



**Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks**

**Tarentum Lodge #644**

219 East Sixth Avenue

Tarentum, PA 15084

(724) 226-1644

# **Elks Times**

**March 2023**

## **Our Current Officers**

*Exalted Ruler* - Greg Prohaska, PER  
*Leading Knight* – Perry Pastierik  
*Loyal Knight* – Kate Ross  
*Lecturing Knight* – Erik Checkkey  
*Secretary* - Paul Stasko, PER  
*Treasurer* – Lisa Anuskiewicz  
*Esquire* – Gretchen Hunter, PDDGER  
*Tiler* – Debbie Checkkey  
*Inner Guard* – John Jesih  
*Chaplain* - Kim Cuneo  
*Three Year Trustee* – Rick Smith, PER  
*Two Year Trustee* – Rich Ament  
*One Year Trustee* – Paul Haas, PER

**B. P. O. E.**

**Best  
People  
On  
Earth!!**

## **February PER Night**

### **Initiation and Election of Officers**

Your 2023-24 officers have been elected! The formal Installation of Officers will be held on March 25<sup>th</sup> and they will be announced to the membership. THANK YOU to our current officers for your continued support and dedication to our Lodge. **You are ALL APPRECIATED!!**



### **PER Night From Left to Right**

Paul Haas, Rick Smith, Greg Prohaska, Terry Hendrickson, Dorothy Rodgers, Paul Stasko and Bob Morrow

## **From the Desk of Paul Stasko**

### **REINSTATEMENTS**

If you know anyone who has been dropped from the roles for non-payment of dues and would like to return to the Lodge, our by-laws permit us to waive the re-instatement fee for the months of January and February. Please let them know – we would love to see them back!

### **2023-24 DUES**

Dues notices will be going out at the end of February. I just wanted to give you a heads-up that our dues will be increasing for the next Lodge year due to assessments from the organization that are outside of the Tarentum Lodge Control. The dues for the 2023-24 Lodge year will be \$54 for regular members and \$34 for life members. It is still an honor to belong to such an amazing organization!

### **LIFE MEMBERSHIP**

If you have been a member of our Lodge for 30 consecutive years and are at least 65 years of age, you are eligible for life membership. If this is you, please let the Lodge know by email to [elks644@elks644.comcastbize.net](mailto:elks644@elks644.comcastbize.net) and we will address this for you.

Fraternally,  
Paul W. Stasko, PER  
Lodge ENF Chairman

### **LODGE HOURS**

**CLOSED** Sunday thru Tuesday

Wednesday – Thursday 5:00pm – 10:00pm

Friday & Saturday 5:00pm – 12:00pm

### **ATTABOY'S KITCHEN HOURS**

Wednesday – Friday 5:00pm – 8:30pm

**WEEKLY SPECIALS** as well as their full menu

Take out is also available



## Take Me Out to the Ball Game!

Saturday, July 1, 2023 at 4:05pm against the Milwaukee Brewers featuring Hawaiian Shirt Night at PNC Park!

We have reserved a block of seats in section 130 priced at \$35.00 which includes a \$10.00 credit for in-park food/beverage purchases.

Sign-up at the Lodge along with payment of \$35.00 per person (give money to bar technician). NO REFUNDS.

Based on participation, bus transportation from the Lodge may be available.

Please contact Kim Cuneo if you have any questions at (412) 915-0138

## Monthly Birthday Dinner Celebrations

The Tarentum Elks, along with AttaBoy's Kitchen, will provide a COMPLIMENTARY monthly birthday dinner, cupcake and drink for the members who celebrate a birthday that month. You will receive a "Birthday Celebration" mailing from Denise, one of our bar technicians, outlining the details as well as her contact information. The birthday dinner will be held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of each month. We ask that you sign-up, in advance, so we can plan accordingly (sign-up sheet will be at the bar). You will also receive a reminder email, after you receive your letter, with the dates and time.

We look forward to celebrating with you during your birthday month!



### Cool Change Band

Friday, March 10<sup>th</sup>

8pm – 11pm

Your Compact Party Band that performs an impressive variety of LIVE music - check out their Facebook page at

<https://www.facebook.com/cool.change.pgh>

Members and Guests  
Welcome!!



### Daniels & McClain

Friday, March 18<sup>th</sup>

8pm – 11pm

One of the Burgh's best sounding two man bands - check out their Facebook page at

<https://www.facebook.com/danielsandmcclain>

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#### 4/15 – Spring Cash Bash

ONLY a few tickets left (see bar tech)

#### 4/15 - Bucky-Oke Karaoke (8-11pm)

#### 4/22 – Member Appreciation Night

Sign-up Sheet by the Daily Book  
6-8pm, food provided, open bar, member recognition

#### 4/22 - Majestic 2 Oldies Band (8-11pm)

Music from the 50's, 60's and 70's

#### 7/01 - Pirate Game

Sign-up Sheet by the Daily Book

## NEW MEMBERS

## WELCOME!!!

We are looking to grow our Elks! Do you know of any family, relatives and friends who would enjoy our Lodge? Please invite them to attend an event with you or bring them in for dinner and a beverage. Applications are available in the entry hallway. All they will need is a \$10 deposit along with a completed application. When they are initiated, the \$10 will be applied towards their dues. If you have any membership questions, please contact Debbie Checkeye at [bpoetarentum644@gmail.com](mailto:bpoetarentum644@gmail.com)

## AttaBoy's Lenten Specials

Starting the first week in March through Good Friday (4/7), AttaBoy's will feature Lenten Specials on FRIDAY'S ONLY in addition to their weekly specials and regular menu.

Invite your relatives, family and friends in for dinner - they will not be disappointed!!

Thank you AttaBoy's for offering such a wide variety of Lenten Specials!

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# In the Spotlight

## Elks Angels

Elks Angels is a program that was set into motion, exclusively at our Tarentum Lodge, to assist members that may have fallen into some hard times and need the help of an Angel. One of our PER's, Terry Hendrickson, had a vision to make this idea part of our Lodge's programs. His wish is to help our Elks members through times or hardship

If you are in a tough spot and/or know of a member who is in need and could use the help of an Angel, please fill out a "Request for Assistance" and give it to one of our officers who, in turn, will make sure our Angels receive it. **Everything will be kept strictly CONFIDENTIAL!** The forms are available in the entryway of the Lodge.

**GOD BLESS our ELKS ANGELS!!**



## Veteran's Welcome Home Package

The Welcome Home Program addresses the critical need of housing for veterans, because we believe every veteran deserves a place to call home! This past year marked the 7<sup>th</sup> year of our focus on homelessness prevention and housing access.

Many veterans living in shelters or on the streets move into their new homes with no belongings. The Welcome Home Package Program helps veterans feel at home by providing essential supplies. The Elks provided household items for 1,411 veterans exiting homelessness last year. Volunteers from 92 lodges in 32 states participated in the program and **WE WERE ONE OF THOSE LODGES!!**

Our ER, Greg Prohaska, had the pleasure of delivering our first Welcome Home Package of the year, marking the 35<sup>th</sup> veteran that our Lodge has helped.





# MARCH

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# 2023

- **March 10<sup>th</sup> – Cool Change Band – Your compact party band!**
- **March 18<sup>th</sup> – Daniel’s & McClain – The Burgh’s best sounding two man band!**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 BINGO Night Kitchen	2 Ladies' Euchre  6pm Dart League	3 DEADLINE for Soup Orders	4
5	6 7:30pm Committee Meeting 	7 7pm Men's Euchre Away vs. Krivan	8 BINGO Night 5-8pm Soup P/U Kitchen	9 6pm Dart League	10 8-11pm Cool Change Band Sign-up Deadline for Birthday Dinner	11
12	13 7:30pm House Meeting 	14 7pm Men's Euchre @ Home vs. Owl's Club	15 BINGO Night Kitchen	16 Ladies' Euchre  6pm Dart League	17 Birthday Dinner Celebration	18 8-11pm Daniel's & McClain
19	20	21 Men's Euchre PLAYOFFS	22 BINGO Night Kitchen	23 6pm Dart League	24	25 Installation of Officers (time/location TBA)
26	27 7:30pm House Meeting 	28 Men's Euchre CHAMPIONSHIP	29 BINGO Night Kitchen	30 6pm Dart League PLAYOFFS	31	

## COMMITTEE CONTACTS:

**BINGO:** Terry Hendrickson (412) 496-5782  
**Dart League:** Shelly DeLancey (724) 448-3383  
**Entertainment Committee:** Rick Smith (724) 448-5504  
 Kim Cuneo (412) 915-0138  
**Ladies' Euchre League:** Terri Bowser (724) 295-3253  
**Men's Travelling Euchre League:** Lou Prignon (724) 889-7277

## CALENDAR NOTATIONS

**AttaBoy's Kitchen** – Open from 5pm – 8:30pm  
**BINGO** – Doors open at 5pm  
**Ladies' Euchre League** meets at 5pm