



Lake Hopatcong Elks  
Lodge #782  
Meetings  
1st and 3rd Tuesday  
(973) 398-9835

**ELKTOBER is GER MONTH**

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Does your lodge have an initiation scheduled?

ELKS SOCIAL MEDIA NETWORK

October 2020

CHARITY



JUSTICE



BROTHERLY LOVE



FIDELITY



# Exalted Ruler's Message

2020

A Fraternal Organization  
Join Elkdom's Action Team  
Make Your Friend a Member

2021



Fall is upon us and I'm proud to say the lodge is continuing to do well despite the pandemic. Our Wednesday night BBQ's have been a great success and we will continue to have them for the next few weeks depending on the weather. In addition, our Friday Night Dinners have resumed and will continue to be offered as take-out & outdoor seating, and with indoor seating being available soon. Please call Madelyn at 201-230-2596 for questions or details.

On September 11th, we had our annual 9/11 Candlelight Service which was held outside in front of the lodge. We had a very nice turnout and our Officers performed a beautiful service. Thank you all for joining us for this special remembrance.

Our patio construction crew is still working very hard on completing it and they hope to have it finished so we can use it for our functions this month. Thank you crew for working so hard to get this done.

We were fortunate to be able to buy a huge tent for our outdoor activities, which will also be available for our rentals. Thank you to **Todd Cruickshank and Tom Rovito** for letting us know about this great opportunity. It will be a great asset to our lodge.

October will be another busy month. On Saturday, October 10th, we will be having hopefully the 1st of many Crab, Clam and Chicken Feasts. Join us for some delicious food! On Saturday, October 24th, we will be hosting a Monsters of Rock Halloween Live Band event, featuring 4 local bands. On Saturday, October 31st, we will hold a drive-through "Trunk or Treat" for our area special needs children. Finally, our ENF committee is selling tickets for a Basket of Cheer & Recovery Raffle. Please support our ENF by purchasing a ticket. Details for all events are in this newsletter and all these functions are sure to be a lot of fun. Please come and be a part and enjoy! Tickets are available for purchase at the members bar.

Once again I want to thank everyone for your continued support for our lodge and for our events. We cannot survive without all of you and your hard work, volunteerism, and support to continue to make our lodge and all of our functions a success.

Continue to be safe, healthy and remember that any act of kindness, no matter how big or small, goes a long way. God bless our troops, Elks and the United States of America.

Fraternally,  
Roxanne J Steffen  
Exalted Ruler

## 2020-2021 LODGE OFFICERS



Exalted Ruler	Roxanne Steffen 973-650-0199
Est. Leading Knight	Wayne McDonnell 862-579-5615
Est. Loyal Knight	Gary Steffen 973-271-4694
Est. Lecturing Knight	Lisa Rovito, PER 201-978-7218
Esquire	Eric Sabol 908-299-9185
Chaplain	Tom Rovito 201-400-0810
Inner Guard	Todd Cruickshank 201-841-4851
Tiler	Madelyn Walrod, PER 201-230-2596
Treasurer	Linda Gathen, PDD 973-398-2097
Secretary	Barbara Tokar, PER 201-207-7545
Lodge Photographer	Michaela Winnans
1 Year Trustee	Tom Brown, PDD
2 Year Trustee	Sean MacMillan
3 Year Trustee	Gene Garabrant, PVP
4 Year Trustee	John Shaw, PER
5 Year Trustee	Mike Clarke

### HOUSE COMMITTEE

Madelyn Walrod, *PER*, *Chairman*  
Tom Chiappa  
Wayne McDonnell  
Barbara Pirro  
Rich Terlinden  
Helene Walsh  
Debi Werner

### PLANNING A FUNCTION?

OUR HALL IS AVAILABLE  
TO RENT FOR ANY FUNCTION

FOR MORE INFORMATION  
CALL MADELYN AT 398-2770.

## COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Accident & Prevention	Mike Clarke 973-713-2370
Activities	Madelyn Walrod, PER 201-230-2596
Americanism	Nancy Loizou 973-632-1129
Antlers	Tarin Chiappa 973-714-1334
Bar Co-Chair	Debi Werner 973-668-9302
Community Activities	Madelyn Walrod, PER 973-398-2770
Convention	Linda Gathen, PER 973-398-2097
Drug Awareness	Dee Krowl 973-390-0638
Elks National Foundation	Pete Appaluccio 973-736-7818
Fraternal Committee	Linda Gathen, PER 973-398-2097
Government Relations	Heidi McDonnell, DD-D 862-579-5616
Grounds Maintenance	Mike Clarke 973-713-2370
Hall Rental	Madelyn Walrod, PER 973-398-2770
Hoop Shoot	Tom Brown 973-919-5395
Indoctrination	Rick Gathen, PSP 973-398-2097
Investigation	Wayne McDonnell 862-579-5616
Lapsation	Barbara Tokar, PER 201-207-7545
Lodge Activities	Patsy Schmidt 973-975-2325
Membership	Barbara Tokar 201-207-7545
Motorcycle Parades	TBD Gene Garabrant, PVP 973-627-0017
Pole Barn	Red Curry
Public Relations	Rick Gathen, PSP 862-324-2412

## RELIEF COMMITTEE

Roxanne Steffen	973-650-0199
Wayne McDonnell	862-579-5616
Gary Steffen	973-271-4694
Lisa Rovito	201-978-7218
Linda Gathen	973-398-2097
Barbara Tokar	201-207-7545
Ritual	Rick Gathen, PSP Linda Gathen, PER
Scholarship	Jennifer Appaluccio 973-222-4547
Sickness & Distress	Debi Werner 973-668-9302
Soccer Shoot	Tom Brown 973-919-5395
Special Children	Wayne McDonnell 862-579-5616
Veterans	Ed Parrillo 973-398-6677
Army of Hope	Bob Ricker 973-288-1030
Youth Activities	Tom Brown 973-919-5395

# Happy Birthday

## October Birthdays

We Would Like To Extend Our Best Wishes For  
A Happy Birthday To The Following Members

01	John H Hayes
02	I Olga Hoover
02	Paul Stanziale
04	Judith Marshall
04	Christine Sadowski
07	Jeffrey D Cagnassola
07	Eileen Hankins
08	Michael Randazzo
09	Alan Tuorinsky
10	Ralph J Elpin
10	Carlene J Rossi
10	Chris Secola
10	Helene Walsh
12	Jon A Edwards
13	Thomas Healy
15	Frederick Kircher
17	Deborah Bassetti
17	Scott R Carter
19	Kenneth Butt
19	Augustine Dulio
21	John Youngblut
22	Michael R Gleason
22	Robert Ricker III
23	John Mahoney Jr
23	Alexander E Perriello
24	Richard Bissonnette
25	Ray Eagan
26	Scott Begraft
26	Deborah Hill
27	Scott Jentzen
27	Michael Stanzilis
28	Martin Janowski
28	Eileen Snyder
29	Pamela Adams
29	Daniel Kisthart
29	Jon Philhower
30	Jamie Marks
31	Wesly Phelan



## **“Elks Give from the Heart”**

**PAUL R. RYAN**  
GRAND EXALTED RULER  
2020-2021



### ***Half is good ... with parts of the budget***

Is your Lodge only doing half with income? Well, it might be good but could be better. Is half where your expenses are? If it is, that is good, but less is better. This is the month where half is a target for your budget, but for everything else it is always good to give 100%.

I know it is hard to believe, but now is the time to take a serious look at your budget. I know the new Financial Reporting System (FRS) is informing your District Deputies and State Sponsors of what is happening, but it is you as a Lodge Member who should be looking at your budget and realize that your budget percentage should be at 50%.

Is something in your budget out of whack? Are you running way higher than 50%? Then your Board of Trustees/Directors should take a serious look at the budget and figure out what to do to make sure that it gets back in line, or how you will make it through the rest of the year. Now, if you are one of the Lodges that rely on your accountant to be doing this for you, then put someone in charge to have a conversation with your accountant and report back to the Lodge or your accountant.

So where is it good to give 100%? Membership! This year's GER Class should be based on the motto, Creating Momentum for the Future of Elkdom. Get out there and recruit Members. But, recruit with the following things in mind:

- 1) The future of Elkdom relies on the age of our Members.
- 2) The future of Elkdom relies on future leaders.
- 3) The future of Elkdom relies on volunteers.
- 4) The future of Elkdom is dependent on us to create new and future Members. Give 100% to the best GER Class ever.

Another place to give 100%: ENF. This is ENF Month and with the raise in the amount of my goal to \$4.80, this is a great time to give 100%. How about giving 100% more than you did last year? This is the year to have an event for ENF in order to recruit Members to become a part of the Fidelity Club. This is a club where a monthly donation is given to ENF. See how many Members are in your Lodge and then plan on doubling it—That is giving 100%.

This is the time for the Americanism Essay Contest. This year my goal is to get the Elks Magazine to publish the two winning essays. I've had many years of pressure from a Member in my state and I hope to achieve it for him. The student that writes it deserves the recognition, and we deserve to be able to read the winners.

Don't forget that Red Ribbon week is October 23-31. And now is the time to prepare for all of your veterans activities for the month of November. Lastly, our Hoop Shoot programs should now be ramping up and getting prepared.

## ***“Elks Care - Elks Share.”***



**The ELKS  
UNIFYING  
AMERICA BY  
CHARITY   
AND  
PATRIOTISM **

## SICKNESS & DISTRESS

Sad to report we have lost three members this month, **Anthony Caputo**, who joined the Elks three years ago with his wife **Jackey**. Tony will always be remember with a warm heart and pushing Luca around. Tony was a Veteran. **John O'Brian** was a member for 29 years and also a Veteran. **Cindy Passeba** was a member and a big part of our Veteran Committee. Our blessings to their families.

Keep well to **Kathleen Caffrey, PER** and **John Mudder** who both had their gallbladder removed and **John Shaw, PER** who had a knee replacement.



**Baby Gerry** has arrived, though a few weeks early, he is doing well. Congratulations to Mom and Dad, and Grandparents, **Pam and Bob Ricker**.

Please feel free to call me @ 973)668-9302 or e-mail me @ purpledebi@yahoo.com with any information on a member who has fallen ill or to be placed on our prayer list.

God Bless,  
Debi Werner  
*Sickness & Distress*



## MEETING NOTICE

**Just a reminder that our meeting will be held on October 6<sup>th</sup> and October 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm. We hope you will join us!**

**Barbara Tokar, PER**  
*Lodge Secretary*

## SHOT FROM THE BAR

**We are open daily from 12:00 Noon til Closing. Come watch your favorite sports teams play. Remember we have 5 big screen TV's for your viewing pleasure.**

## FRIDAY NIGHT DINNERS



*Interested In Cooking A Dinner  
Call Madelyn 201-230-2596*

**OCTOBER 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Chicken Marsala**

*Tom & Lisa Rovito*

**OCTOBER 9<sup>th</sup>**

**Pork & Sauerkraut**

*Madelyn Walrod, PER*

**OCTOBER 16<sup>th</sup>**

**CHEF SURPRISE**

*Tom & Lisa Rovito*

**OCTOBER 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**Sauerbraten**

*Debi Werner*

**OCTOBER 30<sup>th</sup>**

**CHEF SURPRISE**

## HOUSE COMMITTEE

October is such a pretty month with the fall foliage and nice changing weather. Effective immediately Friday night dinners will be served as your choice of take out or you may bring your meal inside our dining room. We are adhering to the 25% indoor dining as mandated by our Governor.

October 24<sup>th</sup> we are having a Halloween event with 4 bands outside. This is going to be a great fundraising event!! Be sure to get your tickets from any bartender in advance. Tickets are going fast!! It has been the talk amongst the members. Gather your friends for a fun night to be had!!

Then on October 31<sup>st</sup> the SCC will have our Drive-thru Trunk or Treat Halloween event for the kids and the families.

***As always I'm looking for Friday night cooks!!***

Stay safe and healthy.

*Madelyn Walrod, PER, House Committee Chairman*



**OPERATION  
CHILLOUT**

"No Borders - No Boundaries"

**OPERATION  
CHILLOUT**  
HOMELESS VETERANS  
OUTREACH



SCAN HERE TO VIEW

**OPERATION  
CHILLOUT**

FACEBOOK PAGE!!



LIKE & FOLLOW

OCTOBER 24 | 5-11PM

# Monsters of Rock

LIVE MUSIC!

4 BANDS

RAFFLES 50/50

FOOD/DRINKS

201 HOWARD BLVD  
MOUNT ARLINGTON,  
NJ 07856

THE TICKETS ARE \$10  
IN ADVANCE AND  
\$15 AT THE DOOR.

📞 201-230-2596

# HALLOWEEN



**WORLD OF ROCK STUDENTS PERFORM AT 5PM**

*Best Dressed As An 80's Rocker Contest!*

**HOPATCONG SOUND MACHINE | ROAD MACHINE**

MÖTLEY CRÜE TRIBUTE

**SIXX SECONDS TO MARS**

METALLICA TRIBUTE

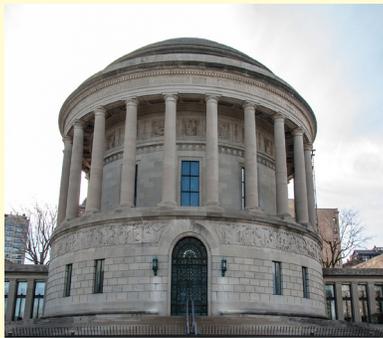
**OBEY YOUR MASTER**

*Fundraiser for Elk Activities!*





## TAKE A VIRTUAL TOUR OF THE ELKS MEMORIAL



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Scan Here & Join Our Facebook Page To View Our Lodge News!!



## SPECIAL CHILDREN'S COMMITTEE

Hello All,

Welcome to another month of the pandemic known as Covid-19. We have two events to highlight. On Sunday, October 18, 2020, our Area 3 Ambassador, **Jacob Brose**, will be one of eight special needs children honored by the State Special Children's Committee at the Ambassador Meet and Greet. This event is going to be hosted on Zoom beginning at 1:00pm. Please join us again in congratulating Jacob on such a wonderful achievement. Then on Saturday, October 31, 2020, the SCC will have our Drive-thru Trunk or Treat Halloween event for the kids and the families. This shall run from 12:00-2:00pm; however, we will need our members that want to be part of the event to be at the lodge by 10:00am and remain parked until the end of the event. This is for the safety of all those who are participating. There will be many special families in and out of the lot during that 2-hour period and we want to ensure all goes well. Early arrival will ensure a smooth set up of the decorated cars and to make sure we are adhering to all CDC guidelines/state health mandates and proper social distancing rules. We again are requiring that all volunteers participating with this event utilize masks and gloves and only provide individually wrapped, Halloween candy. Please refrain from anything homemade or candy that contains peanuts. We are requiring that all those who want to volunteer sign up with me by emailing me at [waynemcd8198@gmail.com](mailto:waynemcd8198@gmail.com) so that we are accounting for all cars that will be participating in the event by no later than October 18, 2020. We do anticipate many participants for this event and want everything to be safe and professional for the families in attendance. Please be advised that there may be siblings riding in the same car with the Special Child. We will be contacting the participating families for a head count of kids that will be in each carload to anticipate an amount of candy to provide.

That is all for now and we do anticipate having a Zoom planning meeting for all volunteers to discuss the planning an operation of the event and will send out an invite via email. Please stay safe and healthy as we continue to combat the spread of Covid-19.

Thank you all for Helping to Keep the Smiles on the Faces of our Special Children.

Fraternally yours,  
Wayne McDonnell

*Special Children's Committee Chairperson*



Visit the new Elks Kid Zone by scanning this QR Code ...

# Special Children's Committee

## Halloween Drive Thru Trunk or Treat



Hosted by Lake Hopatcong Elks Lodge #782

201 Howard Blvd., Mt. Arlington, NJ 07856

12:00 pm ~ 2:00 pm



**SIGN UP IS REQUIRED TO ATTEND**

EMAIL: [lh782.scevents@gmail.com](mailto:lh782.scevents@gmail.com) to register

by Wednesday, October 21<sup>st</sup>.

Email with scheduled time will be sent to each family after signup.

This is to alleviate excess traffic for everyone's enjoyment & Safety!

Covid-10 Precautions Will Be In Place & PPE Worn By All Volunteers



**Lake Hopatcong #782  
2nd Annual  
Gerry Cook  
Drug Awareness Golf Classic**



**Friday, October 9, 2020**

**Farmstead Country Club**

**88 Lawrence Road, Lafayette NJ 07848**

**9:00 AM Shotgun Start / Scramble Best Ball Format**

**Cost \$130.00 per golfer**

**Includes: Green Fees, Cart, Prizes, Lunch & Dinner at Farmstead**

**Limited to the first 72 Golfers**

**Make checks payable to**

**Lake Hopatcong #782 Drug Awareness**

**Foursome Names**

- 1. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_**

**For more information contact Robert Ricker - 973-886-0160**

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**Please Sponsor a Hole**

**\$50.00**

**Sponsor Name(s) or Sign Design**

**Make checks payable to**

**Lake Hopatcong #782 Drug Awareness and Mail to**

**Robert Ricker**

**521 Edith Road**

**Landing NJ 07850**



# OCTOBER 2020

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
28	29	30	1	2 Friday Night Dinner	3	4
5 Ritual Practice	6 Lodge Meeting	7	8	9 Friday Night Dinner	10 <b>Crab Feast</b>	11
12 Ritual Practice <i>Columbus Day</i>	13 House Committee Meeting <i>Happy Birthday Navy</i>	14	15	16 Friday Night Dinner	17	18
19 Ritual Practice	20 Lodge Meeting	21	22	23 Friday Night Dinner	24 <i>Monsters of Rock</i> <b>GET YOUR TICKETS!</b>	25
26 Ritual Practice <i>National Day Of The Deployed</i>	27 House Committee Meeting	28	29	30 Friday Night Dinner	31 <i>Trick or Treat!</i> DRIVE THRU TRUNK OR TREAT	1

## DONATIONS ARE MUCH APPRECIATED ....

The Lake Hopatcong Elks Lodge brings so much to our community. This is a place where people come together, that families share Wednesday Night BBQs and Friday Night Dinners together, and members watch one another's kids grow up. The Elks have different committees that host fund raising events throughout the year to help our special needs kids within our local footprint go Camp Moore in the summer, they put together social events and have special holiday parties for the kids. We have a people working hard for our Veterans that we meet their needs to improve their quality of life, host BBQ events for them to come to and have our annual Thanksgiving dinner for them to share together.

Without volunteers all committees would not be successful. The Lake Hopatcong Elks are on the move now to better our lodge by adding a patio to the Pavilion which will allow for us to have entertainment, live bands and host other venues. This is all being done by donations and by people volunteering their time in labor and building us a brighter future. This will help our lodge to generate more revenue and be an attractive part of renting our lodge for community events, parties, and celebrations. The estimated cost of this patio is \$5000. The project is underway through initial donations already received as well as members offering their time and talent to helping this become a reality. If you are interested in donating and being a part of our patio donation development project please see any bartender to make a direct donation, and you can also make checks payable to The Lake Hopatcong Elks and place to the attention of Mike Clarke, Maintenance Chairperson.

We thank you in advance and look forward to having another feature added to our lodge to better our lodge grounds.

Stay safe and see you soon,  
Mike Clarke  
Maintenance Committee Chairperson

JOIN US FOR A  
**MARYLAND**  
**CRAB FEAST**

**OCTOBER 10<sup>TH</sup>** FROM 2PM - 6PM

Lake Hopatcong Elks 782  
201 Howard Boulevard  
Mount Arlington, NJ

**MARYLAND BLUE CRAB  
CLAMS • CHICKEN • POTATO  
CORN-ON-THE-COB • SALADS**

**\$40.00 PER PERSON - FOOD ONLY**  
**\$50.00 PER PERSON - INCLUDES BEER, WINE & SODA**

For Tickets Call  
Madelyn 201-230-2596  
Or See Any Bartender At The Lodge

# NOVEMBER 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 	2 Ritual Practice	3 	4	5	6 Friday Night Dinner	7
8	9 Ritual Practice	10 Lodge Meeting 	11 	12	13 Friday Night Dinner	14
15	16 Ritual Practice	17 House Committee Meeting	18	19	20 Friday Night Dinner	21
22	23 Ritual Practice	24 Lodge Meeting	25	26 	27 Friday Night Dinner	28
29 Ritual Practice	30 Ritual Practice	House Committee Meeting				



## LAKE HOPATCONG ELKS LODGE

No. 782

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Mount Arlington, NJ 07856



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