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EXALTED RULER'S MESSAGE

Greetings all and thank you for showing confidence in me by electing me as your Exalted Ruler for 2022-2023. With the help of all the officers and committees this year will be a productive one. The projects planned for the upcoming year is to resurface the Bar top and make improvements in the Men's restroom. Among other improvements and repairs that are needed in the lodge this is an old building and needs some TLC.

I want to thank Dennis and Jimmy Rich for cooking dinner for the Installation it was delicious. Thanks to the wait staff and bartenders who did an outstanding job. Thank you to the Ladies Auxiliary for providing the hors d'oeuvres.

The upcoming month, we will be hosting the Easter Party for Youth Activities and Special Children on April 10, check bulletin board for updated and times. The bus trip to Camp Moore is scheduled for April 23rd. If you plan on going see Tom Cribbin there are some Covid restrictions, Tom has the details. The Mother's day Breakfast will be on May 8th. The cost will \$8 for Adults. \$5 for children and Moms eat free. See flyer for more details.

The Lodge needs Bartenders if you are interested, please contact Nick Figaro or Charlie Diehl. There is a TAMS class coming if you need it they will get you registered if you are interested.

In the past several months there have been several



Rich Jaeger Exalted Ruler

new members who join our ranks as Loyal Elks when you see them at the Lodge introduce yourself and welcome them. If you have a family member or friend interested in the Elks give them an application. The FOP is back to hold there meetings after a long absence due to COVID, welcome back! The Cornhole League and Dart League are back in action as well.

In closing I want to thank Donny Foz and his Officers and trustees for a job

well done. And a special shout out to Ginger Smith being elected as the

President of the Ladies Auxiliary. There are several projects in the works for the upcoming year.

I am open to suggestions and advise from everyone, and if you have questions, I will attempt to answer them of find out the answer and guide you to the person to ask.

One last item dues are due April 1. So, if you have not paid you may do so when you come into the lodge or pay online at middletownelks2179.org, and don't forget the charities. You may also pay your ENF pledge there if you have not completed your pledge.

Yours in Brotherhood,

Rich Jaeger

"the faults of our Brothers we write upon the Sand" Page 2 April 2022



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APRIL 2022

My Elk of the month is Dennis McInnes.

Thank you for going above and beyond for getting the dinner prepared for the Installation Thanks and great job Dave.



Middletown Elks #2179



GOOD FRIDAY FISH FRY



APRIL 15[™] 5:00 PM TO 7:30PM

The menu will be Cod, Shrimp. American Fries, Cold Slaw.

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PER MESSAGE FROM **DONNIE DESFOSSE**

We have come to the end of our Elk year, through which I am proud and honored to have been the ER.

Thanks and congratulations go out to my Officers for their support throughout the year. Also, in the performance of the Ritual: Fourth overall in the State, with First Place going to Lecturing Knight Bill Nicholl, and Third Place to Chaplain Joe Polkowski. Great job!

I would like to thank and congratulate my following award recipients:

Citizen of the Year - Jane Figaro

Officer of the Year - Joe McGrath

Chairman of the Year - Mike Dickie

Grand Lodge Award - Andy Howard

Grand Lodge Award - Mike Anghelone

Trustee Award - Donny Anderson

Elk of the Year - John Desiato

Thanks again for all your help and support.

Exalted Ruler-Elect Rich Jaeger and your team of Officers, good luck in the upcoming year.

Members all: my thanks and gratitude to everyone for the help and support throughout the year.

Madam President Tisa and your team of Officers, my profound thanks and appreciation a supportive and productive year!!

Madam President-Elect Ginger, good luck and best wishes to you and all the Ladies of the Auxiliary!!

Finally, I must apologize to two of my Officers whom I omitted from the Charity Ball Program, due to an oversight on my part.

They are Mike Quilty (Inner Guard) and Al Grabau(Inner Guard/Tiler).

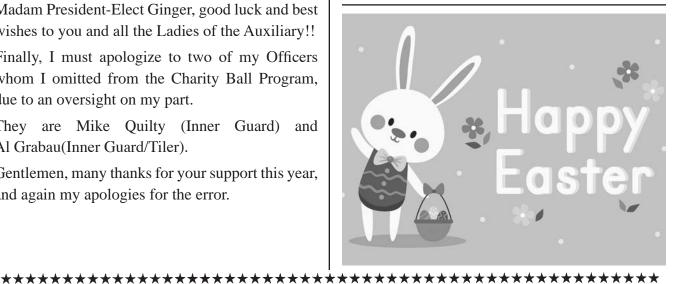
Gentlemen, many thanks for your support this year, and again my apologies for the error.

DOWN SYNDROME AWARENESS MONTH

Exalted Ruler Don Desfosse of the Middletown B.P.O. Elks Lodge #2179 was surrounded by Special Friends of the Lodge to draw attention to Down Syndrome Awareness Month which is celebrated March 21, 2022 all over the world. The effort, which is supported by the United Nations to advocate for the rights, inclusion and well being of people with Down Syndrome, with the help of attorney and special needs parent Christine Matus (pictured below), prompted the practice of participants wearing Crazy or Mismatched Socks which generates questions and conversation about this naturally occurring chromosomal arrangement. Afterwards the Lodge treated the Special Friends and their families to dinner at CJ McLoone's in Tinton Falls.

For more info see #LotsOfSocks







Come out and celebrate your MOM with us At our Mother's Day Breakfast

On Sunday, May 8th at 10:00 AM Breakfast will be served followed by a Short Elk service honoring MOM. All members and Family are welcome. Cost: Adults \$8, Children \$5, Moms Free **Please contact Rich Jaeger** so I can get a count of who is attending. 732 241-3753 text or call / rjaeger@verizon.net

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LADIES AUXILIARY UPCOMING EVENTS

April 27th Ladies Auxiliary Meeting

PAST PRESIDENT MESSAGE -TISA DZIADZIO

Dear Ladies,

Thank you all for your dedication to this Auxiliary. It was a great night installing Ginger Smith. Michelle Fairhust. Deb Gerardi, Janet Desfosse, Tara Mirenda and Cathy Grabau. It will be a great year with your leadership. I look forward to working with you all. Congratulations Rich Jaeger and your team of officers. I will be around if you need any help. The installation was a beautiful night. The room looked amazing. Congrats to my Officer of the year, Tara Mirenda, my Chairwoman of the year, Ginger Smith and my Woman of the Year, Lisa Hahn. All well deserved awards. Thank you ladies for all you donations, support and wisdom. Ginger you are going to have a great year!

Thank you,

Tisa Dziadzio - Past President



Michelle stepped up to become 1st VP and has helped me get everything ready to start our year. I appreciate all your help.

Madame President's Message

Hello everyone,

I would first like to congratulate Tisa and all the lady officers last year, great job ladies. Also ER Don Defosse and his team of officers, great job. I would like to thank everyone for coming to the installation. I am very honored to be the Ladies President again. The ladies are working hard to bring back things we weren't able to do during Covid. Looking forward to a fun year . Our first thing is a Bar Crawl, Saturday, April 9th, Tisa is working hard to fill the bus. Anyone interested, please call Tisa. Charity Ball was a great time. Tisa made such a great speech I missed it lol inside joke. Dylan took over microphone great job Dylan. Watch the bulletin for upcoming events. Hope to see you at the meetings. Congratulations ER Rich Jaeger and new officers looking forward to working with you all.

Working together we can do great things. Ginger Smith, President

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January

Tom & Flo Gormley

February

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

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 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 Al and Cathy Grabau Bob and Alice Eckert

Kathleen Brant November

In Memory of Willy Fix Chuck and Adrianne Bolin Cathy Grabau

In Memory of Bob Brant

December

In Memory of Ken Thompson Jane Thompson "God's Little Miracles" Coach Saige

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APRIL LADIES BIRTHDAYS

25TH - MICHELLE FAIRHURST

28TH - LISA LOWE

29TH - SUSAN BUCKLEY

LADIES... ENJOY YOUR BIRTHDAYS!

AUXILIARY MEMBERS

Please remit your dues for 2021-2022. \$20.00 If you have any questions, please feel free to call Janet Desfosse 732.788.4839 Corresponding Secretary

SUNSHINE CHAIRLADY MESSAGE

Any Member Ill....or in the Hospital.... Please contact Cathy Grabau at 732-739-2933 to receive flowers or get well message...Thanks Cathy

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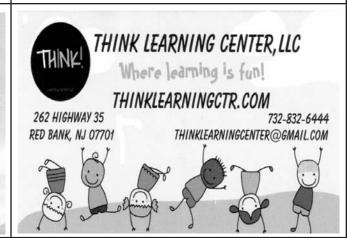


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3	4	5	6 SPAGHETTI DINNER	7	8	9 BAR CRAWL
10 PALM SUNDAY	11	12	13	14	15 GOOD FRIDAY FISH FRY 5:00 TO 7:30PM	16
17 EASTER	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27 LADIES AUXILIARY MEETING	28	29	30

Calendar Events For May 2022						
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1	2	3	4 SPAGHETTI DINNER	5	6	7
8 MOTHER'S DAY BREAKFAST 10:00 AM	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 LADIES AUXILIARY MEETING	26	27	28
29	30					