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# January

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	1	2	3	4	5	6
		Lodge Meeting 7 PM Dinner 6 pm		Friday Fun Nights Alex Lentini		HOT DOGS 12-2 pm EVERY SATURDAY
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	STEAK NIGHT 6 pm		Open Mic 6-8 PM	Friday Fun Nights Tony Gabriel		HOT DOGS 12-2 pm EVERY SATURDAY
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
	Meatloaf Dinner by Mary \$12 for dinner A signup sheet is located in bar area.		Lodge Meeting 7 PM Dinner 6 pm	Friday Fun Nights Back in The Day		HOT DOGS 12-2 pm EVERY SATURDAY
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
		TACO TUESDAY 7 PM		Friday Fun Nights TBA		HOT DOGS 12-2 pm EVERY SATURDAY
28	29	30	31	Happy New Year		

## New Britain Elks Lodge 957

the “957”  
newsletter



**JANUARY 2024**

REGULAR MEETINGS  
January 3rd & 17th at 7 p.m.

2023-24 OFFICERS

Suzanne Topliff . . . . . Exalted Ruler  
Vacant . . . . . Leading Knight  
Shanon Tomassone . . . . . Loyal Knight  
Timothy Bodine . . . . . Lecturing Knight  
Paul Tesz PER . . . . . Secretary  
Stuart Topliff PER . . . . . Treasurer  
Thomas DiPinto PER . . . . . Tiler  
Mark Pruzin PER . . . . . Trustee  
Steve Shubat . . . . . Trustee  
Patrick Buden . . . . . Trustee  
Grant Gatzen . . . . . Trustee  
David Moerdendorfer CHAIRMAN . . . . . Trustee  
James Searle PER . . . . . Esquire  
Peter Morran LM . . . . . Chaplain  
Robert Martinchek . . . . . Inner Guard  
Michael Platosz . . . . . Organist

*Home Lodge of*  
Robert W. Hansen HLM • Past Chairman Board of Grand Trustees,  
Past Grand Lodge Inner Guard,  
Past Special Deputy GER,PGLCC, PSP, PDD

## UPCOMING 957 EVENTS



**STEAK NIGHT**  
Monday, January 8th

You can purchase tickets ahead of  
time at the lodge or sign up online.



## New Britain Elks Lodge 957 2023 Golf Update

**THANK YOU!**  
—COMMITTEE MEMBERS—  
For your energy and dedication!  
—GOLFERS—  
For your participation to support the event!  
—SIGN SPONSORS—  
For advertising your company, personal or family!  
—RAFFLE PRIZE DONATORS—  
For your prize(s) helped the raffles success!  
THANK YOU! Cochairs, Tom & Andy

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**From the Exalted Ruler**  
*Greetings Elk Brothers and Sisters!*

Happy New Year! Hard Hittin’ New Britain Lodge 957 is ready to get this year started! A quick look back first: our lodge has shown that we focus on the core principles of Elkdome through our charitable donations and participation in so many Grand Lodge events. From supporting Prudence Crandall, the Connecticut Breast Health Initiative, Boxes to Boots, Warm the Children and the Michael J Fox Parkinson’s Foundation we have gone above and beyond to raise money to lighten the burden of many and help others fight for their lives. Members have participated in the Soccer Shoot from local to Regional, championed the Hoop Shoot, handed out lunches at Special Olympics and raised money for the Connecticut Children’s Medical Center and Special Olympics. Not to be outdone, our Trustees have seen to the replacement of HVAC system in the Parlor, sealed our parking lot, provided electrical work, painted and started renovations on the Hall and kept our ice machine running. House members and officers have been cooking dogs and burgers on Saturdays, revived the Friday Night music scene and made Welfare Night and the House Party events of the season. Thank you to all who have led the way: I challenge our members to make sure you find time to participate and bolster our volunteerism for 2024.

The momentum won’t continue without you. Come visit the lodge; visit the website, check Facebook and the newsletter for events. Don’t be afraid to drop in to volunteer at an event. We have a bowling tournament coming up that needs bowlers, gift baskets or gift cards to raffle off. If you have a business and you want to donate to the tournament in some way or serve on the Bowling committee it will be a fun time! Bring your friends down to the Lodge, get out of the house and have some fun. There is French Night, a Wolf Pack Hockey Night and don’t forget Steak Night, Meatloaf Monday and Taco Tuesday.

I have been thanked and complemented for all that has been done for and at this Lodge during my term as ER: no big secret, I am responsible for very little of it: I show up, I have a great time, and sit back and watch with gratitude the dedicated members and officers who give so much time, energy and enthusiasm to our home away from home. I am gratified by the growing number of members who are stepping up to participate and take over committees, the newsletter and the dinners. We all are a part of something really great here. We are THE Elks, as GER Randy Shook says. We have many mentors who participate at District, Regional and State levels in our Lodge. They provide guidance, encouragement and want us to continue to step up. Join me in making sure we make 2024 sensational! Speak of your Elks membership with pride, invite a friend to join and come in for a hotdog and some great conversation. I look forward to seeing you.

Fraternally yours,  
Suzanne Topliff  
Exalted Ruler

January 2024

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## SICKNESS and DISTRESS

**AT HOME** - Dan Dombrowski, George Sahadi, James Panetta, PER, Thomas Higgins, William Buden and Megan Boyles

**VA HOSPITAL Miami FL** - Malcolm Kolpak, PER

**PER FARMINGTON STATION** - Farmington - Peter Denuzze

**Monsignor Bojnowski Manor** - Walter Ochankowski

If you know of a member who is sick or in distress, please notify the lodge or email Paul Tesz, Lodge Secretary at [pjtesz@yahoo.com](mailto:pjtesz@yahoo.com)

The **ELKS 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 the lodge to make arrangements.

## Absent Members

Living or dead, an Elk is never forgotten, never forsaken.

It is our sad duty to report the deaths of

**Leonard Guzzi, LM**

Official record has been made, thereof and a proper ceremony was held.

## Setback Calendar

1/25/23 – No Setback - Make-Up Week  
2/22/24 – No Setback - Make-Up Week  
4/4/24 - Setback Playoffs

## MARY'S MEATLOAF MONDAY

(mash potatoes, veggie and roll)

**\$12** for dinner

A sign up sheet is located in bar area.

starting on Monday, January 15th

After January 15th, it will be the 2nd Monday of each month.

## WEDNESDAY NITE DINNER

AVAILABLE ONLY ON MEETING NIGHTS

6 pm • \$10 • sign up sheet at the lodge



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## PROPOSITION for LIFE MEMBERSHIP

The following member has requested Life Membership and will be balloted on.

- Bryan Anderson, Member 3794
- John R. D'Onofrio, Jr., Member 3806

## SPOUSE MEMBERSHIP CARDS

Members when requesting a spouse card these are the requirements.

**Section 1.185.** Spouse:—An individual who is recognized by the law of the State in which the Lodge is located, as a spouse. For purposes of listing in Grand Lodge directories and publications, the term spouse will also include domestic partners (as defined by the United States Office of Personnel Management, 5 C.F.R. §875.213) whose cohabitation has occurred for not less than seven (7) consecutive years.

**Section 14.140.** A Lodge may issue identification cards for use of its facilities only upon the written request of a Member in good standing. The Lodge shall not charge for issuing identification card(s).

- 1. A card may only be issued to:**  
**(a) A spouse** of a Member.

## Friday Fun Nights

January 5 - Alex Lentini

January 12 - Tony Gabriel

January 19 - Back in The Day

January 26 - TBA

## Dues Increase

Because of the assessment of the CT State Elks Association and the dictate of the By-laws of New Britain Lodge, the dues for Lodge Year 2024-2025 will be increasing from \$2 per member to \$3 per member. Beginning on April 1, 2024 member dues will be:

- \$116.00 for Regular Membership
- \$66.00 for Life Membership

If members have prepaid and owe \$1 please give to Paul Tesz, Lodge Secretary.

## TACO TUESDAY



**3 FOR \$7**  
**TUESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2024**  
**5:00PM TILL WE RUN OUT**

## STEAK NIGHT

Monday, January 8th at 6 pm \$20

If you are planning to attend you need

to either order and pay for the steaks

online or pay at the bar.

Take out available

You must be paid up by Thursday, January 4th.

If you are signed up and cannot make the dinner

PLEASE CANCEL by Thursday, January 4th.



## 957 BOOSTERS

Jan-24 Keith Labbe  
Mar-24 Thomas Abuciewicz  
Mar-24 Louis Amodio  
Mar-24 Kyle Anderson  
Mar-24 Brian Bagdasarain  
Mar-24 James Baker  
Mar-24 Dennis Baker  
Mar-24 John Benjamin  
Mar-24 Christina Benvenuto  
Mar-24 Lawrence Betterini II  
Mar-24 Leonard Bieringer  
Mar-24 John Bogden  
Mar-24 Richard Borowski  
Mar-24 Brendan Boyle  
Mar-24 Dianne Chase-Shubat  
Mar-24 Frank Cisz  
Mar-24 Paul Clavette  
Mar-24 William T. Costello  
Mar-24 Michael Crinili  
Mar-24 Thomas Cugno  
Mar-24 Jonathan Daley  
Mar-24 Anthony Dangelo  
Mar-24 Cynthia Debonee  
Mar-24 Maryann Dibenedetto  
Mar-24 Eric Dietsch  
Mar-24 Susan Dodds  
Mar-24 Patrick Dorse  
Mar-24 Gary Duran  
Mar-24 Stephen Dygus  
Mar-24 Gerald Erwin  
Mar-24 John Eshoo  
Mar-24 Carmelina Fidiolo  
Mar-24 Geoffrey Fowler  
Mar-24 Daniel Garofalo  
Mar-24 Ronald Giddix  
Mar-24 Gary Gineo  
Mar-24 Raymond Grneindl  
Mar-24 Jonathan Gotchis  
Mar-24 Kenneth "Grey, Jr."  
Mar-24 Frederick Haddad  
Mar-24 Dr. Joseph Harrison  
Mar-24 Deborah Hartney  
Mar-24 David Heckman  
Mar-24 George Hills  
Mar-24 Gary Hovhanessian  
Mar-24 Evelyn Hudyma  
Mar-24 Lynn Jkuzina  
Mar-24 Fred Jortner Yes  
Mar-24 Solomon Karam  
Mar-24 Steven Kieitka  
Mar-24 Kenneth LaVoie  
Mar-24 Kathleen Leiner  
Mar-24 Donald Lemieux  
Mar-24 Robert Martinchek  
Mar-24 Norman Mornenault  
Mar-24 Donald Nadeau  
Mar-24 James Norton  
Mar-24 David Obedzinski  
Mar-24 Joseph O'Brien  
Mar-24 Cindy Ochankowski  
Mar-24 William Orlovski  
Mar-24 Virginia Osborne  
Mar-24 Ezzio Partesano  
Mar-24 Shirley Pawlak  
Mar-24 Barry Pearson  
Mar-24 Steven Pietrzak  
Mar-24 Thomas Pilarski  
Mar-24 Ronald Polaske LM  
Mar-24 Eugene Polaske  
Mar-24 Allen Procko  
Mar-24 Robert Quarti  
Mar-24 Roger Ramm  
Mar-24 Alfred Roy  
Mar-24 Ann Targonski Brown  
Mar-24 Richard Salamonn  
Mar-24 Joseph Scallies  
Mar-24 Joseph Spagna  
Mar-24 Karen Szabla  
Mar-24 Donald Gary Trazsko  
Mar-24 Denis Turcotte  
Mar-24 Albert F. Urso  
Mar-24 Richard Varano  
Mar-24 James Violette  
Mar-24 Scott Whitman  
Mar-24 Gerald Wienn  
Mar-24 Deborah Wojas  
Mar-24 Edward Yost  
Mar-24 Roger Zaleski  
Mar-24 Faustino Zucchi  
Mar-24 Mary Rose & Paul Palmese, LM  
Mar-24 In Memory of Francis E. Gentile  
Apr-24 John Baccaro

Apr-24 Nancy Baccaro  
Apr-24 Craig Baker  
Apr-24 Kyle Bolduc  
Apr-24 David Ciarcia  
Apr-24 Peter Clavette  
Apr-24 Angelo Fiducia  
Apr-24 Wayne Fretz  
Apr-24 Brian Gregson  
Apr-24 Doreen Hellandbrand  
Apr-24 Brian Jendzejczyk  
Apr-24 David James  
Apr-24 Alina Kalisz  
Apr-24 Joseph Kowalczyk  
Apr-24 Andrew Kyriacou  
Apr-24 Hazel Marsden  
Apr-24 David Moskal LM  
Apr-24 Shirley Osle  
Apr-24 Jeffrey Paradis  
Apr-24 Paul Petrisko  
Apr-24 Carlos Pina  
Apr-24 Ronald Polaske LM  
Apr-24 Tim Reinsch  
Apr-24 Henry Rodrigue  
Apr-24 Peter Rutovich  
Apr-24 Arthur Schneider  
Apr-24 Sandra Schoen  
Apr-24 Ann Targonski Brown  
Apr-24 Katarzyna Tesz  
Apr-24 Paul Tesz  
Apr-24 Christopher Wodnicki  
Apr-24 John Yanchak  
Apr-24 William Yanchak  
May-24 Kenneth Brylle  
May-24 Fredys Benavides  
May-24 Kenneth Brylle  
May-24 Philip Cefaratti  
May-24 Gerald Charamut  
May-24 Frank Didomenico  
May-24 Richard Diminno  
May-24 Ronald Gignac  
May-24 Adrien LM & Rita Leclerc  
May-24 Ronald Muzzulini  
May-24 Joseph Palmese  
May-24 Efrain Rosado  
May-24 Theresa Sunderland

Jun-24 William F. "Farrell, Jr."  
Jun-24 Ronald Kisluk  
Jun-24 Kenneth Marzi  
Jun-24 Albert Proulx  
Aug-24 Mark Q. Anderson  
Aug-24 Carol Bowen  
Aug-24 Christopher Cavagnuolo  
Aug-24 David Colon  
Aug-24 Kevin Morin  
Aug-24 Joan Morin  
Aug-24 Vem Pindar  
Aug-24 Miguel Rosado  
Aug-24 Albert Vieira  
Sep-24 Efrain Rosado  
Sep-24 Thomas Satalino  
Sep-24 Barry A. Davies  
Sep-24 Catherine Lizon  
Sep-24 Stanley Lizon  
Nov-24 Gary Debenian  
Nov-24 Anna Martinchek  
Dec-24 Frank E. Chiger LM  
Jan-25 Fran Keating  
Mar-25 Frederick Ambroszewski  
Mar-25 Stan Glowiak  
Mar-25 Richard Mullins  
Mar-25 Scott O'Dell  
Mar-25 Scott Rosado  
Mar-25 Joseph Vavrechak  
Apr-25 Richard Scavilla  
Apr-25 Richard Varano  
Apr-25 In Memory of Andrew Donofrio, Sr.  
May-25 Paul J. Amenta  
May-25 David Bagdasarain  
May-25 Donofrio  
Jun-25 John A. Amodio LM  
Oct-25 Brian Martinchek  
Dec-25 Thomas D'Attilio  
Dec-25 Ronald Kisluk  
Mar-26 Joseph Cisz LM  
Mar-26 Leonard Corto  
Mar-26 Richard Diminno  
Mar-26 Stan Glowiak  
Mar-26 Diane Kral  
Mar-26 Richard Krums  
Mar-26 Gary Loomis  
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Apr-26 Joseph Mineweaser  
Apr-26 In Memory of Kevin Grove  
May-26 Paul Catanzaro  
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May-26 In Memory of Thomas Foy  
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Aug-28 Anthony Masciotra LM  
Sep-28 Tracey Bacchus  
Sep-28 Thomas J. Ludy  
Sep-28 Frank "Teti, Jr."  
Feb-29 In Memory of Peter Hart LM  
Mar-29 Leonard Corto  
Mar-29 Richard Drezek  
Apr-29 Brian Balavender  
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Mar-30 Randy Williams LM  
May-30 James J. Cullum LM

Sep-30 Daniel J. Cullum  
Dec-30 Richard Oulundsen  
Dec-30 Donald Perrotta "LM, PER"  
Feb-31 In Memory of David J. Barton  
Apr-31 Ronald J. Kolpak LM  
May-31 Rosalind Terranova  
Mar-32 Stephen Osakowicz LM  
Mar-32 Pat & Walter Florowski LM  
May-32 Anthony Sierka  
Mar-34 Frederick O'Dell LM  
May-34 Peter Smulski  
Sep-34 Michael McKinstrey  
Oct-34 Mary Jane Parlow & Late Al Parlow "PER, PDD"  
Jan-36 Robert "Ferrone, SR." "PDD, HLM"  
Mar-36 Alfred Blumes  
Jun-36 Jan Lonski  
Mar-37 Selden K. Griffen III  
Apr-37 Walter Ochankowski  
Sep-37 Thomas Bozek  
Nov-37 Dr. Richard L. Judd  
May-40 Roger Drezek LM PER  
Jun-40 Brendan Kennedy LM  
Apr-41 Michael Platosz  
Apr-41 Adam Platosz  
Nov-41 In Memory of D.J. Barton  
Mar-42 Vinnie Perez LM  
Jun-42 Dean Sasso  
Apr-44 William McCue  
Jun-44 Richard Wiszniak  
May-46 Bryan Anderson  
May-52 Thomas Farely LM  
May-54 Italian American War Veterans  
Dec-54 Paul J. "Manafort, Sr." LM  
May-63 Peter Morran LM  
Apr-69 Michael J. Symolon  
Feb-86 Edward Michalek  
Jan-2241 Peter T. Bourdon

This is a list of our Boosters and the date they are paid through.  
Thank you

# Annual Polish Night

Saturday, December 9, 2023



Secretary Paul Tesz, PER, presents proclamations by the Honorable Mayor Erin Stewart, honoring brothers, Robert and Brian Martinchek. The Martinchek brothers are the mainstays of our Polish committee and with their team, put together an awesome Polish dinner enjoyed by all.

**Congrats - Polish men of the year!**



**THIS RESOLUTION WAS PRESENTED ON THE LODGE FLOOR AT THE DECEMBER 6, 2023, LODGE MEETING. A VOTE WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE SECOND LODGE MEETING IN JANUARY 17, 2024, TO AFFIRM THE RESOLUTION.**

## RESOLUTION

**Whereas**, Francis A. Joyce was a member in good standing of New Britain Lodge 957 of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, having been initiated into the Order on December 4, 1952; and

**Whereas**, he immediately became involved and active in Lodge activities and committees; and

**Whereas**, he was appointed or elected to occupy every officer's chair and was elected Exalted Ruler in 1961 and again in 1962; and

Whereas, he was elected and served as New Britain Lodge Treasurer for five years and Lodge Secretary for over a decade, providing officers and members sage advice, assistance and guidance; and

**Whereas**, he served the Connecticut Elks Association on many committees as District and State Chairman; elected and served as Vice President of the Northwest District and elected and served as President in 1976; and

**Whereas**, he served the Grand Lodge as District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler and was appointed to and served on the Grand Lodge Youth Activities Committee, nominated and elected Grand Loyal Knight, appointed and served as Special Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler: and

**Whereas**, he conceived and developed the Soccer Shoot Contest in 1985 and presented it to the Grand Lodge. It was accepted by the Grand Lodge and has been conducted by lodges across the country as an official Elks program; and

**Whereas**, he was honored for service to his Lodge, the State Association and Grand Lodge by being elected "Honorary Life Member" in 1981; and Whereas, his grateful and faithful fellow Lodge Members wish to provide him a fitting memorial; now therefore

**Be it resolved**, that the room in the Lodge Building, formerly known as the "Parlor", will henceforth be named the Francis A. Joyce Room.

Suzanne Topliff, Exalted Ruler

Paul Tesz, PER, Secretary

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