



Towson Lodge 469

# The Bugle



OCTOBER 2025

Hello again friends,

I hope you'll forgive this newsletter being a couple days later than usual. But what began as busy times at work making this slip my mind became a happy accident that now allows me to include my reflections and some words of gratitude after our Elks Charity Golf Event. As Lou Holtz once said, "God looks after children, animals and idiots." I don't know about children or animals but he certainly had my back here!

First and foremost, a huge tip of the cap to Sam Thomsen! It was no small feat to step into Bob Cwalina's shoes (pun not intended) as the golf chairman, but Sam met the challenge head on. I know he spent countless hours taking the incredibly solid foundation from Bob and others in the past and finding ways to build on and update the event. I spoke to many folks as Patrick Sullivan and I sped around on the Cart of Good Cheer (and Heckling) at the course and without fail, spirits were high and the scores were low. We also had too many volunteers to name working on everything from registration to blasting tunes next to the 1st tee box. From the bottom of my heart, thank you to everyone who came out to play or volunteer this year for the 20th annual event.

The Halloween party is always a highlight of our calendar and the ideas for decorations I've already seen a sneak peek of from some of our volunteers are sure to set the spooky vibes just right. This year it will be taking place on October 25th so mark your calendars and dress to impress!

I'll close this month on a more somber note. PER Mike Ward passed away recently and though I didn't have the good fortune to know him well, several members who did have spoken very highly of him as a person and as an Elk. So wherever you are I hope all Elks will join me in raising a glass and toasting as we do, To our absent brother.

Godspeed,  
Andy Stilling  
Exalted Ruler

**TOWSON ELKS LODGE**

# BLAST FROM THE PAST HALLOWEEN PARTY

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25**  
7PM - 11PM

**TWIST IN THE 50'S,  
GROOVE IN THE 60'S,  
HUSTLE IN THE 70'S,  
MOONWALK IN THE 80'S,  
AND SLIDE IN THE 90'S!**

**COME DRESSED IN A SYLISH LOOK, OR AS AN ICON FROM YOUR FAVORITE DECADE...OR JUST COME!**

*Want to help with Groovy Apps?*

**A SIGN UP SHEET WILL BE POSTED IN OCTOBER FOR YOU TO DEBUT YOUR TASTY TREATS!**

**LIVE MUSIC WITH NO BOUNDARIES**

## LODGE OFFICERS 2024-2025

Exalted Ruler	Andy Stilling	410-241-3422
Leading Knight	Will Hill	443-622-9963
Loyal Knight	Mike Jenkins	410-710-9530
Lecturing Knight	Michelle Marzullo	410-913-9099
Secretary	Steve Gabis	443-299-9967
Treasurer	John Wontrop, PER	410-592-7062
Esquire	Sean Priest	860-951-6579
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	Richard Hurd	410-303-4163
2 Year Trustee	Darrell Russell	443-465-8938
3 Year Trustee	Lisa Sparks	443-632-8170
4 Year Trustee	Josh Kainth	203-830-9468
5 Year Trustee	Barbara Lewis	410-404-0989

## 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	Michelle Marzullo	410-913-9099
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	Sam Thomsen	443-834-4048
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	Andy Stilling	410-241-3422
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	Stacey Peto, PER	602-228-7443
Web & Social Media Chair	Patrick Sullivan, PER	443-286-5798
Wine & Dine Co-Chair	Stacey Peto, PER	602-228-7443
Wine & Dine Co-Chair	Tricia Trikeriotis	410-937-2679

## LIVING PAST EXALTED RULERS

Lloyd Elliot	1972-1973	Patrick Sullivan	2017-2018
Thomas J Michels	1986-1986	Jeff Rogyom	2018-2019
Ralph E. Patterson	1990-1991	Pete Cline	2020-2021
Joseph D Michel	1991-1992	Ron Zepp	2021-2022
Thomas A Keller	1994-1995	Stacey Peto	2022-2023
Christian H Rose	1995-1996	Chris O'Connell	2023-2024
Dwaine N Garber	2000-2001	Matt Hall	2024-2025
Gerald D Mastropieri	2003-2004		
James A Jenkins	2004-2005		
Michael S Perry	2006-2007		
Jay V Strong Jr	2008-2009		
Roger J Delp	2009-2010		
Devin A Foggo	2011-2012		
Ray Der	2013-2014		
John M Wontrop	2014-2015		
John J Morton	2016-2017		



# Queen of Hearts

## Drawing Overview

Price: \$5.00 per Ticket

Ticket to be filed 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.

### Prize Payouts

<b>Drawing 1 thru 10</b>	
2-10	\$25.00
J.Q.K.A	\$50.00
Joker	\$70.00
<b>Drawing 11 thru 25</b>	
2-10	\$35.00
J.Q.K.A	\$60.00
Joker	\$70.00
<b>Drawing 26 &amp; Beyond</b>	
2-10	\$45.00
J.Q.K.A	\$70.00
Joker	\$70.00
<b>4 of Clubs Pays</b>	<b>\$100.00</b>
and resets the board once	

Queen of Hearts

Portion of Pot when Present\*  
60% to winner & 40% to lodge

Portion of Pot when Absent  
40% to winner & 60% to lodge

All winnings must be claimed by 30 days of drawing. An IRS 1099 will be issued for prizes of \$600.00 and above.

### 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!

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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

# 20th Annual Golf Tournament

**Congratulations to our winners this year**

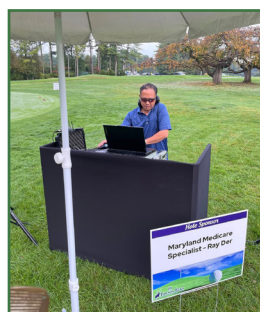
**1st Place(-15) - Jason Conner, Don Teague, Ralph Rizzo, Joel Thornton**

**2nd Place(-14, tie breaker hole 5 birdie) - Steve Gabis, Todd Meckley, James Monahan, Mike Amrhein**

**3rd Place (-14) - Robert Brando, Dan Stentz, William Casey, Mike O'Halloran**

**Longest Drive Men's 61+ Joel Thornton / Women's Longest Drive - Patty Andrzejewski**

**Closest to the Pin - John Musotto**





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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
October 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Friday	Live Music - Radio Religion	7 PM
October 10 <sup>th</sup>	Friday	Live Music - Spike & Friends	7 PM
October 11 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday	BINGO	7:30 PM
October 14 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday	Lodge Meeting	7 PM
October 17 <sup>th</sup>	Friday	Live Music - John & Sharon Acoustic Duo	7 PM
October 28 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday	Lodge Meeting w/ Initiation	7 PM
October 25 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday	Halloween Party Live Music - No Boundaries	7 PM
October 31 <sup>st</sup>	Friday	Live Music - Eric Spause	7 PM
November 7 <sup>th</sup>	Friday	Live Music - David Eric Reed	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