

As we enter the final month of the year, I want to take a moment to reflect on all that we've accomplished together in 2025. From our community events and fundraisers to our lodge gatherings and charitable efforts, each of you has contributed to making the Bordentown Elks Lodge a place of friendship, service, and pride.

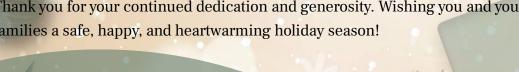
The holiday season reminds us what being an Elk is all about — giving back, lending a helping hand, and sharing joy with those who need it most. Whether it's supporting our veterans, helping local families in need, or spreading holiday cheer within our lodge, every act of kindness strengthens the spirit of Elkdom.

Please join us for our Annual Memorial Service on December 7th as we come together to honor and remember our absent members. It's a meaningful tradition that reminds us of the bonds we share and the lasting impact of those who came before us.

Be sure to stop by the lodge this month and take part in the festivities! Our Comfy Countdown NYE Party will be held on New Year's Eve — tickets are \$30 per person, and you can RSVP to me by December 15th. Also, don't forget to grab your lodge ornaments from the Antlers and take a tag from the Giving Tree to help make someone's holiday a little brighter.

I encourage everyone to take part in our upcoming holiday events and volunteer opportunities. Let's close out the year by celebrating together and looking forward to all we'll achieve in the new year ahead.

Thank you for your continued dedication and generosity. Wishing you and your families a safe, happy, and heartwarming holiday season!





STEPHANIE KOWALSKI **2025-2026 EXALTED RULER**

FAMILY. COMMUNITY. ELKDOM.



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Drinks of the Month



Winter White Cosmo

Vodka, White Cranberry Juice,

Orange Liqueur, Simple Syrup & Lime Juice

Chocolate Peppermint Martini Vodka, Peppermint Schnapps,

Creme de Cacao & Baileys

\$7



Sandwich Nights 6:00 - 7:00 PM

December 3rd

December 10th





Roast Pork with Provolone & Spinach on Ciabatta

Veterans



- Cheesesteak
 - Pork Roll
 - Big Dog

House



Crispy Chicken BLT with your choice of sauce

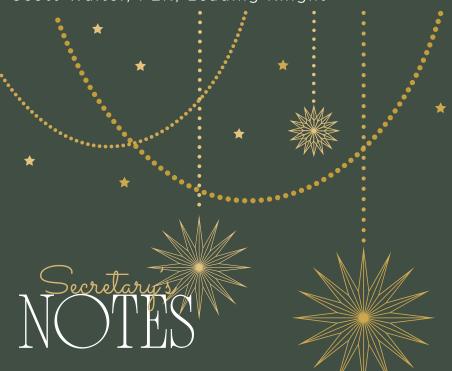
Convention



"The real benefactors of mankind count their store in what is given, not in what is saved." This may sound familiar to many of you, it is part of the reading from the Station of the Esteemed Leading Knight at the time of initiation. It emphasizes the virtue of Charity.

During this wonderful time of year, the lodge has many great events and collections. Let's not forget why we became Elks and support those who are around us. The smallest kind deeds can be more meaningful than we may realize. If you have not supported our holiday drives in the past, jump in if you can, your kindness will not only enrich your life but bring a smile to others as well. To all who continually support our lodge and our community, you continue to be stars of guiding light above our altar, and we thank you. This year, safely celebrate your holidays, join your friends and family in the lodge lounge and be sure to enjoy a delicious Winter White Cosmo or Chocolate Peppermint Martini, our December Drinks of the Month.

Happy Holidays to all! Scott Walter, PER, Leading Knight



The Grand Lodge has announced that 2026-2027 membership invoices will be mailed on January 9th. Please do not pay your dues before this date.

In-person renewal opportunities:

- January 25th, 12-4 PM
- Sandwich Night February 4th, 5-8 PM

Stay tuned — additional in-person renewal dates will be announced soon!

Wishing everyone a joyous holiday season and a Happy & Healthy New Year.

Chrissy Heineman, Lodge Secretary Stephanie Kowalski, Exalted Ruler (609) 227-1738 Scott Walter PER, Leading Knight

> Danielle Kish, Loyal Knight (732) 984-3715

(609) 510-4950

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Christina Heineman, Secretary (609) 954-2302

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Bruce Smith, Three Year Trustee (609) 558-1306

Bill Cranmer PER, Two Year Trustee (609) 658-7459

Jason Ispanky, One Year Trustee (215) 630-3229

Eric Morgan, Esquire (609) 847-0407

Richard Brettell, Chaplain (609) 358-1371

Kevin Marosovitz, Inner Guard (609) 658-5628

Jim Turner, Tiler (609) 203-6696

Ed Treadaway PER, Justice (609) 949-6050



will be held on December 10 at 6pm at Villa Mannino.

We hope you can join us for a festive evening filled with great food and holiday cheer! Dinner will be served family style.

All obligations to attend the party must be met by Sandwich Night on November 26 to receive the discounted price of \$20. After this date, the full price to attend will be \$45.

To reserve your spot, please contact Dot Sherman by November 30 at 609-658-9750 or dots08505@verizon.net

BORDENTOWN ELKS 2085 AUXILIARY

DJ JOEL

ATRIBUTE TO JERRY BLAVAT

FRIDAY, JANUARY 16, 2026

7PM TO 11PM | TICKETS \$25.00

BRING YOUR OWN SNACKS

NO OUTSIDE BEVERAGES ARE ALLOWED

FOR TICKETS, PLEASE CONTACT:

SUSAN FERDETTA 609-203-0631

MICHELE RUSSELL 609-610-2848



Auxiliary Officers Contact Information

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Vice President, Cindy Groffie, PAP (609) 239-2569

Secretary, Victoria Cummings (609) 209-6292

Treasurer, Emma Cartier (609) 706-7499

Conductress, Rhoda Jasko (609) 651-1446

Chaplain, Heide Dengler (609) 298-6645

Three Year Trustee, Kim Muehleisen, PAP (609)577-3451

Two Year Trustee, Heather Cheesman, PER, PAP (609) 298-7828

One Year Trustee, Antonia Smith (609) 578-7113

Parlimentarian, Nancy Debnarik (609) 870-2048



SUNDAY DECEMBER 14TH 1:00PM TO 4:00PM AGES: NEWBORN -12 YEARS SANTA'S GIFT GIVEAWAYS
FESTIVE FOOD & DRINKS
A WHOLE LOT OF JOLLY!
CHRISTMAS PJS ENCOURAGED

RSVP TO TONI AT 609-578-7113
BY DEC 5TH WITH FULL NAME,
AGE, AND NUMBER OF
ATTENDEES.

Memorial Service

December 7 11:00 AM

Luncheon immediately following service.

'Hope dries our tears and with eyes of faith may we see those whom we have loved and lost a while and who are awaiting the day when the chain of Fraternal love shall be re-united forever "

Chaplain's Corner

Each year, on the first Sunday of December, Elks Lodges across the nation pause in solemn remembrance to honor our departed members.

The Elks Memorial Service stands as a timeless tradition—an opportunity for reflection and gratitude, reminding us that our absent Members are never truly gone, but live on in our hearts and memories.

This heartfelt ceremony, conducted by our Past Exalted Rulers and Lodge Officers, pays tribute to the lives and legacies of those we have lost this year.

We invite you to join us on Sunday, December 7, 2025, at 11:00 a.m. as we gather in reverence and remembrance for our annual Elks Memorial Service.

To our absent member - Clinton Rockhill Jr.

The Veterans Committee is collecting toys for **Toys for Tots!** Donations must be received by **December 5**.

Please help make the holidays brighter for children in need by dropping off a new, unwrapped toy at the Lodge.

The Committee partnered again with **Wreaths Across America** to lay wreaths at BG William C. Doyle Veterans

Memorial Cemetery. Orders were due December 1^{st.}

We welcome you to join us on December 13^{th.}



Special Children's Committee

The Special Children's Committee is reaching out to our Lodge community for help. Thanks to the generosity of our members and supporters, we have been very successful in raising funds for a wide variety of activities designed to bring joy and opportunity to local children. However, we are now facing a unique challenge—we are running out of kids to participate.

The SCC proudly sponsors bowling outings, baseball games, and the unforgettable experience of attending Elks Camp Moore. These programs provide meaningful, memory-making moments for children with special needs, but we need help identifying eligible children who would benefit.

If you know of any special children or families in our area who might enjoy these activities, please send them our way. Your referral could open the door to an amazing experience for a child who needs it.

Let's work together to ensure every child who could benefit has the chance to participate.

Together we continue making a difference—one child at a time.

Elks Camp Moore Applications

The application portal for Elks Camp Moore is officially open.

If you would like to refer a child, Kyle is ready to assist with the process with the necessary passcodes and an easy set of instructions to help families begin their application smoothly.

Please reach out to Kyle to get started as soon as possible:

kyle.wisn@gmail.com 609-731-8616





March 7th, 2026 | Hamilton Elks Lodge | \$35 per person

Cocktail Hour - 6:00PM

Yellow Brick Road Charcuterie, Elphaba's Elixir (non-alcoholic),

& Glinda's Pink Potion (non-alcoholic)

Dinner -7:00PM

Roast Beef, Chicken Française, Penne Marinara, Roasted Vegetables, Caesar Salad, Rolls & Butter, & Assorted Desserts

Plus a Photo booth, DJ, and Cash Bar (21+)

Attire - suit & tie, cocktail dress, or themed outfits
For tickets, please contact your Lodge SCC Chair or
SWD Chair Donna Vogt at 917-754-0422

ANTLERS #43

Holiday Gift Alert! Starting December 5th, The Antlers will be selling Bordentown Elks ornaments -a perfect gift for someone special. Look for our pop-up shop at upcoming lodge events and grab yours before they're gone!

🎄 3.5" Wood Ornaments - \$15

Beautifully engraved wood slices featuring a detailed stag design and Bordentown #2085. Each ornament comes finished with your choice of a black or red ribbon accent-ready to hang on your tree or give as a thoughtful, unique gift.

💝 2.25" Leather Keychains - \$6

Crafted from durable leather with a clean, classic engraving and a convenient back slit. Perfect for an air tag or PER Box Quarter. A stylish and practical everyday accessory that keeps Bordentown spirit close at hand.



NEED A FEW HOURS TO SHOP, WRAP, OR JUST **RELAX?**

The Bordentown Antlers have you covered! Drop the kids off at the Lodge on 12/6 from 12PM to 4PM for a cozy day of fun with lunch, a holiday movie, cookie decorating, hot chocolate and so

KIDS ARE ENCOURAGED TO WEAR THEIR FESTIVE PAJAMAS/CLOTHES AND GET COMFY FOR A FESTIVE DAY WHILE PARENTS ENJOY A WELL-DESERVED

To register your child, email Kbailey1326@gmail.com. Registration deadline is November 29th

SAT DECEMBER 6TH

LOCATION: BORDENTOWN ELKS

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Stay Connected with the Antlers!

We're officially live on social media! Follow us on Instagram to stay in the loop on all the fun and meaningful events coming your way.

(O) @bordentownantlers43

Hey Parents! This is for you!

Need a few hours to shop, wrap gifts, or just take a breather? On December 6th from 12-4pm the Antlers are hosting a Parent Holiday Break where kids will enjoy lunch, a festive movie, and holiday fun.

Check out the flyer for all the details!

Hat & Glove Drive!



As the temperatures drop, many in our community need help staying warm. The Antlers are collecting new, unused hats and gloves to support those in need this winter during their Hat & Glove Drive from November 19th through December 19th.

Your donations make a difference—thank you for helping us spread warmth!

convention committee

upcoming lineup of fun convention events

On behalf of the Convention Committee, we wish all our Members and their families a happy, healthy holiday season!

JANUARY 31ST – ACES & ASHES

FEBRUARY 8TH - BIG GAME CASH BINGO

FEBRUARY 22ND - PAINT & SIP

MARCH 7TH - "ALL YOU CAN EAT" PASTA NIGHT

Bordentown Elks Lodge #2085 \$60 POKER, CIGARS & BOURBON \$30 CIGARS & BOURBON

And don't forget to keep an eye out for our occasional Friday Food Events, offering delicious bites and great company!

Join us for an unforgettable night of cards, cigars, and camaraderie at our Aces & Ashes Texas Hold 'Em Tournament! Your ticket includes entry into the tournament, 2 hand-rolled cigars, and flight of bourbon to enjoy throughout the evening. Whether you're a seasoned player or just in it for the fun, this event promises a winning combination of great play, good spirits, and smoky sophistication.

HOLIDAY 50/50

Don't miss your chance to go all in — seats are limited!

The holiday season is in full swing, and the Lodge is kicking things off with a festive opportunity to win big. Holiday 50/50 Tickets are now available for purchase at just \$20.00 per ticket. With only 100 tickets being sold, participants have excellent odds of taking home the prize. The winning ticket will be drawn on December 20th—just in time to add a little extra sparkle to someone's holiday. To get your ticket (or two!), see any Committee member or one of our friendly bartenders.

31 JANUARY 2026 4PM FOR TICKETS CONTACT BRIAN @ 609-433-2620

11 AMBOY ROAD BORDENTOWN, NJ 08505

LIVE MUSIC

SOUNDS THE SEASON

PERFORMANCE BY

Diane Chiorello

17
DECEMBER
6:00 PM



motorcycle committee



MOTORCYCLE COMMITTEE PRESENTS

PHILLY HEART AND SOUL Dear Members.

PHILLY HEART AND SOUL IS THE AREA'S HOTTEST PARTY BAND, A TEN-MEMBER COVER BAND INCLUDING VOCALS, GUITAR, PERCUSSION AND HORNS.

Merry Christmas and Happy Hanukkah! May your holidays be as wonderful as each of you.

RORDENTOWN FIKS

11 AMBOY ROAD BORDENTOWN, NJ

19 DEC 2025

7:00 - 11:00 PM DOORS OPEN AT 6:00

OPEN TO MEMBERS AND THEIR GUESTS



TO RESERVE \$30 TICKETS CONTACT:

DENICE BECKER 609 947-4616 KAREN WALTER 609 510-4951 SCOTT WALTER 609 510-4950



We are excited to host **Philly Heart and Soul on December 19th.** Get your ticketsSee the flyer for more details.

If you're interested in getting more involved with everything the MC does, we invite you to join us for a meeting on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:15 PM at the Lodge.

Stay safe, and congratulations to Tom, our very own bartender, for winning the 50/50 raffle!

Great Thanks! Jack Becker Jr., *President*

BORDENTOWN ELKS ANNUAL

GIVING TREE

This season, our Lodge Giving Tree will be decorated with tags listing specific items for families in need. Stop by the Lodge to pick up a tag (or two!) and help make the holidays a little brighter.

Please return wrapped gifts — with the original gift tag attached — and place them under the Giving Tree.

Collection begins: December 1st ---- Final collection: December 20th

For Questions: Melissa Sprague (609) 209-7232



COMFY COUNTDOWN!

The Pastal

Say goodbye to 2025 in comfort and style! Join us for a laid-back New Year's Eve celebration at the Bordentown Elks Lodge — no fancy dress required, just your comfiest clothes and good vibes. We'll have plenty of food, great company, and a midnight toast to ring in the New Year together. Come hungry, come cozy, and let's welcome 2026 the Lodge way!

\$30 per person

RSVP by: 12/15 Stephanie: 609-227-1738

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8:00 P.M.

ugliest sweater and more.

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Elks of the Month

Let's celebrate the gratitude and appreciation we have for our October 2025 Elk of the Month,
William Papaccio!

A newer member of our Order, William didn't waste a moment before jumping in and making a real impact. He rolled up his sleeves and joined one of the hardest-working committees in our Lodge — the Bingo Kitchen Team! Thank you, William, for your enthusiasm, dedication, and willingness to serve. Your efforts embody the spirit of Elkdom, and we're proud to recognize you!

April Denise Treadaway

May Eddie Solek

June Donna Mahoney

July Chuck Wolverton

August Jessica Waite

September Ken Jewell, PER

Carmen Adonizio, PER
Carol Adonizio

Robert Agos

Kevin Bachalis

Jennifer Bailey

Brian Barker

Isadore Barlow

Robert Bercy

Richard Brettell

Brian Byard

Jaime Caceres

Donald Caldwell, Jr.

John Carey

Christine Castaldo

Ralph Cianfrano

John Cicchetti, Jr.

Robert Clauser

Letitia Cook

Scott Costner

Dan D'Angelo

Heidi Dengler

Shelley Dormer

Jeff Dzurko

Daniel Erkoboni

Robert Faber, Jr.

Robert Farber

Oliver Farrell

Jonathan Flynn Doris Ford

Melissa Francis

Birthday, *

Ann Fratticcioli **Eugene Fuzy** Jason Gold John Guzik Michael Hesley Vincent Illuminate James Jackman, Jr. Lisa Jantz Michael Kaklamanis Jayne Karney Henry Kehr Richard Kelley, PER Sean Kelly Anthony Kenny John Kinsley, Jr. Stacie Klics

Ron Kosztyu

James Kownacki John Kroschwitz, II, PER Holly Lamb Margaret LaPage Tara Lavin Florence Lockett **Ernest Long Ernest Long David Lukacs** Russell Mains Ann Mariano Anthony Marrone Hilda Martini Shandel McNellis Nicole Michalis Henry Moeller, Jr. Martha Molina

Melissa Nichols Theodore Oszczakiewicz John Paul Jake Perrine Stacey Perry Marie Pine Richard Pocino Greg Rapport Patrick Redwood Eugene Rezner Irvin Rockhill, Jr. James Roslon Jerry Sandusky Joseph Santiago Monica Sargent George Sexton, Jr. Darrell Smith **Andrea Somers Hubert Somers** Norman Stoop, Jr. Richard Storaci Jerrold Stout **Andrew Summers** Karl Swanson, PER Bernice Tedder Ed Treadaway, PER Maureen Verello Adele Weber Kimberly Wolverton

Frederick Monk, III

2025-2026 Committee Contacts

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Antiers	Kristen Bailey	(609) 851-8672	
Army of Hope	Hank Elmer, PER	(609) 610-6780	
Audio Video	Scott Walter, PER	(609) 510-4950	
Auditing	Michael Grant, Jr.	(609) 744-9911	
Auxiliary	Ellen Benowitz	(609) 847-2622	
Bingo	Patty Marosovitz	(609) 658-6936	
Camera Club	Kevin Marosovitz	(609) 658-5628	
Can-Do	Jason Ispanky Dan Parotta	(215) 630-3229 (609) 588-0807	
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Cornhole League	Eric Morgan	(609) 847-0407	
Drug Awareness	Roe Weaver	(858) 414-5341	
Elk National Foundation	Heather Cheesman	(609) 298-7828	
Entertainment	Ken Jewell, PER	(609) 203-7375	
Float & Parade	Kevin Marosovitz (609) 658-562		
Golf	Kevin Marosovitz	(609) 658-5628	
Gourmet	Ed Taddei, PER Jessica Waite	(609) 280-3364 (609) 937-9843	
Government Relations	Chrissy Heineman	(609) 954-2302	
House Governing Body	Scott Walter, PER	(609) 510-4950	

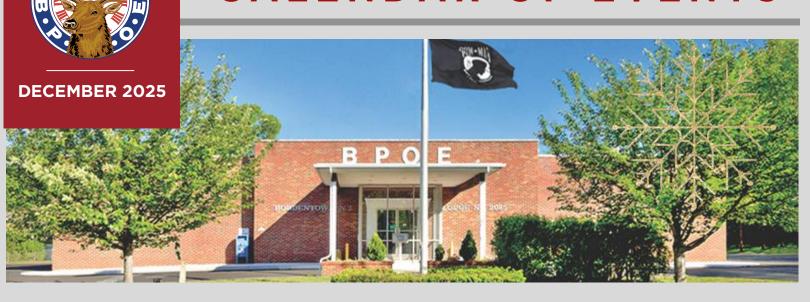
Instant Raffle/Pull Tabs	Bill Cranmer, PER Don Burns	(609) 658-7459 (609) 477-8615	
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Membership	Chrissy Heineman	(609) 954-2302	
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Quoits League	Eric Morgan	(609) 847-0407	
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Security Cameras	Bill Perna	(609) 529-6811	
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Sickness & Distress	Rich Brettell	(609) 358-1371	
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Committee Chairs who are unable to attend their respective district meetings, should contact the Knight they report to or the Exalted Ruler.





CALENDAR OF EVENTS



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1 Lodge Meeting 7:30pm	2	3 WSN: Roast Pork with Provolone and Spinach	4	5	6 Auxiliary Sight & Sound Bus Trip
7 Memorial Service 11am	8 Board of Directors Meeting 7pm	9	10 WSN: Cheesesteak, Pork Roll or the Big Dog	11 Men's Gourmet	12	13 Karaoke 7:30pm Food Night 6-8pm
14 YAC Kids' Christmas Party 1-4pm	15 Lodge Meeting 7:30pm	16	17 WSN: Crispy Chicken BLTs	18 Ladies' Gourmet	19	20
21 SCC Breakfast 8:30-11am	22 House Meeting 7pm	23	24	25) Merry Christmas Lodge Closed	26	27
28	29	30	Jegr's Gegr's			



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