



The Lakewood



LODGE #1350
Ledger

BENEVOLENT AND PROTECTIVE ORDER OF THE ELKS

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Greetings Fellow Elks

It's Time to celebrate November!

Yes, those cold breezes, beautiful leaves, and early sunsets herald us to don cozy sweaters, warm slippers, and cups of tea fireside. Pumpkin lattes, pumpkin pies, and pumpkin rolls, oh my!!

But to us, Elks, November holds a special significance;

The Month Of Remembrance

Before WWII, November 11th was celebrated as Armistice Day, marking the end of WWI. It was Woodrow Wilson who commissioned General Pershing, a lifelong Elk, the honor of setting the exact Armistice moment to be celebrated. With historical collaboration, he declared the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month to be set aside to honor all brave military. Thus, Veterans Day was born.

We as Elks honor the courage, integrity, and commitment of those who serve now and in the past. If you are one of these special individuals or know one, come to our Veterans Dinner held at the Lodge on Nov 9th. All Veterans and current military are invited to be honored with a dinner, bowling, corn hole, and fellowship. Non-military are welcome for a \$10 donation. All Veterans and those serving are welcome. Use of the Grill Room is discouraged during this event. If you are interested in coming, please help us with a head count by signing up in the Grill Room.

Remembrance doesn't stop there with us Elks. To us, Elks are remembered wherever they are and wherever they roam at 11 o'clock. Lodges cease all activities, guests rise, as the chimes toll 11 times as Elks pay homage to all our members, living and dead by reciting the 11 o'clock toast, Our emblem contains the clock, with hands at 11 to signify the importance of this remembrance and to remind us that no matter what the circumstance, WE ARE THE ELKS, past and present. By honoring all members we recognize each one's importance

to the success of our Lodge and commitment to brotherhood. I especially enjoy this toast when visiting other lodges as it makes me feel united with those I am visiting, and those at home, at 1350.

The Month of Gratitude

November's shorter, cooler days and longer chilly nights have us returning to the hearth and asking "Isn't 8 o'clock too late to go out?"

As one of our members put it, "I just want to go home and putz", enjoying the blessings of home and family. Campfires, football games, and raking leaves enable us to make the best of our last pre-winter days as we pray for an Indian Summer! Soon, we will be gathering with family and friends celebrating our Blessings and preparing for another year. Here at the Elks, we celebrate our Blessings by advocating for others. Our biggest fundraising of the year, Turkey Trot is Nov 4th. Be part of the fun by signing up to volunteer. Sign-up sheets are in the Grill Room. See further information in this Ledger.

Our Grand Lodge has a way for 5th-8th graders to show their gratitude for being an American by submitting to the Americanism Essay Contest. Essays are centered around the meaning of patriotism and reflect one's prides and respect for our nation. Essays are limited to 300 words. Each grade will be awarded a \$1,000.00 a \$500.00, and a \$250.00 prize. Not bad holiday cash!! Submissions are due by Dec.15, 2023. Details and application packets can be found at elks.org.

Remember, our lodge activities and events are posted on our chalkboard near the kitchen. Keep informed of specials and other info on Facebook, Official Elks 1350 - Westlake, Ohio, and of course, read the Ledger!

Enjoy November!
Ruth Ann Witteman



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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, November 11th 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.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE

www.lakewoodelks1350.com

Here you will find all the latest information about our Lodge.

Events • Ledger • Scholarships • Menu
What Elks Do • Contact Information
Elks History • Grand Lodge Information

November Applicants

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27754 Dunford Road
Westlake, OH 44145-5350
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27754 Dunford Road
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3097 Bay Landing Drive
Westlake, OH 44145-4426
SPONSOR: HERB PAWLITSCH



SPAGHETTI DINNER

NOVEMBER 15TH

5:00 - 7:30 pm

Adults are \$9.00 • Kids are \$4.00

To go containers are .25 cents

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

Memorial Service - December 3rd at 1:00 P.M.

Each year we gather together on the first Sunday in December to honor those members who have passed on during the previous year. It is the last thing we can do to show our friendship, our love, our appreciation for them. This year's Memorial Service will be on Sunday, December 3rd, at 1:00 p.m. with a reception afterwards in the Grill Room.

In Memoriam

We shall meet but we shall miss them.

There will be the vacant chairs.

Though we no more possess them,

Still our hearts their memory bear.

But a while ago we gathered,

Friendship beaming in each eye.

Now the golden cord is severed,

They have passed to realms on high.

Our Honored Departed Members

Name – Initiated – Entered Into Rest

George L. Everden – 9/22/1966 – 12/7/2022

Frank Spoth – 9/6/2007 – 12/15/2022

Joann Garrett – 7/20/2017 – 12/15/2022

David Dusek – 3/18/2004 – 2/4/2023

Dianne A. Elias – 3/2/2017 – 2/12/2023

Peter P. Tovtin – 1/15/2015 – 4/17/2023

Jeffrey W. Meinke – 1/3/2013 – 5/2/2023

Anthony J. Comella, Jr. – 5/16/1996 – 5/4/2023

Hugo A. Zenker, Jr. – 3/28/1968 – 5/17/2023

Mary M. Phillips – 3/6/2014 – 7/28/2023

Julius Skerlan – 3/6/2014 – 8/11/2023

Joel M. Tomkalski – 7/14/2022 – 10/26/2023

To Our Absent Members

Christmas Cheer Delivery

In the true spirit of Christmas giving, our Lodge has a long tradition of delivering Christmas baskets to families in the **Western Cleveland Suburbs**. These baskets contain a complete Christmas dinner, warm hats and gloves, and a toy for each child in the family under 16 years old.

Remember that sometimes families suddenly face an unexpected illness, loss of work, crisis, or some temporary setback which may abruptly change their circumstances, and they then find themselves unable to provide a happy holiday for their family. A large house in an affluent area can sometimes disguise a family whose children would otherwise not have a special Christmas dinner or a gift on Christmas morning.

If you would like to recommend a family to receive some Christmas Cheer, please fill in the application form completely (located as a page insert). There are also many ways to lend a hand. Whether helping to wrap gifts, loading the food boxes into cars or using your vehicle to help deliver the cheer on Saturday, December 15th, your assistance is welcomed.

Please feel free to show up at the dates and times listed. Following delivery on December 15th the Elves (volunteers) will enjoy food, drink, and share our own Christmas spirit in the Grill Room!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Saturday, December 9th – Deadline for Applications.

Applications must be received (placed in the box) in the Grill Room prior to 6:00 pm.

No emails will be excepted, must turn in a hand written sheet.

Friday, December 14th – Gift Wrapping & Assembly

We will welcome any and all volunteers to help assemble and gift wrap! We'll start at 6:00 pm. in the Lodge Hall. Extra wrapping hands are welcome.

Saturday, December 15th – Christmas Cheer Basket Delivery.

Deliver in your own vehicle to a number of homes. Starting at 9:00 am. Once ready you will pull up to the front doors and we will help you load your car. Upon completion return to the Grill Room for some Elk's Holiday Cheer & Lunch.





1350 Elks Annual Turkey Trot... The Path to Christmas Cheer

Saturday, November 4, 2023

**Dinner Service
5:00 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.**

Gobble Gobble! The annual Turkey Trot is our largest fundraiser of the year. This pre-Thanksgiving party helps make a Merry Christmas possible for local families each year, by providing the necessary funds for families in need. Join us for some delicious food, great entertainment, raffle baskets, side boards, 50/50, and much more.

**WE NEED VOLUNTEERS & BASKETS
TO MAKE THIS EVENT A SUCCESS**

There will be a sign up sheet in the Grill Room with time slots.

**Turkey Dinners
Adults \$10.00 • Kids \$6.00**

**Bobbie Sandwich
\$8.00**

Please contact our Loyal Knight
Hank Nest for more information
at 440-724-6580
or hanknest@aol.com.





NOVEMBER

BIRTHDAYS

- | | | | | | |
|---|-------------------|----|--------------------|----|--------------------------|
| 1 | Thomas J Cantrall | 10 | Judy Buckley | 18 | Keith Johnson |
| 1 | Michael Rolf | 10 | Kenneth J Sharp | 18 | Thomas Kacpura |
| 2 | George Bruck | 11 | Mary Caye Kilbane | 18 | Nina Y Loub |
| 2 | Melinda Rolf | 11 | Alexei W Krystynak | 18 | Jennifer Regas |
| 2 | Kati M Sand | 12 | Michael Anzalone | 18 | James Shaffer |
| 3 | Justin Goodman | 12 | Christopher Bancsi | 19 | James R Campana Sr |
| 3 | Leon M Piwinski | 12 | James Myers | 19 | Rob D Wise |
| 3 | Chris Willis | 12 | Daria Pawlak | 20 | Michael K Rieke |
| 4 | Andrew W Dickson | 13 | Anthony Cipollone | 21 | Sharon Davis |
| 5 | Dennis J Pochatek | 14 | Denise A Chomoa | 22 | Christina R Finn |
| 5 | Joseph M Polito | 14 | Jack Fintz | 22 | Anthony A Matalavage III |
| 6 | Jeffrey M Renz | 14 | Calvin Lewis | 22 | John Urban |
| 7 | Ann Huber | 14 | Frealen Newsome Jr | 24 | Brian Gorris |
| 7 | Robert Murphy | 15 | Donna M Andrew | 25 | Raymon L Bogater |
| 8 | Fred C Buelow | 15 | Krysten Aquino | 26 | Barbara Barlock |
| 8 | Heather Hiros | 15 | Christopher Strano | 28 | Sarah Rintamaki |
| 8 | Kevin Norman | 16 | Carol Olbrys | 30 | Emily F Klanac |
| 9 | David H Starcher | 17 | Tony J Granfors | | |

Browns



OMELET SUNDAY

Made to order by the PER Association

November 12, 2023

November 26, 2023

January - TBD

10:00 A.M. - Noon

- MENU -

Cooked to order Omelets served with Tater Tots, Toast and Coffee	\$9.00
Waffles and Coffee	\$4.00
Bloody Marys	\$3.00
Screwdrivers	\$3.00

UGLY SWEATER

CHRISTMAS PARTY

December 22nd at 6:00 P.M.

Reindeer Games

50/50



Entertainment
(Stevie Nicks of Rumors) &
Lance (Lindsey Buckingham of Rumors)
7:00 PM

Ugly Sweater Contest

Contact Eileen Woods with any questions

ELKS
Join us at the Lodge!

November 9th, 2023
6:00 P.M.

Veteran's Dinner

Community • Friendship • Charity
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Lakewood Elks #1350 along with Berea Elks #1850 are hosting a members Veterans dinner.

November 9th, 2023 at 6:00 P.M.

Dinner: Roast Beef, Ham, Chicken Parmesan, Rigatoni w/Marinara, Mash Potatoes w/Gravy, Green Beans, Corn, Salad, Rolls, Pop, Coffee and Cake for Dessert.

PLEASE RSVP NO LATER THAN 10/4:

E.palker@startmail.com or pete.evanko@aol.com
danielle.mahany@yahoo.com or hanslarsen22@gmail.com



Join Us

**SATURDAY.
NOVEMBER 25TH
AT NOON**

Sideboards

FOOD

50/50

TRIVIA NIGHT

Friday, November 17th at 7:00 PM

**Come down and enjoy fun times
with great people!**

Chicago Tribute Band Dinner & Dessert

January 13, 2023

Dinner 5:00 P.M. - 6:30 P.M.

Show 7:00 P.M. - 10:00 P.M.

\$30

All tables will be reserved for ticket holders

L.I.C. GENERAL MEETING

December 5th, 2023 - 7:00 P.M.

All members in good standing are
welcome to attend.

We will review 2023 Actual to Budget figures,
as well as the forecast for 2024.

Elections of the 3 At-Large Officer positions
(3 year term) will be held.

Any member in good standing can run
for a position.

Thanks - Jim Bischoff

UPCOMING EVENTS

12/14 - Gift Wrapping & Christmas Assembly

12/15 - Christmas Basket Delivery

12/22 - Ugly Sweater Christmas Party

Reindeer games - Shannon (Stevie Nicks of
Rumours) and Lance playing at 7pm

1/1/2024 - Tom & Jerry

1/13/24 - Chicago Tribute Band Dinner Show

NOVEMBER 2023



Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
29	30	31	1	2 Lodge Meeting Initiation 7:30 P.M.	3	4 Turkey Trot Dinner 5:00 PM - 7:30 PM or until food runs out
5	6	7	8	9 Veteran's Dinner 6:00 P.M	10	11 Monthly Drawing 7:00 P.M
12 PER Omelet Breakfast 10:00 - 12:00 PM	13	14	15 Spaghetti Dinner 5:00 P.M.- 7:30 P.M	16	17 Trivia 7:00 P.M.	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25 OSU/MICH Party Time: Noon
26 PER Omelet Breakfast 10:00 - 12:00 PM	27	28 Investigation 7:00 P.M.	29	30 B.O.D. Meeting 6:30 P.M	1	2

UPCOMING EVENTS:

12/8 Christmas Cheer Basket Assembly & Gift Wrapping • 12/9 Christmas Basket Delivery
 12/22 Ugly Sweater Christmas Party - Reindeer games - Shannon (Stevie Nicks of Rumours) and
 Lance playing at 7pm • 1/1/2024 Tom & Jerry • 1/13/24 - Chicago Tribute Band Dinner Show

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Christmas Cheer

Elks #1350 Member Name: _____

Member Number: _____ Member Phone: _____

Please choose only one of the following delivery options:

- I will deliver this basket myself
- Please have a volunteer deliver this basket

This form **MUST** be filled in **Completely and Legible** to be accepted for **ANY** delivery!

Family Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Total # Adults and Children Living in this household:

- There are NO Children under 16. Send a food basket only.
- There ARE Children under 16. Send food basket, plus kid's gifts.

Please fill out the children's information completely below.

(Please note if a child has special needs so we can gift properly)

Notes:

Child's Name: _____ Age: _____ Male or Female _____

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**STRICT DEADLINE - Must be received in the Grill Room Box no later than Saturday, December 9nd by 6:00 P.M.
No emails! Questions contact Kellie Roth at 602-369-8924**

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-RENTALS-

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

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