Towson Lodge 469

The Bugle

March 2019

Brothers,

Well, a year does fly by. Can't believe it was about this time last year I had just been elected and informed my wife she'd soon have to call me Exalted Ruler, which Christine obviously never did. Nonetheless, I have a month to work on that.

I have enjoyed the ride and hope you were happy with your decision to elect me (a.k.a. railroad me in) as ER. I joke, but this year has been a lot of fun and it truly has been an honor to serve our Lodge and a great experience. Let me edit that... an exhausting, but great experience. I have had an entire year without any discovered scandals, unemployment is down, and the stock market is up, barely.

Looking back a year, after intently watching my predecessors, I went in confident that I knew all I needed to know to be ER. How naive! Nonetheless, thank you everyone who helped fill in the gaps, especially Patrick and the other PER's for their help along the way until I finally learned all I needed to know to be ER yesterday… I think.

I thank Stacey Peto /petō/ for being my excellent Minister of Propaganda and keeping Facebook and NSA informed of our events. Will Hill for running our several blood drives, music, and Children's Christmas Party, Pete Cline for our excellent Hoop Shoot this year, and Jason for running our Camp Barrett program. And thank you to all my officers, Ron Zepp included, for happily volunteering to assist me and the Lodge throughout the year. Thanks to Bob Stambaugh and Vince Pullara for leading the kitchen, helping with many events, and starting some new ones too.

Thank you to the Trustees for the work you did throughout the year as well. The guidance you provided and willingness to jump through hoops to make my projects work, including the dining room, are very much appreciated. Remember the old dining room? Yeah, I blocked it from my memory too. Also, did I mention we now have heaters on the deck now??? They may not work at the moment, but I informed Patrick all he asked for were heaters and should have been more specific.

Speaking of Patrick, about a year ago Patrick told me how proud he was that only about 20% of the Lodge hated him when he finished being ER. I broke it to him that he misunderstood, 100% of the Lodge hated him, but only 20% of the time. If you don't get that, remind me to introduce you to Patrick next time you're at the Lodge. Nonetheless, I can't thank Patrick enough for the assistance he provided to me and the Lodge this past year. His and Nancy Hafford's efforts with Rocktoberfest alone was enough to warrant a significant thanks, but that's just the tip of the iceberg.

Thanks to His Holiness Jim Bullington who will be joining Pope Benedict and retiring as our Chaplain after the better part of a decade in that position. I know I must be leaving out many people who deserve thanks, but Theresa Foggo's deadline for me to get this thing out is ticking. So, just know everyone's efforts were very much appreciated and I regret creating lots of unsung heroes.

For March please note we have our Early Bird Beef & Beer on Saturday, March 9th from noon to 3:00 and we have our St Patrick's Day Party on Sunday, March 17th from noon until 6pm. Then, we have our Installation of New Officers on Sunday, March 31st at 2:00. Vegas Night is coming up on Saturday, April 13th from 7pm to midnight. There's a brew pub bus trip on March 2nd, but tickets are already sold out, so be quicker next time.

Lastly, congrats to Joe Lancaster for being my successor. I have no doubt you will do a great job!

Laissez les bons temps rouler,
Jeff Rogyom

Jeff's Corny Cajun Joke of the Month:
Boudreaux went into his favorite bar in Breaux Bridge and asks for three beers. The bartender asks, "Boudreaux, I know you've been coming in here for years and always order three drinks. Why don't you just order one at a time, we're not that busy?" Boudreaux looks down and says, "Well, when my two brothers moved away, the three of us made a pact that we would always have one drink for the other two to remember the good times we had together." Years go by and pretty much everyone in town now knows about his drink tribute for his brothers. One day he walks into the bar and only orders two drinks. All the regulars noticed and fell silent, speculating about what might have happened to one of the absent brothers. When Boudreaux went back to the bar for a second round, the bartender said, "Hey, Boudreaux, I don't want to intrude on your grief, but we saw you didn't order a beer for one of your brothers and we want to offer our condolences." Boudreaux responds, "No, cher, arrybody's fine. I gave up drinking for Lent."

I would love to hear from you. This is your lodge, I simply have the exceptional privilege of representing us this year. Feel free to contact me directly at jrogyom@yahoo.com

LODGE OFFICERS 2018-2019

Exalted Ruler	Jeff Rogyom	410-929-4578
Leading Knight	Will Hill	443-622-9963
Loyal Knight	Pete Cline	410-371-2232
Lecturing Knight	Jason Connor	410-790-4473
Secretary	Kenneth J Kocun, PER	410-296-7787
Treasurer	Brian Tunney, PER	410-440-4245
Esquire	Ron Zepp	443-829-7561
Tiler	Nancy Ann Hafford	410-262-6515
Chaplain	James J Bullington	410-821-5818
Presiding Justice	John Austin	410-296-0209
Inner Guard	Stacey Peto	602-228-7443
1 Year Trustee	Bob Cwalina	443-465-4291
2 Year Trustee	John Wontrop PER	410-592-7062
3 Year Trustee	Ben Bell	443-794-2850
4 Year Trustee	Vince Pullara	410-967-0981
5 Year Trustee	Andy Pusloskie	443-250-6708

COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

501©3 Charity Fund	James Jenkins, PER	410-404-1488
Accident Prevention	John M. Wontrop, PER	410-592-7062
Activities Chairman	Patrick Sullivan, PER	443-286-5798
Americanism	Paul Curry	410-377-0871
Auditor	Dave Pardoe	410-591-5739
Building Maintenance	Richard Hurd	410-303-4163
Bylaws	Kenneth J Kocun,PER	410-296-7787
Camp Barrett	Jason Connor	410-790-4473
Charitable Contributions	John Austin	410-296-0209
Drug Awareness	Jeff Roygom	410-929-4578
ENF	Patrick Sullivan, PER	443-286-5798
Entertainment Chair (Music)	Will Hill	443-622-9963
Flag Day	Brian Tunney,PER	410-440-4245
Fourth of July	Darrel Reece	410-977-8721
Golf/Fundraiser	Bob Cwalina	443-465-4291
Golf/Fundraiser	Roger Delp, PER	443-790-3436
Historian	Brian Keelty	410-821-6786
Hoop Shoot	Pete Cline	410-371-2232
Indoctrination	James Jenkins,PER	410-404-1488
Inner & Intra Activities	Patrick Sullivan, PER	443-286-5798
Lapsation	Ray Der, PER	410-236-8774
Mediator	Michael Lawlor	410-494-1800
Member Investigations	Nick Giangrasso	410-800-6935
Membership	Pat Riley	443-465-3916
National Foundation	John Wontrop, PER	410-592-7062
Newsletter	Jeff Roygom	410-929-4578
Patrick Sullivan Fan Club	Patrick Sullivan, PER	443-286-5798
Public Relations	Jim Bullington	410-821-5818
Scholarships	Michael Lawlor	410-494-1800
Uniform Enforcement	Will Hill	443-622-9963
Youth Activities Co-Chair	Will Hill	443-622-9963
Youth Activities Co-Chair	Pete Cline	410-371-2232
Vegas Night	Patrick Sullivan, PER	443-286-5798
Veterans Service	Joe Lancaster	410-236-3832
Web & Social Media Coordinator	Stacey Peto	602-228-7443

LIVING PAST EXALTED RULERS

Robert A Ruhl	1968-1969	Brian P Tunney	2001-2002
Lloyd Elliot	1972-1973	Kenneth J Kocun	2002-2003
Robert A Ruhl	1976-1977	Gerald D Mastropieri	2003-2004
Philip A Schoenberger	1980-1981	James A Jenkins	2004-2005
James A Gede Sr	1984-1985	Michael S Perry	2006-2007
James A Gede Sr	1985-1986	Richard A McAllister Jr	2007-2008
Thomas J Michels	1986-1986	Jay V Strong Jr	2008-2009
Ralph E. Patterson	1990-1991	Roger J Delp	2009-2010
Joseph D Michel	1991-1992	Joseph F Cox	2010-2011
Richard O Taylor	1992-1993	Devin A Foggo	2011-2012
Michael E Ward	1994-1995	Ronald J Blachowicz	2012-2013
Thomas A Keller	1994-1995	Ray Der	2013-2014
Christian H Rose	1995-1996	John M Wontrop	2014-2015
James F Garrity	1998-1999	Victor Brice	2015-2016
Dwaine N Garber	2000-2001	John J Morton	2016-2017
		Patrick Sullivan	2017-2018

LODGE HOURS OF OPERATION

MONDAY – THURSDAY & SATURDAY 11 AM TO MIDNIGHT
FRIDAY 11 AM TIL 1 AM • SUNDAY 11 AM TO 10PM
Lodge Telephone Number: 410.296.4690 Fax: 410.583.5295
Lodge Address: 4 W. Pennsylvania Ave. Towson, MD 21204

Live Music at the Lodge

Friday Nights - 8:30 - Midnight

3/1	Ruben Montoya
3/8	Ben Sherman & Elena Martin
3/15	Ellis Woodward
3/22	David Andrew Smith
3/29	Three's a Crowd

Saturday, March 9th
Noon - 3:00 pm
First come first served
While Supplies Last
For members ONLY
who have paid their 2019-2020 dues on or before the day of the event.

St. Patrick's Day

From Noon - 6:00pm
or until food runs out

Irish Stew $9.17(bowl)
Corned beef platter $10.00
Sandwich $10.00
Live Music starting at 1:00

Towson Elks' FOOSBALL LEAGUE
2 Player teams - $30 per team
Season begins April 1st
Best of 5 weekly matches
End of season tournament
League Championship/Banquet with final 4 teams
Rules of play TBD
Teams can sign up at the lodge or
Call Wes Ottey for details (340) 227-5292

LADIES OF THE TOWSON ELKS

President	Katie Mallon
Vice-President	Christy Berry
Secretary	Kathy Rogers
Treasurer	Mary Wontrop

Happy St. Patrick's Day to everyone. Spring is just around the corner so the ground hog told us in February. So enjoy the warmer days that are coming our way. The Painted Bowls night was a big success once again for Catholic Charities. We had 30 great ladies spending an evening together painting many creative designs on bowls. Thank you to **Joy Riley** for putting all of this together and to the many ladies who brought some delicious appetizers and snacks for all to enjoy.

It's that time of the year to vote for your next LOTE officers for the 2019-2020 season. This will take place at our Wednesday March 13th meeting. Please join us at this upcoming meeting. There will be (2) empty seats this year, Vice-President, and Secretary, so put this date on your calendar. Maybe you would like to be one of the ladies that will lead us into the upcoming year and share some of your talents as a leader. Along with voting for our officers, we will be discussing several other subjects that will affect all of us in some way. I hope you can join us.

Here are the upcoming events for the LOTE's to be reviewed for the month of March

- BINGO Saturday March 9th 7:30 pm
- LOTE Meeting Wednesday March 13th 7:00 pm
- Election of LOTE Officers

Birthday Wishes:

Jean Goodwin
March 13th

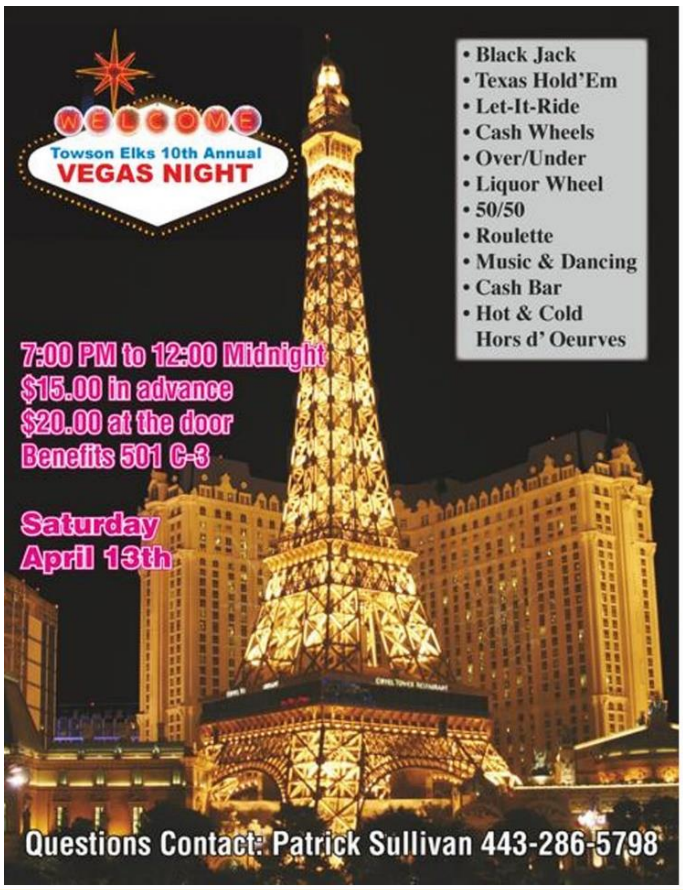
Chris Allen
March 18th

Katie Mallon
2018-2019 LOTE President

LOTE meetings are held on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM.

The Ladies of the Towson Elks welcomes applications from wives, mothers, widows, and any female relations of Lodge members in good standing.

For more information or if you wish to join please contact our Membership Chair-Carla Merrick at tparty12345@yahoo.com



Room Rentals

If interested in renting the downstairs room(s) at the lodge for your party or event, contact Ben Bell at 443-794-2850 for more information

Glen Lazzaro: $200 for Wills and Powers of Attorney
ALL proceeds are donated to the Elks 501(c)(3) fund AND Ed Block Courage Award Foundation
102 West Pennsylvania Avenue
Suite 200, Towson, MD 21204.
Phone: 410-296-9096 glenlazzaro@aol.com

Below: LOTE's Painted Bowls Night

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

LODGE MEETINGS ARE HELD AT 7PM ON THE 2ND AND 4TH TUESDAY OF THE MONTH FROM SEPT. TO JUNE.
JULY AND AUGUST MEETINGS ARE THE 2ND TUESDAY ONLY

Date	Day	Event	Time.
Mar. 2	Sat.	Brewery Tour (Sold Out)	TBD
Mar. 9	Sat.	Early Bird Beef and Beer	12:00pm-3:00pm
Mar. 9	Sat.	LOTE Bar Bingo	7:30pm
Mar. 17	Sun.	St. Patrick's Day Party	12:00pm-6:00pm
Mar. 31	Sun.	Installation of Officers	2:00pm
Apr. 6	Sat.	LOTE Bar Bingo	7:30pm
Apr. 13	Sat.	Vegas Night	7:00pm-midnight

All members must sign their guests into the lodge.
Exceptions: Wives and family members under 21