patrick Moran

The next Investigation will be held June 6, 2016, balloting will be June 8, 2016. Indoctrination will be June 6, 2016 and Initiation will be June 8, 2016.

Secretary's office hours are Sunday 9 am to 12 noon and every other Tuesday night (Lodge Meeting Weeks) 6-8 pm, or by appointment.

If you are currently receiving your newsletter via snail mail and would like to be added to our email list, please send your email address to me at secretary@elks2285.necoxmail.com

ALL MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS, AFTER COMPLETED, MUST BE TURNED INTO THE SECRETARY WITH THE REQUIRED APPLICATION FEE. PLEASE DO NOT GIVE THEM TO ANYONE ELSE. THIS WILL ENSURE THAT THE INITIATION PROCESS BEGINS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

IF YOUR MAILING ADDRESS OR EMAIL ADDRESS HAS CHANGED PLEASE BE SURE TO CONTACT ME AT SECRETARY@ELKS2285.NECOXMAIL.COM OR 401-397-3700.

Elks Care, Elks Share

Scholarship Updates:

Welcome!!!

As the chairman of the Coventry West Greenwich Scholarship committee I have the privilege of announcing that Kathy Serpa, a member of our lodge, received a \$700 Vocational Scholarship to pursue her goal of becoming a paralegal. Congratulation to you and good luck with your goals.



Keyword for July is

AMERICAN FLAG

*details to follow!

We also had a \$800 winner of the Most Valuable Student Scholarship. This went to Robert Gemma Jr. he is a senior at Coventry High School. Congratulations to the both of you. Lora Nagel

Scholarship Chairman

Sickness & Distress

Ernie Faiola is at Alpine Nursing Home Room 6 and loves visits from fellow Elks!! Phil asks us to remember what Brotherly Love is, remember one day it may be you that is lonely.

Sandy Mottram wife of Tom Mottram-rustee is in need of prayers for some health problems.

Frank Murphy also has some health issues and in need of good thoughts.

John Forte is at Coventry Health Rehab Center and is hopeing to have some visitors also!

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Lodge News:

BOD News:

Thank You!! to everyone who turned out for our Spring Beautification Day. Everyone worked hard both inside and outside the lodge and it looks fantastic. Hopefully you feel a sense of pride in your lodge and continue keeping it looking nice. Come on down and enjoy it!

We are finalizing the kitchen upgrade. The tankless water heater is in (Thank You Ray!), and we are scheduling the walk-in cooler/freezer installation date. We're almost there!

Members: we almost had a fire near the front door because someone threw a cigarette in the well, so please do not smoke by the front door. We have an approved disposal container for your use in the gazebo and at the door on the parking lot side.

Emblem Club:

At our June meeting we will be awarding a \$1000.00 scholarship to Hilary Houle, she is the granddaughter of Dottie LeBeau. We are also initiating two new members. The Emblem Club will also be donating three new flags to the lodge. Anyone who would like to join our club is very welcome, we work as a team and that is what keeps us strong. Meetings are the first Wednesday of month at 7:30pm

In Emblem Friendship, Jen

PER Activities:

The Past Exalted Rulers Association is currently holding a Queen of Hearts raffle. The drawing takes place every Saturday evening at 7:00 pm in the Members Lounge. Raffle tickets are \$2.00 each, and are available for purchase daily from the bartender on duty. The raffle continues until the queen of hearts is drawn.

SAVE THE DATE! On **July 16, 2016**, the Past Exalted Rulers Association will be hosting a Chicken BBQ with all the fixings. The doors open at 6:00 pm and the dinner is at 7:00 PM and will be buffet style. Tickets are \$12.50 per person and will be available after the June 18, 2016 steak fry. We will be having a 50/50 raffle and a prize raffle that evening. Join us for a great evening of food and fun.

Elk Riders:

As of Monday May 16, 2016 I have resigned as the president of the Elks Riders. It has been a great 4 years and I hope it will continue to be for many more years to come, with the new president Bill Rush. I would just like to thank all the Elks Riders for their hard work and dedication that they have shown me throughout the years. For without all of you, we would not be the great organization that we are today. I would also like to thank all the members of The Coventry West Greenwich Elks Lodge 2285 for all their support and help through the years. I will still be very much involved with the Elks Riders and the Steak fry's helping in any way I can. I would like to welcome Bill Rush and wish him good luck in his new role as president of the Elks Riders. Keep riding and be safe. Thank you, Steven (Wacko) Pimental/Past President

Earlier this week Steve Pimental a.k.a. Wacko resigned as President of the Elks Riders and Bill Rush was nominated and approved to be the next President. As my first official act I would I like to thank Wacko for his foresight in getting the chapter started and his tireless work and dedication to the Elks Riders, the members of the Riders, Elks Lodge #2285, and support of many charities that we were able to assist under his leadership and support of the Elks in general. THANK YOU!! Please note that Wacko will remain active with the Riders and steak fry's. I would like to see the Riders grow under my leadership. New members will allow us to spread some of the work around, try and get folks together for rides with other organization's and especially within our own group and add other events that benefit the Elks and Elks Rider Charities. I look forward to this new challenge and also look forward to working with the other members of the riders, Elks at Lodge #2285 and those throughout the area. Together we can continue with the good work we have done in the past and seek new opportunities to assist the charities in our community. If you have any questions you can leave a message with the bartender on duty or speak directly to me during my visits to the lodge. Thanks Again Wacko.

Bill Rush

#2285 "20 Week Club" Drawing to be held on Friday Night Beginning July 1st thru November 11th. \$5/wk for 20 wks. Weekly prizes 1st=\$75, 2nd=\$50, 3rd=\$25. Banquet and final drawing Nov11th 6pm Prizes 1st=\$750, 2nd=\$500, 3rd=\$250 Call Annette for tickets 401-487-9927

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Drug Awareness Annette McKay

Lounge Happenings

Non-members must be sponsored and signed in by a Lodge member!

"A Little Sauce of Happiness" our current Chef..Billie Jo is serving up food on Thursday and Friday nights. Come on down for a burger, fish or other tastey treat!!

Billie Jo also does breakfast on Sundays DELIVERED!!!!

Thursday- Dinner specials by "A Little Sauce of Happiness" 4-9pm check your emails for updates!

Friday- Dinner specials by "A Little Sauce of Happiness" 4:30-10:30pm and half priced apps from 10-10:30pm.....delivery also available!



EVERY! Friday Night Entertainment KARAOKE with DJ Ron 7pm-?????

Come on in to see June Drink Specials

Event Flyers



ELKS RIDERS STEAK FRY Meat Raffle & 50/50 & Door Prize

June 18, 2016
Tickets \$15.00
6pm - 8 pm Steak Fry and Raffle
CHICKEN UPON REQUEST
Tickets are at the bar or

Call Wacko 640-4284

Featuring Music by <u>Jake the Piano</u> Man

Coventry West Greenwich Elks
42 NOOSENECK HILL ROAD, WEST
GREENWICH

We also now have KENO in the Members Lounge! Come on in and try your luck...You can't win if you don't play!

June 25th 9am-2pm <u>Youth Activities</u> Day Schedule For the Day::

9-10am The Rhode Island State Police simulator unit. Teaching our children the importance of Seat Belts.

10- 11am The Rhode Island State Police K9 division with K9 Sam. Demonstrations on how K9 Sam apprehends a suspect and searches for Drugs.

11 -12 am Karate instructor on Stranger Danger.

12pm Free Lunch for all the kids. Additional items for sale for adults. 1-2pm Jeff Wards Reptile adventions 15 different reptiles, including snakes... Come on down and hold one of these...

There will also be Steve's Bounce house, with a 10 ft obstacle course, Bam Bam and the shriners clowns. All children can win a gift certificate to various stores. The State Elks Drug Awareness Trailer. Can you walk a straight line.

Will be broadcasting live for the event! We are looking for volunteers and sponsors, interested please see Bonnie Richardson or Deb Quiles 828-0306

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Flag Day - 12 June

Elks Memorial Sunday 4 December

June Events / Meetings:

June 1st Emblem Meeting 7:30pm

June 4th Mike Zellen Fundraiser at Tricity Lodge #14. Tickets \$20.00 per person still available

June 5th Flag Day Bristol Veterans home 1pm

June 8th Lodge meeting 7pm

June 11 & 12 Air National Guard Airshow (looking for volunteers)

June 15th Networking at the Elks 7pm

June 18th Elk Riders Steak Fry

June 22nd Lodge Meeting 7pm

June 25th Youth day 9-2pm (looking for volunteers)

House Committee Meetings 1st & 3rd Tuesdays at 6pm

BOD Meetings 2nd & 4th Tuesdays at 6:30pm

July Events / Meetings:

July 3 – 6 National Convention Houston TX

July 6th Emblem meeting 7:30pm

July 13th Lodge meeting 7pm

July 16th PER Chicken BBQ

July 20th Networking at the Elks 7pm

July 23rd Oldies Dance

July 27th Lodge meeting 7pm

House Committee Meetings 1st & 3rd Tuesdays at 6pm BOD Meetings 2nd & 4th Tuesdays at 6:30pm

Looking Ahead:

"A DEADLY CHRISTMAS CAROL" SUNDAY DECEMBER 4th, 2016 - 6PM Join us for this hysterical spoof of the Dickens' classic where Scrooge meets his maker! Enjoy this Rhode Island tradition while dining on a delicious holiday dinner. The show is great for any size group from

two on up!

Back by popular demand so book early! Dinner and a Show.

BOOK EARLY FOR GREAT SEATS! \$30.00 per person

CALL: Annette McKay, ER 401-487-9927 or direct to the lodge 401-397-3700

Proceeds to Benefit Elk Charities

Oldies Dance July23rd, Come Rock the Night Away!

October 22nd Save this Date! Let's Make a Deal! More details to follow...

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