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## Exalted Ruler's Message

Dear Members,

Hard to believe November is fast approaching. What better time to start thinking about our Lodge projects for the winter season. First and foremost we intend to install shelving in our new storage area in the Lodge room. Once completed, we will be reorganizing our bar storage area in the furnace room, which will free up space for better utilization and inventory control. Also, on our "To Do List" replacing ceiling tiles and painting both the kitchen and office areas: and cleaning the walk-in cooler. At this time the Trustees are talking to Steve Graham and Jim Israel regarding an upgrade to our bar area sound system. We are presently operating with only two speakers which leads to loud areas and dead areas within the room. If you have any suggestions for our list, please see me or any Trustee, and do not hesitate to get involved.

This leads me to one other point. When you read the projects list, ask yourself, "What can I do to help"? I learned early in life that the more people involved, the easier a chore becomes. I'm not sure if the Membership is aware but we continue to use the same volunteers for everything that gets done at the Butler Elks. Let's change that and have some new blood pitch in. I promise, it won't hurt a bit.

A big thank you goes out to **Pat Brown** for all the hours of work and fine food he and his crew contributed for the Italian Day feast. Also, thank you to **Vince Tavorario** for providing the professional entertainment as he does every year.

Fraternally yours,  
Jay Frederick, ER

## SNOW BIRD WINTER ADDRESSES

Make sure you let the Lodge Secretary know of your winter address so you don't miss any mailings. Call Lodge Secretary **John Prokopchak** at 724-482-4501 or email at JohnPro@zoominternet.net with address and effective starting and (if possible) ending dates.

## NOVEMBER AT A GLANCE...

Friday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> - 8:00 PM ..... The Epics Doo Woop  
Wednesday, November 7<sup>th</sup> - 7:00 PM.. Lodge Meeting - Initiation  
Friday, November 9<sup>th</sup> - 8:00 PM to Midnight ..... Karaoke w/Franco  
Sunday, November 11<sup>th</sup> - 3:00 to 5:00 PM..... Veterans Tribute  
Wednesday, November 14<sup>th</sup> - 7:00 PM..... Wii Bowling  
Tuesday, November 20<sup>th</sup> - 5:30 pm..... Trustees Meeting  
Wednesday, November 21<sup>st</sup> - 7:00 PM..... Lodge Meeting  
Thursday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> - CLOSED..... Happy Thanksgiving  
Friday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> - 8 PM..... November Birthday Bash  
Wednesday, November 28<sup>th</sup> - 7:00 PM..... Wii Bowling  
Thursday, November 29<sup>th</sup> - 8:00 PM..... Members Night  
Friday, November 30<sup>th</sup> - 8 PM..... Karaoke By George!  
Sunday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> - Noon ..... Memorial Service  
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

## CLOSED THANKSGIVING DAY

The Butler Elks Lodge will be closed Thanksgiving Day, November 22<sup>nd</sup>. Have a Blessed Thanksgiving!

## EPICS DOO-WOP SHOW



Back by popular demand! Friday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>, starting at 8:00 PM, the Epics will return to Butler Elks to entertain you as they sing songs from the 50's and 60's.

Perhaps the Epics will sing that DooWop favorite. Can you guess what it is?

The show will be held in the bar area and a dance area will be cleared for those who want to cut the rug. Make your plans now for a great night of entertainment, no cover. Bring a friend.

## 3 KARAOKE NIGHTS in NOVEMBER

Friday, November 9<sup>th</sup> - 8 PM Karaoke with Franco  
Friday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> - 8 PM Karaoke By George!  
Friday, November 30<sup>th</sup> - 8 PM Karaoke By George!

Stop in and hear the famous Elks singers belt out their favorite tunes. More singers always welcome!



## NOVEMBER BIRTHDAY BASH

Friday, November 23rd, we will have a birthday bash to celebrate November 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, November 29th 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!



## A Tribute to Butler County Pennsylvania's Fallen Military

Dave Haunty of Butler County has created his own traveling tribute to Butler County born military personal who lost their lives in time of war and in the line of duty. The tribute, when fully assembled, is 60 feet in length. The tribute displays the names and limited information of over 450 servicemen who were killed in action during WW2, Korea, Vietnam, Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring. This display honors all Veterans. The display may be viewed at the Butler Elks on Sunday, November 11<sup>th</sup>. We will have great entertainment at the bar and all Veterans get a free drink. Dave is a U.S. Marine Corps Vietnam Veteran. You don't want to miss this display and enjoy a Sunday afternoon of musical entertainment and spend some time honoring our Veterans. Bring a friend to see this impressive tribute from a local Vet.

Celebrate Veteran's Day (November 11<sup>th</sup>) at the Elks. We will have food available (dogs, apple pie, etc.), see the Tribute Wall, entertainment by the best duo in Western PA, Rudy Zetz, Jr and Janet Falotico for your listening and dancing pleasure. All this on a Sunday afternoon from 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM. We honor our vets. Join us for a great afternoon. No Steeler game till Monday. Bring a friend or two.



## DAVE'S MONDAY MENU

- November 5<sup>th</sup>** Roast Beef, Parsley Potatoes, Green Beans Tossed Salad, Rolls & Butter
- November 12<sup>th</sup>** Baked Ham, Scalloped Potatoes, Carrots, Cole Slaw, Rolls & Butter
- November 19<sup>th</sup>** Stuffed Pork Chop, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Succotash, Cole Slaw, Rolls & Butter
- November 26<sup>th</sup>** Braised Steak, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Mixed Veggies, Cole Slaw, Rolls & Butter

\*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.

## MEETING NIGHTS

**Wednesday, November 7<sup>th</sup> - 7:00 PM**

Initiation of New Members

**Wednesday, November 21<sup>st</sup> - 7:00 PM**

Regular Meeting

## 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...*

### CHARLES BASTYR

Born 09/10/1928 - Died -10/08/2012 - An Elk for 43 years

## PROPOSITIONS for MEMBERSHIP

### Candidate

**William Mohney III**, reinstatement

**Rocco Puntureri**, reinstatement

### Proposer

John Prokopchak

Cookie Cunningham

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

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

**Manfred Klann**    **Howard Clark**  
**Dennis Tefft**    **Dennis Kerr**, reinstatement  
*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

## 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 5<sup>th</sup> 2013.

**Nancy Goas** and **Ruth Raybuck**, Chairpersons.

## MEMORIAL SERVICE

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*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.*  
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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.

## 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.

Member	Proposed By	Member	Proposed By
Nicholas Angiolieri	Chris Collins	John Cuda	Jane Prokopchak
Sam Day	Eric Heitzer	Lisa Diefenbach	transfer
John English	Bill Cominos	Patricia Goepfert	Walter Hinton
Michael A Graham	Dolores Marchinoski	Dave Havilesko	Dennis Martin
Arlene Hays	Don Oesterling	Chris Hudson	Nick Mudrick
W V Huselton	Life Member	Brock Janoski	Linda Wampler
Stephen Littlejohn	Mary Jo DeMatteis	Ed Lucas	John Prokopchak
Geno Mariotti	Jane Prokopchak	Erik Nilsson	Chuck Bobesheim
Robert Nolan	Joe Bailie	Joann Stevenson	Bonnie Jardin
Justin Simons	Dolores Marchinoski	Adam Timko	Sandy Burke

## PA FALL CONVENTION REPORT

It was a very interesting convention with committee reports and workshops attended by **Sherie and Scott Snow, Jane and John Prokopchak, Dick Gardner, Ashley Snow and Shawna Wandell** at the Cranberry Mattiott. It was also the official visit of the GER Tom Braizer. He complimented the PA Elks for their hospitality and accomplishments. We came up in the ENF ranking in the nation (good job ENF chairpersons – **Dan Vernon** is Butler Chair). **Jane** gave her report as State Americanism Chair. It was well received and she had the honor to call on GER Tom to present the 1<sup>st</sup> place Grand Lodge award for Americanism to Carol Hudson from East Stroudsburg. Jane and John attended the meeting on reports of committees. The social part was excellent sharing ideas and accomplishments of the Lodges. Butler #170 was mentioned in high esteem. Jane accepted the plaque for Home Services.

## 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 8<sup>th</sup> starting at 10:00 AM. Doors will open at 9:30 AM. Details and sign-up sheets are included in this November Elks Tale.

## OCTOBER ENF MONTH A SUCCESS



Elks  
National  
Foundation

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you to all who contributed to the Elks National Foundation during ENF Month. 73 Members gave \$1,789.00 to help us reach toward our goal of \$3,300.00 for this Elks Year. And we're **over 50%** of the goal. There's still time for you to be added to this honorable role as a benevolent Elk supporting our charitable causes. Thank you again!

**Dan Vernon**, ENF chairperson

## BY-LAWS/HOUSE RULES REVIEW

The following by-laws change was read at the September 5, 2012 meeting. At the October 17<sup>th</sup> meeting the attending membership returned a majority vote to include the amendment in Butler #170 by-laws.

### ARTICLE VI-A: EXEMPLIFICATION OF

**RITUALS Sec. 1.** The officers of this Lodge are authorized to use alternative forms of the opening, closing and initiatory rituals as approved by the Grand Lodge. (With this amendment, the original long form may still be used at any time at the discretion of the presiding officer.)

The following changes were presented in writing and read on the floor of the Lodge at the October 17<sup>th</sup> meeting. Notice setting forth the full proposed amendment of the By-Laws must be sent to all Members at least ten (10) days before the regular meeting at which the proposed amendment is to be voted upon. A majority vote of the Members at the meeting (November 21) shall be required for adoption. The changes are as follows:

Regular Lodge meetings will be held the first and third Wednesday of each month except July, August and December (only 1 meeting). The meeting hour shall be 7:00 PM.

The elections of Officers will be held at the second meeting in February of each year.

All other by-laws will remain the same. The vote to allow the shortened version of Ritual will be submitted to Grand Lodge Judiciary.

**Dick Gardner**, PER, By-laws Committee Chairman

## THANK A VETERAN

Butler Elks Lodge honors our members who selflessly served our nation. Almost 1/3 of our members actively served in a branch of our military. When you see any of these 225 Veterans, thank them for their service. Below is a list of our veterans:

Robert M Albert	Jay A Frederick	Manfred Klann	Donald O Oesterling	Alvin Stephens
Paul J Baker	Ronald S Frenchak	Ronald John Klinefelter	Raymond R Osborne	John H Stiehler
J Bruce Ball	Chas L Fuellgraf	John S Koch	Earl R Osche	John L Supik
Bill Beggan	Lou Gacek	Bert C Korieth	Donald J Paserba	Andrew R Tarcha
Scott Behrens	Marvin Gall	Robert J Kowalski	Donald M Patterson	John C Tassey
George L Bernlohr	Richard L Gardner	Ronald A Kummer	John M Pichler	Floyd J Taylor
Clifford W Best	Donald J Geibel	James D Lamison	William P Pickett	Dennis R Tefft
Richard B Biehl	Stephen J Geibel	Robert H Laughner	Lewis Piper	Paul F Thoma
Edward Russell Birch	Michael R George	James R Leary	Thomas Polum	Russell Thomas
Frank J Bogan	Joseph J Giffin	John B Leinenbach	George Prokopchak	Richard W Titus
Frederick G Boory Sr	Jay B Goettler	William L Leroy	John N Prokopchak	Timothy F Tyler
Dennis D Border	Elmer C Graber	Donald J Leslie	John R Prokopchak	Dennis K Tyra
James C Bowley	Ralph E Graham	Ronald R Liebler	Cecil L Reges	Clair T Uber
Ronald J Braun	Edward F Grecco	Carl W Littlejohn	Norman F Rettig	Joseph M Vavro
Alfred Brooks	Donald A Green	Ronald A Loar	Harvey L Richardson	Dominic Virgallito
Albert L Brown	Edward J Green	Joseph L Logue	Dean C Rickard	Robert E Waite
Daniel J Burke	William R Green	Walter Lonchena	Harry Ritson	Howard J Weir
Ralph O Burris	Carl Gregory	Donald K Lowe	Raymond Robinson	John C West
Jon W Campbell	Robert G Grigoletti	Gary G Lutz	Raymond C Robison	Ronald West
Susan G Canney	William W Guitteau	Paul Magimore	Charles A Rock	William J West
Robert J Christy	Harvey E Gumto	Frank Malinski	Nelson Rodgers	Peter V Wetick
Thomas Joseph Chuba	Rudy Hageter	Charles R Manos	Thomas Roper	Lowell C Wetzell
Henry E Clauser	Daniel M Haggerty	Richard P Marnic	Joel W Rosenblum	Paul Wharton
William M Cominos	Mark E Hall	Lewis C Marra	Terry L Rottman	Donald G Winters
Larry N Cornelius	Donald Hankey	Robert J Matter	Marlin F Sarvey	Paul L Winters
Rudolph Corona	Pratt M Harris	Michael Patrick	Harry A Savisky	Clifford J Woessner
James A Cowan	Charles Hasychak	McAndrew	William D Schiebel	Laverne J Wolfe
Paul F Cowin	Kevin M Hayden	Stanley A McCollough	Danny J Schnitzki	Norman Wolfe
Dave A Craig	Patrick Hayden	Dennis W McCune	Lloyd P Schnur	David W Wray
Charles G Cranmer	W Phillip Heist	Patrick Harry McGee	Gary L Schuler	Dennis Paul Wyant
Daniel D Crawford	Tony Heitzer	Michael McGraw	Stephen V Sell	Charles Young
Dewayne Croll	John H Henicheck	Robert A McGraw	Thomas William	Regis L Young
Alfred Cupps	Walter R Hinton Jr	Harold L McKindree	Shewalter	David E Zandier
Richard C Cygan	Atlee H Honse	Stephen J McLafferty	Harry J Shuler Jr	Dale L Zarnick
Katherine H Danielson	Thomas J Hovanec	Joseph E McLaughlin	Chester F Sikora	Daniel M Zarnick
Joseph D Davidson	Garry L Hunter	Michael R Michalisin	Thomas Anderson Sims	James L Zarnick
Mario Defrancis	W V Huselton	Donald J Miklavic	Richard Sinclair	Thomas L Zarnick
Thomas Della Santa	Robert T Hutchison	Paul W Miller	Daniel Skelley	Frank Zelinka
Richard Dematteis	John S Jerrich	Ellsworth A Moon	Eric F Skleder	Stan Zielinski
Nicholas R Double	Eugenia Lee Jones	Joseph L Moore	Thomas L Slupe	
William A Durschlag	Charles Julius	George H Moser	George S Smith	If you're a veteran and
Dale R Eichenlaub	Bernard E Jungle	Craig D Murphy	Richard A Smith	your name is not
Michael Embroski	Anthony Just	Edward A Newcaster	Thomas K Smith	here, please contact
Fred M Emigh	Thomas M Kamerer	Nicholas E Newcaster	Robert D Somerville	Lodge Secretary
Charles A Ferrick	Joseph P Kelly	Michael Nosik	Raymond E Stahl	John Prokochak so
George B Foehringer	Kenneth D Kerwin	William C Nulph	Dave Stehle	we can add you to
Michael Franko	Bernhard Klann	Martin J O'Brien	Louis A Steighner	our list.