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Tarentum Lodge Number 644*



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From your Exalted Ruler

WOW, the holidays are over already and we are starting into 2020. The year of 2019 was a busy one for us with finally getting our new roof, alarm system, new dance floor, all the bands, new bar technician (Denise) and last but not least, a new cook, Mare. There were a lot of other things that happened, but these are probable the most noticeable. Hope everyone took advantage of what we have going and enjoyed the Lodge. Here is to another wonderful year at the Tarentum Elks Lodge #644 with the BPOE (**B**est **P**eople **O**n **E**arth)

Fraternally,

Terry L. Hendrickson ER

Elks National Foundation

Happy New Year! If you were a donor to ENF during 2019, don't forget that your donations were tax deductible. And as you do your taxes, if you are looking for donations for 2020, please don't forget the National Foundation. ENF returns almost twice of what it receives each year back to Pennsylvania in charitable work each year. You can't find a more powerful use of your charitable donations. So please don't forget the Elks National Foundation in 2020. To donate, just put your name on an envelope and the \$10 (or more) inside, and drop it in the mail slot next to the office door. And don't forget you can make donations with your dues payment! Thanks to your contributions, so far this Lodge year we are first in our district and fifth overall in our state! Thank you!!!

Fraternally,

Paul W. Stasko, PER

Lodge ENF Chairman

From the Secretary's Desk

As we start a new calendar year, we come into the last quarter of our Lodge year. Late next month I will be sending out dues notices for the 2020-21 Lodge year. You can include with your dues a \$10 donation to the Elks National Foundation or a donation to the Home Service Program. I will take care of distributing the funds to the proper accounts in your name.

Fraternally,

Paul W. Stasko, PER

Lodge Secretary

Nomination of Officers

Have you been thinking about getting more active in your Lodge? Or do you know someone in our Lodge who would make a great leader? The first meeting next month (February 11th at 7:30) is nomination of officers. We are always looking for a few good men and women. If you can't be there, but you are interested, let us know prior to the meeting.

Lodge PER Association

REINSTATEMENTS

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

Thank you to Mike Holmes

For removing and replacing the dance floor with some help from our ER, Terry.
It looks larger but actually it is a little different shape without the corner being cut off.
It Looks GREAT!!! Thanks Mike !!!

CA\$H BA\$H

Saturday April 4, 2020 – Tickets available at the bar or from officers. Buckyokeye to follow at 7:30pm
Tickets are \$20 each with two numbers per ticket as usual.
GET THEM WHILE THEY'RE AVAILABLE!!!

COMING EVENTS

Every Wednesday- Bingo upstairs – doors open at 5pm

Kitchen open Wednesday through Saturday

Dec 31 – New Year's Eve Party w Cool Change – Lodge will be CLOSED to everyone but ticket holders for the NYE Party **Tickets are SOLD OUT !!!**

2020–(unless otherwise noted, bands play 8 pm to 11 pm)

1/18 – Jimmy & the Frogmen **NEW!!!**

1/19 – 33 Club Party @ 1 pm

1/25 - Classic Brew Band

2/1 – The Gruuve Band

2/15 – Valentine Dance w East 56 **NEW!!!** Get your tickets 

2/22 – Stonehorse Band

3/7 – Stagger Lee Band

3/8 – Super Bingo

3/21 – Rust Project

3/28 – Installation of Officers w American Pie to follow

4/4 – **CA\$H BA\$H** w Buckyokeye to follow

Bar Bingo

Bar bingo has been cancelled

We have heard, "Bring bar bingo back, I will be there!", so we brought it back. Although there were a couple of good weeks, we had a couple of consecutive weeks with not enough people to play and pay, so we have decided to cancel it. Since this is your Lodge, what would you like to see happen that would make you come in on a more consistent basis? Once suggestion I have heard is to have Bar Bingo about once a month. If there is enough interest, we could try it. We are always looking for ways to reinvent the Lodge to make it fun and active! It's our Lodge, so let's make it the fun place to be!

Get Your Tickets!!!

We are selling tickets at the Lodge for two different functions:

February 15, 2020 – Valentine Dance with East 56.
Tickets will be \$10 per person. Will be held upstairs. Reserved seating. Snacks and sandwiches will be available. Proceeds go toward Home Service Program Charity

May 2, 2020 – Pittsburgh Belairs - \$10 per person
Will be held upstairs. Reserved seating. Snacks and sandwiches will be available. Tickets will be available soon. Watch your email

PENGUIN GAMES AT THE ELKS

Come to the Lodge and watch the Pens games
When the Pens score you can get a shot for \$1 on the following game nights:

1/04

1/10

1/31

The KITCHEN IS OPEN!!!

The kitchen is currently open on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Usually open by 5pm and open until at least 8pm. Mare has a large variety on her menu and if you don't see what you are looking for, let her know and she just might add it to her menu. There are no more Wednesday dinner specials due to a lack of interest.

BAND NIGHT 50/50

As most of you know, we sell a 50/50 instead of charging a cover charge to each person on band nights. I would just like to remind you that the 50/50 helps pay for the bands you enjoy at the Lodge. There have been quite a few folks not participating in the 50/50 and if this continues, we might have to go with the cover charge for every person. Please remind everyone to help out by buying a 50/50 at each band night, who knows, you might win! Thanks. Shelly

KIDS CHRISTMAS PARTY

We had the BEST Kids Christmas Party ever! We had 29 kids signed up and only two could not make it, their gifts were donated to Toys for Tots. The pizza from A&B Pizza was great and Dan the Magician did a wonderful job entertaining all. Thank you for all that helped and everyone for participating. Also, thank you to those who made donations toward the party!

CONGRATULATIONS TO ONE OF OUR OWN

Dottie Rogers was named ***Marine of the Year*** at the 2019 Marine Corp Ball in November.

CONGRATULATIONS DOTTIE!!!

Thank you for your service and all the people serving in the Armed Forces, Police, Firefighters and everyone in public service.

LADIES EUCHRE

Hi all – We established a Tuesday night « Girls Euchre Nite ». We started on February 26 and every other Tuesday we have gone from 12 girls to 18 girls. Some Tuesdays we have four tables but we meet with only two tables if that`s how many girls are available. It`s a fun night and if you wish to join us, please let me know – we have room to grow ! Call Gretchen at 724-986-5058

Gretchen Hunter PDDGER

NEW LOTTERY GAME AT THE LODGE

Supposedly coming soon, we will have “**Derby Cash**” Horse Racing at the Lodge. Each race will result in a 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th place finisher. Players will win by matching their selected horse #s and play type chosen with the drawn horse #s. You may select your horse to win, place or show or select one of the several other combination play types, including Quinella, Exacta, Trifecta, and Superfecta. Stop in the Lodge and check it out.

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Lodge Activities

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- **JANUARY 18 - JIMMY AND THE FROGMEN**
- **JANUARY 25 - CLASSIC BREW BAND**



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2 Dart League begins	3	4 Pens \$1 Shot
5 	6 House Committee 	7 	8 	9 Kitchen <i>Come in We're</i> OPEN	10 Pens \$1 Shot 	11
12 	13 Lodge Meeting 	14 	15 	16 Kitchen <i>Come in We're</i> OPEN	17 	18 Jimmy and the Frogmen
19 33 CLUB PARTY 	20	21 	22 	23 Kitchen <i>Come in We're</i> OPEN	24 	25 Classic Brew Band
26	27	28 	29 	30 Kitchen <i>Come in We're</i> OPEN	31 Pens \$1 Shot Night 	

New member applications

We are always looking for new members, if you have any relatives or friends that would enjoy our Lodge, please invite them to attend a band night or just stop in for a beverage.

We will be asking for a \$10 deposit when someone fills out an application for membership. When they are initiated, that \$10 will be reimbursed toward their first dues. If you collect a new application from anyone, please also collect the \$10.

!!! CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE!!!

Thank you to Kathy G. for all her time and expertise in setting up our new website. She has put endless hours getting things put into the site. There are photos new and old of the Lodge, you can access the newsletter, upcoming events scrolling across the screen, and there is more to come. Log on and check it out!!! I`m sure you will like it as much as I do if not more.

www.elks644.org

PA LOTTERY

DON`T FORGT WE HAVE A LOTTERY MACHINE IN THE LODGE. YOU CAN PLAY ALL YOUR NUMBERS WITH A QUICK STOP AT THE LODGE AND IF YOU CHOOSE HAVE A QUICK REFRESHMENT!!! THE ONLY THING YOU ARE NOT ABLE TO PLAY AT THE LODGE ARE THE SCRATCH OFF GAMES. Come in a play Keno, Derby Cash and Car Racing also!!!

LODGE HOURS

724-226-1644

Monday- 5 pm to 9 pm

Tuesday - 5pm to 9 pm

Wednesday - 4pm to 11pm

Thursday - 4pm to 10 pm

Friday - 4pm to 10:30 pm

Saturday - 3pm to 11pm

Sunday – 12 N to 7pm (Feb 2, hours return to 3pm to 7 pm. Will be open for Super Bowl on Feb 2)

The hours listed above are the earliest the Lodge will close. **If there are people watching a game or if there is a function going on at the Lodge, the Lodge will stay open as long as there are members supporting the bar.**

If you have any questions, please email me or see an officer at the Lodge

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www.elks644.org

Facebook page:

Tarentum Elks Lodge #644

2019-2020 OFFICERS

Exalted Ruler – Terry L Hendrickson, PER

Leading Knight – Dorothy Rogers, PER

Loyal Knight – Greg Prohaska

Lecturing Knight – Richard Ament

Secretary -- Paul W. Stasko, Sr. PER

Treasurer -- Shelly DeLancey

Esquire -- Gretchen Hunter, PDDGER

Tiler – Kate Ross

Chaplain – Antoinette Waxter

Inner Guard -- Frank M. Bavetz

Three Year Trustee – Mike Holmes

Two Year Trustee – David C. Ross, PER

One Year Trustee – Paul Haas, PER

Elks Angels

Elks Angels was set up at our Tarentum Lodge to try to assist members that may fall into some hardship. The Angels was dreamed up by our ER, Terry Hendrickson. His wish is to help our Elks family members when they get into a bit of a tough spot. He appointed Kate Ross and Shelly DeLancey as the Angels!!! If you get into a spot, or know of a member that is in need, talk to the Angels, **YOU MAY FILL OUT A REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE**, **everything** is kept confidential. If you know a member that may be in some need, please let the Angels know. The forms are at the Lodge in the hallway. If your problem is larger than the budget, a fundraiser may be able to be set up. Again, your name is kept out of it all if you would like.

We have the Lottery!!!



As of Tuesday, June 5, 2018, you are able to play Keno, Express Sports, your 2, 3, 4, 5, digit numbers, and Fast Play along with Cash 5, Treasure Hunt, Match 6, and Cash for Life, Power Ball, Mega Millions. (Hope I didn't miss any) Just stop in, fill out a card from the holder at the Daily Book table, and the bar technician will run your card for you. We are hoping to get a self-service machine in the future too. Stop in and play some games!!! On Fridays you may be able to double your winnings on the Keno, stop in to find out how. We do NOT have scratch offs though.