



# "THE UPSTART"



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## Our Exalted Ruler's Message

Thank you to everyone for the support. I have been humbled and encouraged by the people who have come up to me since the election. I'm not used to all that attention! One person in particular was especially memorable. He complimented me on what I did after the vote tally and called me a gentleman. A true gentleman. I was surprised he said that, as I was just doing what I thought was right. Doing what I was taught to do from a young age. I am hoping that all of us can be more "gentlemanly" as we work to bring the lodge together and be more like what the Elks stand for - a brotherhood. We need to put away petty differences and work together. There are so many talented, dedicated people in this lodge. We are very lucky

to have them as members. We still need people to step up and help even more, as we still have vacancies at Trustee and various committees. Don't wait to be asked in person - at 1400 + members, it would take too long! Just mention your interest to any of the officers and we will fill you in on the responsibilities of each position.

It is great to see some of the newer members attending the monthly meetings. I hope to see it more and more!

I am honored to serve as the ER for Lodge 2202. My solemn promise is to do the very best I can, while encouraging everyone else to do the same.

We are so lucky to have a place to go where everyone is friendly and welcoming. If

you don't know someone's name, say hello and ASK their name! Introduce yourself. With so many new members, you are bound to see some folks you don't know yet. We are all Elks, all here for a reason, and we need to stick together.

**ELK of the Month -**  
Gerry McDonald

In appreciation of all that he has done for many, many years, Gerry McDonald gets the award this month.

As Chairman of the Trustees he has been solid and reliable, and will be difficult to replace.

*Don Hoerman, Exalted Ruler*



# Charity, Justice Brotherly Love & Fidelity

## From Our Secretary's Desk

Hello All,

My name is Chuck Fraser and I am the new Lodge secretary for Elks 2202. I'm very excited for the opportunity and want to thank all of you that voted for me. I am retired and have been for about two years. I had a long career with over 40 years with the same company. I live in South Glastonbury with my wife Jeanette and we have two grown children and five grandchildren in town.

These last couple of weeks in training have been a whirlwind and I would not have been able to navigate any of it without the help of our current secretary Mark Curtin. Mark has been extremely patient with me as I learn the system's and procedures of the office. I want to thank Mark for all of his current and future support, he has done an outstanding job and he will be missed in the office.

The past two weeks has been focused

mainly on the membership renewal process. We have processed over 800 members and sent out new cards however we still have 600 or more to go. If you have not sent your dues in for 2024-2025 please do so soon. We are up to date on any renewals sent in January and February. If you have sent in your dues during that time frame and have not received your card please forward payment info such as receipt of cash or canceled check.

You will not be able to access the lodge or range after April 1, 2024 if you have not paid and received your new card. It can take as much as two weeks to process dues so please do not wait.

Our lodge continues to grow and we receive new applications each week. Please remember if you are proposing a new member that applications need to be complete and submitted to the secretary for processing. There are several steps to take in processing a candidate and it takes a few weeks. If

you are looking for information on a candidate please email me.

Regrettably we have 56 members that are delinquent from last year and will be dropped from membership on 3/31/2024. At this time they will have 60 day grace period before they are required to go through a reinstatement process

I want to thank all of you for your support and welcoming me to the new role. I look forward to meeting as many of you as possible over the next year. If I can be of any assistance please feel free to reach out to me and I will respond as soon as possible.

Fraternally,  
Chuck Fraser  
Lodge 2202 Secretary




## Meet our new officers for the new Elk year of 2024-2025



Lodge 2202



Glastonbury



# ELK OF THE MONTH

April 2024

**Gerry McDonald**

In appreciation of all that he has done for many, many years,  
As Chairman of the Trustees, he has been solid and reliable, and will be difficult to replace.

Enjoy Your Parking Spot!



# Never Criticize A Volunteer



## Range Committee News

Range Info ~ [elksrange2202@yahoo.com](mailto:elksrange2202@yahoo.com)

Range gate combo changes April 1st. In order to obtain the new combo you need to show your paid in full Elks Lodge 2202 2024/2025 card in addition to your driver license. Reminder-Members in good standing may bring a MAXIMUM of 2 non-Elks Lodge 2202 guests to the range a MAXIMUM of 2 times after which the guest (s) must join the Lodge to continue using the range.

Any unauthorized individuals found trespassing at the range will be subject to prosecution.

**Trap is still on!** Every Sunday until the end of April. Please come and join us! Trap is open to the public.

**Stick Bust** pistol competition begins Monday May 6<sup>th</sup>, 5:30-7pm and is open to the public.

**Range Committee meets the 1st Wednesday of the month at 6:30pm**



### April 1<sup>st</sup> the Range Gate Lock Combination is Changing!!!

Please see the bartender or contact [Elksrange2202@yahoo.com](mailto:Elksrange2202@yahoo.com) for the new combination which will be available **AFTER** the Lodge meeting on **March 13th, 2024**

*\*You must show a*

**"Dues Paid To: 4/1/2025 membership card AND picture ID"**

to receive the new code. All Elk Members using the range must have a current paid dues card. Use of the range without having a current paid dues card is considered trespassing and will be dealt with accordingly.

NOTE: Range gate lock combinations are changed on April 1<sup>st</sup> & again October 1<sup>st</sup> every year!



Ask the Range Committee about our new stickers.  
Selling like hotcakes!!



Come on up for a  
TrapTastic day!!

## Trap Shoot!



**Every Sunday till the Spring!**

**If you have your own shotgun, bring it!**  
**If you don't have your own, one will be available for you to borrow!**



**Open to the public and to all levels!**

Eye and ear protection are recommended and can be purchased on site.

**\*Range will be closed during the Trap Shoot!**

### Beauties & Bullets Events for April



#### April 17

We are back to our regular Wednesday night shoot at the Elks range. 6pm-7:30pm

#### April 25

Indoors at MSI. Final one there until the fall., 281 Garden Grove Road, Manchester 6:00-7:30 pm

Join us on the TeamReach app. Available on Android or Apple.

Group code: BBGELKS

We will post schedules, updates, reminders, photos, and it's a great way to contact us for information.

Contact Mary Wolfe 860.659.7109 or Tracy McAllister 860.424.7476

### CT Pistol Permit Safety Class

Saturday April 20, 2024 \* 9:30a until 6:30p



#### Learn from multiple Instructors!

Multiple firearms. Semiauto, revolver & large calibers!

\$125 pp for Elks Club members, family and friends

\$25 nonrefundable advance deposit required

Please put deposit in the Range box in the Elks lobby

Online Registration:

[www.nrainstructors.org/CourseDetails.aspx?CourseId=813513](http://www.nrainstructors.org/CourseDetails.aspx?CourseId=813513)

Includes training, books, gun use, ammo, targets & NRA completion certification that you can use to apply for your permit.

**Elk Lodge 2202 Range Committee**

98 Woodland St. S. Glastonbury, CT

Questions? Email [RangeTrainer2202@gmail.com](mailto:RangeTrainer2202@gmail.com)

# Charity, Justice Brotherly Love & Fidelity

## Top sites show Lodges' successes to Members and visitors

By Ronald A. Brooks, Committee Member

As we close the Lodge year and prepare for our Grand Lodge Convention in Austin, Texas, this summer, the Fraternal Committee has named the Local Lodge Website Contest winners.

The Lodges that participated told the public the great news on what Elks Lodges do. The websites show our Members and volunteers who work for our communities, aid our veterans, provide for the State Major Projects, fund our scholarships, and more. The sites invite the locals to come and join in. Visitors can see that Elkdom is alive and well within the Lodges, championing the four principles of our Order.

All the Lodges showed our Grand Exalted Rulers theme was kept in mind: "We Are the Elks."

Stop by the Fraternal Committee booth and pick up your award after the Grand Lodge Session.

### 5 Star Awards

Essex, MD No. 1866: [essexelks.org](http://essexelks.org)  
New London, CT No. 360: [elks360.org](http://elks360.org)  
High Point, NC No. 1155: [hpelks.com](http://hpelks.com)  
Sitka, AK No. 1662: [sitkaelks.org](http://sitkaelks.org)  
St. Louis, MO No. 9: [elkslodge9.org](http://elkslodge9.org)  
Sanford, NC No. 1679: [sanfordelks1679.org](http://sanfordelks1679.org)  
New Britain, CT No. 957: [elks957.org](http://elks957.org)  
Palo Alto, CA No. 1471: [paloaltoelks.org](http://paloaltoelks.org)  
Silver City, NM No. 413: [silvercityelks.com](http://silvercityelks.com)  
Ferndale, MI No. 1588: [elks1588.com](http://elks1588.com)  
Pascagoula, MS No. 1120: [pascagoulaelks.org](http://pascagoulaelks.org)

### 4 Star Awards

Telluride, CO No. 692: [tellurideelks.org](http://tellurideelks.org)  
South Bend, IN No. 235: [southbendelks.org](http://southbendelks.org)  
Lebanon, OH No. 422: [lebanonelks422.com](http://lebanonelks422.com)  
Reno, NV No. 597: [renoelks.org](http://renoelks.org)  
Wallace, ID No. 331: [wallace.idahoelks.org](http://wallace.idahoelks.org)  
Provo, UT No. 849: [provoelks.org](http://provoelks.org)  
Chattanooga, TN No. 91: [chattanoogaelks91.com](http://chattanoogaelks91.com)  
Hightstown, NJ No. 1955: [elks1955.org](http://elks1955.org)  
Salem, OH No. 305: [facebook.com/salemelks305/](http://facebook.com/salemelks305/)  
Louisville, KY No. 8: [facebook.com/ElksLodge8](http://facebook.com/ElksLodge8)

Cuyahoga Falls-Akron-Barberton, OH No. 1923: [fallsakronelks.org](http://fallsakronelks.org)

### 3 Star Awards

**Glastonbury, CT No. 2202:** [glastonburyelks.org](http://glastonburyelks.org)

Sierra Vista, AZ No. 2065: [elks.org/lodges/home.cfm?](http://elks.org/lodges/home.cfm?LodgeNumber=2065)

LodgeNumber=2065

Springfield, IL No. 158: [elks158.org](http://elks158.org)

Tooele, UT No. 1673: [facebook.com/profile.php?id=100070111148818](http://facebook.com/profile.php?id=100070111148818)

Annapolis, MD No. 622: [elks622.com](http://elks622.com)

### Website or Facebook page judging is based on:

Content. News of Grand Lodge, state, and local programs.

Layout. Menu or table of contents, accessibility, and readability.

Design. Special presentation methods.

Graphics. Pop up or scrolling messages, overall continuity of site, use of photographs or graphics.

Telling the Elks story.

*(Article from Elks.org – Fraternal Committee News)*

## House Committee

**April House Committee meeting  
on the 3rd at 5:30 pm**



4/13/24

\$25

## Ham Dinner

Pea Soup

Ham, Scalloped Potatoes, Green

Bean Casserole, Carrots

Dessert

Glastonbury Elks Lodge  
Saturday April 13th, 2024  
6:00pm

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## Propositions For Membership

The Secretary's Office has received applications from the following individual (s), and have read their names on the floor of our Lodge. Any member knowing why any of these candidates should not be duly elected to membership should notify a member of the Investigation Committee or one of the Lodge Officers. Each will be balloted on during a regularly scheduled Lodge meeting.

Candidates Name	Residence	Proposer	Occupation
Erik Plenzio	S Glastonbury	Mark Curtin	Warehouse Assistant
Daniel Paskiewicz	Middletown	Mark Curtin	Home Improvement Contractor
Joseph Demartino	Cromwell	Mark Curtin	Army- Retired
Christopher Bushy	East Lyme	Willard R Visel	Federal Technician
Gregory Childs	Ivoryton	Willard R Visel	HVAC Tech
Hafiz Fazaleheg	Cromwell	Joshua Freeman	
Linda Kingsbury	East Hartford	Sandra J Kamis	Patient Care Coordinator
David Murray	Tolland	Transfer Demit	From Manchester Lodge 1893
Michael Pasquale	Middletown	Joshua Freeman	HVAC
Adan Tarnacki	Middletown	Willard R Visel	Manufacturing Engineer
Brandon Thicke	Bolton	Michael Dudzinski	VP professional liability
Thomas Cantwell	Wethersfield	Elbert Gray	CEO Carpet Service
W.Scott Henry	Glastonbury	Karen Midura	Consumer Advocate
Gabriel Ackerman	Amston	Alicia Fiducia	Proposal Estimating Supervisor
Alexis Cantres	Manchester	Curtis Hurley Jr.	Driver
Lynn Cecere	East Hartford	Salvatore P Cecere	SR oracle Database Adm
Donald Edward Jr.	Windsor	Curtis Hurley Jr.	Retired
Salvo Veneziano	Simsbury	William Lee	Warehouse Associate
Gregory Czarnecki	Glastonbury	Andrew B Reynolds	Physician
Sean McGrath	Wethersfield	Michael Dudzinski	Warehouse counter worker



## April Lodge Meetings



04/10 at 7:00 pm  
04/24 at 7:00 pm

## Sick & Distressed

If you know of any member who may not be doing well, please contact the Lodge at (860) 633-2651 or by email: [secretary@glastonburyelks.org](mailto:secretary@glastonburyelks.org)

Charles Fraser ~ Lodge Secretary



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## April Birthdays

Mark Curtin	01	Amy Gilnack	18
Matthew Danaher	01	Raymond Hayden	18
Robin Baran	02	Bilal Bhura	19
John Clarke	02	Stephen Jordan Jr	19
William McVeigh	02	Joshua Ostrowski	19
Jason Pugliese	02	James Zocco	19
Jeffrey Dickinson	03	Christopher Krul	20
William Weidmann	03	John Midura	20
Chris Witham	03	Robert Nicholson	20
Paul Fagan	04	Edward Spinella	20
Martin O'Donnell	04	Mario Robles	21
Robert Alexander	05	Frederick DiNardi III	22
Thomas daCunha	05	Thomas Hatcher Sr	22
William Kelly	05	Angela Ruff	22
Daniel Vallier	05	Thomas McGraw	23
Michael Jon Berch	06	Joao Pereira	23
Timothy Hasson	06	Salvatore Formica	24
Christopher Nguyen	06	Jennifer Franklin	25
William Silvestri	06	Jodi Motycka	25
Edmund Thurz Jr.	06	Joseph Dagon	26
Andrew Timreck	06	Anthony Delucia	26
Gregory Castanza	07	Susan Egan	26
Tina James	07	Craig Popielarczyk	26
Alexander Karr	07	George Gillespie	27
Walter Bono	08	David Hilliard	27
Lea Greco	08	Michael Hirth	27
Thomas Kunkel	08	Joseph Kozalka Jr.	27
Evan Piasecki	08	Anson Smigel	27
Bernd Thielke	08	Gregory Stiles	27
Patrece Wiggins	08	Henry Wasik	27
Gabrielle Franza	09	Bradley Wheaton	27
Paul Colla Jr	10	Nicholas Rice	28
Roger Fierravanti	10	Charles Wilson	28
Michael Flanagan	10	Ryon Jagoda	29
Ronald Pepin PER	10	Michelle Montanile	29
Adrian Derhak	11	Alyssa Pagliughi	29
Daniel Fazzino	11	Ricardo Salmon	29
Mary Fazzino	11	Laura Muenchow	30
Brendan Lawlor	11	Jeff Pell	30
Amy LeLasher	11		
Peter Marcue III	11		
Michael Buerk	12		
Ron Marek	12		
Carol Newman	12		
Faustino Ramos	12		
Christopher Rau Jr.	12		
Christopher Reulbach	12		
Michael Baribault	13		
Francesco Fontana	13		
Stephen Pentsak	13		
Roger Riley	13		
Edward Andreozzi	14		
Nancy Corriveau	14		
Thomas Harkins	14		
Michael Magowan	14		
Delwin Ragin	14		
Cynthia Gallant	15		
Joseph Gibilisco Jr	15		
Lukasz Malinowski	15		
Thomas Condon	16		
Robert Hulk	16		
Jonathan Nadeau	16		
Nicholas Stinson	16		
Robert Bisi	17		
Daniel Hare	17		
Paul Johnson	17		
Charles Albert	18		
Alexander Banhon	18		
Derek Forte	18		



Thinking about joining a Lodge committee?



Send an email to [upstart@glastonburyelks.org](mailto:upstart@glastonburyelks.org) with subject "Committee interest" and add your name & lodge member number.

Committee members and volunteers are always needed and welcomed. Your email be forwarded to the right folks.

~The Editor

Website or Facebook questions or issues?  
Contact the 2202 Webmaster at:  
webmaster@glastonburyelks.org

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# APRIL 2024



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 	2	3 House Comm – 5:30p Range – 6:30p	4	5	6
7 Trap Shoot	8	9	10 Lodge Meeting – 7p	11	12	13 Ham Dinner ~ 6pm
14 Trap Shoot	15	16	17	18	19	20
21 Trap Shoot	22 	23	24 Lodge Meeting – 7p	25	26	27
28 Trap Shoot	29	30				



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**wELKome our new members for the  
month of March**



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**April 2024**

Range Committee 04/03 @ 6:30p

House Committee 04/03 @ 5:30p

Lodge meeting 04/10 @ 7:00 p

Lodge meeting 04/24 @ 7:00 p

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<https://www.elks.org/lodges/home.cfm?LodgeNumber=2202>

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[upstart@glastonburyelks.org](mailto:upstart@glastonburyelks.org) . Thanks, Dave Lewis : Editor & Webmaster



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