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# **Elks National Foundation is the** cornerstone of Elkdom

Berea Elks are #1 in Ohio in ENF Per-Capita Two Years In A Row!

"Charity is the greatest of virtues"

By Danielle Mahany

Dear fellow Elks,

Did you know that there are 133 Fidelity members in all of Ohio and 33 of themn are from Berea Lodge?

Did you know that being in the Fidelity club gives the lodge the ability to get grants that help us give back to the community?

This year alone grants have gone to the backpack program to buy school supplies (over \$6,000!) along with another \$3,000 going to The Right of Hope (formerly Jack Mulhall Center) to purchase kitchen equipment.

In the past, grants have gone to the Berea Public Library for the Story Walk and to our police, fire and food banks in Berea.

#### So how did we get there?

It was the mission of PER Eric Banks during his term as Exalted Ruler that we get our members back to the basics of Elkdom charity and doing for the community. There also might have been a vision that we would could be #1 in the state of Ohio.

Eric challenged our members and has continued to challenge our members who have not joined the Fidelity club to join as it is easiest way to help donate to the Elks National Foundation (ENF) which directly goes back to the community in the form of grants and scholarships.

It is an easy process to join the ENF Fidelity club and members can have an automatic payment as little as \$5 with no maximum from your debit/credit card or bank account. Visit enf.elks.org/recurring to join.

This month there is even a bigger incentive to join because there is a ENF Lottery Leaf and Giftcards giveaway. ENF Fidelity members are automatical ly entered into the giveaway and must be a member as of September 30th to be eligible for the free entries. You can also purchase additional tickets 1 for \$5 or 3 for \$10.





PER Eric Banks (Center) with OEA ENF Chair Kermit Morse to join. (left) and Grand Exalted Ruler Randy Shook (right)

At the Fall reunion in Columbus, Eric received a plague for the second year in a row for Berea Lodge being #1 in Ohio in ENF per-capita at \$67.88.

Currently, we are in 2nd place and only \$4.10 behind first place. We would like to keep the winning streak alive so please donate and become a Fidelity club member and encourage every member

Our goal this year as a lodge is to reach \$75 per-capita.

I would like to Eric for his passion and commitment to ENF. ENF does a lot of great things for our community. If you have questions about ENF or Fidelity club please reach out to Eric or any of the officers.

Fraternally,

Danielle Mahany

# Lodge Officers & Key Contacts

Berea Elks Lodge #1815 is one of the best lodges in all of Elkdom thanks in many ways to the hard working efforts of the officers and managers of the lodge.



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# Tasty Tuesdays & Fantastic Fridays!

"Tasty Tuesdays" and "Fantastic Fridays" continue into September.

Danielle Mahany will be stewarding the Tuesday 11th Hour Grille duties just about all month with some awesome dinners on Tuesday and Friday nights!

**FANTASTIC FRIDAYS** 

Friday nights are also Trivia Night, hosted by PER Bill Maloney.

#### **TASTY TUESDAYS**

# Sept. 5 - Potato Bar Sept. 1 - CLOSED Sept. 12 - Walking Tacos Sept. 8 - Chicken Paprikash Sept. 19 - Hawt Dawgs! Sept. 15 - Meatloaf Dinner Sept. 26 - Chef's Whim Sept. 22 - Chicken Pot Pie Sept. 29 - Beef Stroganoff

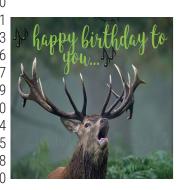
The grille and the bar is always looking for volunteers to help on Tuesdays and Fridays. Even one night a month helps lessen the workload of those who regularly work in the kitchen or bar.

No professional experience is necessary and every little bit helps. If you have any interest or ability to help, please contact the kitchen manager, Richard Threadgill by e-mail (bereaelk@gmail.com) or give him a call at 216-210-5339.

# **Happy Birthday!**

The lodge would like to wish all members with birthdays in September all the best as they celebrate another trip around sun. Be sure to wish each person a happy birthday this month!

Ed Bodach September 1 September 1 James Coone September 9 Allison Gortz Richard Wright September 10 **Bob Courtemanche** September 11 Caroline Kuhl September 13 September 16 James Thompson Sandy Kotex September 17 Greg Coyle September 19 Doug Mouat September 20 David Dalessandro September 24 Richard Koharik September 25 September 28 Rob Wieser September 30 Casey Kensinger



# ELKS ANNUAL I CTOBER 14, 2023

Please join us at Parma Elks Lodge 1938 on Saturday, October 14, 2023 at 5:30PM for our

# **ELKS ANNUAL NORTHEAST DISTRICT CHARITY BALL**

### BENEFITING UNITED CEREBRAL PALSY

For those of you who are unable to attend, there are a few ways you can help us out: purchasing a personal or business ad for our program at prices are listed to the right, donating prizes for the raffle, a bottle of wine for our wine cork pull, and of course, monetary donations are always appreciated. Keep in mind our main purpose is to raise monies for UCP of Cleveland, so that they may give to families in need or buy needed equipment to treat or assist individuals with Cerebral Palsy.

- Dinner will be buffet style and will include appetizers and dessert
- Entertainment by the "Manhattan Band"
- Hotel Information: Embassy Suites by Hilton 216-986-9900 • Group Code: PEC Group Name: Parma ELks Charity Ball Reservations by September 22, 2023 Room Rental Rate: \$129.00 per night
- You can turn in Baskets. Wine. Ticket or Ad sales to Lisa Wadlow at the August State Convention or contact her with any questions at 419-266-7123
- All checks and forms are to be mailed to Jim Vasey, PDDGER at 17512 Flamingo Ave., Cleveland, OH 44135

# \$60 PER TICKET Includes Dinner, Open Bar & Entertainment

## **COSTS FOR PROGRAM ADS:**

- Patron Ad \$10.00
- Business Card Ad \$25.00
- Quarter Page Ad \$35.00
- Half page Ad \$60.00
- Full Page Ad \$100.00
- Front or Back Cover (Inside) \$150.00
- Table Sponsor \$250.00 This includes a full-page Program Ad

Add & Ticket Sales Cutoff is Friday, September 25, 2023 - NO EXCEPTIONS





### 2023-2024 Berea Elks Dart League Sign-ups Now Available

The Lodge Fall & Winter Dart League sign-up sheet is in the Lounge Now! We need 40 regular darters as well as multiple available subs. All darters are welcome, we especially encourage new darters to get involved!

This is open to all members, spouses & friends. We play an 18 week regular season with a 3-week single-elimination tournament at seasons-end. Our 8 best darters will be on separate teams with the balance of each team selected by blind-draw. Dues are \$90 for the entire season and can be paid in weekly installments of \$5 if it is more convenient.

Play will be each Tuesday beginning on October 10th, starting at 7pm and rarely taking longer than 2 hours to play each match. Our League is a FUN LEAGUE first and foremost! All skill levels are welcome!

# **Sign-Up Now!**

# **Kitchen & Lounge Deep Clean**

Our lodge only functions becuase of the volunteers that offer their time and energy to make it one of the best in all of Elkdom. Periodically it is necessary to perform some deeper cleaning of the kitchen and lounge, above and beyond our daily and weekly cleaning.

If you are able, please come to the lodge on **Wendesday, September 27** between 6:00 and 9:00 pm as we work to clean appliances, floors, and walls throughout the kitchen and lounge.

Please help us make this lodge the best around!



# **Lodge Events - September**

September is packed with events, something for everyone! Put this calendar on the fridge and come support your lodge!

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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3 LODGE CLOSED	4 LODGE CLOSED	SULSONS  GOLF LEAGUE POTATO BAR	6 LODGE MEETING 7:30 PM	7 LODGE CLOSED	8 Trivia NIGHT CHICKEN PAPRIKASH	9 MOVIE NIGHT Reservoir Dogs
LODGE CLOSED	LODGE CLOSED	TUSDA'S  GOLF LEAGUE WALKING TACOS	BOD MEETING 7:30 PM	14 LODGE CLOSED	Trivid NIGHT MEATLOAF DINNER	16 JACKBOX NIGHT
17 LODGE CLOSED	18 LODGE CLOSED	19  GOLF LEAGUE HOT DAWGS!	20 LODGE MEETING 7:30 PM	21 LODGE CLOSED	Triva NIGHT	23 1815 Club
24 LODGE CLOSED	25 LODGE CLOSED	26  GOLF LEAGUE CHEF'S WHIM!	27 DEEP CLEANING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED	28 LODGE CLOSED	Triva NIGHT BEEF STROGANOFF	30



# Jackbox Fun Game Night

Bring You Smartphone & Good Humor!

Join your fellow Elks and guests for a night of fun and games as we play Jackbox games all night long! The games begin Satruday, September 16 at 7:00 p.m





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#### MEETINGS/EVENTS

OEA Fall Reunion August 18-20 Dublin, OH

OEA State Golf Outing September 9-10 Newark, OH

Cerebral Palsy Charity Ball October 14 Parma Lodge #1938

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# 2024 Buckeye Bucks Calendars Now Available

For only \$20 you get a great pocket calendar with a unique 4-digit number. If that number matches any of the "Ohio Lottery pick-4" twice-a-day drawings in 2024, you will win \$50 up to \$500, with 728 chances to win!

No work on your part - the check will automatically show up in the mail. Our Lodge has a goal of selling 200 calendars this year. As the lodge keeps \$5 for each calendar sold, this would raise \$1,000 for us.

**NEW THIS YEAR!** Don't really use a pocket calendar.....Now you can buy, for the same \$20, a card only with your 4-digit number. It still gives you the exact same chance of winning, but without the calendar.



To help us reach our goal: Whomever sells the most calendars by December 31st will win a free calendar, specifically the one with our Lodge number 1-8-1-5 on it. Turn in all calendars at the lounge. Make sure you identify yourself as the seller! Let's make this our best calendar sales year ever!



This essay contest is open to all 5th thru 8th graders in the local area. This year's theme is "What the Bill of Rights Means to Me". In 300 words or less, each student is encouraged to share their own ideas on this theme. If your student hasn't already been introduced to this program by their teacher, please contact us for details.

We typically receive up to 1,000 essays each year from students in the Berea, Strongsville, Olmsted Falls & local Parochial Schools. Our local winners advance to the NE District competition and can advance to the State and National levels. All essays are due back to the Berea Elks Lodge by December 15th.

Mark your calendars now for all these amazing events coming up over the next few months

# **OCTOBER**

October 7 - Movie Night

October 14 - NE District Charity Ball (Parma Lodge)

October 15 - NE District Meeting (Parma Lodge)

October 21 - Craft Project Event

October 28 - 1815 Club Meeting

# **NOVEMBER**

November 4 - Purse Bingo

November 5 - 3R's Veterans Mental Wellness Clinic

November 11 - Veterans Day - 907 1/2 Club

November 25 - Friendsgiving

November 29 - 5th Wednesday - Blue Monkey Brewing

# **DECEMBER**

December 2 - 907 1/2 Club

December 9 - Winterfest

December 10 - Alia Bailey Gift Drive

December 16 - Holiday Gala

# **Fall Pinball League Coming Soon!**

The summer pinball league is winding down. The fall league will start up in October. A sign-up sheet will be posted by the **NEW** pinball machine!





Doors open at 5:00 pm Members & Guests Welcome!



Ticket includes 10 bingo games, light snacks, plus a door prize ticket.
Only 100 admission tickets will be sold.

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Buy tickets at lodge or at
bereaelks.com





Chinese basket raffles, 50/50, plus additional bingo sheets available for purchase on each purse for a better chance of winning.

Proceeds benefit the building fund which helps the lodge drive programs for veterans and kids

Cash bar

kate spade and more!



## Spreading Awareness In Our Community

Members of Berea Elks partnered with Berea Police for the 40th Annual National Night Out promoting public safety and community connections between law enforcement and citizens. Elroy the Elk made a celebrity appearance entertaining hundreds of kids and families throughout the night. Many thanks to Trustee Pat Greenhill for coordinating the event on what was a great night!

# Elks Go Back to School!

# Backpack Program Enters 3rd year

Members of Berea Elks packed and donated more than 110 custom Titans backpacks for the 5th-grade students at Berea-Midpark Middle School. Each backpack was stuffed with every school supply a 5th grade student needs for the upcomming school year. In all, more than \$6,000 worht of supplies were donated thansk to an Elks National Foundation "Supersized" Beacon grant.











#### Berea Elks #2 In Ohio

As of this writing, Berea lodge is still #2 in Ohio for ENF per capita this year at \$24.48 per member. Our goal is to get to \$75 this year.

We are #25 in the entire country (out of 1,845 lodges!).

To achieve this, our continued support of the Fidelity Club is paramount.

Not a Fidelity Club Member yet? Signup now at **Elks.org/ENF** and click the Fidelity Club link.

Elks Care, Elks Share.

It is believed that the Elks award more scholarships than any other organization in the country except for the federal government.

This year, through the Elks National Foundation (ENF), the Elks will award **500 four-year Most Valuable Student (MVS) scholarships** to graduating high school seniors across the country.

Scholarships range from \$4,000 (\$1,000/year) to \$50,000 (\$12,500/year) and are open to any student graduating high school in 2024

# The student does not have to be related to an Elk member, nor do they need to have any affiliation with the Elks!

Anyone that has graduated high school already is not eligible and the applicant must be a citizen of the United States.

Every scholarship is competiviely awarded based on demonstrated leadership, academic achievements, community

involvement, and financial need.

In all, the Elks will award \$2.44 million in MVS scholarships in 2024. Application enrollment **begins August 1, 2023 and closes November 14, 2023** at 11:59 PM.

In addition to MVS scholarships, the Elks will award 350 **Legacy Scholarships** in 2024. These are \$4,000 four-year scholarships (\$1,000/year) and are only for children or grandchildren of Elks members who are graduating high school in 2024.

Unlike MVS Scholarships, Legacy Scholarships are only awarded to children and grandshildren of Elks members. Ohio has been allocated seven (7) Legacy Scholarships, plus there are an additional 100 "at large" scholarships available. Legacy Scholarships applications **open September 1, 2023 and close February 5, 2024**.

Spread the word to family and friends of graduating high school students!

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