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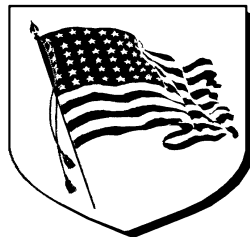
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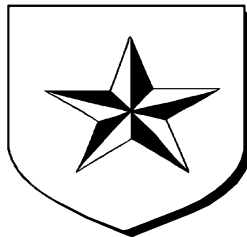
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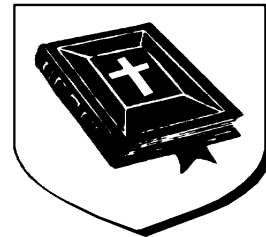
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Dear Fellow Members

EXALTED RULER'S MESSAGE

I can't believe August is already here....amazing how time flies when you're having fun.

National Convention was held from July 5th to the 9th in Portland Oregon. I am so proud to have represented our lodge at the Grand Lodge Convention. I had never before sat through all the business sessions. I learned so much about how our Order operates and gained a great respect for all of the amazing leaders of the Elks! If you are interested in hearing about all the wonderful work which happened at convention or if you would like to view the outcome of the 18 resolutions that were proposed, please log onto www.elks.org and log in as a member.

The Ritual Team competed on Monday, July 5th. I know I speak for the whole team when I say that we walked out of the contest room feeling very proud. We overcame a lot this year and finished at Nationals in 10th place. I would like to thank Patrice DeStefano and Kyle Minnich for stepping in and helping us out, we couldn't have done it without you both! I know I am so proud of how the team handled this tough situation, just goes to show us how much the ritual bonds us together as a group.

I would also like to congratulate the new District Deputy for the Southeast District our very own Patrice DeStefano PER from Norristown 714. She will be making her official visit to our lodge November 19th. Let's all give her a warm welcome from her own lodge when the time comes!

We had our lodge picnic on July 25th. It was held on the property out behind the lodge, which Mt. Carmel Church now owns. The picnic is always a great time and certainly didn't disappoint this year. Although the weather was hot at least it wasn't raining! The kids, both big and small, all found a way to stay cool; whether it was with the water balloons or the water bottle rockets. The food was great and so was spending time with all our fellow Elks. Thanks to everyone who helped make this day possible from planning, to set-up, cooking and clean-up. It was so nice to see everyone pitch in and lend a hand. Great Job!!

Youth & Lodge Activities are planning an exciting trip to Dorney Park in Allentown on August 9th. Hope we get a nice group out to spend the day riding the rides. I am sure it will be a great day for all!

We only have one meeting in the month of August, which will be on the 20th at 8pm. There are many decisions that need to be made, hope many of you can make it out that night.

Our social room continues to have our "Bucket Beer" specials as well as other summer drinks available during the weekend. Please try and take some time out of your busy summer schedules to visit your lodge.....we would love to see you there!

—Thank you all for your continued support

Fraternally yours

Laura Minnich - ER



NORRISTOWN ELKS #714
SIXTEENTH ANNUAL GOLF OUTING
 September 12, 2009 @ 1:00PM Shotgun Start

SCRAMBLE GOLF

MONEY HOLES !!! HOLE IN ONE PRIZE !!!

DOOR PRIZES AND DINNER BACK AT THE LODGE

AT: The Club At Shannondell (Formally General Washington)
2750 Egypt Road
Audubon, PA 19403

COST: \$85.00 per golfer
Checks payable to "Norristown Elks"

CUT-OFF: September 5th

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:
Christine Howard, Chairperson - 610-584-0798
James DeStefano, Co-Chairman - 610-265-0747
Norristown Lodge Phone - 610-277-3810

PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT MAJOR PROJECTS
(HOME SERVICE NURSES PROGRAM)

FOURSOME:

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ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION MOST VALUABLE STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS

Any high school senior is a U. S. citizen is eligible to apply. Most Valuable Students are at or near the top of their class; active in school and community activities; recognized as leaders by their peers and need financial assistance to attend college. There are 500 four year scholarships awarded.

******This year the Most Valuable Student Scholarship deadlines have changed.******

Applications must be submitted on or before **November 2, 2009**. They can be dropped off at the lodge during business hours or mailed to 494 Ford Street, Bridgeport PA 19405, Attn: ENF Scholarship. You can pick up your Most Valuable Student Scholarship application starting September 1, 2009 by visiting www.elks.org/enf/scholars.

Good Luck to all applicants.

ENF LEGACY AWARD

The ENF Legacy Award scholarship contest is *exclusively* for children and grandchildren of Elks in good standings. Any child or grandchild (or step-child or step grandchild) of a living Elk who joined the order on or before April 1, 2007 is eligible to apply. Again applicants must be a high school senior and must take the SAT or ACT by December 31 of their senior year. There will be 250 four year scholarships awarded.

Beginning September 1, 2009, the application are available *online only* at www.elks.org/enf/scholars.

Deadline for this application is January 8, 2010 and must be submitted to
ENF Scholarship Office, 2750 N. Lakeview Ave., Chicago, IL 60614-2256

For additional information about the ENF Legacy Awards can be found at scholarship@elks.org or call 773-755-4732.



Norristown Elks Lodge # 714

Annual Clambake—October 3rd @ 4 - 9 pm

\$20/Adults Children 5-12/\$10 Under 5 free
\$10/Adults w/o clams Children 5-12/\$5 w/o clams

Price Includes:

2 dozen of Clams, Chicken, Corn, Potatoes, Salad & Dessert

Come out and reconnect with your fellow lodge members
while enjoying some great food!!

R.S.V.P. to the lodge by September 25th 610-277-3810

Proceeds Benefit ENF

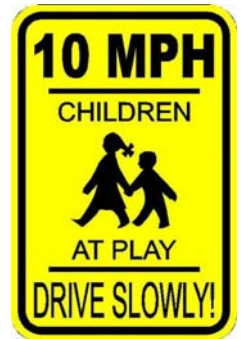
BLOOD DRIVE COMING SOON



The Norristown Elks will be hosting an American Red Cross Blood Drive on Monday, October 5, 2009. Almost everyone can donate blood but only a fraction of those that are eligible give blood. Look deep in your heart and give blood to help someone's heart keep beating. Join your fellow Elks member and the community for our semi-annually blood drive. Keep an eye out for more details about the blood drive.



**SUMMER IS IN FULL SWING
SO WATCH OUT FOR KIDS
PLAYING IN YOUR
LOCAL NEIGHBORHOOD**



BUNCO GAME NIGHT

AUG 22nd
Come to the Lodge &
Play a fun Dice Game

\$5.00 to Play and you purchase a
\$10.00 Gift to go along
with our theme, which is
"MUSIC"

Sign up sheet at the Lodge

Morning Breakfast

8:30 a.m. till 11:30 a.m.

AUGUST 2nd



\$5.00 for Adults,
\$2.00 for Children
four to eight years old,
Children under four eat free

SOCIAL ROOM HOURS

Friday: 6:00pm to 1:00am

Saturday: 4:00pm to 12:00am

Sunday: 12:00pm to 7:00pm

HALL FOR RENT

Having a Shower or Graduation in the near future? Our upstairs hall may be the place for you. For inquires about renting, call and leave a message at the lodge 610- 277- 3810. A House Committee member will contact you with all the rental package information to insure your special event runs smoothly.

elkslodge714@comcast.net

HAPPY HOUR DRINK SPECIAL

Summer Happy Hour - starting June 5th through
Friday, August 28th

Every Friday - Happy Hour at the
Lodge from 6pm til 8pm

Bucket Beers - \$5.00/Bucket (3 Beers/Bucket)
Choices include: Amber Bock, Budwieser, Coors, Coors
Lite, Miller, Miller Light, Miller Chill, Rolling Rock,
Rolling Rock Green Lite, and Yuengling

BAR BINGO



Is Co-Hosted by PER Carol Horton & Conne Doyle
every month. Our next Bar Bingo on
Sunday, AUGUST 9th (3 p.m.)
Cards for Regular Bingo are 2 for \$1.00 -
Cards for Special Bingo are \$1.00 each -
Food available for a nominal charge.

Proceeds Benefit CP Legacy Trust

Pennsylvania Elks Home Service Program



Bill Conway is an Elks Client you may remember from previous newsletter articles. Bill's disability is Cerebral Palsy, Learning Disability, Legally Blind, and Dyslexia. Bill is very well integrated into the community and utilizes Paratransit (specialized bus service for people with a disability) to attend many community functions such as visiting museums, attending sporting

games, visiting with friends, etc.

On May 14, 2009 Bill had an opportunity to have one of his dreams fulfilled by walking the bases at Citizen's Bank Park before a Phillies Game. Bill is a huge Phillies fan and this was truly an amazing experience for him.



Pictures and Article submitted by Jennifer Turbett LPN/MSW
of the PA Elks Home Service Program



Remember to stop in each week and *SIGN IN* for the weekly draw ! Just like the Lottery, you've got to be in it *TO WIN IT!*

It's Only \$1.00 To Sign In

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 or AUGUST the eighth month of the year of 2009

<h1>AUGUST</h1>				Upcoming Events: Golf Outing - SEPT 12th Clam Bake - OCT 3rd Blood Drive - OCT 5th		1 Social Room Open @ 4pm
2 Breakfast Social Room Open @ 12 Noon	3 BSA Troop Meeting @ 7:00 pm	4	5	6 NO LODGE MEETING	7 Social Room Open @ 6 pm	8 Social Room Open @ 4pm
9 Social Room Open @ 12 Noon Bar Bingo	10 BSA Troop Meeting @ 7:00 pm	11	12	13	14 Social Room Open @ 6 pm	15 Social Room Open @ 4pm
16 Social Room Open @ 12 Noon	17 BSA Troop Meeting @ 7:00 pm	18	19	20 Lodge Meeting @ 8:00 p.m.	21 Social Room Open @ 6 pm	22 Social Room Open @ 4pm Bunco Night
23 30	24 31	25	26	27	28 Social Room Open @ 6 pm	29 Social Room Open @ 4pm