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NEWSLETTER

CLEARFIELD LODGE #540, CLEARFIELD, PA. 16830



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Monthly Newsletter

From Your Exalted Ruler:

To My Fellow Members:

My wife, Pam, and I were honored to be able to attend this year's Elks National Convention in Orlando, Florida July 4-8. We thought the Opening Ceremony was very impressive; and the business sessions were truly informative. We also attended the Pennsylvania/West Virginia Dinner at which we had a brief visit from the outgoing Grand Exalted Ruler from Ohio, James Nicholson. Our new State President, George Olson, from State College Lodge, also spoke. His slogan for 2010-2011 is "Continuous Improvement". We met with Joe Heidt, our District Deputy, and four other Exalted Rulers from our District and shared our thoughts with one another.

One of the main topics was Membership. We were told that over the last 20 years, Elks' memberships have declined by 40%. As an organization, our goal this year is for every lodge to be "plus one" member. This may sound easy, but with deaths and delinquent members, it is a little more difficult; so we must attempt to sponsor new members whenever possible.

It was a beautiful day for the High Country Arts & Crafts Fair! Attendance was up and everyone had a great time with everything running smoothly. This was accomplished through the efforts of the PER Assn.

Please check out the flyer inside for the annual Sportsmen's Raffle and the annual Labor Day Picnic. Hope to see you all there!

Denny Flanagan, Exalted Ruler
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Lodge of Sorrow

Robert T. Schultz

Date of Birth – Sept. 15, 1939

Initiation – Feb. 11, 1969

Deceased – June 24, 2010

David S. Ammerman

Date of Birth – June 5, 1929

Initiation – May 13, 1969

Deceased – July 8, 2010

"We shall meet but we shall miss them, there will be the vacant chairs. But though we no more possess them, still our hearts their memories bear. But awhile ago we gathered, friendship beaming in each eye. Now the golden cord is severed, they have passed to realms on high."

"In vain we call. They have passed into the light which is beyond the valley of the shadow of death. The places that have known them shall know them no more but their virtues are written upon the tablets of love and memory."

*If anyone hears that a member has passed away, please bring to the attention of the lodge.

Results of the Elks Golf Tournament

There were 3 scores of 60 with Steve Waroquier, Gary Waroquier, Greg Barrett and Diane Hoover winning a scorecard play-off over the second place team of Randy Weir, Craig Livergood, Steve Livergood and Dave Collins, and the third place team of Giles Lanager, Al Pallo, Sam Kephart and Mike Mitchell.

The most honest team was Duane Berry, Joe Waroquier, Jack Knepp and Melvin Knepp. The putting contest was won by Denny Miller and the 50/50 winner was Rick Sloppy.

A special thanks to Jim Smith, Bill Billotte, Bob Billotte, Harold Bumbarger, Dick Aughenbaugh, Denny

Flanagan, Jim Coons, Dave Ogden, Sam Kephart, Dave Curulla and Andrea Rumery for their assistance, and all golfers who participated.

Also, the 2010 BPOE #540 Golf Tournament Committee wishes to acknowledge the following tee sponsors for their contributions:

Clearfield Bank & Trust	Lezzer Lumber
Robert Billotte Electrical	CNB Bank
Irwin's Citgo	Waroquier Coal Co.
Mike and Judy Mitchell	Clfd. Wholesale Paper Co.
Fred Diehl's of Philipsburg	HRI, Inc.
Dave Ogden	Gwin, Dobson & Foreman
Hughes Engineering	Karen's Barber Shop
Land and Mapping Services	

Trap Shoot

Every Thursday at the Elk's Country Home, 6:00 – 9:00 PM; (Exception – August 12th) \$3 per round. Open to the public. Bring your friends and come out and shoot a round or two.

Thank you

The Clearfield Elks Community Christmas Committee wishes to thank everyone who donated to our Yard Sale. We made \$501.00 profit towards the children's Christmas celebration this year!

Karen Potts, Christmas Chairwoman

From The Lodge Secretary

Pending approval from the Investigation Committee, the following candidates will be balloted on at the August 24, 2010 Lodge Meeting:

Leah Pittman, 5073 High Point Dr., Pensacola, FL, sponsored by Karen Potts;

Jeffrey P. Gilmore, 821 Treasure Lake, DuBois, PA, sponsored by Robert F. Palmgren;

Tom Harris, 2106 Pleasant Lane, Clearfield, PA, sponsored by Bradley S. Penoyer.

The following application for new membership has been received:

Joseph Biancuzzo, 322 Elm Ave., Clearfield, PA, sponsored by Alexander Mitchell, III

Good of the Order: John Draucker, #1476, was pulled for the attendance award at the July 27, 2010 Meeting- he was not present.

Update on 2010-2011 dues: There are still approximately 30 members that have not yet paid their dues for the year. Please remind those you know to send them in and if you happen to be one of the members on the Delinquent List, please pay your dues immediately.

If a lodge member needs to reach me or if they have any questions, I can be reached at 814-342-4979 or by E-mail - hmcDaniel68@yahoo.com

House Committee

*Alexander Mitchell, III, PER

Jeff Williams

Michael Sciabica

Karen Potts

Jim Semelsberger

OFFICERS OF B.P.O.ELKS #540

Exalted Ruler	Dennis Flanagan
Leading Knight	Barry Swift, PER
Loyal Knight	David Semelsberger, PER
Lecturing Knight	Paul McDermott, PER
Secretary	Heather McDanel
Treasurer	Beverly Lawhead, PER
Tiler	Ward Fink
Esquire	James Smith, PER
Chaplain	Alexander Mitchell, III, PER
Inner Guard	Melvin Beals
Organist	Robert Guarino
1-Year Trustee	Duane Shifter
2-Year Trustee	Joseph Beningo, II
3-Year Trustee	Jackie Anderson

Friday Night Specials (Antler Room)

Open for Lunch Monday through Friday

11:30 to 1:30

FOR RESERVATIONS CALL 765-5614

In addition to the Fish Dinners, the following meals will be available in the months of August & September:

August 6th

Baked Steak

August 13th

Pork & Sauerkraut

August 20 th	Beef Stroganoff
August 27 th	Spaghetti & Meatballs
September 3 rd	Shrimp Scampi
September 10 th	Roast Beef
September 17 th	Ham Pot Pie
September 24 th	Meatloaf with Redskins

The Clearfield Elks Lodge invites you to have your next event at our facility. Professional arrangements are available for any event. Call Debbie Shugarts at 765-5614 to schedule.

HIGH COUNTRY ARTS & CRAFTS FAIR

An estimated crowd of 9,000 enjoyed the beautiful weather, as well as the crafts, food, demonstrations and entertainment at the 22nd High Country Arts & Crafts Fair at S.B.Elliott State Park. The entertainment once again featured our own organist Bobby Guarino, as well as newcomers Denny Huber, the magician/balloon man to please young and old alike, and the Cavalry Boys for everyone's listening pleasure.

The arts and crafts vendors, entertainment and exhibits were all coordinated by Bev and Bill Lawhead while the food preparation and service were provided by the Clearfield Elks Past Exalted Rulers Association. Howard Wise and Carol Berry, the founders of the event in 1989, were present to remind of us how it all started and offer suggestions. S.B.Elliott State Park, the site of the event, is owned and maintained by the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources under the direction of Park Manager, Elizabeth Grove.

We rely on the safety provided with the presence of the Clearfield EMS and their well-trained personnel, as well as the Lawrence Township Fire Police to provide traffic control. The parking areas are provided and maintained by the DCNR Forestry Department under the guidance of Robert Merrill, while Fullington Auto Bus Company provided the trolley for shuttle service to and from the parking areas.

Clearfield Elks Lodge #540 sponsors the entire event and relies upon members, their families and friends, as well as the PER Association, to make it all happen. This year the PERs would like to thank the following for their help:

Brian Anderson, C.G.Anderson, Jackie Anderson, Brad Aughenbaugh, Bob Barger, Emily Barger, Greg Barger, Mel Beals, Linda Bell, Bill Billotte, Bob Billotte, Andy Brickley, Kristen Butler, Ryan Butler, Curtis Campman, Forrest Campman, Trey Campman, Jim Catherman, Christopher Cheskey, Mark Clark,

Dustin Collins, John Collins, Dave Curulla, Logan Cramer III, Tiffany Davenport, Becca Davis, Chris Davis, Ed Davis, Fred Diehl Jr., Howard Dixon, Dave Domico, Dan Duckett, Michelle Fannin, Pat Fedder, Ward Fink, Denny Flanagan, Andrew Franson, Dave Franson II, Curtis Frye, Bob Gearhart, Lori Gingrich, Kelsey Greenland, Chad Graziano, Ryan Hertlein, Craig Hile, David Hoover, Dustin Howell, Cathy Hughes, Rich Hughes, Tim Janocko, Jake Lancaster, Jordan Lancaster, Sam Kephart, Zach Lawhead, Steve Livergood, Barry Long, Cody Long, Cory Long, Gina Long, Shane Lord, Allison Luzier, Carol Luzier, Brielle Mahnk, Les Mann, Donnie Miller, Candice Morgan, Alayne Null, Dave Ogden, Bob Palmgren, Al Peterson, Mike Peterson, Karen Potts, Katlyn Reddinger, Mikiah Rowles. Brian Shifter, Duane Shifter, Kevin Shifter, Donnie Shimmel, Deb Shugarts, Gary Shugarts, Kip Simcox, Steve Smith, Anthony Starr, Boo Swales, Matt Thompson, Garrett Timko, Howie Veihdeffer, Jake Verchick, Cheryl Waroquier, Gary Waroquier, Greg Waroquier, Shane Waroquier, Steven Waroquier, Bill Wighaman, Fred Williams, Jeff Williams, C.Wayne Wood & Jennifer Wright.

A Thank You is also extended to persons providing homemade pies and baked goods, and the local merchants, as well as the Clearfield Elks restaurant and bar employees.

Past Exalted Rulers providing help were: Tom Bell, Duane Berry, Ron Bodle, Chester Hawkins, Bev Lawhead, Bill Lawhead, Jim McDermott, Paul McDermott, Mike Mitchell, Tim Potts, Dave Semelsberger, Jim Smith, Ken Starr, Barry Swift, Joe Waroquier Sr., Randy Weir, Dave Wright & Gus Yeager.

If you helped and were not mentioned, please accept our apologies and let us know so we can give you proper credit in a follow-up bulletin, because we really do appreciate EVERYONE'S help!

NEXT YEAR, THE HIGH COUNTRY ARTS & CRAFTS FAIR WILL BE JULY 10th.

Duane Berry, Chairman, Food Services Committee

August 2010

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
1	2	3	4	5 <i>Trap Shoot 6:00 to 9:00</i>	6 <i>Restaurant Open</i>	7
8	9 <i>House Comm.Mtg.@ 6:30</i>	10 <i>Cookout - (Hamb.and Hot Dogs)</i>	11	12	13 <i>Restaurant Open</i>	14
15	16	17	18	19 <i>Trap Shoot 6:00 to 9:00</i>	20 <i>Restaurant Open</i>	21
22	23 <i>House Comm.Mtg.@ 6:30</i>	24 <i>Lodge Mtg.@ 7:30</i>	25	26 <i>Trap Shoot 6:00 to 9:00</i> <i>Cookout - Steak</i>	27 <i>Restaurant Open</i>	28
29 <i>District Clinic @ Clearfield</i>	30	31				

SPORTSMEN'S RAFFLE



BPOE #540
Sportsmen's Raffle
Elks Country Home
Saturday, October 2, 2010

10 - \$500.00 Gift Certificates
Or your Choice of Cash
Plus over \$1,000.00 in Door Prizes
Gates Open at 2:30 PM
You must present your ticket at the Gate

Food and Refreshments will be served
from 3:00 PM until 8:00 PM

Admission one Person per Ticket
Only 500 Tickets will be sold
Donation \$20.00

Winners can redeem their Gift Certificates from their choice of Bob's Army & Navy Store; Grice Gun Shop; Jim's Sports Center or \$500.00 Cash – Prizes will be mailed to winners the week of October 4, 2010

Tickets are on sale at the bar – or can be purchased from members of the Committee – Ron Bodle; Logan Cramer III; Jim Fox; Larry Sharpless; Boo Swales; Rod Boyce; Buck Danver; John Gaylor, Chris Lanager; Drew Robinson; Al Peterson; Mike Mitchell, Denny Flanagan or Irwin Citgo. If you have any questions or need more information, call Ron Bodle at 765-4510 after 6:00 PM.



B.P.O.E. #540 PICNIC
Sunday, September 5
Elks Country Home

Gate Opens at 12 PM

ACTIVITIES

- Bingo at 2 PM
- Closest-to-the-pin Golf Contest
- Chuck-A-Luck
- Trap Shooting
- Horseshoes
- NEW! Chinese Auction!
- Rip Tickets
- DJ JOEY BANG
(Will Boo Swales and Jimmy Meyer imitate Elvis?
Anyone else want to go for it? Come find out!!
Karaoke, anyone?)

FOOD AND DRINK

NOON-5:00 PM

- Meat and Cheese Trays – Veggie Trays
- Hot dogs
- Tom Henry's Sweet Corn

3:00 PM

- SPECIAL!! Denny Miller's "Wild Rice Surprise"
Soup

5:00 PM

- Meatball and Hot Sausage Sandwiches
- Baked Beans (w/Mike's Sauce)
- Macaroni Salad
- Various Desserts
- AN OLD FAVORITE!! CLAMS!!
(1-6 PM; \$5.00/dozen - Purchase
clam tickets at the Lodge)
- Mixed Drinks-\$1.00 Draft Beer-\$0.75 Soda
and Water – \$0.50

Tickets \$5.00/person; Picnic tickets and clam tickets
available at the Lodge until Monday, August 30th.
If anyone would like to bring a covered dish, it would
be most welcome!