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# "Promote Elks Passion"

LODGE MEETINGS

march 1



march 15



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**2010 LODGE OFFICERS 2011**

|                         |                        |
|-------------------------|------------------------|
| <b>EXALTED RULER</b>    | JIM PATCHELL           |
| <b>LEADING KNIGHT</b>   | JUSTIN CARROLL         |
| <b>LOYAL KNIGHT</b>     | MARY ELLEN PATCHELL    |
| <b>LECTURING KNIGHT</b> | KIM GRESKO             |
| <b>SECRETARY</b>        | JAN WANKOWICZ, SVP PDD |
| <b>TREASURER</b>        | ANNE MARIE FIELD       |
| <b>ESQUIRE</b>          | ERIN PATCHELL          |
| <b>TILER</b>            | TOM HESSBERGER         |
| <b>CHAPLAIN</b>         | LARRY MICHAELS         |
| <b>INNER GUARD</b>      | TONY COLANGELO         |

**TRUSTEES**

|               |                      |
|---------------|----------------------|
| <b>1 YEAR</b> | DANETTE CONTARAS     |
| <b>2 YEAR</b> | KEN CREPEAU          |
| <b>3 YEAR</b> | MIKE NOVENSTEIN, PER |
| <b>4 YEAR</b> | KEN THOMAS, PER      |
| <b>5 YEAR</b> | JIM CARROLL, PDD PSP |

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| <b>P.E.R. ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT</b>     | CHUCK WHITE, PER |
| <b>HOUSE COMMITTEE CHAIR</b>            | KEN CREPEAU      |
| <b>ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE</b>             | OPEN             |
| <b>YOUTH ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE CHAIR</b> | JUSTIN CARROLL   |
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*LODGE MEETINGS ARE HELD THE FIRST & THIRD TUESDAYS OF THE MONTH AT 8 PM*



Tip Of The Antlers

**ELK OF THE MONTH**

**JOHN LANGAN**

**MEAL SCHEDULE**

|                 |                                     |         |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------|---------|
| March 6         | Sunday Brunch                       | \$9/\$4 |
| <b>March 17</b> | Erin's St. Patrick Day Irish Dinner | \$9     |

**ACTIVITY SCHEDULE**

|          |                           |
|----------|---------------------------|
| March 1  | PER Night (Lodge meeting) |
| April 2  | Installation of Officers  |
| April 23 | Casino Bus Trip           |



## 2011 LODGE OFFICERS 2012

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**INNER GUARD**

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MARY ELLEN PATCHELL  
**VACANT**  
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DANETTE CONTARAS

Here are your 2011-2012 Lodge Officers.

**T**he new slate of Officers will be sworn in on Saturday **April 2** at 1pm. In the past this was always a good time celebrating their new challenges. Stay on the lookout for more information on the lounge bulletin boards.

Also anyone interested in the vacant positions contact the Exalted Ruler.

### Editor's Notes

Last month myself and others received their February bulletins late. I received mine February 15.

I offer the following as partial answers to your questions. I emailed the finished bulletin to the printer early morning of January 21. The printer did his job and took the finished bundles of bulletins to the post office on January 24. There he ran into a problem with our postal account which cost a few days. When I checked with the post office they had no explanation and stated that the weather did not cause the delay.

"Go figure" - 26 days to receive Non-profit Organization mail.

### EXALTED RULER'S MESSAGE

**I**t's hard to believe that the end of our Lodge year has arrived already. 2010-2011 was a good year for the Lodge but to be successful in 2011-2012 we are going to have to work harder. We can start by sending our dues in on time, attending Lodge meetings and supporting Lodge functions whether by attending or helping out at them. Remember it is your Lodge and it can only be successful if you support it.

Many of our committees are short staffed and are looking for people to help them out. If you are interested in joining a committee or have any questions concerning any of the committees please contact myself or any of the committee chairs.

In closing I would like to thank everyone who has helped me during this year especially the Lodge Officers who worked long and hard to keep us going foreword. Through your efforts you made my job a lot easier so once again thank you all.

My **Elk of the Month** for March is **John Langan**. John has put in countless hours this year and other years helping out at nearly all of our functions. He's always there when needed regardless what the task is. John, thank you for all your hard work.

*Jim Patchell, Exalted Ruler*

### ELKS TRAINING COURSE

**T**uesday **March 8** at 6:30pm the Lodge will hold a course to familiarize you with the manuals and statutes of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. The informal course is open to all members. Contact Exalted Ruler Jim Patchell or Lecturing Knight Mary Ellen Patchell for more information.



### ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION

**2010 - 2011 ENF Goal for #1589 is  
\$4.50 per member.**

**Y-T-D Position (through 2/6/11) is  
\$3.77 per member.  
(83.77% of our goal)**

## ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

Activities Committee's next meeting is Thursday, **March 3** at 7 pm.  
The 2011-2012 brunch and dinner schedule will be available at the **March 6** brunch. Thank you to all who have helped and to those who attended our events. Your help and attendance gave your Activities Committee a successful year.

### SUNDAY FAMILY BRUNCH - MARCH 6

Breakfast and brunch items with Belgian waffles and omelet stations.  
9:00 am - 12 Noon - \$9.00 per person and \$4.00 per child 8 & under.

### THURSDAY FAMILY DINNER - MARCH 17

Erin's Irish Dinner  
5:30 - 7:00 pm \$9.00 per person

Tickets are normally on sale in the lounge before the event date

*Jim Patchell, ER, Activities Chairman*



## MILFORD'S ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

Milford's St. Patrick's Day parade will be held Saturday **March 12**. The Lodge will open the hall upstairs after the parade. Stop in and enjoy a great corned beef sandwich and beverage at a very reasonable price.

## ELEVENTH HOUR CLOCK DONATION

The PER Association has been raising funds for four months to provide the Lodge with a functioning ritual clock. I am proud to announce that we have made our goal and the clock has been ordered. This was possible because of your generosity especially the Elk who donated the total amount required.

We hope to have the clock in place for our 2011-2012 Officer Installation on **April 2nd**. The unused funds will be used to purchase other Lodge equipment. The PER Association will continue their efforts on behalf of the Lodge. Once again, thank you for your impressive generosity.

*Charles White, Past Exalted Rulers Association President*



## SECRETARY NOTES

The election of Lodge Officers has taken place and now is the time for ALL members to get behind them and give them whatever support they need. Remember they are volunteering their time to better our Lodge and help the community, please take the time to join a committee and help out when asked. Dues notices were sent out and as a reminder they are due by **April 1st**. I have said in the past if there is a problem, please contact me. I also remind you that if you have an address change, please let me know as this is the only notification I will get. **PLEASE SUPPORT YOUR LODGE.**

Balloting on the following candidates will take place at the **February 15** meeting.

### CANDIDATES

Brendan O'Connor  
Michael Forrest

### PROPOSERS

Susan Massicott  
David Moore

*Jan Wankowicz, Secretary*

## LEGISLATION

Elks Members:

As I stated at the mid-year convention, there is legislation being introduced in the current legislative session, to exempt our lodges from property taxes. As I explained, it was strongly recommended by the co-sponsors of the bill that we contact our local senators and/or representatives in our respective districts and ask them to support the bill.

Currently, there are companion bills being referred to the Joint Committee on Finance, Revenue, and Bonding. They are, H.B. No. 5540 – An Act Concerning the Property Tax Status of Connecticut Elks Lodges, and H.B. No. 5717 – An Act Concerning a Property Tax Exemption for Elks Lodges. They may be combined into one bill to present to the legislative body.

If you do not already know who your senator and/or representative is in your district, you can go to the 'CTGov' website. Click on 'legislature', then click on 'Senate or House' and then 'members' in each chamber. Each group is listed with the name and district of each member of the chamber. It is important that you and other lodge member contact as many members of the legislature as possible requesting their support of this legislation.

Our opportunity is at hand, but we need the support of the members of our organization to follow thru locally in getting their local members of the state legislature on board with the co-sponsors of the bill.

Fraternally:  
Gaetano 'Buddy' Patrizzi, PSP



Stop in the month of your birth and start the day you choose to celebrate your birthday with us and both you and your significant other will receive a complimentary drink of your choice.

- March 1 Bob Goodnow
- March 2 Dan Sefcik - Brian Turner
- March 3 Jacinto Torres
- March 4 Sandra Rainieri
- March 5 Dick Bacher - Herman Froliger - John Plank
- March 6 Roger Bauer - Chuck White, PER - Bob White, Sr.
- March 7 Scott Mower
- March 8 Juan Gonzalez - Dan Greene - Jim Sullivan  
Francis Wasylink
- March 9 Judy Kubicko
- March 10 Todd Brelsford - Martin Gross
- March 11 Lee Johnson
- March 12 Mike Cobain - Anthony Fino - Bob Howarth  
Mike Kozlowski
- March 15 Dave Eisenman - Bill Phillips - Dan Schnauer
- March 16 Bob Pasenelli
- March 17 George Collier III - George Vitone, Jr.
- March 18 Gary Gagnon - Joe Kyek - Larry Lloyd - Ed Shattuck  
Mike Suech
- March 20 Gene Dutchess - Chip Giorgi - Bev Smith
- March 21 Dave Dubret - Dave Piechota
- March 22 Dave Derubeis - Harold Pollock
- March 23 Hewett Landau - John Pirozzoli, PER - Tom Sullivan
- March 24 Gary Jordan
- March 25 Ellsworth Bennett - Dave Benson - Roxanne Bouvier  
Kathy Hart - Ed Kozlowski, Jr. - Joe Mager, Jr.  
Al Mieczakowski
- March 26 Bill Deell, Jr
- March 27 Steve Fournier - Brian Zawadski
- March 29 Norman Ruszkowski - Dick Sennett
- March 30 Ken Benson - Terri Malota
- March 31 Bill Anzellotti - Mark Hanson



#### HOUSE COMMITTEE

March 13, the start of daylight savings time, the beginning of spring and the wearing of the green! I'm still holding out hope for us to beat the snow record this year, but you've all probably had enough.

Any way it is time to celebrate St. Patrick's Day, and we will! At this time I do not have all the details for it but be sure the Lodge will serve corned beef sandwiches and most likely dinners on **March 12**, during and after the parade, so drop in and enjoy.

Also since Lent will be starting on March 9, the House Committee will try to have more meatless items on the menu for Friday night food. (Anybody still got the recipe for tuna surprise? How about eggplant casserole?) Roast beef sandwiches are going to be available thru the end of this month; however at this moment I'm not sure if they will remain a weekly item due to a probable change in the House Committee for the coming year.

What I can tell you about the future is that the Lodge needs to bring in more monies to survive. I am sure that an increase is coming in the price of goods at the bar. But if we are to succeed in today's economy other venues have to be explored. I don't believe that the House Committee can be our only source of revenue, nor is it possible for a very few to keep this Lodge running in the black.

"Big Jim" Patchell has again taken on the chore of being our 2011-2012 Exalted Ruler and while I'm sure he can handle the job well, neither he nor anyone else can do the job alone nor should they be expected to. I could paraphrase Kennedy, Churchill or Mark Anthony, but it's all the same, it is time to stand up and volunteer to do something. And I do mean volunteer as defined by Webster "graciously extending a hand to help without expecting anything in return, but to feel good about having participated and possibly having fun doing it!" Maybe acquiring a new friend or two in the process. Enough soap box, just give it some thought, there are a couple of "chairs" open as well as many people needed to round out various committees within our Lodge. Stop thinking it's a "clique" they won't let me in, or the famous "I did that years ago, it is somebody else's turn". It's still your Lodge join it!

*As always thank you for your patronage,  
Ken C., HC Chairman*

#### MOHEGAN SUN BUS TRIP

We are running a Mohegan Sun bus trip Saturday **April 23**. The cost is \$30 per person which includes lunch served in the Elks lounge at 12 Noon. The bus leaves the Lodge at 1pm. Upon arrival at the casino everyone will be given a \$10 food and \$10 play vouchers.

The bus leaves the casino at 8pm returning to the Lodge. Sign up and pay the lounge steward or email [khart0325@yahoo.com](mailto:khart0325@yahoo.com)

All proceeds from the trip go directly to the Elks Lodge #1589. Sign up soon seating will go fast.

*Kathy Hart, Trip Coordinator*

# MARCH

**2011**

| <i>Sunday</i> | <i>Monday</i> | <i>Tuesday</i>                   | <i>Wednesday</i> | <i>Thursday</i>                          | <i>Friday</i>           | <i>Saturday</i>                     |
|---------------|---------------|----------------------------------|------------------|--|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|
|               |               | 1<br>LODGE MEETING<br>PER NIGHT  | 2                | 3<br>ACTIVITIES<br>COMMITTEE             | 4<br>PUB FOOD SPECIALS  | 5<br>KARAOKE                        |
| 6<br>BRUNCH   | 7             | 8<br>ELKS TRAINING<br>COURSE     | 9                | 10                                       | 11<br>PUB FOOD SPECIALS | 12<br>MILFORD'S IRISH<br>DAY PARADE |
| 13            | 14            | 15<br>LODGE MEETING<br>BALLOTING | 16               | 17<br>ST. PATRICK'S DAY<br>FAMILY DINNER | 18<br>PUB FOOD SPECIALS | 19<br>KARAOKE                       |
| 20            | 21            | 22                               | 23               | 24                                       | 25<br>PUB FOOD SPECIALS | 26                                  |
| 27            | 28            | 29                               | 30               | 31                                       | 1                       | 2<br>INSTALLATION OF<br>OFFICERS    |