



ELKTOWNER

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NEWSLETTER

**YORKTOWN LODGE # 2324
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HAPPY HOLIDAYS
TO ALL

REMEMBER OUR LODGE
CHRISTMAS PARTY
DEC 11

REMEMBER
VETERANS DAY

What Is A Veteran?

A 'Veteran' -- whether on active duty, discharged, retired, or in the military reserve is someone who, at one point in life, wrote a blank check made payable to:

'The United States of America,' for an amount of 'Up To, and Including His or Her Life.'

GOD BLESS
THEM ALL

EXALTED RULER'S MESSAGE

Members All:

We are currently half way through the 2010-2011 Elk year. As the Exalted Ruler I could not be prouder of our lodge.

Our committee chairs are carrying out tasks and meeting our mandated responsibilities. The annual golf outing was a success, Bingo is running smoothly, Catering is doing well, Our 300 club was a success, and the list goes on.

Our lodge audit went extremely well. This is truly a reflection of everyone's hard work at all levels; those who provide the necessary able bodies as well as those who create the detailed and accurate reports. A collective Elk effort we should all be proud of.

As we move forward it is imperative that we continue to work as one cohesive unit. At times people will disagree, and not see things eye to eye. This is unavoidable. However, all differences must be settled in a civil and respectful manner. We must always remember the foundation and groundwork of our order; to do unto others as we would they should do unto us. Lets all do our part to make our lodge a productive and welcoming environment for all members.

As for the 12 newly inducted members, congratulations and welcome aboard. Look forward to seeing you at the lodge.

The Lodge Christmas Party, featuring "The Streets of the Bronx Band" is scheduled for Dec. 11. See **Tony Venditti** for information or sign up at the bar.

Fraternally Andy

IMPORTANT
DATES TO
REMEMBER

ELECTION
DAY
Nov 2

SPECIAL
OLYMPICS
Nov 6

PANCAKE
BREAKFAST
Nov 7

VETERANS
DAY
Nov 11

CHARITY
POKER NIGHT
Nov 27

ELKS
MEMORIAL
SUNDAY
Dec 5

LODGE
CHRISTMAS
PARTY
Dec 11

LODGE
HOOP SHOOT
Jan 8

BINGO
EVERY
THURSDAY

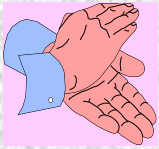
ELKS MEMORIAL DAY

On Sunday, December 5, 2010 the Yorktown Elks will be holding its annual Memorial Day ceremony to honor the memory of those members of our Lodge who died in 2009 and 2010. This short, yet poignant, ceremony will commence at 3:00p.m. at our Lodge. All Lodge officers are expected to be in formal dress and should meet at the Lodge by 2:00p.m. for a brief presentation preceding the 3:00p.m. ceremony.

Your attendance at this important event would be greatly appreciated by the families of our recently deceased members and would further serve as a fitting tribute and show of support to keep the memory of our departed members alive.

A collation will be held at the Lodge following the Memorial Day ceremony for all members and guests in attendance.

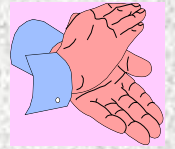
Charles J. Scheld
Chairman, Elks Memorial Day



THANK YOU



THANK YOU



KUDOS KORNER

LODGE MAJOR PROJECT SPECIAL OLYMPICS REGIONAL GOLF COMPETITION AND BARBEQUE

The HVR Special Olympics Golf Competition was held on Sept 25th at the Mohansic Golf course and range. This was followed by a barbeque, catered by our volunteers, and an awards ceremony at Downing Park. More than one hundred people - the athletes, their parents and chaperones, volunteers and the HVR staff, were treated burgers, dogs, beverages and a host of other goodies. The following members and friends from our Lodge volunteered their services at the Golf Range: **Tom D'Andrea, George Davis, Marty Flannery, Jim Hamilton, Chris Littleton, Mike Littleton, Mike Magnani, Jim Morrison, and Charlie Scheld**. A special thanks go to **Wayne Gorski** and **Richie Paul** who purchased, carted the food and equipment to the park and back to the Lodge, and, did all the cooking; Additionally, those who worked at Downing Park were: **Judy Betchley, Mary Blackadder, Clara Cartelli, Grace Gibney, Ellen Pikula and Joe Pikula**

REGIONAL FALL GAMES

On September 18th, our Lodge volunteers **Bruno Bagala, Mary Blackadder, Molly Covino, Mary De Silva, Marty Flannery, Grace Gibney, Jim Hamilton, Lori Moore, Bill O'Reilly, Charlie Scheld, Betsy Solow, Jim Vignola** served at the Cycling event at FDR Park in Yorktown.

A special thanks goes to **Charlie Scheld**, who coordinated the volunteer effort at the Mohansic Park Golf Driving range, and at the Cycling event in FDR Park

God Bless our Wonderful Volunteers

Next Event is **November 6 - Adaptive Games** at St Agatha's in Nyack...Please join us

Joe Pikula Chairman

ALLIANCE FOR SAFE KIDS FUND RAISER - BARBEQUE COOK OFF CONTEST

The Alliance For Safe Kids held a Fund – Raiser at the Yorktown Grange Fair Grounds on October 2. More than a thousand adults paid \$5 apiece to savor the fine food prepared by a dozen different organizations and restaurants in a Barbeque Cook - Off. Our Lodge competed in the event by preparing 100 lbs of "Pulled Pork", which was distributed to the judges and the attendees. Chef **Matt Arruda** selected and prepared this specialty dish, and his wife **Amanda**, and **Rich and Mary De Silva** assisted in the process. Our Lodge was judged as the BEST COMMUNITY TEAM, and was awarded the First Place trophy in that category.....see photo on cover page (Photo by Bruce Apar)

Congratulations Team....Great Job

CHARITY PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Net Proceeds To Cerebral Palsy & Special Olympics

SPONSORED BY YORKTOWN LEOS (Lions Club Youth Group)
& YORKTOWN ELKS

Sunday - November 7, 9AM - 1 PM At Yorktown Lodge

"All You Can Eat"

Pancakes, Bacon, Sausage

Chocolate Milk, Orange Juice, Coffee, Tea

Bring Family, Friends, Camera & Meet SpongeBob

Adults - \$8; Children 4-12 - \$5; Under 3 - Free

10th ANNUAL CHARITY 7 CARD STUD CLASSIC

Saturday, November 27

4:00 PM Start

\$100 Donation* Includes

Card Game, Food, Prizes, Beer & Bar Drinks

Sign Up & Paid in Full by Sunday November 14!!!!

Contact: Jim Morrison, Don Simione, Ed Santiago, Dave Yazzetti

* All Profits Donated To Charitable Causes

MEMBERS

Frank Antonecchia	Robert Mulvey
Bruno Bagala	Alan Murphy
John Belotti	Patrick Murphy
Russell Braun	Robert Myers
Frederick Gauthier	Joe Pikula
Kevin Green	Gene Pullins
Donald Kenneally	Randy Stebbins
Anthony Martelli	Jesse Tiani
Joe McDonald	Fred Versaci

November

SPOUSES

Pamela Adamovich
 Vanessa Jones
 Millicent Masi
 JoAnn Venditti



Ed & Marion Augustine
 Virgil & Denise Borrelli
 Irving & Sandra Breitbart
 Joe & Virginia Cacciola
 Jack & Barbara McCarthy
 George & Gail Ondek



December

Mike Adamovich	William Graham	James Matthews
Anthony Alasco	Tony Grasso	Frank Petriello
Fred Beardsley	Mark Hembury	Andrew Ryder
Fred Bottega	William Hopper	Neil Ruocco
Noreen Charlonis	Charles Jones	Jerry Sammon
Steve De Lillo	William Kivel	Anthony Savo
Max Elsworth	Lothar Kosche	Robert Selja
Robert Falco Jr.	Robert Kramer	David Yazzetti
Martin Flannery	Gordon Krueger	
Karl Fischer	Michael Magnani	

Denise Borrelli
 Carol Cook
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 Marie Ryder
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Frank & Mary Antonecchia
 William & Vanessa Jones
 James & Barbara Mallon
 Robert & Dorothy Marro
 Neil & Carol Ruocco
 Andrew & Joanne Tumolo

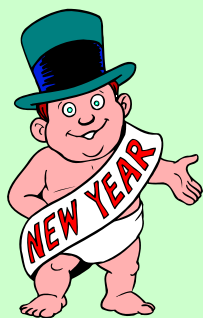
TO ALL OF YOU, WE WISH YOU THE VERY BEST ON YOUR SPECIAL DAY



Thanksgiving



**Here Comes December
 Let Us Give Thanks!
 Celebrate and Remember**



2011



VETERANS DAY



52 CLUB WINNERS

- 08/18- Don Kenneally
- 08/25- Neil Ruocco
- 09/01- Jerry Sammon
- 09/08- Mike Littleton
- 09/15- Rich Desilva
- 09/22- Dave Yazzetti
- 09/29- Clara Cartelli
- 10/06- Dave Yazzetti
- 10/13- Joe Pikula

Congratulations to all the Lucky Winners
And Thanks to all who joined this year's club

MEMBERSHIP

Congratulations to our **New Members** who were initiated during our **District Deputy, John Jacques** , visit on Wednesday October 20, 2010

- Nicholas Capocca
- Tom Collins
- Frank D Ambrosino
- Nick D'Andrea
- Max Ellsworth
- Matt Hager

- Robert Kramer
- Vincent Lemma
- Lawrence McCarthy
- Damian Mercurio
- Matt Moloney
- Alan Murphy

DELINQUENCIES

There are 11 members still in arrears as of October 22nd. If you have not paid your dues yet, you are 6 months in arrears. If you are unable to pay, notify the Lodge Secretary with an explanation. The next issue will list those in arrears.
Rich De Silva, Membership Chairman

LODGE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

ELKS National Foundation Most Valuable Student Scholarship Applications for senior High School students are available at the Guidance Offices of Lakeland and Yorktown High Schools. Application can also be downloaded from the ENF website at <http://www.elks.org/enf/scholars/mvs.cfm>
Additionally, for seniors who are children or grandchildren of Elk members (living or disabled/deceased) ; separate applications including the ENF - Legacy Awards, - Emergency Educational Grants, and the New York State Elks Association Scholarship Award are available from the Lodge
For Additional Information, call the Lodge @ (914) 245 - 9839

Jim Morrison Scholarship Chairman

HOOP SHOOT

The Lodge hoop shoot contest will be held on Saturday, January 8, at the Yorktown High School. The local school competition is currently underway, and the winners in the 8-9, 10-11, and 12-13 year old boy/girl divisions from Brookside, Copper Beech, Crompond, Mildred Strang, St. Patrick, and Van Cortlandtville schools will compete for the title of Lodge Champion. Winners will then compete in the District shoot –out to be held on January 22. Those contestants who continue winning will proceed through the New York State Regional and NY State finals, followed by the National Regional and National Finals in Springfield Massachusetts. National Champions then become enshrined in the Basketball Hall of Fame. Good Luck to all

Mike Littleton, Hoop Shoot Chairman

Sickness or Distress as of 10/26/2010

Deceased

+	Ernie Altieri	1921 - 2010	+
	John Palladino	1919 - 2010	

Rest In Peace Or Brothers

We send our Prayers & Best Wishes to all who are ill and/or recuperating at home or in the hospital:

- Fred Beardsley, Ben Colabattista, Pete Gubello,**
- John Hyler, Peter Mastropolo, Jack McCarthy, Bill O'Reilly, Joe Rago,**

If you know of anyone who is ill or needs help, please call the Lodge (914) 245 - 9839



300 CLUB

Our thanks go to all the members who bought and sold tickets for this affair; to **ER Andy and Mary De Silva** who managed the event ; and to **Rich De Silva, Vinnie Milano and Joe Pikula** who helped during the drawing. This was an important fund raiser for our Lodge and we deeply appreciate the efforts of all who helped make it a success

Congratulations to \$ 1000 Winner

Bill O'Reilly

And to the \$ 50 Winners

**Matt Arruda
Betsy & Mary
Joe Cacciola
Rich D'andrea
Rob DelBaso
Galgano Family
Mike Leifels
Danny LoPresti
Danny LoPresti**

**Delores Lowe
Delores Lowe
Martin Magana
Tom Maloney
Tom Maloney
George Mann
John Murray
Joe Pikula
John Stabile**

**Jack Sullivan
Jack Sullivan
Ted & Vito
Joseph Tomolo
Robert Tumolo
Pat Walsh
Dave Yazzetti**



**ALLIANCE FOR
SAFE KIDS**

**BARBEQUE
COOK – OFF
CONTEST**

**YORKTOWN
LODGE**

**BEST
COMMUNITY
TEAM**

L-R

**Mary De Silva
Rich De Silva
Matt Arruda
Amanda Arruda
Trish Cushner**

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