



Elks Tale



June 2017

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A Fraternal Organization

Our Sixty Fourth Year

My friends; can you believe that we are heading into June already. (I'm still waiting for my pool water to warm up) We have been very busy at the lodge with planning and working as volunteers at events. I encourage you to come on down, roll up your sleeves and join in the fun. It's not hard work really, many hands make short work. We all have fun, create new friendships in just doing what needs to get done.

I am happy to inform you that we now have a Board of Directors to help to entrust the business sense and integrity of our wonderful lodge. The BOD consists of the trustees and the officers. This will help to spread out the work load so we can accomplish more, in a shorter amount of time. In this ever-changing world we need to strive to keep up while continuing in keeping our lodge's traditions.

I not only have the honor of being your Exalted Ruler this year, I was also bestowed the honor of being a State Committee Chair. The mission statement from our State President elect is;..."Stronger Lodges through Stronger Communities". This statement says so much of what Elkdom is all about. Every veteran, special child and elder that we help all the time, solidifies this goal. We all have great hearts and step up to help others. I am proud of our lodge that we have so many members that give their

time and energy to keep this giving love going. A reminder of this is that Flemington lodge is hosting the annual WCD Elks Camp Moore picnic on August 11. This is a great honor and a big task as we need to supply and cook all the food for these hungry campers. We also need get everything necessary to do this, up to the camp. I am asking for all hands on deck for this one. Please let me know that you will be there to help put smiles on these campers little faces. Bring your



family members along to help too so they can see what we do and be touched by the special place we call Camp Moore.

We have brought many new members into our folds in the past 6 months and I would like to see more of you at our meetings. (I strive to keep it under and hour) We need your new thoughts and ideas to help breath refreshing life into our projects and events. We are planning a new-member dinner soon so we can get together, enjoy fellowship and great food. There is a new initiative that the State now has. We now have available for our use, a tri-fold

pamphlet where it tells what Elks are. We will have the ability to add information so we can personalize it and make it our own. This is a great tool that we can take to community and other events to get our message out and gain new members. Our destiny lies ahead with new active members.

So once again, I will leave you with a bit of Elks history. The Elks were the first to recognize and celebrate a day for our American Flag. For many years the Elks tried to get the United States Government to proclaim a day just for our American flag. It took another Elk, President Harry S. Truman, to set June 14th as our national Flag Day. Flemington lodge #1928 will be holding our ceremony at 7 pm before our regular meeting on this date. I hope to see many members attend this wonderful ceremony.

Fraternally,
Linda Murphy
Exalted Ruler



Committee Chairpersons

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| Americanism | Bruce Totten, PDD | 806-8151 |
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| Lodge Accountant..... | Bragg & Karnoff | 788-2998 |
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| Special Needs Children .. | To Be Announced | |
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| TRUSTEE-3 YEAR | William Trstensky..... | 334-7661 |
| TRUSTEE-4 YEAR | Joel Wolff | 782-7095 |
| TRUSTEE-5 YEAR | To Be Announced | |

Monthly Meetings

Lodge: September – June 2nd & 4th Wednesday – 8:00 PM
July & August – 2nd Wednesday – 8:00 PM

Auxiliary: September – June – 2nd Tuesday, 7:15 PM

ABSENT MEMBERS FOR THE 2017- 2018 ELK YEAR

Roger K. Everitt 3/31/17
Robert L. Wilt 4/7/2017
John Bomensatt 4/10/17
Susan Varano-Sierp 4/11/17
Walter W. (Bucky) Lance Jr. 4/27/17

THEIR VIRTUES ARE WRITTEN UPON
THE TABLETS OF LOVE AND
MEMORY

Elk of the Year:
Randy Kerr, PER

Citizen of the Year:
Bob Rowe

Officers of the Auxiliary 2017 – 2018

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| PRESIDENT | Linda Upton | 788-5963 |
| VICE PRESIDENT | Paula Melbourn..... | 782-1331 |
| TREASURER..... | Suzanne Lucas, PP | 782-5037 |
| SECRETARY | Laura Karnoff..... | 400-1371 |
| TRUSTEE | Pat Trautman, PP | 996-6724 |

Grill Room Hours

Monday – Friday 5:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Saturday - Sunday 1:00 pm – 9:00 pm

EDITOR'S NOTE

Submission deadline is the 10th of the month. Submissions received after noon on the 10th will not be used. Please submit articles and advertisements as early as possible. Articles, ads and other information to be published can be sent to elkstale1928@hotmail.com

**Somerset Children's Center
Board of Directors**
Joel Wolff – Member
Barry Sheppard - Member

ATTENTION...All members...

If you know of a lodge member that is ill, home bound, or in the hospital, please notify the Exalted Ruler so that information can be posted on the Sickness and Distress board and visitation can be arranged...



Funeral Services

A reminder to all members and their families: Should a member pass away, the Officers will perform the funeral service at the family's request. Please contact the Exalted Ruler for arrangements.

LODGE WEBSITE

Please visit the Flemington Elks lodge website at www.elks1928.com for more information on upcoming events, lodge happenings, pictures from lodge functions, and general lodge information.



The Elks Tale is posted on the website by the 25th of each month!



NOTICE FOR BOOKINGS

Please Call

908 -788-8203

Please be sure all bookings for both inside the lodge building and outside the building go through the booking agent.



Friday Night Dinner

6:00 P.M. – 7:30 P.M.

Friday Night Dinners will be served every Friday night, depending upon volunteers to cook and serve the meals.

Please volunteer to support this event!

Contact Ken Miller 908-894-8773 or his wife Hope Miller 908-894-8784 if you are interested in helping with Friday Night Dinners. We need more volunteers in order to keep this function going! Please consider helping out...

Menus are posted on our website weekly at www.elks1928.com.

National Foundation

For pledges, contact
Sharon Mack
at
201-289-1990

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

Americanism



Two significant dates relating to Americanism will be honored and celebrated this month. First, we celebrate the 73rd anniversary of the D-Day invasion of Normandy. The Allied troops struck on the morning of June 6th, 1944 and by nightfall it is estimated that up to 9,000 Allied troops were killed with 2,500-3,000 being American troops. Though this number is staggering, this offensive and those that followed saved more than 100,000 lives of just Allied troops alone. The brave fighting members of the "Greatest Generation" are thanked and honored for their heroics, as well as, all those that participated in protecting and defending our Country. To all, I say THANK YOU and to those of you that served during the Vietnam War...WELCOME HOME

Secondly, On June 14, 1777, the Continental Congress proposed that the United States have a national flag instead of the British Union Jack. The 13 stars of the flag represented the 13 new states. There were few public ceremonies honoring the Stars and Stripes until 1877, when on, June 14, it was flown from every government building in honor of the centennial of the adoption of a national flag. Schools had unfurled American flags over their doors or outside the buildings long before this; but in 1890, North Dakota and New Jersey made a law that required their schools to fly the flag daily. The first official Flag Day was observed in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania in

1893. New York also proclaimed June 14 as Flag Day 1897. Other states were slow to follow. Some people thought that the day was too close to Memorial Day and Independence Day.

In August 1949, President Harry S. Truman proclaimed June 14 as Flag Day. Since then the President proclaims the commemoration yearly, and encourages all Americans in the country to display the Stars and Stripes outside their homes and businesses. Individual states determine how they will observe the day. Elementary school children across the nation make The Pledge of Allegiance in front of the flag every weekday morning:

"I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

During the War of 1812 between the British and Americans, lawyer Francis Scott Key was escorting a prisoner to freedom by ship when he saw an American flag surviving a battle in Baltimore Harbor. The flag inspired him to write the poem which provides the words for the national anthem. The actual flag now hangs in the Museum of American History in Washington, D.C.

Fly your Flag PROUDLY - God Bless America

Bruce R. Totten – PDD
Lodge Chairman
Americanism

House Committee



Well it's finally been done. As promised the Grill Room now has a set "open" schedule. No, really it does. After a very successful House Committee/Bartenders meeting held in April, a schedule has been developed that will have the Grill Room open as follows:

Monday thru Friday 5PM to 9PM, or later if the warranted

Saturday and Sunday, 1PM to 9PM, or later if warranted

The closing hour will be at the bartender's discretion, dependent on the need. We hope that the set schedule will encourage members to come out and enjoy the Grill Room, not having to guess if it is open or not.

Other happenings in the Grill Room include the recovering of the pool table. The table was last recovered many, many years ago and was in need. In addition to new felt, the color of which was chosen by those that use the table the most, it has been leveled and is as good as new to play on. I won't say what the color is, you'll have to come out and see it for yourself.

We'd also like to see some improvements to the room, including fresh paint, blinds and flooring. We're open to suggestions and welcome input from any interested members.

Those of us from the House Committee hope that you are enjoying Spring, but also hope you will set some time aside and visit us in the Grill Room.

David Murphy, DDD
Randy Kerr, PER
House Committee Co-Chairs

Auxiliary



The ladies of the Auxiliary were in New York City on May 21st to see the play Waitress. It was a success like it has been in the past years. I would like to thank our Entertainment Committee, Doris

Halstead and Sandra Rowe, for organizing the event as the ladies from the Auxiliary had a wonderful day.

Trash to Treasures Day (Yard Sale/Flea Market) is back on Sunday, June 11th from 9am to 3pm please see the information posted on the flyer located in the Elks lobby. There is still time to get a space & table if you have not done so already. This event will help to support the Auxiliary and lodge. Please contact Patti Deluca at the following email address to reserve your space "pattio_57@hotmail.com" as the email address on the flyer is incorrect.

As the summer will be approaching and everyone will be busy with their summer plans there is still plenty of time to help with supporting the Auxiliary and lodge. The Auxiliary will be running a wedding for approximately 200 people on Saturday, June 10th which will help build up the Auxiliary funds. I want to thank everyone from the Auxiliary who is able to help with this event to make it successful which will help the Auxiliary and lodge.

As a reminder there will be no Auxiliary meetings in the months of July and August. I hope everyone has a safe and wonderful summer. I will be looking forward to seeing all of you ladies at the dinner meeting on the second Tuesday in September. I hope to see you around the Lodge in the upcoming summer months as well.

Respectfully Submitted,
Linda Upton, President



Busy Bees



The "Busy Bees" are always available to aid all lodge committees in setting up the dining room/grill room/lodge for fund raising affairs.

For help with your affair, contact Doris at (908-782-6873) or Shirley at (908-310-5255).

To all Auxiliary members, especially new members, the "Busy Bees" always welcome new blood. Once a month we meet for lunch, to plan and socialize. If you are interested, call Doris or Shirley and join us this month.

Respectfully Submitted,
Doris Halstead & Shirley Brunn
Busy Bees Co-Chairs

Past Exalted Rulers



The PER's have reviewed the three quotes that they received from the Security personnel. We have picked our choice of the three and will now turn the quotes over to the Board of Directors for them to review and talk over and pick their choice of the system that they like for the Lodge. We will inform them of the choice that the PER's like but it is now out of our hands and in the Board's. We are still waiting to hear back from the State Laws person on another matter that the PER's have been looking into. The next PER meeting is set for June 7, 2017 at 7:00 pm. That will be the last meeting until September 6, 2017

Barry Sheppard, PER
PER President

Army of Hope



On July 31st, the State AOH committee will be holding their annual Golf outing at Glenwood Country Club in Freehold, NJ. It will be a 9AM Shot-gun start and the awards buffet will be hosted by Old Bridge lodge. Cost is \$120 per golfer. ALL the proceeds go to assist our NJ families.

On September 10th, the state AOH committee will be holding their 13th annual Troop Support picnic at Lacey lodge in Forked River. Picnic starts at noon and breaks up about 5PM. Cost is still \$25 per adult and \$5 for children under 10 years of age. Plenty of food, beverages and entertainment...PLUS you will be able to greet and meet our Fallen Hero families and Severely Wounded military personnel and talk to them, as well as, thank them for their sacrifices. One of IF NOT the most patriotic events in ELKDOM

If you see someone in a military uniform or a veteran wearing a hat displaying his/her branch of the service

God Bless America

God Bless our Troops, Veterans and their Families

Bruce R. Totten - PDD
Lodge Chairman
Army of Hope

Friday Night Dinner



Hi all,

June's Elk Tale Newsletter –
ALREADY?!!! ... the months of 2017
are flying by!!

Firstly, I would personally like to thank the Dave Miller, Jr. Friday Night Dinner Crew for their hard work and awesome dinner in April! The Elks pulled in a profit of +/- \$1300.00 for the dinner and the bar combined.... This is just AWESOME. LET'S KEEP IT UP PEOPLE.... The dinners are getting great and we are starting to get great turnouts! THANKS TO EVERYONE!!!

I would also like to thank our piano player Mr. Russell Norkevich for playing for over three hours with some awesome music. What a variety of songs from The Beatles, Elton John, Harry Nilsson, Steve Miller, Billy Joel,

John Denver and countless others.... Russell is a joy to have around and even his local entourage got involved..... Mrs. Trautman, Tracey Trautman, Karen Kovi-Federico, Kathy Biggs-McGivney, and my favorite Hope Anne Miller!! The only member of his entourage missing was Jennifer Alexion Dixon.....RUSSELL WILL BE BACK FOR MORE.....please come out to an FND and enjoy some classic music...

The next FND is scheduled is for June 16th and will be hosted by the Ken & Hope Miller Crew. The dinner will be a choice of a Rib Eye Steak Dinner served with baked potatoes and Green Bean Almondine for \$13.00 or Seafood Fra Diavolo over Linguini for \$15.00. All dinners will include tossed salad, assorted desserts, coffee and hot tea. Please try to have your orders in, if you can, by June 14th so we know how many dinners to order. AS ALWAYS we will make sure we have plenty of food for walk-ins!

Remember there are Friday Night Dinners scheduled for the third Friday of every month throughout 2017. Keep an eye out on the web page for more and upcoming dinners as they are posted. These dinners will always be posted with a sign-up sheet in the lodge as they come up. You can also call me or Hope and/or send an email to let me know if you are interested as well as your choice of dinner/dinners.

As always I am looking for volunteers for Friday Night Dinners, if you would like to host or help out please give me a call.

Below is my contact information and if you are willing to host a dinner please send me your menu and I will in turn send it to Lisa Alexander to be posted on the Elks Tale as well as the website. Please understand I need to have your menu and the date you are willing to host a dinner before the 10th of the month; this way we can iron out questions that may need answering and we

can get it in to Lisa to be posted. I hope you will reach out to host a dinner and/or volunteer your time in helping make the Friday Night Dinners a success.

Thanks to all who are willing and able to volunteer.

Ken Miller

(908) 894-8773 (Ken's Cell)
(908) 894-8784 (Hope's Cell)
milleremets@comcast.net
kwmlandsurveying@gmail.com

Saturday, June 17
Starting at 11:00 AM

Father's Day Picnic

BRING YOUR FAMILY TO THE LODGE AND ENJOY A FATHER'S DAY PICNIC, COMPLETE WITH HAMBURGERS, HOT DOGS AND GAMES. MEMBERS THAT ARE FATHER'S AND THEIR CHILDREN EAT FOR FREE, THERE WILL BE A NOMINAL CHARGE FOR OTHERS IN THE FAMILY. THE PICNIC WILL BE RAIN OR SHINE. . .
CONTACT LINDA MURPHY, ER TO SIGN UP

HAPPY FATHER'S
DAY!



Flag Day is June 14

*We will hold our Flag Day Ceremony at 7:00 PM
prior to our regular meeting...*

It's Back!!!

TRASH TO TREASURES DAY

**Outdoor
Yard Sale & Flea Market**
At the Flemington Elks Lodge



Sunday, June 11, 2017

9:00 -3:00

8:00 am set up

\$15.00 space

\$20.00 space & table

Time to go through those garages and attics!

For information contact Patti DeLuca at pattio_57@hotmail.com



FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER

JUNE 16, 2017

Choice of:

Rib Eye Steak or Seafood Fra Diavolo over Linguini



HOSTED BY THE KEN & HOPE MILLER CREW

CHOICE OF:

- Rib Eye Steak - \$13.00
- Seafood Fra Diavolo over Linguini - \$15.00

Rib Eye Steak Dinner includes:

- *Baked Potato w/ Butter, Sour Cream and Chives*
- *Green Bean Almondine*

Seafood Fra Diavolo over Linguini:

- *With Shrimp, Clams, Mussels, & Scallops*

ALL DINNERS TO INCLUDE:

- *Tossed Salad*
- *Dinner Rolls & Butter*
- *Assorted Desserts*
- *Coffee & Hot Tea*

Please try to get your orders in by June 14th

Please contact Ken or Hope Miller with any questions or to place orders:

Ken (908) 894-8773

Hope (908) 894-8784

Email: millermets@comcast.net

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Happy Birthday to our Members!!

June 2017

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| 6/2 Edward Anderson Henry S. Fatton | 6/8 Barbara Young | 6/14 Anthony M. Stockelberg | 6/26 Brian Baumann |
| 6/3 Robert LaMothe Jr. | 6/9 Robert W. Bishop Jr. | 6/16 Michael Renda | 6/27 Russell K. Riegel |
| 6/4 Matthew McPherson Daniel Kopcha | 6/10 Robert D. Newland Jr. | 6/18 Richard E. Yard Robert D. Rockell | 6/28 Robert D. Brunn Thomas F. Mullen |
| 6/5 David A. Rockafellow | 6/12 Gerard C. Boon III Thomas Welch | 6/20 Craig R. Becker | 6/30 William D. Saunders David L. Cahall |
| 6/6 Ronald J. Daigle | 6/13 Scott Steele | 6/25 Wilhelm J. Roethel Philip F. Stevens | |



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Barry Sheppard
C/O Flemington Elks Lodge No. 1928
P.O. Box 261
Flemington, NJ 08822 (or drop it in the Secretary's box at the Lodge)
Phone: 782-3307

Going south for the winter? Send your winter address to Barry Sheppard, let him know when you plan to leave and return, and we will see that your Elks Tale follows you there.

Name _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Street _____

City, Town, Zip Code _____

Phone Number _____



Upcoming Events & Important Dates

6/1/17 - BINGO

6/11/17 – Trash to Treasures Day

6/14/17 – Flag Day Ceremony

6/17/17 – Father's Day Picnic

6/19/17 – Friday Night Dinner – Miller Crew

6/25/17 – Lodge Breakfast

Remember – Lodge meetings are the second and fourth Wednesday of each month.

Friday Night Dinners are every Friday providing there is a volunteer crew to cook.

Breakfasts are the last Sunday of every month, *except for July, August, & December*

Auxiliary meetings are the second Tuesday of the month, *except for July and August*

BINGO to benefit Special Needs Children is the first Thursday of every month



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