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# FALL RIVER LODGE BULLETIN

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2744<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting: January 24, 2022

## NO. 118

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REGULAR MEETING AT 7:30 PM

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## JANUARY 2023



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 	2	3 House Committee Meeting 6:00 PM	4 Pitch League 7:00 PM	5	6	7
8	9	10 BOD Meeting 6:30 PM Lodge Meeting 7:30 PM	11 Grant Committee 6:00 PM Pitch League 7:00 PM	12	13	14
15	16 Charities Committee 6:00 PM	17 Elk Riders Meeting	18 Pitch League 7:00 PM	19	20	21
22	23	24 BOD Meeting 6:30 PM Lodge Meeting 7:30 PM	25 Pitch League 6:30 PM Pizza Party	26 Audit Committee 6:30 PM	27	28
29	30	31				



## ER'S CORNER

Happy Holidays to all our members, I hope the New Year finds all healthy. We had a very successful December. The Adult Christmas party and Children's Christmas party were both very successful. We raised \$1200 at our

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adult Christmas party, more than enough to offset our expenses at the children's Christmas party. Our fundraising has continued to go strong, and we have continued to initiate new members at record rates. Also, the Lodge received \$101,617.38 in federal grant money. This was because we stayed open, as much as we legally could through COVID. During this stretch we were able to keep our employees gainfully employed. It wasn't easy but now we are reaping the rewards of our efforts. Much thanks to our Board of Directors and our House Committee for their hard work during those trying times. Thanks also to all our members who stayed with us and helped us see it through.

Fraternally yours,  
Gil Carreira  
Exalted Ruler  
Fall River Lodge of Elks, #118

## FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK



Please send me any information that will be beneficial to our lodge membership. My email is [railroadjc@aol.com](mailto:railroadjc@aol.com). The deadline is the 15th of the month for submissions to the bulletin. Please contact the secretary with your correct email address to make sure we have your correct email. Thank you for your support. – Jay Chatterton

### Membership Report

Membership as of 4/1/22	809
Current Enrollment	912
Gain	103
Increase	115
Decrease	12
Delinquency	38 4.7%
Applications on hand	32
Life Members	93
Honorary Life Members	4

Thanks Manny.



## LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Anyone wishing to request a life membership must have been a member for 30 years.

You must have completed 30 years of membership.

All you have to do is write a letter to the lodge secretary requesting life membership.

## GRANT COMMITTEE MEETING

The next meeting of the grant committee will be held on Wednesday, January 11, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.



If you know of any member who is ill or in distress, please notify Leading Knight Brian Brisson, or Exalted Ruler Gil Carreira.  
email: [frelks118@yahoo.com](mailto:frelks118@yahoo.com)

Lodge By-laws, House Rules and Rules of the Order may be accessed by going to [www.elks.org/members](http://www.elks.org/members).  
Just register and sign in.



## PROPOSITION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Dana Alcock	Tiverton RI	Proposed by James Smith
Frank Baptista	Swansea	Proposed by Joseph Antunes
Samuel Chace	Fall River	Proposed by Glenn Souza
Donald Comeau	Tiverton RI	Proposed by Lorraine Silva
Tina Controubis	Fall River	Proposed by Paul Coutroubis
David Heroux	Fall River	Proposed by Barbara Brough
Jeffrey Higgins	Swansea	Proposed by Todd Desjardins
Adam McElroy	Taunton	Proposed by John Novo
Gregory McGowan	Bristol RI	Proposed by Normand Fontaine
Alexia Reis	Fall River	Proposed by Glenn Souza
John Saurette	Fall River	Proposed by John Saurette Jr.
Amelia Valente	Fall River	Proposed by John LaPointe
Keith Wilkinson	Somerset	Proposed by Rich Carroll
Stephanie Belisle	Fall River	Proposed by Shelly McCann

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MANDATE: Parking in the fire lanes is not permitted. Violators are subject to ticketing and/or towing.**

**NO EXCEPTIONS**

## SAVE THE DATE



### Super Bowl - 57

Sunday, February 12, 2023

Ticket payments can be made in the Lounge Super Bowl Drop Box in the envelopes provided.

Tickets to be Paid in Full by January 16, 2023.

Unpaid tickets will be considered open and subject to re-sale. Don't lose your ticket due to non-payment.

Contact: Tom Worsley 774-526-9573  
or Kathie Mello 508-567-9064.

### DO YOU RIDE A MOTORCYCLE?

*Do you like riding in bike runs and helping charities?  
The Fall River Lodge 118 Elk Riders is looking for new members. Contact Tom Worsley, any Elk Rider, or applications are available at the Lodge Lounge Bar.*

*The clock of their last day has stopped  
"Tis the hour of eleven"*



*Remember, the faults of our members  
We write on the sand:  
Their virtues upon  
the tablets of love  
And memory.*

## PITCH LEAGUE RETURNS



Pitch League restarts on Jan. 4. New members welcomed to join. Sign-up sheet in lounge

Jan. 4 - 2nd half pitch league starts- 7PM

Jan. 11 - Pitch League- 7PM

Jan 18 - Pitch League- 7PM

Jan 25 - Pitch League 6:30 PM Pizza Party

## COMING EVENTS



### February 10, 2023

Music featuring Scarlett in the Lounge.  
More information in next months bulletin.

### February 12, 2023

Super Bowl – 57

### Activities Committee: Brian Brisson Chairman

It's been a busy month for the activities committee. First, we had our annual Adult Christmas party. I would like to thank the following people for helping out: Bob Brodeur, Kathy Mello, Lisa Carreira, Marianne Brisson, Sheila Beaudoin, Deb L'Heureux, Mike Brodeur, Pauline Brodeur, Gerry Potvin, and Patrick, not sure of his last name.

We then had our Kids Christmas party. We had many elves help us for that day. The kids had an amazing time. Thank you to everybody that helped make that day special for the kids. I would like to thank Wally & Julie Szczepkowski, Lisa Carreira, Joanne Carreira, Gil Carreira, Roseann Jardin, Marianne Brisson, Shelly Fleming, and Kathy Simao.

And lastly, we had our bus trip to the Gloucester and West Roxbury Elks. It was a blast, to say the least. Can't wait for the next one.

JANUARY 21, 2023 -7p-11p we will have food available for purchase please look for the flyer in the lounge as we will be announcing what the food will be. For those of you that don't regularly visit the lounge, please contact Brian Brisson



*Fifteen members were initiated into our Lodge at the last meeting. Weclome!*



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*FR Lodge Committee Meetings:*

**House Committee:**

1st Tuesday of month @ 6:00pm

**Board of Directors Meeting:**

2nd and 4th Tuesday of month

@ 6:30pm

**Lodge Meeting:**

2nd and 4th Tuesday of month @ 7:30pm

**Charities Committee:**

3rd Monday of the month @ 6:00pm

**Elk Riders Meeting:**

3rd Tuesday of the month

**Audit Committee:**

Last Thursday of the month @ 6:30 pm



**Fall River Lodge #118  
Hall Rentals**

Hall Accommodates	Rental	Deposit
Main 225 ppl.	\$350	\$75
Lodge 150 ppl	\$250	\$75
Rathskellar 70 ppl.	\$150	\$75

Bartender Fee of \$75 for four hours.

Additional hours are \$25 per hour.

Mandatory Attendant \$50

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