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March 2013

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EXALTED RULER'S MESSAGE

Brothers All,

On February 10th, I would like to thank Jane Figaro and the Youth Activities Committee for hosting our Valentine's Day Party for our kids. It was a great turn out and a lot of fun. Later that day our Special Children's Committee held their Valentine's Day Party for our Special Children. Thanks to Joe McGrath for supplying the music for both parties. On February 17th, we held our last class of new members for the year. Later that day we held our first convention sign up. It was a great start. There are plenty of rooms still available. On March 10th, we will have our 2nd convention sign up. Please come out and sign up. And also see Parade Chairman Ed Foster to order your marching shirt and hat. On February 23rd, the officers represented Middletown and the South Central District in the State Ritual competition. I am proud of the officers for coming in 4th place in the state, Thanks to PDD Chuck Bolin for all his hard work whipping us into shape. I would also like to thank PDD Dan Maloney for his help and PER John M. Steakin, Sr. for being our candidate. I would also like to thank our members that came down to support us in Toms River, PDD Daniel Maloney, Mark Kelly, CJ Bolin, Robert Fairhurst, Mike Brandine, PDD Robert Siedlecki, PVP Hank



Donald M. Anderson
Exalted Ruler

Hancock of Keyport Lodge, DD Joe Siegfried, VP Elect Jim Coyne and the members from Long Branch Lodge. On March 2nd, the Special Children's Committee will be hosting our annual Charity Ball honoring our Poster Child Sophie Anderson. On March 10th, our Youth Activities Chairman Rich Centanni and his Committee will be hosting our annual Youth Activities Awards Breakfast honoring our Soccer winners, Batter up winners and our Scholarship winners. These are our outstanding children of the year. On March 23rd, our Ladies Auxiliary will be having their installation of new officers. Congratulations to all new officers. I would like to thank Madame President Ginger Smith, her officers and the Ladies Auxiliary for the wonderful year working together. Thanks for all the hard work all year. On March 30th, our Drug Awareness Committee Chairman Lecturing Knight Al Smith and his committee will be hosting Days of Thunder, please come out and support the Drug Awareness Committee.

It will all be over in a couple of years so come out and volunteer.
Donald M. Anderson



ELK OF THE MONTH

MARCH 2013

This member is always working hard behind the scenes keeping our facilities safe and presentable

**My Elk of the month for March 2013 is
PEOY Jim McConnell.**

SPECIAL CHILDREN'S COMMITTEE

My Brothers and Friends,

I would like to thank Brian and Leslie Connors for donating the sauce for February's spaghetti dinner. Our next spaghetti dinner is Wednesday March 6th.

On February 10th we held our SCC Valentine's day party. There was music, treats and activities for all. I would like to thank everyone who helped out with the party and in the kitchen.

The Charity Ball is scheduled for March 2nd. Hope to see you all there to celebrate this year's poster child, Sophie Anderson.

The next party will be our SCC Easter party on Sunday March 24th. Hope to see you there.

Thank you
Nick Figaro, SCC Chairman

WANTED

**PAST CONVENTION PICTURES
FOR THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY
IN WILDWOOD
THEY WILL BE RETURNED**

**PLEASE GIVE TO
JANE OR NICK FIGARO**

FROM THE SECRETARY

Late notices have been sent out to those members who have not paid their dues in November and December. Please remit dues or contact the secretary if necessary. Renewal notices will not be mailed if you are in arrears. You will be dropped from membership.

Beginning in April, the monthly lodge bulletin will be available on line - please forward e-mail addresses to secretary and update those that have been changed. It has become increasingly expensive to mail bulletins every month because of the rising cost of permits and transportation to a bulk mailing facility. We will enact measures to mail the bulletin, first class for those without service at a small cost. We realize the monthly information sent out to the membership is the life line of the lodge and Elkdom. It must be maintained.

PROPOSITIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

Carlos P. Grine by John Fitzsimmons
Kenneth J. Smith, Jr. by John Fitzsimmons

**FISH FRY
GOOD FRIDAY
CLAMS, SHRIMP,
FISH, STEAK
5:00-8:00PM**



Middletown Elks Youth Activities Easter Party



**March 24th
11 to 1
Come one come all
Easter Egg Hunt**



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SECOND CONVENTION

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CONVENTION DATES:JUNE 6TH-JUNE 8TH

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In Memory of
Kathleen L. McCartan
Dan McCartan
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Al and Cathy Grabau
Bob and Alice Eckert
In Memory of Bob Brant
Kathleen Brant

November
In Memory of Willy Fix
Thomas F. Early
Chuck and Adrienne Bolin
Cathy Grabau

December
Steve Hoitt
In Memory of Ken Thompson
Jane Thompson
"God's Little Miracles"
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LADIES AUXILIARY Dues for 2013-2014

Membership dues for the 2013-2014 year will be accepted at the March meeting. You may also submit them by mail to either the lodge address or my address. Dues need to be paid by June meeting. Dues are still \$15.00 per year. Any questions or difficulty with payment please feel free to contact me.

Thank you,
Janet Desfosse, Corresponding Secretary

MARCH LADIES BIRTHDAYS

MARCH, WINDY, COLD , WINTRY MIX,
 ST. PATRICK'S DAY, THE WEARING OF THE GREEN AND
 THE BEST OF LUCK TO ONE AND ALL.
 3RD..TARA MERENDA
 5TH..JANET DESFOSEE, PAST PRESIDENT &
 PAST LADY OF THE YEAR
 10TH.. DORIS BERENDS
 27TH.. ELEANOR D'ANTONI.. GOLD STAR
 HAPPY BIRTHDAY MARCH LADIES!

SORRY

I am so sorry I forgot to mention. What a beautiful prayer our chaplain Cathy Grabau did at the Womens Christmas Party. Thank you Cathy.

Mary Ruck

THANK YOU

Mary and I would like to thank everyone who came out to the Ladies Steal Bingo. It was a huge success hope everyone had a good time. I want to thank Fran Corridon, Kathy and Jeff Merker, Al and Ginger, Mary and Richard who helped set up the hall. Also thanks to Don and anyone else who helped with the clean up. Special thanks to Mary Ruck, Peggy Maurice and Kathy Merker for working the table at the door. I hope everyone enjoy the coffee, tea and the cookies that Mary, Ginger, Mary and Chris donated. Hope to see you all at our next one.

Thanks again Edna and Mary



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Spotlight Lady

My Spotlight Lady for March is Nancy Brandine.

Nancy, Thank you for everything you do. You are always ready to help with everything.

"The Ladies Auxiliary thrives because of women like you".

Madame President's Message

Hello Ladies,

I hope everyone is surviving the winter. Spring is almost here. We started off February with our chili contest. Thank Janet Desfosse and Kathy Corridon it was a fun day as always. Thank you to everyone who brought in a chili or just came out to support us. Congratulations to the Exalted Ruler Gary from Old Bridge lodge for winner first place and thank you for coming to support the Ladies Auxiliary of Middletown. Second place went to Sharon McPherson and third was won by me. Nancy and Mike Brandine cooked Friday, February 15th thank you everything was great. Thank you Lisa Hahn for waitressing, thank you Al for helping in the kitchen. The ladies will be cooking again in April. Cooking class was on February 20th. Thank you Carmello for always teaching us a new recipe and putting up with us in the kitchen. LOL. No cooking class in March. As you can see the ladies have been very busy. Thank you ladies you are the best. March 23rd, we will have our installation of new officers. May 19th, we will be having our 2nd annual car show. Last year was a great day. I'm sure this year will be even better. Keep the date open come down see some beautiful cars and enjoy the day. Anyone with a car that would like to register please call me Ginger Smith or Al Smith. Anyone wishing to help that day please let me know. Thank you. Our March meeting will be on the 27th. Hope to see everyone there. I want to wish everyone a Happy Easter. Enjoy your day with family and friends.

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President Ginger Smith



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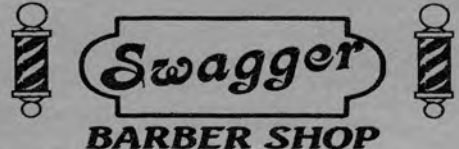
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Calendar Events For March 2013

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
					1 MENS DINNER 6:00 PM	2 RENTAL
3 V. P. ELECTION	4	5	6 SPAGHETTI DINNER 6:00 PM	7	8	9 RENTAL
10 YAC BREAKFAST	11	12	13 MCC	14 REGULAR MEETING 8:00 PM	15 LADIES DINNER 6:00 PM	16 RENTAL
17 ST. PAT'S PARTY	18	19 FOP	20 COOKING CLASS	21	22	23 LADIES INSTALLATION
24	25	26	27 LADIES AUX. MEETING 8:00 PM	28 REGULAR MEETING 8:00 PM	29 FISH FRY 5:00 - 8:00 PM	30 NASCAR
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Calendar Events For April 2013

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
	1	2	3 SPAGHETTI DINNER 6:00 PM	4	5	6 MENS INSTALLATION
7 RENTAL	8	9	10 MCC	11 REGULAR MEETING 8:00 PM	12	13
14	15	16 FOP	17 COOKING CLASS	18	19	20 RENTAL
21	22	23	24 LADIES AUX. MEETING 8:00 PM	25 REGULAR MEETING 8:00 PM	26	27 RENTAL
28	29	30				
