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## EXALTED RULER'S MESSAGE



December! The last month of 2024 already!!! I hope everyone had a Great Thanksgiving!

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Friday night Dinners are still going strong and as always, thanks to those making them happen! Please see Uncle Bob to volunteer...

November was a busy month full of Thanks!!

We had our Halloween Party, with some awesome costumes and a great time had by all. Our own member "Buddy" and his band Big Chief played.

Christine hosted her annual Pocket Book Bingo which was again sold out!! Thank you Christine!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Our District VP Mark Niero and District Deputy Connie Cantwell had their Homecomings this month.

I attended the annual Fall Conference in Long Branch. I learned a lot and got to mingle with some great people!

I would personally like to thank Gary L, John G, and all involved in getting our new walk-in cooler up and running!! Thank you very much for your time, and it is much appreciated.

REMINDER THE WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA WILL BE COMING THROUGH TOWN DEC 11TH AM WITH A CEREMONY AT THE INLET. IF ABLE TO ATTEND, IT'S WELL WORTH IT!!!!!!!!!!!!

We also brought in new members!! Welcome to Elkdome!!!!!!!!

The Open Door Thanksgiving hosted by Brian and Terry happened again this year. An awesome gesture to give a hot Thanksgiving meal with no questions. I can safely speak for Brian and Terry in giving a very big, heartfelt, Thank you to those that came out on your Thanksgiving to help out. Very, very much appreciated.

I would like to personally thank Gary L., John G., and all who helped get the new walk-in up and running, for your time and expertise. Very much appreciated!!!

More lodge improvements in the works.....

December looks fun!

Activities to include: SSC committee Xmas Party, SCC game night, Ugly Sweater Party and Irish New Years!

More events in the works, so please read the Weekly Blast put out by Joe Pesany( Thanks Joe!)

Hope to see you all at our Lodge events, and support the other Lodges in our District as you can.

Anyone interested in becoming an Officer or Volunteering for a Committee, please don't hesitate to reach out! Remember, the Lodge is dependent on its Members to sustain!

God Bless America!

With Gratitude.

Bob Hatch

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# DECEMBER ELK OF THE MONTH

## ELK OF THE MONTH FOR DECEMBER

### ELK OF THE MONTH BY HOUSE COMMITTEE JACK WALSH

**Our Elk of the Month for December is Jack Walsh**

Our Elk of the Month for December is Jack Walsh. Jack is a long time member of our Lodge, a Vietnam Veteran and our current Americanism Chairman.

Jack is very active in the Lodge and helps out with all of our events. As Americanism Chairman, Jack is in charge of the student essays at the Beach and Boro Schools and taking good care of our American flags around the Lodge and in Veterans Park.

Jack is also in charge of our Flag Day Ceremony which is always a big day for the Lodge and our Community. He also held a ceremony in Veterans Park on Veterans Day to honor all Veterans.

Jack also supports the Lodge by lending a helping hand when needed, recently driving the truck to pick up our 'newish' Kitchen equipment.

Jack, thank you for your service to our country and to Point Pleasant Lodge #1698.

**Please join us in congratulating Jack on being recognized as our Elk of the Month**



# VETERANS NEWS



**By: Nancy DeVito**

I would like to thank Heather, Chuck, and Paul for helping a local Veteran in need. You all have hearts of gold and I'm proud of your dedication to helping our Veterans/military.

I would like to thank Phyliss Willever for taking care of the Elks grant money which will be used for welcome kits/furniture for our Veterans.

My committee will be putting together care packages for the troops serving overseas and will be shipping them out through Operation Jersey Cares.

I'd like to welcome our new elk members to the Veterans committee Gloria, Karen and Roseanna. We look forward to having extra hands and new ideas to assist our Veterans and military.

Santa and Mrs. Claus have a full schedule at JBMDL to bring cheer to families of Army, Air Force, Marines, and Navy this holiday season.



Thank You to all Veterans who have served and those who are serving. God Bless you and your families.

Remember those who gave all at Pearl Harbor Dec. 7





# VETERANS NEWS

**By: Nancy DeVito**



IT MAY BE A BIT EARLY TO POST BUT MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR Feb.15

SOUTHEAST DISTRICT VETERANS COMMITTEE  
70/80's DISCO DANCE PARTY FUNDRAISER



SATURDAY 2/15/2025 7-11PM  
POINT PLEASANT ELKS LODGE  
820 ARNOLD AVE. POINT PLEASANT NJ 08742

\$15 PER PERSON  
BRING YOUR OWN SNACKS  
COFFEE, TEA, AND DESSERT INCLUDED  
MUSIC BY DJ LORI

BEVERAGES AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

OPEN TO ELKS MEMBERS AND THEIR GUESTS

**AWARD FOR BEST DRESSED**  
JOIN US FOR A NIGHT OF FUN AND FRIENDS AS WE RAISE  
MONEY FOR OUR VETERANS CHARITIES

Recently we lost two great Elks. Long time Veterans Committee member **Ron Panuska** and Past Exalted ruler **Dino Castronova**. We will never forget our brothers. Our deepest condolences to their families.

We received a grant from Grand Lodge for Welcome Home Kits/Furniture needed for our Veterans. Thanks to Phyliss Willever for taking charge of the shopping for the needed items.

I would also like to thank Heather Dettra, Robin Moran, and Georgiana Walsh for stepping up to attend the SED meetings for Point Pleasant Elks Veterans Committee.



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# UGLY SWEATER XMAS PARTY

Point Pleasant Elks  
Lodge #1698 Presents  
820 Arnold Avenue Point Pleasant, NJ

# UGLY Sweater CHRISTMAS PARTY

December  
Saturday **21** at 6:00pm

**Mary's Eggnog**  
**Bring A Dish**

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# **MOTORCYCLE COMMITTEE**



Point Pleasant Elks Motorcyce Committee

## **SUNDAY BREAKFAST**

|           |                                                                                     |        |
|-----------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|
| Eggs      |  | Bacon  |
| Pancakes  |                                                                                     | Coffee |
| Pork Roll |                                                                                     | Tea    |
| Sausage   |                                                                                     | Toast  |
| Homefries |                                                                                     | Juice  |

**First Sunday of the Month 9-11AM**

|                           |                          |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| Point Pleasant Elks #1698 | <b>\$12 Per Person</b>   |
| 820 Arnold Ave            | <b>Veterans Eat Free</b> |
| Point Pleasant Beach, NJ  | For more info call       |
|                           | Nick 908.370.6073        |





## SNC COMMITTEE PRESENTS

Point Pleasant Elks  
Lodge #1698  
820 Arnold Ave Point Pleasant, NJ

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A

# WINTER Wonderland Charity Ball \$55.00PP

SATURDAY, JANUARY 18TH  
COCKTAIL HOUR 5PM-6PM  
Includes Select Beverages

Dinner & Dancing 6PM-10PM  
Cash Bar

RSVP  
Donna Pesany by  
Jan. 3rd  
908-447-7938

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## SNC COMMITTEE NEWS

Point Pleasant Elks  
Presents

**SPECIAL CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY**  
**December 8TH,**  
**11:00AM-12:30pm**

Bring your kids, to join us as  
we celebrate

Merry  
Christmas

Pictures with Santa and Mrs. Claus  
**Hot Dogs, Chicken Fingers &  
French Fries will be served**

RSVP By 12/1/24 Donna Pesany 908-447-7938  
Call or Text.

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## SNC COMMITTEE NEWS

Lodge  
**Children Christmas**

**Sunday December 8th**

**1:00PM - 2:30PM**

**LOCATION**

Point Pleasant Elks Lodge #1698  
820 Arnold Ave Point Pleasant, NJ

- Pictures with Santa
- Bring a wrapped gift with your child's name
- Hot Dogs, Chicken Nuggets & French Fries

RSVP TO : Donna - Call or Text 908-447-7938

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# SPECIAL NEEDS COMMITTEE NEWS



**FRIDAY DECEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup> (6-10PM)**

Point Pleasant Beach Lodge 1698 SPECIAL CHILDREN'S COMMITTEE (SCC) PRESENTS

**TEAM CHALLENGE NIGHT!**

**\$20 DONATION COVERS TEAM ENTRY (UP TO 4 PEOPLE PER TEAM)**



## Games Include:

Decades Trivia  
Paper airplane throw  
Team Giant Jenga  
Name that tune  
Guess the number in the jar

Kitchen open 6-8  
Slider night/salads  
Chicken soup



(Proceeds of team entry and kitchen benefit SCC)



# AMERICANISM NEWS

**VETERANS DAY CEREMONY FRIDAY 11-11-24 @ 10 AM AMERICANISM COMMITTEE**

**There will be a short ceremony on 11-11-24@10:00am to honor the Veterans of our country. Coffee n Bagels will be served in the Grill Room afterwards**

## To Honor All Military Personnel Lost Or Buried At Sea



**December 11, 2024**

**11:30 a.m.**

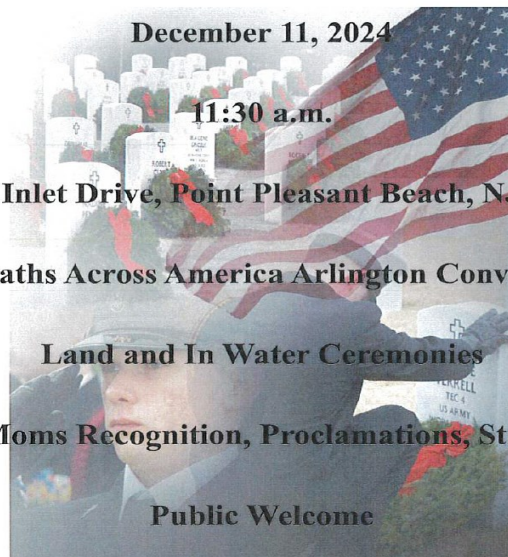
**Inlet Drive, Point Pleasant Beach, NJ**

**A Wreaths Across America Arlington Convoy Stop**

**Land and In Water Ceremonies**

**Gold Star Moms Recognition, Proclamations, Student Essays**

**Public Welcome**





# DECEMBER 2024

| Sun                                                                                                                                                           | Mon                              | Tue                                                                                                                                  | Wed                                                                                                                  | Thu       | Fri                                                                                                                                             | Sat                                                                                                                                                |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>1</b><br><b>MC Breakfast</b><br><b>9-11AM</b>                                                                                                              | <b>2</b><br><b>Lodge Closed</b>  | <b>3</b><br><b>Lodge Meeting</b><br><b>8PM</b>                                                                                       | <b>4</b>                                                                                                             | <b>5</b>  | <b>6</b><br><b>Team Challenge</b><br><b>Night 6-10PM</b><br> | <b>7</b><br><b>Pearl Harbor</b>                                                                                                                    |
| <b>8</b><br><b>Children's Xmas Parties</b><br><b>See Flyer for times</b><br> | <b>9</b><br><b>Lodge Closed</b>  | <b>10</b>                                                                                                                            | <b>11</b>                                                                                                            | <b>12</b> | <b>13</b>                                                                                                                                       | <b>14</b>                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>15</b><br><b>Food Available</b><br><b>2- 6PM</b>                                                                                                           | <b>16</b><br><b>Lodge Closed</b> | <b>17</b><br><b>Lodge Meeting</b><br><b>8PM</b><br><br><b>Special Children's Committee Meeting 7pm</b>                               | <b>18</b>                                                                                                            | <b>19</b> | <b>20</b><br><b>Friday Night Dinner</b>                                                                                                         | <b>21</b><br><b>Ugly Sweater Xmas Party</b><br><b>6PM</b><br> |
| <b>22</b><br><b>Food Available</b><br><b>2- 6PM</b>                                                                                                           | <b>23</b><br><b>Lodge Closed</b> | <b>24</b><br><b>Christmas Eve</b><br>             | <b>25</b><br><b>Christmas</b><br> | <b>26</b> | <b>27</b><br><b>Friday Night Dinner</b>                                                                                                         | <b>28</b>                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>29</b><br><b>Food Available</b><br><b>2- 6PM</b>                                                                                                           | <b>30</b><br><b>Lodge Closed</b> | <b>31</b><br><b>Irish New Years Eve Party</b><br> |                                                                                                                      |           |                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                                                                                                    |
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## ANTLER BOOSTERS



|                       |                   |                    |                  |
|-----------------------|-------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| JOHN PELLEGRINO       | ALFRED PEARCE     | JOHN LYNCH         | LEONARD LUCCIONI |
| WILLIAM LEINWEBER     | WAYNE MARTIAK     | PATRICIA KRASOWSKI | ROBERT KRASOWSKI |
| MATTHEW KRASOWSKI     | JOHN MARS         | CLEMENS BREMER     | BRIAN VROOME     |
| ROSEMARY TASSIE       | STEPHEN TASSIE    | ELIZABETH TORODE   | RICHARD HOFFMAN  |
| PAUL & NAOMI BRUNDAGE | JOHN SECOR        | JAMES McCROHAN     | BRIAN COYLE      |
| IRENE MARQUIS         | JOHN LYNCH        | CLEMENS BREWER     | ROBERT KRASOWSKI |
| PATRICIA KRASOWSKI    | WILLIAM LIENWEBER |                    |                  |

## MEMORIALS

|                      |                           |                      |                      |
|----------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| William Leinweber    | Joe Kowalsky              | David Francis        | Herbert Francis      |
| Joseph Chickene      | Marianne Chickene         | William Leinweber    | Larry Romano         |
| Regina McCabe        | Robert McCabe             | Karen & Gary Laudisi | Joseph & Joan Abradi |
| Anthony Russo        | Catherine Pannullo        | William Leinweber    | Ken Kaminski         |
| Karen & Gary Laudisi | Joseph & Lena Laudisi     | John Lynch           | William Lynch        |
| John Lynch           | Robert Lynch              | John Lynch           | Paul Lynch           |
| Custer Dalik         | Dee Dalik                 | Chuck Gorrie         | Gus Adamo            |
| Sandy Kent           | Alfred Wyanne , Jr.       | Lawrence Dooley      | Hy A. Dooley         |
| Clmens Bremer        | James Neral               | John Mars            | Gertrude Mars        |
| Margaret Dieker      | William Harrison Brown II | Marjorie McGhee      | Joe Auriemma         |
| Linda Kopet          | Alan Lavitola             | Sharon Haugh         | Bob Haugh            |
| Sharon Haugh         | Dave & Lois McWilliam     | Charles Brady        | Carmie Brady         |
| James McCrohan       | Rosemary McCrohan         | Marilyn Lavitola     | Alan Lavitola        |
| Irene Marquis        | Nicholas Fetsick          | Edward Redling       | Edward J. Redling    |
| Martin Van Druten    | William VanDruten Sr.     | Chris Whelan         | Walter Whelan        |
| Karen Navarro        | Mario Fernandez           | John Lynch           | Robert Lynch         |
| John Lynch           | Paul Lynch                | Jon Lynch            | William Lynch        |
| Linda Contract       | Phil Contract             | Patricia Krasowski   | Robert Krasowski     |
| James Skinner        | Louis DeFilipo            |                      |                      |



THE BANQUET HALL IS OPEN

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