



"The Pipes Were Callin'" at Irish Night

Once again, Irish Night 2009 turned out to be a most memorable evening! Succulent corned beef and cabbage, music by Henry Boote and special entertainment from the Police Pipes and Drums of Bergen County all highlighted the evening's events.



EXALTED RULER'S MESSAGE

Brothers and Sisters -

It is my great honor to greet you and serve you for the first time as Exalted Ruler of our Lodge. It is important to me that each of you understands that I have been placed in this position of stewardship of this lodge by YOU. Through you, this lodge can be greater than the sum of its parts and we can accomplish higher goals than we can dream. It all depends on how we work together towards our common purpose.

Each of us has special talents, work-related or otherwise. When those talents are combined in Elks, there is very little that we cannot accomplish. I challenge each of you to get involved, be part of our lodge - it belongs to all of us. If you haven't been around lately, this is my direct invitation to come on back and be part of the organization you once enjoyed so much, and to help the younger members see what Elks have meant to you. If you are a newer member, I ask

you to take a look at what you have become part of - the tradition, the good work we have done, and most importantly, the great work yet to be done.

I would like most of all to put out the message to each of you - as the new Exalted Ruler of this lodge, let's make it the best it can be. If you have an idea how this can be accomplished, if you have an idea for a fundraising event, if you have problems within the lodge that you need help solving, if you're not sure what to do or how to do it - let me know, and together we will get things going in the right direction. Call me anytime on my cell phone: 201-951-5574. I also have a "mailbox" in the office upstairs.

I look forward to hearing from each and every one of you. Let us all make this a shining year for Paramus Elks.

Fraternally Yours,

Glen Spaeth

ENF PROGRAMS

The mission of the Elks National Foundation is to help Elks build stronger communities. We fulfill this pledge by investing in communities where Elks live and work. We provide tomorrow's leaders, our youth, with a healthy beginning; honor the Elks' pledge to never forget our veterans; help the state Elks associations accomplish their charitable objectives and fund projects that improve the quality of life in local Elks communities.

At its February 12, 2009, meeting in Savannah, Ga., the Elks National Foundation Board of Trustees approved the Foundation's appropriations and distributions. In doing so, the ENF will distribute a record \$17.4 million during the 2009-10 year, through the following programs.

State Elks Association Grants	\$7.22 million
Scholarship Programs	\$3.64 million
Elks National Veterans Service Program	\$900,515
Elks "Hoop Shoot" free throw contest	\$776,340
Elks Memorial Building Maintenance	\$426,652
Elks Drug Awareness Program	\$748,200
Community Investments Program	\$1.375 million

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2008-2009 LODGE OFFICERS AND TRUSTEES

Glen Spaeth	Exalted Ruler
Candy Hill, P.E.R	Esteemed Leading Knight
Richard Marsh II	Esteemed Loyal Knight
Chris Civello.	Esteemed Lecturing Knight
Ed Hill. PER.	Esquire
John Scheuermann	Chaplain
Steven Sans	Inner Guard
Bernice Rahn.	Secretary
Patricia O'Shea.	Treasurer
Nick Sans.	Tiler
John Blume, PER.	Organist
Patrick De Luca, DD.	One-Year Trustee
Jim Hill	Two-Year Trustee
John Brudie. PDD	Three-Year Trustee
John Heron	Four-Year Trustee
Paul Zito	Five-Year Trustee

P.E.R. ASSOCIATION

Officers for the year 2008-2009

President	John (Jack) Jutkiewicz
Vice President	Debbie Kirkland
Secretary	Candy Hill
Treasurer	Patrick DeLuca, DD

Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of every month at 8:00 pm, unless otherwise noted.



A note from the editors:

A warm welcome to Glen Spaeth and his new slate of officers for the 2009-2010 year! We look forward to the year ahead, but we tip our hats to outgoing E.R. Candy Hill - Candy, you'll be a tough act to follow - thanks for a great year!

Remember: THE TRIPLETT DEADLINE IS THE SECOND TUESDAY OF EVERY MONTH.

Jim and Leslie

email us at: LSonkin248@aol.com or jafricano1@verizon.net

CORRECTION:

In the February issue of the Triplet, we wrongly identified one of the members of the "Moron Tabernacle Choir" as "Sonny"...In fact, the person in the photo is Ron Ferrera and he is the ER from New Milford/Teaneck Lodge - sorry Ron!

MEMBERSHIP

On Tuesday, February 24th, the following were initiated into our lodge; the Class was in honor of Judith DeLuca

GEORGE SIMONI	JOYCE M. TUNDA
THOMAS MOLNAR	ROBERT E. TUNDA
STEVE FONDER	MICHAEL ERCOLANO
ROSEANNE SANS	

Proposed for Lifetime Membership:

William Thomson: Charter Member #409 for over 53 years and would like to be considered for Lifetime Membership.

Louis Pujol, *Membership Chair*

Photo of the Month

New member Tina Critelli gets her Irish on! Decked out with a green feathered cowboy hat, she enjoyed the festivities of the night as proud mama looks on with Laura Sans (left) and Roseanne Sans (right).



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A NOTE OF THANKS.....

Thank you to everyone who helped and supported our Pasta Nights month after month over the past year from April 2008 through March 2009. With all the support we received from members and non-members attendance, we had a record breaking year; we've hit over 100 people in attendance at our dinners and profited \$4,414 for the Lodge. Let's try to break this record for next year, won't you come down and support your lodge and enjoy a fabulous meal at the same time.

A very special thank you goes out to our wonderful **Chef Rich Cimiluca**, without you these past Pasta Nights wouldn't have been as successful as they were; you outdid yourself on the food, it was very tasty and enjoyed by all.

A note of thanks to our team of helpers, who had their hands in to help if not all, then some of the Pasta Nights: Jim Africano, Neil Bookspan, Chris Cecala, Judy DeLuca, Dawn Fowlie, Merle Fowlie, Diane Heron, Candy & Ed Hill, Wayne Jacobs, Jack Judd, Debbie Kirkland, Pat O'Shea, and Sonny Scholer.

Thank you to Stan Apryasz, whom every month handled getting the hall set-up; along with shopping for the food and helping Rich in the kitchen.

If I've missed anyone I apologize, but know that your help was greatly appreciated.

Beginning with June we will be taking a hiatus from our monthly Pasta Nights until September. Hope to see you all on September 4th, when Pasta Night resumes. Have a wonderful and safe summer.

Sincerely,
Virginia Jacobs

My heartfelt thanks to everyone that donated their valuable time each and every month at the Pancake Breakfasts. The breakfast would not have been a success without you!

The kindest hearts expect no reward, and deserve it all the more!
Patricia O'Shea,
Drug Awareness Chair



I want to thank everyone who helped me pull off "DISCO NIGHT":

– To Stan and his staff who helped him set up the tables and chairs in the hall (Can anyone put on an event without you? No way in he**!).

– To all the bartenders who helped sell the tickets over the last few weeks.

– To Nick and Tina for tending the bar on Friday night, my utmost thanks.

– To Pat and Joan for helping to put out the Chips and Pretzels.

– To Disco Eddie 'Travolta' Hill who actually rented white shoes for the occasion to help set the mood (Watch the movie again Ed, Tony Manero wore black shoes.)

– And again a big thanks to Joan for covering the door

If I missed anyone, I will apologize now, and thank you...

I am considering hosting another one in the fall.

My heartfelt thanks to all of you,
Bert McTague

ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION



Look for the answers to last month's questions to follow in next month's issue of the Triplet...
we are sending
Get Well wishes to Walter Burke.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS 2009-2010

Our Installation of Officers will be held on Sunday, April 5, 2009 at 2:00 pm. Please come out, say hello and show your support for Glen Spaeth and the new team. Hors d'ouvres will be served immediately following the ceremony. \$10.00 per person

THE 96TH ANNUAL NJ STATE ELKS CONVENTION WILDWOOD JUNE 4 - 7, 2009

Please call Judy Deluca at 201-664-262, or Candy Hill at 201-327-0630 if you would like to attend.

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EVEN THOUGH THE HOLIDAY SEASON IS OVER, PEOPLE WITH FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES STILL CONTINUE TO STRUGGLE.

PLEASE PLACE NON-PERISHABLE GROCERIES, NEW/UNUSED GLOVES, HATS, ETC. IN OUR DONATION BOX FOR DISTRIBUTION TO THOSE IN NEED.

THANKS FOR YOUR CONTINUING EFFORTS TO HELP OTHERS.



PANCAKE
(AND EGGS, MUFFINS, AND MORE!)
BREAKFAST
Sunday, April 19
Sunday, May 17
8:30 - 11:30
\$5 per person
Kids under 6 FREE



PASTA NIGHT

Friday, April 3
Friday, May 1

Be sure to stop down for a delicious meal and meet up with old friends.

Lodge Phone: 201-262-5533

Lodge Fax: 201-262-3307

Lodge Hours: 2nd and 4th Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday: 4:00 PM - Midnight

Fridays: 3:00 PM - 1:00 AM

Saturdays: Noon - 7:00 PM

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