



November 2023

Lodge Officers

2023-2024

- Exalted Ruler:** Fran Milkowski, PER
- Leading Knight:** Becky Feronti
- Loyal Knight:** Open
- Lecturing Knight:** Open
- Secretary:** Laurie Law
- Treasurer:** Frank Gildersleeve
- Esquire:** R. Scott Seib, PDDGER
- Inner Guard:** Sue Ozimek
- Tiler:** Pam Gildersleeve
- Chaplain:** Robert Mazzone

TRUSTEES

- Rick Killian 1 Year
- Les Owens, PER, PDDGER 2 Year
- Jim Law, PER, PDDGER 3 Year
- Dave Parker, PER 4 Year
- Don Langer, PER 5 Year

Auxiliary Officers

2023-2024

- President:** Becky Feronti
- Vice President:** Terri Straub
- Recording Sec.:** Lyn Straub
- Financial Sec.:** Colleen Gourley
- Treasurer:** Kelly Minns
- Chaplain:** Pat Thompson
- Sick & Sunshine:** Pat Thompson
- Properties:** Sue Ozimek
- Publicity:** Denise Witt
- Parliamentarian:** Barb Mitcho

TRUSTEES

- 1 Year Elaine Langer
- 1 Year Sherry Respecki
- 2 Year Pat Thompson
- 2 Year Dee Covatto

House Committee

2023-2024

- Chairman:** R. Scott Seib, PER, PDDGER
- Jim Law, PER, PDDGER
- Becky Feronti
- Dave Miller
- Ben Carrick
- Nichole Klemm
- Ron Zimmer

Benevolent Order of Elks

Lodge 67

Elks Care... Elks Share ...

Instituted on May 28, 1887 Chartered on July 10, 1887



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Exalted Ruler's Message: Greetings Fellow Elks, As Elks, we set aside the month of November to remember our veterans. Honoring the brave men and women of our nation's armed services should be done not just on one day or during one month but every day of the year. These individuals sacrificed so much for us as Americans, many making the ultimate sacrifice. I kindly ask whenever you see a veteran, remember to thank them for their service. If the veteran is a Vietnam vet, add "Welcome Home." The mission of the Elks is, "So long as there are veterans, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks will never forget them." Much of the money our Lodge uses for the various veteran programs comes to us in the form of grants from the Elks National Foundation. The balance is raised through raffles and fund raisers. Your support of ENF ultimately supports the wonderful programs for our veterans. Another way to show your support is to wear R.E.D (Remember Everyone Deployed) on Fridays.

November also begins the holiday season with Thanksgiving on Thursday the 23rd. As in the past, the Lodge will be closed this day so that all can enjoy the four F's: family, food, fun, and football. This month will also include our usual fun-filled activities of Trivia, Speed Bingo, Regular Bingo, and Music. To those activities, you can add a Bloody Mary Bar and a Meat Raffle. Last but not least, you can enjoy all of Ryan's daily specials especially his surprise Saturday lunch sandwich.

Remember, this is your Lodge. Use it, support it, enjoy it, and promote it. Respectfully, Fran Milkowski, Exulted Ruler



FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK: I have received notification from the Grand Lodge Secretary that our Grand Lodge per capita dues will be increased by \$5.00. Our Lodge dues will remain the same. This means that dues for the year 2024-2025 will be \$69 for regular members and \$52 for Life and Honorary Life Members. Once again I will start taking dues on January 1st. You will receive a bill in the mail to pay your dues with. Donations for ENF and Home Services can be made at the same time. If you would like your membership card mailed to you send a self-addressed stamped envelope with your due's payment. Thank you, Laurie Law, Secretary B.P.O.E. Lodge 67, 2409 Peninsula Dr. Erie, Pa 16506.



Chaplain's Corner: I'm sad to report this month the death of George Maslar. Bob Mazzone, Chaplain, 838-9154

AUXILIARY NEWS

We would like to thank everyone that purchases lottery tickets for November. Good luck to all!

A special Thank you to Carol Jakubowski for coordination and organizing the Angel Tree for Harborcreek Youth Services this year. Please watch for the tree to be placed in the social quarters in the next couple weeks.

The Auxiliary Christmas Party will be on Monday, December 4th at 6:00 pm. Pat Thompson and Dee

Covatto are planning this special event. Dinner choices are: Stuffed Chicken Breasts, Lasagna or Baked White Fish with cheesecake for dessert. There will be no charge for members and guests may attend for \$24. Please make your food selection and contact Dee Covatto at 833-5145 or 450-4300 (cell). Guests can leave their payment and food selection in an envelope behind the bar. All reservations must be made by November 22nd. Thank you, Becky Feronti, Auxiliary President

RAFFLE

35th Annual Erie Elks Lodge Gun Raffle. The raffle will take place at Rainbow Gardens on February 24th, 2024. 2 Tickets will be mailed to members as in the past and packs of 10 tickets to sell will be coming soon. Please help us make this year a big success by volunteering to help at the raffle or help out in any way you can. A signup sheet will be posted on the bulletin board inside the Lodge. Gun Sponsors are a big part of our raffle. If you or someone you know would like to sponsor a gun, please let us know. Thank you from your 2024 Gun Raffle Committee.



Christmas Baskets: Once again we will be conducting our Christmas Basket Program for the less fortunate. Starting on Wednesday, November 1st through Sunday, November 26th, we will be accepting names for basket requests. Due to the increase in the cost of the baskets, we would like to limit your requests for baskets to two requests per member.

This will help ensure that all requests can be filled. Please obtain a form from the bartender, fill it out legibly and completely and return to the bar. Incomplete forms will NOT be honored. More information will be forthcoming regarding the delivery of the baskets set for December 16th. Any questions, regarding the baskets, please contact me. Becky Feronti, Leading Knight.



Angel Tree: Watch for the Angel tree to be placed in the social quarters of the Lodge in mid-November. Our gift recipients this year will be the children of Harborcreek Youth Services. Please take the "Angels" off the tree, sign your name and phone number on the list and purchase the specific gifts requested by these disadvantaged youths. If you can't purchase specific gifts, you may also donate money and we will do the shopping for you. Thank you in advance for your generosity! Contact Carol Jakubowski with any questions.

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WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA:

Dear Fellow Elks: In the October 2023 lodge newsletter, I discussed the opportunity to lay wreaths at veteran grave sites located at the Pennsylvania Soldiers' and Sailors' Home, Veterans Memorial Cemetery. If you are interested, please be at the Pennsylvania Soldiers' and Sailors' Home, Veterans Memorial Cemetery by Noon on December 16, 2023.

There will be a short ceremony honoring veterans followed by the laying of wreaths. The cemetery is located on the backside of the Pennsylvania Soldiers'

and Sailors' Home campus. There are security guards at the entrance gate to the campus who can assist with directions to the cemetery, if you require them.

The Pennsylvania Soldiers' and Sailors' Home address is 560 East 3rd Street, Erie, PA 16507. If you have any questions, the Pennsylvania Soldiers' and Sailors' Home coordinator for the wreath laying event is Ken Vybiral at 814-878-4961. You can also contact me at 814-520-6863 with questions.

Sincerely, Peter D. Utley, MG (Retired), U.S. Army

HOME SERVICE PROGRAM OCTOBER FEATURE

HOME SERVICE PROGRAM HONORED AT POCONO MOUNTAINS COMMUNITY EVENT



THE HOME SERVICE PROGRAM WAS CHOSEN TO BE HONORED AT THE POCONO MOUNTAINS COMMUNITY FOOD FEST FUNDRAISER. HOME SERVICE NURSES TANYA GUYER OF UNIT 21 AND DEB PENN OF UNIT 10 ATTENDED ON BEHALF OF THE HOME SERVICE PROGRAM AND WERE PRESENTED WITH A CEREMONIAL CHECK, AND OUR PROGRAM WAS FEATURED IN A SPECIAL POCONO TELEVISION NETWORK NEWS STORY!

POCONO TELEVISION NETWORK (PTN) INTERVIEWED ELKS NURSE TANYA GUYER AS WELL AS ZECHARIAH, MAKAYLA, AND THEIR GRANDMOTHER ANGELA. THE INTERVIEW WAS A FEATURED STORY WHICH AIRED IN SEPTEMBER 2023 ON PTN. THE VIDEO FEATURE CAN BE VIEWED AT THIS LINK:

[HTTPS://WWW.POCONOMOUNTAINS.COM/PTN-DETAIL/PENNSYLVANIA-ELKS-HOME-SERVICE-PROGRAM/64F5EA275C14130CB34994E6/](https://www.poconomountains.com/ptn-detail/pennsylvania-elks-home-service-program/64f5ea275c14130cb34994e6/)

ZECHARIAH AND MAKAYLA, POCONO COMMUNITY FEATURED STORY



Happy Hour 5-7 Monday through Friday

Sunday: Bloody Mary \$3.25

Beer of the Month: Yuengling Bottles - \$2.50

Monday \$3.00 Mount Gay Rum	Tuesday \$5.00 Cabernet 8 oz	Wednesday \$2.00 Coors Light Draft 16oz	Thursday \$3.75 Margarita	Friday \$4.00 Salted Carmel Russian	Saturday \$3.25 White Claw Raspberry
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Football Sundays Only: 5 for \$12.00 domestic 12oz bottle buckets

NOVEMBER 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 Pizza & Wings Cheesy Broccoli Flatbread PER MEETING 6:30pm	2 Cabbage Rolls SPEED BINGO 6PM	3 Seafood Portofino Mike 100 Proof Music: 7 - 11PM	4 Specialty Sandwich 12PM-4PM Prime Rib Bingo 7PM
5 Bloody Mary Bar 11:30AM - 2PM \$8.00 FOOTBALL SPECIAL	6	7 Greek Night Trivia 6:30PM	8 Pizza & Wings Tomato Basil Flatbread Indoctrination 7PM	9 Swiss Steak	10 Grilled Salmon The Jays Music: 7 - 11PM	11 Specialty Sandwich 12PM-4PM Prime Rib Bingo 7PM
12 FOOTBALL SPECIAL	13 LODGE MEETING Initiation 7 PM	14 Taco Night	15 Pizza & Wings Avocado Chicken Flatbread	16 Sausage Stuffed Rigatoni Bake SPEED BINGO 6PM	17 Calamari & Fried Oysters/12oz Ribeye BB2 Music: 7 - 11PM	18 Specialty Sandwich 12PM-4PM Prime Rib Bingo 7PM
19 FOOTBALL SPECIAL	20 Trustees Meeting 6PM	21 Lasagna Trivia 6:30PM	22 Pizza & Wings Breakfast Flatbread Roy Hollis Jr. Music: 7 - 11PM	23 HAPPY THANKSGIVING Lodge Closed	24 Perch	25 Specialty Sandwich 12PM-4PM Prime Rib Bingo 7PM
26 FOOTBALL SPECIAL	27	28 Goulash	29 Pizza & Wings Steak & Bleu Cheese Flatbread	30 Breakfast Menu		

Kitchen hours:

LODGE HOURS:

Sunday 11AM - 9PM
Monday 2PM-9PM
Tuesday -Thursday 2PM-10PM

Friday - 2PM -12AM
Saturday -11AM -11PM

Tuesday - Friday 5PM - 9PM
Saturday 12PM - 4PM Grill Menu &
4PM - 9PM Dinner Menu