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WETHERSFIELD-ROCKY HILL ELKS LODGE #2308

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Message from Exalted Ruler Rick Martyn

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Greetings Members All,

Wow has time passed. This lodge year is nearly complete. As I reflect upon the year, I feel proud of the accomplishments the lodge has made, the camaraderie's that have formed and the friendships renewed. We have lost a few friends and are hoping for recoveries of others, all while thinking of the future. I am sorry to announce the passing of PER, PDD William Rowe. If you remember my first message to you, he was completing his Elk service to our lodge. He was a dedicate Elk and a good man. My condolences go to Diane and his family

I hope that the future continues to hold hope for continued success of Your Lodge. The only way that can happen is to get involved. Soon we will be looking for volunteers for the next year's committee chairpersons and their committee members. This is the time to tell me if you are interesting in helping. I cannot ask each and every member in person to do this, so this is me asking all of you, will you help? Most committees are easy to run and do not take that much time to do. The officers and the ER cannot do it all. Find something that moves you to action and we will have something for you to do. Be it helping Kids, Veterans, elderly, fundraising, Drug Awareness, membership, public relations, photography or sports, we can find some way for you to help us with these committees.

I have been told that if I thank anyone, I have to thank everyone. Well, I forget sometimes of the events that occurred and even events at which I have helped! The old memory fails me sometimes and I mean no disrespect to anyone that I have failed to thank for their time and efforts. The work of the volunteers in this lodge is why this lodge is successful. So from me to all of you, THANK YOU. Thank you for your time, effort, sweat, donations, blood and tears. I also hope that in the future, you will continue to support the lodge, and keep Your Lodge successful. Continuing on with the thanks, I want to thank all the officers this year for their guidance and support, especially PER John Romano. He filled in for Treasurer, stepping up early for secretary and took over the Soccer and Hoop shoots. He is always ready to help in any way and has given me some sound advice with any question I had for him. Thank you John.

Thanks go to the PER's who had a successful PER Dinner, all those who helped in the kitchen 2 days before the PER Dinner, Frank Mangene and his House committee for a very successful Superbowl Party, Dan Picano and all his helpers for the sausage night, and lastly all those that bowled at the CT State Bowling Tournament, supporting the State Major Project, CCMC, Thank you.

I offer my sincerest apologies for canceling the Valentine's Day Dance, due to lack of participation. Please know that this was a business decision as we need to have a minimum attendance to be able to afford the food and the DJ.

See you at the lodge.

Faternally,

Rick

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 John Romano PER
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 Ed Duffy
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 Mike Mazzarella
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Some upcoming events:

- March 6th, Dues Incentive Day
- March 12th, 13th, 14th, 17th, St Patrick's Day meals
- March 20th, Awards night, Elk and Officer of the year.
- March 24th, Initiation, 20+ members!
- April 3rd, Easter Egg Hunt, 11AM
- April 10th, Installation of Officers for 2010-2011 Lodge Year.
- April 18th- Sun- Wethersfield-Rocky Hill Team MS Walk-
West Hartford
- April 26th, Drug Awareness Panel, TBD

Top of the Morning to you from the Secretary...

Happy St. Patrick's Day!

Be sure you don't miss our annual Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinners at the lodge
(3 days)... Dano makes the best!

Our new Propositions for Membership are:

Richard H. MacEachern of Middletown proposed by Kevin Scarrozzo.

Sean Carew of Wethersfield proposed by Jack Strasser

Grace Forte of Farmington proposed by Ed Skip Parr

Joe Tine of Wethersfield proposed by John Romano

Eddie Pajak of Cromwell proposed by John Romano

Joan Witherell of Newington proposed by Dan Witherell

Request for Life Membership:

Salvatore V. Lantieri

I'd like to thank Cindy Rouquie, Elaine LaVoie, Maryanne Campanella, and Rick Martyn for their help in fixing February's bulletin error on our dues. We didn't catch the error until after they were printed so we had to attach a new page to all 450+ notices. Let's hope we never have to do that again!

On a personal note...some of you already know that I have resigned as Secretary as my husband Jack has been diagnosed with cancer and I need (want) to focus on his care. Right now things are looking very good and we thank all of our friends for your best wishes and prayers. I'd also like to thank John Romano for filling in for me as Secretary. It's a tremendous comfort to know that I don't have to worry about the Lodge right now. Thank you John and Jen!

On a very sad note, I send my love and thoughts out to Diane Rowe and her family. Bill was a great man, a wonderful husband, and a true friend. I will miss him very much.

To all of you with birthdays and/or Anniversaries this month.....

HAPPY BIRTHDAY AND HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

A big "thank you" to all of you that helped me this year - you know who you are.

Hope to see you at the lodge

Fraternally, LouAnn Strasser Secretary



Hoop Shoot Update:

On Saturday Feb. 13 the state Hoop Shoot contest was held at New Britain High, Exalted Ruler Rick and my wife Jen and Buddy Patrizzi all attended. I am happy to announce that we had two winners 10-11 girls Kathleen Yorio, 12-13 girls Morgan Dasilva both girls are from Rocky Hill, Carter Dizes of Wethersfield 10-11 boys tied for second and lost in a shot off finishing third. Morgan also won the Terry Owens Memorial Trophy for making the most shots of the competition making 22 out of 25. Both girls will represent our Lodge and our state at the regional contest March 27th in Portland Maine . Please join me in cheering on our shooters and wishing them all good luck. – John Romano, PER

Easter Egg Hunt



April 3, 2009 Saturday

Begins at 11:00AM

Children and grandchildren of Elks are welcome to come up to age 8

A visit from the Easter Bunny will happen to!

Sign up at the bar by March 27th.

AWARDS NIGHT DINNER DANCE
MARCH 20, 2010
IN CELEBRATION AND RECOGNITION OF
ELK OF THE YEAR
Dan DeLagrove
OFFICER OF THE YEAR
J. Greg Benton

Prime Rib and Baked Stuffed Shrimp Dinner - \$20 p/p

Music - TBD

Social Hour: 6:00 p.m. Dinner: 7:00 p.m.

Tickets on Sale at the Bar



It is with great sadness that we must pass along this news. William Rowe, PDD,PER passed away on Monday February 22, 2010. Bill was a very active Elk, initiated on May 26, 1982, so active for 28 years. He worked tirelessly to ensure that our Lodge, Wethersfield-Rocky Hill 2308, was active, involved and recognized. He served this Lodge as the Exalted Ruler in 2002 –2003 and again in 2003-2004. He was our District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler in 2006-2007, representing us well. He worked hard for the State

Association on various committees, and served as our Central District Golf Tournament Committeeman. He also served our Lodge as a Trustee. Bill was very proud of his wife Diane, when she became Exalted Ruler in 2007-2008. Bill will be missed as a terrific grandfather, father, husband and Elk. Please wish us in offering our support to Diane in this very difficult time. Remember always that a brother or sister Elk is always with us— marked on the tablet of Love and Memory, and never forgotten. To our Absent brother Bill.

Wethersfield-Rocky Hill Elks # 2308

2009-2010 Lodge Officers

Wethersfield/Rocky Hill Elks Lodge #2308

Installation of Officers

Saturday, April 10th

Installation Ceremony 5:30 PM

Social Hour 6:15 PM

Dinner 7:15 PM

Salad

Stuffed Pork Roast

Roasted Potatoes, Vegetable and Gravy

Coffee and Dessert

DJ and Dancing following dinner

\$15 per person

Tickets available at the Bar.

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Thanks to Joe Grodovich and his committee of helpers who cooked for the Rocky Hill High School Football team before their big Thanksgiving Day Game. Over 80 players and coaches enjoyed a hearty pasta dinner supplied by the lodge. After dinner the team presented the ER with a photo of the team signed by the coaches and captains of the team. It is displayed on the trophy shelf in the lounge. Below you will see a few pictures of the team enjoying the meal.



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St Patrick's Day Meals
March 12, 13, 14, and 17



Meal: \$7.00

Corned Beef, Boiled Potatoes,
Carrots, Cabbage, Rye Bread

Sandwiches: \$5.00

Friday March 12th, Noon - 8 PM

Saturday March 13th, Noon - 8 PM

Sunday March 14th, Noon - 6 PM

Wednesday March 17th, Noon - 8 PM (Sandwiches only)

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