

125th Anniversary Reflections New Philadelphia Elks #510

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The New Philadelphia Elks #510 relocated from its longtime home on East High Avenue downtown to Union Avenue N.W. in 2002.

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Summary: In June, 1899, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks (B.P.O.E) #510 was established in New Philadelphia, Ohio. The organization has been a key contributor to the community. As it celebrates its 125th anniversary, this book is a brief review of some of the lodge's early history, including its major building program in 1929 and recent lodge relocation in 2002 (which was followed by the inclusion of Dover B.P.O.E. #975 into the membership in the 2010s).

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Acknowledgements

There are many people who deserve thanks for making New Philadelphia Elks #510 what it is today. It would be inadequate to list all of them. However, hopefully, as you read both the portions that I have written and those written by good people from the past, you will get a sense of some of the people involved in B.P.O.E. #510 and how the values of faith in God, love of country, and dedication to the community have influenced B.P.O.E. #510 over the years and continue to do so. The four cardinal Elks virtues of Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity are alive and well!

I will say that there are several people who do deserve special mention. Thanks to Jeff Warner for taking pictures for the book and for originally showing me the historical documents which I offered to scan in 2018 and submit to the Elks History Project Repository. Jeff has been very involved at both the local level (as a past exalted ruler at both the New Philadelphia Elks #510 and the Dover Elks #975) as well as at the state level. Also, thanks to those individuals who continue to support Elkdom throughout the U.S., who promote causes and charitable works to help those in need, our veterans, and who support continued research and care for those who suffer from cerebral palsy.

Finally, I have to thank my dad, Thomas E. Adamich, for his making being a member of the Elks part of our family and encouraging me to join B.P.O.E. #510 in 1986 when I turned 21. My dad carried on the family tradition started by his dad, Anthony F. Adamich, who was a member of the Barberton Lodge #982 (now part of Cuyahoga Falls-Akron-Barberton Elks #1923); my dad joined the New Philadelphia Elks #510 in 1964 when he moved his family from Doylestown to New Philadelphia to work at the Joy Manufacturing Company. It was one of the moments in life when one recognizes how the fraternal institutions like the Elks that seek to do good can have a great impact on the future. As a fairly-recent recipient of life membership, I can confidently say that the Elks influence (along with God's grace) has been a positive one for nearly forty years.



Foreword

Messages from both the outgoing and incoming exalted rulers of New Philadelphia Elks #510:

As my time as Exalted Ruler comes to an end, I want to take this opportunity to thank our membership and challenge each of you to become more involved. I have had the pleasure of working with a dedicated corps of officers. To a person, they selflessly dedicate their time and efforts to make our lodge a better place. Please join me in thanking them. Also, our Trustees spend countless hours making our bar and grill run smoothly along with so many other tasks around the Lodge. Their work is thankless. Rather than complain when there is a problem, a simple "Thank you" goes a long way. Finally, we are blessed with a dedicated group of volunteers who help out in so many ways, both large and small. Their willingness to serve is remarkable.

Please take some time to consider how you can be more involved in your New Philadelphia Elks Lodge. Join a committee. Volunteer for an event. Help with a charitable cause. Any small amount is helpful. If you do nothing at our lodge but enjoy the bar and grill without coming to a meeting or volunteering some time, you are missing out on the best part of what it means to be an Elk. Thank you again to everyone who has helped this year. I will continue to look for ways to serve our lodge and each of yours.

Fraternally yours, David Haverfield, Exalted Ruler David Haverfield ER NP 510

I'm honored to be elected as the new Exalted Ruler of our esteemed lodge. I'm Tony Eckert, and I've been a proud member of the Elks for 9 years and an officer for nearly as long! A bit about me - I'm married to Stephanie Eckert and we have two daughters (Olivia, 3 and Emilia, 1). We are residents of Dover. I work for the State of Ohio, Office of Information Technology. I am also on the Tuscarawas Philharmonic staff as their technology manager. I love to golf and vacation in Siesta Key, FL!

Our Elks lodge also depends upon the volunteerism of its members to fill the crucial roles necessary for continued community support and activities. Throughout the year, I will be seeking help from our membership to maintain what our Lodge represents. We cannot lose focus on why the Elks Lodge exists - we are united in the noble work to which the Order of Elks is dedicated: the values of Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love, and Fidelity. Please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or suggestions.

Fraternally, Tony Eckert Exalted Ruler, New Philadelphia Lodge #510 Tony Eckert ER NP 510

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Introduction

The purpose of this book is to honor the milestone of 125 years achieved by the New Philadelphia Elks #510. B.P.O.E. #510 has been a fixture in New Philadelphia, Ohio since its founding on June 22, 1899. In order to provide a perspective of the foundations of the lodge, reprints of several historic documents – a publication honoring the dedication of the new #510 Elks Lodge located on East High Avenue, and a 50th anniversary publication published in 1949 – give a glimpse of the rich history of the lodge, as well as the people and activities associated with it.

The book also pays homage to Dover Elks #975, founded in 1906 and merged with the New Philadelphia Elks #510 in the 2010s. Some of the details and individuals associated with that institution can be found on these pages as well.

Also, this book, admittedly, includes my own perspectives on Elkdom at New Philadelphia #510 from the mid-1980s to the present because that is the time period in which I have been a member and had the privilege of joining other good people to be a part of this fine organization in our community. As you read this story, you – either as a lodge member or community member – may be able to relate to your own experiences with the New Philadelphia Elks #510 over the years.

When I first became a member of the New Philadelphia Elks #510, I was a young college student working multiple jobs to pay for my education - values instilled early by my parents, Tom and Dorothy Adamich, who encouraged me to get my first job at age 13. My parents and I had just returned from Largo, Florida where I went to high school and started college after having moved there from New Philadelphia in 1979. My dad's company, The Electrical Associates (founded in New Philadelphia in 1973) led him to move our family there. I mention it because Elkdom was also a part of our lives in Florida; my dad transferred membership to Holiday Isles #1912 in Madeira Beach, Florida, and we spent many enjoyable times there as a family and sailed from the boat dock the lodge had on the Intercoastal waterway leading into Boca Ciega Bay and, eventually, into the Gulf of Mexico. It also provided easy access to Tampa Bay and was a rare feature for any fraternal organization to own.

Thankfully, we had a great history with the New Philadelphia Elks #510 lodge prior to our move; my dad joined and entered the chairs while working at Joy Manufacturing. As kids, we enjoyed going to the Tuscarawas County Fairgrounds for the annual Elks #510 lodge picnic. We went to dinners and other events downtown at the lodge on East High Avenue and interacted with many good people we knew (just like we did in Madeira Beach at Holiday Isles #1912). Many of those same people were still members of New Philadelphia #510 when we returned, including Frank Fantin, who was the lodge's longtime treasurer and Danny Fiora, who wrote and edited the lodge newsletter. Good people from town like Jim Exley and George Richardson (who was longtime club manager) were also there when we returned.

I had the privilege of adding another "job" to my list of part-time ones when I offered to tend bar for Sam Tornabene, who was the new club manager at New Philadelphia #510. I worked mostly for special events – weddings, parties, class reunions, etc.

Again, I knew Sam from the family drive-thru they operated across the street on East High Avenue from the lodge, and members of the Tornabene family went to our church, Sacred Heart, and to St. Joseph's in Dover. I learned to bartend while going to school at The University of Akron and working at a bar during the day located at the corner of East Market Street and Route 8 (long since demolished). The owner was a Lebanese fellow who would go home to sleep while I, a young skinny man who must have had a trusting face, took care of the bar and the cash drawer. Thankfully, some good customers also kept an eye out for unsavory patrons.

At the Elks, I also had the privilege of working with longtime bartender Frank Angelo, who was, again, another good person I knew from church. I also worked with Pat DeMeo and Doris Kugler. who were part-time waitresses (Pat worked as a baker at New Philadelphia High School and her son, Rod "Chico" worked for Kelly Price at Packer's Garage at 150 First Drive S.W. where Fresh the Market is located today). I also knew their husbands, Soc DeMeo and Dick Kugler, who were regular patrons. Other good patrons who were often regulars during the times when I occasionally worked the regular bar included Bob and Andrea Fox, Pat and Gene Hobart, and Bob and Louise McGowan.

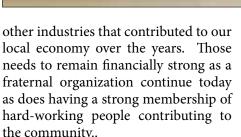
I also worked with a host of part-time bartenders like me, including Larry Price, Chuck Cardani, Tony Sandy, and others, as we worked weddings, parties, reunions, and other events (including several Ducks Unlimited auction banquets). I was like a proverbial "fly on the wall" and enjoyed talking with them and the guests. We listed to bands like Gemini (with Carl Draher and Sam Hitchcock) and others who were regulars at these events. Class reunions were especially fun because I felt as though I was with them back in school during whatever year they represented, and since I left New Philadelphia after 7th grade, I was attending the New Philadelphia class reunion I never had. The only drawback was that the back bar downtown often became smoke filled (smoking was still permitted in public buildings into the 1990s), and a lone exhaust fan merely circulated the smoke. I always tell people that I "smoked for ten years (second-hand smoke)." However, there was definitely "more good than bad" with respect to working for the lodge and serving Elks members and guests.

I worked for Sam Tornabene for nearly a decade. He was a great, but demanding, boss (you "wore a white shirt and worked during your shift"). Since I have always been what

I call a "cheap date", I was not a drinker, so I never drank while bartending. Kindly, Sam would offer me a beer after my shift; I mostly declined as I had to get up for mass on Sunday or get ready to go to work for my regular job or one of my other jobs. He was also a very fair man. Since we had to transport our liquor and beer to the back bar, there was always an occasional mishap (usually cans falling out of the beer case). However, one time I dropped a bottle of Kahlŭa, which wasn't cheap and is still expensive today. I told Sam to take the cost of it out of my pay. His reply was, "Don't worry about it, but next time, if you do break something, make it a cheap bottle of whiskey or something like that!"

In addition to working at the Elks #510, I was involved in some of the lodge's other activities when time permitted. Raising money for cerebral palsy and representing the Elks in local parades and activities (which, thankfully, continues today) was a nice way to connect my Elkdom outside of my work for the lodge and with my local community (New Philadelphia and the entire Tuscarawas Valley). For example, many members, including myself and my family, have contributed to the Share-a-Christmas basket project, led for many years by John Schaar, to help needy families in the area have something to eat for the holidays and a short time thereafter.

I say all of this because even though the Elks #510 is a fraternal organization, there is also a business aspect to it - keeping the doors open and the lights on continues to be a priority for every lodge across the The New Philadelphia Elks U.S. #510 is no exception. That is why I wanted to share with you the historical documents that profile both the early history of the lodge and what may be considered its heyday of the mid-20th century when the Elks was a major concert and meeting venue in New Philadelphia. The Elks had a reputation for being a well-run organization led by business and community leaders of the day and included a membership of hard-working men who were craftsmen in the trades, involved in retailing, and



Many of those business-driven characteristics continue but in different, yet successful ways. The broadening of membership to women at the national level in 1995 changed the dynamics of the business and community service networks available to the Elks throughout the U.S. to serve as outlets for its charitable works. Schools and related service organizations became the beneficiaries of that broader base and the skills / expertise displayed by those individuals. Locally, the expansion of B.P.O.E. #510's event and catering operations increased when Sue Menapace assumed club management duties in the new building (opened in 2002). It was during this time that talented leaders like Judie Fox and Helen Shrover would emerge and help move the lodge in positive directions. Judie and her husband, Matt, would lead family-centric events like the Father's Day dinners of which I would contribute when time permitted (I was still working full-time as a librarian and operating my Visiting Librarian Service, which I have operated either full or part-time since 1993).

While I'll admit that the broadening of Elks membership

nationwide was definitely a change from what I had always identified as a fraternal organization, the New Philadelphia Elks #510 is now one that truly represents the populations it serves – a fraternity of good people who live and work in New Philadelphia, Dover, and other parts of Tuscarawas County working together to make communities better by incorporating principles of faith, fairness, civic-mindedness, and cooperation.

The inclusion of the Dover Elks #975 into the Elks #510 was also a change, but it is one that the new building represents very well as its location is truly on the boarder of both Dover and New Philadelphia. It also represents, again, what the Elks is truly all about - good people working together in fraternity to improve lives and contribute to communities. I'm also pleased that we still have a strong Lady Elks organization which does link to past norms and the positive relationships that were built through past Elks organizational activities. Bev Smith has led the Lady Elks to host regular card parties both at the lodge and at the "4th and Faith" building next to St. John's United Church of Christ on Wooster Avenue in Dover to benefit local charities.

I hope you enjoy this brief reflection on 125 years of Elkdom in New Philadelphia; may the next 125 years be filled with the values of Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love, and Fidelity!





NEW PHILADEEPHIA OHIO

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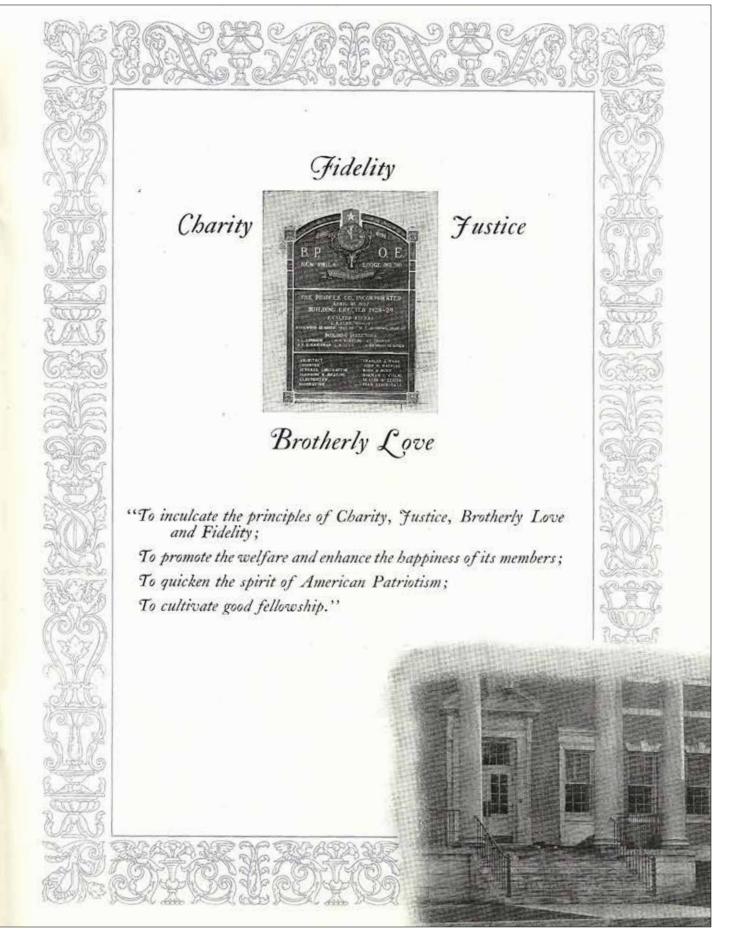
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June 21, 24, 25 and 26

NINETEEN HUNDRED AND FORTY-NINE NEW PHILADELPHIA • OHIO

BROTHERLY LOVE & FIDELITY

Building Dedication 1929





Dedication Ceremonies

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Program

3:30 P. M.

Initiation By Officers of the Lodge 6:00 P. M.

Banquet A. L. Limbach, Presiding

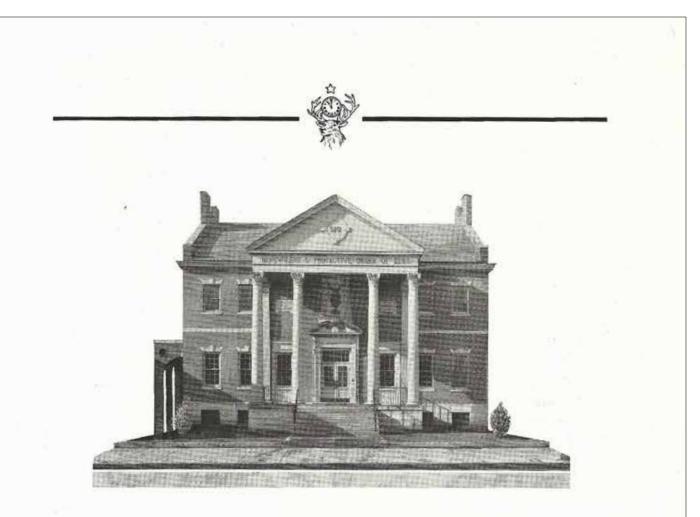
8:00 P. M.

Presentation and Dedication of Building Hon. John G. Price, Orator

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DEDICATION OFFICERS

Grand Exalted Ruler	•	. A. C. Andreas
Grand Leading Knight	3	Kirkwood Glauser
Grand Loyal Knight	: 22	. Homer G. Frew
Grand Lecturing Knigh	<i>t</i> .	. F. L. Kimmel
Grand Esquire .	•3	N. C. Parr
Grand Chaplain .	20	. V. O. Mathias



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HERE is an ancient legend which tells us that when a man first achieved a most notable deed he wished to display and explain it to his tribe what he had done. As soon as he began to act or speak he was smitten with dumbness.

We There is abundant pride in progress and achievement, and there goes with it a certain awkwardness in attempting to explain it to our fellows. That is as true of the group as the individual.

The New Philadelphia Lodge of Elks has a distinct pride in our new club. Rather than explain, we invite everyone to come within and make your own appraisal.

Visiting brother, friend, neighbor---visitors all--come sit thee down, discard thy cares, you'll find peace and contentment within these quiet walls, and a fellowship that is true.

We greet you and welcome you. Let wholesome joy be unconfined!

"Ab, my Beloved, fill the Cup that clears Today of past Regrets and Future Fears: TOMORROW! Why, Tomorrow 1 may be Myself with Yesterday's Sev'n Thousand Years." ---Omar Khayyam





history of the Lodge



EW PHILADELPHIA LODGE No. 510 of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks was instituted by virtue of a dispensation issued by Grand Exalted Ruler Galvin under date of June 22, 1899.

The petition for the establishment of this Lodge was signed by the following members: Dr. R. S. Barton, Canton Lodge No. 68; Thos. Furey and H. B. Lukens, Wheeling Lodge No. 28; C. A. Conway, A. E. Getz, J. F. Gerber, John Reuser, Uhrichsville Lodge No. 424; C. H. Ackey, A. L. Weible, J. F. Kaldenbaugh and Adam Gintz. The Lodge was duly installed and organized by District Deputy, Brother E. M. Campfield of Findlay, Ohio, acting for the Grand Lodge.

The first Exalted Ruler of this Lodge was the Honorable C. H. Ackey, now deceased, who was reelected for a second successive term. During the same period Brother Ackey was Mayor of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio.

In the late summer of 1900 while this Lodge was still in its infancy, it was the host of the State Convention of the Ohio Elks Association. There was a week of merriment and rollicking and this community wore the cloak of a carnival city. It was shortly after this reunion time that Brother Harry Burnside secluded twenty dollars of the Lodge's money and established a "Building Fund" which, having been properly nourished by the Lodge during the years between, is the real creator of this building.

Three times in as many decades our Lodge has occupied different quarters, each time drawing nearer to an ideal home. First, sharing quarters with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows on South Broadway, from 1899 to 1901; thereafter, from 1901 until May of this year, occupying by exclusive lease the entire top floor of the Alexander Block on the public square. Now we own and occupy that which we modestly acclaim to be the consummation of the dream of one of our brothers who wrote in public print in 1901: "We propose never to rest from our labors until the day comes when we may be able to offer to all weary and travel-worn Elks who may sojourn in our manor, the well known hospitality of an up-to-date Elks' club."

The Lodge in its time has been honored several times by the elevation and public recognition of some of its members. Many of its members have been honored with public office in the City, in the County, and in the State. The most notable, however, and one which we mention with pride, is that of our Brother and past Exalted Ruler,---A. Victor Donahey---who has held Township, County and State office, and the one that brought perhaps the greatest distinction to himself and to this Lodge is that he was chosen by his people three successive times as Governor of our State of Ohio.

The Grand Officers of our own Lodge have in several instances recognized the capabilities of members of No. 510. In 1916 and 1917, Brother and Past Exalted Ruler, W. W. Sharp, now deceased, was appointed District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler of this Ohio District; and in 1927 and 1928, Brother and Past Exalted Ruler, A. C. Andreas, was appointed District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler of the same District of Ohio.



The great struggle which enveloped the world and engaged our country in 1917 and 1918, exacted its toll of our Lodge. The response of the Lodge was one of unselfish service and sacrifice, all of which is now a very conspicuous part of this community's history. Those of our brothers who at home were serving their country's cause in the mill, the workshop, on the farm, displayed an interest and loyalty in their country's cause that deserves the highest commendation. This loyalty at home, linked with the unstinted service of forty-four members of the Lodge who accepted the call to uniform in their country's service, both here and abroad, will ever be one of the most brilliant chapters of our Lodge's history. We will continue to display with pride, and with a deep sense of honor, the service flag of the Lodge with forty-four stars---one gold---Carl C. Stoller (killed in action.)

During the intervening years the following members have served well their Lodge in its most exalted position:

Past Exalted Rulers

C. H. Ackey F. C. Kuenzli A. V. Donahey John Burri R. E. Haverman J. E. Hurst A. E. Limbach H. E. Palmer Wm. F. Henry	1899-1901 1901-1902 1902-1903 1903-1904 1904-1905 1905-1906 1906-1907 1907-1908 1908-1909	W. I. Kinsey T. S. Hephinger H. E. Palmer E. R. Butler Wm. W. Sharp Walter W. Fellers Harry G. Orr Frank C. Taylor O. C. J. Stiffler	1910-1911 1911-1912 1912-1913 1913-1914 1914-1915 1915-1916 1916-1917 1917-1918 1918-1919	Homer G. Frew N. C. Parr V. O. Mathias George Shonk F. L. Kimmel Frank H. Getz Wm, T. Beddows Kirkwood Glauser	1920-1921 1921-1922 1922-1923 1923-1924 1924-1925 1925-1926 1926-1927 1927-1928	
A. C. Andreas	1909-1910	Kirkwood Glauser	1919-1920	L. R. Click	1928-1930	

While during thirty years of existence in this little community we have accumulated enough to treat ourselves to a beautiful and luxurious temple of good fellowship, yet at no time during the course of those years has an Elk's ear been deaf to the appeals of the afflicted and less fortunate, nor has an Elk's eye failed to catch and lead to the assistance of those who have been honestly struggling in the gulf of tribulation and adversity. Our Lodge has always striven to exemplify its belief in practical charity, temperance and tolerance, recognizing at the same time, that we cannot in a brief span of years improve upon the mould of the Creator.

With a new and beautiful rendezvous to exalt and inspire us, we announce anew the precepts which have embellished our past, and which, we trust, will adorn our future. We will strive, to encourage every form of temperate enjoyment and harmless social recreation to the enhancement of good fellowship; to honor and preserve the uncompromising obligation to one's family, home and Country; act upon the belief that the secret of human happiness is to make others happy; do good unselfishly and without undue display; to lift up the lowly and oppressed and to assist in calamity and distress; to pluck whenever possible from every breast the sting of sorrow; to broaden human vision and discourage bigotry, selfishness, intolerance and hate; and, to serve God according to the dictates of our own conscience.

These, we hold to be the sum total of the doctrine of Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity. To these then, we dedicate in this our thirtieth year, our first home.

Charter Members

H. W. Streb Jos. Slingluff C. E. Reiss E. A. Wentz R. H. Nussdorfer F. C. Harver L. R. Minnig G. W. Canada E. F. Schoch C. Bernhard John Kuenzli B. C. Henderschot Geo. W. Williams Michael Seibold J. F. Barrett J. A. Linn Wm. Kaley John Burri E. W. Price T. H. Morgan Geo. W. Getz Henry Rex F. Alexander H. E. Burnside E. Ohliger W. A. Garver John O'Tool J. E. Hurst E. A. Burri F. T. Neumann

F. E. LePage W. H. Scheu Jos. Beiter F. C. Kuenzli J. J. Parr J. M. Smith A. E. Getz J. C. Kelly E. S. Douthitt

* Our Departed Brothers *

Some were cut down in the fullness of their vigor, while others journeyed along to the mellowness of life's late-setting sun. Yet the clock of their days did stop, and across its dial motionless shadows now mark the hour of eleven.



PRIVATE CARL C. STOLLER

CAPTAIN ROBERT L. KIMMEL

Two gold stars on the service flags of our lodge indicate that Private Carl C. Stoller was killed in action in World War I, on November 3rd, 1918, and that Captain Robert L. Kimmel paid the supreme sacrifice in World War II on January 10th, 1945.

E. A. Deardorff F. L. Cox John Gerber C. A. Smith C. H. Ackey John Reusser Ed. Ohliger F. C. Harvey Fred Alexander J. F. Kaldenbaugh B. C. Hendershott S. E. Dotts C. A. Ruppenthal D. D. Morgan J. C. Kelley Carl Stoller Carl V. Snyder J. L. Swisshelm Arthur Pemberton J. W. Scott H. R. Pollock W. E. Crites D. O. VanKirk H. A. Ackey Fred Kuenzli Wm. A. Senhauser C. T. Stevenson Park M. Reiser Glen Getz C. E. Brooks Ed. H. Beddows S. S. Urfer Warren C. Hitt Carl F. Reiser R. W. Pyle W. E. Callahan John F. Gerber

Emery H. Ankney Elmer Morgan Charles H. Fox Ed. Kaltenbaugh George Helmreich A. H. Towner Wm. E. Selbert Harry Weidericht Charles Kempf Jesse Dotts Sam B. Shaffer O. C. J. Stiffler Ed. F. Schoch Edward Schmidt Howard Hughes Charles E. Zeigler Roy Browning Ralph W. Emerson Wm. F. Demuth Wm. W. Sharp R. E. Feagles Charles W. Wolf Wm. R. Sharp John Burri A. E. Getz Charles F. Englehart Curtis M. Sherman Roy Morgan R. S. Barton John T. Diefenbacher Leonard L. Whyte Frank S. English George W. Getz Frank E. Meredith Thomas M. Morgan Charles F. Becker Frank B. Sharp

J. Edward Hurst Joseph E. Ebright George F. Williams John W. Mathias Arthur J. Dorsey George Martin Jesse L. Springer Ralph B. Peoples Edward A. Evans . John M. Evans Michael Seibold David D. Thomas Dalzel Pedlar Homer G. Frew John B. Spiker S. H. Herron Henry N. Rainsberger Harry W. Schenk Ralph W. Walker Wm. L. Junkins R. W. Frederick H. A. Coleman William Kaley J. M. Smith Frank C. Carnahan Allan C. Andreas John LaFountain Ed. T. Ditto Russell A. Seibert John F. White Leroy Springer Orrin W. Jackson Clark Swisshelm O. F. H. Kaserman Wayne T. Host T. B. Stroup James A. Linn

Arlington Sewell Charles T. Sharp George R. Feidler Paul J. Alspaugh W. A. Stellars T. P. Kline Edward C. Patterson Jesse C. Ashelman Samuel B. Meyers H. C. Cappel Warren H. Tonkin Richard Kalt Wilfred B. Breyer Walter G. Nickels Monroe Miller Mario Crescio Walter E. Crites Charles T. Lintz John R. Hammond Samuel Hensel F. W. Thompson E. M. Blackburn Floyd H. Packard John J. Parr Ivan W. Stocksdale William Seibold Robert L. Kimmel H. E. Burnside John Schoch Harry G. Orr E. E. Lindsay Ray Hemmenger, Jr. Frank H. Shotwell Ross C. Pack N. Keith Dutton S. H. Green Austin A. Law Abraham Laird James H. Patterson Clyde M. Auld Elias Adolph Elmer B. Davis John M. Nee J. Rush Yelverton John Hale Lawrence J. Breehl Alex B. Graham Barnie Alexander Thomas J. Price James J. Quinlan John McIntosh Frank O. Gilgen G. E. Van Lehn A. Russell Jones R. A. Lorenz H. E. Hasseman Chas. A. Rosch E. D. Warner Ben Newton

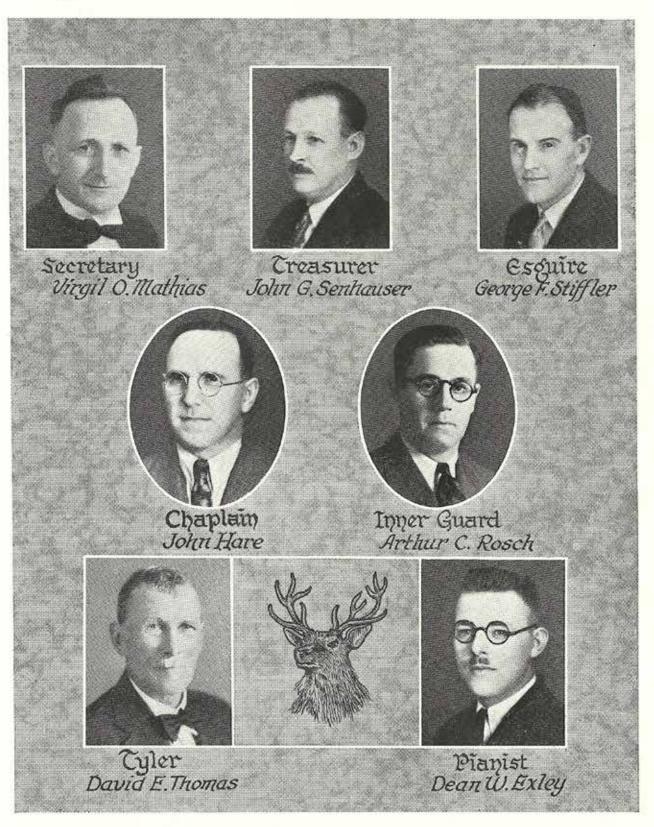








the Lodge



PAST EXALTED RULERS



C. H. ACKEY 1899-1901



F. C. KUENZLI 1901-1902



A. V. DONAHEY 1902-1903



JOHN BURRI 1903-1904

OUR LODGE (HISTORY

A half-century of public service and leadership in the field of fraternalism are the achievements marking the Golden Jubilee celebration of New Philadelphia Lodge No. 510 Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, which culminates today in the dedication of a beautiful, new \$150,000 addition to its imposing home.

The progress and growth of the lodge, synonymous with the evolution of New Philadelphia from a small village to a thriving city, has elevated the organization to a place among the order's outstanding units in this section of the nation.

Like most great things, No. 510 had a humble beginning when, on June 22, 1899, the lodge was instituted with 52 leading citizens of the community as charter members. The dispensation authorizing 510 was issued by Grand Exalted Ruler Galvin.

From 1899 until the present time—with the exception of a brief interval in 1906 when demits were issued to 25 of its members to enable them to become charter members of Dover Lodge No. 975, the local lodge enjoyed a steady growth both in membership and influence in the community. Its membership rolls now contain the names of 750 men from all walks of life.

The petition for establishment of the lodge was signed by Dr. R. S. Barton of Canton Lodge No. 68; Thomas Fury and H. B. Lukens of Wheeling Lodge No. 28; C. A. Conway, A. E. Getz, J. F. Gerber, John Reusser, all of Uhrichsville Lodge No. 424; and C. H. Ackey, A. L. Wible, J. F. Kaldenbaugh and Adam Gintz. All of them are now deceased.

The first Exalted Ruler of the lodge was the late Mayor C. H. Ackey, who became the first of four men to be elected to serve two terms in the lodge's highest office. Others similarly honored were the late H. E. Palmer, City Health Commissioner Kirkwood Glauser and L. R. Click, the latter of whom is currently chairman of the building committee.



R. E. HAVERMAN 1904-1905



J. E. HURST 1905-1906



A. E. LIMBACH 1906-1907

(OUR LODGE \mathcal{H} ISTORY)

Only four of the lodge's original charter members are living. They are Ed. Burri, retired tailor, and Henry H. Seibold, president of the Peoples Bank and Savings Co., both of this city; Frank LePage of Dover, a retired druggist, and Edward W. Price of Warren.

The leadership of No. 510 in Elkdom manifested it.elf almost with its inception. The same year the lodge was instituted, it was represented by a large and colorful delegation at the first annual convention of the Ohio State Elks' Association in Cleveland. As the "baby" lodge of the state, its delegates were dressed as infants and carried nursing bottles. They scored such a hit at the Cleveland meeting that they succeeded in having the state association hold its second annual meeting in this city the following year, thus writing one of the most brilliant pages in the history of the lodge.

The unexpected development resulted the following winter in the lodge presenting the first in a long and brilliant series of home talent minstrel shows, under the direction of Sebastian (Boss) Hare and the late E. C. Browne, to finance the coming convention.

The 1900 state convention, staged in a field south of the present Tuscora Park, featured a midway, a "German Village", and a wide assortment of shows and free entertainment. The project netted the lodge a huge profit and enabled it to acquire equipment which gained it a reputation for having the best furnished Eiks lodge in Ohio the following year.

The carnival accompanying the convention was so successful that it was held over for an extra day and the Pennsylvania railroad ran excursion trains to this city from Cleveland and Marietta to accommodate the huge crowds of Elks from other parts of the state.

In the 50 years of its existence, the lodge occupied only three different quarters. Meetings were held from 1899 to 1901 in the I. O. O. F. Temple in South Broadway and from 1901 until 1929 the lodge occupied the entire third floor of the Alexander building in the Public Square. The lodge dedicated its



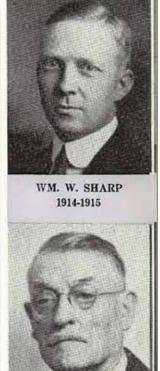
H. E. PALMER 1907-8 1912-13



WM. F. HENRY 1908-1909



A. C. ANDREAS 1909-1910



PAST EXALTED RULERS





T. S. HEPHINGER 1911-1912



W. I. KINSEY 1910-1911

PAST EXALTED RULERS



WALTER W. FELLERS 1915-1916



HARRY G. ORR 1916-1917



FRANK C. TAYLOR 1917-1918



O. C. J. STIFFLER 1918-1919

(OURLODGE \mathcal{H}_{1STORY})

present home in E. High Ave, constructed at a cost of \$60,000, on June 14, 1929. Principal speaker at the dedication, and for the cornerstone laying ceremonies the preceding Sept. 30, was the Hon. John G. Price, a past grand Exalted Ruler of all Elks lodges in the United States.

The premanent home of the lodge was planned and financed by a holding company incorporated under the name of The Phidelk Co. and composed of Attorney Atthur L. Limbach, president; L. R. Click, secretary; Kirkwood Glauser; and the late Herman Kaserman, Harry Burnside and John C. Thomas.

The present Elks home, envisioned by pioneer members of the lodge as early as 1912, inspired the lodge officers to stage a street fair and homecoming celebration from Sept. 23 to 28th, 1912, for the benefit of their building fund. The event, one of the largest and most successful ever held in the city, further enhanced the history of the lodge. It not only was a financial success but it attracted many new members.

The lodge's progressive development under the direction of outstanding leaders has resulted in numerous members being honored with high offices in the order. Four of them—the late William W. Sharp, the late A. C. Andreas, Dr. V. E. Berg and Joe E. Hurst—served terms as District Deputy Grand Exalted Rulers. Norman C. Parr and Dr. Berg served as presidents of the Ohio State Elks Association.

No history of No. 510 would be complete without passing mention concerning the many civic, social and benevolent projects of the lodge. At different intervals through the years, the lodge has financed and sponsored baseball and other sports teams, a widely known lodge band, a male chorus and two celebrated vocal quartets which appeared before countless gatherings. The original quartet was composed of Al Getz, Sebastian (Boss) Hare, Ed. Schmidt and Al Kuenzli. Its successor, the 510'ers, is currently composed of Vic Marsh, George Reiser, Guy Kimmel and Joe E. Hurst.



KIRKWOOD GLAUSER 1919-20 1927-28



HOMER G. FREW 1920-1921 N. C. PARR 1921-1922

(OUR LODGE \mathcal{H} ISTORY)

Always ready to hear and respond to the cry of affliction, the lodge has exemplified the cardinal principals of Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity continuously during its existence. As early as 1907, the lodge raised a sum of money for the relief of the victims of the San Francisco earthquake and fire. In 1908 the lodge collected and sent a railroad carload of used clothing to the destitute residents of the Monogah coal mining district. Six years later, a fund was raised to pay-off a mortgage on the Christian church at Dayton, Ky.

Members of No. 510 have given freely of their money and time for numerous other worthy projects, including an annual Christmas party for needy children of the city; presentation of an "iron lung" to Union hospital for use of any person in need of it; and generous contributions to the annual drives for the Red Cross, Community Chest, Cancer Society, Infantile Paralysis Foundation, and Union Hospital. A benefit minstrel was produced last year to aid the hospital building fund and in recent years the lodge has annually banqueted members of the New Philadelphia high school football team.

The lodge's record for benevolence is rivaled by its extensive patriotic activities both in peace and war eras. It holds Flag Day exercises annually and on several occasions has honored newly naturalized citizens at Americanization meetings. Its two service flags show that 44 members served in the armed forces during World War I and that 103 members were in uniform during the last great conflict. Two of its members gave up their lives on the field of battle—Carl C. Stoller in the first World War and Capt. Robert Kimmel in World War II.

With an all-time record membership and one of the largest and most elaborate homes in the state, prospects for continued leadership of No. 510, both in the life of the community and in Elkdom in general, loom bright as the lodge enters the second 50 years of its existence.





V. O. MATHIAS 1922-1923



GEORGE SHONK 1923-1924



F. L. KIMMEL 1924-1925



1926-1927



FRANK H. GETZ 1925-1926

PAST EXALTED RULERS



JOHN S. HARE 1931-1932



AL. BROADHURST 1932-1933



V. E. BERG 1933-1934



E. E. SWISSHELM 1934-1935

UILDING PROGRESS OUR

The pride of home ownership, the goal of every fraternal organization, was definitely lacking when the New Philadelphia lodge of Elks was organized cn June 22, 1899.

The founders of the organization were content to hold their business meetings in I. O. O. F. hall and their social affairs in the banquet room of the Exchange hotel, and it was not until the Alexander block was erected on the public square in 1900 that the trustees leased the entire third floor. It remained the home of the organization for the next 28 years.

As all the activities of a small city take place in the public square, and with the Elks occupying a "grandstand seat", members of No. 510 were not interested in a home of their own.

However, in 1911 a motion was made instructing the trustees to devise ways and means to purchase the DeGrief property, now the site of the Masonic Temple in West High Avenue. No action was ever taken on the motion.

First concrete evidence that the lodge would consider a home of its own was noted in 1915 when the Home and Site committee was ordered to purchase the Engle property on North Broadway, now occupied by the Heller Drug Store, for \$8,500.

An architect presented plans for a three-story building, but, when the members showed a lack of interest in buying stock for the project, the deal fell through. On October 12th, 1918, the trustees sold the Engle property to the late Charles Lintz for \$14,750.

On April 19th, 1921, a new building committee consisting of Homer G. Frew, V. O. Mathias, R. W. Emerson, J. U. Horger and N. C. Parr was appointed, and on September 12th, 1922, an option was taken on the McGregor home on North Broadway the Shriver property on East High street and the Snyder property, present site of the Quaker theatre.

The Shriver property was purchased on September 19th, of the same year, for \$17,500. Later, the present home site was ordered sold, but the highest bid of \$20,000 was refused.

Another home site, the Porter property on Second street, SE., was later purchased by the trustees for \$8,500, and again the Shriver site was ordered sold. But the members definitely decided to build on the Shriver site and the Porter property was sold at a loss to the lodge of \$1,000.



JOE E. HURST 1935-1936



WM. J. JACKSON 1936-1937



E. M. COLE 1937-1938

(OUR *B*UILDING PROGRESS)

Negotiations were at a standstill for several years, until January 4, 1927, when Exalted Ruler Wm. T. Beddows appointed A. L. Limbach, John C. Thomas, L. R. Click, together with trustees Kirkwood Glauser, Harry Burnside and O. F. H. Kaserman, as a building committee.

The Phidelk Company, an incorporated holding company, was formed and plans were immediately made for the erection of a new home. The Phidelk Company was voted all the funds of the lodge and plans were drawn for a new \$30,000 home.

The cornerstone of the present structure was laid September 30, 1928, and the home was dedicated on June 14, 1929, with Past Grand Exalted Ruler John G. Price officiating at both sessions.

Following World War II, when the membership increased from 350 members to the present 750, it was necessary to seek relief from the crowded conditions of the present building.

On January 21, 1947, the Phidelk Company, including L. R. Click, president; Joe E. Hurst, vice president; Frank R. Hurst, secretary; Arthur Getz, treasurer; Dorren Renner, Charles E. Becker and John S. Hare, made a report to the lodge that plans were ready for an addition to the present building.

Six different sets of plans were submitted to the lodge on March 8, 1947, and, after a stormy session, a plan was accepted which included bowling alleys, and the Phidelk Company was ordered to proceed with the erection of the annex. Bids were submitted but, because of building conditions, no contractor was interested in the project.

On May 25, 1948, the members moved to delete the bowling alleys and proceed with other improvements. The general contract was let on June 14 with a completion date of November 1st promised.

After a year of grief the building was finally completed and the average member is certain that it was worth waiting for.

The completed annex contains a new bar and cocktail lounge, a modern kitchen with sufficient equipment to serve 600, steam room, shower baths, locker room, a complete new heating system, air conditioning throughout the entire building and an auditorium with seating capacity for 600 with ample stage room for entertainments.

Entrance can be gained from the east side of the structure or from the parking lot on the roof of the building. The parking lot contains space for 50 cars.



L. D. HART 1938-1939



FRANK R. HURST 1939-1940



CARL E. GEIB 1940-1941



DORREN L. RENNER 1944-1945



CHAS. E. BECKER 1943-1944



Carl D. Waddington 1942-1943



DALE EMPFIELD 1941-1942

PAST EXALTED RULERS



Lester B. Stonebrook 1945-1946



RAYMOND C. RICE 1946-1947



DONALD J. KIRK 1947-1948



RALPH F. SPIKER 1948-1949

AIDS STATE ACTIVITIES

That New Philadelphia lodge rated high in the minds of the leaders of the Ohio Elks Association is proven by the fact that when that organization wished to try out an idea it used the members of No. 510 as "Guinea Pigs" before coming to a final conclusion.

Way back in 1900, when No. 510 was the baby lodge in the state, the first meeting of the Association was held in Cleveland and while the officers were confident that the larger lodges were sold on the idea it remained to be seen whether the smaller lodges would go along.

With that thought in mind, the second meeting of the Association was held in our city and it proved a wonderful success. With less than 100 members a carnival club was formed and a twelve-acre tract of land adjacent to North Broadway was leased. Members constructed a ten foot fence around the entire plot, piped city water and coustructed sewers to the show grounds. The entrance was at what is now Poplar street and First Drive, NW.

Immediately inside the gate was an immense steam gondola, the only one of its kind in the world, and the field to the left was lined with booths which held displays of local business men.

At the right of the entrance was the midway with its "German Vill age", numerous dancing girl shows, "Lunette, The Flying Lady", Dr. France's "Chamber of Horrors", "Chinese Village", "Well Dancer", and Bostock's Wild Animal Show.

The local boys did such a good job of entertaining the visiting Elks that the business end of the reunion was neglected and a resolution was passed prohibiting any lodge entertaining the association from promoting outside attractions such as carnivals, etc.

Again in 1931, when leaders of the Ohio Elks Association decided to inaugurate a Spring Conference, they naturally turned to New Philadelphia and the Elks who journeyed to our city for this event were entertained for a three-day period. The meeting was climaxed on Sunday when a flag pole was presented and dedicated at Schoenbrunn state park and a class of candidates was initiated by the Hauilton lodge degree team, state ritualistic champions.

Each succeeding meeting has grown in attendance until it overshadows the fall meeting at Cedar Point.

In 1936, upon an invitation from our lodge, the state president of the Ohio Elks Association and his corps of officers visited No. 510, and State President's Night, now a state wide activity, was inaugurated.

At the second such event a degree team composed of past state presidents initiated a class of candidates in honor of the state president. Clyde Reasoner of Zanesville acted as exalted ruler; Blake Cook, Kent, leading knight; George Doerzbach, Sandusky, loyal knight; Wm. Brunning, Cleveland, lecturing Knight; Wm. Campbell, Lorain, esquire; Charles Casselman, Alliance, chaplain, and Albert Dawson, inner guard.

The latch string is always out and No. 510 is eager and willing to try out any activity the Association has to offer.

ANNIVERSARY AND DEDICATION COMMITTEES

GENERAL COMMITTEE

Robert, E. Haverman, Maynard W. Stechow, Wm. J. Jackson, Ralph F. Spiker, Hugh E. Niuman, Wm. R. Wheeler, John Latto, V. E. Berg and Joe E. Hurst.

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- SOUVEN1R PROGRAM—F. L. Kimmel, chairman, Paul B. Sweany, T. S. Hephinger, John S. Hare, Eugene F. Hurst and Harry Green.
- DEDICATION-V. O. Mathias, chairman.
- INVITATIONS-N. C. Parr, Joe E. Hurst, V. E. Berg and Hugh E. Niuman.
- SOUVENIRS-E. E. Swisshelm, chairman, V. O. Mathias, Jack Powell, Arthur Kump and Robert Lukens.
- DINNER DANCE-Clint McCoy, Jack Collins and Mrs. R. G. DeArment.
- RESERVATIONS-Lester B. Stonebrook and Dick Vance.
- REGISTRATION-Wm. Wheeler, chairman.
- DECORATIONS—Kenny Dick, chairman, Charles Dick, Chester Murphy, Elmer Carr and John Winters.
- PUBLICITY-John S. Hare, chairman.
- ENTERTAINMENT—John Latto, chairman, Wm. Hephinger, Ray Rolli, Harold Rolli, Charles Torgler, Dick Shildts, O. B. Minor, Fred Strine, Jr., Charles Retzler, Sam Stutz, John Fisher, Robert Gintz, Edward Maurer, Hiram Taylor, George Reiser, Tom McGuire, Fred Krebs, V. C. Nipple, Earl Longtin, L. R. Click, Elmer Carr, C. M. Hensel, Robert Gow, William Maus, Melvin Erb, Don Brown, Charles Trucinski, John Winters, Chester Jenkins, Ray McClelland, Thurman Crites, R. G. Gibson, Max Waddington and Jack Price.
- LADIES ENTERTAINMENT Mrs. Ethel De-Arment and Mrs. Ellen Powell, co-chairmen, Mrs. Grace Shawver, Mrs. Leona Quinlan and Mrs. Evelyn Stonebrook,



ROBERT HAVERMAN Honorary Chairman



M. W. STECHOW General Chairman



WM. J. JACKSON General Chairman

Photo Gallery



Green Lawn Cemetery (Columbus, Ohio) Elks Memorial. Built circa 1900 by William H. Mullins of Salem, Ohio. Dedicated 6/18/1905. Mr. Mullins also created the Christopher Columbus Statue that stood at the Ohio Statehouse. The elk statue later rotted and was removed. Photo credit: Wikimedia Commons



From the Ohio Elks News – October 20, 2023: Jeffrey Warner of New Philadelphia Elks Lodge #510 met with Chief Paul Bantum of the Dover Police Department. As an expression of the good things Elks do, he presented Dover Police with an Ohio Elks Association Community Service Grant of \$1,000. The check went towards the funding of computers for each of the police cruisers.



The Elks #510 donated \$1,200 to the Dover Police Department towards the purchase of a new taser in 2019.



Elks officers met with officials from the New Philadelphia Fire Department and the City of New Philadelphia (including Mayor Joel Day) to donate funds to purchase fire safety equipment.



The New Philadelphia Elks #510 was only a year old when it hosted the Ohio State convention in the city. During that meeting, Brother Harry Burnside donated the first \$20 to establish the lodge's building fund, which resulted in the construction of the dedicated home of #510 completed in 1929.

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EW PHILADELPHIA Lodge No. 510, of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks was instituted under a dispensation granted by Grand Exalted Ruler Galvin on the 8th day of June, 1899. The petition for the establishment of this lodge was signed by the following members: Dr. R. S. Barton,

Canton Lodge No. 68; H. B. Lukens, Wheeling Lodge No. 28; Thos. Furey, Wheeling Lodge No. 28; A. E. Getz, J. F. Gerber, Jno. Rensser, and C. A. Conway, of Uhrichsville Lodge No. 424.

It was the aim of the committee who had in charge the matter of securing a charter list—J. F. Gerber, A. E. Getz, and C. A. Conway—to get as many of the representative citizens of this city and Canal Dover as possible, and they succeeded far better than they could possibly have anticipated. The charter list contained the names of forty-three members, thirty-six of whom took the degree on the day of installation.

The lodge was duly organized by Bro. E. M. Campfield, of Findlay, O., District Deputy for the Northern District of Ohio, assisted by a team made up of brothers from Massillon, Cleveland, Conton, Mansfield, Salem, Findlay and Uhrichsville. In a little over a year's time we have more than doubled our membership, and are rejoiced to say that so far we have lost but one member from our roster, Bro. Thos. Furey, who withdrew by dimit from our lodge on again becoming a resident of Wheeling, W. Va., of whose lodge he was originally a member,

We have ever since our organization occupied quarters in the Independent Order of Odd Fellow's Temple on South Broadway, and while our rooms are well arranged and commodious, yet like all young and ambitious orders we hope that the day may soon come when we may be sheltered under a roof of our own.

Under the able, wise and conservative leadership of our present officials we hope very soon to obtain our desire, and we purpose never to rest from our labors until the day comes when we may be able to offer to all weary and travel-stained Elks, who may sojourn in our manor, the well-known hospitality of an up-to-date Elks' club.

In the month of February, 1871, the original lodge of Elks in New York City of their own accord created a Grand Lodge and surrendered

This early history of the New Philadelphia Elks #510 outlines its charter and details about its first years.



The ballroom of the New Philadelphia Elks #510 is a popular location for weddings, parties, and other large events in the area.



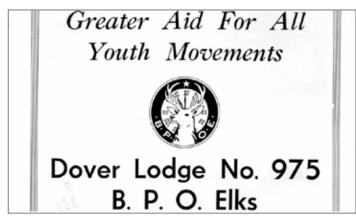
The bar at the New Philadelphia Elks #510 is another key gathering place for lodge members and guests. The perimeter of the bar area (as well as portions of the dining room) are lined with photos of past exalted rulers dating back to the early 1900s.



The New Philadelphia Elks #510 honors its veterans and their families with a wall dedicated to veterans-related information. Currently, Tracey Rugeri serves as the lodge's veterans' chairperson.



Members of the New Philadelphia Elks #510 are shown carrying the American flag during a local parade event. This iconic display of patriotism has been part of Elkdom at B.P.O.E. #510 for many years.



The Dover Elks #975 was supportive of youth-related activities in the city, in particular, the football program at Dover High School. This image appeared in the 1954 Dover vs. Coshocton football program (Courtesy Dover High School Class of 1984)



The Ohio Elks Cerebral Palsy Fund Board was created to maintain, administer, contribute and donate funds or property to any Ohio Chapter or branch of any nationally recognized or local organization in Ohio which maintains, as a function, the care, treatment, training and rehabilitation of individuals with Cerebral Palsy.



Brandon Raber (pictured above, both individually and in a group photo) represented the New Philadelphia Elks #510 as an Elks Hoop Shoot National Finalist (Boys Ages 10-11) in 1989. He made 22 out of 25 shots. Fellow Elk Frank Hise started the first Elks Hoop Shoot in Corvalis, Oregon in 1946. The Elks Hoop Shoot became a national event for boys in 1972, and the first championship was held on March 17, 1973. Girls were encouraged to participate in 1974, spearheaded by Getty Powell, the Elks Hoop Shoot's first national director.

Several Elks #510 Ritualistic Teams won awards throughout the 20th century

For example, The 1968 Elks #510 Ritualistic Team achieved rare success as the Ohio state champions in 1968. They placed 26th nationally at the B.P.O.E. Annual Convention in New York City that year.









The Burry Building on South Broadway in New Philadelphia was the first home of Elks #510 from 1899-1901. In 1869, John Burry built what became known as New Philadelphia's "City Block". Completed in 1870, the Burry building is classified as being built in the commercial Italianate style. The central and southern segments of the block were built in the same style but by Peter Fahrny and John Arn.

The north edifice housed the Burry's Department Store

which sold general dry goods, ladies' ready-to-wear items, and house furnishings. A passenger elevator was added in 1906.

The third floor housed fraternal organizations, such as the Masonic Temple, German Odd Fellows (which the Elks #510 shared space), the Uniform Rank of the Knights of Pythias, and the Rathbone Sisters.

(Photos courtesy of the Times Reporter.)





These photos are of the Alexander Building, located on the southeast corner of New Philadelphia's Square, at various points in its history. According to local historian and reporter for the Times Reporter, Jon Baker, and historic home preservationist, Elizabeth Hipp, The Alexander Building was built in 1901 by Frederick and Ernestine Alexander, owners of the Boston Clothing House. The architect was L.W. Thomas of Canton, and the building was constructed in the Victorian Romanesque style.

In September 1912, a week-long festival was held for the public unveiling of a huge electric sign containing 225 lights that was to be erected on top of the Alexander Building. City officials paid \$325 for the sign. The sign was pulled from storage in 2003 and reinstalled to celebrate the city's

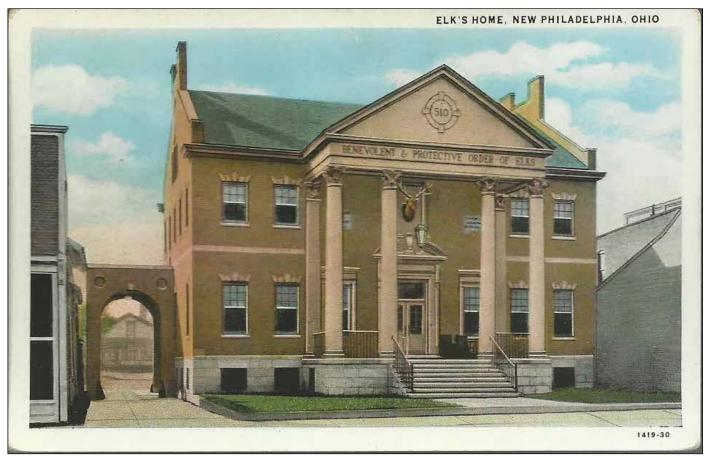
200th anniversary in 2004.

The New Philadelphia Elks #510 occupied the third floor of the building from 1901 to 1929. It was said that vaudeville performers would come over from the Union Opera House on Ashwood Lane to perform. Rumor has it that popular early 20th century comedian W.C. Fields frequented the Elks and would play the piano for members. That piano is still there.

In 1972, the Alexander family sold their namesake building to Doyle and Vera Stone, who moved their House of Stones jewelry store from the southwest corner of New Philadelphia's Square to the location. The Stones owned it until June 1987 when current House of Stones owner Alan Rodriguez purchased the building.

> Photos courtesy of the House of Stones, Tuscarawas County Historical Society, and the Times Reporter.





This is a post card image of the New Philadelphia Elks #510 as it appeared in the 1930s. Note that the portico to the left reveals the rear of the building before the Annex was added in the late 1940s.



In the late 1940s, the New Philadelphia Elks #510 added a main bar, dining room, card room, ball room/back bar, and sauna/ steam room. The project was dedicated in 1949 to coincide with the lodge's 50th anniversary. (Photo courtesy of Jeff Warner)



This is the gravestone for New Philadelphia founder John Knisely, which is located in New Philadelphia's Fair Avenue Cemetery. According to the City of New Philadelphia, New Philadelphia was founded in 1804 by John Knisely. Little is known of his early life, except for the fact that he was born September 21, 1752, and in 1795, he moved to Bedford County, PA. Here he owned and operated a grist mill and hostelry and became quite prosperous. Knisely chose the site after a successful hunting trip where he was based at Schoenbrunn. He felt the big plateau in the bend of the river, with numerous smaller valleys centering there, would make a beautiful site for a town and perhaps, as he hoped, a great city. (Photo courtesy of the City of New Philadelphia)



The John Knisely Municipal Centre is the former New Philadelphia Elks #510 Lodge. It was purchased from the lodge in 2000 for \$700,000, according to public documents (Photo courtesy of New Philadelphia Mayor Joel Day)



The New Philadelphia Elks #510 has supported many community events over the years; this ad appeared in the 2019 First Town Days program.



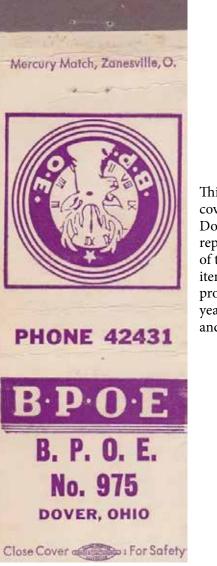
This image outlines the program for the New Philadelphia Elks #510 Annex dedication in 1949 when the lodge was located on East High Avenue in New Philadelphia. (Photo courtesy of Jeff Warner)



This Elks #510 clock was another memorabilia piece produced during recent times.



This mug was produced for the 1992 Ohio District Meeting held at the New Philadelphia Elks #510.



This matchbook cover from the Dover Elks 975 represents many of the useful items members produced over the years for events and other uses.

Many of the earliest Elks lodges were located in Ohio. In 1884, fifteen years after the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks was formed in New York City, a group of seventeen men met in the Old Music Hall in the village of Marion to organize the second Lodge of Elks in Ohio, and the first Lodge



outside of a metropolitan city. On March 3, 1885, Marion Lodge No. 32 was instituted by Cincinnati Lodge No. 5, with thirty-three charter members. The first meetings were held in the Hotel Marion Block on Center Street. Dues were \$4 per year. (Source: Elks National Website) Sam Hitchcock and his good friend, Carl Draher, performed regularly at the New Philadelphia Elks #510 during the 1980s and 1990s as Gemini. Draher was also a popular Elvis impersonator who performed at the lodge and at other local events and fundraisers. Draher also plays in the band 8-Track, comprised of Jim Wallick, Doug Wagner, and Mark Boyer.



The Family Band & Special Guests



You know what they say, when one door closes another one opens. When Sam Hitchcock retired as Producer of The RTY Summer Showcase series at the end of 2017, one of his goals in addition to seeing Park Place Teen Center thrive, was to get back to his roots of playing music. That is exactly what we're going to be treated with this evening. Sam and his son Jimmy and daughter Laura will be taking the stage of Summer Showcase to provide us with a lot of fun and entertainment.

Sam began playing music as a teenager in his high school band playing Baritone. He also took up the bass guitar in 1965. Upon enrolling at Kent State in New Philadelphia, Sam decided to take a course in music theory which is where he learned the keyboard. Sam has dabbled with several instruments over the years but enjoys his keys the most. His resulting Love Of Music led him to team with Kelly Goodrich for several years playing the Holiday Inn circuit and also with local musician and friend Carl Draher in the band Gemini.

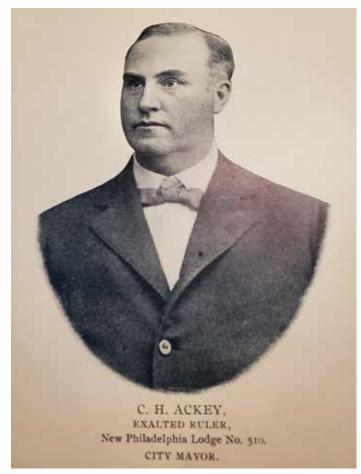
Jimmy Hitchcock like his father is very musically talented. He began playing drums when he was 7 years old and first performed on stage with his dad when he was 14. Jimmy is now a police captain with the Dover Police Department and well-known and respected in his community.

Laura Schupbach Barkett, Sam's daughter, holds a degree in Music Education from Baldwin Wallace Conservatory of Music. She is the current director of the Tuscarawas Philharmonic Children's Chorus and has been a member of the Cleveland Symphony Orchestra Chorus in the past. Laura is an outstanding vocalist and was once invited on stage to sing with Josh Groban while attending his concert in Cleveland with her mother.

We hope you enjoy this evening with the Family Band and might even have a couple of surprise guests for you throughout the show. You will just need to come find out for yourself. This will be a show that any fan of Summer Showcase should not want to miss.



The Becky Flinn Band performs regularly at the New Philadelphia Elks #510.



C.H. Ackey was the first exalted ruler of the New Philadelphia Elks #510, serving from 1899 to 1901. Ackey also served as New Philadelphia's second mayor – serving from 1896 to 1905. A street near Tuscora Park still bears his name today.

Ohio Elk of the Year / Ohio Elk Hall of Fame

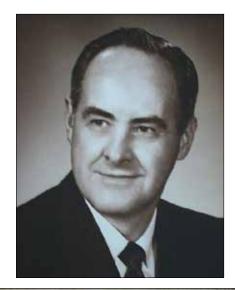
It is the privilege of any Lodge of the Ohio Elks Association to nominate one or more of its members for consideration as "Elk of the Year" or for inclusion in the "Elk Hall of Fame." Launched in 1960, both awards give lodges the ability to honor at least one member who is

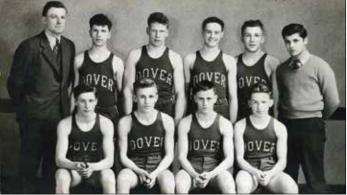


there to lend a helping hand or provide assistance as needed for lodge projects.

Local Elk of the Year Winner:

1998 - Donald W. Peters – Dover Elks #975





Robert E. Ley, Jr. was a past-exalted ruler at the Dover Elks Lodge #975. He is shown in his official Elks portrait, as a player on Dover High School's 1935 reserve squad (back row – third moving left), and with his dad, Robert E. Ley, Sr., in their respective dental practices. (Photos courtesy of Colt Foutz, grandson of Robert E. Ley, Jr.)



Woody Hayes is an honored figure in New Philadelphia history. In addition to his contributions as head football coach at New Philadelphia High School in 1938, Hayes was elevated to the head coaching position that year, where he put together a 17–2–1 record in his first two seasons before enduring a 1–9 record in 1940. Hayes went on to successful college coaching at Denison, Miami of Ohio, and Ohio State, the latter where he coached from 1951-1978.

2024 Lodge Officers

Exalted Ruler: Tony Eckert Leading Knight: * VACANT * Loyal Knight: David Haverfield Lecturing Knight: Mike Shroyer Inner Guard: Brenda Parrish Esquire: Fred Devore Chaplain: Helen Shroyer Tiler: Mark Abel Secretary: Barbara Campbell Treasurer: Michelle Mizer

Trustees:

Matt Fox Judie Fox Lisa McCarthy



The New Philadelphia Elks #510 Officers are as follows:

Front- Barbara Campbell, Secretary; Helen Shroyer, Chaplain; Michelle Mizer, Treasurer; Brenda Parrish, Inner Guard **Back**- David Johnson, PER; David Haverfield, Esteemed Loyal Knight, PER; Fred Devore, Esquire, PER; Mark Abel, Tiler Mike Shroyer, esteemed lecturing knight, PER; Tony Eckert, exalted ruler



The New Philadelphia Elks 2019 Ritualistic Team, led by then-Exalted Ruler Jeff Warner, ranked as one of the top teams in Ohio, joining other past teams from the 1950s and 1960s who rose to statewide/national prominence.

Ohio Elks Association Past State Presidents from Elks #510 and #975

WHO CAN BE AN ELK?

To be eligible for membership in the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, you must be a citizen of the United States over the age of 21 who believes in God.

You must be sponsored by a member of the Elks Lodge and reside in the jurisdiction of the Lodge you wish to join. You also need two other Elks who will be your co-sponsors. The Elk who proposes you for membership must obtain a Membership Application from the Jerome Elks Lodge Secretary.

After your proposer fills in the required portion, you will be given the Application for Membership. Fill it in, following the instructions and answering all questions. Return the completed application to the Lodge Secretary with the prescribed fees.

Your application will be read at a regular Lodge meeting. It will then be forwarded to the Investigating Committee, who will call you and set up a time for you and your sponsor to meet with the committee so that they can interview you.

After the interview is concluded, the committee will report to the Lodge concerning your membership. The members will be given a notice not less than 10 days nor more than two months before the vote will be taken. When the vote is concluded, you will be notified and asked to present yourself for indoctrination. During indoctrination, you will learn more about the Order's programs and charities. You will also be told during the program the date you will be initiated.

After initiation as an Elk, you can take part in all meetings and social functions of the Lodge. If for any reason your application is rejected, you cannot make application for membership for six months from the date of rejection.

THE ELKS OBLIGATION

The obligation which is assumed by every member of the Order, as an essential part of his initiation, involves certain duties which are necessarily implied, as well as those which are formally expressed.

By that obligation, so assumed, they become a member of the Order of Elks, not merely a member of their own Lodge. The rights and privileges thereby conferred upon them include the right to attend the meetings of any club house maintained by such other Lodge, in accordance with its rules and regulations relating thereto. And, they are as much amenable to the Statutes of the Order as they are to the By-laws of their own Lodge.

They are entitled to participate in the deliberations of their own Lodge; and it is their duty to attend its meetings for that purpose, with proper regard for other duties which may also rest upon them. They share the responsibility for its acts; and they should, by their vote in Lodge sessions and by the appropriate exercise of their influence, endeavor to have those acts reflect their own views. But, they should, with good grace, yield to the majority will, when it has been duly registered.

The charitable and benevolent activities of his Lodge frequently require the personal attention of members other than its officers. Each member should readily respond to any official call upon him for any fraternal service that may be within his reasonable capacity to render.

It is only by the continued display of such a spirit of fraternal cooperation that their Lodge can maintain itself as the instrumentality of community service it is designed to be. And, it is only by generously putting their individual service into this fraternal association that they will secure for themselves the greatest measure of satisfaction and happiness which should accompany membership in the Order.

> Source: https://www.elks.org/lodges/LodgePages. cfm?LodgeNumber=1361&ID=2471

Ohio Elks Past State Presidents			
1932 - 1933	*Norman C. Parr	New Philadelphia #510	
1947 - 1948	*Dr. V. E. Berg	New Philadelphia #510	
1952 - 1953	*Joe E. Hurst	New Philadelphia #510	
1977 - 1978	*Robert J. Kennedy	Dover #975	

Chuck Flint



Chuck was a Life Member of the New Philadelphia Elks Lodge B.P.O.E. 510 where he served two terms as Exalted Ruler in 1984 and 2002. His involvement with the organization was vast. He served as the Ohio Elks State Scholarship Chairman, Past Secretary for the Southeast District, Secretary of the Past District Deputies Advisory Council, Past District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler, Past District Chairman of the Southeast District, assisted District Deputies of the Southeast District – serving as auditor during inspections and was the current Treasurer of the New Philadelphia Elks and enjoyed playing on the Elks Bowling League. Throughout his time, Chuck was a well-respected resource to any fellow Elk and was recognized by receiving numerous awards for his excellence and willingness to go above and beyond.

Chuck Flint made many contributions to the local community. Sadly, Chuck passed away on October 24, 2019. The following profile his scholarship-related work at the state level and other participation at that level by local Elks members and their families.

SCHOLARSHIP Charles "Chuck" Flint, Chairman

I am proud to announce that this past year \$234,000.00 in scholarships were distributed to Ohio students. That 15 of the 17 MVS students that we forwarded to the National MVS Awards were each awarded \$1000.00 scholarships per year for four years. We had Tabitha Escalante selected as the top National Girl winner. She receives a total scholarship of \$ 50,000. We also had another student, Matthew Humphreys selected in the top 20 nationally. He will receive a total scholarship of \$ 20,000.00. We had the 60 students who each received \$ 1000.00 State Scholarships through the State MVS program or the State Educational Fund Grant program.

The National Elks Organization just recently announced the students to receive the \$1000.00 per year for four years Legacy scholarship winners. Ohio had 11 students awarded these scholarships. They are:

James Blackshire – Dayton Lodge Jolie Bogart – Lakewood Lodge Maislin Bogart – Lakewood Lodge Tori Evans – Washington Court House Lodge Chloe Hangartner – Van Wert Lodge Jonah Krueger – New Philadelphia Lodge Alexander Naton – Defiance Lodge Abigail Rence - Lakewood Lodge Ethan Schmenk – Lima Lodge Brett Sims – Marysville Lodge Caitlin Tudor – Kenton Lodge

SOCCER SHOOT

Larry Clement, Chairman

Welcome to the Ohio Elks' State Association Fall Convention. Once again, a very successful State Soccer Shoot was held at Kids America in Coshocton on July 27th. We had 51 kids and all had fun (or so they told me).

The First-Place winners who are going to York, PA next March 13th, 14th and 15th to represent our Great State of OH-IO are:

<u>7 and under</u>	Girl:	Abby Schlegel	#157 Kenton
	Boy:	Mason Casimer	#510 New Philadelphia
<u>8 and 9</u>	Girl:	Jolie Acomb	#422 Lebanon
	Boy:	Wyatt Burbacher	#77 Circleville
<u>10 and 11</u>	Girl:	Meghan Kirby	#467 Alliance
	Boy:	Nolan Pugh	#510 New Philadelphia
<u>12 and 13</u>	Girl:	Ruby Styer	#157 Kenton
	Boy:	Nathan Pugh	#51 <mark>0</mark> New Philadelphia

Vic Donahey





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These images show Vic Donahey as he appeared in the early 1900s when he served as the New Philadelphia Elks #510 Exalted Ruler (1902-1903) and as a U.S. Senator from Ohio.

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The Donahey Ag & Hort Building was constructed in 1926. In 2024, Ohio Governor Mike DeWine's office submitted plans developed by the Ohio Expo 2050 Task Force to replace the building and others with new designs that appear to pay homage to the original design.

Alvin Victor "Honest Vic" Donahey (July 7, 1873 – April 8, 1946) was an American Democratic Party politician from Ohio. Donahey was the 50th governor of Ohio and a United States Senator from Ohio.

Donahey left school early to become a printer; in addition to working as a newspaper editor, he owned his own printing company. After serving in local and county government as a school board member and county auditor in the early 1900s, in 1912 he won election as Ohio's state auditor, and he served until 1921. After an unsuccessful campaign for governor in 1920, in 1922 Donahey won the governorship. He was reelected in 1924 and 1926, and served from 1923 to 1929. In 1934, Donahey won election to the U.S. Senate, and he served one term, 1935 to 1941.

After leaving office, Donahey resumed his business interests, including serving as president of the Donahey Clay Products Company, which made tiles for use in home construction. He died in Columbus in 1946, and he is buried at East Avenue Cemetery in New Philadelphia.

Donahey was born in Cadwallader, Ohio, the son of John C. Donahey and Catherine (Chaney) Donahey. He attended the public schools of Tuscarawas County, and left high school in his junior year to receive training as a printer; he worked at the New Philadelphia Times from 1893 to 1905, and advanced from journeyman to foreman to associate editor before becoming owner of his own printing company.

Donahey was elected clerk of the Goshen Township Board of Trustees in 1898, and served until 1903. He served as Tuscarawas County Auditor from 1905 to 1909 while at the same time serving on New Philadelphia, Ohio's Board of Education. After serving as a delegate to the 1912 Constitutional Convention, Donahey served as state auditor from 1912 to 1921.

In 1922, Donahey won the governor's race. He served three terms, 1923 to 1929, and was not a candidate for re-election in 1928. Donahey earned the nickname "Veto Vic" while governor because he vetoed seventy-six bills during his first term in office (in particular, those that would have raised taxes).

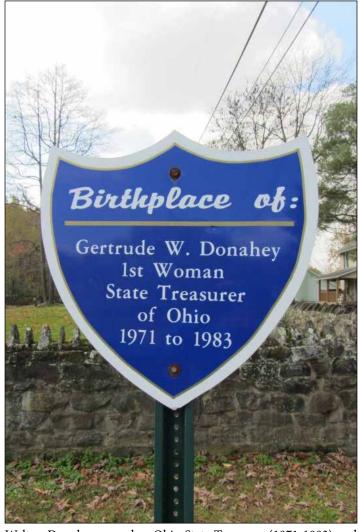
From 1926 to 1928 Donahey was mentioned as a possible candidate for president or vice president in the 1928 election. After leaving the governorship, Donahey returned to his business interests. In 1928, Donahey and six partners founded the Motorists' Mutual Insurance Company of Columbus, of which Donahey became president.

He won election to the United States Senate in 1934, unseating Republican Simeon Fess by a wide margin (1,276,208 to 839,068) and served one term in the Senate from 1935 until 1941. In 1940, Democrats in Ohio asked him to consider running for president as a favorite son in an effort to aid Franklin D. Roosevelt's bid for a third term, but he declined. (The plan would have had Ohio's delegates to the Democratic National Convention pledged to Donahey until Roosevelt became a candidate, at which point Donahey would release the delegates to Roosevelt.)

Vic Donahey was married to Mary (Harvey) Donahey (1879– 1953). His son, John W. Donahey, served a term as Lieutenant Governor of Ohio (1959-1963) His daughter-in-law, Gertrude



Vic Donahey's daughter-in-law, Gertrude Walton Donahey, was born in Goshen Township and the first woman elected to executive office in Ohio as State Treasurer. She served from 1971 to 1983.



Walton Donahey served as Ohio State Treasurer (1971-1983) and the first women in Ohio elected to an executive position. His brother William Donahey was a Chicago Tribune columnist and creator of the "Teenie Weenies" comic strip. Another brother, James Harrison "Hal" Donahey, was the political cartoonist for the Cleveland Plain Dealer and designed the household tiles made by the Donahey Clay Products Company.

The Donahey Agriculture & Horticulture Building at the Ohio Expo Center and State Fair in Columbus are named in honor of Donahey. Constructed in 1926, it was named for Donahey in 1977 after a previous building named for him, a horse barn, burned down in 1972.



11th Hour Toast

"You have heard the tolling of eleven strokes. This is to remind us that with Elks the hour of eleven has a tender significance. Wherever an Elk may roam, Whatever his lot in life may be, when this hour falls upon the dial of night the great heart of Elkdom swells and throbs. It is the golden hour of recollection, the homecoming of those who wander, the mystic roll call of those who will come no more. Living or dead, an Elk is never forgotten, never forsaken. Morning and noon may pass him by, the light of day sink heedlessly in the West, but ere the shadows of midnight shall fall, the chimes of memory will be pealing forth the friendly message --"TO OUR ABSENT MEMBERS"