Exalted Ruler’s Message

Dear Members,

Veterans Day Celebration: Thank you to Dave Haunty for providing his moving wall of Butler County residents Killed in Action during the WWII, Korea, Vietnam, Afghanistan and Iraq wars. It is a very touching presentation. Dave has put many hours of his own time compiling data and retrieving personal information on each individual. Dave started this project on his own and takes no money for providing this service. He has traveled across the USA and displayed his wall to many veterans groups. Dave has made it his goal to insure that our veterans are “Never Forgotten, Never Forsaken”.

Toys for Tots: Don Paserba, a long time Butler Elk, has installed a box in our lobby for gifts for the under privileged children from our area. Don has been involved with the Marine Corp League for many years and was disappointed in our lack of donations last year. If each one of us who enter the Elks Lodge in the next few weeks provide just one gift we can make this a wonderful Christmas season for many kids.

Butler Elks Memorabilia: If anyone has any pictures of the Butler Elks, or Elks functions, from any era, please bring them to the Lodge. Danny McKnight has volunteered to transfer them to a DVD to be preserved as a remembrance of who we are as Elks and what we have accomplished. All photos will be returned to the owners. Also, Tom Della Santa is looking for any recording of the award winning “Butler Elks Choir” from the 50’s. Your help will be very much appreciated.

Wishing you and yours a Happy Thanksgiving!
Fraternally yours, Jay Frederick, ER

DECEMBER AT A GLANCE...

Sunday, December 2nd - Noon .................... Memorial Service
Wednesday, December 5th - 7:00 PM ................ Lodge Meeting
Saturday, December 8th - 10 AM .............. Children’s Christmas Party
at the Clearview Mall Cinemas
Tuesday, December 11th - 6:30 PM ............... VA Christmas Party
visit the Veterans at the VA Hospital
Wednesday, December 12th - 7:00 PM ............. Wii Bowling
Friday, December 14th - 8:00 PM to Midnight ...... Karaoke w/Franco
Monday, December 17th - 6:00 PM .............. Tom & Jerry Tradition
Tuesday, December 18th - 5:30 pm ............. Trustees Meeting
Wednesday, December 19th .......................... NO LODGE MEETING
Wednesday, December 19th - 7:00 PM ............. Wii Bowling
Monday, December 24th 2 pm to 6 pm. Christmas Eve Celebration
Closing at 6 pm
Tuesday, December 25th .......................... Closed Christmas Day
Thursday, December 27th - 8:00 PM ................ Members Night
Friday, December 28th - 8 PM ................... December Birthday Bash
Monday, December 31st - 4 PM to 8 PM .......... New Years Eve Party
Start your celebration at the Elks! Karaoke/DJ. Club closes at 9 PM
Tuesday, January 1st - Noon to 6 PM ............ Open New Years Day
Come on in and watch your favorite Bowl Games!
Every Wednesday Morning 9:30 AM ............. Bingo
Every Monday from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM .......... Monday Meals
Every Monday Night ............................... Elks Pool League
Every Friday .......... Friday Munchies and Evening Entertainment
Saturdays at 9:00 PM ................................... Speedy Bingo
Sundays ................................................. Steelers Sunday

3 KARAOKE DATES in DECEMBER

Friday, December 14th - 8 PM Karaoke with Franco
Friday, December 28th - 8 PM Karaoke By George!
Monday, December 31st - 3 PM Karaoke By George!
Stop in and hear the famous Elks singers belt out their favorite tunes. More singers always welcome!

DECEMBER BIRTHDAY BASH

Friday, December 28th, we will have a birthday bash to celebrate December birthdays. Karaoke with George, snacks and birthday cake. All members are invited so come on down even if you don’t have an November birthday.
MEMBERS’ NIGHT

Members’ night will be on Thursday, December 27th at 7:00 PM. Join your fellow Elks at the Lodge for fun, food and prizes. ER Jay Frederick will host the evening. You won’t want to miss out on a "special time" Jay has planned for the evening!

WEDNESDAY Wii BOWLING

Join us every other Wednesday opposite Lodge meeting nights for Wii bowling. Whether you’ve a "Wii Pro" or have never bowled, you’ll fit in! Bowling starts at 7 PM. Don’t miss out on the fun!

DAVE’S MONDAY MENU

December 3rd  Meat Loaf, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy
Corn, Cole Slaw, Roll & Butter
December 10th  Roast Beef, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy,
Green Beans, Tossed Salad, Roll & Butter
December 17th NO MEALS! Tom & Jerry Night
December 25th & 31st  NO MEALS! - HAPPY HOLIDAYS
*All menus include desserts and coffee
An $8.00 donation gets you a complete meal catered by Member Dave Stehle (Thompson’s Country Market). Serving 6 till 7 PM.

TOM & JERRY TRADITION

A long standing tradition at the Butler Elks, members gather at the Lodge on a evening before the Holidays to spread a little Christmas cheer which includes the "lifting of the glass of a hot Tom & Jerry" with fellow members and friends. Join us Monday, December 17th at 6 pm as we raise our glasses in this honored tradition. Dan and Shirley Vernon and friends will be our hosts, providing the delicious frothy drinks.

CHILDRENS CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Holiday season is approaching fast and once again we are planning the annual Christmas Party for the children and grandchildren of our membership to be held at the Clearview Cinema on Saturday, December 8th starting at 10:00 AM. Doors will open at 9:30 AM. Sign-up sheets were included in November Elks Tale, or clip this coupon and get it to Jane Prokopchak by Wednesday, December 5th.

Please sign up the following children:
Member Name: _______________________ Member No. ______
Child(ren’s) Name(s): ____________________________
Ages of Children:        Boy _____ Girl _____ Boy _____ Girl _____
Number of Adults who will be with the Child(ren) ______________

PROPOSITIONS for MEMBERSHIP

Candidate: Charmaine Fetterman, baker
Proposer: Jane Prokopchak

Candidate: Lynnette Vargo, waitress
Proposer: Sandy Burke

REINSTATEMENT

Candidate: Sam Colosimo, metal fabrication
Proposer: Michelle Miller

If anyone knows of any reason why this candidates should not be considered for membership, please contact any Lodge Officer.

Check the Elks TV Announcements for up-to-date Propositions for Membership.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Rick Marnic
Brian Horner
Fred Mulner
Joe Betro
Bill Mohney III
Rocco Puntureri

When you see them, please welcome them to our Lodge.

BUTLER ELKS OFFICERS 2012–2013

Exalted Ruler ...................................... Jay Frederick
Leading Knight................................. William “Scott” Snow
Loyal Knight................................. Cindy Skebe, PER
Lecturing Knight.............................. Linda Wampler
Secretary................................. John Prokopchak, PER, PDD
Treasurer................................. Dan Vernon
Chaplain........................................ Sherie Snow
Inner Guard................................. Cookie Cunningham
Tiler.......................................................... Sandy Burke
Esquire.................................................. Judy Walliser, PER
Organist................................................. Wayne Walliser, PER
Trustees........................................ Dick Gardner, PER,
Shirley Vernon, Perry Chepelsky,
Aaron Wampler, Ruth Raybuck

14 MEMBERS ELIGIBLE FOR LIFE

The Grand Lodge Statutes read the requirements for Butler Lodge #170 Life Membership are at least age 65, 30 years an Elk and the last 10 consecutive years a member of Butler Lodge. These honored members who requested Life membership status are listed below and will be voted on at our January 2nd meeting.

Robert Albert     John Pichler
George Aubrey Jr.  John N. Prokopchak
Keith Bell         Thomas William Shewalter
Dewayne Croll     Vincent Tavolario
George Halin      Clair Uber
Walter Hinton, Jr. Paul Wharton
Paul Magimore     Keith Wilson

Lodge of Sorrow

The Places that have known them, Shall know them no more;
But their virtues are written upon the tablets of love and memory,
To our absent members...

MICHAEL P. MCANDREW
Born 7/16/1947 - Died -11/4/2012 - An Elk for 8 years

ATLEE H. HONSE, SR.
Born 10/12/1941 - Died -11/11/2012 - An Elk for 15 years

MEETING NIGHTS

Wednesday, December 5th - 7:00 PM
Regular Meeting

Wednesday, December 19th NO MEETING
ENF FUNDRAISING CONTINUES

Thanks to all who contributed to the Elks National Foundation during our campaign. So far 102 Members gave $2,231.00 to help us reach toward our goal of $3,300.00 for this Elks Year. And we’re at 67% of the goal. There’s still time for you to be added to this honorable role as a benevolent Elk supporting our charitable causes.

Dan Vernon, ENF chairperson

"ELKS CARE, ELKS SHARE"

MEALS ON WHEELS

Thanks to our members for their donations of baked goods and candy last year. We are doing this project again for Butler Meals on Wheels for the month of January. No nuts or icing. They were pleased with the amount of baked goods in the past. We were asked if we would do it again. So please mark your calendar for January 5th 2013.

Nancy Goas and Ruth Raybuck, Chairpersons.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

We shall meet, but we will miss them, there will be the vacant chairs.

But though we no more possess them, still our hearts their memories bear.

But awhile ago we gathered, friendship beaming in each eye.

Now the golden cord is severed, they have passed to realms on high.

The Elks will pay homage to the absent members of our Lodge for the past year on Sunday, December 2nd at 12:00 noon. The Elks Lodge offers our respects to all our deceased members of this past year and our condolences to their surviving family and friends. All members are urged to attend this ceremony to offer support to the families of these members. Please note the bar will be closed during the ceremony. Refreshments will be served following the service.

- Nicholas E. Nickleach
- Leroy W. Slupe
- Wayne B. Cleveland
- Shirley Ann Hayden
- Glenn E. Ahrens
- Glenn Birch
- Michael P. McAndrew

- Robert G Harvey
- Earle E. Stoops
- Frank H. Heyl
- Peter A. Bartoli
- Reldon W. Cooper
- Charles W. Bastyr
- Atlee H. Honse, Sr.

YOUTH HOOP SHOOT

The annual Youth Hoop Shoot sponsored by the Elks Hoop Shoot Committee will be held on Saturday, January 5, 2013 (snow date January 12, 2013). Girls and Boys ages 8 through 13 are eligible to compete in this free throw contest. Registration begins at 10:30 am at Center Twp. School with the Hoop Shoot beginning at 11:00 am thru 2:00 PM. Those qualifying will then be invited to participate in the District Hoop Shoot which will be hosted this year by Coraopolis.

Ron Frenchak, Chairperson

DELINQUENT MEMBERS LIST

Every member is important to our lodge. These delinquent members no longer get the benefits of membership. If you are their proposer or you know any of these delinquent members, please help us keep them “in the fold” by contacting them and encouraging them to pay their dues. Thanks.

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SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINES APPROACH

MOST VALUABLE STUDENT AWARDS

National Elks Scholarship (Most Valuable Student) applications are now available for 2012-2013 High School Seniors. Applications are at the bar in the Grille Room, at most local high schools, or online at www.elks.org/enf/scholars. The Student must be attending a college or university in the fall of 2013. We encourage all students to apply. There are over 500 awards given nationwide and over $2,000,000 total will be awarded. All applications should be returned to Butler Elks Lodge on or before December 7, 2012.

LEGACY AWARDS

These scholarships are for children or grandchildren of Elk members. They must be high school seniors and must apply online at the website listed above. The Elk member must be a paid-up member through March 31, 2013 and they must have joined the order on or before April 1, 2010. The students may be children, grandchildren, step-children, step-grandchildren or legal wards of Elk members. Go on the website for commonly asked questions. Legacy awards are $4,000 Scholarships issued over four years. The student must complete and submit the online application no later than February 1, 2013.

EMERGENCY EDUCATION GRANTS

The Emergency Educational Grant program provides financial assistance to children of deceased or totally disabled Elks who wish to obtain or further their college education. The Elk parent or step-parent must have been member in good standing for at least one year at the time of his death or total disability. Deadlines are December 31 for new applicants of the academic year requested. Call me for an application and further details.

Judy Walliser, Scholarship Chair

VETERAN RECOGNITION

These veterans were added to our rolls after November’s Elks Tale went to press:

Kenneth Leetch  Theodore Swartzlander
Join your friends at the Butler Elks for an Afternoon New Years Eve Party
Monday, December 31st
4 pm to 8 pm
Karaoke, Snacks, Special Drinks

Butler Elks
Tom & Jerry Night
An Elks Christmas Tradition
Join us Monday, December 17 at 6 pm as we raise our glasses and toast our good fortunes at this holiday celebration!

Dan and Shirley Vernon and friends will be our hosts & making the drinks. ER Jay Frederick will provide a special toast in the tradition of Tom and Jerry celebration at the Butler Elks!

Bad Benny’s HALLOWEEN PARTY at the Butler Elks

Karaoke
Friday Nights
December 14th with Franco
December 28th By George

Featuring the Fabulous Butler Elks Singers!
Join the gang as we bellow out the old tunes and the lastest tracks for a great evening.