

“957” the newsletter



SEPTEMBER 2025

REGULAR MEETING

September 3rd & 17th at 7 p.m.

2025-26 OFFICERS

Timothy Bodine Exalted Ruler
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Michelle Bouffard. Loyal Knight
Robert Martinchek. Lecturing Knight
Paul Tesz PER. Secretary
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Past Grand Lodge Inner Guard,
Past Special Deputy GER, PGLCC, PSP, PDD

From the Exalted Ruler

***Hello Brother and Sister Elks!
Let's welcome September
in a big way!***



We have a District Deputy visit on the 17th of this month.

I encourage as many members as possible to come and check out the initiation ceremony. Our audit is September 2nd this year, which just gets things started.

Wednesday night dinners are amazing! We have Swedish meatballs on the 3rd and Rose Martin will be cooking up something special on the 24th! Don't miss out!

Thursday nights will keep on trucking with John's Martini nights!

Friday night Fun Nights are back!! Food with Pat and Sue on the 5th, Deb and Mary on the 12th cooking up Chicken and Stuffing. Don't forget Chris' Crazy Karaoke on the 26th!

Tim and Steve are back in the kitchen with Hot Dogs & Hamburgers on the 13th and 27th!

Come on down Sunday the 21st to Celebrate 30 years of "Ladies of the Lodge!" with a great brunch!

Sunday the 7th we have our NFL Sunday Kickoff buffet!

Mary's Meatloaf and Taco Tuesday are back!! So, make sure you come down!

There are 2 Saturday night events to look forward to! Date night with Baked Stuffed Shrimp on the 13th and a Retro 70's party on the 20! Don't miss out!

The New Britain Boys and Girls Club on Washington Street will be hosting our annual Soccer Shoot this year, September 18th at 4:00pm. If you have any children up to age 13, come down and kick a few goals for a great cause!

Lastly, enjoy September and "take the plunge" and volunteer!

Fraternally yours,
Exalted Ruler,
Timothy Bodine

Save the Date
LADIES
Night

**Unique Boutique
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October 25th at 5:00 pm

Let's raise money for our scholarship fund!

Take a moment to look through your closet and jewelry box and consider **donating gently used purses and jewelry.**

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There will be a cash bar, charcuterie cups and other snacks available for purchase.

Let's turn our treasures into tuition.

More details to follow.

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SICKNESS and DISTRESS

AT HOME - Dan Dombrowski, James Panetta, PER,
Robert V. Darin, LM, Pater W. Smulski, LM,
Sandy Ryiz, Richard Kavarnos

FARMINGTON STATION - Farmington - Peter J. Denuzze, LM

JEROME HOME - Dr. Richard Judd, LM, William D'Amato, LM

MONSIGNOR BOJNOWSKI MANOR - Jack Nixer, LM

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

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

Jennifer Fortin – 8/3/2025

Richard Dzwonkowski, LM – 8/12/2025



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

MARY'S MEAT- LOAF MONDAY

(mash potatoes, veggies and roll)

\$15 for dinner  Starts at 5 PM



A signup sheet is located in bar area.

Monday, September 15th

SOME CHANGES IN FOOD COST.

The price of beef has gone up significantly and as a result we have had to raise the price of Steak night to \$25 and Meatloaf to \$15.

STEAK NIGHT

Monday, September 8th at 6 pm \$25

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, September 4th.

If you are signed up and cannot make the dinner **PLEASE CANCEL** by Thursday, September 4th.



Save The Date

ITALIAN NIGHT

OCTOBER 11TH

MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW!

 **Antlers \$18 per pie**

Pie Sales

Starting in September and will run until November.

Sign-up Sheet will be posted at the Lodge.

"MUST" pay at the bar when signing up.

Annual Polish Night

Saturday, December 13, 2025

The Polish committee is always looking for additional help.

You can email Committee Chairmen Robert Martinchek at robert.martinchekjr@yahoo.com for volunteer opportunities.

 **\$25 Saturday, September 20th**

Disco Party

Time: 6pm too???

70s Disco Party with DJ Joe

Dinner choice: Salisbury Steak or Chicken ala King and dessert.

Proceeds benefit the building fund. Prizes for best costume.

Tickets online or at the Lodge.

Brunch Sunday

September 21st

\$20

Brunch Buffet and choice of Mimosa or Bloody Mary

Time: 10 am to 1:00 pm

Celebrating 30 years of Women in Elkdom honoring our first two female members, Joan Connelly and Sonya Noveck.

Tickets online or at the Lodge.

Elks Care - Elks Share

Wednesday Night Dinners

September 3

Deb Swedish Meatballs

September 10

Steve's Bolognese

September 17

Mary's dinner for Initiation

September 24

Rose's Martin is cooking up something



DATE NIGHT

Saturday, September 13th

Stuffed Shrimp

Cocktails and Apps at 5 PM

Dinner at 6 PM



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*on Washington Street will be
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Shoot this year.*

September 18th at 4 PM.

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kick a few goals for a great cause!**

Potato Bar

Friday, September 19th

Time: 5:30pm

**\$15
per
person**

*Proceeds benefit the New Britain Contingent
of the St Patrick's Day Parade.*

Sunday, September 7th \$20

**PER Committee and House Committee cook up
a sweet buffet for the first Sunday of football.**

957 BOOSTERS

Oct -25 Greg May
Nov-25 Paul Just
Dec-25 Thomas D'Attilio
Mar-26 David Dietsch
Mar-26 Stan Glowiak
Mar-26 Thomas West
Mar-26 Scott Odell
Mar-26 John Saccente
Mar-26 Paul Scalora
Mar-26 Robert Martinchek
Mar-26 Eric Dietsch
Mar-26 James Norton
Mar-26 Ezio Partesano
Mar-26 Allen Procko
Mar-26 Kenneth "Grey, Jr."
Mar-26 Gabriele Paciotti
Mar-26 Diane Houle
Mar-26 Cheryl Trovato
Mar-26 Louis Amodio
Mar-26 Joann Neffelt
Mar-26 Antonio Marino
Mar-26 Thomas Cugno
Mar-26 Raymond Gmeindl
Mar-26 Thomas Pilarski
Mar-26 Gerald Erwin
Mar-26 Joseph Pistrutto, Sr.
Mar-26 David Obedzinski
Mar-26 Lucian Pawlak
Mar-26 Jeffrey Paradis
Mar-26 Joseph Dubin
Mar-26 Phyllis Vestuti
Mar-26 Gary Hovhanessian
Mar-26 Natalie Gmeindl
Mar-26 Patricia Maerz
Mar-26 James Motyka
Mar-26 Frederick Haddad
Mar-26 Joseph Spagna, Sr.
Mar-26 Daniel Garofalo
Mar-26 Cheryl Danielewicz
Mar-26 Alex Koutouvides
Mar-26 Cindy Ochankowski
Mar-26 Joseph O'Brien
Mar-26 Robert Vasil
Mar-26 Deborah Hartney
Mar-26 Robert Cacchillo

Mar-26 Leonard Bieringer
Mar-26 Nancy Cyr
Mar-26 John Kane
Mar-26 Roger Thorin
Mar-26 Susan Smith
Mar-26 Brendan Boyle
Mar-26 Maria Holton
Mar-26 Concetto Cugno
Mar-26 Denis Turcotte
Mar-26 Patricia Lizon
Mar-26 Mary O'Brien
Mar-26 Barry Pearson
Mar-26 Kenneth Giantonio
Mar-26 Kevin Kossbiel
Mar-26 Donald Gary Trzasko
Mar-26 Donna Veach
Mar-26 Faustino Zucchi
Mar-26 Kenneth Lavoie
Mar-26 Janet Bowen
Mar-26 Paul Clavette
Mar-26 Nicole Descheneaux
Mar-26 David Zajac
Mar-26 Chet Formica
Mar-26 John Arcidiacono, Jr.
Mar-26 John Bogden
Mar-26 John Gotchis
Mar-26 Joseph Palmese
Mar-26 Mary Ann Lombardo
Mar-26 John R. D'Onofrio, Jr.
Mar-26 Tyler D'Onofrio
Mar-26 Michael D'Onofrio
Mar-26 Patti D'Onofrio
Mar-26 Dennis Baker
Mar-26 William Ackerman II
Mar-26 Glenn Alonzo
Mar-26 Dominique Mendes
Mar-26 Kyle Anderson
Mar-26 Cynthia Nolan
Mar-26 Carmelina Fidelio
Mar-26 Angelo Dalfonso
Mar-26 Michael Ciniti

Mar-26 John Napierski
Mar-26 Richard Czapkowski
Mar-26 Lidia Chatham
Mar-26 Kathryn Favreau
Mar-26 Linda Retano
Mar-26 Deborah Wojas
Mar-26 Kathleen Leiner
Mar-26 Tim Holcomb
Mar-26 Richard Dinda
Mar-26 Kenneth Marzi
Mar-26 In Memory of Francis E. Gentile LM
Apr-26 In Memory of Kevin Glove
Apr-26 Henry Rodrigue
Apr-26 Carlos Pina, Jr.
Apr-26 David Moskal LM
Apr-26 Paul Petrisko
Apr-26 Peter Rutovich
Apr-26 Brian Gregson
Apr-26 William Yanchak
Apr-26 Wayne Fretz
Apr-26 Andrew Kyriacou
Apr-26 Arthur Schneider
Apr-26 Richard Scavilla
Apr-26 Frank Messer
Apr-26 John Yanchak
Apr-26 Christopher Wodnicki
Apr-26 Doreen Hellandbrand
Apr-26 Peter Clavette
Apr-26 Shirley Osle
Apr-26 Ann Targonski Brown
Apr-26 David Ciaccia
Apr-26 Anthony Uvino
Apr-26 Brian Jendrzejczyk
Apr-26 Alice Milardo
Apr-26 Laurie Kosich
May-26 Cynthia Debonee
May-26 Joe Shilinga
May-26 In Memory of Thomas Foy
May-26 Adrien LM & Rita Leclerc
May-26 Ronald Muzzulini
May-26 Eugene Polaske
May-26 Peter Brooks
May-26 Carol LePage
Jun-26 David Kunitis

Jun-26 William F. "Farrell, Jr."
July-26 Donna Sgro
Aug-26 Mark Q. Anderson
Sep-26 Thomas Satalino
Dec-26 Sharon Simpson
Mar-27 David A. Bailey
Mar-27 Peter Denuzze
Mar-27 Patrick McCabe
Mar-27 Anonymous
Mar-27 Gary Duran
Mar-27 Gary Loomis
Mar-27 Jeff Arute
Mar-27 David Heckman
Mar-27 Roger Ramm
Mar-27 Stephen Dygus
Mar-27 Mykela Hudyma
Mar-27 Frank Baldino
Mar-27 John Revey
Apr-29 Salvatore Giarratana
Mar-27 Joseph Vaverchak
Mar-27 John Eshoo
Mar-27 Brian Bagdasarian
Mar-27 Evelyn Hudyma
Mar-27 Mykola Hudyma
Mar-27 Scott Rosado
Mar-27 Sandy Ryiz
Mar-27 Andy Ryiz
May-27 Andrew Donofrio, Jr.
May-27 Elizabeth Parent
Jun-27 George F. Sahadi LM
Sep-27 Catherine Lizon
Sep-27 Stanley Lizon
Oct-27 Brian Martinchek
Dec-27 Ronald Kisluk
Mar-28 Diane Kral
Mar-28 Richard Krumins
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Mar-28 James Vasellina
Apr-28 David Bagdasarian
Apr-28 Alina Kalisz
May-28 Richard Diminno
May-28 Paul J. Amenta
May-28 David Bagdasarian
Jun-28 Ken Kezer LM
Aug-28 Anthony Masciotra LM

Sep-28 Tracey Bacchus
Sep-28 Thomas J. Luddy
Sep-28 Frank "Teti, Jr."
Jan-29 Fran Keating
Feb-29 In Memory of Peter Hart LM
Mar-29 Leonard Corto
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Dec-30 Richard Oulundsen
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Apr-31 Ronald J. Kolpak LM
Aug-31 Gary Debenian LM
Oct-31 Elaine Wass
Oct-31 William Wass
Dec-31 John J. Zottler LM

Mar-32 Stephen Osakowicz LM
May-32 Anthony Scierka
Mar-33 Randy Williams LM
Mar-34 Pat & Walter Florkowski LM
May-34 Peter Smulski
Sep-34 Michael McKinstry
Sept-34 Geoffrey Fowler
Oct-34 Mary Jane Parlow & Late Al Parlow "PER, PDD"
Dec-34 Donald Perrotta "LM, PER"
Mar-35 Frederick Odell, LM
Jan-36 Robert "Ferrone, SR." "PDD, HLM"
Jun-36 Jan Lonski
Feb-37 Bruce Larson LM
Mar-37 Selden K. Griffen III
Nov-37 Dr. Richard L. Judd
Apr-38 Walter Ochankowski
May-38 Rosalind Terranova
Mar-39 Richard Drezek
Sep-39 Thomas Bozek
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
Jun-46 Richard Wiszniak
Jun-51 Dean Sasso
May-53 Bryan Anderson
Mar-54 Vincent Perez LM
May-54 Italian American War Veterans
Dec-54 Paul J. "Manafort, Sr." LM
Apr-64 William McCue
Apr-69 Michael J. Symolon
May-72 Thomas Farrelly LM
May-2073 Peter Morran LM
Mar-2107 Alfred Blumes
Feb-2184 Edward Michalek
Jan-2341 Peter T. Bourdon

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

Thank you

Welfare Night

Friday
November 21st
Dinner - 6:00 pm
Turkey Raffle - 7:30 PM

At the Elks, we love our members and are proud when they share their time at the lodge with their friends and family.

A reminder, under house rules, only members are allowed to purchase alcohol for their guests and are responsible for ensuring all guests are properly registered in.

Additionally, with that in mind, and considering all our member benefits shared with guests, the officers strongly encourage that if any visitors visit the lodge more than a few times a year, that they become regular members. After all, they are enjoying all the benefits of membership, and it is only fair to everyone. Besides, what other organization gives you a ***free dinner** worth over \$30 with each yearly membership.

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September

New Britain Elks Lodge 957

| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
|--|---|---|--|--|---|--|
|  |  1 | 2 | Lodge Meeting 3 7 PM Dinner 6 pm | 4 | Friday 5 Fun Nights Buden Dinner |  6 <u>HOT DOGS</u> 12-2 pm |
|  \$20 7 | Steak Night 8 6 PM \$25  | 9 | 10 Dinner 6 pm |  11 Ritual 6:00 PM | Friday 12 Fun Nights Mary and Deb Chicken Stuffing & Veg |  13 <u>HOT DOGS & HAMBURGERS</u> 12-2 pm |
|  \$20 14 | Meatloaf 15 Dinner by Mary \$15 for dinner <i>Starts at 5 PM. A signup sheet is located in bar area.</i> | 16 | District Deputy 17 Visitation & Initiation Dinner 6 pm | 18 | Friday 19 Fun Nights Potato Bar  Ritual 6 PM | HOT DOGS 20 12-2 pm 70'S DISCO PARTY - 6PM |
|  \$20 21 | 22 | Taco Tuesday 23 3 for \$7 5:00 PM till we run out  | 24 Dinner 6 pm | 25 | Friday 26 Fun Nights Chris's Crazy DJ & Karoke 7PM |  27 <u>HOT DOGS & HAMBURGERS</u> 12-2 pm |
|  \$20 28 | 29 | 30 |  | | | |

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