

Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Lodge #67 Erie, PA **MAY 2025 NEWSLETTER**

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Lodge 67 Officers 2024-2025

Exalted Ruler: R. Scott Seib PER, PDDGER

Leading Knight: Greg Kindle Loyal Knight: OPEN Lecturing Knight: Blake Myers Secretary: Laurie Law

Treasurer: Tracy VanHoyweghen

Rick Killian Esquire: Inner Guard: Sue Ozimek Tiler: Pauletti Kindle Chaplain: Robert Mazzone

TRUSTEES

Jim Law PER, PDDGER 1 Year Dave Parker PER 2 Year Don Langer, PER 3 Year Fran Milkowski PER, DSVP 4 Year Becky Feronti, PER

Lodge 67 Auxiliary Officers 2024-2025

President: Debbie Munson Vice President: Pam Henning Recording Secretary: Carol Jakubowski Financial Secretary: Colleen Gourley Treasurer: Kelly Minns Chaplain: Pat Thompson Sick & Sunshine: Pat Thompson Properties: Sue Ozimek

Publicity: Denise Witt Parliamentarian: Barb Mitcho

TRUSTEES

Elaine Langer 1 Year Becky Feronti, PER 1 Year Dee Covatto 2 Year Pat Thompson 2 Year

Lodge 67 House Committee 2024-2025

Chairman: Fran Milkowski, PER, DSVP

Tom Adamczyk Greg Kindle

Jim Law, PER, PDDGER

Dave Miller JoAnn Puskus

Exalted Ruler's Message

Greetings Elks Lodge 67 Members,

I would like to congratulate the recipients of the awards that PER Becky Feronti gave out at the Inaugural Party. They are well deserved, so good job!

The Erie Elks Lodge entered our website in the Grand Lodge Fraternal Committee website contest consisting of Lodges from across the United States. Our Lodge came in 6th place in the 5-star top division. The hard work of Scott and Julie Shaffer paid off for our Lodge, so when you see them give them a big "thank you". We'll pick up the award at the Grand Convention in July.

We have been fortunate to receive all the ENF Community Grants again this year! The Grants are worth \$18,000; with \$15,000 going to Veteran-related projects and \$3000 going to the Community Youth Project. This year we partnered with the Millcreek Township Police Athletic League (PAL) program. This program works with the children at Tracy School after school to develop life long skills. This is a new program for Millcreek, but it has been around in Erie with the Erie Police Department for some time, and has benefited numerous youth in the community.

At summer approaches at the Lodge, one of the upcoming event sign-ups is the Cornhole League. If you are interested, please see Tom or Lisa Kaliszewski.

This year, Theresa Czerwinski is our entertainment chair, and she is working on getting some activities going on our slow days, so keep an eye out for postings and notifications of these events.

Hope to see around the Lodge!!!

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Fraternally,

R. Scott Seib ER, PER, PDDGER







Monthly News

AUXILIARY NEWS

Thank you to all who attended the installation and reception for the Auxiliary Officers on April 7th . It was an enjoyable time.

It's not too early to start planning for the Basket Raffle to be held at the Jamboree this July. Please sign up on the list posted near the front doors to the social quarters. Theme baskets are great, but if you can't provide a basket and you have some new or gently used items that you think could go into a basket, those are welcome, too! Please note: Due to state small games of chance rules, NO alcoholic beverages may be put in the auction baskets. Baskets and items may be left on the table under the daily/weekly drawing board (please mark it "for Jamboree" to avoid confusion with other items left there). Please have all donations and baskets to the Lodge by July 9th.

Congratulations to all of last month's Lottery Card winners! If you didn't win, remember that we will have another chance coming soon for the July Lottery.

Our next meeting will be on <u>Tuesday, May 13th at 6PM</u>. Please note: this change is due to the banquet room not being available. All auxiliary members are invited to attend. I try to keep the meetings short - under an hour - so that you will have time to socialize afterwards.

Sincerely,
Debbie Munson, Auxiliary President

FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK

We currently have around 300 delinquent memberships, so please stop by the Lodge or mail in your dues. If you mailed in your dues, and did not include a Self-Addressed-Stamped-Envelope, you will need to pick your membership card at the Lodge.

Fraternally Yours, Laurie Law, Secretary

HOUSE COMMITTEE UPDATE

The House Committee would like to thank everyone for cooperating during the membership card check days during the month of April. Please make sure that your membership card is signed and with you when you are at the Lodge.

Many fun activities have been planned for the upcoming summer months. Keep up to date with all of the Lodge happenings by consulting the newsletter, video boards, bulletin board and our Facebook page.

Finally, the Lodge will be closed on Memorial Day, Monday, May 26th. Enjoy this day with your family and friends.

> Regards, Frank Milkowski, DSVP, PER

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Please take a moment to remember our fellow Elk, Robert W. Johnson who passed on April 18th, 2025.



https://www.goerie.com/obituaries/psom1156520

Blessings, Robert Mazzone, Chaplain

This Month's Highlights

May 3rd Kentucky Derby Day Streaming Races Live TV Bloody Mary Bar May 4th 11:30am - 2pm May 5th Cinco De Mayo PATRÓN TEQUILA - \$5 May 11th Happy Mother's Day free cupcakes for Mom May 16th & 17th American Flags for graves May 17th Armed Forces Day Thank you US services May 18th Sunday Funday Video Karaoke May 26th Memorial Day Lodge Closed



Memorial Day reflections of Alex Horton, a veteran of the Iraq war

"Memorial Day is meant to remind folks of the sacrifice borne by those who fell in battle in defense of the country, as well as their families. But once you lose someone in combat, Memorial Day bleeds across the rest of the calendar ..."

"I hope civilians find more solace in Memorial Day than I do. Many seem to forget why it exists in the first place, and spend the time looking for good sales or drinking beers on the back porch. It's a long weekend, not a period of personal reflection. At the same time, many incorrectly thank Vets or active duty folks for their service.

While appreciated, it's misdirected. That's what Veterans Day is for. Instead, they should take some time and remember the spirit of the country and the dedication of those men and women who chose to pick up arms. They never came home to be thanked, and only their memory remains."

Courtesy of https://spiritofamerica.org/

The Erie Elks Lodge 67 will be closed on Memorial Day, Monday, May 26th

Elks Care - Elks Share Elks Care - Elks Share Elks Care - Elks Share

Our Lodge will once again be assisting the *Marine Corps*League in the placing of American flags on grave sites at two local cemeteries;



Laurel Hill Cemetery on Friday, May 16th &

Memorial Gardens Cemetery on Saturday, May 17th

Meet us at 9am at the cemetery. Questions or for more information, please contact Fran Milkowski or a House Committee member.

June 12th, 2025 ELKS Lodge 67 Veterans' Picnic at Presque Isle State Park

Volunteers are needed for food prep, serving, cleanup, and aiding Veterans.

More information will be posted on monitors at the Lodge, and on the Bulletin Board



MAY 17TH, 2025 ARMED FORCES DAY



"Our Servicemen and women are serving throughout the world as guardians of peace— many of them away from their homes, their friends and their families. They are visible evidence of our determination to meet any threat to the peace with measured strength and high resolve. They are also evidence of a harsh but inescapable truth— that the survival of freedom requires great cost and commitment, and great personal sacrifice."

-President John F. Kennedy, 1963 proclamation of Armed Forces Day Courtesy of https://veteran.com/armed-forces-day/



THE Kentucky Derby

May 3rd
Race for the Roses
LIVE TV BROADCAST
at the Erie Elks



TRIVIA TUESDAYS
MAY 6TH & 20TH
AT 6:30PM

SUNDAY FUNDAY!

MAY 18th

VIDEO KARAOKE

3PM-6PM

Bring a snack to share Beer Buckets available: 6/\$15.50 domestic & Labatt bottles



Elks GOLF POLOS

Pre-Sale Week: May 11th-17th



Men's & Women's; colors, sizes and prices will be on sign-up sheet on the Bulletin Board. Don't miss the chance to get yours early!

MEAT RAFFLE! Sunday, June 1st from 1PM-2PM. Proceeds benefit the Meals On Wheels for Veterans program. Plus, live music with Jack Campbell on the Patio at 2PM!

5th Annual Jim Peronti Memorial Golf Tournament

When? Friday, May 30th, 2025;

Register 9-9:45am, Shotgun Start at 10am

Where? Beechwood Golf Club, 6401 Gorski Rd, Fairview, PA

What? A Day of Golf for \$75/pp; includes cart, snacks, prizes

& a ham dinner afterwards at the Lodge

Who? Anyone looking to enjoy a day of golf in Memory of

Jim Feronti & raise money for Elks Home Services

How? Sign-ups for the Tournament and Hole Sponsorship

forms are on the Lodge Bulletin Board, plus contact

information for Laurie Law and Becky Feronti

BOCCE: There will be a meeting for members/non-members who are interested in playing bocce this summer. The meeting will be held on Tuesday May 20th at

6:30pm. The meeting will take place on the patio weather permitting. Bocce will start Tuesday, June 1st.

Start time will be determined at the meeting.
Any questions, please contact

Claire Steiner 814-449-7391



B-I-N-G-O Every SATURDAY @ 7PM

Come Early to Enjoy Our Prime Rib Dinner Special ALSO SPEED BINGO ON MAY 1st & 15th @ 6PM!

Lodge Kitchen Hours:

Sunday: CLOSED
Monday: CLOSED

SUNDAY:

Tuesday thru Friday: 5PM - 9PM Saturday: 12PM - 4PM Grill Menu

4PM - 9PM Dinner Menu

Lodge Social Hours:

Sunday 11AM - 9PM Monday 2PM - 9PM

Tuesday-Thurs 2PM -10PM

Friday 2PM -12AM

Saturday 11AM -11PM



\$3.00

Daily Drink Specials

BEER OF THE MONTH: COORS LIGHT BOTTLES \$2.50

BEER BUCKETS: 6/ \$15.50 DOMESTICS & LABATTS

TEQUILA SUNRISE \$3.50 THURSDAY: TWISTED TEA LIGHT

MONDAY: PATRÓN TEQUILA \$5.00 FRIDAY: BARCARDÍ LIME \$2.75

TUESDAY: 80z PINOT GRIGIO \$5.00 SATURDAY: LONG ISLAND ICED TEA \$4.00

WEDNESDAY: 16oz YUENGLING DRAFT \$2.00

Happy Hour Monday thru Friday from 5-7pm & Saturday from 9-11pm

MAY 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
* Kitchen Closed • Dinner Specials • Lodge Functions • Music &		PLEASE NOTE: NO BAR SERVICE WILL TAKE PLACE WHILE LODGE MEETINGS ARE IN SESSION. NO EXCEPTIONS. SERVICE WILL RESUME WHEN THE MEETING CONCLUDES.		Spaghetti & Meatballs	2 Blackened Chicken Alfredo	3 Specialty Sandwiches 12-4PM Prime Rib Dinner
Entertainment				SPEED BINGO 6PM	TWIST-O-MATICS 7-11PM	BINGO 7PM
4 * BLOODY MARY	5 * CINCO DE MAYO	6 Chicken & Biscuits and Ham & Scalloped Potatoes	7 Three Sauce Flatbread	8 Swiss Steak	9 Shepherd's Pie	10 Specialty Sandwiches 12-4PM
BAR 11:30AM — 2PM		TRIVIA 6:30PM			THE JAYS 7-11PM	Prime Rib Dinner BINGO 7PM
* Happy- Mothers Day-	* LODGE MEETING Initiation 7PM	13 Taco Night	14 Taco Flatbread	15 Half Baked Chicken	16 Baked Haddock	17 ARMED FORCES DAY
		AUXILIARY MEETING 6PM		SPEED BINGO 6PM	OPEN JUKEBOX 7-11PM	Specialty Sandwiches 12-4PM Prime Rib Dinner BINGO 7PM
18 * SUNDAY FUNDAY VIDEO KARAOKE 3PM-6PM	19 * TRUSTEES MEETING 6PM	20 Stuffed Peppers	21 White Flatbread	Stuffed Chicken	23 Cajun Chicken Tortellini Alfredo	24 Specialty Sandwiches 12-4PM
		TRIVIA 6:30PM Bocce League Info Meeting 6:30PM on Patio		PER MEETING 6PM	TREK SOUND KARAOKE 7-11PM	Prime Rib Dinner BINGO 7PM
25 *	26 MEMORIAL DAY Lodge Closed	27 Lasagna	28 Meaty Supreme Flatbread	29 Meatloaf	30 Stuffed Rigatoni Bake	31 Specialty Sandwiches 12-4PM
	(No Lodge Meeting)				NEVER TOO LATE 7-11PM	Prime Rib Dinner BINGO 7PM

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Volunteers from Erie Lodge 67 delivering 120 dictionaries to Millcreek Township School District's Tracy Elementary School.

These 3rd graders were ECSTATIC! Plans have begun to expand the Elks dictionary program to the 4 other Millcreek Township School District elementary schools.

