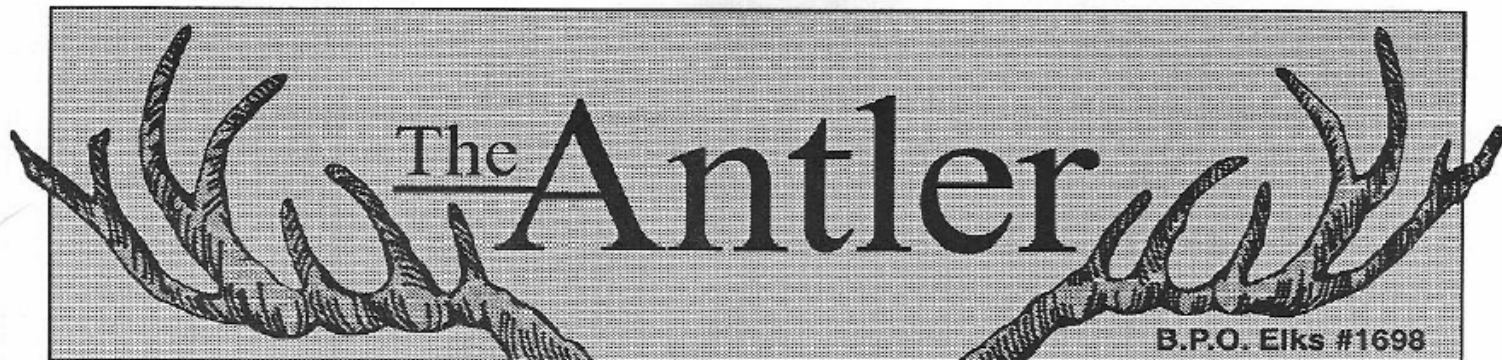




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EXALTED RULER'S MESSAGE



*"We will open the book. Its pages are blank. We are going to put words on them ourselves. The book is called Opportunity and its first chapter is New Year's Day."
Edith Lovejoy Pierce*

Welcome to the New Year—the time for celebration, renewal and change! The best thing about the New Year is that the past year is gone. We cannot go back and change the things we've done, but we can embrace today and look towards the future with hope. We can learn from last year's failures and build on last year's achievements. Now is the time to move forward toward growth and change. This is our fresh start, a time to begin anew, to visualize goals and move forward towards success. A Happy, Healthy and Prosperous 2013 to all!

I am so pleased to announce that the Pop Warner Golden Elks Cheerleaders placed second place in the Nationals! I am so proud of these girls and all their hard work really paid off. Thanks to Adrienne Dayton, our Director of Cheerleading, and all the other coaches and parents and those who helped make the dream possible for the girls to compete in the Nationals and congratulations to the winners! GREAT job!

This year's Eggnog Party was once again a great time. The covered dishes brought by all were delicious and the eggnog was plentiful. I'm looking forward to another great time again next year!

Special Needs/Elks Children's Holiday parties were a big success. I've never seen so many smiles in one place at one time. The children enjoyed the food and refreshments and a visit with Santa. Thanks to Tom Watters and his committee who made this a special day for children.

As always, our Veterans Committee worked very hard this past Holiday Season, ensuring our Vets had a special Holiday Season too. A special Holiday get together was held for the Vets at Burnt Tavern Home. Nancy DeVito and the Vets Committee served sandwiches and cake. Each Vet received a Vets coin and a Holiday gift. Thanks to our Vets Committee for remembering our Veterans.

Jerri Parlow, from our Americanism Committee, honored Betty and Dennis Torode with a Certificate for Partners in Volunteer Service. Thanks for being a partner in volunteering to Betty and Dennis and for all your help with the Boy Scouts.

And thanks to Jan Picarell for your diligent work with Scholarship Applications. The deadline for submission was this past month, and Jan gathered all the applications and made sure they all made it through the proper channels by the deadline date. Keep up the good work Jan.

And finally, my wish for all of you is that in 2013 all your hopes, desires and dreams come true and may all your endeavors be successful. May God bless you, your families, and loved ones. And, God bless our troops, and may 2013 be the year they all come home—safe & sound.

Fraternally,
Dawn Tortoriello

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House Committee News

Thanks to Janice Knorr for providing for and decorating the Lodge front porch for the holiday season.

Thanks to Janice Knorr and Carolyn Watters for doing the Christmas Bake Sale on December 14th and all who donated baked goods. The event raised \$190. which will be used to rebuild the Lodge fence blown down by Hurricane Sandy.

Thanks to everyone who helped with the Eggnog Party on December 8th. We had a nice crowd of people who attended.

Thanks to Susan Longo, Brian Coyle, and Christine McIvor for helping Bob Scott decorate the Grill Room for the Holidays.

Let's start thinking about having a Beach Party some time after the \$1.98 Beauty Contest in February. Looking for volunteers to help run the event.

BOLO

Be on the look out for the Beach Party at the end of February or beginning of March. Get out the bathing suits and shorts!!!



Organ & Tissue Donation Program



The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the USA has joined forces with Donate Life America to increase donations of organs, eyes, and life-saving tissue.

The need is paramount. More than 110,000 patients were waiting for organ transplants as of March 2011, according to the Donate Life America website, www.donatelife.net. Only 28,663 organ transplants had been performed in 2010, and even fewer—14,502 organ donations had been made in that year.

We Elks Members can help close the gap! For more information on the importance of donation and how to become a registered donor in your state, go to the **Donate Life** website. This is a great way to show that *“Elks Give from the Heart.”*



Elk of the Month

By Dawn Tortoriello

Ed Scholander



Our Elk of the Month is: Ed “Quiet” Scholander!

Ed has been a member of the Elks for a long time and belongs to the House Committee. His daughter, Carol, is a Past Exalted Ruler. Ed showed up at the Fluke Tournament and the Oktoberfest and asked what job he could do. For both events he stayed most of the day. Ed shows up every Friday night to help in the kitchen. We never have to call him, he just shows up to help. He does the job that no one else wants to do in the kitchen. He washes all the dishes and scrubs all the pots. He stays in the kitchen until the last pot is clean and everyone else is done. You have to tell him to go home!

Ed-thanks so much for all your help with everything and CONGRATULATIONS on being the Elk of the Month!

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- Papal Audience.

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Special Needs Children's Committee News by Tom Watters

The SNCC Christmas party was attended by 12 kids and their parents. Santa & Mrs. Claus gave gift cards to all. There was food for all to enjoy with music to sing and dance to. The children were entertained with games and activities which were supplied by the Elves from the Memorial Middle School National Junior Honor Society and the Pop Warner Junior Cheerleaders. I would like to thank all the volunteers for their help and commitment to bring a smile to all our Special Needs Children.

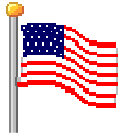
January 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue Terrific Tuesdays Noon-4 pm	Wed	Thu Thirsty Thursdays 4-7 pm	Fri	Sat Half-Price Drinks 3-7 pm
		1	2	3 Shuffleboard Line Dancing	4 Friday Night Dinner	5
6	7	8 Cornhole League 7-10 pm	9	10 Shuffleboard Line Dancing	11 Friday Night Dinner	12
13	14	15 Lodge Meeting 8 pm	16	17 Shuffleboard Line Dancing	18 Friday Night Dinner	19
20	21	22 Cornhole League 7-10 pm	23	24 Shuffleboard Line Dancing	25 Friday Night Dinner	26
27 Breakfast 9 am-Noon	28	29	30	31		

Veterans Committee News

By Nancy DeVito

On December 1st, I had the honor of being Mrs. Claus for the children of our Fallen Soldiers. JFK Airport held the eighth Snowball Express. They chartered 9 jets that went all around the USA and picked up 1,700 families of fallen soldiers and treated them to a weekend at Great Adventure in Texas. Members of the Marines, Army, Air Force, Veterans, and many supporters were there to wish them a safe and memorable weekend.



Celebrating Christmas at Burnt Tavern Manor with our Veterans. Thank you to Eddy Z-US Subs for the delicious 3 foot sub and yummy salads. Our Veterans enjoyed every bite. You and your staff are awesome!



On December 15, members of the Veterans Committee had the pleasure of joining the 309th Battalion for their Holiday party at Joint Base McGuire. Santa and Mrs. Claus and their elves gave out the toys that were purchased by our Veterans Committee. Our Committee helped serve the desserts. Our help and thoughtfulness was very much appreciated.

Thank you to the Daisy Troop of Point Pleasant and the Girl Scout Troop from Howell for thinking of our Veterans. Your Veterans Day cards and Christmas cards were very uplifting. Many of the Vets posted the cards on their walls as soon as they got back to their rooms. Good job!

Mark your calendars: February 22, 2013, the SED Veterans Committee is hosting a Comedy Night fundraiser for our Veterans. Tickets are \$25.00 which includes three comedians, dinner, and restaurant raffle. Place: Manahawkin Elks Lodge. Time: 7 pm. Contact Veterans Chairperson, Nancy DeVito, if more info is needed.

Let us all say a few extra prayers this New Year for those who have lost so much. Let us count our blessings and try to give a little more of ourselves for those who need a helping hand.

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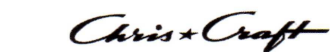
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We have about 5 people waiting to be initiated. Initiation to be held the first meeting, January 15, 2013.



Please submit articles for the February Antler by January 20, 2013. They can be emailed to: PPElksAntler@Yahoo.com or put in the Antler mailbox down at the Lodge. Thank you.

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