



Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks  
Tarentum Lodge #644  
219 East Sixth Avenue  
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# Elks Times

June 2023

## NEW 2023-24 Officers

Exalted Ruler - Greg  
Prohaska, PER  
Leading Knight – Perry  
Pastierik  
Loyal Knight – John  
(Bud) Jesih  
Lecturing Knight –  
John Orr  
Secretary - Paul  
Stasko, PER  
Treasurer – Lisa  
Anuskiewicz  
Esquire – Appointed  
Tiler – Debbie  
Checkeye  
Inner Guard – Aaron  
Sasinoski  
Chaplain - Kim Cuneo  
Three Year Trustee –  
Erik Checkeye  
Two Year Trustee –  
Rick Smith, PER  
One Year Trustee –  
Rich Ament

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

**Best  
People  
On  
Earth!!**

## Honoring our Flag, Remembering our Fathers

By Bruce A. Hidley, Grand ER

The Esteemed Leading Knight's charge to our new Members opens with: *"The Emblem of this station is the Flag of our country; and its motto is Charity, the cornerstone of every Elk structure, the highest virtue of every Elk creed."*

New Members listening to this charge may gain an understanding of what the Flag means to us as Elks.

Across our great country, Flag Day is observed on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of June each year to honor and commemorate the adoption of the American Flag. The Second Continental Congress adopted this date in 1777 and President Woodrow Wilson issued a presidential proclamation in 1916 establishing June 14 as national Flag Day.

In our great order of Elks, the Grand Lodge, by Resolution, designated June 14 as Flag Day. In 1911, the Grand Lodge adopted a mandatory observance of Flag Day in all of our Lodges.

Americans celebrate Flag Day by displaying red, white and blue in front of homes and businesses. Flag Day events are held by Lodges all across our great country with ceremonies, parades, essay contests and most importantly, our Elks Flag Day Ceremony. The American Flag is the emblem of the *"land that I love."* Our Flag symbolizes the land of the free and the home of the brave for all Americans.

## A Message from the Secretary's Desk

We are now two full months into the new Lodge year. If you haven't paid your dues yet, please pay them **as soon as possible**. Knowing that things sometimes don't make their way to the top of the pile, I give the month of April as a *grace period*. There is a *delinquent* list posted at the bar. If you have paid your dues, but for some reason haven't received your card (it happens), please let me know so I can correct it.

Paul W. Stasko, PER  
Lodge Secretary

### 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



**Ceremony**

Flag Day commemorates the date in 1777 when the United States approved the design for its first national flag.

Join us at the Tarentum Historical Society on Sunday, June 11<sup>th</sup> at 2pm, as we honor our flag.

**Location: Flagpole  
AKVHS Heritage Museum  
224 East Seventh Avenue  
Tarentum, PA**

(in the event of rain, the program will be held inside the museum)

Following the ceremony, AttaBoy's will provide a light brunch at the Elks.

## Monthly Birthday Dinner Celebrations

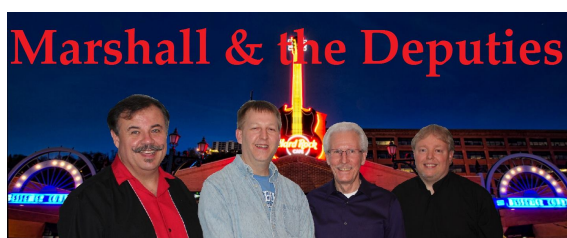
The Tarentum Elks, along with AttaBoy's Kitchen, will provide a COMPLIMENTARY monthly birthday dinner, cupcake and drink for the members who celebrate a birthday that month.

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).

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



**Friday, June 9<sup>th</sup>  
8pm – 11pm**

featuring

### Marshall & The Deputies

Put your DANCING SHOES on and Let's Dance the Night Away!! Check out their Facebook page at

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100064255532926>

**Members and Guests Welcome**



**Friday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>  
8pm – 11pm**

featuring

### Up The River Band

A variety of music to be enjoyed by all... Join us as we

**Members and Guests Welcome**



## 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

## Tarentum Night Market

We will have a table set up outside the Lodge from 5-8pm.

This is a great opportunity to grow our Elkdom – the best kept secret in Tarentum! We will be handing out brochures, applications for membership and AttaBoy's Menus.

AttaBoy's will be open and all are welcome!

Last year was a huge success!! We were able to reach out to our community and increase our membership!!

How can you help? Share our Facebook page to your newsfeed, post a link with our website, etc...



As a member of the Elks, you can visit the national website at [www.elks.org](http://www.elks.org) and register to obtain special "Member Only Benefits".

Just click on the link above, click on "Members Only" and then click on "click here to register". Once you accept their terms and conditions, all you will need to do is fill out the form. You will need your member ID from your card.

Once approved, you will receive an email with a link to verify your membership.

You can see the latest news from the ENF, what programs the Elks offer, see what other lodges are doing, links to obtain exclusive Elks discounts on travel, insurance, etc. and so much more...



## Ladies' In-House Euchre League

Do you or someone you know like to play cards, be a part of a team, enjoy a night out and have some fun with friends while enjoying dinner? – then this is for you!!

The Ladies' Euchre League is looking for players. They meet every other Thursday at 5:30pm. This is a non-travelling league and is held at the Elks Lodge.

All are welcome and this is open to the public.

For more information, please contact Terri Bowser at (724) 295-3253 or email at [bpoetarentum644@gmail.com](mailto:bpoetarentum644@gmail.com)

**Everyone  
is Welcome**

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