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2022 – 2023 Lodge Officers

Exalted Ruler	John Cromwell
Est. Lead. Knight	Geneil Dupack
Est. Loyal Knight	Victoria Mathena
Est. Lect. Knight	Ernest McCauley
Secretary	Russell Blosser
Treasurer	Tammy L. Mathena
Esquire	Lisa Russell
Tiler	Barbara Gay
Inner Guard	Tim Porcella
Chaplain	Marie Cavey
Presiding Justice	Doug Caraway
Alt. to Gr. Lodge	Debbie Price, PER
Trustee 1 year	Ron Hershey Sr.
Trustee 2 year	Fred Rock
Trustee 3 year	Jim Trent
Trustee 4 year	Mark Balsamo
Trustee 5 year	Ed Leonard

Committees

Affairs	Ron Hershey Sr.
Americanism	
Audit	Sandy Hale/Brenda Trent
Bingo	Bob Hood
Camp Barrett	Joe McGeeney
Comm. Affairs	Victoria Mathena
Constit. & ByLaws	
Digital Ambassador	Victoria Mathena
Drug Awareness	Joe McGeeney
Elks Nati. Found.	Judy Numbers
Flag Day	Geneil Dupack
Gov. Relations	H. Lee Davis, PSP, PER & Debbie Price, PER
Hall Rentals	Geneil Dupack
House Chair	Geneil Dupack
Indoctrinations	Lisa Russell
Investigations	Charles (Chuck) Connolly
Mediator	Greg Cook
Memorial Service	Geneil Dupack
PER Chairperson	Judy Numbers, PER
Scholarship	Tammy L. Mathena
Veteran Affairs	H. Lee Davis, PSP, PER
Youth Activities	Tammy L. Mathena

Message from the Exalted Ruler

I am grateful to this membership of ELKS. This past month of June has been challenging for me and our organization. As you may or may not know our infrastructure is old and the appliances are equally as old. With age comes issues with operational use. We had a spirited debate on replacement of some of those issues at a significant cost. Ultimately leaving our reserves, should we have moved forward woefully low. As luck would have it, it was not moved forward to the membership for action. Then we had an issue with a compressor in one of the refrigerators (repair was 4 figures) and then our entry door broke- replacement estimate was also 4 figures. This could have been a crisis for us financially. Fortunately, we avoided this as our membership stepped up and repaired the door- fingers crossed on a lengthy repair.... Thank you, Mark Balsamo and Chuck Wolak.

I am sharing this with you for a reason- WE NEED YOU to be active and supportive of our activities to create a better financial footprint for our lodge- We are in no way in a doom and gloom scenario. However, we are living on borrowed time with the equipment we use to supply your lodge with the resources needed to successful.

That said, we have some members who because of COVID have maintained their safety away from our lodge and recently have been re-entering our facility- This brings me great pleasure. We have had several visiting ELKS from out of state. Maine and New Jersey. To share our lodge with visitors and the true family of ELKDOM is truly inspiring.

Lastly, By the time you read this my wife, Patty and I will be heading to Atlanta for the grand lodge convention- a dual reward for me- Not only sharing ELKDOM with the nation but also a celebration of my retirement for the Baltimore County Fire Department. We are entering the dog days of summer- In the best JFK I can-ask not what your lodge can do for you- But what can you do for the lodge!

John Cromwell

**As we celebrate our
Independence, let us pray for
those in countries that have no
freedoms.**

Chaplain – Marie Cavey



Sickness and Distress

Est. Leading Knight: Geneil Dupack
Geneil@comcast.net 443-604-3109

Member Paul Archer passed
Member John Weaver's wife Pat passed
Member Ray Mathena's mother passed
Deceased PER Pat Murphy's wife Mary Lou passed
Member Keith Alexander is undergoing Surgery
Member Lucas Cuhana is in hospital with heart
inflammation
Member Marie Cavey had knee surgery

OFFICERS OF THE MONTH

Lisa Russell

for being supportive of the kitchen staff and assisting anyway she can. Lisa should be thanked for being on top of bringing in our new members. I believe the last two months we've brought in double digit members that you have thought enough of to share FIKDOM with.

ELKS OF THE MONTH

Mark Balsamo

Mark spent an extraordinary amount of time researching and presenting the research for the kitchen replacement. A yeoman's effort. Even though we are not moving forward yet, we have a plan. Mark also is diligent on maintaining our fiscal solvency.

Message from the House Committee

Geneil Dupack

Welcome to Summer. Those hot, hazy, lazy summer days. Why cook at home????? The Antler room kitchen is open Tuesday thru Saturday at 5 PM including on Sunday's when it is open 1-5 PM. The drinks are always cold. Looking to cool off and have a beverage or 2 or maybe more, the Antler room is open Tuesday thru Saturday at 2 PM and Sundays at noon. Come out and enjoy the company of your fellow Elks.

The House committee invites our members to participate in Christmas in July for our kitchen staff. Gwen and Tiff work very hard year-round making sure we are fed. As a token of our appreciation, we are going to have a "Tip" container in the usually raffle space next to the member's door. Any monies donate it would be greatly appreciated and will be divided between the 2 of them.

Also, Gwen is having a BOY!!!! Will be having a baby shower for her on Sunday, July 24 @ 3 PM. All who would like to participate are welcome.

Stay healthy and safe!

Fraternally,

Geneil Dupack
House Chairman

Hours of Operation

Antler Room

Closed Monday

(except for meeting nights open at 6 pm)

Tuesday thru Thursday

2 pm – 9 pm

Friday

2 pm – 10 pm

Saturday

2 pm – 10 pm

Sunday

12 pm – 7 pm

Kitchen Hours

Tuesday and Friday

5 pm – 8 pm

Saturday

5 pm – 7 pm

Sunday

1 pm – 5 pm

Upcoming Lodge Events

Sat. July 23	Crab Feast 1 – 5 PM, \$60/per person
Sun. Aug. 14	Pool Party 1 – 5 PM
Sat. Sept. 10	Ladies of Elk Luncheon Bingo
Sat. Oct. 15	Crab Feast 1 – 5 PM, \$60/per person
Sat. Nov. 19	Bull and Oyster 1 – 5 PM, \$50/per person
Sat. Nov. 26	Winter Craft Bazaar
Sat. Dec. 10	Luncheon Bingo
Sun. Jan. 29	Bull and Oyster 1 – 5 PM, \$50/per person

WANTED

Hall Set Up Committee

Contact Geneil Dupack if you can help tear down and set up our Hall on weekends.

Our Hall is rented every Friday and Saturday night through the end of the year.

Please consider donating an hour of your time to help.
Call Geneil at 443-604-3109.



Elks
National
Foundation, Inc.

Donations to the ENF are needed from all members.

Members can donate two ways:

1. By putting your donation in an envelope with your name and membership number on it and handing it to Judy Numbers.
2. Visit elks.org/enf for more info.

ENF/ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION
Judy Numbers ER/PER
Fundraising Chairperson

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Looking for new business? Advertise in our newsletter for just \$5.00 per month.

(Standard business card sized advertisement.)

For More info contact Tammy @ essexelks@gmail.com



Sunday, August 14, 2022

1 – 5 PM

Drink and Food specials available



Elk's Shirts

Anyone interested in purchasing an Elk shirt or a **RED** (Remember Everyone Deployed) shirt.

See Pat Henderson or Geneil Dupack for more information.

Happy July Birthday

2	Robert Hood	13	Gregory Cook	24	Lawrence Jarman
3	Kyle White	14	James Tate	25	James Dunn
4	Robert Lund	15	Samuel Ertwine, Jr.	25	Joseph Gutkoska
4	Stanley Sufczynski	15	Ricky Horney	25	Alexander Leonard
7	Stanley Horn	17	William Bialozynski	27	Ronald Diehl
8	Charles Hale	17	Donald Kraft	27	Alex Keller
8	Suzanne Wood	18	Lucas Cunha	28	George Guttmann
9	Glen Diehl	20	Charles Burke	28	Shannon Johnson
10	Barry Marry	21	Chester Klauza	30	John Hill
10	Teresa Ryckman	21	Keith Mills	31	Walter Bayne, III
12	Phillip Doyle	22	Raymond D. Mathena, III	31	Brian Turner
13	Gina Baker	23	David Dovel		

FEMALE VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AT LOCH RAVEN VA MEDICAL CENTER

Marie Cavey was awarded volunteer of the year from Loch Raven VA Medical Center for her extreme hard work making masks for the VA during the pandemic by Susan Kern, Voluntary Service Officer/Program Manager of Loch Raven VA.


Marie is the VAVS Deputy Representative for Loch Raven VA and has been on the Essex Veterans Committee for many years.

When Masks were needed by everyone, she made 100 masks and donated them to Loch Raven. After that, the VA came up with a program where they supplied the cut material and pattern. All they needed were people to make them. She did not have to be asked twice. Marie in total made 1800 masks for Loch Raven VA and spent 429 hours making them. Marie did not stop there, she continued making masks and selling them for \$2 each and that money went to the Veterans Committee.

Please, if you see Marie, take the time to thank her for her outstanding hard work for our Veterans.

H. Lee Davis, PSP



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Swedish Meatballs over Egg Noodles	2 Limited Menu
						
3 Sample Sunday	4  Lodge Closed	5 Taco Night Bingo 7 PM	6 Buffalo Chicken Wrap	7 Wing & Shrimp Night Bingo 7 PM	8 Teriyaki Salmon	9 Limited Menu Bar Bingo 7 PM
10 Sample Sunday	11 House Meeting 6 PM Board Meeting 7 PM	12 Taco Night Bingo 7 PM	13 General Tso's Chicken Bowl	14 Wing & Shrimp Night Bingo 7 PM	15 Smothered Chicken	16 Limited Menu Bar Bingo 7 PM
17 Sample Sunday	18 Member Meeting 7 PM	19 Taco Night Bingo 7 PM	20 Chicken Caesar Wrap	21 Wing & Shrimp Night Bingo 7 PM	22 Lo Country Seafood Boil	23 Limited Menu Bar Bingo 7 PM
24 Sample Sunday	25	26 Taco Night Bingo 7 PM	27 Shrimp Po Boy	28 Wing & Shrimp Night Bingo 7 PM	29 Stuffed Peppers	30 Limited Menu
Sample Sunday 31	Lodge Closed	Bingo 7 PM		Bingo 7 PM		Bar Bingo 7 PM

*** ALL SPECIALS ARE SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY ***

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Dues Renewal 2022 – 2023

Regular Member **\$97.25** Life Member **\$51.00**

Change of Address

Change of email address

Name _____ Member # _____

Address _____ City _____ State ____ Zip _____

Phone # _____ Cell Phone # _____

Email Address _____

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Essex Elks Lodge #1866

Attn. Russell Blosser, Secretary
1007 E. Homberg Ave.
Baltimore, MD 21221

Mr./ Ms./ Mrs. _____

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I have enclosed a donation for the Elk's National Foundation in the amount of \$ _____
and/or donation for our lodge building improvement fund in the amount of \$ _____