

# Summit Elks 1246

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October 2008

## Lodge Officers 2008-2009:

Exalted Rulers: Peter Soccodato Jr., PER

Est. Leading Knight: Jack McCaddin

Est. Loyal Knight: Daniel Lemond

Est. Lecturing Knight: Lois Pagano

Esquire: Kristin Soccodato

Secretary: Mike Williams

Treasurer: Lucy McGowan

Chaplain: Tony Mancini

Inner Guard: Ken Weinstein

Tiler: Mike Yanacone

Trustee – 1 Year Lou DeSocio, PER

Trustee – 2 Year Mike Spellman, PER

Trustee – 3 Year Tom McGowan, PER

Trustee – 4 Year Mark Dunnder, PER

Trustee – 5 Year Tony Plesh Jr., PER

*Meetings are every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Wednesday of the month*

## Exalted Ruler Soccodato's Message

Fall 2008 has already begun I would like to welcome all our new members who are being installed on Wednesday, October 15<sup>th</sup>. First off I like to remind everyone about the Billy Mac dinner, which will be held on Sunday, October 26<sup>th</sup>. Also, would like to thank everyone, who has helped in anyway to make this fundraiser a success. I believe that it is especially important to help your own as well as those far away. Billy is slowly recovering and is doing well. These are our fall activities that involve children in our communities. Our Annual Hoop Shoot contest will be held this November please bring your children for the Elk's free throw contest and enjoy pizza and soda afterwards. Our Christmas Party will be in December with Santa Claus coming to town. Please

bring a gift for your child so Santa can give it out. There will be entertainment and food.  
Peter G. Soccodato Jr. ER

## Lodge Committees

Americanism	Mike Williams
Auditing	Ken Weinstein
Better Parades	Billy MacAdams
Comm. Activities	John DeSocio, PER
Convention	John DeSocio, PER
	Lou DeSocio, PER
Drug Awareness	Craig Finnegan
Flag Day	Mike Williams
Govt Relations	Mike Williams
Hall Rentals	Tony Plesh Jr. PER
Hoop Shoot	Mike Williams
House Chairman	Tony Plesh Jr. PER
Indoctrination	Mike Yanacone
Investigation	Mike Yanacone
Lapsation	Dan Lemond
Lodge Activities	Tony Plesh Jr. PER
Membership	Dan Lemond
Memorial Day	John DeSocio PER
National Foundation	Brad Hoecker & Chris Driscoll
National Veterans Services	Jack McCaddin Bob Bulger
Newsletter	Kristin Soccodato
PER Association	Tony Plesh Jr. PER
Public Relations	Tim Kelaher
Scholarship	Kristin Soccodato
Soccer Shoot	Gerald Celmer
Special Children	Lois Pagano
Visiting Committee	Lou DeSocio PER
Youth Activities	Chris Mooney

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## *VP-ECD Dunnder's Message*

It must be October because the temperature is starting to fall, the leaves are beginning to change and Elkdom is in full swing. October is ENF month, so please if you have not already done so, start a pledge or make a donation. Not only does this help your lodge's per capita goal, but it also helps fund our Hoop Shoot, Scholarship, Drug Awareness and many other programs. In the months of October and November all initiatory classes will be in the honor of the Grand Exalted Ruler Paul Helsel. So if you haven't already done so, ask a friend to join. Show them the same great things that made you join. Hopefully from that a domino effect can occur so that they get their friends to join and so on and so forth. Remember that there is no such thing as too many volunteers. I hope that everyone has a safe month and a very, Happy Halloween.

Mark I Dunnder, DDGER, PVP, PER

## *Elks Special Needs*

Hi Everyone:

As Thanksgiving is approaching us I wish everyone good health and prosperity. Please keep in mind that in the spirit of giving thanks; do not forget those that are less fortunate.

We had a great turnout for this year's Camp Moore Picnic on August 22<sup>nd</sup>, especially since it was held on a Friday this year. Summit had about 14 members and 5 non members who helped serve the kids. I was so happy to see Dakota Clader, this year's poster child, enjoying his stay with the camp. Special thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Jim Reach for coming up with their daughter

Melanie. Melanie attended the camp during the summer and told me she enjoyed it so much she wanted to come up to help out the other children. Thank you so much Melanie, you are a true inspiration.

On October 3<sup>rd</sup>, Pathways for Excellence, a non-profit organization which is dedicated to Gifted Children held a fundraiser for Special Needs and Autistic Children at Summit Lodge #1246, which was a huge success.

On Monday, October 6<sup>th</sup> 12 Golfers from Summit Lodge #1246 are participating in the North West District's Golf Outing in Picatinny Golf Course. All proceeds go to the Special Children's Committee.

The letters for this year's Special Children's Poster Contest have gone out to the various schools throughout the area. This program encourages the children to express themselves through art.

For more information on the Special Children's Committee please do not hesitate to contact me at [lpagano07663@yahoo.com](mailto:lpagano07663@yahoo.com) Once again have a wonderful holiday season!

Lois Pagano, Chairman,  
Summit Elks Special Children's Committee

## *ENF -> Elks National Foundation*

Thanks to Friendship Night quota is being met. Please place your donations in the bottle up at the Elks Club or donate online at [www.elks.org](http://www.elks.org). As of right now we have begun a new elk year. Next Friendship Night is November 21<sup>st</sup>.

Contact: Brad Hoecker & Chris Driscoll



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## *Upcoming Elk Events*

### October

20<sup>th</sup> Veterans Monthly Meeting 8pm @  
Summit

25<sup>th</sup> East Central District Veterans Dinner  
Dance

26<sup>th</sup> Billy Mac Fundraiser starts @ 1pm

### November

15<sup>th</sup> Elks Hoop Shoot @ New Providence  
Recreation Center at 3pm

14<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> Exalted Ruler Fall Conference

17<sup>th</sup> Veterans Monthly Meeting 8pm @  
Union

19<sup>th</sup> Installation of new members @ 8pm

21<sup>st</sup> Friendship Night @Summit

23<sup>rd</sup> Ritual Contest @ Elizabeth/Linden

### December

1<sup>st</sup> Pre-Visit @ 7pm all officers and  
members stop by the lodge.

Christmas Party TBA

15<sup>th</sup> Veterans Monthly Meeting 8pm @  
Mountainside

17<sup>th</sup> Mark Dunnder's District Deputy  
Homecoming

18<sup>th</sup> Veterans Christmas Party @ Lyons  
Hospital

*Update us with your new email address  
and mailing address as well.*