



June 2023

The Elks Tale

Flemington Elks Lodge #1928

A Note from the Editor;

I was not able to issue an 'Elks Tale' for the month of May due to surgery and recovery, but I am on the road to better health and hope that you will continue to read and support this effort for the Lodge.

If you have something to contribute, then please send me an e-mail so that everyone can enjoy it also.

Lodge Officers – 2023 - 2024

..... Exalted Ruler	Randall S. Kerr, PER
..... Est. Leading Knight	Michele Seber
..... Est. Loyal Knight	Lee Trautman, PDD
..... Est. Lecturing Knight	Vincent LaSpada
..... Treasurer	George Upton, PER
..... Secretary	Barry Sheppard, PER
..... Tiler	Todd Hunt
..... Inner Guard	Eric Anderson
..... Chaplain	Mauro Fanelli, PER
..... Esquire	Gregory Fritz
..... Trustee - 1 Year	Robert Mikesh
..... Trustee - 2 Year	John Lombardi
..... Trustee - 3 Year	Gene Sierp
..... Trustee - 4 Year	William Trstensky
..... Trustee - 5 Year	Marc Cunningham

Officers of the Auxiliary

..... President	Patti DeLuca
..... Vice President	Deborah Keyes
..... Treasurer	Suzanne Lucas, PP
..... Secretary	Laura Karnoff
..... Trustee	Linda Upton, PP

2022 - 2023
Elk of the Year:
Citizen of the Year:
Officer of the Year:

Monthly Lodge Meetings

Lodge Members: September to June:
2nd & 4th Wednesday - 7:30 PM
July, August & December: 2nd Wednesday Only - 7:30 PM

Auxiliary Members: September to June:
2nd Tuesday - 7:15 PM

Committee Chairs 2022-2023

Accident Prevention	Robert Mikesh	908.644.0526
Americanism	TBD	
Army of Hope	Bruce Totten, PDD	908.246.0526
Auditing & Accounting	Bruce Totten, PDD	908.246.0526
Better Parades	Gregory Fritz	
Building & Grounds	Robert Mikesh.	908.644.0526
Communications	Carmella Shaw	
Community Affairs	TBD	
Community Activities.	TBD	
Drug Awareness.	TBD	
Elks Tale Editor	Daniel J Petitt, Sr., PER	201.341.3071
Fraternal Committee	Lee Trautman, PDD	908.996.6724
Fundraising	Carmella Shaw	
Government Relations	Eric Anderson.	908.439.2532
Hoop/Soccer Shoot	William Lesiak	
House Committee	William Trsentsky	908.334.7661
	Randall Kerr, PER	908.328.4091
Lodge Activities	John Lombardi	908.295.4345
Long Range Planning	Bruce Totten, PDD	908.246.0526
Mediator	Lee Trautman, PDD	908.996.6724
Membership	Barry Sheppard, PER	908.963.7835
National Foundation	Daniel J Petitt, Sr., PER	201.341.3071
National Service	Gregory Fritz.	908.386.0407
PER Association	Gregory Bodnar, PVP	908.752.9988
Public Relations	Cynthia Orsi	732.966.5704
Scholarship	Jeff Anderson	908.439.2532
Sickness and Distress	Michele Seber	908.442.1499
Social/Comm. Welfare	TBD	
Special Needs Children	Suzanne Lucas	609.309.5238
Standing Relief	TBD	
Youth Activities ..	William Lesiak	908.787.8746
	Andrea Kennedy	908.581.2522
Website	Carmella Shaw	

PER ASSOCIATION

The PER's (Past Exalted Rulers) are scheduled to meet on Tuesday, June 6th at 7:00 PM in the conference room. If any lodge member has any concerns or questions or even a great idea, please don't hesitate to ask any active **PER** for answers, since we work with the Exalted Ruler and the lodge officers. Our thanks to all who support our lodge.

Fraternally,
Greg Bodnar PVP
PER Association President

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

No report available. Next Trustee meeting is not scheduled.

Bill Trstensky
Trustee

B.P.O.E INFORMATION

The Flemington Elks lodge website is: www.flemingtonelks.com for information on upcoming events, lodge happenings, pictures, functions, and general lodge information.

The Elks Tale is posted on our website on the 1st of each month!

We also have a Facebook Page (public): **Flemington Elks Lodge #1928**
and a West Central District Group (members only): **West Central District**

**There are also nationwide groups where members can
find information about the world of Elkdom:**

BPOE News

We Are Elks

I am an Elk from New Jersey

**Please visit these Facebook pages for more information from the
Grand Lodge and other Lodges that pertain to all Members of the Elks**



Robert E. Rowe 3.5.23 Floyd L. Evans, Jr 3.13.23

David B. Miller 3.14.23 Arthur W. Rockafellow 3.17.23

Howard 'Kenny' Quick, Jr. 5.6.23

**Elks are never forgotten, never forsaken. Morning and noon may pass them
by, the light of day sink heedlessly in the West,
but ere the shadows of midnight shall fall,
the chimes of memory will be pealing forth the friendly message:
"To Our Absent Members."**

Funeral Services

A reminder to all members and their families that should a Lodge Member pass away, the Lodge Officers will conduct a Funeral Service at the family's request.

Please contact the Exalted Ruler or Lodge Secretary for arrangements.

Sickness and Distress

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

Our Brothers and Sisters need to know that we care about them during their time of illness.

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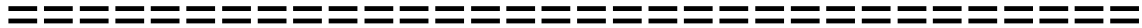
It's never too late to send in your dues. As a delinquent member, you are not allowed to use the facilities, attend meetings, and cannot be sponsored by a member in good standing.

Please remit your dues of \$81.00 for the year 2023-2024 to the Lodge Secretary

As of today there are 291 members of this lodge with 42 members who have yet to submit their dues



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SPECIAL NEEDS CHILDREN COMMITTEE

The Annual Camp Moore Picnic for each District has been cancelled again in concern for the children and the continuance of the Covid Virus. Each Lodge is asked to donate \$200.00 so that the campers can still enjoy their picnic, but with the Camp Staff.

However, the Lodge Special Needs Committee is able to send six campers to Camp Moore this year so that they may be able to enjoy some open space and experience a different world for at least one week.

Regards,

Until next month,

Suzanne Lucas
Chairperson



Something to think about

What do Facebook and a fridge have in common?

Answer: You know there's nothing there, but you still check every 10 minutes.



Who are You??????????????

These e-mails listed below have been returned as "Undeliverable". If you recognize any part of it that belongs to you please send an e-mail to Dan Pettit at dandee350@yahoo.com with the correct or new address

coleen.devlin@lcloud.com

xoxo_him@yahoo.com

mcclomon@mail.com

bycarpet@aol.com

shotgunbill14@gmail.com



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HOUSE COMMITTEE NEWS

No report available.

Next House Committee meeting is not scheduled.

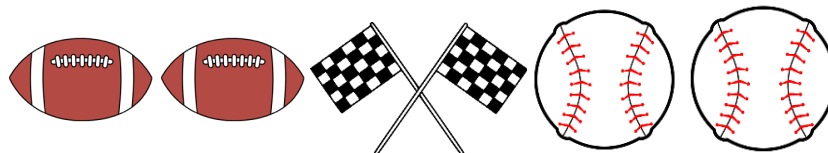
House Committee Co-Chair

Randy Kerr, PER



**Grill Room Hours:
6pm to 10pm Tue to Sat
Sunday 1245pm to???**

*Don't forget that every Sunday the Grill Room is open for watching the NASCAR races and now the USFL Football League is playing as well as Major League Baseball. (METS, YANKEES & PHILLIES)
Your host and bartender, Michele, will have the TV's set to watch all of the sports action. Doors open at 1245pm.*



*Also remember that Annie and Gayle are sewing up your favorite refreshments every Wednesday. They provide some delectable snacks along with their enchanting smiles and service.
Take the time to stop in and say hello.*



MEETING NIGHT



Attendance at the Lodge Meetings is a very important part of being a member of the B.P.O.E.. During these lodge sessions you can participate in any discussion concerning the lodge and vote on issues that will also affect the lodge and membership. Your voice can be heard and it will make a difference.

All of the Lodge Officers are required to attend on a regular basis because that is what you volunteered for.

And, of course, after the meeting you can spend some quality time with other members.

CONGRATULATIONS

To the 2023-2024

New Jersey State Elks Association

State President-Elect

Joseph Pedone

and

West Central District,

District Deputy Designate Ed Leib

and

Dan Erickson, West Central District Vice-president Elect



Ramblings by Rich

Hello Everyone,

Well, it's spring time and baseball season is upon us. Do you know why it is hot in baseball stadiums after the game? It's because all of the fans left. This summer I will be working at a company that states it is better at making sun tan lotion than its competitors, but I don't like to rub it in. My friend applied for a job at the same sun tan lotion factory, but he didn't get the job. He's going to reapply. I just found out that the company that produces yardsticks won't be making them any longer.

I played a game the other day, and after winning I decided to throw the ball into the crowd, like they do on TV. Apparently it's unacceptable in bowling.

I just got back from a cruise. Did you know that in the Bahamas a slice of apple pie costs \$3.00? In Jamaica a slice of cherry pie costs \$3.50. I guess that they are the pie rates of the Caribbean.

I wonder why people say that they feel rested after "sleeping like a baby." Babies often wake up about every two hours.

That's it for now. Keep on smiling and remember, whoever said nothing is impossible never tried to slam a revolving door.

Keep on smiling!

PDD Rich

June 2023

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
				1 Bingo	2	3
4	5 Blood Bank	6 P.E.R. Meeting	7	8	9	10
11	12	13 Auxiliary Meeting	14 Lodge Meeting	15	16	17
18	19 Blood Bank	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28 Lodge Meeting	29	30	



NJSEA Wildwood Reunion
June 1 to June 4, 2023

Grand Lodge Convention
July 2 to July 5, 2023
Minneapolis, Minnesota

July 30, 2023
Clam Bake & Barbeque Buffet
Sponsored by the Auxiliary
Details will follow



Best Wishes to Our Members who are Celebrating their Special Day during June

1. Daniel Muscatell
2. Edward Anderson
3. Robert LaMothe, Jr.
4. Matthew McPherson, Daniel Kopcha
5. David Rockafellow
6. Ronald J. Daigle
- 7.
- 8.
9. Robert W. Bishop, Jr.
10. Robert D. Newland, Jr.
11. Leslie Rupell
12. Thomas Welch
- 13.
- 14.
- 15.
16. Michael Renda, Michele Seber
- 17.
18. Robert D. Rockell, Robert Mikesh
- 19.
20. Craig R. Becker - **PER**
21. Robert Nering
- 22.
23. William M. Creighton
- 24.
25. Wilhelm J. Roethel, Gabriel Esposito, Frank Gradl
26. Brian Baumann, Douglas Siebert
27. Robert L. Cole
28. Robert D. Brunn, Thomas F. Mullen
- 29.
30. William D. Saunders, David L. Cahall



Please Support your Lodge

Whether it's cooking, cleaning,
selling tickets,
coming to a dinner or a event,
or sending a donation.....

We Thank you for supporting the Good
we do for
our Youth, our Veterans and our community.

Thank You

Acknowledgement –

A very special Thank You to member Doug Allen who donated a new American Flag and a new P.O.W. Flag for the flagpole in front of the lodge. His dedication to this lodge cannot be measured, but we can applaud his motivation to keep the 'Grand Old Flag' flying proudly and his efforts to keep those who have not returned from battle in our hearts and minds.

I WANT YOU



A used clothing drop-off shed is in the lodge parking lot with the help of Turnkey Enterprises, LLC. Items accepted: clothing, shoes, sneakers, belts, purses, blankets, sheets, pillowcases, drapes and stuffed toys. Please do not leave any other items.



Drop off old hard cover or paperbacks in the book bin. Proceeds are benefitting your lodge.



Memorial Day Parade 2023



Many thanks to Ciocca Car Dealerships for lending the lodge six vehicles for the parade and also Shop-Rite of Raritan for donating food and supplies for the after parade picnic. And a "big shout out" to Sandy and Steve Liebl for use of their trailer for a parade float. It was a crowd pleaser with everyone and made the lodge look really alive with activity. And we must also thank the V.F.W. Post # 7856 for a generous donation of food for the after parade festivities at the lodge.



Please support and give many thanks to our lodge sponsors:



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Please support this lodge fundraiser for the Veterans, Scholarship, Special Needs and other charities that are the main purpose of the Flemington Elks

TICKET 12345

\$ 10
per ticket

WIN BIG!

1ST PLACE: \$500
value in NJ Lottery
Tickets

2ND PLACE: \$300
value in NJ Lottery
Tickets

3RD PLACE: \$200
value in NJ Lottery
Tickets

FLEMINGTON ELKS
JUNE RAFFLE

Try your luck and support
our ELKS community!

Tickets available at the Lodge
Lounge and Elks events

Any questions?
Contact Cynthia Orsi-Kuhl
732-966-5704

TICKET

There are only 400 tickets available and they are going fast. Winner will be announced in the Grill Room on June 21, 2023 after the regular lodge meeting.

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FLEMINGTON ELKS LODGE #1928 RAFFLE

1ST Prize \$500 Value NJ Lottery Tickets

2ND Prize \$300 Value NJ Lottery Tickets

3RD Prize \$200 Value NJ Lottery Tickets

165 Route 31 Flemington NJ
June 21 Winner need not be present to win! 7pm-9pm
2023-24 Capital Improvements
Ticket Price: \$10 each

We appreciate your generous support of our organization!

Name:
Phone:
Email:
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