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Dick Brand Exalted Ruler

Dear Fellow Elks.

We have come to the end of my Elk year as your Exalted Ruler. I would like to thank all who have supported and assisted me during this period. I could not have done it without all your help. Thank you from the bottom of my heart.

By the time you receive this we will have nominated the new officers for the year 2024-2025. The election will be at the first meeting this month, Thursday March 14th at 7:30 pm. If you would like a voice in the election, please attend this meeting. The second and my final meeting will be Thursday March 28th at 7:30 pm.

March is the beginning of State and District meetings/events along with our local Lodge activities. Friday March 1st from 5:00 - 7:00 pm is our Lodge roast beef dinner. They have been increasing in number each week so thank you to all who have participated. Once again if you can help, please contact Bob Kenny or an Officer.

Sunday March 3rd from 2:00 - 4:00 pm at Freehold Lodge is the State/District Elections. This is for all PER's with their voting credentials. Friday March 8th at 8:00 pm will be the ER Clinic at Long Branch Lodge. These clinics are for the upcoming ER but are also open to anyone who is interested in becoming an officer. The dress is casual and food is usually made available.

Saturday March 17th will be our Lodge's Saint Patrick's Day lunch/dinner. We usually start serving about noon and go until we run out of corned beef. This is a long day so if you can help during the day, please let an Officer or me know. April 6th is our Installation of Officers @3:00pm, dinner @6:00pm.

Once again Thank You to all of you who assisted me during this past year. It was an honor representing you and the Lodge during my year as Exalted Ruler. I hope you all approved of me and continue to support the new officers next year. See you at the Lodge!

Fraternally Yours,

Dick Brand, ER

ELK OF THE MONTH Jed "Murph" Murphy

My last Elk of the Month is Jed "Murph" Murphy. I was recently told that Murph has never been Elk of the Month which surprised me. Murph was a member before me and was the one who convinced me to join. He got me involved in all the ongoings of the Lodge and in fact we did most of them together. Murph is a past Officer, Trustee and was involved with committees. Murph and I also did a lot of repairs/improvements at the Lodge during our membership. Murph also shows up for St. Patrick's Day lunch/dinner every year even though it is his Birthday. Due to physical restrictions, family needs and living in Florida half the year his recent involvement has lessened but he still shows up when possible. Therefore, my choice is a well-deserved blast from the past Jed "Murph" Murphy! Thanks, Murph!

Elected and Appointed Officers 2023-2024

Exalted Ruler Richard Brand, PER **Esteemed Leading Knight** Mark Regan Esteemed Loyal Knight Tom Klein, PER **Esteemed Lecturing Knight** John Schuster IV Esquire Mike Gallagher Secretary Darlene Miller, PER Treasurer Karen Hagerman Chaplain Rae Lynne Brand Inner Guard Brian Hagerman Tiler Matthew Brown Officer Designate Kelly Miller, PVP,PER One Year Trustee Rich Alcott Two Year Trustee Ed Mack, PER Three Year Trustee Billy Zebrowski Joe Miller, PDD, PVP Four Year Trustee Five Year Trustee **Bob Simmons** PER Association Joe Miller, PDD, PVP

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In Loving Memory of our Absent Members 2022-2023

Robert Howie Edward Puth, PER Alfred DeSantis, PDD Barry Jacobson Alfred Bermel

JUST CLIP AND SEND SPECIAL NOTICE

Lodge Secretary: I have moved and my new address is as follows:

NAME:				
STREET:				
CITY:	STATE:	ZIP:		
MEMBERSHIP NUMBER:				

FY 2023-2024 Mandatory & Special Committees

Auditing Tom Klein, PER Convention/Parade Dick Brand, PER Community Affairs Darlene Miller, PER **Elks National Foundation** Kelly Miller, PER **Lodge Activities** Kelly Miller, PER Americanism Mark Regan Karen Hagerman Flag Day Scholarship Tom Klein, PER **Government Relations** Darlene Miller, PER Memorial Day Officers Ed Mack, PER **National Service** Darlene Miller, PER **Public Relations** Visiting and Sickness Membership/Lapsation Matt Brown Indoctrination Dick Brand, PER Investigation Officers Mother's Day Youth Activities Joe Miller, PDD, PVP Joe Miller, PDD, PVP Batter's Up **Drug Awareness** Amie Miller Joe Miller, PDD, PVP **Hoop Shoot** Picnic John Mastria/Tom Klein **Accident Prevention** Joe Miller, PDD, PVP

House Committee Stacy Kluin Newsletter Darlene Miller, PER **Golf Tournament** Mike Brady/ Bob Simmons Joe Miller, PDD, PVP Kitchen Special Needs Children Tom Klein, PER Mediator Richard Brand, PER **Judiciary** Kelly Miller, PVP, PER Hall Rental Darlene Miller, PER

APRIL 2023 TO MARCH 2024 WAPITI HERALD BOOSTERS

BOOSTERS \$5.00

Please DROP in the Elk's Secretary Safe

Barry Jacobson Melinda "Mad Dog" McDowell RIP

Keith Bradley, RIP Joe Miller, PER
Darlene Miller, PER Joe McGroarty, RIP
Jim & Nancy Ramsey RIP Jim Piantinada RIP

Ray Storms, RIP J4R

Bob Howie RIP Ed Puth, PER, RIP

Get your Booster for the new year \$5:00

2023-2024 Eatontown Elks #2402 Essay Contest Winners

"What the Bill of Rights Means to Me"

We will be recognizing the winners at the Eatontown Board of Ed meeting on March 11th. Please find time to attend (contact Mark Regan or ER Dick for info) and support our Lodge and the winners.

5th Grade

Nicholas Popowski Emily Lopez Perez Vito Parente

6th Grade

Lara Campos Charbaje - Selected for District to Compete in State Finals

Amilya Bussem Jacob Stachelek

7th Grade

Jacob Nowicki Stella Hampton Faith Mednick

8th Grade
Aliyah Henry - Selected for District to Compete in State Finals
Jahna Blount
Kollin Kennedy

"Congratulations to All"

INSTALLATION of Officers and Dinner April 6th Installation 3PM - Dinner 6PM Please sign up at the Lodge

Wildwood Convention 2024 June 6-9th

\$460.00 for 3 nights.

There is a sign-up sheet at Lodge. If you are interested, sign up ASAP before the rooms run out!!!

We are staying at the:

Tide Winds Motel
Davis Ave
Wildwood, NJ

(Contact Darlene Miller 732-915-0328)



MARCH BIRTHDAYS Anthony Gaetano

03	Anthony	Gaetano
04	Ken	Sneath
08	Robert	Slocum
08	Thomas	Stoneham
09	Patrick	Kelly



09 **Patrick** 10 Barry

Price Robert Greene 13 Kristian Karlson 14 Joseph Sirianni

Richard Alcott 15 15 John Schuster 16 Dwayne

Connelly Strasser 16 Jacky **17** Jared Murphy 18 John **Feiter**

23 Matthew 23 Lawrence **Andrew** 23

24 Kathy 27 Matt

Robert 27 **Hutting** 30 Darren Geiss 31 Ronald Waitt

Elections March 14, 2024

(Lodge Meeting 7:30 pm)

ER Clinic March 8th Long Branch, 8 PM

District Meeting

Brown

Diglio

Pollard

Kenny

Gervase

Jamesburg

MARCH 19th, 2024

Convention, Government Relations, Lodge Activities, Membership, ENF, Parades, **Special Children**

If you cannot attend, notify the ER **ASAP**

St. Pat's Day Sunday, March 17, 2024

Eatontown Lodge serving food from 12 Noon till????

(Help is needed)



MARCH 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Roast Beef Dinner	2
3 State Election Freehold 2-4 pm	4	5	6	7	8 ER Clinic 8PM Long Branch	9
10 Daylight Savings Time Begins	11	12	13	14 Lodge Meeting 7:30 PM ELECTIONS	15	16
St. Pat's Day	18	19 District Meeting Jamesburg	20	21	22	23
24 Palm Sunday	25	26	27	28 Lodge Meeting 7:30 PM	29	30
31 EASTER						

April 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5 Roast Beef Dinner	6
7	8	9 DD Clinic 7:30pm Old Bridge	10	Lodge Meeting 7:30 PM	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	Lodge Meeting 7:30 PM	26	27
28	29	30				