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## EXALTED RULER'S MESSAGE

Greetings All,

Well another month under our belt and we are off to the races. First off I would like to thank Eva Parulis, Reagan Corcoran, Hayden Galardi and McKenzie O'Hare for all their help for the last few years helping out with our Special Children and Youth Activities Committees. Chairman Tom Cribbin and the Special Children's Committee presented them each with a Lodge Sweatshirt, enjoy and good luck with college.



**Donald Anderson**  
*Exalted Ruler*

I would like to thank the Drug Awareness Committee especially PER Al Smith for his hard work collecting donations for the sneaker fundraiser. Thanks to PER Al Smith, Ginger Smith, DD Mike Dickie and Kat Conner for their support at our Annual District Walk Out On Drugs, walking around the Keyport waterfront. I would also like to congratulate our Youth Activities Chairman John Martinez and his committee and with the help of the Ladies Auxiliary at our Annual Kentucky Derby Day at the lodge, a great time was had by all. We also can't forget to thank Charlie Diehl for all his help and with his off color horse names and his fancy duds.

On Mother's Day, the House Committee served up a great Mother's Day breakfast, thanks to the kitchen crew for a great job Dennis McInnes, Ron Steinberger, Rich Miranda, Jimmy Smyth and Jim Lampert. The Officers did a great job honoring the Mothers that were in attendance with our Mothers

Day Service. This month we also received our new bar stools and I would like to thank the members that came out and unboxed, carried and put together PER Donnie Desfosse, PDD Ed Hahn, Bob (I got your back) Foster, Mike Quilty, Bill Gerardo, Brian Phillips, Frank Zechman, Tom Kane, PER Fran Corridon and Jimmy (come lately) Smyth, thank you for going above and beyond. We will be starting off June in Wildwood, PER Fran Corridon and PDD Ed Hahn have been working hard and promised me great weather and fun will be had by all.

On June 11th, our Flag Day Chairman Bill Nicholl and the Officers will be performing our Flag Day Service at the Lodge 12pm. Please come support our Officers and listen to the history of our flag. On June 16th, the PER's Association will be having a Steak Night dinner and music at the lodge at 6pm. Advanced ticket sales will be for \$30.00 per person, please see PER Kevin Brittan and myself for tickets. On June 18th, we will be having our Annual Father's Day Softball game at Chanceville Park at 10:00 am. Please come out and play or just watch and laugh. Afterwards, we will be having food and refreshments back at the lodge.

*People will remember your example, not your advise.*

Donald M. Anderson.  
*Exalted Ruler*





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Meet the Last Saturday of month at 12:00PM



# ELK OF THE MONTH

JUNE 2023

My Elk of the Month is  
**John Martinez.**

This brother is a newer member  
and works harder then most.



## YOUTH ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

The Youth Activities Committee was pleased to host a very successful Kentucky Derby Party on the 6th of May. This party wouldn't have been possible if it wasn't for all of the help from our wonderful Ladies Auxiliary and countless members who all donated their time and effort to make this day a great success. On behalf of the Youth Activities Committee, I would like to thank everyone who came to the lodge to enjoy the day and help support the committee, these events are instrumental to helping us make the year special for the kids. Can't wait to see everyone at our events throughout this year!

John Martinez, Youth Activities Chairmen

## 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.**



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**Cash Bar, Casual Attire (No Beachwear)**

**Live Entertainment - The Band Shameless**

**Menu: Hamburgers, Hotdogs, Sausage Peppers,  
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**For Tickets: See Ginger, Rich J., Dennis or Tisa**





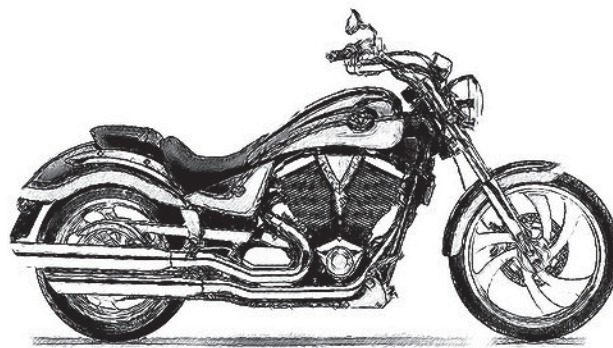
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# RUN FOR THE KIDS

Proceeds to Benefit Special Children Committee

Live music by: Shore Thing Trio



**Sunday, August 6th, 2023**

**Registration 9AM-11AM**

**ALL ARE WELCOME!!**

**\$25 per Rider/ \$15 per Passenger/ \$25 Walk-In**

**Contact: Tommy Cribbin (347) 451-7913**

**Refreshments and food will be provided**





# Spotlight Lady

My Spotlight Lady for June is **DebbY Gerardi.**

DebbY with a Y LOL

You a true assett to the Auxilliary,  
Our minutes are on spot and funny.  
You are always willing to jump right in and help out. Thank you for everything.

## Ladies Auxiliary Officers 2023-2024

- President . . . . .Ginger Smith . . . . .732-495-4693
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## LADIES AUXILIARY UPCOMING EVENTS

- June 1st-4th. . . . . Wildwood Convention
- June 11th. . . . .Flay Day Service
- June 16th. . . . .Steak Night
- June 29th. . . . .Ladies Auxiliary Meeting



Lucky Lady enjoyed the Derby

# Madame President's Message

Hello Everyone,

We started off the month with the passing of one of our beautiful Ladies Auxiliary members Linda Brazauckas. She was an icon of the auxilliary. We will truly miss her. God Bless Mike, Danny, Carol Goodbody and family. We are here if you need anything.

Kentucky Derby, what a day filled with hard work and a lot of fun. Janet, Kathy and Jodi I could not have made it through the day without all of you. The kitchen was busy and full of laughs. You ladies made the day a great time. You are definitely a great group of ladies to work with. Debby Gerardi girlfriend kicked butt working all day and even made an adorable bonnett. Thank you to all who donated and everyone who came out to support the Ladies Auxiliary and the Youth Activities committee. John Martinez, it was a pleasure to work with you. We will definitely be putting more events together. Dana Illingworth, Kat Connors thank you for working all day keeping everything in order and spending your day with us all. Charlie Diehl , ER Don Anderson and Nick Figaro thank you for helping set up clean up and working all day. Chris Figaro and Lisa Gillen, you guys are the best. It takes a lot of people to make the day a success thank you everyone. If I forgot anyone, I'm sorry. We had a new mascott this year lucky lady, she took a beaten but she will be back next year lol. If you missed it, you missed a fun day. Watch for upcoming events and come on down. Our bonnett contest was so much fun. We had 4 winners - 1st place was Sheena Diehl great job and 3 runner ups were Diane Steinbuger, light um up, Kathy Howard always on the run and miss DebbY with a Y LOL Gerardi. We had little miss Madison Moore from Texas won a trophy for her purple bonnett, granddaughter of Nick and Jane Figaro. Walk out on drugs, beautiful sunny day ER Don Anderson, myself, DD Mike Dickie Kat Connors and Al Smith walked then went to Keyport Elks. Thank you PER Mike Vashey for putting it all together. Mother's day was a beautiful service by the Exalted Ruler and his officers. Breakfast was yummy, thank you to all the cooks - great job. Spent the morning with a few auxilliary members, Kathy Corridon and Janet Desfosse. Thanks for always spending mother's day with me. You ladies rock. I hope to see everyone in Wildwood, its always a fun time. If you would like to join the Ladies Auxiliary, please let myself or Tara Mirenda know we would love to have you. Our next meeting is June 29th, 7:15pm - Officers meeting and 7:30pm - Regular meeting. Its almost summer my favorite season.

ALWAYS BE KIND YOU MIGHT MAKE SOMEONES DAY Ginger Smith President



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In Memory of Robert J. Brant

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**August**

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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"  
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1ST . . . DUSTY WYMAN

2ND . . . MISSI AUSTIN

9TH . . . NANCY BRANDINE

9TH . . . JOYCE DOLLINGER

19TH . . LAUREN ECKELBERRY

23RD . . ROSEMARY KEENEY

ENJOY YOUR BIRTHDAYS!

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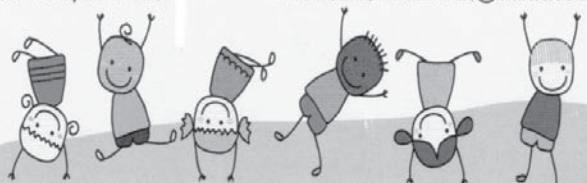
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				<b>1</b> LODGE CLOSED	<b>2</b> LODGE CLOSED	<b>3</b> LODGE CLOSED
<b>4</b> LODGE OPENS AT 2:00PM	<b>5</b> DARTS	<b>6</b> CORNHOLE	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> MEETING	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> RENTAL
<b>11</b> FLAG DAY	<b>12</b> DARTS	<b>13</b> CORNHOLE	<b>14</b> FOP MEETING	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> STEAK NIGHT	<b>17</b> RENTAL
<b>18</b> FATHER'S DAY SOFTBALL	<b>19</b> DARTS	<b>20</b> CORNHOLE	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> REGULAR MEETING	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> RENTAL
<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> DARTS	<b>27</b> CORNHOLE	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> LADIES AUXILIARY	<b>30</b>	

## Calendar Events For July 2023

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