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THE HISTORIC PEEKSKILL LODGE #744
BULLETIN #1433



EXALTED RULER'S MESSAGE

Mark Your Calendar
Saturday, March 5th
Mid-Hudson District CP Raffle
Drawing
Saturday, March 12th
St Patrick's Day Parade & Frolic
Saturday, April 2nd
Installation of the 2016 Officers
Officer of the Year Presentation
5:00pm
Ray Gilbert, PER, Presiding

Dear Friends,
Each of us bears the name of Elk as an honor, worthy of an American citizen. The name denotes people of action - patriotic to our core, inclined to be charitable, conducting our lives by the Golden Rule, supporting our free democratic society and most importantly, being true to our beliefs. We are itinerant and ambulatory in following the principles of our Order. We name our lodges by locale and number. We deliberately avoid eponymous billets within lodges, at which an Elk regularly takes refreshment. We bestow honor upon our leaders by appending letters after their last names.

Nutclubs
March 9th
Ray's Famous! Meatloaf \$15
Chef Ray Matheson
March 23rd
\$15
Chef tbd
March 30th
\$15
Chef Jeff Agosta

On behalf of The Historic Peekskill Elks Lodge, congratulations to our Elk of the Year Jack Barnes, PER and to our Citizen of the Year Jim Bertoline! These men will be honored on April 30 at the Elk of the Year Dinner. In like manner, recognition will be given to Officer of the Year Matthew Markley on April 2 at the Installation of Officers. Thanks to each of you for going above and beyond. Please join me on these occasions as we pay tribute to their service!

March Meetings
March 2nd
8:00pm
Session 2101
March 16th
8:00pm
Session 2102

This month, my term of office will come to an end. As we close this Lodge year, and open another with new leaders, I am thankful at once for those departing the officer ranks and committees, those staying and those beginning service for the first time or in new roles. Congratulations to ER Designate Larry Gomez and his team of officers. I encourage each one of you to find your inspiration in our Cardinal Principles.

In Memorial
In appreciation of the charity, Justice, Brotherly Love, and Fidelity, of our late Brother:
Ronnie G. Paul, Jr. [1/26/16]
Peekskill Lodge of Elks #744 of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks will adopt and spread upon its minutes, a resolution expressive of the loss it has sustained in his death, and extend heartfelt sympathy to his family in their bereavement.

And how stands The Historic Peekskill Elks Lodge upon the completion of yet another Exalted Ruler's term? More abounding, more secure, and happier than it was 2 years ago. But more than that – after 115 years, across twelve decades, we still stand strong and true on this rock ridge in Peekskill, NY. Our resolve has held steady no matter what the storm. Peekskill Elks Lodge #744 is still an inspiration, still a home to American patriots, still a magnet for all who love our Country. Still governed by *Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity!*

Sickness and Distress
Members Please: If you or if you know of someone that is ill or in the hospital, please let us know

We've done our part. And as I leave this office, a final word to the men and women who did the work that brought our Lodge back. My friends: We did it. We weren't just marking time. We made a difference. We strengthened the Lodge's character, we made the Lodge more resilient, and we left it in good hands, with leadership that will carry forward. All in all, not bad, not bad at all.

May God Bless this Lodge of Elks and may God Bless the United States of America!
Sincerely and Fraternally,
Paul H. Crumb, ER 2014-16

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP NOMINATION

Jack Barnes was our Exalted Ruler in Elk Year 2010-2011 and served with distinction. Since leaving office, he has continued to actively support our lodge in many areas, particularly as our Nut Club Chairman for many years. He has never said "NO" when asked to help the lodge in any capacity.

Through an oversight, he has never been proposed for Honorary Life Membership, which has traditionally been given to PERs who remain active in our Lodge. It is time to correct this oversight.

I strongly recommend Jack Barnes, PER for Honorary Life Membership.
Jim Gerard, PER

Elk of the Year

Jesse Stackhouse

March Birthdays

- 5 Anthony Gallo
- 8 Timothy Fetzer
- 11 John Bertoline
Pat Kelly
Susan Rescigno
Sherman Turner
- 12 James McCloskey
Anthony Palmisano
- 13 Joseph Ryan
- 14 Alan Felicione
- 15 Michael Bubolo
Phillip Carpenter, PER
- 16 Brendon Fitzgerald
- 17 Michael Christmas
Robert Puff
Michael Timcoe
- 20 Leslie Detres
Emilio Scaramuzza, PDDGER
- 21 Michelle Sheehan
- 24 William Rehak, Jr.
- 25 Anne Dalton
- 26 Nunzio Massaro
- 28 Michael Budnar
- 31 Jerry Di Cola

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Exalted Ruler.....	Paul H. Crumb, PER
Esteemed Leading Knight.....	Lawrence E. Gomez
Esteemed Loyal Knight.....	Matthew Markley
Esteemed Lecturing Knight.....	James Rehak
Secretary.....	Raymond Matheson, PER
Treasurer.....	John Meyer, PER
Tiler.....	Michael Donofrio
Inner Guard.....	Wayne Harkins
Chaplain.....	Mike Dietz, PER
Esquire.....	Ed Lounsbury
Soloist.....	Edward J. Schuka, PER
Justice of the Subordinate Forum.....	Hon. Frank Catalina

TRUSTEES

Jeff Agosta (1yr.), Robert Homyak (2yrs.), Jim Gerard, PER (3yrs.),
Anthony Pisarri (4yrs.), Paul Denault (5yrs.)

COMMITTEE CHAIRS FOR 2015 - 2016

District Sponsor Rep.....	Allan Kotash, PER
Accident Prevention.....	Paul Denault
Americanism/Flag Day.....	Larry Gomez
Audit.....	Joe Foody
Drug Awareness.....	Mike Dietz, PER
Elks National Foundation.....	Matt Markley
Elks Training.....	Dan Maldonado, PER
Hoop Shoot.....	Glenn Creeden
Lapsation.....	Ray Matheson, PER
Major Projects/CP.....	Jim Gerard, PER
Membership.....	Michelle Denault
National Veterans Service.....	Brendon Fitzgerald
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FROM THE SECRETARY

Dues notices have been sent out. Many of our members have responded with haste, but there are still members who are a year behind on dues. You have until March 31st to pay delinquent dues or the computer will drop you from the rolls. Please don't let this happen to you!

If anyone has contact information for Sherman Taylor (Hadley, NJ), please let me know at (914) 438-4969.

*Sincerely,
Ray Matheson, PER, Secretary*

ELK OF THE YEAR / CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

SATURDAY, MARCH 30TH

6:00pm

HONORING:

Elk of the Year Jack Barnes, PER and Citizen of the Year Jim Bertoline

Sign Up in Grille Room

Dinner - \$25 per person

RSVP by March 20th



PLAY A ROUND WITH THE PEEKSKILL ELKS

GOLF OUTING

Friday, June 17th

Best Ball Scramble

10:00am - Shotgun Start



Beekman Country Club

11 Country Club Rd,

Hopewell Junction, NY 12533-6215

Dinner Following at Peekskill Elks Lodge

\$125/Golfer due June 3

Jim Sewalk, Chairman

~March 2016~

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 Lodge Meeting 8:00pm	3	4	5 Mid-Hudson District CP Raffle Drawing
6	7	8	9 Nut Club Dinner Chef [Ray Matheson]	10	11	12 St Patrick's Day Parade 11am Brunch 2pm Hospitality
13	14	15	16 Lodge Meeting 8:00pm	17  Happy St.Patrick's Day!	18	19
20	21	22	23 Nut Club Dinner Chef [tbd]	24	25	26
27 	28	29	30 5th Wednesday Nut Club Chef [Jeff Agosta]	31	Notes: Mark your calendar – Mid-Hudson District Golf Outing Sunday May 15, 2016 at Casperkill Details to follow	

~April 2016~

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 Installation of Officers 5:00pm Fellowship 6:30pm Installation/ Presentation 8:00pm Dinner
3	4	5	6 Lodge Meeting 7:30pm	7	8	9
10	11	12	13 Nut Club Dinner	14	15	16
17	18	19	20 Lodge Meeting 7:30pm	21	22	23
24	25	26	27 Nut Club Dinner	28	29	30 Elk of the Year Dinner 6pm - Sharp!