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## **Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of U.S.A. A Fraternal Organization**

# **EXALTED RULER'S MESSAGE**

Greetings All,

Well one more Bulletin and my last one for my year. I know I said this last month, but I was told to do this one more time. Last night was the Installation of new officers for 2023-2024. Good luck to our new (again) ER Don and his team of Officer. You have my support and help for the upcoming year 100%. I want to thank my Officers for all the time and service they gave to the Lodge to make this the Best Lodge in Elkdom. Thanks Fran, Don, Al, Tom, John, Mike, Dave, Ed, Mike, Rob, Mike, Kevin, Rich, and Ron. Awards also were presented last night to outstanding Elks for 2022-2023. Dennis McInnes, Elk of the Year, Rich Miranda, Officer of the Year, Tom Cribbin, Chairman of the Year. Ginger Smith Citizen of the Year, Grand Lodge Award went to Danny Maloney and Kevin Brittain. Thank you for your service to the Lodge and your constant support and help this past year.

The Ladies Auxiliary also had their Installation of Officers best of luck and success to Ginger Smith and her team of officers. The Ladies are the backbone of the Lodge. Thank you for your generous donation to the Lodge. The Charity Ball



**Rich Jaeger  
Exalted Ruler**

was another Great success, thanks again Tom. You and your committee did a wonderful job making this a premier event for our Lodge. I spoke to our Ambassador Wayne Morris and his family, they were such a wonderful family. Thank you for letting us honor you at our event.

Last month was another fun filled month at the Lodge. Thank you SCC Pasta night went over big time again thank you Tom, Kitchen staff and wait staff and guest Chef Alicia (yummy pasta). Sorry, I missed out on the Saint Paddy day feast and dinner, had a family wedding, thanks Fran for running it again, a great Irishman and Bill Gerardi for cooking. Don't forget Convention sign up April 22nd. Kentucky Derby day May 6th at 3:00pm. This is a fun day for all bring some kids we need jockeys and don't forget your cash!

In closing, I cannot thank everyone enough for your help and assistance in making this lodge great. Thank you Jane Figaro, Lisa Hahn. Tisa, Tara, Kathy, Janet, Michelle, John Martinez and anyone else I failed to mention THANK YOU. I hope I did a good job for you.

Rich Jaeger, PER





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Meet the Last Saturday of month at 12:00PM



# ELK OF THE MONTH

APRIL 2023

My Elk of the Month is  
Don Anderson.

For all the hard work  
you do for your Lodge.

#getyourelkon



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## CONVENTION SIGN-UP

**SATURDAY, APRIL 22, 2023**

**1:00 - 3:00 PM**

### CONVENTION DATES

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**PARADE - \$50**



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Special: Penne Vodka

**April 5th, 2023**  
Special: Buffalo Chicken Penne

**Menu:**  
\$10 Spaghetti with Meatballs or Sausage  
\$12 Monthly Special

All meals come with Salad, Bread, and Dessert




# TRUSTEE'S MEETING

**3rd Thursday of the month @ 6:30 PM**

**Please have vouchers and all other business for our review submitted to the Trustee's mailbox prior to this time.**



# IT'S A GOOD FRIDAY FOR A FISH FRY FRIDAY APRIL 7<sup>TH</sup> @ 6 PM

Fresh Cornmeal coated Cod w/fries – mkt price

Shrimp Cocktail – mkt price

Chicken Nuggets w/ fries - \$8

(\$1 up charge on all to-go orders)



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# Kentucky Derby

**Saturday, May 6th, 2023**

**3:00 PM**

Presented by the Ladies Auxiliary

Prize for Best Hat!

Food For Purchase



Come out and enjoy a fun day  
Middletown Style!

For Questions, contact Ginger Smith 908-513-4406





# Spotlight Lady

My Spotlight Lady for April is  
Cathy Grabau.

Cathy, you are an icon  
of the Auxiliary . You continue to  
teach us through the years.  
We love and appreciate you always.

## Ladies Auxiliary Officers 2023-2024

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- Treasurer .....Tara Miranda .....347-512-8724
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- Tisa Dziadzio .....732-693-5678
- Lisa Hahn.....732-757-2981

## LADIES AUXILIARY UPCOMING EVENTS

- April 7.....Fish Fry
- April 9.....Easter
- April 26.....Ladies Auxiliary Meeting



# Madame President's Message

Happy Spring warm weather is coming our way. Charity ball was such a fun night so nice to see everyone all dressed up. I was honored to give Wayne Morris a check from the Ladies Auxiliary. This is why we work so hard to help others in need and put smiles on their faces. Thank you ladies for all the time and energy you give to the Auxiliary. The ladies and I would like to thank everyone who came out supported and donated this year. We really appreciate it. With all of us working together we had a great year. Fun times, laughs, so lets get together and make this year even better.

Congratulations PER Rich Jaeger and all your officers. Congratulations Donald Anderson and your team of officers. The ladies auxiliary is looking forward to working with you all this year. Saint Patrick's Day was a fun filled day - good food, good friends and green was the color. I even think DD Mike Dickie had a few laughs. LOL. It takes a lot of people to keep the Elks and Auxiliary running so if I forgot anyone this year just know I truly appreciate all of you. I want to congratulate all my officers, you ladies are the best. My auxiliary member of the year is Kathy Corridon, you have been by my side from day one 17 years ago. You might be on Kathy time LOL but you are always there to help. Love you lady. My officer of the year WOW Janet Desfosse when I asked you stay on and please help me well I can't print what you said lol shhhhh but I seriously can not thank you enough for everything you do for me and the Auxiliary. Congratulations my friend. {Oh and she is staying to help me again} lol love you lady. Now my women of the year. This lady has been here for years she learned from the best her nanny, Jane Thompson. She took on stuff and made it a success she was president twice. So to say she deserves to be women of the year is an understatement. Congratulations Tisa Dziadzio. Lets make this year great. You ladies really shine and never said no to anything I asked. You are all very important to the Auxiliary. Thank Betty and your committee for doing the audit and keeping our books in order. This year as president I was very busy and had so much fun doing everything and meeting new people. I'm honored to be the president again this year. Now on to fun stuff coming up.

First out of the gate is the KENTUCKY Derby May 6th. Get your hats on its coming back - The Bonnet Contest . Who can be in it . LADIES, MEN, KIDS bring it on. Derby Middletown style bonnet contest, food for purchase, fun and friends hope to see you all. ER Don Anderson and his team will do a beautiful Mother's Day service with breakfast to purchase - Moms Eat Free. Kathy Corridon and I have been having breakfast together for years if you like to join us you are more than welcome. Arlene Zaborney joined us last year as we did a toast of OJ to Jane Thompson, First Mother's day in heaven. XO Last year my quote at the end of my letter was {Working together we can do great things} this year. I'm going to dedicate my quote to my mom. She passed away 28 years ago but I always remember her saying. Always be kind you might make someones day. So just think about that when you see someone, a little smile or hello goes a long way .

ALWAYS BE KIND YOU MIGHT MAKE SOMEONES DAY  
Ginger Smith, President



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**October**

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In Memory of

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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

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# APRIL LADIES BIRTHDAYS

25TH. . . MICHELLE FAIRHURST

28TH. . . LISA LOWE

29TH. . . SUSAN BUCKLEY

ENJOY YOUR BIRTHDAYS!

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Any Member Ill...or in the Hospital...  
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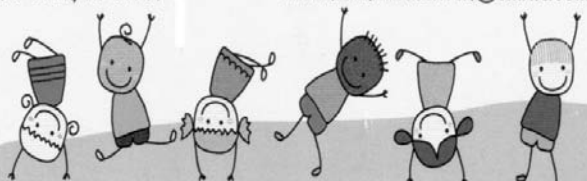
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						<b>1</b> RENTAL
<b>2</b> RENTAL	<b>3</b> DARTS	<b>4</b> CORNHOLE	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> FISH FRY	<b>8</b> RENTAL
<b>9</b> EASTER	<b>10</b> DARTS	<b>11</b> CORNHOLE	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> REGULAR MEETING	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>16</b> RENTAL	<b>17</b> DARTS	<b>18</b> CORNHOLE	<b>19</b> FOP	<b>20</b> TRUSTEE'S MEETING	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> DARTS	<b>25</b> CORNHOLE	<b>26</b> LADIES AUXILIARY	<b>27</b> REGULAR MEETING	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> RENTAL
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	<b>1</b> DARTS	<b>2</b> CORNHOLE	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> KENTUCKY DERBY DAY RENTAL
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