

EXALTED RULER LETTER

GREETINGS FELLOW ELKS...

First, let me apologize not having an ER letter in the February Bullhorn, unfortunately life and responsibilities outside of Elkdom happened and got in the way. When we all took the obligation, we were reassured that "there is nothing which may interfere with your duty to yourself or your family" and sometimes for those who hold many roles within our lodge we need to remember this line.

Over the last couple of weeks I have been asked "How has year been?" or "Are you glad you became ER?" and lastly "Why did you want to be ER?" and it has really made me think as the year has blown by and so many things have happened.

I am glad I became ER as it was an honor to be the first female for the lodge but it also gave me a chance to work on my passion for our Veterans. I got to make a great relationship with The Road to Hope and will continue to work with them in the future. I was very excited to team up with our fellow Elks from Lakewood Lodge for our first annual Veterans dinner that had a wonderful turnout and I can't wait to do it again next year. However, I wish I could have accomplished more during my year however I will continue my efforts as a PER.

I am also very proud of all our members who follow their passions which I have mentioned over the past Bullhorns however in case you have forgotten here they are:

- 3RS—Patrick Greenhill
- Maryssas's Mission – Mitch and Mindy Rivas
- Wounded Heros – Lora Volpe

And also to our members who have continued to commit their time and efforts to the following programs:

- Backpack program- Dianna Threadgill
- ENF- Eric Banks, PER
- Hoop Shoot – Kevin Maloney, PER
- Americanism Chair and Darts Chair—Bill Maloney, PER
- Food Bank – Jeff Coyle, PER, DAC

And there are so many more but these were just to name a few. I was happy to see new members get involved with several of our community projects.

Now that my year is ending, we have had our first round of nominations for officers for the 2024-2025 Elks year and the nominees are:

- Exalted Ruler - Bob Bickford
- Esteemed Leading Knight - Deborah Greenhill
- Esteemed Loyal Knight - Hans Larsen
- Esteemed Lecturing Knight - Dianna Threadgill
- Secretary - Jeff Coyle, PER, DAC
- Treasurer - Danielle Mahany
- 1st Year Trustee - Andrew Tyler

The following Trustees will remain in place and move forward in years served:

- 2nd Year Trustee - Aric Pruitt
- 3rd Year Trustee - Patrick Greenhill
- 4th Year Trustee - Rich Ward
- 5th Year Trustee - Jonathan Elias

Second round of nominations will be held on March 6th during the Lodge meeting. I encourage everyone to attend the meeting.

Whether you are the ER or a member in good standing, your journey through Elkdom is what you make of it and everyone's journey will be different and may not make sense to everyone but it is your journey and you should enjoy it!!!

There is no wrong journey to take in Elkdom just make it your own and be proud of it! Elkdom is about the people you will meet and the events you will get involved with and just a sense of pride of being part of an organization that does great wonderful things for our community.

I am very thankful for those who have supported me this year. I am proud of all our members for making this a year I will never forget.

Danielle Mahany

Exalted Ruler, Berea Elks #1815

UPCOMING EVENTS

**TUESDAYS & FRIDAYS
6:00 P.M. TO 8:00 P.M.**

FISH FRIDAYS THROUGH MARCH 29TH

MARCH

March 2 - 907 1/2 Club

March 3 - 3RS Wellness Program

March 5 - Dart League Playoffs - Round 1

March 6 - Lodge Meeting

March 9 - Whiskey & Bourbon Tasting

March 12 - Dart League Semifinals

March 13 - BOD Meeting

March 16 - St. Patty's Day "Pregame" Party

March 19 - Dart League Championship Finals

March 20 - Lodge Meeting

March 23 - March Madness Night

March 26 - Dart League Banquet

March 29 - LAST FISH FRIDAY!

March 30 - Officer Installation & Party

March 30 - Biggest Loser Final Weigh-In

March 31 - DUES ARE DUE

APRIL

April 3 - Lodge Meeting

April 7 - Wrestlemania! & Garage Sale Setup

April 10 - Board of Director's Meeting

April 11 - Annual Garage Sale

April 15 - Federal Taxes Due Today

April 17 - Lodge Meeting

April 20 - 1815 Club

April 21 - Community Honors Banquet

April 26-28 - Ohio Elks State Convention

April 30 - Lodge Golf League Starts!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

MARCH

March 2 - Steven Hill
March 2 - Lisa Montalvo
March 4 - Michael Kresty
March 4 - Robert Porter
March 8 - Mike Dalessandro
March 10 - Mark Seme
March 10 - Wayne Spraggins
March 12 - Jack Topeka, PER
March 16 - Ronda Pruitt
March 19 - Joe Caracci
March 28 - Matt Jacko
March 29 - William Strippy
March 31 - Robert Showalter

Bourbon & Whiskey Tasting - March 2024

\$30.00

The age old debate of Irish Whiskey vs. American Bourbon continues to plague our society. The Berea Elks will try to solve the world's problems once again with our annual Irish Whiskey and American Bourbon Tasting. For only \$30 you can enjoy some of the finest spirits these respective countries have to offer.

Prepare for St. Patrick's day a little early and join the lodge for what is always a fun, entertaining, and even educational time. Beer and liquor tastings are the perfect time for bringing a guest as these events really show how great our lodge is. Join us Saturday, March 9, 2024 at 7:00 PM.

ANNUAL LODGE GARAGE SALE

The Berea Elks will be hosting our annual garage sale on Thursday, April 11th from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the upstairs hall.

It's a chance for you to clean out some of the stuff that's been accumulating in the garage, basement, and various drawers. If it's too good to throw out, but you will probably never use it again, it's garage sale worthy.

After the sale, any left-overs go to the Salvation Army.

You can drop off your "stuff" any time the lodge is open, between April 5th and April 10th. All items being dropped off are donations to the lodge with all proceeds from the sale benefitting the lodge general fund so that we may continue to serve our community.

We will be "setting up" the hall on Saturday April 6th at 6:00 p.m. If any member is available to help setup the hall that night, please com by the lodge.

Any questions, call Danielle Mahany, Dianna Threadgill, or Bob Bickford.

3R's Wellness Program

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2024, 10:00 A.M. - NOON **OR**
SUNDAY, MARCH 3, 2024, 10:00 A.M. - NOON

EVENT LOCATION

BEREA ELKS LODGE #1815
626 NORTH ROCKY RIVER DRIVE
BEREA, OH. 44017

In honor of those who serve and have served, Berea Elks Lodge #1815 is proud to host a **FREE Wellness Program** addressing reintegration to civilian life, PTSD mitigation, and learning personal health warning signs.

- Learn how to impact your personal health and wellness and learn the warning signs of deteriorated wellness for fellow veterans and other
- Take aways will include an ability to track wellness metrics through wearable devices provided by our program
- Learn how to build a foundational routine for an understanding about HOW and WHY, rather only learning WHAT impacts wellness

We will feature a presentation on building foundational routines to improve resilience:

The 3Rs Path:

Emotional Resilience

Mission Readiness

Healthy Reintegration

THE PROGRAM IS **FREE** TO ACTIVE MILITARY, VETERANS AND FIRST RESPONDERS.

Registrants will receive free gift bags containing personal health monitoring equipment, health diaries, and other supplies essential to the program (supplies are limited to first come, first serve).

A complimentary light lunch will be served after the short 2-hour seminar to all those who attend.

ALL REGISTRATION INFORMATION IS KEPT CONFIDENTIAL AND IS NOT SHARED WITH ANY ENTITY

This program is funded by a Freedom Grant awarded to Berea Elks Lodge #1815 From The Elks National Foundation.

AMERICANISM WINNERS

I am proud to announce this year's Elks Americanism Essay winners sponsored by our Berea Elks Lodge! The theme was *"What the Bill of Rights Means to Me"*. The top three essays were chosen for each grade in no particular order. Our local winners are:

5th grade:

Colin Kalish - St. Mary of the Falls

Julianna Holder - St. Mary of the Falls

Ella Gavriiuc - Berea-Midpark Middle School

6th grade:

Kylie Gabor - Berea-Midpark Middle School

Simone Carter - Berea-Midpark Middle School

Heaven Vazquez - Berea-Midpark Middle School

7th grade:

Lillian Rokas - Olmsted Falls Middle School

Ella Ayyad - Olmsted Falls Middle School

Colleen Mack - Olmsted Falls Middle School

8th grade:

Hibba Khan - Olmsted Falls Middle School

Josiah Tillman - Olmsted Falls Middle School

Isabella Molnar - Berea-Midpark Middle School

Colin, Kylie & Hibba were later selected as NE District winners and will move on to the State of Ohio competition. Good Luck in the State contest! Winners for Ohio will be announced in April.

Congratulations to all these winning students! A special note, Hibba Khan is a NE District winner for the 2nd year in a row!

Thanks to all the members who assisted in reading over 600 essays and selected the winning essays at both the local and district levels.

Bill Maloney

Berea Elks Lodge & NE District Americanism Chairman

Macho Bingo

Sale Price: \$40.00 Original Price: ~~\$50.00~~

MACHO BINGO

The Purse Bingo in the fall was such a great success, we have decided to hold a "Macho Bingo" in June focused on the boys so they don't feel left out!

The inaugural "Macho Bingo" will be held Saturday, June 15, 2024 with prizes centered around indoor and outdoor home improvement. The DIY weekend warrior will love these!

A full list of items will be posted here as we get closer to the event.

Doors open at 5:00 p.m. with games starting at 6:00 p.m.

Cost is \$40 in advance & \$50 at the door.

You can order online or at the bar and tickets will be waiting for you at the door on the day of the event.

Admission includes ten bingo games for prizes, light snacks and a chance to win a door prize. There will be a cash bar, side raffles and a 50/50 as well.

11th Annual Berea Elks Golf Outing

SATURDAY, AUGUST 24, 2024

Berea Elks Lodge #1815 will hold our **11th-Annual Lodge Golf Outing** at a new venue! This year it will be at Briarwood Golf Club in Broadview Heights!

Support our Lodge and have a great time! As always, friends & guests are welcome!

18-hole Scramble format. Lunch at the turn. Prizes and dinner afterwards *at the course*. Skins, closest-to-the-pin & longest-drive holes also.

Player check-in at 9:00 a.m. with shotgun start at 10:00 a.m.

Any questions please contact Matt Williams, Chairman, at williams78@yahoo.com

Cost is \$120 per golfer or \$450 per team (if team paid in full at one time)
All Elks and friends of Elks are welcome to play!

*There will be a bourbon & cigar Event following golf at the lodge for an extra cost.
Details on the website and in the lounge.*

Briarwood Golf Club
2737 Edgerton Road
Broadview Heights, OH 44147

HOLE SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE

Support the lodge and sponsor a hole today! Sponsorship costs only \$50 and all proceeds benefit the lodge directly.

Northeast District Golf Outing

SATURDAY, JUNE 1, 2024

Berea Elks Lodge #1815 will host the **2024 Northeast District Golf Outing**.
This year it will be at Royal Crest Golf Club in Columbia Station, OH!

18-hole, 4-person team scramble format with staggered start times on split tees.
Limited to the first 18 teams.

ENTRY FEE INCLUDES

18 holes of golf with a cart
Beer & lunch at the turn
Dinner after golf, at the course
Longest drive contest (\$50 winner)
Closest in two contest (\$50 winner)

ADDITIONAL CONTESTS AVAILABLE

ADDITIONAL CONTESTS ARE CASH ONLY, TO BE PAID AT EVENT

Team Skins (\$20/team)
Powerball (\$20/team)
Mulligans (\$5/each, max 2 per golfer)
Four (4) Charity Holes (closest to the pin to benefit veterans, CP, ENF, and endowment)

Player check-in open at 10:00 a.m. with scheduled start times beginning at 10:40 a.m.

Exact tee-times will be sent to all team captains prior to the event.

Any questions please contact Richard Threadgill, PER at bereaelk@gmail.com or at 216-210-5339

Cost is \$90 per golfer (\$360/team)
Currently restricted to Elks members and their significant others.

There will be a bourbon & cigar event following golf at the lodge for an extra cost.

Royal Crest Golf Club
23110 Royalton Road
Columbia Station, OH 44028

HOLE SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE

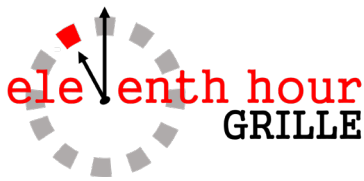
Support the district and sponsor a hole today! Sponsorship costs only \$50!



March 2024



SU	MO	TU	WE	TH	FR	SA
					1 6p Fish Friday! (No Trivia)	2 6:30p Biggest Loser Weigh-in 7p 907 1/2 Club
3 10a 3RS Wellness Seminar	4	5 6p 11th Hour Grille 7p Dart League Playoffs - Single Elimination Round	6 7:30p Lodge Meeting - All Elks Welcome!	7 6p Power Squadron Classes	8 6p Fish Friday! (No Trivia)	9 6:30p Biggest Loser Weigh-In 7p Whiskey & Bourbon Tasting
10	11	12 6p 11th Hour Grille 7p Dart League - Semifinals	13 7:30p Board of Director's Meeting - All Elks Welcome!	14 6p Power Squadron Classes	15 6p Fish Friday! (No Trivia)	16 6:30p Biggest Loser Weigh-In 7p St. Patrick's Day Pre-Game Potluck Party
17 6p Happy St. Patrick's Day! (Lodge Closed)	18	19 6p 11th Hour Grille 7p Dart League - Championship Finals	20 7:30p Lodge Meeting - All Elks Welcome!	21 6p Power Squadron Classes	22 6p Fish Friday! (No Trivia)	23 6p March Madness Night - 1st Round Tournament Action 6:30p Biggest Loser Weigh-In
24	25	26 6p 11th Hour Grille 7p Dart League Banquet & Awards Night	27	28 6p Power Squadron Classes	29 6p Last Fish Friday! (No Trivia)	30 6p Officer Installation & Celebration Party 6:30p Biggest Loser Weigh-In - FINAL
31 6p Happy Easter (Lodge Closed)						



Menu

FISH FRIDAY

MARCH 1, 2024

A LA CARTE

- CALAMARI*** **\$10.00**
Includes side of marinara sauce
- CAULIFLOWER WINGS** 🍃 **\$10.00**
Lightly battered and tossed in a thai chili glaze.
- WALLEYE BITES*** **\$10.00**
Fresh Lake Erie walleye chunks lightly battered and fried. Served with tater sauce.
- SALMON FRITTERS*** **\$10.00**
Buttery, crispy salmon fritters with house made dill sauce
- SMALL HOUSE SALAD** 🍃 **\$4.00**
Spring greens with tomatoes, red onions, cucumbers, cheese and croutons. Dressings: Ranch, Italian, Vinaigrette, Bleu Cheese, or Catalina/French.
- CABBAGE & NOODLES** 🍃 **\$3.00**
- FRESH CUT FRIES** 🍃 **\$4.00**
- BBQ CARROTS** 🍃 **\$4.00**
- CARLA'S DILL SLAW** 🍃 **\$3.00**
- PEROGIES (MIN OF 2)** 🍃 **\$3.00/ea.**
Includes sauteed onions and side of sour cream
- CHICKEN NUGGS*** **\$8.00**
For the kids, or grown ups without an adult palate. Honey mustard, ranch, or BBQ sauce.
- FRESH SALMON*** **\$13.00**
Prepared to order. Choice of salt-n-pepper, cajun, or lemon pepper preparation.

DID YOU KNOW?

The Elks created the first ever hospital in 1918 to accommodate maimed and wounded soldiers returning from WWI. This 700-bed reconstruction hospital was built in Boston and was given to the War Department.

This was the only Veterans Hospital after World War I to be donated by a private entity and was the first of what was to become the VA medical centers.

*Consuming raw or undercooked meats, poultry, seafood, shellfish, or eggs may increase your risk of foodborne illness, especially if you have certain medical conditions.

OHIO LAW LIMITS ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE SALES TO ELK MEMBERS ONLY

FEATURES

- LOBSTER RAVIOLI*** **\$15.00**
Raviois bathed in a white wine cream sauce.
Pairs wonderfully with Metier Sauvignon Blanc
- BOURBON TRAIL SALMON*** **\$16.00**
Maker's Mark bourbon glazed salmon filet over sweet potato puree
Awesome with Garage Caliboro
- WALLEYE ROMESCO*** **\$17.00**
Parmesan crusted Lake Erie walleye filet over fresh romesco sauce
Dreaming Tree Chardonnay goes great with this dish
- AHI TUNA NACHOS *** **\$16.00**
Our signature dish. Lightly seared, fiesta-dusted ahi tuna on a fresh crispy corn tortilla with avocado, pickled radish, green onion, and topped with house made sriracha and wasabi cream and fresh jalapeno.
La Catrina Moscato balances nicely with the heat of this dish
- TRADITIONAL FISH & CHIPS*** **\$16.00**
Traditional battered cod filets with fresh cut fries.
Wash down with a cold pint of Guinness
- MUSHROOM MELT** 🍃 **\$16.00**
Portabello mushroom patty melt with fresh cut fries
Harvey & Harriet Red Blend compliments the richness of this plate

WELCOME!

Welcome to Berea Elks "Famous Fish Fridays". We think you'll find this to be one of the best seafood experiences during the traditional Lent fish season.

Our kitchen staff, servers, bussers, and bartenders are all volunteers, giving their time and energy so that all our guests can enjoy a special experience helping our lodge generate important revenue that allows us to contribute back to our community.

Everything is fresh, made to order and during peak times may result in significant wait times. Please be patient as we work to bring you the best food in the area.

