

The *Elks* NEWS

Hamden Lodge #2224 B.P.O. Elks



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EXALTED RULERS MESSAGE

Members All:

I want to follow up on my message from last month.

As you are aware, the CT Elks Association supports both the CT Childrens Hospital Safe Kids Program and CT Special Olympics. This year \$150,000.00 has been pledged for these worthy charities.

Every Lodge in the state is expected to meet its share towards this project.

The goal for Hamden Lodge is \$1,665.00. To achieve this, we are conducting a pasta bar event on Wednesday Feb 28. Details can be found in this newsletter. Please plan to attend this event. If you are unable to attend, show your support by giving a monetary donation so we can meet our goal. Remember Elks Care- Elks Share.

Please note, the Members Lounge is now open on Tuesdays at 4pm.

Come on down, stay for a while, meet friends, have a good time.

When you visit, please remember to bring some non-perishable food items

to help support our local food pantries. Unfortunately, the need is greater than ever. Let's do our part to help needy individuals in our community.

This month will be a busy month for activities at the Lodge.

Please check out the events that are planned. Come down, enjoy your Lodge Home. Remember, guests are welcome. Better yet, consider your guest for membership. Propose a friend, let's grow our Lodge. See you soon

Fraternally-
Andy
Caporossi
PDD
Exalted
Ruler

Major Projects Fundraiser

The CT Elks Association has pledged
\$75,000 to the CT Childrens Hospital and
\$75,000 to the CT Special Olympics

Please help Hamden Lodge meet it's
per-capita share for this Project.

Wednesday Feb 28th will be our
All you can eat pasta event fundraiser.



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1 Year Trustee

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Lounge Hours

Tues-Friday 4-Close

Saturday 2 to Close

Permittee—

Mike Romano

MESSAGE BOARD

Happy Birthday!

To our members with February Birthdays: Drop in for your free birthday beverage "on the house."

WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNERS!

February 7th
Roast Beef \$14

February 14th
Valentine's Day
Pizza & Salad \$10

February 21st
Chicken
Pot Pie \$13

February 28th
Pasta Bar \$15
(See Details on Right)

Eat-in or Take-Out
Due to the increasing costs of food, it is important for us to plan as accurately as possible to avoid over-buying and waste, we request reservations now

Regular Lodge Meetings

Monday February 12th

Monday February 26th

Wednesday February 28th

ALL YOU CAN EAT PASTA BAR

(Meat & Meatless Options Available)
\$15.00

PER Passports are available for \$10.00 at your Lodge. It's an incentive to see other Lodges and meet other members
Reach out For information!
Passports are available with bartenders

Save The Date:

Kids Easter Egg Hunt:
Saturday March 23rd 11-1 PM

Dues-A-Palooza:
Saturday March 23rd 2- 5 PM

Good Friday/ Fried Dough:
March 29th 5:30 to Sold Out

WATCH FOR MORE DETAILS

Karaoke is back!

Karaoke Night

HAMDEN LODGE 2224
SATURDAY FEB 10TH
175 SCHOOL ST, HAMDEN, CT



Karaoke & Pulled Pork!
Come show off your talents while enjoying one of the best pulled pork sandwiches & sides.
Food at 5pm & sing your hearts out at 7pm!
Members and guests welcome.
CALL 203-248-2224 to Reserve!

Chili Cook-Off!

Hamden Elks Chili Charity Fundraiser
Saturday Feb 24th @ 4pm



\$5.00 Judging Fee, or Free Judging if you enter your award-winning chili!
All proceeds benefit Elks Charities
Call or come down to the Lodge to sign up by Feb. 20th to enter or taste & vote!
Margherita and Frozen Margherita specials to help cool the heat!



**Clothing Drop off
Shed now located in
Lodge Parking Lot**

**Please drop off your
gently used
unwanted clothing.**

**Spread the word to
others**

MESSAGE BOARD

TIP of the ANTLERS: Thanks to Mike Romano, Dave DelGrego, Jessica Kelsey, Tanya Hill,, Eric Sanchez and Donna Nevins for kitchen duty, serving up food and snacks for the Cornhole League. On Monday and Thursday Nights!

Thanks to Norm Kamienski, Eric Gallicchio, Rob Colantonio for clean up and

BOURBON NIGHT **February 16th** **With Bourbon Expert** **Mike Romano Behind** **the Bar!**



HELP OUR VETERANS

We Are Collecting socks, underwear, hats, personal hygiene items, non perishable food items, gently used books.

All will be delivered to the VA to assist homeless Veterans and those in need.

Elks Care - *Elks* Share



Feeding the Community