REPORT OF MEETING CT. ELKS PER ASSOCIATION

Opening: 6:58 pm President Ray Dunbar presiding

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS: Taken and notated; absent VP Carolyn Vallee and Advisor Mike Bonini, PSP

ROLL CALL OF LODGES: Lodges Present: 16 Total Attendance: 31

MI**NUTES OF PREVIOUS SESSION**: Accepted as read

INSTALLATION OF NEW MEMBERS:
Donovan Brown
Andy Kapucsinski
Tim Kehoe
Donna Hemmann

SICKNESS AND DISTRESS:
N/A

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Scholarship: N/A
Passport booklet: N/A
Membership: N/A
Education:N/A
Public Relations: N/A
Fundraising : Gala reported on under Good of the Association

COMMUNICATIONS: N/A

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: N/A

NEW BUSINESS: N/A

GOOD OF THE ASSOCIATION:

More information on State Major Projects Gala from the committee at next meeting.
Help guide behavior in lodges. Several Special Representatives in lodges. We need to be part of the whole and follow statutes. Ray asked for ideas to help those lodges in trouble or need help.
Dave Robinson, PDD : training is key. Up to us to be the leaders. You have to lead, wording is important. Lodge is not moving forward don't blame the new members.
Sue Buzzeo: Mentor Program starting this year in Waterbury.

John Wilkinson, PSVP: Officer training should be done on district level.

Donna Hemman- PER Association does training in Wethersfield/ Rocky Hill, yearly. Calendar of different duties. Summary of Roberts Rules of Order.

Email ideas to Ray and he will see if State/DD's/ Special Deputy will let the PER Association Present. Try to send on a path with good information. We don't want to lose anymore lodges.

Julie Devanney: What are the issues?

Rick Palanzo, SDGER: Some lodges want Elkdom to be what they think it is and not what it should be. Some lodge only want to run a bar. We are first and foremost a fraternal organization. Closing bar during a lodge meeting. Have to do it all, comply with the laws, do the ritual that way its supposed to be done. Ask for help. PERs need to be a voice. People start going the wrong direction, correct them. Stand up.

Suzanne Topliff: Great words from SDGER. Start early in the knight roles as well as inner guard/ tiler. Good mentorship is important

Ray Dunbar- know who to go to if you have a problem or need information.

- **Meritorious Service Awards:**
- Coastal
- East
- Central
- Northwest

The Secretary needs Meritorious Award recipients names by the first week in May.

Tom Smith – Previous ER gave Tom, when he was ER, program guide, excerpt of Statues on lodges (12-16). Voting requirements. Ritual is very important.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Opening Balance	$ 17139.50 (September Meeting)
Deposits	$ 2068.03
Withdrawals	$ 2300.00
Bank Fees	$ 70.30
Closing Balance	$ 16 ,831.23

- Next PER Association Meeting : TBD

MEETING CLOSED at 7:42pm in the usual manner.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jamie Sienna., PDD, Secretary