

The **Elks** NEWS

Hamden Lodge #2224 B.P.O. Elks

EXALTED RULERS MESSAGE



Dear Esteemed Members of the Hamden Elks Lodge,

I hope this message finds you all in good summer spirits. I want to extend my heartfelt gratitude to everyone who volunteered for our recent drug awareness picnic and Lodge cleanup. Your dedication and hard work made these events a tremendous success, bringing our community together and

promoting a safer, cleaner environment for all. The impact of your efforts is felt deeply, and I am incredibly proud of what we have accomplished together. I am excited to announce the formation of our new Activities Committee, which aims to bring fresh ideas and enthusiasm to our Lodge's social events. This committee is a fantastic opportunity for those with creative ideas for social nights, outings, and other activities to get involved and help us continue to foster a vibrant and engaging Lodge experience.

We welcome all suggestions and look forward to the innovative events we will create together.

Please see your committee members, Jessica Kelsey, Whitney Batson, Tanya Hill and Committee Chairwoman Monica Thomas-Hardy with any ideas you have or opportunities to participate.

Don't forget to attend our monthly Friday Karaoke Night Aug 10th with Pulled BBQ or Buffalo Chicken Sandwiches & Bourbon Night with your ER on Friday August 23rd!

Additionally, we are currently seeking new additions to our kitchen staff to assist with our Wednesday dinners & social nights. If you or someone you know has a passion for cooking or would like to help with our Lodge's culinary offerings, please let us know! Your participation and support are what make our Lodge the wonderful place it is.

As we continue to grow and thrive as a Lodge, I encourage all members to promote membership growth. Bringing in new members strengthens our community and allows us to expand our reach and impact. Talk to friends, family, neighbors, co-workers. Welcome them down to your Lodge and let them see what it's all about to be an Elk!

Thank you all for your continued dedication and involvement. Together, we are making a difference and building a brighter future for our Lodge.

Fraternally,

Michael Romano
Exalted Ruler

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Email Jess or Jenn!
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Lounge Hours

Tues-Friday 4-Close

Saturday 2 to Close

Permittee—

Mike Romano

Visit Hamden's Lodge pages at www.ctelks.org - Hall Rentals: 203-645-7998

MESSAGE BOARD

WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNERS!

ALL DINNERS AT 6PM

Aug. 7th Ham w/ Mac n' Cheese \$13

Aug. 14th Goulash \$15 "BUILDING FUND BENEFIT"

Aug. 21st Garlic Chicken \$13

Aug. 28th Lobster Roll Platter \$TBD\$ (Hot Dog Platter Alternative)

Eat-in or Take-Out
Due to the increasing costs of food, it is important for us to plan as accurately as possible to avoid over-buying and waste, **we request reservations now REQUIRED.**

Deadline is Tuesday before meal by 6 PM

Leave message 203-248-2224

Thanks for your understanding

Regular Lodge Meetings

Monday August 26th
7:30 PM



HAMDEN ELKS 2224 PINS ARE BACK IN STOCK!!!

Saturday August 10th

Pulled Chicken

5 pm until sold out



BBQ or Buffalo Sandwich w/slaw \$8



DJ Dennis is in search of our

NEXT STAR

7-11 PM

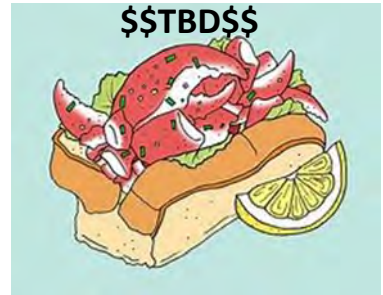
No Entry Fee

Come on down to cheer or sing!

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND
Get our new Lodge pins! Available to our Members and Visitors for just \$5 each! Purchase in the Lounge with the Bartender!

Wed. August 28th Lobster Roll Platter

\$TBD\$\$



Hot Dog Platter Alternative

Kids Sunday Funday (August 11th) Has been postponed

Look for details on upcoming

Elks Care - Elks Share



Feeding the Community



Bourbon Night
Friday August 23rd
\$4 pours and \$6 drinks of ALL 30 of our stock!

Happy Birthday!

To our members with August Birthdays:

Drop in for your free birthday beverage "on the house."

MESSAGE BOARD



Newest Members: Gina Warburton, Maria Corsi, Glenn Pantaleo & Debra Pesapane



The Lodge conducted the annual Flag Day observance indoors due to rain on Friday June 14th. Also participating were members of Boy Scout Troop 610 and Girl Scouts from Hamden and North Haven who conducted the impressive flag folding ceremony. Thanks to Bonnie Young for coordinating the event

Grief

never ends...
But it changes.
It's a passage,
not a place to stay.
Grief is not a sign
of weakness, nor
a lack of faith...
It is the price of love.

Author Unknown

#missingyou

“ A Journey Through Grief”

An 8 week program to help you manage your grief after the loss of a loved one.

Contact Lodge member Bob Johnson at 203-641-4278 or johnbobson@aol.com



**Clothing Drop off Shed
now located in Lodge Parking Lot**

**Please drop off your gently used
unwanted clothing, and other items**

Spread the word to others!

Message Board



Elroy came to teach the kids the dangers of doing drugs while making it fun!

Tip of Antlers

Bob Nic for the great wings as always on Karaoke Night and for the Grilled Chicken Wednesday Night Dinner.

Cathy Pleines for help in preparing and serving Taste of Italy

Mike Hardy for the outstanding Eggplant Parmigiana served with Taste of Italy.

For DAP Picnic & X-Mas in July:

Mike Romano, Jess Kelsey, Tanya Hill, Jenn Caputo, Mike Hardy, Peter Freiler, Fred Romano, Kathy Kelsey, Tim Osgood aka "Elroy" & Joy Wildman

A big thanks to everyone who kindly donated food for the pot luck dinner!

WE MISS YOU AT THE LODGE

New members, old members, and friends alike, we want to see you!!

Lots of fun things coming up.

You don't want to miss out!!!!

Building Fund Benefit

**Wednesday
Goulash**



**August 14th
\$15.00**

All proceeds go to the building fund.

"Raise for the Roof"

Bocce Season is Back!!!

**Come down to cheer on your favorite team.
Have a beverage and enjoy the outdoor patio!**

Fill-in players always needed. Games start at 6:15

Due to the increasing cost of postage and printing, we would like to start sending the Newsletter, primarily through email going forward.

Please send your information to our email at elkslodge2224@gmail.com

- First and Last name
- Member Number
- E-mail Address

We want you to get your Newsletter and Lodge Updates as soon as possible, virtually



BEER BUCKETS

**Domestic Can's
6 for \$15.00**