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THE MONTHLY NEWS BULLETIN OF THE MIDDLETOWN B.P.O. ELKS LODGE 2179 251 Church Street • Belford, New Jersey 07718 • (732) 495-2733 • www.middletownelks2179.org

Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of U.S.A. A Fraternal Organization **R'S** MESSAGE

Well, the month of June is upon us and May is in the books. Special Children Spaghetti night has shut down, for the summer. Thank you Tom Cribbin and your kitchen staff and servers. And let's not forget everyone who purchased meals. Friday Night fish fry was another big success. Thank you to all that helped, Ron Steinberger, Rich Mirenda, Don Desfosse, and server Ginger Smith. Mother's Day service was a big success, and some good eats were had by all. The Ladies Auxiliary and

Veteran Committee has a big win at the betting table. Thanks to Charlie, Nick, and

Don Anderson. And all the winners and losers. (better luck next time)

So, its convention time or as some call it Spring Break for Adults. I hope that everyone has a great time. Thank you, Ed and Fran, for the work you put into the Convention and Parade. Hope we have some good weather. Reminder to new members dress code is Parade shirt, black pants and black shoes or sneakers, and hat.

The first new class is completed, and we have 4 new members. So, when you see new faces at the lodge, say hello and make a new friend.

The Ladies Auxiliary is running a fund raiser for Gas Cards. With the rising cost of fuel this would be a win win if you get lucky. See any of the Lady Officers to purchase your chance. Coming up this



Rich Jaeger Exalted Ruler

month is Flag Day Service on June 12, 2022 at 11:00 am on the front lawn weather permitting. Danny will need some help from membership to be flag bearers. All Veterans are requested to attend. Refreshments will be server after service.

The Father's Day softball game is in the works so keep an eye pealed, notices will be posted on the bulletin board.

Still looking for Bartenders we need these positions filled urgently. Please

see Nick or Charlie, we don't want to cut back on the hours that the lounge will be

in operation.

Committee Chairmen please attend your meetings at the district level, I will attempt to make all of the meetings and have room in my car if you need a ride.

Again, I cannot thank everyone for your support, advise and constant help. You are the reason that this is one great lodge.

I am asking all members to contact a fellow member who has not been in the lodge to stop in, come to a meeting and socialize with your brothers. Also let's keep the membership drive going and get some new members on the books.

Fraternally Yours, **Rich Jaeger ER**

"The faults of our Brothers we write upon the sand"



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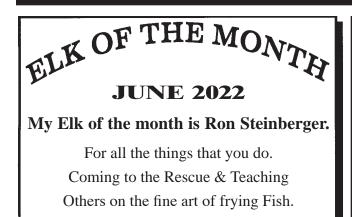
HOUSE COMMITTEE

Chairman: Nick Figaro, PVP Members: Fran Corridon, PER Al Smith, PER Donnie Anderson, PER Charlie Diehl Jimmy Smythe

Meet the Last Saturday of month at 12:00PM

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COME DOWN AND ENJOY ELKS HONORING FLAG DAY

Flag Day will take place Sunday, June 12 at 11:00 am

Refreshments will follow.

For further information call Dan Maloney at 732-915-9351.



Elks and Patriotism

The Order of Elks is committed to promoting the patriotic principles of individual freedom, opportunity, and dignity. In 1911, the Grand Lodge mandated that all local Lodges observe Flag Day with appropriate ceremonies, making the Elks the first national fraternal organization to require the observance of Flag Day. On August 3, 1949, President Harry S. Truman, himself an Elks member, designated June 14 as Flag Day by signing an act of Congress.

Freedom Is Not Free BY 1988 AIR FORCE JUNIOR ROTC CADET MAJOR KELLY STRONG

I watched a flag pass by one day. It fluttered in the breeze. A young marine saluted it, and then he stood at ease.

I looked at him in uniform, so young, so tall, so proud. With hair cut square and eyes alert, He'd stand out in any crowd.

> I thought how many men like him had fallen through the years. How many died on foreign soil, How many mothers' tears?

How many pilots' planes shot down? How many died at sea? How many died on foreign soil? No, FREEDOM IS NOT FREE!

I heard the sound of taps one night When everything was still. I listened to the bugler play and felt a sudden chill.

I wondered just how many times That taps had meant, "Amen!" When a flag had draped a coffin of a relative or friend.

I thought of all the children, of the mothers and the wives, Of fathers, sons and husbands, with interrupted lives.

I thought about a graveyard at the bottom of the sea, Of unmarked graves in Arlington. No! FREEDOM IS NOT FREE!

The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks is a proud member of the Citizens Flag Alliance which supports legislation prohibiting physical desecration of the Flag of the United States.

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BLOOD DRIVE Wed. July 6 1-7pm Middletown Elks

251 Church St., Belford

Appointments suggested. Walk ins accepted if spacing allows. For an appt. go to <u>https://nybc.org/newjerseydrive</u> Use sponsor code 71001 or call 800-933-2566

GET A PAIR OF TICKETS AND A T SHIRT AT THIS DRIVE!



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. Mask requirements may change depending on CDC guidelines. Visit **nybc.org/coronavirus** for complete COVID-19 safety protocols.



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Sunday, August 7th, 2022

Registration 9AM-11AM

ALL ARE WELCOME!!

\$20 per Rider/ \$10 per Passenger/ \$20 Walk-In

Contact: Tommy Cribbin (347) 451-7913

Refreshments and food will be provided

Don Desfosse receives award for Baby PER from DD Rich Brady and VP Mike Veth



ATTENTION ALL COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN:

South Central District Committee meetings for the Month of June will be held at Old Bridge Lodge located at 67 Old Amboy Rd, Old Bridge NJ. Phone 732 970-0084

The following Committees will be meeting Americanism, Army of Hope, Convention, Membership & Member Retention, National Veteran Service, Special Children, Youth Activities

> Meeting Date: 6/21/22 at 7:30 pm Dress code business casual. If anyone needs a ride let me know.

> > Rich Jaeger ER Phone: 732-241-3753 rjaeger@verizon.net

Ladies Auxiliary is hosting Past President Women of the Year Social Friday, August 5th, 2022 6pm Middletown Elks - Bar Area All Welcome to Come Celebrate These Ladies Light food and Appetizers • Cash Bar Hope To See Everyone Any Questions, Please See Ginger Smith, President



Janet you have been an active member for more years then I can count. I know you are a phone call away. Always ready to help with everything. We appreciate everything you do. Love ya.

Ladies Auxiliary Officers 2022-2023

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LADIES AUXILIARY UPCOMING EVENTS

June 29th..... Ladies Auxiliary Meeting



Madame President's Message

Hello Everyone,

Happy June, Happy Summer. The ladies have been very busy. We cooked for Kentucky Derby Day. Thank you Charlie Diehl for asking us to help out that day. It was a fun day, great friends and lodge was full. Janet Desfosse, Kathy Corridon, Debbi Gerardi and I had a great time in the kitchen talking, laughing and cooking. Thank you ladies, I appreciate all your help. Thank you to everyone who donated food.

Mother's Day, great breakfast cooked by the men and a beautiful service by the men officers, thank you gentlemen. It was a little rough one this year, remembering all the ladies who passed away. Jane Thompson was definitely on my mind . Thank you to my breakfast buddy every year, Kathy Corridon and this year Arleene Zaborney for joining me for breakfast.

Betty Anghelone is still doing the gas card event if you want in give her a call. Goes off in July . . Janet is getting things in order for the steal bingo in January. Please let her know if you can help her out. Last month's meeting, we were so happy to see Ginger Rooney and Kathy Merker at the meeting. Hope to see more ladies come out to the June meeting. Then we have no meeting in July . August we will have a social to get everyone together catch up and plan some fun stuff. I will have a date soon. Tisa is planning a band night along with Betty and I hear another bar crawl could be coming to. I would love to plan a Summer BBQ if you want to help, please call me. I am always open to any ideas or help with anything. Let's keep working together bringing back fun things and raising money. Our Ladies Auxiliary is the best. Anyone who is interested in joining the Ladies Auxilary, please contact myself or Tara Mirenda. If you have not paid your dues, please send them in or bring to the meeting, we would love to see you all. Our next meeting is June 29th, Officers meeting 7:15pm and Regular meeting 7:30pm.

Working together we can do great things.

Ginger Smith, President

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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

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

<u>June</u> Ladies Birthdays

1st - Dusty Wyman

2ND - MISSI AUSTIN

9TH - NANCY BRANDINE

9TH - JOYCE DOLLINGER

19TH - LAUREN ECKELBERRY

23rd - Rosemary Keeney

LADIES... ENJOY YOUR BIRTHDAYS!

AUXILIARY MEMBERS

Please remit your dues for 2022-2023. \$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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or Current Resident

Calendar Events For June 2022						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 CORN HOLE	2	3 LODGE CLOSED	4 LODGE CLOSED
5 RENTAL	6 DARTS	7 CORN HOLE	8	9 REGULAR MEETING	10	11 ^{Rental}
12 FLAG DAY <u>11:00 AM</u> RENTAL	13 DARTS	14 CORN HOLE	15 ^{fop}	16	17	18
19 FATHER'S DAY SOFTBALL	20 DARTS	21 CORN HOLE	22	23 REGULAR MEETING	24	25 ^{RENTAL}
26	27 darts	28 CORN HOLE	29 LADIES AUXILIARY MEETING	30		

Calendar Events For July 2022						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4 INDEPENDENCE DAY	5 CORN HOLE	6 BLOOD BANK 11:00 AM - 7:00 PM	7	8	9 ^{RENTAL}
10	11 darts	12 CORN HOLE	13	14	15	16 ^{Rental}
17 dd Jewel Change	18 darts	19 CORN HOLE	20 FOP	21	22	23 RENTAL
24 31	25 darts	26 CORN HOLE	27	28 REGULAR MEETING	29	30