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**April** **New Britain Elks Lodge 957**

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	<b>STEAK NIGHT</b> 6 PM <b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	Lodge Meeting 7 PM <b>3</b> Dinner 6 pm Open Mic 6-8 PM	<b>4</b>	Friday Fun Nights <b>5</b> Scouts Pasta Dinner Sister Funk 6-8 pm	<b>6</b> HOT DOGS + HAMBURGERS 12-2 pm
<b>7</b>	<b>Meatloaf Dinner by Mary \$12 for dinner</b> Starts at 5 PM. A signup sheet is located in bar area. <b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	Friday Fun Nights <b>12</b> Alex Lentini 6-8 pm	<b>HOT DOGS</b> 12-2 pm <b>13</b> 7 pm
<b>14</b> 3:00 PM	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	Lodge Meeting 7 PM <b>17</b> Dinner 5 pm New Members at 6PM	<b>18</b>	Friday Fun Nights <b>19</b> Tony Gabriel	<b>20</b> HOT DOGS 12-2 pm
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>TACO TUESDAY</b> 5 PM <b>23</b>	<b>PER Meeting</b> 6 pm <b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	Friday Fun Nights <b>26</b> Groove Stick	<b>27</b> HOT DOGS 12-2 pm
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>				

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**APRIL 2024**  
REGULAR MEETINGS  
April 3rd & 17th at 7 p.m.

**2024-25 OFFICERS**

Shanon Tomassone ..... Exalted Ruler  
Timothy Bodine ..... Leading Knight  
Patrick Buden Sr. .... Loyal Knight  
Michelle Bouffard ..... Lecturing Knight  
Paul Tesz PER ..... Secretary  
Stuart Topliff PER ..... Treasurer  
Thomas DiPinto PER ..... Tiler  
Mark Pruzin PER ..... Trustee 4-year  
Steve Shubat. CHAIRMAN ..... Trustee 3-year  
Dennis Baker. .... Trustee 2-year  
Grant Katzen ..... Trustee 1-year  
Dorothy DiLernia ..... Trustee 5-year  
James Searle PER ..... Esquire  
Peter Morran LM. .... Chaplain  
Robert Martinchek ..... Inner Guard  
Michael Platosz. .... Organist

**From the Exalted Ruler**



*Greetings brothers and sisters in Elkdom!*

I am honored and humbled to serve the lodge as exalted ruler for the 2024-2025 year. I am excited to work alongside an amazing group of officers.

I would like to thank our Junior PER, Suzanne Topliff for her hard work and dedication in leading the lodge over the past year. Our lodge continues to grow and prosper. I promise to keep it moving forward. I would also like to thank Dave Moederndorfer for his tireless dedication to our lodge as trustee and chairman for the last several years. You will be greatly missed.

March was an amazing month with many great events for all to enjoy! Along with our steak, meatloaf and taco nights, we also had a very successful pasta dinner to support Boxes to Boots. The New Britain contingent of the Hartford St. Patrick's Day Parade was mighty and we were proud to represent the Elks and march with parade Marshall Debra Scarlett. The lodge saw a huge turnout for the first stop on the LepreCon bar crawl. Lastly, the Irish committee put on a delicious and successful Irish night! I hope to see our members come down to the lodge for March Madness! The month of April brings us a great chili cookoff, a wolfpack game and the return of Trivia! These activities could not be possible without our dedicated volunteers and committee members! Thank you!

One of the things that I have always been in awe of is how our membership comes together to support grand lodge activities and events that support our community and veterans. I invite the membership to join a committee or volunteer for an event or function. We are better together!

Fraternally yours,  
Shanon Tomassone  
Exalted Ruler

**UPCOMING 957 EVENTS**

**2024 - 25 NEW KEY BLUE CARD**

The locks HAVE been changed. Please use your New Blue Card!

**The Old 2023-24 Tan Key Card will not work.**

**Past Due**  
Your 2024-25 Lodge Dues are Now Past Due.  
**2024-25 Dues Beginning on April 1, 2024**  
\$116.00 for Regular Membership  
\$66.00 for Life Membership  
**NOW PAYABLE**

**Please Note**  
If you're making a payment that is more than your dues, to please let us know what to put the extra money towards. Please indicate Boosters Building Fund or ENF.

## SICKNESS and DISTRESS

**AT HOME** - Dan Dombrowski, George Sahadi, James Panetta, PER, Thomas Higgins, William Buden and Megan Boyles  
**PER FARMINGTON STATION** - Farmington - Peter Denuzze

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

**Malcolm C. Kolpak,**  
**PER, LM**  
**10/8/2021**



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

## MARY'S MEATLOAF MONDAY

(mash potatoes, veggie and roll)

**\$12** for dinner **Starts at 5 PM**

Monday, April 8th

A signup sheet is located in bar area.

**Elks Night at the Hartford Wolf Pack**  
**\$20** per person  
**Sunday, April 14 @ 3:00 PM**  
*Wolf pack vs. the Charlotte Checkers.*

All proceeds will go to the Elks State Major Projects.  
**Save The Date!**

Tickets are on sale at the Lodge and online. Cut off is March 31st.

## 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.

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## PROPOSITION for LIFE MEMBERSHIP

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

- Giuseppe Rizzo, Member #4850



Do you know a child who would like to contribute to the community and learn important leadership skills? We are looking for Antlers ages 12 to 20 to join. The Antlers are about the future of our young people, the future of the community, our nation, and the future of the Benevolent & Protective Order of Elks.

For more information, grab a pamphlet at the bar or contact Kim Cierniewski at 860-729-6194 or Kasia Tesz at 860-996-2333.

Also, please visit <https://www.elks.org/grandlodge/activities/antlers.cfm> for more information.

## TACO TUESDAY



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

## STEAK NIGHT

Monday, April 1st 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, March 28th.

If you are signed up and cannot make the dinner **PLEASE CANCEL** by Thursday, March 28th.



## 957 BOOSTERS

Apr-24 John Baccaro	Mar-25 Carmelina Fidelo	Mar-25 Richard Borowski	Apr-25 David Ciarcia	Mar-27 Patrick McCabe	Dec-30 Richard Oulundsen
Apr-24 Nancy Baccaro	Mar-25 Patrick Dorsey	Mar-25 Cindy Ochankowski	Apr-25 Wayne Fretz	Mar-27 Anonymous	Dec-30 John J. Zotter LM
Apr-24 Craig Baker	Mar-25 Lanette Macaruso	Apr-25 Michael Bard	Apr-25 Peter Rutovich	Mar-27 Gary Duran	Feb-31 In Memory of David J. Barton
Apr-24 Kyle Bolduc	Mar-25 James Motyka	Mar-25 Dianna Chase-Shubert	Apr-25 Arthur Schneider	Mar-27 Gary Loomis	Apr-31 Ronald J. Kolpak LM
Apr-24 Angelo Fiducia	Mar-25 Donald Nadeau	Mar-25 Virginia Osborne	Apr-25 John Yanchak	Mar-27 Frederick Ambroszewski	Mar-32 Stephen Osakowicz LM
Apr-24 Brian Jendrzeyczyk	Mar-25 Nancy Cyr	Mar-25 John Bogden	Apr-25 Richard Scavilla	Mar-27 Leonard Corto	Mar-32 Randy Williams LM
Apr-24 David Kalisz	Mar-25 Dr. Joseph Harrison	Mar-25 Alex Koutouvides	Apr-25 Patricia Albanese	Apr-27 Patricia Albanese	May-32 Anthony Sierka
Apr-24 Alina Kalisz	Mar-25 Raymond Gmeindl	Mar-25 Patricia Lamb	Apr-25 Richard Varano	May-27 David Bagdasarian	Dec-32 Donald Perrotta "LM, PER"
Apr-24 Hazel Marsden	Mar-25 Gerald Erwin	Mar-25 Roland Cloutier	Apr-25 Henry Rodrigue	Jun-27 George F. Sahadi LM	Feb-33 Bruce Larson LM
Apr-24 Frank Messer	Mar-25 Evelyn Hudyma	Mar-25 Kenneth Lavioie	Apr-25 In Memory of Andrew Donofrio, Sr.	Oct-30 William Wass	Mar-33 Pat & Walter Florowski LM
Apr-24 Jeffrey Paradis	Mar-25 Stephen Duguis	Mar-25 Antonio Martino	Apr-25 David Moskal LM	Oct-30 Elaine Wass	May-34 Peter Smulski
Apr-24 Carlos Pina	Mar-25 Samantha Mercado	Mar-25 Frank Baldino	May-25 Andrew Donofrio	Mar-28 Howard Begley	May-34 Rosalind Terranova
Apr-24 Tim Reinsch	Mar-25 Natalie Gmeindl	Mar-25 Roger Zaleski - In Memory of Bev	Jun-25 Ronald Muzzulin	Mar-28 Diane Kral	Sep-34 Michael McKinstry
Apr-24 Sandra Schoen	Mar-25 Faustino Zucchi	Mar-25 David Zajac	Jun-25 John A. Amodio LM	Mar-28 Joseph Cisz LM	Oct-34 Mary Jane Parlow & Late Al Parlow "PER, PDD"
Apr-24 Katarzyna Tesz	Mar-25 Joseph Scalise	Mar-25 Mary Ann Lombardo	Jun-25 William F. "Farrell, Jr."	Mar-28 Richard Krumins	Mar-35 Frederick O'Dell LM
Apr-24 Paul Tesz	Mar-25 Joseph Dubin	Mar-25 Alfred Roy	Aug-25 Mark Q. Anderson	Mar-28 Christina Benvenuto	Jan-36 Robert "Ferrone, SR." "PDD, HLM"
May-24 Kenneth Brylie	Mar-25 James Baker	Mar-25 Dennis Baker	Aug-25 Joan Morin	May-28 Michael Spranzo	Jun-36 Jan Lonski
May-24 Michael Alos	Mar-25 Jacob Topliff	Mar-25 Dennis Turcotte	Aug-25 Carol Bowen	May-28 Richard Diminno	Mar-37 Selden K. Griffen III
May-24 Fredys Benavides	Mar-25 Mykola Hudyma	Mar-25 Donald Gary Trzasko	Nov-25 Paul Just	May-28 Paul J. Amenta	Apr-38 Walter Ochankowski
May-24 Kenneth Brylie	Mar-25 Joseph O'Brien	Mar-25 Salvatore Giarratana	Dec-25 Thomas D'Attilio	Jun-28 Ken Kezer LM	Sep-37 Thomas Bacchus
May-24 Phillip Cefaratti	Mar-25 Michael Powers	Mar-25 Cheryl Danielewicz	Dec-25 Ronald Kisluk	Aug-28 Anthony Masciotra LM	Nov-37 Dr. Richard L. Judd
May-24 Gerald Charamut	Mar-25 Joseph Spagna	Mar-25 Anthony Dangelo	Mar-26 Richard Diminno	Sep-28 Tracey Bacchus	May-40 Roger Drezek LM PER
May-24 Frank Didomenico	Mar-25 Peter Defazio	Mar-25 Stan Glowiak	Mar-26 Stan Glowiak	Sep-28 Thomas J. Luddy	Jun-40 Brendan Kennedy LM
May-24 Ronald Gignac	Mar-25 Lucian Pawlak	Mar-26 Brian Bagdasarian	Mar-26 Brian Bagdasarian	Oct-28 Stanley Kasica	Apr-41 Michael Platosz
May-24 Adrien LM & Rita Leclerc	Mar-25 Lucia Rydecki	Mar-26 William Sample LM	Nov-28 Josephine Moreno	Feb-29 In Memory of Peter Hart LM	Apr-41 Adam Platosz
May-24 Joseph Phelan	Mar-25 Theresa Sunderland	Mar-26 Richard Corto	Mar-29 Leonard Corto	Mar-29 Leonard Corto	Nov-41 In Memory of D.J. Barton
May-24 Efrain Rosado	Jun-24 Ronald Kisluk	Mar-26 Scott Rosado	Mar-29 Richard Drezak	Mar-42 Yvonne Perez LM	Mar-42 Dean Sasso
May-24 Theresa Sunderland	Jun-24 Kenneth Marzi	Mar-26 John Eshoo	Mar-29 Michael O'Connor	Jun-44 Richard Wisnizki	May-50 Bryan Anderson
Jun-24 Ronald Kisluk	Jun-24 Albert Proulx	Mar-26 John Arodiscono, Jr.	Apr-29 Brian Balavender	May-52 Thomas Farrelly LM	Apr-54 William McCue
Jun-24 Kenneth Marzi	Aug-24 Christopher Cavanaugh	Mar-25 Gerald Berthiaume	Apr-29 Donald Geschimsky	Apr-54 William McCue	May-54 Italian American War Veterans
Jun-24 Albert Proulx	Aug-24 David Colon	Mar-25 John Napierko	Apr-29 Laurence S. Kolpak	Dec-54 Paul J. "Manafort, Sr." LM	May-66 Peter Morran LM
Aug-24 Christopher Cavanaugh	Aug-24 Vern Pindar	Mar-25 Allen Procko	Apr-29 Daniel Steiner	Apr-66 Michael J. Symolon	Apr-66 Michael J. Symolon
Aug-24 David Colon	Aug-24 Miguel Rosado	Mar-25 Louis Amodio	Apr-29 John Zinzalet	Mar-2104 Alfred Blumes	Feb-2158 Edward Michalek
Aug-24 Vern Pindar	Aug-24 Albert Vieira	Mar-25 Solomon Karam	Apr-29 In Memory of John Balavender	Jan-2341 Peter T. Bourdon	
Aug-24 Miguel Rosado	Sep-24 Efrain Rosado	Mar-25 David Heckman	Apr-29 In Memory of Gary Debenian LM		
Sep-24 Efrain Rosado	Sep-24 Thomas Satolino	Apr-25 In Memory of Francis E. Gentile	Apr-29 In Memory of Kevin Glove		
Sep-24 Barry A. Davies	Sep-24 Barry A. Davies	Mar-25 Frederick Haddad	May-26 Paul Catanzaro		
Nov-24 Gary Debenian	Nov-24 Gary Debenian	Apr-25 Patricia Haddad	May-26 Cynthia Debonee		
Nov-24 Anna Martinchek	Nov-24 Anna Martinchek	Mar-25 Brad Fresher	May-26 Joe Shilinga		
Dec-24 Frank E. Chiger LM	Dec-24 Frank E. Chiger LM	Apr-25 Ezzio Partesano	May-26 In Memory of Thomas Foy		
Mar-25 Eric Dietsch	Mar-25 Eric Dietsch	Mar-25 Richard Dinda	Jun-26 David Kunitis		
Mar-25 Stan Glowiak	Mar-25 Stan Glowiak	Mar-25 James Violette	Sep-26 Catherine Lizon		
Mar-25 Richard Mullins	Mar-25 Richard Mullins	Mar-25 William T. Costello	Sep-26 Stanley Lizon		
Mar-25 Robert Martinchek	Mar-25 Robert Martinchek	Mar-25 Kenneth "Grey, Jr."	Oct-26 Brian Martinchek		
Mar-25 Susan Woerz	Mar-25 Susan Woerz	Apr-25 William Yanchak	Dec-26 Sharon Simpson		
			Jan-27 Fran Keating		
			Mar-27 David A. Bailey		
			Mar-27 Peter Denuzze		

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## Trivia Night

Saturday April 13

7:00 pm

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