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EXALTED RULER'S MESSAGE

Brothers All,

It's hard to believe we've already wrapped up the first month of 2018. I hope everyone is off to a healthy and productive beginning of the year. January was a little light with events with everyone just finishing up their holidays, but we did have a few successful ones to mention.

Thanks to Rich Centanni, Don Anderson, and all of those who helped coordinate our New Years Eve Party. The decorations looked awesome, food and music were great! I personally enjoyed the festivities as did everyone else who attended. It was a great way to bring in the New Year! Thank you to everyone that came out for the Blood Drive. And a special thanks to John Plumacher for running the event. Congratulations again to Don DesFosse, 2017 Elk of the Year. We celebrated with him at Jamesburg for the Elk of the Year Dinner. Don has done so much for our Lodge, it was nice to have a night that was just for him. He deserves it! The Ladies Auxiliary held their steal bingo which was another success for them. The room was full and I hear that it was a fun time for everyone. Ladies, as always, thank you for everything you do. And a thank you to our community who came out to support them!

On Friday, February 2nd our PER Association will be having a Cheeseburgers in Paradise Dinner, with



Robert Fairhurst
Exalted Ruler

Chef Mike Parulis, Jr. doing the cooking. We'll have our Super Bowl Party on February 4th. Come on down and have some fun watching the big game. See Fran Corridon for details. February 18th at 9am is another incoming class of new members. As always, all are invited to attend and welcome them. On February 24th, Middletown will be performing in the State Ritual Contest at Long Branch Elks at 9am.

Please come out and support our Officers. They've worked very hard and I truly appreciate all they've done for both myself and the Lodge.

Dues are Due! Reminder that as I'm typing this, dues notices are going out. Dues are due by April 1st!

Keep on the lookout for Convention Sign-ups! It's a guaranteed good time, so consider coming on down for the weekend!

Our Annual Charity Ball is coming up on Friday, March 9th. This is an event not worth missing if you haven't had the opportunity to attend. See Tom Cribbin for details.

"The Best Things in Life Aren't Things"

God Bless America and God Bless the Elks.

Yours in Brotherhood,
Robert Fairhurst





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- Chairman: Rich Centanni, PEOY
732-495-0110
- Members: Bob Foster, Kevin Brittain,
Vinnie D'Acunzi, Al Smith, PER
Nick Giuriceo, PER, Don Desfosse

Meet the Last Saturday of month at 12:00PM

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- ACCIDENT PREVENTION Donald Desfosse, PEOY . . 732-788-4840
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ELK OF THE MONTH FEBRUARY 2018

My Elk of the Month is Mike Quilty.
Thank you Mike for stepping up and taking
charge of the Veterans Committee. And of
course thank you for all the other things you
do for the Lodge. You are appreciated!



**IF YOU HAVE A WHEELCHAIR
AND DON'T NEED IT
ANYMORE. PLEASE RETURN.**

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**Friday, Saturday,
Sunday**

12:00 pm - 8:00 pm

**Buffalo Chicken,
Chicken Tenders,
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FIRST SIGNING FOR THE CONVENTION



**SUNDAY,
FEBRUARY 11
1:00 - 3:00 PM**

NO PRICE INCREASE

**SIGN-UP AND
COME DOWN
AND JOIN US IN
WILDWOOD!**

**ST. PATRICK'S DAY
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ENTERTAINMENT**



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April

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Mary Ruck

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In Memory of Lou & Kay Dandorh

Bill and Joan Burger

Edna Bryk

In Memory of Ray Bryk

May

Joan McTigue

Jim and Pat Waked

Mary and Richard Bryk

Nicholas and Donna DiGrigorio

June

In Memory of

Dan Marchetti

Dan and Carol Maloney

In Memory of Robert J. Brant

July

Chris Marchetti

Red, White, & Blue

Mike and Nancy Brandine, Jr.

August

In Memory of Jack Spann

Joe and Rosemary Keeney

John and Kathy Steakin

Ed and Lynn O'Kane

September

In Memory of Mary Brant

Frank and Dianne Zechman

October

In Memory of PER John McTigue

In Memory of

Kathleen L. McCartan

Dan McCartan

Al and Cathy Grabau

Bob and Alice Eckert

In Memory of Bob Brant

Kathleen Brant

November

In Memory of Willy Fix

Chuck and Adrienne Bolin

Cathy Grabau

December

In Memory of Ken Thompson

Jane Thompson

"God's Little Miracles"

Coach Saige

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MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY

Please send us the amount of \$75.50 which are due on April 1, 2018.

If you have not already mailed it to us, please do so today. You can go online to our lodge website and pay with a major credit/debit card right away at www.middletownelks2179.org. That's fast and convenient and just takes a minute or two.

Please feel free to call me at 732-670-1775 or email me at hahnpvp@gmail.com with any questions or concerns.

Fraternally,

Edward Hahn, Lodge Secretary

THANK YOU

We would like to express our heartfelt thanks to the members of Middletown FOP Lodge #53 for their generous donation of 12 new wheelchairs. This extremely charitable act will benefit the members of our Lodge and the community. We appreciate the continued support FOP Lodge #535 has given us. Again, our sincere thanks and gratitude to Middletown FOP Lodge #53.

FEBRUARY LADIES BIRTHDAYS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL OF OUR FEBRUARY LADIES.

DON'T BE HIT BY CUPID'S ARROW. EAT CHOCOLATE.

5TH, MARIANNE WIDMAIER

10TH, LINDA BRAZAUCKAS, GOLD STAR

12TH, CATHERINE WILLIAMS

17TH, JO FIX, GOLD STAR

20TH, DONNA FETTE

27TH, SHARON CORRIDON

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FEBRUARY LADIES

AUXILIARY MEMBERS

Please remit your dues for 2018-2019. \$15.00 If you have questions, please feel free to call me. 732-788-4839. Thank you, Janet Desfosse, Corresponding Secretary

SUNSHINE CHAIRLADY MESSAGE

Any Member Ill....or in the Hospital....Please contact Chris at 732-872-1189 to receive flowers or get well message...Thanks Chris

HALL RENTALS

Contact Al Smith 732-804-2712 for Information



**Middletown Elks
Annual Charity Ball**

Friday, March 9th, 2018

Gramercy Hall

Honoring Our Ambassador

Caleigh Brennan

Cocktail Hour 7-8

Accolades & Dinner 8-12

\$75.00 Per Person

For More Information Call

Tom Cribbin 347-451-7913



Ladies Auxiliary Officers 2017-2018

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Nancy Brandine	732-492-3893
Kay Woods	732-495-2953
Kathy Corridon	732-495-3689
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Chairlady Raffle	Chris Marchetti	732-872-1189
Christmas Party	Kay Woods	732-495-4693
Christmas Party	Chris Marchetti	732-872-1189
Christmas Tree	Edna Bryk	732-787-7477
Christmas Tree	Nancy Brandine	732-492-3893
Christmas Tree	Kay Woods	732-495-2953
Convention Shirts	Kathy Corridon	732-495-3689
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Hospitality	Chris Marchetti	732-872-1189
Hospitality	Cathy Grabau	732-739-2933
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Past President Dinner	Kay Woods	732-495-2953
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Phone Committee	Dottie Nesfield	732-787-7732
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Plaques	Cathy Grabau	732-739-2933
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Sip and Paint (Wine Glasses)	Tara Miranda	732-787-8753
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Steal Bingo	Mary Bryk	732-280-9071
Sunshine	Chris Marchetti	732-872-1189
Tailgates	Ginger Smith	732-495-4693
Tailgates	Kathy Corridon	732-495-3689
Wednesday Winner's Raffle	Nancy Brandine	732-492-3893



Spotlight Ladies

**My Spotlight Ladies for February
are Mary and Edna Bryk.**

These women have helped me
tremendously over the years. They
never say no and continue to offer their
assistance in everything that the
Auxiliary runs. Congratulations on a well
deserved honor.

Madame President's Message

Hello Ladies,

Hello Everyone!!! Well I have to say this and might take some heat but I am so excited that the Philadelphia Eagles are in the Super Bowl!!!

Let me start this message as my year is slowly winding down to say thank you to each and every member who has helped bring this auxiliary back to life. I have been a member now for over 28 years and I have to say that what I personally have witnessed this year has been truly amazing. We have a whole new group of officers who have come together helping each other. We have a strong auxiliary that has not given up and still continues to help the people in our surrounding community.

This month has been slow as we all wind down from the holidays. Mary and Edna Bryk did a great job with the Steal Bingo. The room was packed and the ladies and gentlemen really seemed to enjoy themselves. I appreciate what Edna and Mary do to get the people to come out and support this function. From the telephone calls to putting the tables up and seating everyone where they can. This is a fun filled day that is run twice a year. Hopefully more of our members will participate in this going forward.

The next function we will be running will be the Paint and Sip that is being chaired by Tara Miranda and will take place on Wednesday, March 14, 2018. The cost is \$40.00 per person and you will have your choice of four designs to paint on the board.

Our next meeting will be Wednesday, February 28, 2018.

Hope to see all of you at a meeting and a function. Please join us in making this year successful one for all of us.

Lisa Hahn, President



MIDDLETOWN ELKS BENEFIT

**For Dominick Robbolino to help with
his medical bills and recovery**

**Friday, March 23rd 6:30PM – 11:00PM
at the Middletown Elks**

Please come out for a fun night \$10.00 admission The Clam Diggers will be performing from 7:00PM – 11:00PM . We will have a gift auction, hamburgers, hot dogs, and chicken fingers for purchase.



If you have any questions please reach out to
Betty Anghelone at 732-241-0222

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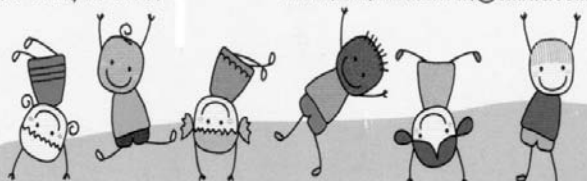
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				1 PER MEETING	2	3
4	5 DARTS	6 CORNHOLE	7 SPAGHETTI DINNER	8 REGULAR MEETING	9	10
11	12 DARTS	13 CORNHOLE	14 MCC MEETING	15 PER MEETING	16	17
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