



November 2021

The Elks Tale

Flemington Elks Lodge #1928



As we move into the colder months of the year we should reflect on the fundraising work that we are supposed to do to support our charities. But that has been a sad part of the Flemington Lodge in recent years. We have one of the oldest age groups in the State of New Jersey which hampers our ability to Chair Committees and conduct fundraisers. Yes, there has been an influx of outside groups and persons renting our facilities and we are gaining financially, but there hasn't been much in the way of conducting our own events where we earn more money for our charities.

The lifeblood of this, and any Elks Lodge, is the membership volunteering to do the work. I personally feel that we need to recruit new members in their 20's, 30's & 40's. Of course, any one of any age group is always welcomed. Traditionally, the B.P.O.E. has survived by 'passing the torch' to its younger members who enthusiastically pick up where the older members have left off.

So I am asking all of you to seek out those younger people in the community that can help us reach our goals. If any member has an idea on how to recruit new members, please contact me and I will work to assist you in a membership drive.

I also ask that you, as a 'Member-In-Good-Standing' make an effort to attend the Regular Lodge Meetings. They are informative and worth the 45 minutes of your life to participate twice each month. Besides, if you attend a meeting you can renew old acquaintances and probably make some new ones.

*Fraternally,
Daniel J. Petitt, Sr.
Exalted Ruler*

Lodge Officers – 2021 - 2022

.....	Exalted Ruler	Daniel J Petitt, Sr., PER
.....	Est. Leading Knight	Randall Kerr, PER
.....	Est. Loyal Knight	Gene Sierp
.....	Est. Lecturing Knight	Rich Lavagno, PDD
.....	Treasurer	George Upton, PER
.....	Secretary	Barry Sheppard, PER
.....	Tiler	Adam Papa
.....	Inner Guard	Eric Anderson
.....	Chaplain	Mauro Fanelli, PER
.....	Esquire	JD Harvis, PER
.....	Trustee - 1 Year	William Trstensky
.....	Trustee - 2 Year	Casey Hoff
.....	Trustee - 3 Year ..	TBD
.....	Trustee - 4 Year	John Lombardi
.....	Trustee - 5 Year	John Kalmbach

Officers of the Auxiliary

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

2020 - 2021

Elk of the Year: *Jeffrey Allegar*
Citizen of the Year: *John 'Jack' Cust, Jr.*
Officer of the Year: *William Trstensky*

Monthly Lodge Meetings

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

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

HOUSE COMMITTEE NEWS

The House has added to our selection of wines, a Pinot Noir, and a Sauvignon Blanc. We have also started carrying White Claw and Bud Light hard seltzers, in a variety of flavors. We are starting up our beer tap system and will be offering Coors Light, Miller Lite, Yeungling, and Sierra Nevada pale ale.

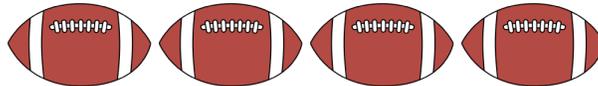
We have extended our hours to include Sunday Afternoons along with a new bartender Michelle. We hope to see more of you at the lodge.

House Committee Co-Chair
Randy Kerr, PER

**Grill Room Hours:
6pm to 10pm Tue to Sat**

Don't forget that every Sunday the Grill Room is open for watching football. Enjoy two games with friends and your favorite beverage as well as some food. Doors open at 1245pm.

Michele is your host.



PER ASSOCIATION

The PER's are scheduled to meet on Wednesday, November 3rd at 7:00 PM in the conference room. There will be a demonstration of a digital sign for everyone to view and ask questions about.

If any lodge member has any concerns or questions please don't hesitate to ask any active PER for answers, since we work with Exalted Ruler Dan and the lodge officers. Our thanks to all who support our lodge.

Fraternally,

PDD Rich Lavagno
PER Association President

BOARD OF TRUSTEES NEWS

The Trustees are working to lower expenses throughout the lodge as well as increasing the room rentals revenue so that the lodge can become more solvent.

If you are interested in helping with these projects and serving as a Trustee, please contact the Exalted Ruler, Dan Petitt.

Bill Trstensky
Head Trustee



Committee Chairs 2021-2022

Accident Prevention	Daniel J. Petitt, Sr.	201.341.3071
Americanism		
Army of Hope	Bruce Totten, PDD	
Auditing & Accounting	George Upton, PER	908.788.5963
Better Parades	Daniel J Petitt, Sr.	201.341.3071
Building & Grounds	Casey Hoff.....	908.507.5977
Community Affairs	Daniel Petitt, Sr.....	201.341.3071
Community Activities.	Tiffany Quick.....	908.797.0670
Drug Awareness.	Daniel J Petitt, Sr.	201.341.3071
Elks Tale Editor	TBD	
Fraternal Committee ..	Rich Lavagno, PDD	908.788.2917
Friday Night Dinner		
Government Relations	Eric Anderson	908.439.2532
Hoop/Soccer Shoot	TBD	
House Committee	William Trstensky.....	908.334.7661
	Randall Kerr, PER.....	908.328.4091
Lodge Accountant	Bragg & Karnoff.....	908.788.2998
Lodge Activities	Tiffany Quick.....	908.797.0670
Long Range Planning	Bruce Totten, PER	
Mediator	Lee Trautman, PDD	908.996.6724
Membership	Barry Sheppard, PER.	908.782.3307
National Foundation	TBD	
National Service	TBD	
PER Association	Rich Lavagno, PDD	908.788.2917
Public Relations	TBD	
Ritual Coach	Pete Naccarato	
Scholarship	Jeff Anderson	908.439.2532
Sickness and Distress	Randall Kerr, PER	908.328.4091
Social/Comm. Welfare	Eric Anderson	908.439.2532
Special Needs Children	Suzanne Lucas	609.309.5238
Standing Relief		
Visiting	Joe Kanaby, PDD.....	908.782.4006
Youth Activities.....	TBD	
Website	TBD	

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.

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 by 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 out
about the world of Elkdom:**

BPOE News
Elks Social Media Network
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**

Elks Memorial Day Service

On Sunday December 5, 2021 The Flemington Elks Lodge #1928 will conduct the Annual Memorial Service for departed members.

The Memorial will begin at 930am followed by a light breakfast of bagels, pastries, quiche, sausage or bacon and other light fare.

If you wish to attend please contact the Exalted Ruler, Dan Petitt at 201.341.3071 or the Lodge Secretary, Barry Sheppard at 908.782.3307 or 908.963.7835.

The Auxiliary of Lodge # 1928

Hi Everyone!

Flemington Elks Auxiliary news. Upcoming events for the Auxiliary will be the HCHS class of '76 reunion on November 13 and a holiday dinner on December 22. Help will be needed or for December come out and enjoy the dinner. The Auxiliary will also be having their Holiday meeting on Tuesday December 14. It's a covered dish so bring your favorite recipe for the members to enjoy. The night will be topped off with a gift exchange. Maybe we can get Suzanne to do her rendition of the night before Christmas again!

Bingo started off with a bang! There was a large crowd and from the reviews everyone had a great time even if they didn't win. Sunday breakfasts are doing great too. So come on down the last Sunday of the month for a delicious breakfast. If you would like to help with either bingo or breakfast give Suzanne a call.

Our November meeting is November 9 at 7.15 pm. Hope we see you there!

Patti DeLuca

Auxiliary President



Special Needs Children

SPECIAL NEEDS CHILDREN COMMITTEE

September breakfast was well attended with 144 diners enjoying our fine breakfast. Eleven days later, we resumed our First Thursday of the Month Bingo with 120 players anxiously waiting in line for admittance @ 6pm. All attending enjoyed the games as well as our refreshments for sale.

Thank you Ginny & Patti for a great job in the kitchen. We are looking forward to the Halloween breakfast and November 4th Bingo, no time to relax this month with only 4 days between the events. Please remind everyone you see about our special needs fundraisers.

Suzanne Lucas
Chairperson

Elks National Foundation

The mission of the ENE is to help Elks build stronger communities. We fulfill this pledge by investing in communities where Elks live and work.

**For pledges, contact:
Daniel J Petitt, Sr. 201.341.3071**

**** Lapsation ****

This is a list of the Lodge Members who haven't sent in their dues as of this month. As a delinquent member, you are not allowed to use the facilities, attend meetings, and cannot be sponsored by a member in good standing.

If you know a member on this list, a phone call to them might be in order or maybe you can pay their dues as a gesture of Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love & Fidelity.

Please remit your dues of \$71.00 for the year 2021-2022 to the Lodge Secretary.

Sean Bergin
Barry E. Creger
David J. Miller
Stanley L. Ozimek, Jr
Robert Schottman

George Blackwell
David A. Garbowski
Joanne Moore
Peter J. Plesh
James G. Spinelli

Craig Becker, PER
James Hall
George D. Muller
Louis Carl Reiner
Thomas Walsh



Absent Members for the Elk Year 2021-2022

Steven Kalafer 4/21/21
Thomas Tosco 5/19/21
Jeffrey Allegar 10/20/2021

Matteo Sebastiano 5/16/21,
Barbara Schmitter, PER 8/20/2021

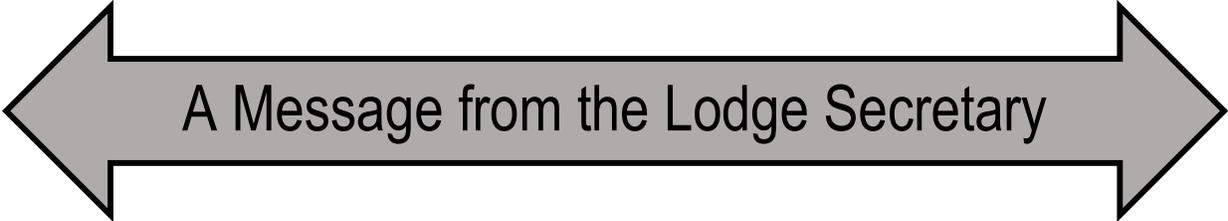


Funeral Services
A reminder to all members and their families that should a Lodge Member pass away, the Lodge Officers will conduct a Funeral Service at the family's request.

Do you have a change of address or phone number or a different e-mail address?

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)





Ramblings by Rich

Hi Everyone,

Well, it's been almost two years since Covid hit. Working in a super market I still see shortages of paper products. As a matter of fact, we ran out of toilet paper at the store and now we're using lettuce leaves. Today was just the tip of the iceberg. Tomorrow romaine's to be seen.

The other day someone asked me what the 9th letter of the alphabet was. It was a complete guess, but I was right. That same night my neighbor came knocking on my door at 2:00 AM. Luckily I was still up playing my bagpipes.

Did you hear about the dentist and the manicurist? They fought tooth and nail. How about the man who ran through a screen door? He stained himself. How about the sheep rustler who broke out of jail and is now on the lamb?

That's it for now. Keep on smiling. Remember: he who laughs last didn't get the joke.

Keep on smiling!

PDD Rich

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**Say Hello to our newest members and wELKome them to the
Flemington Lodge**

Thomas Joyce, Joyce Joyce, David Mann,
Mark Riccadonna and Michele Seber

They were initiated at the Regular Lodge Meeting on Wednesday October 27, 2021



PRO WRESTLING

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5TH 2021 • BELL TIME: 7:00 P.M.

FLEMINGTON ELK'S LODGE

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TICKETS: \$15 IN ADVANCE / \$20 AT THE DOOR



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TAG TEAM MATCH

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VS. BROLLY & ALEX REIMAN

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Contact the Exalted Ruler, Dan Petitt for tickets

A Special Note

At a private luncheon held recently by PDD's Linda & David Murphy, our longtime member Robert 'Bob' Rowe was honored as the 2019-2020 Elk of the Year.

Because of the Covid pandemic and other considerations causing a delay, this long overdue award was presented to Bob for his always outstanding and loving work that he has performed for the Flemington Lodge for over 28 years.



Congratulations Bob



November 2021

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
	1 Blood Drive	2	3 PER Meeting	4 Bingo	5 Wrestling Show	6
7	8 Blood Drive DDGER Visit	9 Auxiliary Meeting	10 Lodge Meeting	11	12	13
14	15 Blood Drive	16	17	18 WCD VP Meeting at Lambertville	19	20
21	22 Blood Drive	23	24 Lodge Meeting	25 Happy Thanksgiving	26	27
28 Breakfast	29 Blood Drive	30				



Best Wishes to Our Members who are Celebrating their Day during November

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
4. James Hall
- 5.
6. Henry LaVoie
7. Ernesto Cuellar
8. Donald Picard
- 9.
10. J. Stephen Bragg
11. Peter Naccarato - PER, Michael A. Sarno - PER
12. Daniel J. Pettitt, Jr., James Gurski
13. Oscar Stieger, Jr.
- 14.
- 15.
- 16..
17. David J. Miller
- 18.
- 19.
20. Richard Whitelaw
21. Scott Rogers
22. Walter Hinehine
23. James Tedesco
24. Arthur Shively, David Garbowski, Joseph Gramiccioni
25. David B. Miller
26. Joel Wolff
27. Donald DeLuca, Jr. – PER, Frank Cordero
- 28..
29. William Cody - PER
30. Roger Cramer
- 31.

WE are FAMILY

On behalf of the Flemington Lodge, I would like to thank those listed below who have given so kindly from their hearts to the 'Free Will Donation Appeal' so that the Lodge can continue to do the charitable work that is the cornerstone of Elkdom. If you haven't donated as of yet, there is still time to send in a donation and show your support.

Daniel J. Pettitt, Sr.
Exalted Ruler

Albright, Patricia
Alexander, Ralph
Anderson, Edward
Anderson, Dr. Jeff
Assenheimer, Fred
Bailey, Bruce
Cahall, David
Callahan, Richard
Campbell, Walter
Cervanka, Deborah
Cestra, Louis
Ciotta, Donald
Clark, Sandy
Coppola, Angelo
Dickison, Doug & Rose
Elbaum, Emil
Ellis, Ann Marie
Esposito, Anthony
Fanelli, Mauro
Fasano, Michael
Finelli, James
Fisher, Charles
Halstead, Doris
In Memory of Kalafer, Steve
Troisi, Gerald
Kanaby, Joseph
Kopcha, Daniel
Kuhl, Henry
Lavagno, Rich & Eileen
Lucas, Suzanne
Martin, William
Martinetti, Jean
Masaitis, Richard
Maskell, Patricia
McPherson, James
Monaco, Louis
Pettitt, Daniel J., Sr.

Mulligan, Donald
Muscatell, Daniel
Naccarato, Peter
Ondrak, Chris
Papa, Adam
Panko, Michael
Partak, Robert
Polhemus, Jack & Luba
Ricard, Donald
Riley, Elizabeth
Rossi, Felix & Barbara
Rowe, Robert
Rowe, Sandy
Rupell, Leslie
Rynerson, Frederick
Sornberger, Gundegard
Sornberger, Randy
Stockelberg, Barbara
Stockelberg, Gerald
Stuart III, Charles
Tedesco, James
Teubert, Thomas
Trautman, Lee
Trautman, Tracey
Strizki, Brian
Upton, Charles
Upton, George
Upton, Linda
Valencia, Saul
VanDerveer, James & Shirley
Vill, Shirley Ann
Whalen, Kenneth
Wilkinson, John
Wilson, Mary
Zapko, Louis
Zarish, Lois