



Towson Lodge 469

The Bugle



DECEMBER 2021 / JANUARY 2022

My Fellow Elks,

We have had a busy month! Between Friday & Saturday dinners, the Craft Fair, Veteran's Day, and more, there has been a lot of fun activities at the lodge. As we near the holidays, we still have more events!

December kicks off with our annual Memorial Service on December 5th. This Service is a Memorial for our members who have passed away throughout the year. It is open to all members and starts at 12:00pm. At 2:00pm, we will hold our Elks Christmas Party. This event, reserved for members and their significant others will have a full food spread and lots of holiday cheer! The price for admission is \$15 donation or a gift of a similar or greater value. This is a good time to kick off the holidays and donate to the less fortunate!

The following Sunday, we will host our Children's Christmas party. This event will have fun for all children. I've heard rumors that Santa himself may show up! I will advise the bar staff to not allow Santa to have any adult beverages until the party is over!

We also look forward to have additional music and events throughout the month and into January!

Often times, we may plan a music night, dinner, or other event, that cannot be published in this newsletter due to time constraints. I invite all Members to check our website: <https://towsonelks.org>. With your smartphone you can even scan the QR code included in this newsletter and save the typing! Scroll down the page and you will see all of our upcoming events with the complete calendar at the bottom!

For members who have been here before we got high tech and went online, and do not have a password to our members-only portion of our website, you can easily request one! Simply send an email to info@towsonelks469.com and request access. Provide your

name and member number, and we will get you all setup! You can pay your dues securely online if you want, make donations to our 501c3 fund, and even see this newsletter in Full Color!

Finally In closing, I want to wish all members and their families, a safe and happy Holiday Season!

Sincerely,
Ron Zepp
Exalted Ruler

Towson Elks Lodge #469 Annual
Adult Christmas Party
Catered • Hors d'oeuvres • Drink Specials
For members and their significant others ONLY!

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5TH, 2:00-6:00 PM



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Admission
one
\$15.00
unwrapped
Toy for a child
or \$15.00
Per Person
Additional
Donations
Accepted
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**All Proceeds donated to
charity for kids**



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direct link to our
website.

LODGE OFFICERS 2021-2022

Exalted Ruler	Ron Zepp	443-829-7561
Leading Knight	Stacey Peto	602-228-7443
Loyal Knight	Chris O'Connell	443-465-7987
Lecturing Knight	Sean Priest	860-951-6579
Secretary	Steve Gabis	443-299-9967
Treasurer	John Wontrop, PER	410-592-7062
Esquire	Andrew Rowan	314-795-9359
Tiler	Paul Curry	410-377-0871
Chaplain	Valerie Spangler	410-812-2013
Presiding Justice	John Austin	410-296-0209
Inner Guard	Betsy Wittelsberger	410-440-3840
1 Year Trustee	Vince Pullara	410-967-0981
2 Year Trustee	Andy Pusloskie	443-250-6708
3 Year Trustee	Mark Merrick	410-365-9946
4 Year Trustee	Patrick Sullivan, PER	443-286-5798
5 Year Trustee	Richard Hurd	410-303-4163

COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

501©3 Charity Fund	John M. Wontrop, PER	410-592-7062
Accident Prevention	Vince Pullara	410-967-0981
Activities Chairman	Patrick Sullivan, PER	443-286-5798
Americanism	Paul Curry	410-377-0871
Auditor	Lisa Sparks	443-632-8170
Building Maintenance	Richard Hurd	410-303-4163
Bylaws	Steve Gabis	443-299-9967
Camp Barrett	Sean Priest	860-951-6579
Charitable Contributions	John Austin	410-296-0209
Drug Awareness	Jeff Roygom, PER	410-929-4578
ENF	Patrick Sullivan, PER	443-286-5798
Entertainment Co-Chair (Music)	Joe Olmedo	410-960-0842
Entertainment Co-Chair (Music)	Erik Ortel	443-834-3600
Flag Day	Lisa Sparks	443-632-8170
Fourth of July	Stacey Peto	602-228-7443
Golf/Fundraiser	Bob Cwalina	443-465-4291
Historian	Brian Keilty	410-821-6786
Hoop Shoot	Pete Cline, PER	410-371-2232
Indoctrination	Pat Riley	443-465-3916
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	Ron Zepp	443-829-7561
Public Relations	Ron Zepp	443-829-7561
Scholarships	Sean Priest	860-951-6579
Youth Activities	Pete Cline, PER	410-371-2232
Vegas Night	Patrick Sullivan, PER	443-286-5798
Veterans Service	Brendan Harthausen	443-465-7693
Web & Social Media Co-Coordinator	Stacey Peto	602-228-7443
Web & Social Media Co-Coordinator	Sean Priest	860-951-6579

LIVING PAST EXALTED RULERS

Robert A Ruhl	1968-1969	James A Jenkins	2004-2005
Lloyd Elliot	1972-1973	Michael S Perry	2006-2007
Robert A Ruhl	1976-1977	Richard A McAllister Jr	2007-2008
Philip A Schoenberger	1980-1981	Jay V Strong Jr	2008-2009
James A Gede Sr	1984-1985	Roger J Delp	2009-2010
James A Gede Sr	1985-1986	Joseph F Cox	2010-2011
Thomas J Michels	1986-1986	Devin A Foggo	2011-2012
Ralph E. Patterson	1990-1991	Ronald J Blachowicz	2012-2013
Joseph D Michel	1991-1992	Ray Der	2013-2014
Richard O Taylor	1992-1993	John M Wontrop	2014-2015
Michael E Ward	1994-1995	John J Morton	2016-2017
Thomas A Keller	1994-1995	Patrick Sullivan	2017-2018
Christian H Rose	1995-1996	Jeff Rogyom	2018-2019
Dwaine N Garber	2000-2001	Pete Cline	2020-2021
Kenneth J Kocun	2002-2003		
Gerald D Mastropieri	2003-2004		

LODGE HOURS OF OPERATION

MONDAY – THURSDAY 12 PM - MIDNIGHT

FRIDAY & SATURDAY 12 PM - 1 AM / SUNDAY 12 PM TO 8 PM

Lodge telephone number: 410.296.4690 • Fax 410.583.5295

Lodge Address: 4 W. Pennsylvania Ave Towson, MD 21204

Queen of Hearts Message

*Still searching
for the Queen!*



***Don't forget to come out and play the
Queen of Hearts Game!***

Drawings are held every Saturday at 7:00pm and tickets are on sale every day the lodge is open.

Want to help run the game?

Volunteers are needed on Saturday's from 6:00pm-7:30pm to sell additional tickets and draw the week's winner.

A sign-up sheet is next to the game board in the lodge. If you have any questions, email or call Ron Zepp: ron@ronzepp.com or 443-829-7561

Bingo is Back!

Every Second Saturday of the month

Starting 7:30pm

Food will be offered by the lodge.

Outside food will be allowed on Bingo nights.

Check the website and email blasts for updates

Before you leave please take a minute to clean

Please help out your bartenders and keep the lodge clean! If you are sitting at a table inside or outside, please bring any glassware in to the bar and dispose any plastic or paper products in the trash cans.

This is your home away from home.

Please help keep it clean. Thank you!

Parking note:

Please remember that parking spaces are reserved for members using the lodge facilities. Members should not use the parking lot to attend functions or events outside the lodge. If, for any reason, you must leave the lodge, and your car is parked in our lot, please notify the bartender.



Towson Elks Give Locally in November to the:

ASSISTANCE CENTER OF TOWSON CHURCHES

The Assistance Center of Towson Churches (ACTC) brings together churches, partners, and people to serve neighbors in need in northern and central Baltimore County and northern Baltimore City. We offer food, help with rent, and other services through the generous support of donors and volunteers.



Annually, Towson Elks Members generously donate many food baskets to ACTC.

Thank you for helping us continue our tradition!



It's Easy to Give:

- Donate a Food Basket
- Donate a minimum of \$1 in cash or by adding a sum to your bar tab

Elks Care - Elks Share



TOWSON ELKS ANNUAL



DATE: Sunday, December 12, 2021

TIME: 12:30PM – 3:30PM

LOCATION: Towson Elks Lodge
4 West Pennsylvania Avenue
Towson, MD 21204

Bring your little ones to the lodge for some holiday food, crafts, and entertainment—and maybe even a visit from Kris Kringle.

Please RSVP no later than Thursday, 12/9 and, when you do, be sure to provide the name, age, and gender of all children attendees.

Adults are welcome to stay to watch the Ravens/Browns @ 1pm.

RSVP to Peter Cline:
410-371-2232 or clinep33@yahoo.com



Adopt-A-Family Gift Tag Tree

The annual gift tag tree will be in the Lodge, to benefit local families. The Tree and tags will be available November. Each tag will contain the name, age and gifts desired for each child in the Adopted Family.

Select a tag, copy the information and Print your name and phone number, **Leave the tag on the tree.**

Bring the wrapped gifts to the lodge by **December 13th**, place the tag on the gifts to identify.

Last year we helped 8 families and a total of 33 kids

Questions call Chris O'Connell 443-465-7987
or Vince 410-967-0981

Elks Care, Elks Share



Mitten & Hat Tree

Donations go to school kids in need of warm gloves and hats. December 13th. Look for the Mitten Tree in the dining room at the Lodge.

Food Drive

We are working with Assistance Center of Towson Churches again this year for our annual food drive.

\$25.00 per food bag/family
& restock the shelves at ACTC
(last year we raised \$2,200.00)

Members and Guests can donate any dollar amount they want

Please leave a check or cash with the bartender.

Write your name on the outside of the envelope.

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Towson Elks Lodge #469
 In the heart of Towson
 Since 1899

Towson Elks Lodge #469
 Benevolent & Protective Order of Elks
 4 West Pennsylvania Avenue
 Towson, Maryland 21204
www.towsonelks.org

Dated Material

Please Deliver By December 1st

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

LODGE MEETINGS ARE HELD AT 7PM ON THE 2nd AND 4th TUESDAY OF THE MONTH FROM SEPTEMBER TO JUNE .

JULY AND AUGUST MEETINGS ARE THE 2nd TUESDAY ONLY

Date	Day	Event	Time
December 3 rd	Friday	Dinner & Live Music	7-11 PM
December 5 th	Sunday	Annual Elks Memorial Service	12-1 PM
December 5 th	Sunday	Elks Adult Christmas Party	2:00 PM
December 11 th	Saturday	Bar Bingo - Food Specials	7:30 PM
December 12 th	Sunday	Elks Children's Christmas Party	12:30-3:30 PM
December 17 th	Friday	Dinner & Live Music	7-11 PM
January 1 st	Saturday	PER Guest Bartenders	12 PM Start

The most current and up to date Events will be posted online and in the Lodge
 Food and Drink information will be posted online



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