



The Lakewood



LODGE #1350
Ledger

BENEVOLENT AND PROTECTIVE ORDER OF THE ELKS

WESTLAKE, OHIO — VOL. 34: NO. 8 AUGUST 2023

Greetings Fellow Elks

The “Dog Days of Summer” are upon us. August days are shorter, but the predawn is illuminated by Sirius, the brightest star, in the night sky. As an Elk, may we shine in our lodge and community, like Sirius. You never know when your smiling face or kind words may brighten someone else's day. I'm always uplifted by how friendly and responsive our members are to one another. Thank you!

August for Elks is a time of fun and excitement. Our annual Family Picnic is on August 13th. We will have games, raffles, food, music, fun, and fellowship. The festivities are being held at the Irish American Club this year, located on Jennings Rd in Columbia Township. Bring the family, meet new members, and enjoy old friends. If you are familiar with the IA Club, you know there is plenty of green space for games, a playground, a fishing lake, badminton, horseshoes, and more. The IA does not provide equipment, so if you have rackets, horseshoes, bocci ball, cornhole, or other lawn games, bring “em along! This is a great family event before school starts back up. Lecturing Knight Chris Soxie is coordinating the event and has a volunteer sign-up sheet posted in the grill room.

Other noteworthy August dates to remember: August 1st - Homemade Pie Day, August 2nd - National Ice Cream Sandwich Day, and August 10 is National Lazy Day, my favorite. But even more noteworthy events are happening at our lodge: Monthly drawing is August 6th, Trivia Aug 18th, and the Comedy Show August 26th. The **Lodge is closed** August 13-15 for our annual cleaning, and on August 20th for resurfacing the parking lot.

I was fortunate to attend this year's Grand Lodge Convention held in Minneapolis Minnesota, over the 4th of July holiday. The Convention atmosphere is exciting! Always something to learn, something to see, and someone to meet. Having never been to a National Convention, I again felt honored to be a part of this fantastic brotherhood that does so much good

in so many places! Truly awesome! One highlight was to be present for the instillation of our own PER Robert Geiger SR as Northeast District Deputy to the Grand Exalted Ruler! Congratulations Butch! We look forward to working with you this year. On August 4th, at our monthly lodge meeting, there will be the Official Changing of the Jewels. Come be a part of this event.

Also at the convention, we voted on the resolutions discussed at our lodge meeting earlier this year. A synopsis of these resolutions and the voting results are posted in this ledger issue.

Elk's State Fall Convention takes place in Columbus, August 18th-20th. I encourage all members to attend an Elks convention at some point to see what all the talk is about! Elk's Grand Lodge National Convention takes place in Chicago in 2026, Home of Elk's National Memorial and Headquarters. Next year Austin, followed by Kansas City.

At the state convention, there will be a raffle drawing for season tickets to all OSU football home games. These tickets will be for sale at the family picnic. Go Bucks

Thank you to all who helped make our Christmas in July event a success! Such fun! Elk's never stop caring and sharing. We welcome *The Gathering Place* to our list of neighborhood charities.

Let's all enjoy these last weeks of summer safely. Record temps can be a health hazard. Drink water, use sunscreen, and see you out on our patio enjoying the beautiful evenings.

Your in Elkdom,

Ruth Ann Witteman
Exalted Ruler



The Lakewood Elks 1350 Ledger

**Published Monthly by
The Lakewood Lodge #1350
Benevolent & Protective Order of Elks
24350 Center Ridge Road
Westlake, Ohio 44145**

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
Office Phone (440) 617-9653
Fax (440) 617-9360

CURRENT OFFICE HOURS:
Thursday: 9:00 AM – 11:30 AM
Friday: 9:00 AM – 11:30 AM

e-mail: elks1350@yahoo.com

Ledger Editor: Kellie Roth
email: ledger1350@yahoo.com

Website: lakewoodelks1350.com

**“A FRATERNAL ORGANIZATION”
OFFICERS – LODGE YEAR 2023-2024**

Exalted Ruler Ruth Ann Witteman
Est. Leading Knight..... Anthony Tarone
Est. Loyal Knight Hank Nest, PER
Est. Lecturing Knight Christine Soxie
Secretary Maria Gregg, PER
Treasurer..... Herb Pawlitsch
Esquire Eric Palker, PER
Chaplain Bill May
Organist Maria Gregg, PER
Tiler Sonia Juhasz, PER
Inner Guard Brian Gartland, PER

TRUSTEES – 2023-2024

Fifth Year Keith Duffy
Fourth Year Tom Thiffault
Third Year Rick Grane
Second Year Vacant
First Year. Vacant

GRILL ROOM HOURS

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

Elks Care - Elks Share

SPOUSE/WIDOW IDENTIFICATION CARD

Please return the following information with a self-addressed stamped envelope to receive your 2023-2024 card.

✂

Last Name: _____
First Name: _____
Street Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Telephone Number: _____
Circle One:
Spouse Widow

MONTHLY DRAWING

Saturday, August 5th 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.



Friday, August 18th at 7:00 PM

**Come down and test your knowledge
with friends and family!**

August Applicants

Lisa Carman
2856 Southwood
Westlake, OH 44145-4668

SPONSOR: RICK GRANE

Jeffery Comi
3325 Palmer
Rocky River, OH 44116-3758

SPONSOR: DAWN MANGO

Donald O'Neal
17837 North Clifton Drive
Lakewood, OH 44107-1012

SPONSOR: LORI O'NEAL

Carolann Rauser
20190 Parkside Drive
Rocky River, OH 44116-1347

SPONSOR: KEITH DUFFY

Angel Roman
24108 Maple Ridge Road
North Olmsted, OH 440701355
SPONSOR: ROBERT BONENFANT



Left to right: Eric Palker, Butch Geiger and Ruth Ann Witteman

Congratulations

to Butch Geiger, our current District Deputy to the Grand Exalted Ruler for the Northeast District, on being presented his 60 year member pin this past Thursday by Exalted Ruler Ruth Ann Wittemen and Lodge Esquire Eric Palker PER. Thanks for your years of membership, service, and friendship, Butch!

**August 26th
at 7:00 P.M.**



**COMEDY
SHOW**

**Tickets
Available
at the bar.**

There will be 3 comedians performing this night

\$25

TUESDAY'S RESOLUTIONS BALLOTING RESULTS

2023-10	To allow Local Lodges to adopt a by-law setting a minimum age requirement for Life Membership applicants.	Yes=2,240 No=374	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Passed
2023-11	To define spouse as used in the Grand Lodge Statutes and in publications.	Yes=1,396 No=1,205	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Passed
2023-12	To require the Grand Lodge to provide a credit to Local Lodges for dropped Members.	Yes=769 No=1,826	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed
2023-13	To authorize and prescribe the procedure by which a Member may resign from membership during the Lodge year.	Yes=1,376 No=1,229	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Passed
2023-14	To allow Members to transfer from a Lodge appealing a Charter revocation.	Yes=2,375 No=240	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Passed
2023-15	To permit and prescribe the procedure by which a Member, who has been dropped for non-payment, may apply for reinstatement in another Lodge when that individual's Lodge has had its Charter revoked and has appealed.	Yes=2,146 No=469	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Passed
2023-16	To allow a Local Lodge Past Exalted Rulers Association to form a separate non-profit corporation for the purpose of raising, receiving, and distributing funds for such charities, educational, and scientific purposes that are supported by its Lodge, State Association, and/or Grand Lodge.	Yes=349 No=2,251	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed
2023-17	To make it clear that the Grand Exalted Ruler shall have the authority to remove any officer of a corporation formed pursuant to the new Section 16.035 who neglects the duties of office, or is guilty of contumacy or conduct injurious to the Order. *This Resolution is dependent upon the passage of Resolution 2023-16.*	Yes=1,666 No=920	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Passed
2023-18	To allow a Local Lodge Past Exalted Rulers Association to form a separate non-profit corporation for the purpose of fundraising. *This Resolution is dependent upon the passage of Resolution 2023-16 and 2023-17.*	Yes=1,089 No=1,499	<input type="checkbox"/> Failed

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS



- | | | | | | |
|----|--------------------|----|-----------------------|----|-----------------------|
| 1 | Kathryn M Eismont | 10 | Larry Gluvna | 21 | Jim Dutli |
| 2 | Jennifer Kahanca | 10 | Matthew Gregg | 21 | Robert F Sepulski |
| 2 | Joseph E Kleinhenz | 10 | Raymond O'Leary | 22 | Tom Avellone |
| 3 | Dean Brondos | 11 | George Anastasopoulos | 22 | Benjamin James Doyle |
| 3 | Michelle Spence | 11 | Nolan Baisch | 22 | Edward J Eismont |
| 4 | David Henson | 11 | Timothy Gauntner | 22 | Kenneth Griffiths |
| 4 | Arnis V Rence | 11 | Andrew D Taylor | 22 | Thomas C Kroth |
| 5 | James A Kettel | 12 | Bernard R Legarth | 22 | Gay Pawlak |
| 5 | Brian Thomas Koehl | 12 | Eric A Wahl | 23 | Michael John Cavanagh |
| 5 | Gerald F Lynch | 13 | George S Glass | 23 | James M Lavelle |
| 5 | Veronica J Soja | 13 | Gail Mokris | 24 | Michael A Keaton |
| 6 | Don Dean | 13 | Dan Scardina | 25 | Robert D'Amico |
| 6 | Paul Piwinski | 14 | Janice Thieman | 25 | Patricia H Hiros |
| 6 | Eric Skeans | 15 | Keith Ford Sloan | 25 | Andrew Paul Mangels |
| 6 | John Slife | 16 | Arthur L Lerner | 26 | Roger C Newman |
| 7 | Joseph Carstensen | 17 | James Strunk | 26 | Michael A Pawlak |
| 7 | Jonathan Fillar | 18 | Scott F Allen | 28 | Roger Del Rosario |
| 7 | Carol L May | 18 | Karl J Geiger | 29 | Terrance J Kettel |
| 8 | John J Gibbons Jr. | 18 | Edward T Shroka | 29 | Daniel E Michael III |
| 8 | Peter Mayer | 18 | Robert F Wallenhorst | 29 | Todd R Teter |
| 9 | William M Adams | 19 | Randall Heidenreich | 30 | Donald Sedlak |
| 9 | Paul D Gresbach | 19 | Rich Milinkovich | 31 | Thomas E Bunyak |
| 9 | Brian Yappel | 20 | Thomas Patrick Berry | 31 | Bryan Kahanca |
| 10 | Lisa Marie Diaz | 20 | Michael J Koehl | | |



Elks Annual Family Picnic

Sunday, August 13th
Noon - 6:00 pm

Irish American Club
8559 Jennings Road
Olmsted Township, OH 44138


**Cornhole Tournament • Kids Scavenger Hunt • DJ & More...
50/50 • Sideboards • Booze Wagon Raffle • Kids Raffle Basket
Face painting and balloon artists will be available from 1pm-3pm
and Guinness will be available in the Pub located inside the Club.**

**Burgers • Hot Dogs • Chicken • Sausage & Peppers • Pasta Salad • Potato Salad
• Corn on the Cob • Baked Beans • Iced Cold Beverages**

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS FOR THIS EVENT

(Sign-up sheet in the Grill Room), please consider donating a bottle
for our booze wagon or an item for the kids basket

If you have any questions or concerns,
please contact Chris Soxie at
440-454-4264 or wahoo941@aol.com



ELKS ANNUAL NORTHEAST Charity Ball

OCTOBER 14, 2023



Please join us at **Parma Elks Lodge 1938** on Saturday, October 14, 2023 at 5:30PM for our
ELKS ANNUAL NORTHEAST DISTRICT CHARITY BALL
BENEFITING UNITED CEREBRAL PALSY

For those of you who are unable to attend, there are a few ways you can help us out: purchasing a personal or business ad for our program at prices are listed to the right, donating prizes for the raffle, a bottle of wine for our wine cork pull, and of course, monetary donations are always appreciated. Keep in mind our main purpose is to raise monies for UCP of Cleveland, so that they may give to families in need or buy needed equipment to treat or assist individuals with Cerebral Palsy.

- Dinner will be buffet style and will include appetizers and dessert
- Entertainment by the "Manhattan Band"
- Hotel Information: Embassy Suites by Hilton 216-986-9900 • Group Code: PEC
Group Name: Parma ELks Charity Ball
Reservations by September 22, 2023
Room Rental Rate: \$129.00 per night
- You can turn in Baskets, Wine, Ticket or Ad sales to Lisa Wadlow at the August State Convention or contact her with any questions at 419-266-7123
- All checks and forms are to be mailed to Jim Vasey, PDDGER at 17512 Flamingo Ave., Cleveland, OH 44135

\$60 PER TICKET

Includes Dinner, Open Bar & Entertainment

COSTS FOR PROGRAM ADS:




- Patron Ad \$10.00
- Business Card Ad \$25.00
- Quarter Page Ad \$35.00
- Half page Ad \$60.00
- Full Page Ad \$100.00
- Front or Back Cover (Inside) \$150.00
- Table Sponsor \$250.00 - This includes a full-page Program Ad

**Add & Ticket Sales Cutoff is Friday,
September 25, 2023 - NO EXCEPTIONS**



AUGUST 2023



Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
30	31	1 	2	3 Lodge Meeting Balloting 7:30 P.M.	4	5 Monthly Drawing 7:00 P.M.
6	7	8 	9	10	11	12
13 Family Picnic Noon - 6:00 Irish American Club Lodge Closed	14 Lodge Closed	15 Lodge Closed	16	17	18 State Convention in Columbus Trivia 7:00 P.M.	19 State Convention in Columbus
20 State Convention in Columbus Lodge Closed	21	22 	23	24	25	26 Comedy Show 7:00 P.M.
27	28	29 	30	31 B.O.D. Meeting 6:30 P.M.	1	2

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Spaghetti Dinners • Charity Ball (Parma Lodge) • Poker Run/Halloween Party • Turkey Trot

Follow us on Facebook at - Official Lakewood Elks 1350 - Westlake, Ohio

-RENTALS-

The Hall and Bowling alley are open for rentals.
Just call the Trustees' Office to book your event.

Lakewood Lodge No. 1350
Benevolent and Protective Order of the Elks
24350 Center Ridge Road
Westlake, OH 44145
Telephone: 440-617-9653

"To a Very Important Elk" Dated Material - Deliver prior to the first of each month. "A Fraternal Organization"

Non-Profit Org.
U. S. POSTAGE
PAID
Cleveland, Ohio
Permit, No. 1079