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THE MONTHLY NEWS BULLETIN OF THE MIDDLETOWN B.P.O. ELKS LODGE 2179
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EXALTED RULER'S MESSAGE

Happy 2018!! I hope everyone had a fun, safe, and memorable Holiday! Year 2017 had its ups and downs, as every year does but our good times have far out-shadowed the not-so-great ones. It's all about making those memories!! With 2017 behind us, I'm looking forward to a clean slate, a new year, at time to try to stick with resolutions!

It was great to see the room so full!
Everyone had a fun time getting together
and enjoying the holiday season with
each other.

Since last month, we brought in another group of new members. As always, be sure to welcome them and make them feel at home. As long as we keep bringing in new members we're heading in the right direction. Our Elks Memorial Day Ceremony followed our new member initiation. It's always a hard ceremony to get through, and this one felt especially tough. Please keep our departed brothers and their families in your hearts as we enter this new year. May brighter things come their way in 2018. I hope nothing but peace and love for them. And as always, Tom Cribbin and Mike Parulis Jr., along with their crews, pulled off fun Christmas parties for the kids. Thank you!



Grand Exalted Ruler, Malcom J. McPherson Jr. had a special New Years message for 2018. For 2018, rather than resolutions, we should think of GOALS that we want to accomplish. A few of his ideas include: Bringing in a new member; volunteer for a committee; help with a Lodge event; look for a new charitable organization that we can p this year; and perhaps you'd like to n run for an officer position! Anything

2018 marks our 150th Anniversary of the Elks foundation. What a proud time for us, as members, to look back at all of the accomplishments our brotherhood has delivered on. And it's a time for us to look forward to the potential we have to continue growing and serving our community. I've said this before but it's worth repeating, if you have any new ideas or thoughts that might help our Lodge grow and prosper, let me or another officer know. Fresh ideas are needed as times are always changing. We need to keep up with those changes!

Yours in Brotherhood,
Robert Fairhurst

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Vinnie D’Acunzi, Al Smith, PER
Nick Giuriceo, PER, Don Desfosse

COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

ACCIDENT PREVENTION	Donald Desfosse, PEOY	732-788-4840
AMERICANISM	John Plumacher	732-500-6084
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BAR STEWARD	Michael Parulis, Sr., PEOY	
BLOOD BANK	John Plumacher	732-500-6084
BULLETIN	John DeSiato	732-829-3890
CONVENTION	Nick Figaro, VP	732-241-5131
DRUG AWARENESS	Albert Smith, PER	732-495-4633
ELKS MEMORIAL DAY	Daniel P. Maloney, PDD	732-787-1622
FLAG DAY	Daniel P. Maloney, PDD	732-915-9351
GOLF TOURNAMENT	Rich Centanni, PEOY	732-495-0110
GOVERNMENT RELATIONS	Don Desfosse, PEOY	732-788-4840
HALL BOOKINGS	Albert Smith, PER	732-495-4633
HOOP SHOOT	Charlie Diehl	732-671-0463
HOUSE	Rich Centanni, PEOY	732-495-0110
HOUSE & GROUNDS	Don Desfosse, PEOY	732-788-4840
INDOCTRINATION	W. Randolph Smith, PDD	732-787-1941
INVESTIGATION	Rich Jaeger	732-787-1622
JUSTICE	W. Randolph Smith, PDD	732-787-1941
LAPSATION	Edward Hahn, PDD	732-670-1775
LODGE ACTIVITIES	Donald Desfosse, PEOY	732-788-4840
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NATIONAL SERVICE	Mike Quilty	
OFFICERS TRAINING	Daniel P. Maloney, PDD	732-915-9351
PARADES	Edward Foster	732-747-7150
PUBLIC RELATIONS	Michael Dickie, PVP	
RITUAL	Edward Hahn, DD	732-671-0463
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SCHOLARSHIP	Richard Niekraash	732-671-6347
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SOCIAL & COMMUNITY WELFARE	Vinnie A'cunzi	
SPECIAL CHILDREN	Tom Cribbin	347-451-7913
TRACK DAY	Nick Figaro, VP	732-241-5131
YOUTH ACTIVITIES	Michael Parulis, Jr., PER	732-495-1502

ELK OF THE MONTH

JANUARY 2018

My Elk of the Month is Andy Howard.
Andy has fixed many things around our Lodge.
His hard work and commitment to the Elks is
always noticeable. Thank you Andy.

ELKS MEMORIAL DAY

I would like to thank all those who participated in the Elks Memorial Day Service. The Exalted Ruler Rob and his Officers were outstanding in their performance of the service and a special thank you to the Committee consisting of Ed and Lisa Hahn, Nick and Jane Figaro, Al and Ginger Smith, Fran Corridon, Don Desfosse, John Plumacher and Carol Maloney. Our deepest Sympathy and Love for the season is extended to the families of the members who passed in the previous year.

Dan Maloney

Kitchen Open

Friday, Saturday, Sunday

12:00 pm - 8:00 pm

**Buffalo Chicken,
Chicken Tenders,
Cheesesteak,
Italian Hotdog,
Flounder, Bar Pie
and more**

SPECIAL CHILDREN'S COMMITTEE

On December 6 the we held our monthly spaghetti dinner. As usual we had a good turnout and the chicken parmesan flew out of the Kitchen. The meatballs and sauce were donated by my sister Eileen. Thank you for doing that. Our kitchen crew of Donnie, Mickey and John did their usual fantastic jobs. Kathy and Janet, what can I say, they are constantly doing a wonderful job. Our next dinner will be January 3rd and the special will be ravioli parmesan, then on February 7th we will be having linguini and clam sauce.

On December 17th, we had our annual Christmas party and it was a huge success. Santa sat and talked with the kids and families and took plenty of pictures with them. He also gave our presents to everyone which was given to us by the Red Light Kings MC. We appreciate their generosity and time. There are so many people to thank for making this successful, Jane, Edna, Mary and Fran for making the calls. The kitchen crew of Donnie, RC, Ronnie Steinberger and Kevin Brown for pushing out the chicken and fries. Ginger, Nick, Jane and the girls and John for plating and serving. Mike Dickie for holding down the fort and keeping the drinks flowing.

MOST important THANK YOU goes to Mr. & Mrs. Ken Massacoti for donating the cost of party. The SCC truly appreciate it.

Next up, we will be sending out invitations for the Charity Ball which will be occurring on Friday March 9, 2018. Please save the date.

Regards,
Tom Cribbin, SCC Chairman



**IF YOU HAVE A WHEELCHAIR
AND DON'T NEED IT ANYMORE.
PLEASE RETURN.**

BY-LAW CHANGES



Middletown Elks
Annual Charity Ball

Friday, March 9th, 2018

Gramercy Hall

Honoring Our Ambassador
Caleigh Brennan

Cocktail Hour 7-8

Accolades & Dinner 8-12

\$75.00 Per Person

For More Information Call
Tom Cribbin 347-451-7913



Phone Number: _____

Please attach advertisement or requested wording. (PLEASE PRINT)



Ladies Auxiliary Officers 2017-2018

President	Lisa Hahn	732-757-2981
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Ginger Smith	732-495-4693
Nancy Brandine	732-492-3893
Kay Woods	732-495-2953
Kathy Corridon	732-495-3689
Melissa Vanderzee	732-322-7369

COMMITTEE CHAIRLADIES

Auditor/Budget	Chris Marchetti	732-872-1189
Book	Cathy Grabau	732-739-2933
Bylaws	Chris Marchetti	732-872-1189
Calendar Tables	Jane Figaro	732-241-8231
Car Show	Ginger Smith	732-495-4693
Chairlady Raffle	Chris Marchetti	732-872-1189
Christmas Party	Kay Woods	732-495-4693
Christmas Party	Chris Marchetti	732-872-1189
Christmas Tree	Edna Bryk	732-787-7477
Christmas Tree	Nancy Brandine	732-492-3893
Christmas Tree	Kay Woods	732-495-2953
Convention Shirts	Kathy Corridon	732-495-3689
Dances	Tisa D'Ziadzio	732-471-1594
Dark Horse	Mary Bryk	732-280-9071
Gift Auction	Janet Desfosse	732-788-4839
Hospitality	Chris Marchetti	732-872-1189
Hospitality	Cathy Grabau	732-739-2933
Membership	Ginger Smith	732-495-4693
Past President Dinner	Kay Woods	732-495-2953
Phone Committee	Cathy Grabau	732-739-2933
Phone Committee	Dottie Nesfield	732-787-7732
Pins	Cathy Grabau	732-739-2933
Plaques	Cathy Grabau	732-739-2933
Sip and Paint (Painting)	Melissa Vanderzee	732-322-7369
Sip and Paint (Wine Glasses)	Tara Mirenda	732-787-8753
Steal Bingo	Edna Bryk	732-787-7477
Steal Bingo	Mary Bryk	732-280-9071
Sunshine	Chris Marchetti	732-872-1189
Tailgates	Ginger Smith	732-495-4693
Tailgates	Kathy Corridon	732-495-3689
Wednesday Winner's Raffle	Nancy Brandine	732-492-3893



Spotlight Ladies

My Spotlight Ladies for January is Nancy Brandine, Kay Woods and Chris Marchetti for the wonderful Christmas Party and their continued support year after year.

These women have helped me tremendously over the years. They never say no, bring fresh new ideas to try but most of all, they support every function this lodge has. They are a big part of why we are having a successful year.

Thanks for all your hard work ladies.

Madame President's Message

Hello Ladies,

Hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and a Happy New Year!! Can't believe how fast 2017 has gone!!

I want to thank Chris Marchetti, Nancy Brandine and Kay Woods for a wonderful Christmas Party. Mike Parulis Jr and his kitchen crew did not disappoint. The food was delicious as always. It was great seeing everyone enjoying themselves and having fun. Isn't that what Christmas is all about.

Danny Maloney put together a beautiful Elks Memorial Service. If you have never be to one, please attend the next one in December 2018. It is the most solemn day in Elkdom when they honor the brothers of the Elks, and the sisters of the Auxiliary, along with the family they left behind. It is a very emotional service but shows you what being part of the Elks family is all about. This year the Auxiliary lost three members who were a huge part of why the Middletown Elks Auxiliary is the best in the State.

As my year slowly begins to wind done I want to thank each and every one of you for your continued support and fresh new ideas. It has been a pleasure to work with each one of you!!

I would like to congratulate our Past President Melissa Vanderzee and her husband Winfield on the birth of their son!! We are all so happy for you and your families!! We can't wait to meet him!!

The next big function will be held on Sunday, January 28, 2018 and it is the Steal Bingo run by Edna and Mary Bryk. Tickets are \$10.00 with a gift that day of \$10.00. Please come out and enjoy a fun filled afternoon. The doors open at 12:00 Noon. Please contact Edna or Mary for tickets.

Our next meeting will be Wednesday, January 31, 2018.

Hope to see all of you at a meeting and a function. Please join us in making this year successful one for all of us.

Lisa Hahn, President



JANUARY **LADIES BIRTHDAYS**

1ST, PEARL LYNCH, GOLD STAR
5TH, CATHY TRIESTE, PAST PRESIDENT AND
GOLD STAR
14TH, PENNY GIGLIO
16TH, MELISSA VANDERZEE,
PAST PRESIDENT
18TH, CAROL GOODBODY, PAST PRESIDENT
19TH, LISA HAHN, PRESIDENT AND
GOLD STAR
22ND, RUTH FUNDNER, GOLD STAR
25TH, GINGER ROONEY, PAST PRESIDENT,
PAST LADY OF THE YEAR AND GOLD STAR
SHIMMERING SNOWFLAKES, FRESH FALLEN
SNOW AND BLUSTERING WINDS GREETED
THESE JANUARY BABES.....
HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ONE AND ALL

AUXILIARY MEMBERS

Please remit your dues for 2018-2019. \$15.00 If
you have questions, please feel free to call me.
732-788-4839. Thank you, Janet Desfosse,
Corresponding Secretary

SUNSHINE **CHAIRLADY MESSAGE**

Any Member Ill....or in the Hospital....Please
contact Chris at 732-872-1189 to receive flowers
or get well message...Thanks Chris

HALL RENTALS

Contact Al Smith 732-804-2712
for Information

FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER

FEBRUARY 2, 2018

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5:30 - 8PM



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Calendar Events For January 2018

Calendar Events For February 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 PER MEETING	2	3
4	5 DARTS	6 CORNHOLE	7 SPAGHETTI DINNER	8 REGULAR MEETING	9	10
11	12 DARTS	13 CORNHOLE	14 MCC MEETING	15 PER MEETING	16	17
18	19 DARTS	20 FOP MEETING CORNHOLE	21	22 REGULAR MEETING	23	24
25	26 DARTS	27 CORNHOLE	28 LADIES AUXILIARY MEETING			

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