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# THE UPSTART

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## Exalted Ruler's Message

We had a very busy and productive December and many thanks are in order. The House Committee sponsored the member's Christmas party that was a big hit. Great food and good company were on the menu. The Sunday after Mike Dondi led the team that hosted the Camp Sunrise annual Christmas party for the kids. Santa showed up on a screaming fire engine with his bag full of gifts with one for every child. Chicken tenders, pasta, meatballs, salad and dessert we're gobbled up by all. The next evening the Hall lights were turned on again for the annual Veteran's Christmas party. Vets from the Rocky Hill VA Home were shuttled to our lodge to be served shrimp cocktail, pasta and chicken cutlets. After dinner we hosted bingo games with cash prizes. Don and Del Cyr made a personal and generous cash donation on top of the lodge's contribution toward bingo winnings. Our honored military guests enjoyed their celebration as they do every year and mentioned the Elks host the best holiday party of all.

Thank you to all the Elks that volunteered their time to benefit others. A special thanks to Mike Dondi and Joe Grillo that spent the most time in the kitchen preparing over 200 meals for our hungry guests.

In December we also hosted our first Basketball Hoop Shoot in many years. Mike Briglia planned and ran the event where over 40 excited kids showed up to test their hot shot skills. Thank you, to the Town of Glastonbury that waived the rental fee for use of the Hebron Avenue Elementary School Gymnasium where we held the competition. The winners will be treated to an award dinner later this year. Thank you also to the Elks that got up early and helped Mike with the scoring and ball shagging. Great job Mike!

December is also the month when the all Elks remember their past members by performing the Memorial Ceremony. Thank you to the officers that participated in this tender and solemn event.

The Trustees are adding a storage room onto the bar. The foundation is in and the walls are going up. Sites are set on renovating the bar this year so come to the lodge meetings for up to date news on all progress.

Happy New Year from 2202. There's always something going on up the hill so come on up for a meal, a drink, or test your skills up at the shooting range. This all supports our lodge and its fun too.

### **Elk of the Month**

Matt Zajicek – Matt suited up for the Camp Sunrise Christmas party and road the fire truck as our 2011 Santa Claus. He a pro no doubt and we'll expect him back next year. HO HO Matt your Elk of the Month. Park your sled in the space of honor. And please clean-up after your reindeer.

*Stephen Del Rosso, PER*  
**Exalted Ruler**

## Never Criticize a Volunteer

### From the Secretary's Desk



With the holidays behind us, I'd like to remind everyone our regularly scheduled meetings return back to the second and fourth Wednesday's of the month.

Additionally, this time of year brings many changes for the Lodge. We begin to prepare for our next Lodge year with the election of officers in February. Per Grand Lodge Statutes, any member in good standing is eligible to become an officer of the Lodge. Nominations will take place at the first meeting in February with elections during the second meeting.

Although some members are not interested in being an officer, I do ask you to consider it rather than quickly dismissing the notion. I find it rewarding to be involved in such an organization and having a say in the outcome of direction, rather than just accepting it as it is. There truly is not much of a commitment needed and many of the positions do not require much more than attending the scheduled meetings.

The *Upstart* committee continues to be interested in receiving notification on how you'd like to receive the publication. As mentioned in last month's *Upstart*, we'd like you to share this publication with other members whom may not be aware of all the activities taking place. make sure they receive it and notify us of a correct address or email address. Finally, we have some 250 email address, of which 50 or so are not valid.

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Dennis G. Claffey, PDD  
Secretary

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### Sunday Breakfast



If you missed us in December, then you don't know we now have a uniform to wear! Thanks to Kristen, we all wear a nice "Breakfast Crew" apron. She took it upon herself to provide them for us. Thanks Kristen!

Additionally, I'd like to thank Jodi and Dave Poulin, Doug and Louise Beeghly, Kristen Kataja, Eric Fetting, David Volpe, Mark Curtin, and Bruce Lester for once again stepping up to make the committee profitable. The profit on the 11th was more than \$270. This is thanks to all of you who attend and bring your families.

Our schedule now returns to every 2nd and fourth Sunday of the month up until May, when we change to the first and third due to Mother's Day!

#### Upcoming schedule:

January 8, 2012

January 22, 2012

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If you find a mistake in this month's Upstart...it's supposed to be there!

## Propositions For Membership

The Secretary's Office has received an application on the following individuals, read their names on the floor of our Lodge, and have forwarded them to the Investigation Committee for further processing. In accordance with Grand Lodge Statutes, any member knowing why any of these candidates should not be duly elected to membership, should notify a member of the Investigation Committee or one of the Lodge Officers. Each will be balloted on during a regularly scheduled Lodge meeting.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Proposer</u>	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Occupation</u>
Neal Stevenson	Michael Briglia	Columbia, CT	Telephone Repairman
Andrew M. Pulvermacher	Mark Budzirezewski	Glastonbury, CT	Personnel Recruiter
Paul Marchinetti	Darren Checchini	Glastonbury, CT	
Richard Roy	Mike Dondi	Glastonbury, CT	Info Technology
Jodi Sakal	Tom Herzog	East Hartford, CT	Comm. Insurance Mgr.
Xavier Cruz	Joseph Crucitti	Hartford, CT	Sales
Robert Gagnon	Joseph Crucitti	Glastonbury, CT	Construction/Sales
James Galvin, III	Darren Cecchini	Manchester, CT	Student Pool Maint.
Gina Pezzente	Aaron Lajoie	South Glastonbury, CT	Dispatcher
Michael J. Girard	Aaron Lajoie	Glastonbury, CT	HVAC Service Tech.

Dennis G. Claffey, PDD  
Secretary

## Sick and Visiting



If you know of any member, who may not be doing well, please contact the Lodge at (860) 633-2651 or by email: [info@glastonburyelks.org](mailto:info@glastonburyelks.org)  
Subject: Sick & Visiting

Buddy Leach - recuperating at home  
Joseph Waggoner - recuperating at home

Dennis G. Claffey, PDD  
Lodge Secretary

## Trap Shooting



If you have your own shotgun, bring it! If you don't have your own one will be available for you to borrow. Eye and ear protection are recommended and can be purchased on site, as well as ammo.

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Bill Wolfe, PER  
Trap Chairman

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## January's Birthday's

First Name	Last Name	Date
Brenda	Eighmey	1
Timothy	Gourley	1
Donald	Hallquist	1
Scott	Holmes	1
Shawn	Keily	1
David	Lafreniere Sr	1
Walter	Miller Jr	1
David	Rose	1
Alex	Sawka	1
David	Taylor	1
Cheryl	Todaro	1
Thomas	Molloy	3
Lori	Talboom	3
Matthew	Zajicek	4
Terry	Granatek	5
Kenneth	Dubois	6
Paul	Morgigno	6
Paul	Dube	7
Michael	Latorre	7
David	Lisenko	7
Dominic	Corso	8
Paul	Bisi	9
Jason	Granatek	11
Richard	Hauzeur	11
Eric	Fortier	12
James	Knight	12
Anthony	Lincoln	15
Martin	Saindon	16
Brian	Dugay	18
Mark	Budziszewski	19
William	Meadows	20
Christopher	Picard	20
Clement	Woodhill	20
John	Cavanna	21
Alanson	Weir	21
Paul	Lavoie	22
Edwin	Edwards	23
James	Fantone	24
Sebastiano	Buccheri	25
Emanuel	Hatzikostas	25
Delphine	Cyr	26
Ross	Delaney	26
Joseph	Grillo	27
Richard	Tomkievich	27
Stanley	Gamarsh	28
Steven	Chamberlain	29

## House Committee News

The house committee would like to thank everyone for there support throughout the year. Everyone that was at the member Christmas party had a great time and the food was wonderful. Thanks to all that made apps, and brought desert!



On January 16th, Martin L. King day, we will be opening at noon with a light buffet. Friday Night dinners continue throughout January, look for the menu at the bar. The House will also be raffling off a bottle of Dewar's on every Friday night dinner in January.

On Sundays at the bar we also serve food for a minimal fee. Come on up and have a bite to eat, and socialize with the other members! Again, anyone looking to cook a Friday night dinner, please let me or anyone else on the house know!

### *Drinks of the month:*

Stoli strawberry .25 off  
 Dewars .25 off  
 Long trail on tap .25 off

### *Friday Night Dinners All Dinners \$10.00*

6th - meatloaf dinner  
 13th - venison night - kielbasa & sauerkraut with bratwurst  
 20th - pork cutlets with pasta  
 27th - Taco night

*Michael Perleoni, PER  
 Committee Chairman*



## Charity - Justice - Brotherly Love - Fidelity



The Glastonbury Elks Hoop Shoot took place on Sunday December 11, 2011 at Hebron Avenue School. **The turnout was fantastic!** 44 girls and boys between the ages of 8 and 13 participated.

Hoop Shoot Chairman Mike Briglia received much appreciated help from fellow Elks Stephen Del Rosso, Ken McMurtry, Rich Haugh, Greg Haugh, Chris Ackerman, Stephen Anderson, Alex Rodriguez and Central District Hoop Shoot Chairman George Gilhuly. Lodge Secretary Dennis Claffey, PDD and Trustee Gerry McDonald also assisted with the planning and preparation of the event. We also received help from a handful of volunteer parents who assisted with rebounding to help the event run smoothly. Look for results and photos in The Glastonbury Citizen in the near future. The Top 3 Girls and Boys in each age division will receive trophies. CONGRATS!!! They are as follows:

### Girls 8-9

1st Place: Rebecca McCarthy  
2nd Place: Charlotte Bassett  
3rd Place: Grace Flynn

### Girls 10-11

1st Place: Lyndsey Newhouse  
2nd Place: Sydney Baird  
3rd Place: Kelly Anne Clark

### Girls 12-13

1st Place: Sara O'Connell  
2nd Place: Madison Kalkstein  
3rd Place: Cameron Hendricks

### Boys 8-9

1st Place: Jady Nogueira  
2nd Place: Alejandro Rincon  
3rd Place: Kyle Kapur

### Boys 10-11

1st Place: Danny Cecere  
2nd Place: Sevi Werner  
3rd Place: Steve Giamalis

### Boys 12-13

1st Place: Freddy Clark  
2nd Place: Preston Bufkin  
3rd Place: Jake Gillespie

The **FIRST PLACE** winners in each age group have qualified to compete in the District Competition. PLEASE NOTE THAT A BIRTH CERTIFICATE MUST BE PRESENTED TO COMPETE AT THE DISTRICT LEVEL. The details of that event are as follows:

Central District: Sunday, January 8, 2012; Place: Dag Hammarskjold School; 106 Pond Hill Road, Wallingford;  
Time: Registration: 11:30 AM; Contest: Approximately 12 Noon; Director: George Gilhuly - (203) 269-2666

Congrats to all who participated to make this event a great success! Please contact me at (860) 202-9485 with any questions you may have. Thank you,

Mike Briglia  
Hoop Shoot Chairman



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## Upcoming Events

### January

- 1 - Happy New Year!
- 6 - Friday Night Dinner
- 8 - Trap Shoot
- 8 - Sunday Breakfast
- 11 - Meeting Night
- 13 - Friday Night Dinner
- 15 - Trap Shoot
- 19 - Range Committee Meeting
- 20 - Friday Night Dinner
- 22 - Trap Shoot
- 22 - Sunday Breakfast
- 25 - Meeting Night
- 27 - Friday Night Dinner
- 29 - Trap Shoot

### February

- 3 - Friday Night Dinner
- 5 - Trap Shoot
- 8 - Regular Meeting
- 10 - Friday Night Dinner
- 12 - Trap Shoot
- 12 - Sunday Breakfast
- 16 - Range Committee Meeting
- 17 - Friday Night Dinner
- 19 - Trap Shoot
- 22 - Regular Meeting
- 24 - Friday Night Dinner
- 26 - Trap Shoot
- 26 - Sunday Breakfast



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