



Towson Lodge 469

# *The Bugle*



AUGUST 2024

Dear Members,

I am writing this as a gentle reminder of the policies and procedures of our lodge. As many of you may well remember during your initiation, we are told to make this lodge our own, a home away from home. I think many of us take that a little too literally with regards to how the lodge operates. We have an amazing staff of bartenders at the lodge that do their best to keep everyone happy and full of libations. What we do not have are bus boys. Please take the time to bring your glasses back to the bar, throw away your cups and trash and safely empty ash trays when you are done. This includes the deck –we all need to pitch in and keep it tidy.

Our Elks Lodge, like all Elks Lodges, are built from the inside out. We thrive on brothers and sisters bringing friends and family to enjoy our space and hopefully join and volunteer. This said, all guests must be signed in. This is one of the big issues we have had recently and is expected to increase as Towson weekends fill back up. Do not let anyone in the lodge. If it is not your guest ringing the bell or knocking on the door, please let the policy and procedure play out and the bartenders will buzz them in and find the member that invited them or ask them to leave if they don't belong.

Lastly, do not give alcoholic drinks to noneligible members or guests. This includes, but is not limited to, overserved folks that bartenders have cut off for safety and underage guests. These infractions can greatly affect our liquor license.

I love this lodge, as all of you do – let's continue to follow our policies and respect each other and the establishment. Earl will be on vacation in the middle of August – please be extra attentive to how we keep our lodge in his absence.

Thank you,  
**Matt Hall**  
Exalted Ruler

I need to take a moment to send a special thank you to PER Peter Cline. Pete took time out of his 4<sup>th</sup> of July holiday to represent Towson Lodge 469 in Austin, Texas for Grand Lodge, since I was unable to attend. Pete missed his opportunity to go to Grand Lodge during his ER year due to COVID. I've rambled in my past newsletters about helping at the lodge and volunteering your time, and here is another great example. I can't thank Pete enough for stepping in for me!

Here are a few words from him about his time in Austin:

Fellow Members,

Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to represent our lodge at this year's Grand Lodge Convention in Austin, TX. It was an honor and a pleasure. I enjoyed getting to know so many of our fellow brethren—from lodges near and far, small and large—and to share our various successes and struggles. Lucky for me, we have far more successes than we do struggles.

The main takeaway that I wanted to share with you is how I left Texas even prouder of our lodge than when I arrived. As I talked to others and listened to what was being shared on stage by leadership, it became clearer than ever to me that we've done and continue to do everything necessary to run a successful lodge. Our leadership is strong and there is a similarly strong line of succession waiting in the wings. Our membership is involved with all sorts of lodge activities and community initiatives. And nearly everyone within our walls helps actively recruit new members, as evidenced by our consistently large classes of new initiates. All of this—and much more than I can list here—has Towson Lodge #469 sitting in a very strong position and poised for future greatness.

However, there's no telling what the future holds, so we must keep this momentum going. Knowing all of you, I have no doubt we will!

Sincerely,  
Peter Cline, PER  
Alternate Delegate to the Grand Lodge 2024

## LODGE OFFICERS 2024-2025

Exalted Ruler	Matt Hall	443-388-7106
Leading Knight	Andrew Rowan	314-795-9359
Loyal Knight	Andy Stilling	410-241-3422
Lecturing Knight	Mike Jenkins	410-710-9530
Secretary	Steve Gabis	443-299-9967
Treasurer	John Wontrop, PER	410-592-7062
Esquire	Michelle Marzullo	410-913-9099
Tiler	Betsy Wittelsberger	410-440-3840
Chaplain	Valerie Spangler	410-812-2013
Presiding Justice	Glen Lazzaro	410-242-1449
Inner Guard	Tricia Trikeriotis	410-937-2679
1 Year Trustee	Patrick Sullivan, PER	443-286-5798
2 Year Trustee	Richard Hurd	410-303-4163
3 Year Trustee	Darrell Russell	443-465-8938
4 Year Trustee	Lisa Sparks	443-632-8170
5 Year Trustee	Josh Nagle	443-834-8812

## COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

501©3 Charity Fund	Bob Cwalina	443-465-4291
Accident Prevention	Andy Pusloskie	443-250-6708
Activities Chairman	Patrick Sullivan, PER	443-286-5798
Americanism	Andy Stilling	410-241-3422
Auditor	Lisa Sparks	443-632-8170
Bingo	Mary Wontrop	443-465-4058
Building Maintenance	Richard Hurd	410-303-4163
Bylaws	Steve Gabis	443-299-9967
Camp Barrett	Andrew Rowan	314-795-9359
Charitable Contributions	Bryan Mager	410-977-7792
Drug Awareness	Brendan Hartausen	443-465-7694
ENF	Bryan Mager	410-977-7792
Entertainment Chair (Music)	Joe Olmedo	410-960-0842
Flag Day	Andrew Rowan	314-795-9359
Fourth of July	Matt Hall	443-388-7106
Golf/Fundraiser	Bob Cwalina	443-465-4291
Historian	Brian Keelty	410-821-6786
Hoop Shoot	Pete Cline, PER	410-371-2232
Inner & Intra Activities	Patrick Sullivan, PER	443-286-5798
Lapsation	Peter Beitman	410-409-5225
Lapsation	Patrick Slaughter	443-465-4063
Mediator	Michael Lawlor	410-494-1800
Member Investigations	Larry Smith	410-591-0246
Membership	Josh Kainth	203-830-9468
National Foundation	John Wontrop, PER	410-592-7062
Newsletter	Matt Hall	443-388-7106
Newsletter	Donna Murphy	410-917-9448
Orientation	Patrick Sullivan, PER	443-286-5798
Public Relations	Jimmy Bullington	443-286-2731
Queen of Hearts	Elizabeth Davidson	443-791-2429
Scholarships	Sean Priest	860-951-6579
Towson Elks Give Locally	Carla Merrick	443-465-3525
Youth Activities	Pete Cline, PER	410-371-2232
Veterans Service	Mike Jenkins	410-710-9530
Volunteer Coordinator		
Web & Social Media Co-Coordinator	Stacey Peto, PER	602-228-7443
Wine & Dine	Ed Kilcullen	410-241-9042

## LIVING PAST EXALTED RULERS

Lloyd Elliot	1972-1973	Ronald J Blachowicz	2012-2013
Philip A Schoenberger	1980-1981	Ray Der	2013-2014
Thomas J Michels	1986-1986	John M Wontrop	2014-2015
Ralph E. Patterson	1990-1991	John J Morton	2016-2017
Joseph D Michel	1991-1992	Patrick Sullivan	2017-2018
Michael E Ward	1994-1995	Jeff Rogyom	2018-2019
Thomas A Keller	1994-1995	Pete Cline	2020-2021
Christian H Rose	1995-1996	Ron Zepp	2021-2022
Dwaine N Garber	2000-2001	Stacey Peto	2022-2023
Gerald D Mastropieri	2003-2004	Chris O'Connell	2023-2024
James A Jenkins	2004-2005		
Michael S Perry	2006-2007		
Richard A McAllister Jr	2007-2008		
Jay V Strong Jr	2008-2009		
Roger J Delp	2009-2010		
Devin A Foggo	2011-2012		



# Queen of Hearts

## Drawing Overview

**Price: \$5.00 per Ticket**

Ticket to be filled out with holder's name, phone number and the envelope number they choose.

Tickets sold daily, by the Towson Elks bar staff, and by the Queen Team Leader, from 5-7, on the Saturday before the drawing.

**When: Drawing is Saturday at 7pm**

Drawing will start when 25 tickets are sold. In the event, the 25 ticket minimum is not met prior to the 7:00 drawing time, sold tickets will transfer to the next drawing date.

**One ticket will be drawn from the ticket drum.**

The person whose name is on the ticket will have the opportunity to pick a numbered envelope.

If the ticket holder is not present and an envelope is not specified, the Queen of Hearts administrator will pick a numbered envelope for them.

Each numbered envelope (1-54) will contain one standard playing card (joker(s) included). The ticket holder will immediately be awarded their prize money in cash (Queen pot issued as a check). The picked card will be turned face up and remain in the lock box until the Queen of Hearts is revealed.

After each Saturday drawing, the ticket drum will be emptied and sales for the next drawing will begin. Each ticket will be good for one drawing. This will repeat weekly until the Queen of Hearts is drawn and the grand prize is awarded.

**Governing Rules**

Only Elk members and their guests are eligible to purchase tickets. You can purchase as many as you like.

Winner need not be present, please check payouts.

\*Present includes members registered in the dollar game book on the same day as the drawing.

Good Luck!

### Prize Payouts

<b>Drawing 1 thru 10</b>	
2-10	\$25.00
J.A.K.A	\$50.00
Joker	\$75.00
<b>Drawing 11 thru 25</b>	
2-10	\$35.00
J.A.K.A	\$50.00
Joker	\$75.00
<b>Drawing 26 Beyond</b>	
2-10	\$45.00
J.A.K.A	\$75.00
Joker	\$75.00

**4 of Clubs Pays \$200.00 and reverts the board over**

### Queen of Hearts

Per 100 of Pot when Present\*  
**80% to winner & 20% to lodge**

Per 100 of Pot when Absent  
**40% to winner & 60% to lodge**

All winnings must be claimed by 90 days of drawing. An IRS 1099 will be issued for prizes of \$500.00 and above.

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## 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

# Elks Care, Elks Share



is a local non-profit Foundation, established in honor and memory of Kylee Brooke Webster, from Fallston, who lost her battle to sarcoma in October 2013. Through fundraising efforts and the establishment of partnerships with people and organizations that Kylee held close to her heart, we hope to make a positive difference in the lives of others who have been diagnosed with sarcoma. Together, we can provide the financial means necessary to help sarcoma patients get to their "happy place" – a spot Kylee was always able to find, when she had the opportunity to dance. Dancing was always a part of Kylee's life – she LOVED it.

On October 11, 2013, a little more than two years after her diagnosis, Kylee earned her angel wings. In memory of Kylee, and in celebration of the precious gifts of love and friendship she gave to those who surrounded her, **Kylee's Dancing Angels** was founded in 2014 to provide financial support to sarcoma patients who like Kylee, can find their "happy place" even on their darkest and most trying days, by doing the thing they love most. For Kylee, that happiness was found when she was dancing. For others, skating or golfing, or taking a day trip to the beach may do the trick. Every person has a "happy place" and we want to help people who have sarcoma get there. **Kylee's Dancing Angels** was established to give something special to sarcoma patients.

Make a Donation at the Bar

Elks Give Locally Charity of the Month

**19TH ANNUAL**  
**TOWSON ELKS**  
 IN THE HEART OF TOWSON SINCE 1899  
**CHARITY GOLF**  
*Tournament*  
**MONDAY**  
**SEPTEMBER 30, 2024**  
**Pine Ridge Golf Course**  
**\$170**  
 Per Player

✓ REGISTRATION & LUNCH	NOON
✓ SHOTGUN TEE-OFF	1 PM
✓ DINNER & 50/50 RAFFLE	6 PM

<b>LUNCH</b>	<b>DINNER</b>
Hot Dogs	Fried Chicken
Burgers	Beef BBQ
Sausage & Peppers	Pulled Pork
Beer, Soda & Coffee	Baked Ziti
	Beer, Soda & Water

**Also Available!**

- 50 / 50 Raffle Tickets
- Hole Sponsorships
- Title Sponsorship Packages

ALL PROCEEDS GO TO THE TOWSON ELKS 501c3 CHARITY FUND

For More Information, Contact:  
**Bob Cwalina - (443) 465-4291**

**This is the biggest Fundraiser for our 501C3 Charity Foundation. Last year we were able to raise over \$21,000.**

The 501C3 is used to support our Scholarship Awards, local charities, our youth, veterans and other worthwhile causes.

We need all hands on deck this year to enable us to continue and even expand our charitable endeavors.

We need...

**Sponsors**  
**Players**  
**50/50 Ticket Purchasers**

Sign-up forms for players, sponsors and 50/50 tickets will be available at the bar. Sign-up forms will also be on our website. Sponsorships start at \$100.

**OPEN**  
**MON-THU Noon - 9:00pm**  
**FRI-SUN TIMES VARY**

*Rob's O' So Good*

**PIZZA** ✦

**CHEESE** — \$10.00  
**TOPPINGS** — \$0.50 each

- Pepperoni
- Sausage
- Italian Meats
- Chicken
- Banana Peppers
- Onions
- Black Olives
- Jalapenos

**WINGS** ✦

**3 WHOLE WINGS** — \$10.00  
**6 WHOLE WINGS** — \$15.50

- "Trapper"
- Hot
- Plain
- Honey BBQ
- Honey Old Bay

**SUBS/SANDWICHES** ✦

**8" ITALIAN COLD CUT** \$10.00  
**16" ITALIAN COLD CUT** \$15.50  
**PASTRAMI on RYE** \$10.00  
**SHRIMP SALAD SANDWICH** \$10.00  
**SHRIMP SALAD SUB** \$15.50  
**TUNA STEAK on BRIOCHE** \$15.50  
 GRILLED or BLACKENED

**SLIDERS** ✦

**CHEESEBURGER (3)** \$10.00 | **CHICKEN SALAD (3)** \$10.00  
**CHEESEBURGER (6)** \$15.50 | **CHICKEN SALAD (6)** \$15.50

**SALADS** ✦

**GRILLED CHICKEN** — \$15.50  
**TUNA STEAK** — \$15.50  
 GRILLED or BLACKENED

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 Since 1899

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## ***SCHEDULE OF EVENTS***

LODGE MEETINGS ARE HELD AT 7PM ON THE 2<sup>nd</sup> AND 4<sup>th</sup> TUESDAY OF THE MONTH.

JULY, AUGUST AND DECEMBER MEETINGS ARE THE 2<sup>nd</sup> TUESDAY ONLY

Date	Day	Event	Time
August 9 <sup>th</sup>	Friday	Live Music Sean Bera	7 PM
August 16 <sup>th</sup>	Friday	TBD	7 PM
August 24 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday	Live Music Whit-Ness	7 PM
September 6 <sup>th</sup>	Friday	Live Music - Anything Goes Trio	7 PM
September 13 <sup>th</sup>	Friday	Live Music - Anna Marie	7 PM
September 20 <sup>th</sup>	Friday	Live Music - Anton Tuvelman	7 PM
September 27 <sup>th</sup>	Friday	Live Music - Spike & Friends	7 PM

Subject to change. 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: Spouses and family members under 21