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THE MONTHLY NEWS BULLETIN OF THE MIDDLETOWN B.P.O. ELKS LODGE 2179
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## Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of U.S.A. A Fraternal Organization EXALTED RULER'S MESSAGE

Hello all,
Six more weeks of Winter? Maybe yes, maybe no. As with the Winter season, our Elk year is winding down. Officer nominations are upcoming on the 10th with the PERs running the meeting. The Officers will be practicing the Ritual in preparation for the Ritual Contest which will be held on the 26th at Long Branch. Check with our Officers for the performance time, plus attendance restrictions and/or mask requirements, if any.

On the Lodge front, we fortunately, had no COVID episodes here at the Lodge. The vigilant sanitizing efforts have proven very successful.

Starting this month, the Dart League resumes on Mondays, nice to have them return. Upcoming events include the PERs running
 the "Cheeseburgers in Paradise" night on the 11th. The 13th brings in a new class at 10:00am, SCC Valentine Party at 2:00pm, and of course, Super Bowl at the Lodge during the game.

Convention sign-up dates will be posted at the Lodge, it's that time of the year again! Exalted Ruler

Please stay informed about the status of our events by checking the bulletin boards, just in case there may be any changes.

Finally, on the 13th, spend the day at the Lodge to welcome and support our new members. Then stay and enjoy the game.

Fraternally,
Donnie Desfosse
Exalted Ruler
The great heart of Elkdom will continue to beat only with your support.


## ELECTED \& APPOINTED OFFICERS 2021-2022

EXALTED RULER . . . . . . . . Donald Desfosse . . . . . . . 732-788-4840
LEADING KNIGHT . . . . . . . Rich Jaeger . . . . . . . . 732-241-3753
LOYAL KNIGHT . . . . . . . . . Joe McGrath . . . . . . . . 732-221-4696
LECTURING KNIGHT . . . . Tom Cribbin, PER. . . . . . . 347-451-7913
LODGE SECRETARY . . . Edward Hahn, PDD . . . . . 732-670-1775
LODGE TREASURER . . . . Mike Trieste, PDD . . . . . . 908-902-3447
TILER . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Al Grabau
ESQUIRE
CHAPLAIN . . . . . . . . . . . . . Joe Polkowski . . . . . . . . 610-476-9139
INNER GUARD . . . . . . . . Mike Quilty, PEOY

## TRUSTEES

ONE YEAR TRUSTEE . . Donald Anderson, PER, EYO
TWO YEAR TRUSTEE. . . Rob Fairhurst, PER . . . . . .732-977-7216
THREE YEAR TRUSTEE . .Kevin Brittain, PER . . . . . .732-371-7513
FOUR YEAR TRUSTEE . . .Michael Anghelone . . . . . . 732-546-7734
FIVE YEAR TRUSTEE . . . . . Ron Steinberger

## HOUSE COMMITTEE

| Chairman: | Nick Figaro, PVP |
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| Members: | Donnie Anderson, PER |
|  | Jimmy Smythe |
|  | Charlie Diehl |
|  | Rich Jaeger |
|  | Rich Mirenda |
|  | Al Smith, PER |

Meet the Last Saturday of month at 12:00PM

## COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

ACCIDENT PREVENTION Donald Desfosse, PEOY
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ARMY OF HOPE . . . . . . Mike Parulis, Jr., PER . . . . .848-218-8308
AUDITING . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Rich Miranda . . . . . . . . 718-930-9084
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FLAG DAY . . . . . . . . . Daniel P. Maloney, PDD . . . .732-915-9351
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GOVERNMENT RELATIONS. .Tom Cribbin, PER . . . .347-451-7913
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YOUTH ACTIVITIES . . . . . . Connor Dickie
SPECIAL CHILDREN . . Mike Dickie, PVP, PER . . . . .732-778-2496



MIDDLETOWN ELKS \#2179
2022

## CHARITY BALL

Hosted By:
The Gramercy at Lakeside Manor

Honoring our Ambassador
Dylan Cole Danville

Saturday, March 5, 2022
4:00pm-9:00pm
\$75 per person
Includes Dinner, Refreshments \& Music from Kids At Play
Seating is limited and on a first come, first serve basis.
(Reserve Early)

For more information contact:
Mike Dickie (732) 778-2496
Tom Cribbin (347) 451-7913



# Thurs. Feb. $17 \quad$ 1-7pm 

## Middletown Elks

## 251 Church St., Belford

Appointments are preferred however walk-ins will be welcomed if space permits.
For an appointment go to nybc.org/newjerseydrive sponsor code 71001 or call 800-933-2566
Donors 76 and over need a doctor's note unless one is already on file.
16 year olds need signed NYBC parental consent form.

Appointments are preferred however walk-Ins will be welcomed if space permits. Please remember to eat, drink, and bring your ID with your name and photo. Masks are required for all donors regardless of vaccination status. Visit nybe.org/coronavirus for complete COVID-19 safety protocols.

## SCC/YAC NEWS

Busy season approaching. Charity Ball is underway and it will be held March 5th at the Grammercy. Please let me know early if you will be attending. Always a good time for a great reason. Our Valentine's Party will be held February 13th from 2- 4 PM. Come on down to help or just watch the kids having fun. Spaghetti dinners are held the first Wednesday of the Month. Come down and leave the cooking to us. I would like to thank EVERYONE who has come down to help or cook. Your time does not go unappreciated. Youth Activities Breakfast will be March 13th. If you would lie to help in the kitchen, please let me know.

Stay Gold, God Bless
Michael Dickie, PVP
SCC \& YAC Chairman

## P.E.R.S FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER FEBRUARY 11, 2022 FROM 6-8PM



CHEESEBURGER AND FRIES
CHICKEN AND FRIES BASKET SHRIMP AND FRIES BASKET MUSIC STARTS AT 7PM



# LADIES AUXILIARY UPCOMING EVENTS 

February 23. . . . Ladies Auxiliary Meeting March 30. . . . . . Ladies Auxiliary Meeting


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Hope everyone had a Happy New Year, and are keeping warm this cold winter.

We are winding down, getting ready to start our new year. Our last meeting we had our nominations. In February we will be appointing our new officers. It's a great group coming in. We can't wait.

February also brings our Special Children's Valentine's Party. This is going to be held on the 13th. If you can come down and lend a hand its always appreciated. Mark your calendars for March 5th, this is the Charity Ball, which is always a beautiful night.

Thank you for supporting the Ladies Auxiliary,

Tisa Dziadzio - President


## BULLETIN BOOSTERS

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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
In Memory of Bob Brant
Kathleen Brant

## November

In Memory of Willy Fix
Chuck and Adrianne Bolin
Cathy Grabau
December
In Memory of Ken Thompson Jane Thompson
"God's Little Miracles"
Coach Saige

Please check to see if your payment is due - those more than two months in arrears will be dropped. Thank you for your support.


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

February
Ladies Birthdays
10th - Linda Brazauckas - Gold Star
17th - Jo fix - Gold Star
27th - Elenor D'Antone - Gold Star
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

## HALL RENTALS

## Contact Al Smith

732-804-2712 for Information

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or Current Resident

# Calendar Events For February 2022 

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| Calendar Events For March 2022 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 27 | 28 | 29 | $30 \begin{gathered} \text { AUXILIARY } \\ \text { MEETING } \end{gathered}$ | 31 |  |  |

