

# The **Elks** NEWS

Hamden Lodge #2224 B.P.O. Elks

## EXALTED RULERS MESSAGE



Greetings, fellow members!

As the crisp fall air arrives, I'm filled with gratitude for the incredible dedication and efforts members have shown this past month. Our Building Fund continues to grow steadily, thanks to generous contributions and commitment to the future of our Lodge, your individual contributions will not go unnoticed. Together, we're laying the foundation for improvements that will benefit us all.

I'm excited to announce that we've welcomed some fantastic new chefs to our kitchen, and they've been cooking up delicious meals for our new dinner events. If you haven't already, be sure to join us for a dinner – great food and even better company await!

This fall also brings a lineup of fun events. Our Vendor/Tag Sale, Member & Guest Halloween party, Community Trunk-or-Treat and Paint & Sip Night w/Justin. Be sure to sign up and I encourage you to bring along a friend or family member and showcase the spirit of our Lodge and how them what our Lodge has to offer. Speaking of new faces, we continue to grow our membership. It's wonderful to see new members joining us, and I'm confident they'll bring fresh ideas and enthusiasm to our activities. Let's continue to welcome them warmly into our Lodge family.

Thank you all for your dedication and involvement. I look forward to seeing you at our upcoming events and watching our Lodge flourish together.

Fraternally Yours,  
Mike Romano  
Exalted Ruler



**New Members:** Matthew Gill & SallyAnn Gill with Leading Knight Andy Caporossi , DDGER Kimberly Greca & ER Mike Romano

Information for the next newsletter should be submitted by October 20th  
Email Jess or Jenn!  
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**Lodge Officers 2022-2023**  
*Exalted Ruler*  
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Fred Romano  
*Esteemed Lecturing Knight*  
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Richard Hardy  
*4 Year Trustee*  
Lee Campo  
*3 Year Trustee*  
Michael Hardy  
*2 Year Trustee*  
Bob Bretko, PER  
*1 Year Trustee*  
Timothy Osgood

### Lounge Hours

Tues-Friday 4-Close

Saturday 2 to Close

Permittee—

Mike Romano

Visit Hamden's Lodge pages at [www.ctelks.org](http://www.ctelks.org) - Hall Rentals: 203-645-7998

MESSAGE BOARD

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNERS!**  
**ALL DINNERS AT 6PM**

Oct. 2nd Chicken Florentine \$13

Oct. 9th ROMANO LASAGNA  
By Mike & Fred!! \$15

Oct. 16th Shepard's Pie by  
Michele & Bonnie!! \$13

Oct. 23rd Baked Fish w/Lemon  
& Butter \$13

Oct. 30th Ravioli w/Spinach &  
Bacon \$13

**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,

**Reservations Required**

Email:

ElksLodge2224@gmail.com

or leave a message  
203-248-2224

**Deadline is Monday  
before meal end of day**

**THANK YOU FOR  
UNDERSTANDING!**

**Elks Care - Elks Share**



**Feeding the  
Community**

**Regular Lodge Meetings**

**MONDAY**  
October 14th  
&  
October 28th  
7:30 PM

**PARKING LOT  
TAG  
& VENDOR SALE**

**Saturday, Oct. 5th  
8am-2pm  
VENDOR SPOTS SOLD  
OUT!**



**See What Treasures  
You can find!**



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

*To our  
Absent Member*

*#2300  
Pasquale Perrotti*

*Initiated  
11/28/2011*

*Departed  
09/20/2024*

*An Elk is Never  
Forgotten*

Volunteers are  
seldom paid; not  
because they are  
worthless, but  
because they are  
**PRICELESS!**

**Happy  
Birthday!**

To our members with  
October Birthdays:

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

# MESSAGE BOARD

## Friday October 19th

Adult Halloween Party  
In the downstairs lounge  
Food, Raffles, Drink Specials & Tons of Fun!!  
Costumes are encouraged but not required!!



ALSO WITH Bourbon Night!  
With ER Mike & Monica Bartending

\$4 pours and \$6 drinks  
of ALL 30 of our stock!



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



**HAMDEN ELKS  
2224  
PINS ARE  
BACK IN STOCK!!!**

### 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](mailto: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



**Saturday  
November 9th**

\$5.00 Judging Fee benefits the  
**ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION**  
Free of Charge if you enter your chili.



**Saturday October 12th 7-11 PM**  
DJ Dennis looking for a **STAR!!**

**Sausage & Pepper Subs by Kathy Kelsey**  
**\$8.00 starting at 5 PM-8PM**  
**Or Until sold out!**

**Christmas  
Craft & Sip**  
Tuesday,  
December 3<sup>rd</sup>  
6 pm

**\$25 per person  
to make 3  
crafts!!  
SPACE IS  
LIMITED**

Sign up with the  
**Bartender**



**1 Mason Jar  
Snowman OR  
Christmas  
Design**

**PLUS!**

**1 Christmas  
Saltshaker**

**AND!**

**1 Tea Light  
Snowman**



**TRUNK-OR-TREAT!**

12-2PM Saturday,  
October 19<sup>th</sup>

Sign-Up in the Lounge for Kids and  
Cars!!



**Candy Donations  
Always Accepted!!!**



Open your trunks and  
hand out candy to the  
trick-or-treaters!



Decorate  
your  
car!!



**PRIZE FOR BEST  
DECORATED  
SPOT!!!!**

**TUESDAY OCTOBER 22ND**

Contact Monica for information: [mltpjy21@yahoo.com](mailto:mltpjy21@yahoo.com)

**Paint and Sip**

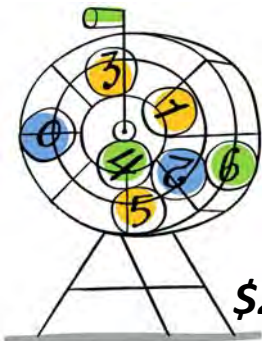


Due to the increasing cost of postage and printing, we  
would like to start sending the Newsletter,  
primarily through email going forward.

Please send your information to our email at  
[elkslodge2224@gmail.com](mailto: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



**Bar Bingo**

**Tuesday October 15th**

**Starts 6 PM**

**\$2.00 Per Game**

**\$20.00 for all 10 games**

**Prizes every game!!**

# Message Board



## TIP OF THE ANTLERS

Bob Nic for his famous wings on Karaoke night.

Cathy Pleines & Dave Delgrego for assisting with  
1/2 way to St. Patrick's Day Dinner.

Cathy Pleines & Fred Romano for assisting with the end of the summer picnic for the Veteran's Fund,  
food donated by *Kathy & Jess Kelsey*

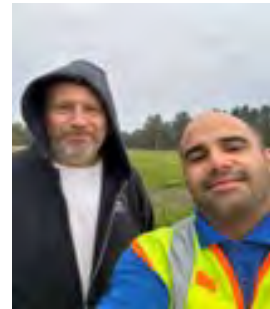
Bob Johnson for his weekly Friday Trivia and prize donations that everyone enjoys so much!

Marco Minnocci, Lee Campo, Dave Delgrego & Andy Caporossi for a successful fried dough night!

Jess Kelsey, Lee Campo, Kathy Kelsey, & Norm Kamienski as Elroy  
at Brooksvale Fall Fest with the Drug Awareness Trailer! It was a wonderful day!

Thank you to all those who helped to make the Durham Fair fee collection  
weekend a tremendous success; Stuart Comen, Andy Caporossi, Peter Fusco,  
Rich Hardy, Tanya Hill, Jane Hill, Bob Johnson, Kathy Kelsey, Carl Pettinella,  
Mike Romano, Fred Romano, Lorraine Romano, Eric Sanchez and John Zaleski.

**OUR BIGGEST FUNDRAISER OF THE YEAR WAS A SUCCESS!  
THANK YOU TO ALL WHO CAME FOR YOUR HELP WITH PARK-  
ING CARS AT THE DURHAM FAIR! ALWAYS A GOOD TIME!**



**BROOKSVALE FALL FEST! 2024! AMAZING TIME HAD BY ALL!!**

