

# BEREA ELKS BULLHORN

A Newsletter of the Berea Elks Lodge #1815

SEPTEMBER 2022



FROM THE STATION OF  
**FIDELITY**

THE STAR OF FIDELITY CONTINUES EVER TO BURN...

**Exalted Ruler's Message**

**FALL DARTS BEGIN OCTOBER 4**

*Greetings Fellow Elks!*

With the dog days of summer over we take a short break to reflect upon the labor that has made this country and our lodge like no other. We are fortunate to have many talented members of our lodge who have sacrificed their spare time to serve the lodge. From construction to painting to planning our members are truly dedicated to making our lodge the best in Ohio. Please take a moment to reflect on all we have done and continue to accomplish.

I would like to thank Matthew Williams for his hard work in coordinating and running this year's Golf Outing. As always, it was a wonderful time, and a great day for the Lodge. He couldn't have done it alone, so my additional thanks and appreciation goes out to the many of you that assisted with the event, whether through putting together baskets for the raffles, signing up teams or hole sponsors, or registering people day of. We'd all like next year's Outing to be even bigger so please make sure to let Matthew know if you'd like to help next year or have any ideas to help the event grow.

The summer golf league and traveling dart league are wrapping up and have had another fantastic year. After a short break the winter dart league will start in October.

The change in weather gives us more time to commune on the patio and down in the lounge. Please come down to enjoy the company of your fellow Elks. I challenge you to not only to come down and have a good time, but to also bring a friend or family member who is not currently a member. With all these events to choose from there is bound to be one that might stand out as an opportunity to bring down somebody new. These events provide a fantastic way to show off our Lodge and the excellent work that we are doing in the community! Perhaps a guest might leave so impressed that they'd like to join our Lodge. There is only one way to find out!

*Pete Wieneke,*

*Exalted Ruler*

**2023 MVS Scholarships Now Available!**

## 2022/23 Lodge Officers

Exalted Ruler	Pete Wieneke (216) 780-0556 wienekezoo@sbcglobal.net
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# Membership



Please welcome our newest member, Bill Uthe, to the lodge. Bill was initiated at the August lodge meeting. The lifeblood of the lodge depends on active membership. If you know someone who would like to be part of our great order, bring them down to a beer tasting, basket raffle, or many of the other entertaining events the Berea lodge puts on throughout the year. Next time you are in the lounge say hi to Bill !

## 2023 "BUCKEYE BUCKS" CALENDARS AVAILABLE NOW IN THE LOUNGE!

For only \$20 you get a great pocket calendar with a unique 4-digit number. If that number matches any of the "Ohio Lottery's Pick-4" twice-a-day drawings, 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! It is also a great fundraiser for our lodge as \$5 from each calendar sold stays here. These can be sold to anyone and make great gifts as well! Help us meet our goal of selling 200 calendars this year.



## Happy Birthday

Ed Bodach	September 1	James Thompson	September 16
James Coone	September 1	Sandra Kotris	September 17
Andres Gimenez	September 4	Greg Coyle	September 19
Allison Gortz	September 9	Richard Koharik	September 25
Richard Wright, Sr.	September 10	Rob Wieser	September 28
Bob Courtemanche	September 11	Casey Kensinger	September 30
Caroline Kuhl	September 13		

# BEREA ELKS SEPTEMBER EVENTS

FOR THE LATEST INFORMATION & UPDATES PLEASE VISIT [WWW.BERAEELKS.COM](http://WWW.BERAEELKS.COM)



Saturday, September 17 @ 7:00 PM

You don't need a green thumb to join in on the fun. Danielle from Plum Picks/Danlilly Designs will step you through and supply you with everything you need to create a beautiful succulent arrangement.

Members and guests of members are welcome. Registration ends Sept 14.

Payment in advance is preferred. \$35/person.

Go to <https://checkout.square.site/buy/YT5CBURUD2GXV7T63UEBFYQMF>

## CLUB 1815

Saturday, September 24 @ 7:00 PM

The 1815 Club has had a great first set of meetings with some spectacular cigars and whiskeys. This month will be no different.

For returning members, dues of \$18.15 will be due at the meeting for September (always a month ahead). For any member who missed the meeting last month, the dues will need to be caught up, so \$36.30 will be due.



After this meeting, the club will only have one more in October and will then recess until March.

A "bourbon only" winter edition of the club will begin in Nov.

## THE GAME PLAN

Saturday  
September 10  
7:00 PM



## Elktoberfest

Saturday, October 1

7:00 PM

Prost! Join us on Saturday, October 1st as we celebrate "Elktoberfest" at the lodge featuring great beer specials, fun games, a \$10 buffet, raffle baskets, a 50/50 and more!

All proceeds go the HVAC fund!





## FALL & WINTER DART LEAGUE



SIGN-UP NOW!



We are looking for 32 - 40 darters to play on Tuesday evenings beginning on October 4th. The League season ends in late March with several weeks off around the Holidays. This has always been a lot of fun! Cost is still only \$5/week with a banquet & prizes at season's end.

Whether you are a raw beginner or a veteran darter, we need you! We try our best to balance the teams talent-wise as this is a **FUN** league. Enjoy a little friendly competition and meet a lot of fellow Elks.

The exact format and number of teams will depend on how many sign up. All Elks and friends of members are welcome! Any questions, please ask.

Bill Maloney - Lodge Dart Chairman  
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## Golden Tee League Starts October 4th



Sick of failing at real golf? Tired of being called a loser? Questioning your purpose in life? Well then sign up for fake video game golf, aka Golden Tee, and stick it to the real golfers! Win cold hard cash! Watch Bill Maloney melt down after missing a putt! See Murray do Murray things! A sign up sheet will be posted in the lodge The league will run through December and

conclude with the championship match the first week of January. Please contact me with any questions at [j.j.elias@csuohio.edu](mailto:j.j.elias@csuohio.edu)

-The H-less wonder  
Fake Golf League Commissioner



The Berea lodge once again prove "Elks Care Elks Share". The lodge used Elks National Foundation (ENF) Beacon and Spotlight grants which was enough to provide 100 fifth graders at Berea-Midpark Middle School with backpacks and school supplies. In all, \$6,500 worth of supplies were donated. The lodge obtained these grants through ENF. These grants are not possible without your donations to ENF! Thank you to all members that volunteered their time to help fill backpacks.



## New Hall Rental Prices for Members

Berea Elks, Lodge 1815

Hall Rental Information

Members Only

<b>Rental Day &amp; Time</b>	Price
Mondays through Thursdays, up to 3 hours	\$ 50
Fridays, up to 6 hours	\$200
Saturdays, up to 6 hours	\$275
Sundays, up to 6 hours	\$150

### **Additional Charges**

Alcohol Insurance	\$154
Landlord to set-up & take-down tables/chairs	\$25-50

**Deposit** (refunded) \$150

Possible deductions from the deposit

- Damage to premises or Lodge property
- Tables & chairs not put away, inadequate clean-up
- Parking on grass
- Needing to be let in/out multiple times





I would like Thank the Berea Elks Lodge for everything they have done for Wounded Heroes this summer.

Let me begin by thanking them for hosting the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Ken Volpe Memorial Car Show which was held on June 6<sup>th</sup> – the event was hosted in conjunction with the Lakewood Elks Lodge. Joe Kleinhenz from the Lakewood Lodge was the catalyst in starting this event last year to honor my husband and Wounded Heroes Founder Ken Volpe. Joe is a huge car guy and not only brings his classic car but also is our DJ for the event. The weather started off rainy, but ended up being a great day – we had 30+ cars show up.

Along with Joe, there is an incredible team of Berea Elks that work to make this event a success.

Our grillmasters were Hans & Dawn Larsen and Amanda & Joe Pasini. Our incredible classic car judge for trophies was Corky Larsen. Set up and tear down crew included Danielle Mahaney, Dianna Threadgill, Jeff Coyle, Kevin Maloney, Cheryl Masterson, Donna Bowman, Lenny Oliveri (I apologize if I missed anyone). Along with all who helped with the event, several Berea Elks came out to enjoy the classic cars.

On Saturday June 25<sup>th</sup> the Wounded Heroes Reverse Raffle was at St. Mary's Church in Berea. It is an annual event that raises money to help wounded soldiers/veterans. Our last raffle was February of 2020, the week before the world shut down from Covid and the last event that Ken attended before his death.

All I can say is that the volunteers from Berea Elks Lodge are by far the kindest and most generous group of people with their time and hard work. From the weeks leading up to the event to the night of the event I had such an outpouring of support. With making of the raffle baskets, setting up the room, decorating, preparing the food, setting up and serving the food, helping to sell tickets throughout the event and cleaning up, I cannot properly convey the gratitude I have for the Berea Elks and their support for Wounded Heroes and how everyone unselfishly they give their time and their talents to help. There were so many people who helped if I list them here I may miss someone and that would not be right, so would like to say THANK YOU to everyone who assisted with this successful event and Thank You to all the Elks who purchased tickets and attended.

There was another Car Show at Perk-Cup Café in Berea for Wounded Heroes on July 10<sup>th</sup> and again the Berea Elks were there to help. A special thanks to Dianna Threadgill and Danielle Mahaney for checking in over 100 cars that attended that day. Thank you to Lenny Oliveri for working the Wounded Heroes Tent with me and selling his heart out of raffle tickets. Thank you to Corky Larsen (our official WH judge) and Hans Larsen for both taking the time to evaluate the cars and choose the ones who received trophies. Thank you to Mike Dalesandro who assisted with packing everything up at the end of the event.

I will say it every year, it is truly an honor to be a part of the Berea Elks Organization. I could not have had successful events if it was not for the assistance of so many from the Lodge. Thank you from the bottom of my heart!

-Lora Volpe

*"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has." – Margaret Mead*



## NEW PER ASSOCIATION CHAIRMAN!

Congratulations to PER Jeffrey Coyle who will become our lodge's new PER Association Chairman effective September 1st! For the last eight years I have been honored to be Berea Lodge's PER Assoc. Chairman, but feel it is time to turn the reins over to another of your Lodge's outstanding Past Exalted Rulers.

Jeff has been extremely active in our Lodge, serving in multiple officer positions as well as being a NE District Officer. He has run and/or participated in many of the Lodge's fundraisers, charitable endeavors and Lodge events. I and all of our PER's look forward to working with Jeff to keep Berea Lodge as one of the most successful lodges in all of Elkdom!

Many of you may not know what a PER Association does. The PER Association is made up of all the Lodge's Past Exalted Rulers. The Association advises and extends counsel to all Lodge Officers and Committees. Other duties include:

- Electing its own officers and adopting rules for the conduct of its business.
- Holding meetings and specifying the dates of such meetings.
- Making recommendations for Lodge Committee appointments and candidates for Officer positions.
- Selecting each lodge year's "Officer of the Year".
- Assisting the Exalted Ruler.
- Engaging in and making recommendations in other activities which will promote the good of the Lodge and of the Order.

The PER Association will be meeting at least once quarterly and at other times as required.

Congratulations again to PER Jeffrey Coyle!

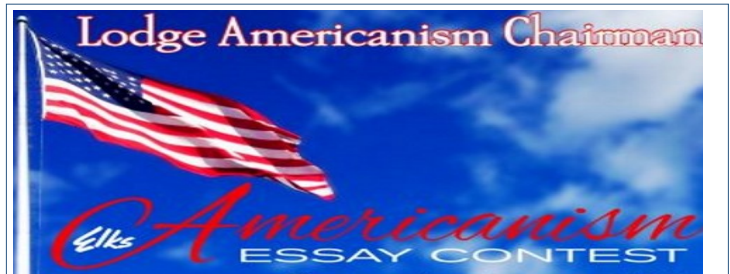
Bill Maloney  
Berea Elks Lodge #1815 retiring PER Assoc. Chairman

# SAVE THE DATE!



## The Berea Elks 2nd Annual Law Enforcement Dart Tournament Saturday, January 7 Berea Elks Lodge #1815

Benefitting The Greater Cleveland Peace Officer's Memorial Society (GCPOMS) This is a double elimination tournament with two member teams competing in games of 501 and Cricket. Individual team members **must be either Elks or law enforcement (active/retirees)**. Entry fee for teams will be \$60 with all profits going to benefit GCPOMS. Start time is expected to be at 9:00 am



It is time again for the Elks Annual Americanism Essay Contest! **"What is your American Dream?"** is the theme for this year's contest. All 5th thru 8th grade students are invited to write an essay, of 300 words or less, sharing their thoughts on "What is your American Dream?".

If your student hasn't already been introduced to this program by their teachers, please contact us for details.

Each year we receive around 1,000 essays from students in the Berea, Olmsted Falls, Strongsville & local Parochial Schools. Berea Elks have routinely had winning essays at both the NE District and State levels.

For the first time this year, each of the four grade levels will compete in their own division. The deadline to turn in essays at the lodge is December 15, 2022.

Bill Maloney - Lodge Americanism Chairman  
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# Summer Raffle

The Berea Elks Lodge #1815 PER Association's Summer Raffle is here!

This year, we will be selling \$50 raffle tickets for a chance to win one of ten amazing prizes, each valued at \$500! The raffle will be limited to 200 tickets and the drawing will begin when all tickets are sold.

A maximum of one (1) prize can be won per ticket sold.

You do not have to be an Elk to win. You do not need to be present at time of drawing.

Tickets can be purchased online at [www.bereaelks.com/perraffle](http://www.bereaelks.com/perraffle) or in the lodge. Once all tickets are sold, a banquet date will be announced and the prizes will be drawn.

## SUMMER 2022 RAFFLE PRIZES



Blackstone Grill



Brew Session & Beer Fridge



Oni Pizza Oven



Humidor w/ Cigars



Honda Lawnmower



Rare Bourbons



Wine Fridge



65" 4K TV

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Some items are awarded as a gift card/certificate. All images are for reference only, actual prize may be different than image.



# Honoring Those That Served

November 12, 2022 1pm-5pm



EMOTIONAL **RESILIENCE**  
MISSION **READINESS**  
HEALTHY **REINTEGRATION**

In honor of Veterans Day we are hosting a Veterans 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 others.
- 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 and retired veterans and will include gift bags for the first 20 veteran registrants containing personal health monitoring equipment, health diaries, and other supplies essential to the program.

To register, go to [bereaelks.com/3RS](http://bereaelks.com/3RS)

Light snacks will be served during the presentation, with a dinner at 5pm to honor the service of our Veterans.  
All Lodge members are welcome to attend. RSVP by October 28, 2022.

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

# September 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 <p>SEPTEMBER IS NATIONAL BETTER BREAKFAST MONTH!</p>				1 	2 	3 
4  Hall Rental	5  	6  	7 LODGE MEETING 7:30 ALL ELKS WELCOME	8 	9  	10 <b>MOVIE NIGHT</b> Hall Rental
11 	12 	13  	14 BOD MEETING 7:30 ALL ELKS WELCOME	15 	16  	17 
18 	19 	20 	21 LODGE MEETING 7:30 ALL ELKS WELCOME	22 	23  	24 1815 CLUB 
25 	26 	27 	28	29 	30  	

**Elktoberfest** - October 1st

# HAPPY LABOR DAY



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