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UPCOMING EVENTS

**JUNE 5, 6, 7, 8
ELKS ANNUAL CONVENTION**

**JUNE 14
FLAG DAY**

**JUNE 15
FATHER'S DAY**

**JUNE 22
DAY AT THE BAY**

**AUGUST 22, 23, 24
BAYFEST**



**A PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO
OUR FLAG BY ALL ELKS ON
FLAG DAY!**

**HONOR THE RED, WHITE AND
BLUE!**

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LEADING KNIGHT, RICH POOLE

To My Brothers and Sisters,

Please keep John Waldron in your prayers for a full recovery.

We had very busy beginning of May. The Lodge hosted the south district and members of the community for the annual Walk-out on Drugs —thank you Rick and Joe. Everyone who attended had a great time. We hosted the community and other Lodges of the South District.

If you made it to the Fashion Show, you know that because of the volunteer models and all who worked hard to make it a success, a good time was had by all. Thanks to Maureen and Linda C., co-chairs of the committee. The committee's hard work was rewarded with a fun and successful event. Kudos to the committee!

Thanks to those who went to Camp Moore for preparing the camp to open. Hank, thank you for all your hard work for the campers to make their stay comfortable. The South District and I thank you.

I would like to remind all members that our summer events must be successful in order to support our charitable endeavors. This is an important part of being a Brigantine Elk. The success of these events depends on "YOU", the volunteer. In July, we have the Seafood fest. A few hours helping prep or work an event goes a long way to show that -

Elks Care — Elks Share

*Fraternally,
Rich*

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LOUNGE HOURS
MONDAY 3PM - 11PM
TUES-THURS 2PM - 11PM
FRIDAY 2PM - 12AM
SATURDAY NOON - 12AM
SUNDAY NOON - 10PM

**MEMBERS - PLEASE USE YOUR
CARD KEY AT THE LOUNGE
ENTRANCE. YOU MUST SIGN-IN
ALL GUESTS PER NJ STATE
ALCOHOL BEVERAGE
COMMISSION.**

REMEMBER
**"EACH MEMBER OF LODGE
2428 MUST CARRY HIS
PAID-UP MEMBERSHIP CARD
FOR ADMITTANCE TO THE
LODGE, AND HE SHALL
WILLFULLY DISPLAY HIS
MEMBERSHIP CARD IF
REQUESTED TO DO SO."**

Board Of Directors-Dave Biggins

The Board met on Tuesday, May 6th, at 7:00pm. Under old business it was voted to complete the last major element of the five year plan, the construction of the roof overhang and drink rail on the south face of our building. The boat slips are all filled for the year, and the waiting list continues to grow. For members who have requested steps and railings for boat access, they have arrived and will be installed shortly. Volunteer Insurance: we have received three quotes from our insurance carrier, and a few questions remain. Webmaster Dave Weiner gave a brief presentation on the new Lodge Website. The cost will be \$89.00 dollars a year, and this was approved.

The Board of Directors was reorganized with David Biggins voted Chairman and Pat Orchard Secretary. The next meeting of the Board of Directors of Brigantine Lodge will be June 3rd at 7:00pm.

501C3 Brigantine Lodge Charities Corporation

The Board of Directors met on Tuesday, May 6, to reorganize the Board for the 2014-15 Lodge year. The Lodge Board of Directors composed of the Exalted Ruler, three Knights, and the Lodge Trustees, Lodge Treasurer, and Lodge Secretary voted Lodge members Tom Pantalona, Biz West, Linda Fisher, and Linda Camerota to be Lodge Members of the Charitable Corporations BOD for the coming year. David Biggins was voted Chairman, and Tom Palucci was voted Secretary. The budget for Lodge Committee's total of donations of \$41,000.00 was read and approved. The budgeted ending balance as of 3/31/15 was projected to be 50,732.00 dollars.

Veterans Services Committee -Joe Kelly, Chairperson

Vineland Veterans Home Picnic On Thursday, June 12, members of the Veterans Service Committee will cook and serve a picnic lunch to the veterans at the Vineland Veterans home. We had a lot of fun doing this last year. All members are welcome to join us.

Veterans Appreciation Day On Sunday, June 22, we will host veterans from the Vineland Veterans Home, Veterans Haven in Ancora, as well as local veterans to a Veterans Appreciation Day at our Lodge. The veterans will arrive at 11:30AM. The welcome ceremony will begin at 11:45 followed by a lunch served at 12:00 Noon. After lunch the veterans will go fishing on the "Fishfinder", or go to the beach, or relax and play Bingo by the bay. At 4:30PM, a picnic supper will be served after which the veterans will depart. All members are encouraged to attend and bring a veteran [neighbor, friend, relative] along to enjoy a fun afternoon.

THANK YOU to our BENEFACTORS: Rick Pennestri, Nashville Night Committee, VFW Post 6964

A special thank you to Linda Camerota, who donated a chair lift to veteran Buddy Amorossa. Buddy is a retired police officer, a Marine veteran of the Korean War, and a former member of our Elks Lodge. The lift was moved and installed by members of the Absecon VFW. Thanks again, Linda.

Lodge Events

Annual NJ Elks Convention

The 2014 Elks Convention will take place in Wildwood, NJ, June 5-8. We are staying at the Lollipop Motel, 2301 Atlantic Ave. in North Wildwood. We will have a bus at the Lodge Saturday morning leaving at 9:30 AM and returning about 4:00PM. The bus fee is \$10. The theme this year is "New Jersey Elks Make Jersey Strong". We will dress as construction workers. We will provide hard hats and tools. The parade begins at 12:00 on the Boardwalk. Come hungry, as there will be eats at the motel after the parade. Bring your swimsuit and enjoy the pool. This is your NJ Elks, so please make plans to join us. Contact Allyson Arnold for additional information.

Note: Richard Poole, our Acting ER, has been elected to Vice President, NJ Elks, South District. He will be sworn in at the Convention, so please try to be there on Saturday for the celebration.

NEW Brigantine Elks Website

Our Lodge website has been remodeled. It's still a work in progress. Therefore, if you should see anything in need of correction, feel free to send an email, and we will do our best to accommodate. Please keep in mind that many items you may feel should be on the website may only pertain to members, such as the Antlers Newsletter. Therefore, we cannot place all items on the website due to the site's mass public access. We are looking into a member's only method of access for those items. **Visit our website located at**

**OUR THOUGHTS ARE WITH YOU**

PASSINGS
TOM TUCKER'S BROTHER
GENE SOLOMON'S WIFE
ANDY MASON'S MOTHER

SICKNESS & DISTRESS
JOHN WALDRON
SAM STORINO
TONI HARRIS

LEA ANN KUNKLE SENDS CARDS, CARE PACKAGES, FLOWERS, FRUIT BASKETS, ETC. TO ANY ELK WHO IS ILL OR IN DISTRESS. IF YOU KNOW OF SOMEONE WHO COULD USE OUR HELP AND THOUGHTS, PLEASE LET LEA KNOW AT 609-204-9281 (H) SHOULD A MEMBER PASS, THE OFFICERS WILL PERFORM AN ELKS FUNERAL SERVICE AT YOUR REQUEST. PLEASE CONTACT LEADING KNIGHT, RICH POOLE FOR ARRANGEMENTS.

**Walk Out On Drugs**

The Walk Out on Drugs was held on Saturday, May 3, 2014. This is a statewide event that has been held on the first weekend in May for the past sixteen years. The Brigantine Lodge has been the host for the South District for the past several years. This event is held as a show of solidarity in the fight against drug and alcohol abuse and as a fundraiser for the Peer Leadership Conference that is held in February. Thank you to Joe Campitelli, Nancy Tregnan, and Rich Poole for their help and Allyson Arnold of Beach Vans for providing transportation to the start of the walk. Also, thank you to the Brigantine Police and Fire Departments for their escort and all who participated.

Rick Pennestri—Chairman
 State Walk Out Director

Rick Votta is putting together three teams to rotate this important function. Contact Laura ASAP at 609-442-4547 to become a team member. Let's keep the great food coming!!


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| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
| 1 | 2 VETERANS COMMITTEE 6:00P | 3 BOARD OF DIRECTORS 7:00P | 4 | 5 | 6 FRIDAY FOOD 5:30P | 7 |
| 8 | 9 | 10 LODGE MEETING 7:30P | 11 | 12 | 13 FRIDAY FOOD 5:30P | 14  |
| 15 | 16 HOUSE COMMITTEE 7:00P | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 FRIDAY FOOD 5:30P | 21 |
| 22 DAY AT THE BAY | 23 | 24 LODGE MEETING 7:30P | 25 | 26 | 27 FRIDAY FOOD 5:30P | 28 |
| 29 | 30 | | | | | |