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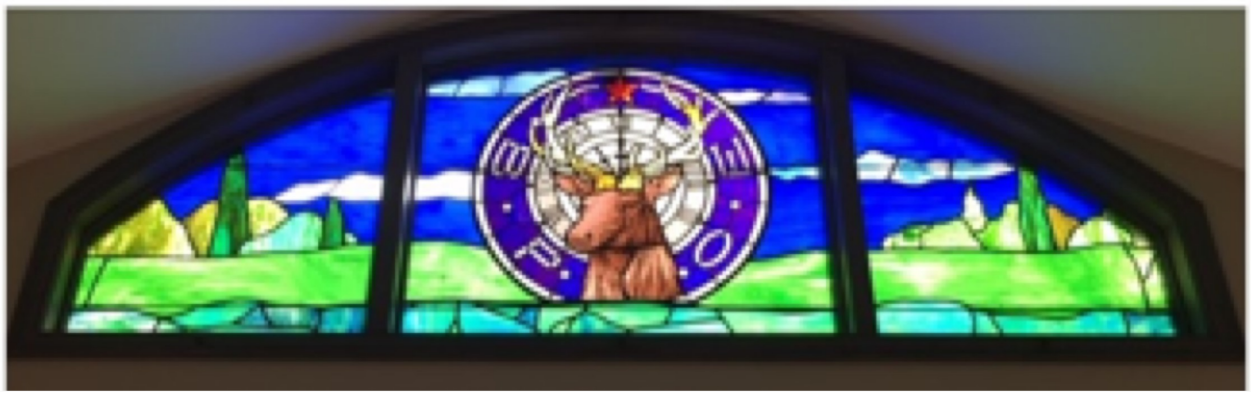

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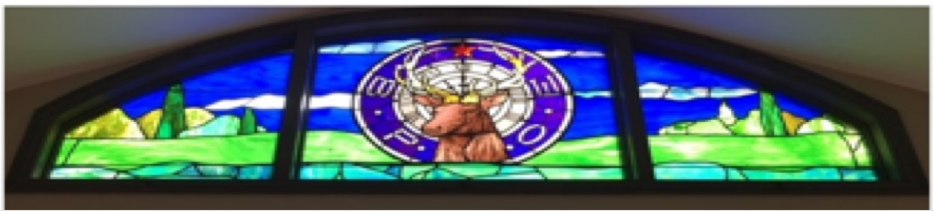

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EXALTED RULER'S MESSAGE

Members All;

Welcome to a new Elk year and what a great time to be an Elk. With the dark period of COVID hopefully behind us, we're all enthusiastically looking forward for bright new days and getting back to normal. And that's saying there are some terrific events and programs planned ahead with the goal of making our lodge the premier community service organization in the area.

I am honored to have been elected to be your new Exalted Ruler and along with a great team of officers and committees, we will be working to make our lodge a destination for all members. A special Thank You goes out to our officers and volunteers for their hard work and diligence in making the past year a success and pointing us forward. With high expectations, 2022-23 will be a banner year for our lodge.

Going forward, there will be numerous traditional functions and services held throughout the year, but also many new activities planned that will appeal to members, young and old, and especially suited for the family. But a successful lodge needs more than just its officers doing all the work and now is the time to step forward and volunteer your skills and time to assure future success. After all, if you don't volunteer and get involved, your input won't be heard.

Our membership has been growing and we're seeing more diversity in neighboring towns being represented in our lodge. And to build onto this momentum, we all need to be Elks Ambassadors that promote the value of being a member of the BPOE and all the worthy charities and organizations we support, in our communities and throughout the US. Members are our greatest assets and vital parts for our future growth.

I'm a firm believer in listening and why I want to hear from members. You can always send me an email: Elks120ER@gmail.com or call 203.791.0919 and leave a message. I'll get back to you quickly. This is also why we will be sending out a survey to ask you for your comments and opinions, tell us your likes and dislikes, and most important what you want from your lodge. Come to a lodge meeting and be heard.

Fraternally,
Alex Karsanidi
Exalted Ruler
Danbury Lodge No. 120

Elks Sickness and Distress

- *Theresa wife of Member Micheal Cummings , PER*
- *Patrick Butler*

If you know of a member ailing or recovering from an ailment or in distress, please Contact: Exalted Ruler Alex Karsanidi **email: Elks120ER@gmail.com or call 203.791.0919 and leave a message**

Passing of a Member

The Elks Wake and Grave side Ritual service is a privilege of all members. If you would like this Ritual service for your deceased Elk family member, please notify your Funeral Director or contact Exalted Ruler Alex Karsanidi to make arrangements.

SECRETARY'S CORNER

As we head into the 2022-23 lodge year our lodge like every lodge in the country go through a transition of duties regarding the management of the lodge. I have chosen and was ultimately elected to serve in the position of lodge secretary. We have an enthusiastic group of lodge officers, and I am most confident that these dedicated Elks will move our organization forward in a positive manner. I would be remiss if I didn't mention my predecessor, Karyn Palanzo, and thank her for her 4 years of dedicated service to our lodge. Having her to lean on when needed makes my job much less stressful.

It is my intent through this monthly message to keep you apprised of critical matters that pertain to the success of the lodge. Beginning with membership it's unfortunate but for the second year in a row we will be dropping approximately 20 to 25 members for non-payment. These members may be reinstated prior to May 30th and our new membership team will be addressing this issue.

If you haven't done so already, PLEASE be sure to remit payment of your dues as soon as possible. I will be mailing by March 24 all dues cards for the lodge year 2022-23. If your payment came in the second half of March, you can expect your card mailed by March 31.

On behalf of the Lodge thank you to all those individuals that have already paid their dues. A special debt of gratitude goes out to all those who were able to add additional funds as Bulletin Boosters as well as having donated to ENF, Building Fund and to those donating to help defray our ever-increasing tax obligations.

We will be looking into our communication processes from multiple levels. At the moment, please use the following Secretary Contact Information. If contacting by phone please leave a message on the lodge voicemail at 203-791-0919, I will be monitoring these daily weekdays. If you prefer E-Mail please send all inquiries to danburyelkslodgeno120@gmail.com . And as has been the practice for many years, the Secretaries Office will also be open from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. prior to our regular meetings.

Fraternally Submitted,

Jack Knapp, P.D.D. , Lodge Secretary

Would you like the Esteemed Honor of being a Lodge Officer? Its not too late!

Position of Esteemed Leading Knight , Esquire and Tyier are open for the 2022-2023 Fraternal year.

If interested contact Exalted Ruler Alex Karsanidi

NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY Training is available

Be an informed member

See Elks.org Members ONLY section

To look up Statutes (Rules of the Order):

https://www.elks.org/grandlodge/judiciary/manuals.cfm
click on Annotated Statutes

To see Danbury 120 By-laws:

https://www.elks.org/lodges/home.cfm?LodgeNumber=120

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday to you

02	Melyssa Henry
03	Kerri Austin
03	Daniel R Bozek
04	Jen Cerqueira
04	Antonia C Nabholz
09	Christopher Byrne
10	Colm Kelly
11	Patrick Butler
12	Joe Wood
13	Peter Panish
14	Philip E Knoche Sr
16	W Thomas Davies
19	Paul D Estefan
20	Raymond E Ward
25	Robert Dangaard
27	Paul L Cesca
29	Thomas L Catalina
29	Kent Rohrer
30	Kevin Haber

If you have not already done so, PLEASE submit your dues 2022-2023 Dues at your earliest convience
At the Lodge, online or by mail at your very earliest convenience.

Volunteer Bartenders Wanted

Bartend one day a week or one day a month, it all helps to keep our Members lounge open for our Members to enjoy and socialize with each other.

If Interested contact Kent Rohrer at 203-232-7598

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Lodge Committee Chairpersons 2021-2022

Lodge Activities
Americanism
Drug Awareness
Elks Hoop Shoot
Membership
Scholarship
Soccer Shoot
Special Olympics
Elks National Foundation (ENF)
State Major Projects (CCMC)
Veterans
House Committee
Public Relations
Investigating Committee
Judiciary Committee

Chairpersons and Co-odinaters to be listed in next Bulletin

Your Opinion counts The Officers of the Lodge are developing a membership survey that will be going out shortly to ask our members for comments and questions about the lodge

From the State Major Projects Committee:
Buy a Connecticut ELKS shirt At www.ctelks.org proceeds benefit State Major Projects (CCMC)

Support Our Elks Charities
Shop at Amazon Smile.
Choose **Connecticut Elks Association Charities Inc** at **Smile. Amazon.com** and Amazon will make a donation from their proceeds of your purchase.
Donations to CT Elks Assoc. Charities Inc. benefit: CCMC, State Scholarships, Special Olympics, and other charitable works of CT State Elks Association.

BE AN ENF DONOR

Elks National Foundation, Inc.

ENF Supports 3 Scholarship programs, several Youth programs, Adopt a Vet program, as well as Awards Six grants, available to Qualifying Lodge. Beacon Grant, Gratitude Grant, Spotlight Grant, Promise Grant, Impact Grant, and Freedom Grant.

Come on Down for Dinner!
Support Chef Matthew and the Lodge on select Thursday or Friday nights
WATCH FOR WEEKLY EMAILS for Dinner menu
The food is truly fantastic !!

Upcoming April Events:

- Saturday April 2 & Sunday April 3 - Belle's Boutique - Distribution of prom dresses to local high schoolers in need at no cost
- Saturday April 2 - Officers Installation
- Saturday April 9 - Easter Egg Hunt
- Tuesday April 12 - Elks Training 6pm

Installation of Lodge Officers

Come one, Come all!

Be Witness to the
2022—2023 Lodge Officers swearing in.
April 2, 2022
4pm Social Hour
5 pm Installation of Officers Ceremony
Followed by Buffet Dinner

Elk and Officer of the year awards

Elks Training by the Lodge PER Association
Open to all members
April 12, 2021 at 6:00 pm
The session will last about 1 hour
This session will cover Grand Lodge Programs and Committees

The Danbury Interfaith AIDS Ministry is seeking donations of personal hygiene items and pantry items:

PERSONAL

HYGIENE ITEMS:
*Shampoo & Conditioner
*Body Wash
*Soap
*Deodorant
*Toothpaste
*Toothbrushes
*First Aid bandages

PANTRY ITEMS:
*Coffee
*Dish washing soap
*Laundry soap

If you can donate, kindly bring your items to the lodge.

Danbury Elks Lodge 120 is bringing 5000 years of Korean History and Culture to members

Friday, April 29, 2022 the Korean Spirit & Culture Promotion Project will be coming to our lodge for members to experience their program and have the distinct opportunity of sampling Korean cuisine. This presentation has been held around the world and over 1800 times in US & Canada to groups like ours that have gained from this new and unique exposure.

Seating is limited to 65 members & spouses (sorry no guests) and preregistration (n/a at door) will be first come, first served basis. There is no charge for this event, but we will ask for donations to defray our costs, plus we will have a 50/50 raffle to have some fun.

Come earlier for cocktails as the video presentation will start at 6:30pm and will be followed by a buffet dinner of various Korean dishes prepared and brought by the volunteers of KSCPP. There will be ample opportunity for Q&A so everyone will hopefully enjoy this great experience. Want to see a sample: go to www.kscpp.net

Don't miss out! Reserve your seat now.
Call the lodge (203)791-0919 or
Email reply: Elks120hs@gmail.com
alexsr@karsanidi.com

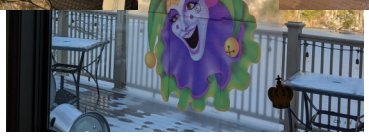
Exalted Ruler elect Alex & wife Patricia Karsanidi paired up with Lodge OfficersYvan & Holly Sekiguchi to represent Danbury Lodge #120 in the Annual State Bowling Tournament in Plantsville, CT on Sunday February 27th. While they didn't bring home any trophies they had a fun time and represented Danbury well! There was a great buffet and wonderful door prizes.

Member articles and Pictures wanted, for Monthly Bulletin
DEADLINE for Bulletin Entries is
On or BEFORE the 15th of the month
Please email to ARTICLES
AND ANNOUNCEMENTS TO
Danburyelks120update@gmail.com

From Lodge Activities Committee:

Thank you to those who came out to support and celebrate your Valentine on Friday February 12th, and to chef Matthew for the wonderful menu, the heart shaped raviolis were a hit! Holly did a great job decorating and the candle centerpieces really set the mood.

Mardi Gras was celebrated at the lodge on Saturday February 26th, thank you to Rick & Karyn Palanzo for cooking and serving your famous Gumbo, it was delicious!! Thank you to Suzanne Novaco, PER and Holly Sekiguchi for the festive decorations. It was an afternoon of jazz, food and fun!



Our Annual St. Patrick's Day Celebration took place on Saturday March 12th, we had a nice crowd and the snow made the view from the deck picturesque. It was a fantastic afternoon of delicious food, green beer and Irish trivia!!! Congratulations to the 50/50 winner, who took home 187!!! Thank you to all who helped make it a success: Yvan behind the bar, Holly, Carolyn, and Katie in the kitchen, Neil, Alex, Kenny, and Lisa Koeppel for their coordination.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 Installation of Lodge Officers and Elk and Officer of the Year
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10 ***Palm Sunday***	11	12 Elks Training 6pm Lodge Meeting 7:30pm	13	14	15 Passover begins	16
17 ***Easter***	18	19 Officers meeting 6:30 pm BOD Meeting 7:30	20	21	22	23
24	25	26 Lodge Meeting 7:30pm	27	28	29 ***Korean Night***	30

Apr 1 Beginning of Fraternal year
Apr 1 All Fools Day
Apr 2 Belle's Boutique
Apr 2 Installation of Officers
Apr 9 Easter Egg Hunt
Apr 10 Palm Sunday
Apr 12 Elks Training 6pm Lodge meeting 7:30 pm
Apr 15 Good Friday
Apr 15 Passover begins
Apr 15 Bulletin entries Due
Apr 15 Tax Day
Apr 17 Easter
Apr 19 Officers Meeting 6:30
Apr 19 Board of Directors 7:30
Apr 26 Lodge Meeting
Apr 29 Korean Night
Apr 30 National Hoop Shoot - Chicago

May 2 Kentucky Derby Day
May 5 Cinco de Mayo
May 8 Mother's Day
May 10 Lodge Meeting 7:30
May 15 Bulletin entries Due
May 17 Officers Meeting 6:30
May 17 Board of Directors 7:30
May 21 Preakness
May 24 Lodge Meeting 7:30
May 30 Memorial Day

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4 Star Wars Day	5	6 National Nurses Day	7 Kentucky Derby
8 Mother's Day	9	10 Lodge Meeting 7:30pm	11	12	13	14
15	16	17 Officer's meeting 6:30pm Board of Directors 7:30pm	18	19	20	21 Armed Forces Day Preakness Stakes
22 National Maritime Day	23	24 Lodge Meeting 7:30pm	25	26	27	28 National Burger Day
29	30	31	1	2	3	4

Connecticut Elks Association Charities Inc 22nd Annual Team Scramble Golf Tournament

One foursome per lodge.
Tournament to be on May 11, 2022
At
CT National Golf Club, 136 chase Road, Putnum, CT 06489
Check in 7:30am –8:45am Shotgut start at 9:am
Registration forms are at CTElks.org programs Golf Tournament

Spots still open !! Make your Reservation Today. CTelks.org for more info

Connecticut Elks State Convention Sturbridge, MA

Friday, June 3 through Sunday, June 5.
All members welcome

Reservations for Sturbridge Host Hotel should be made by calling the hotel by telephone.
The number is 508-347-7393.
Make sure to mention that you are a part of the Connecticut Elks Association.

2021-2022 Annotated Statutes Posted on Elks.org

See what's new

This year's updated Annotated Statutes are now posted. Head on over to the manuals section of Elks.org Elks Home > Members Area > Grand Lodge click on judiciary in the list to the left to check them out!

All you need to register is your name, lodge and membership number.

Grand Lodge Convention

Atlanta, GA—July 3 –6 2022

All member Welcome

The Grand Lodge hotel for Connecticut is the Atlanta Marriott Marquis Hotel. Use the PDF form at CTElks.org/glc/ to reserve your room. The form must be mailed in to the Executive Director, Mr. Mark Cronin PSP. Reservations must be received no later than April 30, 2022 with full payment. Note however that reservations are first come, first served.

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To Our Members…..We need your HELP!

Many hands make light work. Get involved, Take the opportunity to get to know your fellow members Keep old friends and to make new friends.

Our Lodge is run primarily by volunteers and we don't have enough to cover all essential services.

Please consider signing up for one of the many available volunteer opportunities.

Any amount of time you can give would be greatly appreciated!

Please contact Exalted Ruler Alex Karsinidi at alexsr@karsanidi.com for Grand Lodge Programs help

or

Lodge Activities Holly Sekiguchi at Elk120hs@gmail.com to help at events

Or call 203-791-0919 and leave a message with your name, call back number and that you would like to help

THANK YOU to our members for their generous donations

To help Defray 2022 RE Taxes

Keith Bauer	Mar-23
Greg Caggainello	Mar-23
Scott Caggeinello	Mar-23
Glenn Hemmerle	Mar-23
George Huse	Mar-23
Karyn Palanzo	Mar-23
David Janasek	Mar-23
Anonomous	Mar-23
Roger Green	Mar-23
Antonia Nabholz	Mar-23
P. Ryan	Mar-23

2022 Building Fund

William Chinn	Mar-23	Michael Petruski	Mar-23
Wayne Flogel	Mar-23	Karl Olson	Mar-23
Thomas Sweeney	Mar-23	John Goggliettino	Mar-23
Thomas Gorman	Mar-23	Greg Caggainello	Mar-23
Suzanne Novaco	Mar-23	Glenn Hemmerle	Mar-23
Scott Caggeinello	Mar-23	George Huse	Mar-23
Rudolf Confortini	Mar-23	D Sturges	Mar-23
Anonomous	Mar-23	Antonia C Nabholz	Mar-23
Paul Palanzo	Mar-23	A Bodner	Mar-23
P Ryan	Mar-23		

Elks Care - Elks Share

BULLETIN BOOSTERS "120 UPDATE"

Douglas Kenyon	Apr-22	William Crawford	May-22	Scott Caggeinello	Mar-23	Alex Karsanidi	Apr-23
Edward J Kielkucki	Apr-22	Daniel Bozek	May-22	Greg Caggainello	Mar-23	George Haber	Apr-23
Gregory Hefner	Apr-22	Robert J Kaufman	Jul-22	Ed Kielkucki	Mar-23	Jennifer R Tanner	Apr-23
John Miller	Apr-22	Martin Cohn	Jan-23	Wes Turner	Mar-23	John Hancock	Apr-23
Michael Dow	Apr-22	Carl Lecher	Jan-23	Karl A Olson	Mar-23	John Stewart	Apr-23
Micheal Labriola	Apr-22	Martin Cohn	Jan-23	Michael Kelly	Mar-23	Thomas J Sweeney	Apr-23
Paul Estefan	Apr-22	Keith Bauer	Mar-23	Michael R Shecora	Mar-23	Thomas Saadi	Apr-23
Philip LoPresti	Apr-22	Albert A Lourenco	Mar-23	Paul A Palanzo	Mar-23	William J Chinn	Apr-23
Shirley Wilken	Apr-22	Antonia C Nabholz	Mar-23	Richard M Palanzo	Mar-23	Wayne Floegel	Apr-23
Guy Holick	May-22	Diana Samuelson Buttery	Mar-23	Richard Stavac	Mar-23	John Goglietino	May-23
Jeffrey Tturner	May-22	E Joan Weldon	Mar-23	Roger A Green	Mar-23	Linda Ann Peterson	May-23
Joan Gall	May-22	Eric Svege	Mar-23	Rocco Perna	Mar-23	Tom Davies	Apr-24
Larry W Seim	May-22	Karyn Palanzo	Mar-23	Kent Rohrer	Mar-23	Kenneth Dosch	May-26
Paul Olson	May-22	Ethan T Mable	Mar-23	Suzanne L Novaco	Mar-23		
Stephen E Barna	May-22	George Huse	Mar-23	William Buttery	Mar-23		
Tim J O'Rourke	May-22	Glenn E Hemmerle	Mar-23	William E Miller	Mar-23		

Bulletin Booster

The Bulletin Booster program - Supports the production expense for the Danbury Lodge Bulletin for a year by making $10.00 donation. Submit to the Lodge, with your name as you would like it to appear in the Bulletin. The Month and Year listed indicates the expiration date.