



*December 2023*

*The Elks Tale*  
*Flemington Elks Lodge #1928*



*Randall Kerr, PER, Exalted Ruler*



# Lodge Officers – 2023 - 2024

..... Exalted Ruler	Randall S. Kerr, <b>PER</b>
..... Est. Leading Knight	Michele Seber
..... Est. Loyal Knight	Lee Trautman, <b>PDD</b>
..... Est. Lecturing Knight	Vincent LaSpada
..... Treasurer	George Upton, <b>PER</b>
..... Secretary	Barry Sheppard, <b>PER</b>
..... Tiler	Todd Hunt
..... Inner Guard	Eric Anderson
..... Chaplain	Mauro Fanelli, <b>PER</b>
..... Esquire	Gregory Fritz
..... Trustee - 1 Year	Robert Mikesh
..... Trustee - 2 Year	John Lombardi
..... Trustee - 3 Year	TBD
..... Trustee - 4 Year	William Trstensky
..... Trustee - 5 Year	Marty 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:  
2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday - 7:30 PM  
July, August & December: 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday Only - 7:30 PM

**Auxiliary Members:** September to June:  
2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday - 7:15 PM

# Committee Chairs 2023-2024

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

The above are listed as the Committee Chairpersons. If you would like to participate in any of these committees, please contact the Chairperson. The lodge can always use an extra hand in accomplishing our goal of supporting the community and it will make it easier for that committee to succeed. If you wish to become a Chairperson, then contact the Exalted Ruler for more information.

# Reports from the Committees

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES

No report available.

Bill Trstensky  
Trustee

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## HOUSE COMMITTEE NEWS

No report available.

Next House Committee meeting is not scheduled.

House Committee Co-Chair  
Randy Kerr, **PER**

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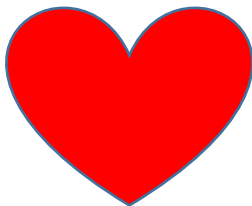
## SPECIAL NEEDS CHILDREN COMMITTEE

Happy Holidays to everyone and I hope your Turkey Day was special for you.

I am happy to report that Santa came to Breakfast on November 26th and the kids loved it. Also on a happy note, I was very busy while on vacation providing eight campers families with applications & materials to register for Camp Moore. It is a computerized process now and it seems to be very efficient. If anyone knows of anyone who has a child or children who might want to attend, have them get in touch with me and I will inquire about availability and help them with the process.

Until next year,

*Suzanne Lucas*  
*Chairperson*



# PER ASSOCIATION

*The PER's (Past Exalted Rulers) are scheduled to meet on Tuesday, December 5<sup>th</sup> 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,  
Barry Sheppard  
PER Association President, Pro-Tem*

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## LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE

We electronically received the latest survey from Van Cleef Engineering Associates. What they had in their files was dated from 1988. Copies were sent to our lawyer Mark Anderson Esq. and to John Akabogu who is representing the NJDOT. There is a discrepancy between what we presume is our "right of way". To contest their opinion, we will need to hire a licensed surveyor to define exactly where our "right of way" exists. We have contacted the firms of Brunswick West, Van Cleef Engineering Associates, Bohren & Bohren and Jim Mantz of Jim Mantz Engineering to get costs. We are looking to only have the frontage done to see if the sign, fence and the stone pillars n each side of the driveway are within our "right of way".

Once we have established the cost to survey the frontage from each of the engineering firms, we will present the proposals to the membership on the lodge floor for approval.

If these items need to be relocated or removed, we will need to get pricing from multiple companies. Hopefully, members can assist in these projects and we will also see if we can get financial relief from the state as any and all will be expensive.

We will keep the membership informed, in the Elks Tale, as this process moves forward.

Wishing our members and their families a Happy Hanukkah and a Merry Christmas. Hoping to have some GREAT news to report in our January article.

Fraternally,

*Bruce R. Totten* – PDDGER  
State Trustee – WCD  
Lodge Long Range Committee - Chairperson

## *The Auxiliary of Lodge # 1928*

It's December and Holiday time! Looking back at November on the 12<sup>th</sup> the Auxiliary helped with the prime rib dinner honoring the visiting veterans. It was a wonderful afternoon with delicious food and a fun show by Gemini. At our November meeting we welcomed Chris Ondrak from the Gilded Lily Florist. Once again, he demonstrated the making of beautiful arrangements we were able to raffle off to 4 lucky ladies. The Auxiliary gives a great big THANK YOU to Chris and for the many years he has been doing this for the Auxiliary. Also, at our meeting we welcomed new member Patti Kerr. Congratulations on joining the Flemington Elks Auxiliary! The Auxiliary's Special Needs Committee has sent out 8 applications for campers to go to Elks Camp Moore. If anyone knows of a Special Needs Child who would like to go to the camp, please get in touch with Suzanne at 908-328-4926. The Auxiliary is also donating \$2900.00 to the Limitless Behavioral Center for Social Skills Therapy to benefit Julian and Kieran Jensen to help with their social skills therapy. Thank you to all the Auxiliary members who have helped with the events throughout the year so we are able to help members in our community. The Sunday Santa breakfast on November 26<sup>th</sup> had a great turnout with all of our old friends and new. The Bingo is doing great! Both in number of guests and at the snack bar. Our next bingo will be December 7<sup>th</sup>. Come out and try your luck. The Lodge and the Auxiliary are going to be in the Flemington Holiday Parade on Saturday December 2. Parade starts at 5pm. We will be having a float to ride on for all the members who don't feel comfortable walking the parade route. Join us to show your support for the lodge! The Auxiliary is doing things a little differently this Holiday. We will not be having our December meeting/party on December 12<sup>th</sup> but will instead be going to the Hunterdon Hills Playhouse on December 17<sup>th</sup> for dinner & a holiday show. As we look forward to the new year 2024 the Auxiliary will be having a Fireside Pasta Dinner, January 17. Your dinner menu will be a choice of Chicken Parmesan, Eggplant Parmesan or Sausage & Peppers. All include choice of pasta, salad and garlic bread. \$10 per person. Sign up at the lodge or call 908-528-7328. Bring your family & friends! The Auxiliary's next meeting will be January 9, 2024. As I bring this newsletter to a close On behalf of the Auxiliary and myself I want to wish everyone a very Happy Holiday Season and we will see you in 2024!

*Patti DeLuca*

**AUXILIARY PRESIDENT**







## ***Volunteers needed for these committees:***

### Americanism

A program of the Elks' Grand Lodge Fraternal Committee. The Americanism essay contest is based on a patriotic theme for students in 5th through 8th grade to promote patriotism.

### Community Affairs & Activities

Liaison between the lodge and the local communities to ensure that their needs are provided for by our commitments

### Drug Awareness

The Elks Drug Awareness Program distributes literature and organizes events to make kids and their parents aware of the dangers posed by alcohol, tobacco and illegal drugs. The Elks are committed to eliminating the use and abuse of illegal drugs by all members of society and believe that in order to ensure a bright future for our country, it is essential that our children be raised in a drug-free environment.

### Lodge Activities

Some of the activities the Flemington Lodge conducts are a Flag Day Ceremony, participating in a local Memorial Day Parade or celebration, having a regularly scheduled Blood Bank, Bingo games each month and an Elk of the Year Celebration.

**\*\*\*Of course, if you wish to help out on any other committee please contact that Committee Chairperson or the Exalted Ruler for more information\*\*\***

REPORT FROM THE ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION CHAIRPERSON:

# ENF - Statewide

(As of November 24, 2023)

<b>Lodge</b>	<b>Rank**</b>	<b>Members</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Per Capita</b>
Manville/Hills	4	178	2962.00	16.65
Flemington	15	283	2880.00	10.17
Middlesex	41	221	1399.00	6.33
Bound Brook	50	189	1070.00	5.66
Somerville	67	1203	4829.00	4.01
Princeton	73	170	575.00	3.38
Lambertville	84	239	560.00	2.34
Clinton	102	<u>201</u>	<u>100.00</u>	0.49
		<b>2684</b>	<b>\$14,375</b>	

\*\*108 Total Lodges in New Jersey

The mission of the Elks National Foundation is to help Elks build stronger communities. We fulfill this pledge by investing in communities where Elks live and work. We help youth develop lifelong skills, send students to college, meet the needs of today's veterans, support the charitable work of the state Elks associations, and fund projects that improve the quality of life in local Elks communities.

For those who aren't familiar with the ENF Grant process there is money available from Grand Lodge to be utilized to support and enhance our local charities and programs that help the needy. There is grant money for veteran's activities as well as youth activities and for our local First Responders.

Like all Elks, the Foundation values the belief that charity is the greatest of all virtues and that by sharing and giving, we have the power to replace sorrow and despair with hope and confidence. Donations to the Foundation help us fund programs that match our cornerstone values of knowledge, integrity and community.

I ask that you donate to the ENF so that the Flemington Elks Lodge can invest in our community and continue the work that signifies our desire to be there to help those who need us. Our charitable gifts are the reward for volunteering and the culmination of our desires to benefit others. This lodge has stumbled over the past few years in giving, but now is the time to rise again and become a pillar of the local community.

*Daniel J. Petitt, Sr. - P.E.R.*

*ENF Chairperson*

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A special "Thank You" to the Auxiliary of the Flemington Lodge for their donation of \$750.00 to the Elks National Foundation. Their support and help has made this lodge a success and we will continue to work side by side to insure that our community is always served.

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Participation at a Lodge Meeting is a very beneficial and important part of being a member of the Elks. During these lodge sessions you can join 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 can make a difference. It just may be that you have a solution to a problem that would be better for the lodge.

It has been nice to see our newer members attending the past few meetings. It shows that there is an interest in the lodge and the members do care. If we could have at least 40 members come out for a meeting and show support for the lodge it would make a great difference and help to make decisions that will benefit the charitable works of the Elks.

All of the Lodge Officers are required to attend on a regular basis because that is what you volunteered for. There is no dress code for members, but all Officers should be in a suit jacket and tie. That is a Flemington Lodge tradition that dates back many years.

There are some important votes in the coming months that require a discussion and you should be a part of that.

And, of course, after the meeting you can spend some quality time with other members while enjoying your favorite beverage and some homemade cooking from???

# **B.P.O.E INFORMATION**

The Flemington Elks lodge website is: [www.flemingtonelks.com](http://www.flemingtonelks.com) for information on upcoming events, lodge happenings, pictures, functions, and general lodge information.

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**

## *A Message from the Lodge Secretary*

The lodge is always updating the membership files and it is vital to send in any new information if you have a change of address or phone number or a different e-mail address so that the lodge can keep you informed.

Contact Barry Sheppard, PER  
C/O Flemington Elks Lodge #1928  
P.O. Box 261  
Flemington, NJ 08822

(or drop your new information in the Secretary's Mailbox at the Lodge)

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## *Life Membership Election*

### **STATUTES ANNOTATED**

**Section 14.260.** By an affirmative secret ballot of two-thirds of those present at a regular Lodge meeting, a Member in good standing may be elected to a Life Membership when he/she has:

**(a)** Paid to a Lodge or Lodges required annual dues for a period of not less than thirty (30) years preceding his/her election.

**No requests at this time**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Barry L. Sheppard  
Lodge Secretary





*Memorial Service*  
*Sunday December 3, 2023*  
*930am*

*So that we may honor and remember those members who have passed among us  
and who will never be forgotten because their faults are forever written upon  
the sand, their virtues upon the tablets of love and memory*

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**To those 'Members in Good Standing':**

It's been a while since you've been around here and we feel that it is time to welcome you back to the lodge once again.

There are many new activities in the lodge such as comedy nights, dinners, karaoke nights, corn hole competition, country line dancing and so much more.

Our membership is growing and having you return to the lodge will greatly enhance the ELK experience for everyone. Think about coming 'home' to the Flemington Elks Lodge #1928.



*2023 New Jersey Elks Fall Conference  
West Central District  
Representatives and  
District Advisors*



**Photo credit to Daniel M. Erickson, WCD Vice President**





*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      Ronald Cozze 7.11.23*  
*Bruce A. Bailey - PDD - 10.25.2023*

*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.

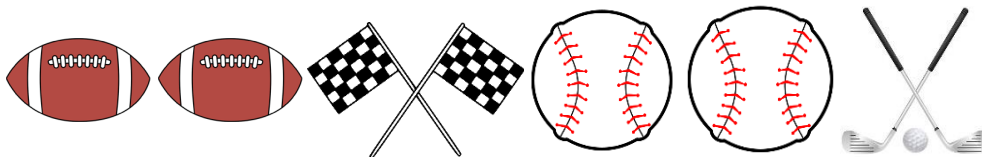
# The Grill Room



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

*The Grill Room is a gathering place for members and their guests to enjoy friendship and socially interact. Open every day, except Monday, for you and your guest's enjoyment as well as watching the most important sporting events available such as the NASCAR races, Golf Tournaments, College Football and the NFL Games as well as the Pickleball Tournaments.*

*Your hosts will have the TV's set to watch all of the sports action.*



Your hosts in the Grill Room are:

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Michele</i>
<i>Monday</i>	<b>**Closed**</b>
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Tiffany</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Gayle &amp; Annie (also serving up delicious snacks and bar food)</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Sue</i>
<i>Friday</i>	<i>Patty &amp; Marty</i>
<i>Saturday</i>	<i>Michele</i>

Just a Reminder that the Grill Room is for members and their guests only



*Due to the success of the previous monthly raffles and the outpouring of love for the Flemington Elks Lodge we were able to have another drawing for this past month.*

## **The winning numbers of the November Raffle are:**

**1<sup>st</sup> Place - # 2297**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place - # 2348**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Place - # 2011**

Congratulations to the lucky winners. Elks and guests enjoyed a great night on November 15<sup>th</sup> for the 6th Raffle Evening of the year! The food was delicious and it was great to enjoy such fun and wonderful music while being with old friends and making new friends! The raffles have been a great fundraiser for the Elks and we encourage everyone to purchase your tickets and join us for the next Raffle evening on Wednesday, December 20th!

Hats off to Cynthia Orsi who has run the raffle fundraiser and thanks to all who worked to make the night such a success!

*Congratulations to the above winners and*

*Thanks to everyone for supporting the Lodge.*





## Ramblings by Rich

Hello Everyone,

Well, it's finally December and the holidays are here! Do you know what one Christmas ornament said to the other? "It's nice hanging with you." The smell of baking cookies will be in the air soon. Do you know what gingerbread men use when they break a leg? Candy canes!

Lately I took up a hobby of putting together puzzles. I hope no one interrupts me, as chances are they will hear some crosswords. The other day I cleaned out my spice rack and found everything was too old and had to be thrown out. What a waste of thyme!

Again, the news down here reports strange things. They just had a story about the Eskimos who were sitting in a kayak. They got cold so they lit a flare in the craft. Unsurprisingly, it sank. I guess you can't have your kayak and heat it too! There was another story about a glass blower who accidentally inhaled. He now has stomach panes. One more story from the news was about a man who had his toe amputated and replaced with a prosthetic made out of breath mints. He now has a tic tac toe.

Someone once told me a joke about boxing. I guess I missed the punch line.



Finally, I hope Santa brings me a dog this year. I am going to name it Naked, so I can tell people that I have to go walk Naked down the street.

Have a good holiday and keep on smiling!

**Keep on smiling!**

*PDD Rich*

# December 2023

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
					1	2 Flemington Holiday Parade
3 Elks Memorial Service	4 Blood Bank	5	6	7 Bingo	8	9 Holiday Extravaganza
10	11	12 Auxiliary Meeting	13 Lodge Meeting	14 Cornhole Games	15 Line Dancing Karaoke in the Grill Room	16
17	18 Blood Bank	19	20 Raffle Night	21 Cornhole Games	22 Blood Bank	23
24	25 	26	27 Blood Bank	28 Cornhole Games	29	30
31 	1 <i>HAPPY NEW YEAR</i>					

May you experience an 'Old Fashion' Holiday Season and have a Merry Christmas.





**UPCOMING**  
**EVENTS**

The deadline for submitting any information for the  
January 2024 Elks Tale is  
Friday December 22, 2023

**NEXT**  
**NEW CANDIDATE**  
**INITIATION**  
❖❖**TBD**❖❖

**More....**



**May your New Year be bright and peaceful !!**



**BINGO NIGHT**

FIRST THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH  
DOORS OPEN: 6:00PM  
GAMES BEGIN: 7:30PM

FLEMINGTON ELKS

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165 NJ-31 South,  
Flemington, NJ 08822

**FLEMINGTON ELKS  
PRESENTS  
HUNTERDON COUNTY  
CORNHOLE**

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**EVERY THURSDAY EXCEPT BINGO THURSDAY  
\$20 ENTRY FOR ELKS  
\$25 ENTRY FOR NON ELK**

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**DOORS OPEN AT 6PM  
CORNHOLE STARTS AT 7PM  
FOOD AND DRINK AVAILABLE**

**SIGN UP EACH WEEK USING SCOREHOLIO**

Cornhole Questions Contact:  
hunterdoncountycornhole@gmail.com

Lodge Questions or to become an Elk:  
elks1928@gmail.com  
Bill Lesiak  
908 878-8746  
flemingtonelks.com

UPWARDS ON TO KATHY MOON /

*in association with*

*Flemington Elks Lodge #1928*

*presents*

**A HOLIDAY EXTRAVAGANZA 5**

**“HOPE IS ALIVE”**

**A MULTICULTURAL HOLIDAY CELEBRATION**

**SATURDAY DEC. 9TH AT 4PM**

**165 NJ RT. 31 FLEMINGTON, NJ 08822**

**SANTA WILL BE IN ATTENDANCE!!**

**TKTS: \$25.**

**SENIOR & STUDENTS:**

**\$20.**

**PAY AT THE DOOR**

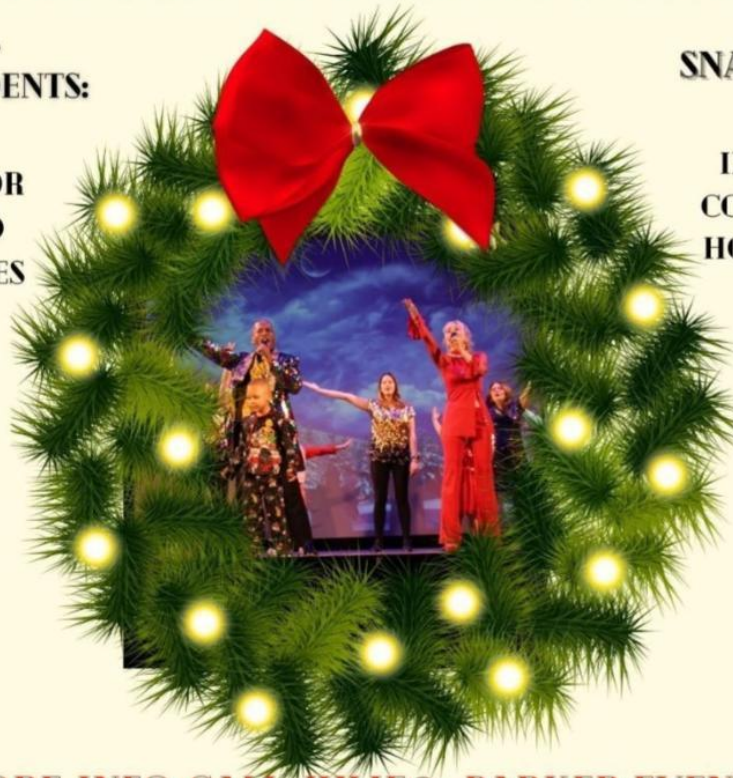
**CASH PREFERED**

**ATM ON PREMISES**

**SNACK SHACK**

**4-7PM**

**INCLUDES HOT  
COCOA/COFFEE &  
HOLIDAY BAKED  
TREATS**



**FOR MORE INFO CALL JULIE@- PARKER-EVENTS LLC.**

**(908) 310-8098**

# Past Exalted Ruler Night

The first Regular Lodge Meeting in February each year is designated as P.E.R. Night. This year it occurs on Wednesday February 14, 2024.

It is the meeting where Past Exalted Rulers have the honor of replacing the current Officers in the Officer Chairs and conducting the Lodge Meeting whereby members in good standing are nominated to various officer chairs for the upcoming year.

**Section 3.080.** Nominations for offices to be filled at the annual election in Lodges shall be made in the order in which they appear in Section 2 of Article VII of the Constitution of the Order at any regular meeting of the Lodge on or after the 1st day of January if meetings are held monthly, or after the 1st day of February and prior to the date of the annual election, provided, however, that if no nomination for an office shall have been made prior to the date of the election, or if all candidates previously nominated for an office, shall have declined or withdrawn, nominations for that office may be made on the date of election.



**On Saturday September 14, 2024, the Flemington Elks Lodge will celebrate 70 years serving the Flemington-Raritan Community.**

**Keep an eye and an ear open for more information in the coming months.**





# YOUTH ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

## Flemington Elks SOCCER SHOOT

## Flemington Elks HOOP SHOOT

**FOR AGES:**  
7 (& under): U-8    8-9: U-10    10-11: U-12    12-13: U-14    14-15: U-16




**Date:** Sunday 11/5  
**Time:** 3:30 pm  
**Place:** Hunterdon Sports Complex  
Nex Level Sports & Fitness  
426 Case Boulevard, Flemington

**Date:** Sunday 12/10  
**Time:** 1:30 pm  
**Place:** Hunterdon Sports Complex  
Nex Level Sports & Fitness  
426 Case Boulevard, Flemington

**Registration Required:** Sunday 10/15 from 11am-1pm or Friday 10/20 from 4:30pm-8:30pm  
at Flemington Elks, 165 Route 31 South, Flemington, 08822

**Soup Cook-Off Sampler Fundraiser**  
to support **Soccer Shoot & Hoop Shoot**  
Wednesday 10/18 ~ 4:30-8:00pm  
@ Flemington Elks (165 Route 31 South, Flemington)

Soup Sampler.....\$1.00 <small>(3oz sample, minimum of 5)</small>	Soup Sampler To Go.....\$10.00 <small>(dependent on availability)</small>
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Questions: Call or text Cynthia Orsi-Kuhl at 732-966-5704

## Soccer Shoot Pictures



Participants, parents and lodge volunteers



**Congratulations to all of the Group Winners**



**A great big 'Thank You' to the volunteers**



# Breakfast with Santa

Once again Santa Claus returned to the Flemington Lodge on Sunday November 26, 2023 and enjoyed a hearty breakfast with children of all ages. During his visit the children were able to sit with Santa, take some pictures and whisper their Christmas wishes to him.

A Good Time was Had by All.





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

1. Gabriel Esposito
2. Ryan Green
- 3.
4. Mauro Fanelli – **PER**, Maureen Blair, Jan J. Murphy, Robert Fleming
5. Brad Stockelberg – **PER**, David Everitt
- 6.
- 7.
- 8.
9. James Finelli, Ben J. Gryctko
- 10.
- 11.
- 12.
- 13.
14. Robert J. Partak
15. John Polhemus, Jr.
- 16.
17. Carmella Shaw
- 18.
19. Charlees Stuart III
- 20.
21. Brian White, Becky Miller, Robert W. Finberg, James L. DeLaney
22. Daniel Loreti, Mark Nace
- 23.
24. James Bowen, Jr., Gregory Bodnar - **PVP**
- 25.
- 26.
- 27.
28. Gayle Neibart
- 29.
30. John Stefanchik, Edward Bietka
31. Eddie Haggan



*May the joy of this holiday season fill your days and bring peace to you and your loved ones. This is a time of giving and as Elks we should reflect on how we have given of ourselves and how we can give in the future. Whether it is donating money or donating your time as a volunteer it is the deepest part of Elkdom as we practice the four principles of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks - Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity.*

*As Tiny Tim has said, "God Bless Us All".*



# *The Spotlight*

## *Santa Claus Member in Good Standing*



Santa became an Elk a long, long time ago in the North Pole Lodge. As time passed on, he moved quietly through the committees serving his lodge and community wherever help was needed. With a twitch of his nose and a twinkle in his eye his generosity has spread joy and happiness throughout mankind.

He is famous for being very observant and he knows if you've been 'naughty or nice'. He is generous to a fault and gives from his heart to everyone that is deserving.

He is a loyal and true Elk and a leader in the realm of Elkdom and one of the **Best People On Earth**.

**The Flemington Elks Lodge will benefit from your used clothing and books.**

**The lodge will receive remuneration for all items that are donated.**

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.



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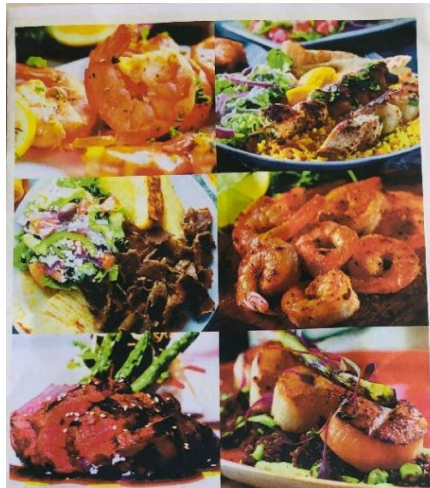
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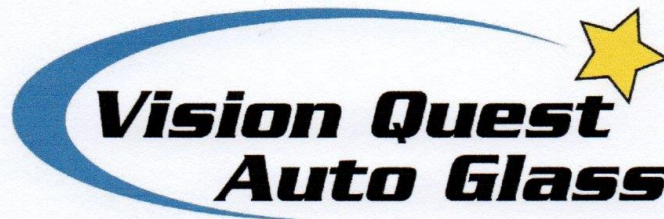
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