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EXALTED RULER'S MESSAGE


Brothers All.

Happy New Year! I hope everyone had a restful and relaxing time with family and friends during the Christmas and New Year's break. As we begin the new calendar year, the Elk's year is down to the home stretch. Our lodge has sure been active this December, with many upcoming events in January and February.



Brian Connors
Exalted Ruler

We started off December by hosting the SCD VP Clinic on the 1st. It was a good turnout for VP Nick, with every lodge participating. Mike Veth and his team did an outstanding job again on the 2nd with the SCC spaghetti dinner. Everyone went away pleasantly full. On the 6th, three new members were initiated into our lodge. The officers performed well, and even Chuck was pleased! Immediately following the initiation, we held the Elk's Memorial Day service for our recently departed brothers and ladies auxiliary members. The service was well attended, and Middletown stayed true to its mission to demonstrate that "Elks are never forgotten, never forsaken." Much thanks to Dan Maloney and his team. Middletown Helps Its Own had their Christmas basket and gift deliveries on the 19th. Middletown lodge had a great showing as always, and our table was cleared and delivered in record time. Great job by Rob Fairhurst, his team, and all those who came out to support this cause. We had our annual Christmas Party for the YAC and SCC committees on the 20th. The Christmas spirit was



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in the air that day! We had great attendance and many helpful elves to make these events special for our youth. A special thanks to John Urbine for coordinating Santa's visit and the Roughnecks for their amazing charitable contributions. Every child went home with a gift. We kicked off the New Year on the 31st. What a party! The Clamdiggers had everyone up on the dance floor for every song they played. The food and deserts were exceptional. It took an incredible amount of effort to plan and execute this event. I'd like to acknowledge Rich, Mary, and Chris Bryk, Carol and Danny Goodbody, Betty Anghelone, Don DeFose, and all those that I missed who made this a special and successful party.

We have many events planned for January and February. The SCC will be running the spaghetti dinners the first Wednesday of each month. Come on out and support Mike Veth and his team. Every dinner counts! The Ladies Auxillary will be having an 80's dance on 1/16. Time to break out the spandex and parachute pants! We will be having two regular meetings in January on the 14th and 28th. Our first convention signups will be held on 1/31. Be sure to reserve your room! There will be signups in February and March with dates TBD. Our annual chili cookoff will be held the day before the Superbowl, with our Superbowl party happening the day of the game. Please come out

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YOUTH ACTIVITIES	Mike Brandine	732-492-4854



ELK OF THE MONTH

JANUARY 2016

**My Elk of the Month for January is
John Urbine.**

Not only has John helped out in the kitchen whenever asked, he was a great help coordinating the visit from Santa for the YAC and SCC Christmas parties. It really made the day special.

ELK OF THE MONTH

FEBRUARY 2016

**My Elk of the Month for February is
John DeSiato.**

John has helped out with our bulletin for many years. I'd like to recognize him for his efforts this year, and working with us on the new bi-monthly bulletin format.

FROM THE SECRETARY

Starting in January, we will be going to a two month bulletin with a three month calendar of events. This will enable us to reduce costs significantly as well as to plan for our many upcoming events.

Please patronize our sponsors and if you have a business and want to showcase it, you inquire through the secretary.

Kindly check to see if your membership card is up to date as we have fifty members in arrears. New dues notices will be mailed this month and are due back by April 1.

Please call me or see me at the lodge if you need any information, relating to membership, lodge activities, sickness and distress.

Have a Happy New Year and always remind your local community and friends why the Elks are the best people on earth.

Fraternally and Respectfully,
Dan Maloney

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and root for your team! Our SCC committee will be having their annual Valentine's Day party on 2/14. We have two regular meetings in February. Nominations for new officers for the Elk Year 2016 – 2017 will occur on the 11th. The vote for those positions will occur on the 25th. Every vote counts, so I hope to see good attendance at these meetings.

“The secret of success is to do common things,
uncommonly well.”

Respectfully Yours, Brian Connors

ELKS MEMORIAL DAY

On December 6th, the lodge paid tribute to eleven members and one lady from our Auxiliary who passed away in 2015. These former members have left their mark in the history of our lodge and along with all our departed Brothers and Sisters will always be remembered at the hour of eleven, the golden hour of recollection.

Thanks to all the Officers for a very dignified service and their help in transistorizing the hall from the class to the service. Special thanks to the kitchen crew of Don Desfosse, John Plumacher and Mary Bryk.

Dan Maloney

Special Children's Committee Upcoming Parties



Valentines Party Sunday, February 7th

Easter Party Sunday, March 20th





2016 CONVENTION !!!



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2PM-5PM

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\$475 2-DAYS

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ADDITIONAL SIGN-UPS IN FEB. AND MARCH (TBA)

SIGN-UP AND COME DOWN AND JOIN US IN

WILDWOOD!!!

CONVENTION DATES: JUNE 3RD-JUNE 5TH

CONTACT: NICK G. @732-495-1922

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MIDDLETOWN ELKS
50TH ANNUAL CHARITY BALL

MARCH 5TH, 2016

GRAMMERCY HALL
(THE OLD LAKESIDE MANOR)

HONORING OUR POSTER CHILD
JACKSON SHARKEY

COCKTAIL HOUR 7 -8
ACCOLADES & DINNER 8 - 12
MUSIC BY THE CLAMDIGGERS
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JANUARY LADIES BIRTHDAYS

FRESH SNOWFLAKES DANCING ON THE TREE
 BRANCHES...BEAUTIFUL AND BEAUTIFUL
 JANUARY BIRTHDAY LADIES.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO...

1ST, PEARL LYNCH, GOLD STAR
 14TH PENNY GIGLIO
 16TH, CAROL DRAKE
 18TH, CAROL GOODBODY,
 1ST VICE PRESIDENT
 19TH, LISA HAHN, 2ND VICE PRESIDENT
 22ND, RUTH FUNDNER, GOLD STAR

HAPPY BIRTHDAY LADIES...

FEBRUARY LADIES BIRTHDAYS

LOVE IS IN THE AIR...

ENJOY VALENTINE'S DAY

4TH, KAY FOX, GOLD STAR
 10TH, LINDA BRAUZAUCKAS
 12TH, CATHERINE WILLIAMS
 17TH, JO FIX, GOLD STAR
 20TH, DONNA FETTE
 23RD, PEGGY MAURICE
 27TH, SHARON CORRIDON
 28TH, MARLENE MAROLDI

ENJOY YOUR BIRTHDAY...LADIES!

AUXILIARY MEMBERS

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Thank you,
 Janet Desfosse, Corresponding Secretary



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CALENDAR EVENTS FOR JANUARY 2016						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 HAPPY NEW YEAR	2
3 FB LUNCHEON NOON TO 4	4	5	6 SCC DINNER CHICKEN MARSALA	7	8	9
10	11	12	13 MCC	14 MEETING	15	16 LADIES AUX 80'S DANCE
17	18	19 F.O.P. MEETING	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28 MEETING	29	30
31 STEAL BINGO						

CALENDAR EVENTS FOR FEBRUARY 2016						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3 SPAGHETTI DINNER	4	5	6
7 SUPER BOWL	8	9	10 MCC	11 MEETING NOMINATIONS	12	13
14 SCC VALENTINES PARTY	15	16 F.O.P. MEETING BIRTHDAY OF THE ORDER	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24 LADIES MEETING	25 MEETING ELECTIONS	26	27
28	29					

CALENDAR EVENTS FOR MARCH 2016						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 SCC DINNER RAVIOLI PARM	3	4	5 CHARITY BALL
6	7	8	9 MCC	10 MEETING	11	12
13	14	15 F.O.P. MEETING	16	17 ST PAT'S DAY OPEN AT NOON	18	19 LADIES INSTALLATION
20 SCC EASTER PARTY	21	22	23	24 MEETING	25	26
27	28	29	30 LADIES MEETING	31		

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