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November 2015

THE MONTHLY NEWS BULLETIN OF THE MIDDLETOWN B.P.O. ELKS LODGE 2179
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Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of U.S.A. A Fraternal Organization EXALTED RULER'S MESSAGE

Brothers All,

We're now in full swing for the fall months, and certainly enjoying the fair weather we have had so far. Winter is knocking at our door. The lodge had a full month for October. On the 3rd, Middletown hosted VP Nick's Homecoming. All lodges were in attendance, and a good time was had by all. It's good to see the VP banner back in Middletown. Congratulations, Nick, and we hope you have a successful year! On the 9th, the PER's had their annual Steak and Lobster dinner. It was well received, and no one left with an empty stomach. Thanks to the PER's and kitchen crew for your help. The Jamesburg lodge hosted the DD homecoming on October 10th. Middletown was well represented and all present had a great time. Good luck DD Mike with the rest of your year! Middletown hosted the monthly South Central District meeting on the 20th. There was a great turnout and much valuable information was dispensed to all of the lodges. On the 24th, our Lodge hosted the District Flag Retirement ceremony. The officers did a great job performing the service. Many lodges were in attendance and the rain held off. Thanks to District Chair Kelly, State Chair Eileen, and VP Nick for attending and participating. A special thanks to John Urbine and Belford Fire Company for providing your services during this event. That same evening we hosted South Central District's first Road to Grand Exalted Ruler fundraising event for Special Deputy GER Malcom McPherson. The food was great and we had all



**Brian Connors
Exalted Ruler**

lodges represented. It was great to meet your whole family, Malcom. I look forward to the next event. That next day was a full one. The YAC committee had our annual soccer shoot. Five children made it through to compete in the District shoot at Old Bridge. Thanks to Mike Brandine and Tom Cribben for help setting up the goals and scoring. That afternoon we had the YAC and SCC Halloween parties. All the kids had a great time. I think this was the most attendance I've seen for the SCC party. The pumpkin patch was almost bare at the end.

Thanks to all who lent a hand for both events. The Motorcycle Committee had their annual Halloween party. It was a light turnout this year, but everyone who attended had a good time. Hopefully, we can have three times the crowd next year.

November has a fair amount of events as well. On the 4th, the SCC will be having their monthly Spaghetti Dinner. Please come out and support Mike Veth's team. NJ State Elks will be having their annual Mid-Winter conference in Long Branch on the 13th and 14th. I look forward to representing our lodge at this event. I think our District is well prepared for the skit. Hope we take home another plaque! On the 21st, Middletown Helps Its Own will be having their annual food basket delivery to our local community. Please come out and lend a hand. On the 22nd, Mike Veth and his team will be hosting the annual Lodge Hoop Shoot. Spread the word if you know any kids who would like to participate.

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ELK OF THE MONTH NOVEMBER 2015

My Elk of the Month for November is
John Plumacher.

John has done a great job helping out not only in the kitchen, but lending a helping hand during lodge events and services. Thanks for all of your support, John.

LODGE OF SORROW Secundo Skeets Rufo

A dedicated member who will always be with us at the sacred hour of eleven when the souls of the living and the dead meet in spiritual reunion; when the bonds of living friends are drawn close and the memory of the absent and departed is pledged in love and friendship.

To Our Absent Brothers

PROPOSITIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

David Bennett by Richard Bryk

Michael Marz by Mike Roche

Robert Wyman by Domonick Robbolino

James Pugliese by Barry Graham

Initiation for candidates will take place on Sunday, December 6th.

On October 9th, the PERs had their lobster and steak dinner. We had a very good turn out and I want to thank everyone for coming to support it. I would also like to thank everyone who helped in anyway to make this event so successful. Thank you to PER Ken Massicottee, PER Dan Maloney, PER Nick Figaro, Don Desfosse, PEOY, PER Chuck Bolin, PER Nick Giuriceo, Mike Brandine and Rich Bryk and our waitresses Ginger Smith, Kathy Corridon, Christine Bryk and Mary Bryk. Again thank you all for the support.

PER Al Smith

EXALTED RULER'S MESSAGE

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Right after the Hoop Shoot, the SCC will be having their annual Thanksgiving dinner. The Pre-Thanksgiving dinner will be hosted at our lodge by the House Committee and Ladies Auxiliary. Please come out and get your turkey on! On another note, we will be switching to a bimonthly Bulletin beginning in January with a three month calendar of events. This was voted by the membership our last meeting. If you wish to receive a Bulletin via e-mail, please contact VP Nick Figaro.

Leslie and I wish everyone a happy, healthy, and safe Thanksgiving.

"The secret of success is to do common things, uncommonly well."

Respectfully Yours, Brian Connors

SPECIAL CHILDREN'S COMMITTEE

The Special Children's Committee held a Spaghetti Dinner on Wednesday, October 7th and it was a huge success serving 38 dinners. The specialty dinner was Chicken Parm and all enjoyed. Also thank you to the kitchen crew of Don Desfosse and John Urbine. You guys did a great job again. Thank you to Jean Robbolino and Kathy Corridon for waitressing. The next Spaghetti Dinner will be Ravioli Parm. Our next party of the year will be the Thanksgiving party to be held on Sunday, November 22nd from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm. On Sunday, October 25th, the SCC committee held our annual Halloween party which was a great success with 90 people in attendance and I would like to thank those who helped out including Exalted Ruler Brian Connors, Past Ladies President Ginger Smith and PER Al Smith, Tom Cribbin, Jen Bumbico and her girls, helping serve. Also Edna Bryk, Fran Duffy and Jane Thompson. I would like to thank the kitchen crew of Don Desfosse and John Plumacher. Also our photographer Neil Glazebrook. Special thank you to Diane Foster, Ginger Rooney, and Jean Robbolino for donating the cupcakes as well as Big Bill Parulis, his son Billy and Poppa Mike for helping pick up and drop off the pumpkins. Thank you everyone.

Mike Veth, SCC Chairman



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Dan McCartan
Ed and Mary Tomkins
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

In Memory of Ken Thompson
Jane Thompson
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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 on line at middletown elks2179.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



HOOP SHOOT FREE THROW CONTEST 2015-2016

Middletown Elks will be hosting our hoop shoot contest to be held on Sunday, November 22nd at Croydon Hall.

Sign ups will begin at 8:00am with competition starting at 9:00am.

The hoop shoot contest is open to boys and girls from ages 8 to 13.

For further information contact Mike Veth
732-671-0463



Youth Activities Committee Fundraiser

Tailgate Party



Sunday, November 15
1:00 - 6:00pm

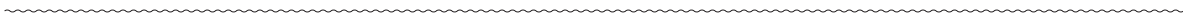
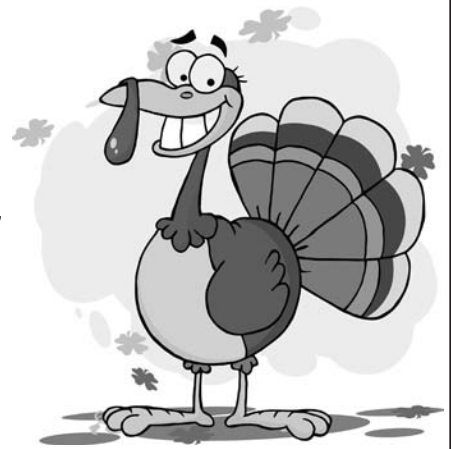
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SCC COMMITTEE UPCOMING PARTIES

Thanksgiving Party
Sunday, November 22
2:00 pm to 4:00 pm



Christmas Party
Sunday, December 20
2:00 pm to 4:00 pm





**ELK OF THE YEAR DINNER
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Saturday, November 28th
7:00 - 11:00pm

\$30.00 per person
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**LADIES
AUXILIARY
GIFT AUCTION**

**Saturday
November 7th
6:00pm - ?**

Donation \$10.00

**NOVEMBER
LADIES BIRTHDAYS**

- 4TH, ISABELLA BERTH, GOLD STAR
 - 11TH, DEBRA PAULE, GOLD STAR,
PAST LADY OF THE YEAR
 - 12TH, KELLY KENNY
 - 15TH, CATHY GRABAU, GOLD STAR, PAST PRESIDENT,
PAST LADY OF THE YEAR
 - 19TH, DEBRA GERALDI
 - 22ND, EVELYN POLLARD, GOLD STAR
 - 22ND, TINA WHELAN
 - 25TH, SHARON EMMONS, GOLD STAR,
PAST PRESIDENT, PAST LADY OF THE YEAR
- HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL OF
OUR NOVEMBER BIRTHDAY!

AUXILIARY MEMBERS

Please remit your dues for 2015-2016.
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call me. 732-788-4839.

Thank you,
Janet Desfosse, Corresponding Secretary



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Friday, Saturday,
Sunday**

12:00 pm - 8:00 pm

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- Chicken Tenders**
- Cheesesteak**
- Italian Hotdog**
- Flounder**

Bar Pie and more



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8	9	10	11 MCC	12 REGULAR MEETING 8:00PM	13	14 RENTAL
15	16	17	18 LADIES AUXILIARY MEETING 8:00PM	19 PER MEETING	20	21 MHIO 8:00AM
22 HOOP SHOOT 8:00AM YAC & SCC THANKSGIVING PARTIES	23	24	25	26 HAPPY THANKSGIVING NO MEETING	27	28 ELK OF YEAR TESTIMONIAL 7:00PM
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6 CLASS 10:00 AM MEMORIAL SERVICE NOON	7	8	9 MCC	10 REGULAR MEETING 8:00PM	11	12
13	14	15	16	17 PER MEETING	18	19 MIDDLETOWN HELPS ITS OWN
20	21	22	23	24 NO MEETING	25 CHRISTMAS DAY	26
27	28	29	30	31 NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY		
