

**BENEVOLENT** AND **PROTECTIVE ORDER** OF THE **ELKS** WESTLAKE, OHIO — VOL. 32: NO. 3 MARCH 2021

### **Brothers and Sisters,**

Another Lodge year is quickly coming to an end. It started with a lot of uncertainty and unknowns, but because of the hard work and support of so many Officers and Members, we are finishing with optimism. They continued to stay focused to adhere to the restrictions mandated and provide a safe environment for our Members. A big THANK YOU to the Members who stepped up to keep our Lodge clean daily, helped behind the bar, helped in the kitchen, brought home-cooked meals for our Members to enjoy, constructed items for our safety, and for all the other things you did during the year for our Lodge.

I would like to say thank you to the Members that started the year as Officers and stepped down. They have served our Lodge over the years in many different capacities, volunteering a lot of hours to better our Lodge and offer our Members an enjoyable place to spend their time. Thank You.

In February, PER Maria Gregg was able to secure an ENF grant to help the Greater Cleveland Food Bank. With the donated money, they will be able to provide almost 8000 meals for people in need in our surrounding communities. Hats off to all the volunteers at the Food Bank who make this possible daily. PER Eric Palker helped get ENF Grant money for Connecting for Kids. This group is helping families that have children with complex needs. Due to the restrictions of the coronavirus, they are not able to get the proper learning and therapies they need. Connecting for Kids is helping these families find the resources they need for their children. What a tremendous group to help these children and their families during this trying time.

In March, we will be turning our clocks ahead for daylight savings. It is very encouraging to know Spring is around the corner and we will be able to start replenishing our vitamin D. We also have St. Patrick's Day to celebrate. Check the Ledger for the event we will be having that day.

In April I will be passing the Gavel to the incoming Exalted Ruler and several new Officers. I offer my support and encouragement to them to continue to keep the Lakewood Elks Lodge a terrific place to be a part of.

Respectfully,

Robert F. Geiger, PER Exalted Ruler



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#### "A FRATERNAL ORGANIZATION" OFFICERS – LODGE YEAR 2020-2021

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Est. Leading Knight	Brian Gartland
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Inner Guard	Bill Luke

### TRUSTEES - 2020-2021

Fifth Year	Dave Hensen
Fourth Year	Mike Vasey, PER
Third Year	Keith Duffy
Second Year	Dan Scardina
First Year	Bryan Kahanca

#### **GRILL ROOM HOURS**

Tuesday – Saturday	3 PM – 9 PM
Sunday	1PM – 6 PM
Monday	CLOSED



SPOUSE/WIDOW IDENTIFICATION CARD Please return the following information with a self-addressed stamped envelope to receive your 2019-2020 card.

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### Friday, March 12th at 7:00 PM

# Social distancing must be maintained. No more than 10 people at a table.

### Thanks for your cooperation!

## L.I.C. GENERAL MEETING

March 8, 2021 7:00 P.M.

All members in good standings are welcome to attend.

L.I.C., Board of Directors



- 1 Daniel J Dechagas
- 1 Michael F Delaney
- 1 Eric Juncker
- 2 David Afanador
- 3 Jane Drellishak
- 3 Edward Norman
- 3 Daniel G Stuart
- 4 Fred Evensen
- 4 Gerald Jerry Rooney
- 6 Mark Ramunno
- 6 Robert F Wessler
- 8 John Marcellino
- 8 Karen Rabatin
- 9 Joseph Bancsi
- 9 Colleen O'Brien
- 9 Renae Radigan
- 10 Stephen E Benko III
- 10 Christine L Gray
- 11 William Lazar
- 12 Crystal Gryniewicki
- 13 Daniel C Breninghouse
- 13 Cody Cimo
- 13 Matthew Hopkins
- 13 Dennis A Kawecki

- 13 Gary Snyder
- 14 Leonard Klocek
- 16 John M Hearns
- 17 Adam D Pangrace
- 18 Thomas J Anderson
- 20 Dianne A Elias
- 20 Donald M Tomsik
- 21 Paul Murray
- 21 Lisa M Zuk
- 22 Joseph Massa
- 24 Franklin A Kilbourne
- 25 Stephanie Evers
- 25 Lawrence D Gregg
- 25 Michael K Vasey, PER
- 27 Grant Ichida
- 27 James J Szell
- 27 Phil Weaver
- 28 Shane M Costello
- 28 Joseph E Gannon
- 29 David R Robison
- 30 Mary Bradesca
- 30 Miklos Szabo
- 31 Berta Keine
- 31 Paul F Tremblay
- 13 Allison M Krupp

## BOWLING FUNDRAISER TO HELP LOCAL FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES

Many local families are struggling during the pandemic and this is especially true of families that have children with disabilities. Attention issues hamper their ability to focus while distance learning and quarantining at home without their usual therapies and outside activities are worsening behavior problems. Add to that the anxiety of catching the virus by some of our most vulnerable, immunocompromised children and you can see why COVID-19 is making life difficult for these families.

Connecting for Kids has fielded a record number of calls asking for help over the past year. By bowling at this event, you will not only have a great time with fellow Lodge members, but you also will be providing much-needed funds so that we can support area families with education and resources for their child.

### **BOWLING TIME SLOT OPTIONS:**

- Wednesday, May 5, 6:00 pm and 8:00 pm
- Friday, May 7, 6:00 pm and 8:00 pm
- Saturday, May 8, 6:00 pm and 8:00 pm (Virtual award ceremony at 9:30 pm)

All bowling will be socially distanced with only eight people in the bowling alley at one time. (Two teams of four will use opposite ends of the alley).

### **ELKS COST:**

\$200 minimum donation per team of four bowlers. Because the Elks are generously donating the bowling, 100% of your donation goes directly to Connecting for Kids.

### **EACH BOWLER RECEIVES**

- Two Games of Bowling
- Use of Ball and Shoes
- Food & Drinks including a burger, French fries and two drink tickets for beer, wine, well drinks or soft drinks.

### **PRIZES AND RAFFLES!**

- Top Team Score (1st= \$200; 2nd= \$150; 3rd=\$100) (no handicap)
- Top Individual Score (1st=\$50; 2nd=\$30; 3rd=\$20) (no handicap)
- Red Pin Game featuring a free Wild Turkey shot and a turkey prize for a strike!
- Sideboards
- Raffle baskets

## EVENT FOLLOWS COVID-19 PROTOCOLS

Masks will be required of all bowlers, exceptions are when eating, drinking or bowling. Cleaning will be done between each time slot.

**TO SIGN UP** Look for the sign-up sheet in the Grill Room near the door. If you have questions, please contact Tish Henry at 440-666-9742

# From the Lodge Secretary's Office...

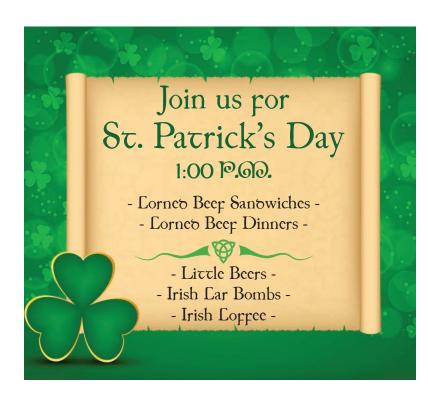
FYI – Grand Lodge had a major problem with the Chicago Post Office, as well as the printer of the dues statements (there is a slight possibility that a few dues statements are wrong). I was informed by Grand Lodge that both issues have been resolved, and the dues statements are being sent out asap. Here are a few things you should know:

- 1. Basic dues for the year is \$106.75. Be sure you return the dues statement with your payment so I know how to post your dues. This is because there are add-on options like the Elks National Foundation (ENF), which is usually \$10, CP (Cerebral Palsy), and the Ohio charity raffle tickets.
- 2. You can pay your dues at the Lodge. Drop your sealed envelope in the safe by the door. Make sure you spin it so the envelope drops into the safe.
- 3. You can pay your dues with a credit card. There will be credit card payment forms at the Lodge on the table by the door in the Grill Room. Also, there should be the form at the bottom of the dues statements as in the past.

If you have any questions, or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me. You can leave a message in the Members' Mail marked to my attention, or you can leave a phone message, or you can send an email to the Lodge's email address (elks1350@yahoo.com).

Thank you to everyone!

Maria Gregg, PER Lodge Secretary



## VOLUNTEER IN THE COMMUNITY WITHOUT LEAVING THE LODGE

What better way to spend a Saturday afternoon than socializing with other Elks members while performing a much-needed community service. Connecting for Kids is looking for volunteers to help sort fliers and assemble boxes at the Lodge on Saturday, April 17 from 2:00 – 4:00 pm. These free resource boxes will be offered to local families who have a child with a disability or learning concern. If you are able to volunteer, please contact Sarah Rintamaki at 216-570-4326.







Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
28	1 Closed	ද Orientation '7:00 P.M.	3 Emblem Meeting 7:00 P.M.	4 Lodge Meeting Initiation 7:30 P.M.	5	6
7 Sunday Funday	8 Closed	9	10	11 Board of Directors Meeting 7:00 P.M.	12 Live Trivia 7:00 P.M.	13
14 Sunday Funday	15 Closed	16	17 St. Patty's Day 1:00 P.M.	18 Lodge Meeting 7:30 P.M.	19	20
21 Sunday Funday	22 Closed	23	24	25	26	27
28 Sunday Funday	29 Closed	30	31	1	2	3

### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Installation • Wine Tasting • Cinco De Mayo • Kentucky Derby • Mother's Day Brunch

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-RENTALS-The Hall (current capacity is 100) and Bowling alley (current capacity is 28) is now open for Rentals. Just call the office to book your event. The State Distancing rules apply for all events.

Please note all events and meeting dates are tentative pending the Covid-19 Mandates! Follow us on Facebook at - Official Lakewood Elks 1350 - Westlake, Ohio