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EXALTED RULER'S MESSAGE



"It is only in our darkest hours that we may discover the true strength of the brilliant light within ourselves that can never, ever, be dimmed." Doe Zantamata

During this unprecedented and difficult time if you require assistance and feel an Elk brother or sister could assist you please reach out to any of the officers. If they are unable to help you directly; they may be able to put you in contact with someone who can.

While all the May events have been cancelled or postponed; we will persevere. The ENF Potluck scheduled for May 1st has been postponed with a new date to be announced. The Second Tour de Boro scheduled for May 2nd has been postponed until Saturday October 3rd. The Walk Out on Drugs scheduled for May 3rd has been rescheduled for September. Mothers' Day Ceremony and Brunch has been cancelled. A Tribute to Elvis Thru the Years with Jim Barone has been postponed and rescheduled for Saturday August 29th. Tickets that were purchased for the May 8th show will be honored on August 29th.

New Jersey State Elks Convention held in Wildwood has been cancelled. Treasurer Ann Marie O'Hare, Esteemed Leading Knight Linda Gartz, and Trustee John Gartz are working on issuing refunds. Please allow them time to do so as they are doing the best they can; all three of them are essential personal.

Please stay safe, stay home, keep all health care workers, and essential personal in your prayers.

Love and Cheers,
Exalted Ruler

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MAY ELK OF THE MONTH



OUR ELK OF THE MONTH FOR MAY IS JOHN GARTZ

JOHN GARTZ IS A STAPLE OF THE LODGE AND THE EPITOME OF A GREAT ELK. JOHN CAN ALWAYS BE FOUND AROUND THE LODGE MAKING REPAIRS, MOWING THE LAWN, AND JUST DOING GENERAL CHECK INS. JOHN IS ALSO THE KING OF LOGISTICS WHEN IT COMES TO OUR LARGE EVENTS SUCH AS CONVENTION, FLUKE TOURNAMENT, AND ELKFEST! HE IS ALWAYS WILLING TO LEND A HAND TO ANY EVENT AND SUPPORTS EVERY EVENT 100%. JOHN ALSO RECENTLY WORKED VERY HARD TO OVERSEE THE REPAIRS IN THE UPSTAIRS MEETING ROOM AND KITCHEN AFTER THE FLOOD. AS A TRUSTEE, HE WAS PART OF THE TEAM INSTRUMENTAL IN SEEING THAT WE RECEIVED INSURANCE MONIES TO PAY FOR THE REPAIRS. HE'S THE MAN WHO WOULD GIVE YOU THE SHIRT OFF HIS BACK IF IT MEANT HELPING YOU OUT OF A JAM. JOHN IS AN ALL ROUND GREAT MAN, AND ELK. CONGRATULATIONS ON BEING MAY'S ELK OF THE MONTH!!

In an effort to keep everyone safe the following events have been postponed or cancelled.

May 1: ENF Potluck has been postponed; new date to be announced later.

May 2: Second Annual Tour de Boro had been postponed to Saturday October 3rd at 10A.

May 3: Walk Out on Drugs in Seaside has been postponed until September; exact date to be announced later.

May 8: A Tribute to Elvis had been postponed until Saturday August 29. Tickets that have already been purchased will be honored.

May 10: Mother's Day Ceremony will be live on Facebook. Please see articles for details.

May 15: Grand Lodge will announce if the National Convention in Baltimore is being held.

June 5-7: New Jersey State Elks Association Convention in Wildwood has been cancelled. Please see letter from Malcolm McPherson Jr PGER

June 14: Flag Day Ceremony to be determined.

June 18: MC Committee Fill the Lodge to be determined.

June 20: 8th Annual Jim Hall Memorial Benefit for Homeless Veterans is postponed until further notice.

Please check our website for further updates between Antlers.

Letter from Malcolm McPherson Jr PGER New Jersey State Sponsor:

Past Grand Exalted Ruler Malcolm McPherson

April 13, 2020

Dear Members:

The safety of our members, their families and our communities is of the utmost importance to our organization. At this time, we have made the decision to cancel our Annual Wildwood Reunion. This will be the first time in our state's history that we have not gathered to install our newly elected and appointed state officers and conduct the annual meeting. I know many of you look forward to this gathering each year. I too will be disheartened that we are not able to gather with our fellow Elks to celebrate this past year's accomplishments and start off the new year with our new State President and Officers. However, we must adhere to the current regulations so that we can combat this outbreak and prevent further loss.

Please know that we are working diligently to maintain our organization and will be making alternative arrangements for events such as the Installation when we are again able to gather.

Again, please stay safe during this time and support the essential workers and medical professionals who are working endlessly to try to combat this pandemic.

Sincerely,

Malcolm J. McPherson, Jr.

Past Grand Exalted Ruler

MAY 2020

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<i>3</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>5</i> <i>8 p.m. Lodge Meeting via Zoom. See Website</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>9</i>
<i>10</i> <i>10 a.m. Mother's Day Ceremony via Facebook</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>12</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>14</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>16</i>
<i>17</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>19</i> <i>8 p.m. Lodge Meeting via Zoom. See Website</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>21</i>	<i>22</i>	<i>23</i>
<i>24</i>	<i>25</i> <i>Memorial Day</i>	<i>26</i>	<i>27</i>	<i>28</i>	<i>29</i>	<i>30</i>
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VETERANS NEWS

By: Nancy DeVito

I PRAY EVERYONE IS STAYING SAFE, WASHING THEIR HANDS AND KEEPING THEIR DISTANCE. THIS IS SCARY STUFF. I PRAY THIS PASSES SOON SO THIS WORLD CAN BEGIN TO LIVE WITHOUT FEAR.

BECAUSE OF THE EMERGENCY THE MILITARY SHOWER HAS BEEN POSTPONED. WE WILL HAVE IT BUT ARE WAITING FOR THE RESTRICTIONS TO PASS. WE CAN'T PUT THESE MOMS OR OURSELVES AT RISK. THANK YOU TO GRAND LODGE FOR UNDERSTAND ARE SITUATION, WHICH IS OUT OF OUR CONTROL.

I FILED FOR THE RESTAURANT RAFFLE WHICH WILL BE A FUND RAISER FOR OUR VETS/ MILITARY. IT WILL BE 5 /\$100 GIFT CARDS TO RESTAURANTS. WHEN WE RECEIVE THE LICENSE, I'LL HAVE THE TICKETS PRINTED. PLEASE SUPPORT THIS WILL NOT ONLY HELP OUR VETS /MILITARY ESPECIALLY NOW BUT WILL SUPPORT THE RESTAURANTS WHICH I'M SURE ARE HURTING.

IF YOU HAVE KIDS OR GRANDKIDS AND NEED FOR THEM TO HAVE SOMETHING TO DO HAVE THEM DRAW PICTURES OR WRITE LETTERS TO OUR VETS IN THE NURSING HOMES, THEY WILL GREATLY APPRECIATE IT. THESE ARE HARD TIMES FOR US ALL.

OUR FISHING TRIP ARE ON SCHEDULE PROVIDING ALL THIS PASSES.

PLEASE EVERYONE STAY SAFE.

GOD BLESS!



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The quarterly closing report and 2020-2021 budget is available for review. If interested in reviewing either report please email Ann Marie O'Hare at treasurer@pointpleasantelks.org.

Information required is your name, membership number, phone number, and email address.

Scholarship News

Terry La Du

William Flanders from Point Pleasant Beach H.S. has been named a National Runner Up for ENF Most Valuable Student (MVS) Contest for New Jersey receiving a \$4,000 scholarship. Connor Brenna also of Point Pleasant Beach H.S. was the top Boy in the NJ State MVS contest receiving a \$1,000 scholarship. Nicholas Hellinghausen (Brick Memorial), Lauren Ludwig (Point Pleasant Borough) & Alexandra Hellinghausen (Brick Memorial) will each receive a \$700 NJ MVS contest award.

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