Brothers All,

What a busy May we had this month! We started the month with the Kentucky Derby event. Thanks to Mike Brandine for “taking the reins” this year. Lighter attendance than past years, but the jockeys had fun and rode their hearts out. On the 3rd, the District Walk Out on Drugs took place at the Keyport water front. Middletown was well represented. Thanks to Al Smith for assembling our lodge at this event. Mike Veth’s SSC crew had the monthly spaghetti dinner on the 6th. It was well attended with almost 40 dinners sold. Thanks for all who help at this event!

The Ladies Auxiliary organized a Vendor event on the 9th. This was the first time they tried an event like this, and I appreciate that, they were thinking outside the box. Hopefully we can generate more innovative ideas like this one in the future. On the 10th, we had the Mothers Day Service and Breakfast. I’d like to thank my officers for organizing a great service. The kitchen team of Donny D., Rich M., Q. John P., Big Nick, Mickey, Kevin M., and Denise G. did a fantastic job feeding all the Mothers and their families.

On the 17th we had our annual Car Show sponsored by Drug Awareness and Ladies Auxiliary. The chance of rain that day led to a lighter turnout than we saw in the past; however, those attending did a great job supporting the event. It was a big success! I can’t even list everyone who helped, but your hard work is greatly appreciated. You certainly demonstrated Teamwork that day. On the 18th, we had six Middletown students participate in the Youth Week event at town hall. Mayor Stephanie issued a proclamation declaring the week of the 18th as Middletown Youth Week, and the Township Committee members relinquished their seats for our students. It warms my heart to attend this event. It definitely demonstrates what Elkdom is all about. Thanks to the Dziadzio’s for organizing the students.

On the 25th, the officers performed the Memorial Day Service at the Lodge. This solemn service was performed with great reverence. Thanks to the officers and those who were able to attend the service. On the 29th, our lodge hosted the VP banner change. It’s great to see the South Central District flag back home. Congratulations to VP Gary on a great year, and we all look forward on supporting soon to be VP Nick for his year.

We have a full month for June coming up. The state convention will be held on the 4th through the 6th. I want to thank the committees in advance for their tireless work and dedications. It’s a monumental effort each year. I hope the weather is with us! On the 14th, we will be having our Flag Day Service at the lodge. Let’s have a great showing for this event. Not only is it a celebration of the emblem of our country, it also explains the background on how each flag evolved over time. Calling all smokers! On the 20th, The Youth Activities Committee will be having their Annual BBQ cookoff. Even if you aren’t a backyard warrior, please come and support this event. We had a great turnout last year, and I hope we exceed it this year. On the 21st, the Fathers Day Softball game will also be held. Even though our district’s slot happens on Father’s Day, I hope folks can make it up to support our State’s Special Project. Contact Mike Veth for details.

Finally, we have the YAC Batter up happening on the 27th at McMahon field. We always need help for this event, so please see Mike Brandine. Please have a safe trip down and back to Wildwood!

“The secret to success is to do common things, uncommonly well”

Respectively Yours, Brian Connors
ELECTED & APPOINTED OFFICERS 2015-2016

EXALTED RULER ........ Brian Connors ........ 732-495-5409
LEADING KNIGHT ....... Michael T. Veth ....... 732-671-0463
LOYAL KNIGHT .......... Albert Smith, PER ...... 732-804-2712
LECTURING KNIGHT ... Robert Fairhurst .......... 732-471-8819
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LODGE TREASURER . Charles J. Bolin, Jr. PDD .. 732-673-8454
ESQUIRE ............... Michael Brandine .......... 732-492-4854
CHAPLAIN ............. Winfield Vanderzee ........ 732-803-9116
INNER GUARD .......... Fred Dieckmann ........ 732-513-5686
TILER ..................... Hank Hancock .......... 732-687-5405

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FIVE YEAR TRUSTEE ... Ronald Steinberger .... 732-495-6145

HOUSE COMMITTEE

Chairman: Richard Bryk 732-546-0820
Members: Nick Giuriceo, PER • Rob Fairhurst
          Mike Veth • Buster Pollard
          Don Desfosse • Ken Massicotte, PER
          Ron Steinberger

Meet the Last Saturday of month at 12:00AM

COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

ACCIDENT PREVENTION James McConnell, PEOY .732-671-3044
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AUDITING ............. Donald Desfosse, PER ... 732-788-4840
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BLOOD BANK ............ John Plumacher .......... 732-500-6084
BULLETIN ............. John DeSlato ............... 732-829-3890
CONVENTION ........ Nick Giuriceo, PER .......... 732-915-5321
DRUG AWARENESS ...... Albert Smith ............. 732-495-4633
ELKS MEMORIAL DAY . Daniel P. Maloney, PDD .... 732-787-1622
FLAG DAY .............. Daniel P. Maloney, PDD .... 732-787-1622
FLUKE TOURNAMENT ... Richard Bryk .......... 732-546-0820
GOLF TOURNAMENT . Charles J. Bolin, Jr. PDD .. 732-787-9155
GOVERNMENT RELATIONS Donald Desfosse, PEOY.732-788-4840
HALL BOOKINGS ....... Richard Bryk .......... 732-546-0820
HOOP SHOOT .......... Michael T. Veth .......... 732-671-0463
HOUSE ................. Richard Bryk .......... 732-546-0820
HOUSE & GROUNDS . Jim McConnell, PEOY ........ 732-671-3044
INDOCTRINATION . W. Randolph Smith, PDD ... 732-787-1941
INVESTIGATION ....... Rich Jaeger ............... 732-787-1622
JUSTICE ............... W. Randolph Smith, PDD ... 732-787-1941
LAPSATION ............ Daniel P. Maloney, PDD .... 732-787-1622
LODGE ACTIVITIES . Donald Desfosse, PEOY .. 732-788-4840
LODGE PHOTOGRAPHER . Mark Kelly .......... 732-787-0207
MEDIATOR ............. John Klepach, PER, PDD, GER .732-787-7712
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NATIONAL SERVICE . John Fitzsimmons .......... 732-904-2040
OFFICERS TRAINING . Charles J. Bolin, Jr., PDD ... 732-787-9155
PARADES .............. Edward Foster ............. 732-747-7150
PUBLIC RELATIONS . Nick Figaro ............... 732-241-5131
RITUAL ............... Charles J. Bolin, PDD ...... 732-787-9155
SATURDAY CLUB ....... Richard Bryk .......... 732-546-0820
SCHOLARSHIP .......... Richard Niekrash .......... 732-671-6347
SICKNESS & DISTRESS . Mark Kelly .......... 732-787-0207
SOCIAL & COMMUNITY Robert Fairhurst.732-977-7216
SPECIAL CHILDREN . Michael T. Veth ........... 732-671-0463
TRACK DAY ............ Donald Anderson, PER ...... 732-915-2371
YOUTH ACTIVITIES ... Mike Brandine .......... 732-492-4854
ELK OF THE MONTH
JUNE 2015

My Elk of the Month for June is Andy Howard.

This guy throws his hat in the ring whenever we have a function or repair at the lodge.
Thanks for all your efforts.

SPECIAL CHILDREN'S COMMITTEE

On May 6th, the SCC Committee held another successful specialty dinner of Baked Rollatini serving 37 dinners. I would like to give special thanks to Mary and Rich Bryk and for cooking and donating the specialty dinner as well as donating the meatballs and the spaghetti sauce. Also thanks to Don Desfosse and his kitchen crew for another great job. I would like to thank Janet Desfosse and Kathy Corridon for waitressing.

Our next party will be held on June 28th, a day at the boardwalk at Keansburg amusement park. The party will begin at 12:00pm.
There will be no Spaghetti Dinner in June or July.
Thank You Mike Veth SCC Chairman

GET READY
Our Annual Father's Day Softball Game to Remember Our Absent Brother Softball Players

Get Your Glove and Spikes Ready at 10 am - Chanceville Park

Come Out and Enjoy Watching Your Favorite Ball Players.

Kitchen Open
Friday, Saturday, Sunday
12:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Buffalo Chicken
Chicken Tenders
Cheesesteak
Italian Hotdog
Flounder
Bar Pie and more

PLEASE UPDATE YOUR SPONSORSHIP OR BULLETIN AD IF YOU ARE IN ARREARS. THEY WILL ALL BE UPDATED IN JULY BULLETIN.

THANK YOU
CAR SHOW (THANK YOU)

The car show was held on May 17th and with the help of so many of you again it was a success. We have to start getting things together in March and kept it going right up to the show, but none of this can happen without your help. So, I want to thank the Ladies Auxiliary, we share this event with them and to see so many of you step in and do much is amazing. Thanks to Rich Marenda who showed up at 7:30 am along with members of the MCC to help bring out and set up our tables, chairs, money wheel and anything else that needed to be done, then came back again later to help again. Thanks to John Steakin who was our MC for the show. Thank you to Nick Figaro for keeping the music going all day. Thank you to Vinny D’Acunzi, Rob Fairhurst and Ron Steinberger for cooking all that food all day. And again thanks to Wayne White for setting up the tent for food. Thank you to all of you that helped or came out and supported the event. And a big thank you to Ginger Smith for helping me run this event.

Al Smith, PER

RAFFLE FOR
2015 CHEVY CRUZ

$50.00 PER TICKET
(ONLY 600 TICKETS SOLD)

ANY QUESTIONS CONTACT
BARRY 732-645-6070
OR CHARLIE 732-895-9947

ALL PROCEEDS
GO TO THE
SPECIAL CHILDREN

FROM THE SECRETARY

Dues notices have been mailed to all our members and are due by April 1st, when the new key cards will become effective.

The lodge bulletin is available online at middletownelks2179.org or can be obtained at the lodge after the 3rd of the month. Please notify Secretary if your e-mail has changed.

We have many activities planned for this upcoming year. Please visit the lodge and partake in the camaraderie and events as we promote our great order. Thank you for your continuous support.

Fraternally, Dan Maloney
COME DOWN AND ENJOY ELKS HONORING FLAG DAY

Flag Day will take place on the lodge grounds, Sunday, June 14th at 11:00 AM.

It will be followed by a Luncheon provided by the Ladies Auxiliary.

For further information call Dan Maloney at 732-915-9351.

Elks and Patriotism

The Order of Elks is committed to promoting the patriotic principles of individual freedom, opportunity, and dignity. In 1907, Elks members adopted a resolution which designated June 14 as Flag Day. In 1911, the Grand Lodge mandated that all local Lodges observe Flag Day with appropriate ceremonies, making the Elks the first national fraternal organization to require the observance of Flag Day. On August 3, 1949, President Harry S. Truman, himself an Elks member, designated June 14 as Flag Day by signing an act of Congress.

Freedom Is Not Free

BY 1988 AIR FORCE JUNIOR ROTC CADET MAJOR KELLY STRONG

I watched a flag pass by one day. It fluttered in the breeze. A young marine saluted it, and then he stood at ease.

I looked at him in uniform, so young, so tall, so proud. With hair cut square and eyes alert, He'd stand out in any crowd.

I thought how many men like him had fallen through the years. How many died on foreign soil, How many mothers' tears?

How many pilots' planes shot down? How many died at sea? How many died on foreign soil?

No, FREEDOM IS NOT FREE!

I heard the sound of taps one night When everything was still. I listened to the bugler play and felt a sudden chill.

I wondered just how many times That taps had meant, "Amen!" When a flag had draped a coffin of a relative or friend.

I thought of all the children, of the mothers and the wives, Of fathers, sons and husbands, with interrupted lives.

I thought about a graveyard at the bottom of the sea, Of unmarked graves in Arlington. No! FREEDOM IS NOT FREE!

The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks is a proud member of the Citizens Flag Alliance which supports legislation prohibiting physical desecration of the Flag of the United States.
It's All Good!

Youth Activities BBQ Cookoff
June 20, 2015
Enter Chicken, Ribs or Pulled Pork
Come Join The Fun, Food and Music

Mike Brandine - 732-492-4854

Middletown Elks Lodge #2179

Run For The Kids
Poker Run
Proceeds to Benefit Special Children

Sunday, August 2, 2015
Registration: 9:00 am - 11:00 am
$20 per Rider / $10 per Passenger
Contact: Mike Veth 732-671-0463 or Nick Figaro 732-241-5131
Middletown Elks
Annual Golf Outing
Friday August 28th
Pebble Creek Golf Course

Maximum of 60 Golfers
7 am Breakfast
8 am Shotgun Start
$125.00 per person
Includes Breakfast, Giveaways, Prizes, & Lunch to be served at Course approx 1 PM

Menu
Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, London Broil and Chicken
All registered golfers require a $50.00 deposit at time of sign up and must be paid in full 2 weeks prior to outing.

For Info Call
Fran Corridon 732-978-0886
Rick Centanni 732-673-0417

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The Ladies Auxiliary Middletown Elks #2179

“Steal Bingo”

Sunday, July 12, 2015

Doors Open at Noon - Starting Time 1:00 PM

Middletown Elks #2179, 251 Church Street, Belford, NJ

Admission: $10.00 and $10.00 Wrapped Gift
Includes 1 Bingo Board and 1 50/50 Special
Free Coffee, Tea, Desserts and Door Prizes

For tickets or to Reserve Tables
Call Edna Bryk 732-787-4780 or Mary Bryk 732-546-0819
CAR SHOW
I would like to thank everyone who came and helped at the car show. A big thank you to everyone who sponsored a trophy. I would like to thank the F.O.P. for always supporting us. We had a good turn out and great weather. I can't thank Vinny, Ron and Rob enough for cooking all day. You guys are the best. Nick Figaro, thank you for playing music all day. It was greatly appreciated. A special thank you to Ginger Rooney and Cathy Merker for donating baskets for the raffle table. Nancy Brandine, thanks for all your help. A big thank you to the MC for coming out at 7:30 am to help set up and for coming back to support us all day. You guys are great. This day wouldn't workout without everyone's help. Thanks Al Smith for helping get everything done from March to May another great day. Thank you everyone.
Ginger Smith, Ladies Auxiliary

JUNE LADIES BIRTHDAYS
8TH, CASSANDRA DEMPSEY
9TH, JOYCE DOLLINGER
10TH, BARBARA BRYK
19TH, GINGER SMITH
21ST, DOROTHY NESFIELD
23RD, ROSEMARY KEENEY
25TH, MARY KLEPACK
26TH, FRAN DUFFY
27TH, LESLIE CONNORS
29TH, NANCY BRANDINE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL OUR JUNE LADIES!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!
Please Send Bulletin Info On or Before June 25th and July 23rd

LADIES AUXILIARY
WOMEN OF THE YEAR
HONORING MARY BRYK

SATURDAY, AUGUST 1ST
7:00PM - 11:00PM

DINNER - OPEN BAR - MUSIC
$30.00 PER PERSON

PLEASE CONTACT:
CAROL GOODBODY
732-495-9693

AUXILIARY MEMBERS
Please remit your dues for 2015-2016. $15.00 If you have questions, please feel free to call me. 732-788-4839.
Thank you,
Janet Desfosse, Corresponding Secretary
**Ladies Auxiliary Officers 2014-2015**

President ............... Carol Goodbody ... 732-495-9693
1st V.P. ............... Lisa Hahn ........ 732-495-4194
2nd V.P. ............... Melissa Vanderzee .... 732-322-7369
Chaplain ............... Kay Woods .......... 732-495-2953
Treasurer .............. Adrianne Bolin .... 732-787-9155
Secretary ............. Chris Marchetti .... 732-872-1189
Corresponding Sec. . Janet Desfosse .... 732-788-4839

Executive Board
Adrienne Snow ............ 732-291-0695
Ginger Smith ............. 732-495-4693
Kathy Corridon .......... 732-495-3689
Carol Maloney ............ 732-787-1622
Cathy Grabau ............ 732-739-2933

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Book .................. Barbara DeSiato .... 732-822-7490
Calendar Picks ........... Adrienne Snow .... 732-291-0695
Car Show ............... Ginger Smith ....... 732-495-4693
Chairlady Raffle ........... Liz Revill ........ 732-671-1704
Christmas Party .......... Janet Desfosse .... 732-788-4839
Christmas Trees .......... Kay Woods ......... 732-495-2953
Christmas Trees ........... Edna Bryk ....... 732-787-4780
Cooking Class ............ Donna Smith ....... 732-787-1941
Convention Shirts ...... Kathy Corridon .... 732-495-3689
Dark Horse ............. Sharon MacPherson 732-787-7477
Fashion Show/Social .. Kay Woods ........ 732-495-2953
Fashion Show/Social .. Cathy Grabau .... 732-739-2933
Friday Night Dinners .. Janet Desfosse .... 732-788-4839
Gift Auction ............ Ginger Rooney .... 732-500-8329
Gift Auction ............ Cathy Merker ....... 732-495-6654
Holiday Picks ............. Cathy Merker ....... 732-495-6654
Hospitality .............. Edna Bryk ....... 732-787-4780
Hospitality .............. Joan Burger ....... 732-789-9350
Membership ............. Ginger Smith ....... 732-495-4693
Past President Dinner . Carol Goodbody .... 732-495-9693
Past President Dinner . Colleen Kelly .... 732-787-7929
Phone Committee ...... Cathy Grabau ....... 732-739-2933
Pins .................. Casey Demsey ......... 732-495-0678
Plaques ............... Cathy Grabau ....... 732-739-2933
Repast ................ Fran Duffy ........... 732-787-3330
Scholarship .......... Martha Niekrash .... 732-671-6347
Steal Bingo ............. Edna Bryk ....... 732-787-4780
Steal Bingo ............. Mary Bryk ......... 732-280-9071
Sunshine ............... Chris Marchetti .... 732-872-1189
Waitresses ............. Kathy Corridon .... 732-495-3689

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**Spotlight Lady**

**My Spotlight Lady for June is Ginger Smith.**

Ginger has been a huge asset not to the Auxiliary but to me especially. She has gone above and beyond to help me prepare for my year and has done a tremendous job with the Car Show year after year. I don’t know where I would have been without her. Thanks Ginger for everything. I truly appreciate everything you do.

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**Madame President’s Message**

Hello Ladies,

I hope all the mom’s had a wonderful Mother’s Day.

I would like to thank Ginger Smith for running the Past President’s luncheon for Carol Goodbody. It was a fun afternoon for all who came out. Piero’s once again did an outstanding job. Carol you had an incredible year and I hope you enjoyed your special day.

The car show was a great success once again. Ginger Smith thank you for running the car show committee you did a wonderful job. Thank you to all the ladies and everyone who came out and helped work and support this event.

Our Friday night dinner was held on May 15, 2015 and it was a huge success. Thank you to all who came out and supported the Auxiliary. Our next dinner will be on Friday, June 19, 2015.

Our next Cooking class will be held on Wednesday, June 17, please come out for a night of fun and good times.

Ladies, the next meeting is on Wednesday, June 24, 2015.

Steel Bingo will be on July 12, 2015, contact Edna Bryk or Mary Bryk for tickets. This is a fun day had by everyone. Tell your friends.

Thank you for all your support and dedication for this auxiliary.

Lisa Hahn

President of Ladies Auxiliary
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