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EXALTED RULER'S MESSAGE

Brothers All.

We're down to the last month in the Elk year. The groundhog has spoken and spring is right around the corner. We've had quite a few activities the past few months, and March looks to be busy as well.

In January and February the SCC committee held their spaghetti dinners on the first Wednesday of each month. We had a great turnout for both with over 60 total dinners sold. Thanks to Mike Veth and his committee for all your hard work. Our Hoop Shoot and Soccer Shoot committee's both had children compete in the State Championships. We didn't take home first place trophies, but all kids did great, with high standings. The Hoop Shoot had to go to three sudden deaths to determine the state winner. Thanks to Tom Cribben and Mike V for your help and support. The Motorcycle Committee held the chili cook-off the day before the Superbowl on 2/6. The entries all tasted fantastic and the top two winners donated back to the lodge. I hope we can generate even more entries for next year! The SCC had their annual Valentine's Day on 2/7. The kids had a great time, and Joe McGrath entertained us with his musical stylings. We had the Superbowl party the following night. Even though our home teams didn't get to compete, fun was had by all. Old Bridge lodge represented our district in the State Ritual Competition at Long Branch. They didn't make the top three, but did a great job representing



Brian Connors
Exalted Ruler

our district. Hopefully Middletown can be there next year. Nomination and voting for officers also occurred in February. I would like to congratulate Exalted Ruler elect, Nick G.; Leading Knight elect, Rob Fairhurst; Loyal Knight elect, Kevin Britaine; Lecturing Knight, Mike Parulis Jr.; Secretary elect, Dan Maloney; Treasurer elect, Chuck Bolin; 5 Year Trustee elect, Al Smith; and Tiler elect, Charlie Diehl.

The month of March will complete our Elk year. We'll start it off on the 2nd with our SCC spaghetti dinner.

Please come out and support the committee. On the 5th, Mike Veth and his committee will be holding the annual Charity Ball. We should have a great turnout. It's a testament to our lodge that this will be the 50th anniversary of this fantastic event. On the 6th, Middletown will be hosting the district voting for State Trustee from 2 to 4. All PER's come out and vote! On the 18th, the Leading Knights clinic will be held at Long Branch Elks. This is a great learning opportunity for the incoming new officers. The Ladies Auxiliary will be having their installation on the 19th. I look forward to installing Melissa and her new officers. The next day on the 20th, the SCC and YAC committees will be having their annual Easter party. We always need help, so come out and show your support.

As you can see, the bulletin is now back to the monthly format. This was voted for by membership,

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ELK OF THE MONTH

MARCH 2016

**My Elk of the Month for March is
Charlie Diehl.**

Charlie has done a great job organizing our dart league and other lodge activities behind the scenes. Keep up the great work, Charlie!

SPECIAL CHILDREN'S COMMITTEE

The Special Children's Committee held a Spaghetti Dinner on Wednesday, February 3rd. The specialty dinner was stuffed shells and the SCC Committee served 39 dinners and all enjoyed. Also thank you to the kitchen crew of Don DesFosse and John Urbine. As always you guys do a great job. Thank you to Janet Desfosse and Kathy Corridon for waitressing. Special thank you to Rich and Sharon Centanni for donating the meatballs and sauce. The next spaghetti dinner will be Wednesday, March 2nd and the specialty dinner will be Ravioli Parm.

On Sunday, February 7th, the SCC held our annual Valentine's party. It was well attended again. I would like to thank those who helped out including the great kitchen crew of Don Desfosse, John Urbine. Also helping serve were Tom Cribbin, Ginger Smith, Jean Robbolino and Mary Bryk as well as Fran Duffy, Edna Bryk and Jane Thompson. Also Dominic Robbolino and Jen Bumbico's girl's helping serve. Thanks to our photographer Neil Glazebrook. Thank you to D.J. Joe McGrath again the kid's and parents had a great time. Thank you to Jean Robbolino, Edna Bryk and Jen Bumbico for donating the cupcakes.

Our next party will be our Easter party to be held on Sunday, March 20th from 2:00 to 4:00 pm.

There SCC Committee will be holding Spaghetti dinners on Wednesday, April 6th and Wednesday, May 4th. There will be no Spaghetti Dinners in June or July. We will resume dinners in August.

Thank you,
Mike Veth, SCC Chairman

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addressing concerns of making changes to the 3 month calendar. Also, if you haven't signed up for Convention, please get in touch with Nick G. or VP Nick F. It's a great time, and just maybe, we'll get to march this year.

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

Respectfully Yours, Brian Connors

PROPOSITIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

James Farrant by Kenneth Spuler

Louis Croce, Jr. by Tom Durdack

Christopher Fisler by Charles Diehl

Stephen Dollinger by Fred Dollinger

These candidates will be voted on at the meeting of
March 10th, 2016

Special Children's Committee



Easter Party
Sunday, March 20th
2:00 to 4:00 PM

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January

Tom & Flo Gormley

February

Bob Santoro

Tom McColgan

April

In Memory of Gene Ruck

Mary Ruck

Ed and Frann Glenney

In Memory of Lou & Kay Dandorph

Bill and Joan Burger

Edna Bryk

In Memory of Ray Bryk

Frank and Mary Weber

May

Joan McTigue

Jim and Pat Waked

Mary and Richard Bryk

Nicholas and Donna DiGrigorio

June

In Memory of

Dan Marchetti

Dan and Carol Maloney

Bob and Pat Crawford

In Memory of Robert J. Brant

July

Chris Marchetti

Red, White, & Blue

Mike and Nancy Brandine, Jr.

August

In Memory of Jack Spann

Joe and Rosemary Keeney

John and Kathy Steakin

Ed and Lynn O'Kane

September

In Memory of Mary Brant

Frank and Dianne Zechman

October

In Memory of PER John McTigue

In Memory of

Kathleen L. McCartan

Dan McCartan

Ed and Mary Tomkins

Al and Cathy Grabau

Bob and Alice Eckert

In Memory of Bob Brant

Kathleen Brant

November

In Memory of Willy Fix

Thomas F. Early

Chuck and Adrienne Bolin

Cathy Grabau

December

In Memory of Ken Thompson

Jane Thompson

"God's Little Miracles"

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FISH FRY

The PERs held their Annual Fish Fry on February 5th, and again it was very successful. Thanks to everyone for coming out and supporting it. I would also like to thank PER Nick Giuriceo, PER Nick Figaro, Don DesFosse, PEOY and our waitress and 50/50. Ginger Smith, you guys really took over and made this so successful.

PER President, Al Smith



2016 CONVENTION !!!



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CONVENTION DATES: JUNE 2RD-JUNE 4TH

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Youth Activities
Committee
Easter Party
Sunday, March 20th
12:00 to 2:00 PM



St. Patrick's Day



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Calendar Events For March 2016

Calendar Events For April 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2 MENS INSTALLATION
3	4	5	6 SCC SPAGHETTI DINNER	7	8	9
10	11	12	13 MCC MEETING	14 LODGE MEETING	15	16
17	18	19 F.O.P. MEETING	20	21 PER MEETING	22	23 VENDOR FAIR 10:00 AM TO 2:00PM
24	25	26	27 LADIES AUXILIARY MEETING	28 LODGE MEETING	29	30 LADIES AUXILIARY CALENDAR PARTY 7:00 PM

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