

# WELLSBURG ELKS NEWSLETTER

## SEPTEMBER and OCTOBER 2010

### Exalted Ruler's Message

Greetings from your Exalted Ruler. Many thanks for the opportunity to represent our Lodge at the Grand Lodge Session which was held in Orlando, Florida July 4-8. Michael F. Smith of Plant City Florida Lodge #1727 was elected and installed as Grand Exalted Ruler. His motto for this year is "Promote Elks Passion" in membership. The following is a summary of some Resolutions that passed: Allows the treasurer to establish a checking account to pay for club deliveries. Allows the Presiding Justice to enter a final order after settlement of disputes. Allows the Grand Exalted Ruler to enforce Executive Orders. Allows Lodges more flexibility in scheduling their meetings. Allows Life Member of a dissolved Lodge to apply for Life Membership in another Lodge. Permits initiation of an elected candidate on the date of balloting. Establishes conformity between the Statute and CLMS. Resolutions defeated were: Allows Clubs and Lodge facilities to remain open during Lodge meetings. Removes mandatory annual assessment for Elks National Home. Allows Honorary Life Membership for distinguished military service. Provides funding for capital improvements at the Elks National Home.

PER Mark "Mouse" Olexick was installed on July 8 as District Deputy GER North. Our congratulations to Mouse on this great honor. Roger Kirkpatrick of Weirton Lodge #1801 was appointed as DD Esquire and Joseph J. Cionni, Sr., PSP, PDD, and PER of our Lodge will serve as his Auditor. Mouse's first DD Clinic will be held on August 28 at 10:00 AM at Parkersburg Lodge No. 198. If any member wishes to attend, please let me know.

You know summer is over when school has started, so please be careful while driving. With school starting, football season will be underway. We hope you will come out and watch the games on our new big screen TV. Members will be cooking for those who attend our Home Football After Glows. Plan to attend and enjoy the fellowship.

Remember to "Promote Elks Passion" and be active with our Lodge's programs and events.

Fraternally, Sherry Tallman, ER

### Membership Updates

Lapsation Chair reports all have paid their dues with the exception of four members. If you are one of these members, please pay your dues as soon as possible. Many thanks for paying right away as we are striving for a plus one in membership.

The following candidates have been elected for membership: Geraldine Henry, proposed by Buck Verner, her references are Sherry Tallman and Donna Olexick; and Patsy J. Cipriani, proposed by Joseph Cionni Sr., his references are Tony Cipriani and Frank Paesano. The following applications have been received for membership: Terry G. Boyce, proposed by Joseph Cionni Sr., his references are Walter Palmer and James Stewart; Gerald Brady, proposed by Ralph Brady, his references are Sonny Kerr and James Bonar; & Betty Lou Palmer, proposed by Walter Palmer, her references are Buck Verner, Ethel Verner and Katy O'Connell. Application was received from Burl J. Postlewait, a Transfer Dimit from Weirton Lodge No. 1801. Indoctrination for the candidates and spouses will be held on Wednesday, Sept. 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM. It is requested Lodge Officers and Committee Chairs

be present. Initiation will be held on Thursday, September 16<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 P.M. for the candidates. We welcome our new members and look forward to your presence.

### Hall Rentals

The contract for Hall Rentals has been revised and approved by the House Committee. For pricing & availability contact PER John Edwards. Members receive a discount for their rental. Contact numbers are available at the Kopper Bar (304) 737-9806.

### Kopper Bar Changes

Starting September 4<sup>th</sup> the Kopper Bar will open on Saturdays with usual bar hours. Due to cost increases, there will be a slight increase in bar prices. Bar Committee is working on acquiring a big screen TV for your sports viewing pleasure with specials being planned.

### Lodge of Sorrow

Brother Gino Quattrochi died on July 17<sup>th</sup>. Elks Funeral Service was held at James Funeral Home in Follansbee by the Lodge Officers on July 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM. He was chair of our annual Wine Tasting and he requested donations in lieu of flowers be given to his church or to the Elks Beautification and Recondition Committee. Our sincere sympathy is extended to his family. We wish to thank all who have donated to the Elks in his memory. A Lodge of Sorrow was held by the officers on August 19, 2010 for Brother Gino.

### Elks Funeral Service Notice

When a family desires an Elks Funeral Service, the immediate family must request directly to the Lodge Secretary, the Exalted Ruler, or any Officer. This is a very warm and touching service performed by the Lodge Members.

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### Super Bowl Board

Super Bowl Board is open at the Kopper Bar. \$10.00 will reserve your block. Plan to celebrate with us at the Lodge's Super Bowl party. Payments can be made monthly but must be paid in full by January 3<sup>rd</sup>.

### After Glow Schedule

Food will be provided to those who stop by the Kopper Bar after the Brooke High Home Football Games. Reserve the following dates and plan to join your fellow Elks for a night of fun.

- August 28<sup>th</sup> Parkersburg - cooking are Don Poarch and Sherry Tallman.
- September 24<sup>th</sup> Wheeling Park - cooking are Sally and Jeff Cionni. - -
- October 22<sup>nd</sup> Weirton - cooking are Wendy Willis and Bruce Cionni. -
- October 29<sup>th</sup> John Marshall - cooking are Katy O'Connell and Bonnie Kerr.
- November 5<sup>th</sup> - Musselman - cooking are Ethel Verner and Bonnie Kerr.

### ENF Deep Fry Turkey Dinner

On October 23<sup>rd</sup> 5-7 PM, we are holding a deep fry turkey dinner to benefit the Elks National Foundation. John Edwards, and Mark Olexick will deep fry the turkeys. State President Vincent Gurrera and his wife Madeline will be making their official visit to our Lodge on that evening. Please make an effort to attend, meet our honored guests and support the ENF fundraiser. Cost is \$7.00 a person and includes turkey, stuffing, potatoes, green beans and bread.

### ENF Fundraiser Breakfasts

Monthly ENF Breakfasts are scheduled as follows: September 25<sup>th</sup>, 9-11 AM in the Kopper Bar and October 30<sup>th</sup>, 9-11 AM. Cost is \$5.00 and includes eggs, sausage, potatoes, toast, coffee and juice. Please join us for a delicious breakfast.

### Monthly Spaghetti Dinners

Monthly Spaghetti Dinners are scheduled for September 12<sup>h</sup> and October 10<sup>th</sup>. Time for the dinners is 4-6 PM, cost is \$6.00 per plate and includes Spaghetti, meatball, salad, bread and butter, cake, & coffee or tea.

### Monthly Dance Schedule

**Luau Theme Dance** will be held on September 18<sup>th</sup> 8:00-11:30 PM. Dance will start at 8:30 PM featuring the Buffington Brothers Band. Cost is \$35.00 a couple, \$17.50 single. Open bar. Hors d'oeuvres provided. This is the night to sport your Hawaiian Luau outfit. Payment must be made upon making your reservation. Reservation Book is open at the Kopper Bar.

**Halloween Theme Dance** will be held on October 15<sup>th</sup> 8:30-11:30 PM and will feature Sands of Time Band. Costumes are optional. Prizes will be awarded for costumes. Cost is \$15.00 couple, \$7.50 single. Cash Bar. Snacks provided.

Reservation Book will be available at the Kopper Bar for the Christmas Dance and New Year's Eve Dance starting in October.

### Trash and Treasure Sale

Please bring your treasures in as soon as possible for pricing. Our annual sale will be held during the Apple Fest, October 1, 2, & 3, 2010. **Volunteers are needed, a signup sheet will be posted in the Kopper Bar.** We are also selling food and beverages inside. Your help will be appreciated. For more information call PER Donna Olexick @ (304) 723-1260 or Joyce Bray @ (304) 527-4730, co-chairs of this event. Your support of this fundraiser will

benefit the Lodge and will be greatly appreciated.

### ENF Pin Presentation

ENF Chair Mark E. Olexick presented Lecturing Knight Bruce Cionni with an ENF pin and an ENF can cooler for reaching his \$100 goal. If you wish to start donating to ENF contact Mark Olexick at (304) 723-1260. The GER's goal for ENF continues to be \$4.50 per member.

**Coffee Club** - meets daily Monday-Saturday, 8:30-11:00 AM. Weekly drawing held on Saturdays. Come out and enjoy the fellowship.

**Lodge Meetings** - will be held first and third Thursdays at 8:00 PM. Members must be present for the card drawing. Hope to see you there.

### ENF Gratitude Grant Presentation

Past State President Joseph J. Cionni, Sr. & Bruce Cionni, House Committee Chair, presented \$500.00 to Scott Donohew, principal of Franklin Primary School, to fund the "Reading is Fundamental" Program. Books will be purchased for the students during the school year. These funds were made possible by our Lodge meeting its \$4.50 per capita goal.

**Wing Nights** - are held on Tuesday evenings 6-8 PM. The wings are \$3.00 for six, 1/4 pound hotdogs are \$2.00, Fries, onion rings, poppers and cheese sticks are also available.

**Fish Fries** - are held on Fridays, 10:30-1:30. Featuring Coleman's Fish sandwiches, and dinners. **HELP IS NEEDED! If you can spare a few hours, we can use an additional fish crew. At least five persons are needed per crew.**