



Scotia-Glenville Elk's Lodge #2759

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Meetings:

2nd & 4th Thursdays @ 7:30pm.

Lodge Hours:

Monday-Friday 3:30pm to close

Saturday & Sunday 4pm to close



Our Exalted Ruler's Message

As the Visitations draw to a close, I want to thank everyone who attended them with me. I was pleased with the attendance we had each week and appreciate the time everyone took to attend them.

December brings a time of traditions in our lodge. On Saturday December 3rd we will be hosting our annual charity auction at St Joseph's School. Many people have worked tirelessly collecting donations, selling tickets and completing all of the other preparations to once again make the auction a success. State Vice President Mike Graves and his wife Jeanne as well as past district deputies, Exalted Rulers and guests from the other lodges are expected to attend. As well as many of our own members. If you haven't purchased your ticket please do so immediately.

Another elk tradition in December is the Memorial Day Service. Every lodge in the order performs the Memorial Service on the first Sunday in December. On this day we remember our departed elks. It is a moving service we share with our departed members families. Please join us for this service.



Our lodge has also had the tradition the last few years of donating toys to the 'Toys for Tots' program. Since so many families this season may have difficulties providing gifts for their children, I urge everyone to stop in and provide a toy or two for the box. If everyone gives a little we will be able to donate a lot.

Keith and I hope everyone has a wonderful holiday with their families and a prosperous New Year.■

Fraternally,
Maria Dickerson
Exalted Ruler

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Tip of the Antler

This month tip of the antler goes to one of our newer members Deanna Whitbeck. Deanna has been active since the first day she entered the lodge. She has helped at both the Spring Convention and Fall Conference. Attended many of the visitations, set up a box in the lodge for the Regional Food Bank, a member of the Policy and Document Development Committee and a frequent bartender too!! Deanna is always willing to volunteer for an upcoming project or event. Your hard work is greatly appreciated. ■

ER Maria



Propositions for Membership

Denise Hyland
Proposed by Richard Kruk
Thomas Hyland
Proposed by Richard Kruk
Drew Brewer
Proposed by Jim Giroux
Samantha Brewer
Proposed by Jim Giroux



Secretary's Message

Merry Christmas and Happy Year!
Have you been to your Lodge lately?
Do you know what your missing?
The Lodge has hosted Trivia Night. \$50 to the winning 5 man team and kitchen duty to the last place team. Todd and

Michele have done an excellent job with the video presentation and score keeping. Every time they host one of the teams; the fun continues to grow.

Dave Faulkner chaired a Chili Cook off. There were several entrees and more members came out to sample and vote on the best tasting chili. Congrats to Debbie Kruk voted best chili in the Scotia-Glenville Elks Lodge.

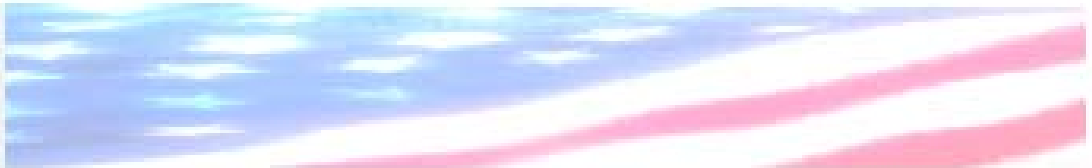
Veterans breakfast was hosted by Jim Trapini and Keith Dickerson. Many of our own veterans were in attendance for breakfast as well as many veterans from our community. This was a great event that exemplified our motto "As long as there are veterans, the Elks will never forget them."

Rich and Jen Chaired the Halloween Party and a haunting time was had by all. Jim Trapini hosted a Regional Food Bank dinner and food donation drive to help replenish the depleted shelves due to the hurricanes, floods and tornados. Jim and Kim held a Cheesy Bacon Meatloaf dinner to raise funds for our Elks National Foundation. Many Scotia-Glenville Elks joined the Northeast District bus trip to visit other Lodges in the State.

The list goes on and on about what we did last month, but what is happening this month?? The answer to that question is contained in this month's newsletter. Read on and select one function to attend and relieve the stress of the holidays, reconnect with old friends and make some new ones. Who knows you may find that you had so much fun you may want to comeback for more.

As always, any questions or concerns about your Lodge please contact me or anyone of our officers. ■

Fraternally,
Tom Myslinski



The Scotia-Glenville Elks would like to wish our members' in good standing a Happy Birthday for their birthdays in December.

Happy Birthday!

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| Anthony Marotta | 4 th |
| John Torelli | 4 th |
| Christian Conover | 7 th |
| Carol Smith | 9 th |
| William White | 9 th |
| Karen Trapini | 10 th |
| Nicholas Trapini | 10 th |
| Michael Hay | 13 th |
| Timothy Horn | 13 th |
| Joyce Paszkiewicz | 17 th |
| Mark Wayand | 18 th |
| William Conley | 22 nd |
| Louis King | 22 nd |
| Patricia Schlamowitz | 22 nd |
| Fred Engert | 27 th |
| James Fahey | 27 th |
| Laurie Wasniski | 27 th |
| Robert Wilson | 27 th |
| John Gionet | 28 th |
| Paul Watson | 28 th |

**UPCOMING
EVENTS**



December 3rd – Annual Charity Dinner Auction – Michelle Moore & Karen Trapini

December 4th – Memorial Service – Art Merchant

December 10th – Private Party

December 16th – Holiday Happy Hour

December 18th – Afternoon with Santa

December 31st – New Years Eve Party

Stay tuned in 2012 for some fun events: return of Trivia Night, Wii bowling Tournament and a Chocolate Decadence Contest.

Thanks
Michele Moore

**Robert Thomsen
Jim Giroux**


Thomsen & Giroux
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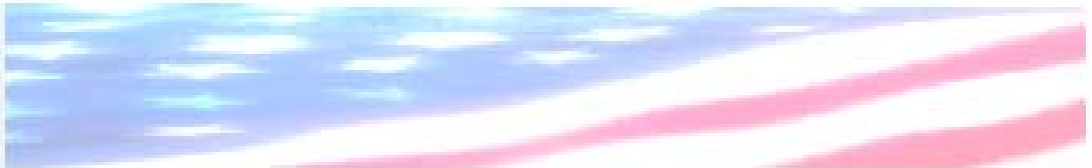
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GO CAN CRAZY!



Well, you did! The Food Pantry Donation Dinner was a huge success! PER Jim T. prepared homemade macaroni and cheese along with a choice of a hamburger or 2 hot dogs and dessert.

The food was great but the donations were even better. The items for the food pantry filled up the donation carton and then some! Everyone who supported this event donated much more than one item! It was so heartwarming to see the support for people less fortunate than ourselves.

During the Holidays and times of disaster, we all recognize that charitable organizations depend on donations. But, once January rolls around, the needs within our communities do not disappear. So, please consider selecting one of these charities and supporting it as often as you can throughout the year.

Thanks again to all of you for your support! ■

Karen Trapini
Event Chair



Toys for Tots

The pasta & meatball dinner for the Toys for Tots Campaign was quite a success. We had over 30 guests who donated toys to the campaign and enjoyed a delicious dinner and dessert prepared by Dave Faulkner and Jim Giroux.

Santa was so happy with the turnout. Knowing that everyone is feeling the economy pinch, and the Holidays approaching, your generosity was greatly



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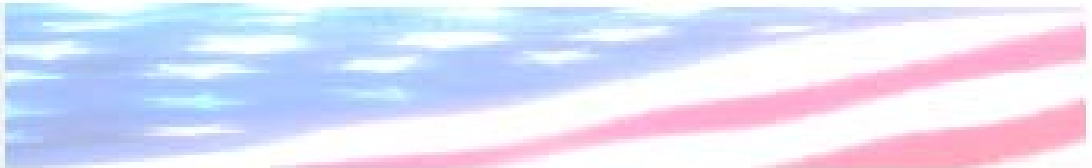
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appreciated! And, for those of you who were unable to attend the dinner but made a toy donation anyway, thank you!

Once again, Cliff Semerad, our Marine representative, was able to leave the Lodge with a car full of toys!■

Thank you all!
Mrs. Claus

Annual Charity Dinner

Our Annual Charity Dinner Auction is being held on Saturday December 3rd. Don't miss out on this great event. If you haven't yet purchased your ticket but are planning to attend, please contact Michele Moore at mmoore9@nycap.rr.com or 441-6189 right away.■



What's Going On?!

Where can I find the list of events at the lodge for the month? Monthly event sheets are posted at the lodge, monthly newsletter, website www.sgelks.org.com or on facebook. Don't miss out! Stay connected.■

The House Committee



NEWS YEARS EVE

If you haven't made plans already we would hope you would consider spending it with us at the Elks!

Plans are still in the works but some of the ideas we have come up with is bring a snack to share, champagne at midnight and music provided by DJ Jim G.

Please let us know if you plan on coming. Let Deanna Witbeck, Linda Niemiec know or sign up at the Lodge.

Happy New Year!!!!■



NASCAR

Another NASCAR season has come and gone. The big winners for this season were:

1st place Bob Tenney \$300.00

2nd place Chris Sawicki \$200.00

3rd place Fred Engert \$100.00

and many different weekly prizes were given out.

We would like to say thank you to Dave Faulkner and his ketchup crew for all their help serving us our meal.

If interested in being apart of the club next year please let Jim Giroux or Linda Niemiec now.

We are happy to say the NASCAR club will be making a donation of about

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Thank you to all who joined and will return next year. ■

Linda Niemiec
Jim Giroux



CRUISE PEOPLE!!!!

To all the cruise people! When we started planning the trip back in April it seemed so far away. Well it is almost here! By this time everyone that is going should be paid and ready to board.

We will be having a meet and greet on December 6th at 7pm so that everybody can meet and see who they will be spending 10 days with.

If you have not done your online registration you will be able to do so that night but you will need to bring with you your passport/passport card and may make any of your day trips. So mark your calendar and come join us.

Any questions please call me. ■

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