

### **BENEVOLENT** AND **PROTECTIVE ORDER** OF THE **ELKS** WESTLAKE, OHIO — VOL. 34: NO. 3 MARCH 2023

### Greetings Fellow Elk's...

March, the beginning of Spring; the vernal equinox, the return of Daylight Saving Time!, the month of daffodils! Hail Spring!

In ancient Rome, March was time to reorganize military after winter. A time of planning, a time of new growth and assessment of resources. We as Elks celebrate March in much the same way. Officers are busy compiling budgets, plans are being made for the Installation of Officers, and Kellie and Dean are probably dreaming of landscape improvements! Being an Elk means being associated with a special group of individuals who serve while at the same time provide safe, friendly social engagement.

So as our Lodge prepares for a new year, lets all take inventory of our personal resources. Are you blessed with special skill the Lodge may benefit from? Are you empty nesters looking for a new interest? Maybe you are new to the area and want to be more engaged. Newly retired - better have a plan. One of our goals for our coming year is to better organize our members who want to become involved, so for now, grab an officer and express your interest.

Every event needs planning, execution and clean-up. We are still looking for Trustees! Don't feel you need to know every thing. We train! Interested in helping out in the bowling alley? Mike is willing to train. Imagine the effort involved in preparing the hall for events; moving tables and chairs mostly. One hour of your time can free up officers for other duties.

While encouraging volunteering we are respectful of our members responsibilities to faith and family. Many hands relieve the load.

Daffodils, longer days, and Fish Fry! Take advantage of the culinary delights prepared in our kitchen every Friday during Lent. Bring the family!

While on the topic of culinary delights, have you enjoyed a PER breakfast lately? Omelets, waffles and

no pans to wash! (Bloody Marys and Screwdrivers available too!) March 26th 10am - 12pm. Be there or be square!

The final Spaghetti Dinner of the season will be Wednesday, March 15th. Take advantage of this chance to celebrate "No Cook Wednesday". (I just made that up). But come, eat, socialize. Bring the kids and I will give them a free cookie!

And can't forget St. Patricks Day at the Elks. Put on the Green and come down for some Corned Beef and fun!

A great way to become familiar with Lodge operations is to attend our monthly Lodge and Board of Directors Meetings. The Lodge Meets at 7:30 the first Thursday of each month. The grill Room is closed during this meeting which is open to members only. The BOD meets the last Thursday of each month at 6:30. Attend and become familiar with our latest issues and plans. A good way to network with Officers

Looking to the skies, the Full Worm Moon is visible March 6-7th. March is National Umbrella Month. March 8th is International Women's Day. What would our Lodge be without women who serve. You know who you are! Beware the Ides of March 15th but celebrate the vernal equinox on March 20th when the sunrises exactly in the east and sets exactly in the west. So if you're looking for a day to get lost, thats the day!

So much to look forward to, so much to be grateful for.

I am writing this article in the absence of our Exalted Ruler, Michael Sheehan who is recovering from surgery. Our thoughts and prayers are with you Mike and we look forward to seeing you soon, sitting at the bar with Janet!

God bless you all,

Ruth Ann Witteman Esteemed Leading Knight



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### **"A FRATERNAL ORGANIZATION"** OFFICERS – LODGE YEAR 2022-2023

Exalted Ruler	Mike Sheehan
Est. Leading Knight	Ruth Ann Witteman
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Est. Lecturing Knight	Hank Nest, PER
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Chaplain	Bill May
Organist	Maria Gregg, PER
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Inner Guard	Brian Gartland, PER

### TRUSTEES - 2022-2023

Fifth Year	Dan Scardina
Fourth Year	Keith Duffy
Third Year	Bryan Kahanca
Second Year	Rick Grane
First Year	Marty Mooney

### **GRILL ROOM HOURS**

Monday – Saturday	3 PM – 10 PM
Sunday	1PM – 6 PM



### SPOUSE/WIDOW IDENTIFICATION CARD

Please return the following information with a self-addressed stamped envelope to receive your 2021-2022 card.

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Last Name: First Name:		
Street Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Telephone Number:		
<b>Circle One:</b> Spouse Widow		



### Saturday, March 4th at 7:00 P.M.

RULES

- You HAVE TO BE PRESENT to win 100%.
- Must be a current member of Lakewood Lodge #1350 to qualify and in good standing.
- Signed up members that are not present will receive 50%.
- Another member/officer/employee may NOT sign you up.
- If you are attending an Elks sanctioned event, such as a convention or a tournament, you will be considered present for the drawing.

### L.I.C. GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday, March 7, 2023 at 7:00 P.M. All members in good standings are welcome.

> Thanks Jim Bischoff

### March Applicants

Suzanne Hace 24323 Smith Ave. Westlake, OH 44145 SPONSOR: DAVID TURNER

Eileen Fox 24320 Beech Lane North Olmsted, OH 44070-1010 SPONSOR: MARY MARGARET HAYES

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Join Us Sunday, March 12th from 2:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M. for some fun times with Charles Geil & His Ghost Band

# Spaghetti Dinner March 15th 5:00 - 7:30 pm

Adults are \$9.00 • Kids are \$4.00 To go containers will be .25 cents

The Spaghetti Committee is always looking for volunteers. If interested please call Dan Scardina at 440-465-6541

# **OMELET SUNDAY**

Made to order by the PER Association

### Join us Sunday, March 26th and April 23rd from 10:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.



Cooked to order Omelets set	rved with
Tater Tots, Toast and Coffee	\$7.00
Waffles and Coffee	\$3.00
Bloody Marys	\$2.00
Screwdrivers	\$2.00

# March Birthdays

- 1 Daniel J Dechagas
- 1 Michael F Delaney
- 1 Eric Juncker
- 2 David Afanador
- 3 Jane Drellishak
- 3 Eve Ann Klodnick
- 3 Edward Norman
- 4 Fred Evensen
- 6 Mark Ramunno
- 6 Robert F Wessler
- 8 Shannon Gould
- 8 John Marcellino
- 8 Karen Rabatin
- 9 Joseph Bancsi
- 9 Katheryn J Maver
- 9 Colleen O'Brien
- 9 Renae Radigan
- 10 Stephen E Benko III
- 10 Christine L Gray

- 10 Brigette Patton
- 11 William Lazar
- 12 Michael Whitaker
- 13 Steven Boggess
- 13 Daniel C Breninghouse
- 13 Matthew Hopkins
- 13 Dennis A Kawecki
- 13 Allison M Krupp
- 14 Leonard Klocek
- 15 Michael A Chokenea
- 16 John M Hearns
- 16 George C Newman
- 17 Helen Kelly
- 17 Cj Eric Lynce
- 17 Adam D Pangrace
- 18 Thomas J Anderson
- 18 Patricia S Kettren
- 20 Dianne A Elias
- 20 Donald M Tomsik

- 21 Paul Murray
- 21 Lisa M Zuk
- 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 Angela Gecewich
- 29 Debra H Hacka
- 29 David R Robison
- 30 Mary Bradesca
- 30 Miklos Szabo
- 31 Berta Keine
- 31 Paul F Tremblay

### CELEBRATE CELEBR

### Corned Beef Sandwiches • Corned Beef Dinners Little Beers • Irish Car Bombs • Irish Coffee

## From the Secretary's Desk:



So far, 2023 has been weird, and not just as it relates to the weather patterns around here. Recent events have focused our attention on the importance of being prepared to save someone's life in the event of an emergency. With that in mind, we are planning to have a CPR/AED training class brought to our Lodge. Trustee Rick Grane is taking point on securing qualified training staff. We will let everyone know as soon as we have a plan in place. We just wanted to give everyone a heads up that this is in the works.

Installation of Officers is on Saturday, April 1st. You will find details in this ledger. Come support the brave men and women who are stepping up to fill these vital positions in our Lodge. After the ceremony, there will be champagne, dinner, and Time Warp Band will be entertaining us later.

April 1st is the opening of the new lodge year. It is also the opening of the new Elks National Foundation grant year. Because our members are always so generous in supporting ENF, we have been able to qualify each year for the grants available through ENF. If you have any ideas for projects we can do around our communities for which we can get grant money, please let me know so we can write a grant proposal as soon as possible. We have done a variety of activities in the past with veterans and with kids. We have assisted The Turn, Connecting for Kids, The Farrell Foundation, and Westlake Meals on Wheels. Coincidentally, Westlake Meals on Wheels could use more drivers. They don't deliver on weekends, only M-F. If you think you can help out, even on a limited basis, let me know!

Winter hibernation time is almost over! Come to the Lodge and have some fun. Welcome to all our new members---it's great seeing you around!

That's all I have. Thanks for reading all the way to the bottom!

Maria Gregg, PER Lodge Secretary

# Installation of Officers April 1, 2023 Ceremony & Dinner

Ceremony will begin at 4:00 P.M. followed by cocktail hour and dinner at 6:00 P.M.

### **Catered by Arturo's**

Entertainment provided by the band "Time Warp"

> Tickets \$20

Please purchase at the bar.

Spring Into Action





Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
26	27	28	1	2 Lodge Meeting (Initiation) 7:30 P.M. Chef Special	3 Fish Fry	4 Monthly Drawing 7:00 P.M.
5	6 \$.60 Wings	7 L.I.C. Meeting 7:00 P.M. Taco Tuesday	8	9 Chef Special	10 Fish Fry	11
12 Charles Geil/ Ghost Band 2:00 P.M 5:00 P.M	13 \$.60 Wings	14 Taco Tuesday	15 Spaghetti Dinner 5:00 P.M	16 Lodge Meeting 7:30 P.M. Chef Special	17	18
19	20 \$.60 Wings	21 Taco Tuesday	22	23 Chef Special	24 Fish Fry	25
26 PER Omelet Breakfast 10:00 P.M Noon	27 \$.60 Wings	28 Taco Tuesday	29	30 B.O.D. Meeting 6:30 P.M. Chef Special	31 Fish Fry	l Installation of Officers

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