



**BRIGANTINE LODGE # 2428**

# **ANTLERS NEWSLETTER**

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## **Upcoming Events**

**DECEMBER 1 - 9**

HANUKKAH

**DECEMBER 1**

VETERANS HAVEN VISIT

**DECEMBER 4**

TRIM-A-TREE PARTY

**6P**

**DECEMBER 5**

ELKS MEMORIAL SERVICE

11A

PHOTOS WITH SANTA

1P - 4P

**DECEMBER 9**

VISIT TO NJ

VETERANS HOME

**DECEMBER 11**

ARMY/NAVY GAME

VETERANS APPRECIATION DAY

11:15A - 6P

**DECEMBER 12**

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

1P

**DECEMBER 17**

SPECIAL NEEDS CHILDREN'S

CHRSTMAS PARTY 1P

**JANUARY 1**

POLAR BEAR PLUNGE



**Exalted Ruler Bill Joyce**

## **To My Brothers and Sisters,**

Tis the season.... the fishermen are all jolly! I just heard that almost everyone who went fishing today caught Stripers; many limited out with big fish. The Striper Tournament was a huge success two weekends ago. I was overwhelmed with the participation and the generosity of the fishermen. PER Dave Biggins and Lodge Inner Guard Fran Chambers got their first Stripers. I bet they're in the tournament next year! The net proceeds go to help our Veterans Committee show our local Vets

that their service will NEVER be forgotten.

December events include our annual visits to Veterans Haven in Ancora, NJ, the Veterans Home in Vineland, NJ and a surf and turf feast for our visiting Vets at the Lodge as they watch the Army/Navy Game.

Last weekend was the NJ State Elks Fall Conference in Long Branch, NJ. Attending from our lodge were Past State President Harry McGarrigel, PER, present State Inner Guard Dave Biggins, Leading Knight Rich Poole and myself. We met the Grand Exalted Ruler and the State President. At the business session our lodge donated \$1,000 to Elks National Foundation and \$1,000 to Elks Camp Moore. The contributions from all of the lodges in the state totaled just shy of \$400,000.

While we were away the Hoop Shoot was held at the North School. Thanks go out to the members that made it a success. There is a picture of the winners elsewhere in this Newsletter. They can go on to compete at the district level in Wildwood and then onto the state level.

The lodge will be a busy place in December. In addition to the Veterans events, we will have a Children's Christmas Party, a Special Needs Children's Christmas Party, A Trim a Tree Party, Santa with pets Christmas pictures and our annual Memorial Service.

The Memorial Service allows us to pay tribute the Brothers and Sisters we have lost over the last year. Our Absent Members families will be invited to attend and there will be a repast afterwards in the banquet room. Please join us on December 5<sup>th</sup> at 11am in the lodge room.

Wishing you a safe and happy holiday season,

***Fraternally,***

***Bill***

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ANNUAL ELKS MEMORIAL SERVICE, SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup> AT 11A

PLEASE RESERVE THE DATE TO PAY

TRIBUTE TO OUR ABSENT BROTHERS AND SISTERS

**RAYMOND BUTTERWORTH, JAMES F CARTY, JOSEPH (BUDDY) L DAILY JR, FRANCES D FUNSTON, DONALD HUBER, JOSEPH INNATORE, C.G. (GUS) KOSTA, EUGENE LAMARQUE SR, DANIEL (THUMPER) C LEEHAN, ROBERT M SHOROSKY SR, HERBERT SZATKOWSKI, DANIEL WHITMORE**

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**MONTHLY MEETINGS**

**LODGE MEETING**

2ND & 4TH TUESDAY

@ 7:30P

**HOUSE COMMITTEE**

3RD WEDNESDAY @7P

**TRUSTEE MEETING**

1ST TUESDAY @ 7P

**COMMUNICATIONS MEETING**

2ND THURSDAY @ 6P

**COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES**

2ND & 4TH TUESDAY

@ 6:30 P

**VETERANS SERVICES**

1ST MONDAY @ 6P

**YOUTH COMMITTEE**

3RD THURSDAY (AS NEEDED)

@ 7P

**ALL MEMBERS ARE WELCOME  
TO ATTEND - HEAR WHAT IS  
GOING ON AND LET YOUR  
THOUGHTS BE HEARD**

**LOUNGE HOURS**

**MONDAY 3P - 11P**

**TUESDAY - THURSDAY**

**2P - 11P**

**FRIDAY 2P - 12A**

**SATURDAY NOON - 12A**

**SUNDAY NOON - 10P**

**MEMBERS - PLEASE USE  
YOUR CARD KEY AT THE  
LOUNGE ENTRANCE  
AND YOU MUST SIGN-IN ALL  
GUESTS  
(REQUIRED BY NJ STATE  
ALCOHOL BEVERAGE  
COMMISSION)]**

**REMEMBER**

**“EACH MEMBER OF LODGE  
2428 MUST CARY HIS PAID-  
UP MEMBERSHIP CARD FOR  
ADMITTANCE TO THE  
LODGE, AND HE SHALL  
WILLFULLY DISPLAY HIS  
MEMBERSHIP CARD IF  
REQUESTED TO DO SO.”**

**Trustee Report - Paul Consorte, Chairperson**

**Trustee Meeting on Tuesday, November 2nd** The Trustees voted to accept the bid from Gallo Roofing for the Bingo Room roof. The bid was for \$2,500 plus City permits. This bid includes some of the work being performed by Lodge Members allowing us to save some monies and still have a 10 year warranty. A motion was made and passed at the November 9th Lodge Meeting.

All Insurance claims from the Good Friday fire have been finalized and received, along with all related expenses and have been booked at this time. A motion to remove the requirement in the *By-Laws-House Rules* for insurance from all Boat Slip holders was passed with the endorsement of the Trustees.

**Next meeting - Tuesday December 7th**

**House Committee - Rick Votta, Chairperson**

**Our trim a tree party is set for Saturday, December 4<sup>th</sup> at 6p.** Members are asked to bring an open dish and an ornament to decorate our Christmas tree. Stop in, enjoy the fun and help us start the holidays.

On December 11<sup>th</sup> we are expecting a full house. We are hosting the army/navy game for our Veterans – read more about this on the Veterans Service Page in this Newsletter. Joe Kelly guarantees a good time for all. There is a signup sheet in the lounge if you want to help.

All hands on deck. We need volunteers to help spruce up our lounge & hall. The plan is to tackle this project the weekends of January 15<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>. Dave Biggins and Paul Consorte will take the lead. Stay tuned for more details and look for a signup sheet in the Lounge.

The new TV and speakers should be installed by the middle of December.

We are looking in to a new phone system and in the planning stage to identify our Lodge requirements.

**The House Committee wishes everyone a Happy Holiday season!**

**THE LOUNGE WILL BE CLOSED ON CHRISTMAS DAY**

**Friday Night Food Committee – Nancy Muncer, Chairperson**

Friday Night dinners continue to be served as we enter the winter months. It's my favorite time of the year for cooking. Can you say COMFORT FOOD!?! Do you have a special family recipe you would like to offer? The winter is the best time to try on your cooking apron at the Elks. Menus for December 3rd and 17th are still up in the air. Paul Consorte and Jeanne DiCecco will be in the kitchen on December 10th with Roast Pork. Because of the Holidays, all our chefs will be off on December 24th and December 31st. The kitchen will re-open on January 7th with our Meatloaf and Baked Potato bar. Its' a great meal. All dinners will be served from 5:30p to 7:30p. Check our web-site or the sign-up board in the Lounge for the menus.

**Annual Polar Bear Plunge, New Years Day @ Noon – Submitted by Joanne Delaney**

December is right around the corner and so is the annual Polar Bear Plunge which so many of our members participate in and organize. All proceeds go to The Fisher House Foundation. Fisher Houses offer a “home away from home” - a place where families can stay and support their loved ones at no cost while they receive specialized VA/military hospital medical care. These houses allow the patients and families to focus on what's most important, the healing process.

This year the Fisher House is celebrating its 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Their work to care for America's Service members, veterans, and their families is never truly finished. They provide support to our heroes and their loved ones, aiding in their care and rehabilitation. These efforts lift up countless lives across our country, and honor the service and sacrifice of those who have worn the uniform of the United States.

This year's Polar Bear sweatshirt and t-shirt will soon be available. The plunge is at Noon on New Year's Day.

**Last year \$20,000 was raised for the Fisher House Foundation from the annual Brigantine Polar Bear Plunge!**

**Editor's Corner** - Susan Marie Pierce (609-892-8300; [antlers@brigantineelks.com](mailto:antlers@brigantineelks.com))

As we move into December, our Lodge has grown to 711 members. Of these, 280 receive this Newsletter by email. This offers two significant benefits: you get to read the Antlers in color at the same time you are saving Lodge costs.

If anyone else would like to use the email option, simply send your full name, postal mailing address, contact phone number and email address to the Lodge at the contact information shown above.

In response to several requests, the calendar in Page 8 was changed last month. Rather than showing each week from Monday through Sunday, it now shows Sunday through Saturday.

**22 new Members were initiated on October 10th. Here they are - our baby Elks. We welcome you all!**

NOEL ALBERTSON	DOLORES MILLER
NICK BRANDEMARTI	STEVE MORRISON
SAM CHATIS	PAT ORCHARD
MICHAEL CONSORTE	ROBERT READER
RITA D'ARMI	KEVIN REILLY
PAUL FULLER	KENNETH SEBASTIAN
JOSEPH GUGLIEMO	GAIL SNYDER
RICHARD HOLT	BARBARA STEFANSKI
ANDREW LOGUE	JOHN SUTTON
JOSEPH MC MAHON	JOHN WATSON
JOSEPH MIGATZ	JOHN WELSH

**DO YOU HAVE A CANDIDATE TO PROPOSE FOR MEMBERSHIP? THE NEXT CLASS IS SCHEDULED FOR FEBRUARY 2011.**

**WEBSITES TO VISIT  
FOR MORE INFORMATION  
ABOUT THE ELKS**

[www.brigantineelks.com](http://www.brigantineelks.com)  
[www.elks.org](http://www.elks.org)  
[www.njelks.com](http://www.njelks.com)

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OUR LODGE WEBSITE  
[www.brigantineelks.com](http://www.brigantineelks.com)

**From the mailbag**

*I participated in the Hoop Shoot on Saturday morning November 13th and wanted to offer my thoughts of the day. I must admit to being a little TOUCHED by the event. The kids were so well behaved and had such a good time.*

*So many Elks volunteered making the event go so well. I guess as an Elk and a member of this wonderful island when you see our volunteers all giving so freely of themselves and also enjoying it, it just doesn't get any better. How great is that!*

*I find myself using the words of Dave B more and more every day "I truly believe this organization inspires us and others to do more. The rewards are enormous". Lucky me, I get to experience all this wonderful stuff through a camera lens or behind one. This event happens every year in November and Julie's (Mandes) hard work is making it grow.*

*Fran Chambers*

**Membership and Lapsation Committee** - Joanne Delaney, Chairperson

Membership in our Lodge continues to grow. So far this year, we gained 47 new members.

A special thanks to Bill Joyce, Dave Biggins and Allyson Arnold for their participation in our a very successful telethon to decrease lapsation. As a result, 19 members who were behind in their dues made payment.

Don't be a stranger to our Lodge. Stop by and enjoy our Lounge with its spectacular view. Get involved. There are many activities you can get involved in and several committees you can join.

Active membership will continue to make us strong.

## "Fishing Around the Clock" - A Huge Success

Mike Muncer and Guy Wilkins, Co-Chairs



FRAN CHAMBERS WITH HIS FIRST EVER STRIPER  
PHOTO COURTESY OF CAPTAIN ANDY @ RIPTIDE

The 4th Annual Stripers Tournament last month was a great success! The tournament proceeds will be used to support Elks Veterans' programs. The winners in the Boat Category were: First place in the category of total weight of two fish was Captain Bob Stabinski aboard his boat Irish Mist with 40 lbs. 14 oz, followed by Captain Karl Stock on Shawnee with 39 lbs. 2 oz. and coming in third with 36 lbs. 10 oz. was David Biggins aboard his Fish Catcher. The Biggest Single fish category for boaters was won by Bob Stabinski with a 21 lb. 6 oz. striper. In the Surf Category, Anthony Ayres Sr. took first place for total weight of two fish at 35 lbs. 2 oz., followed by Tony Elliot with total weight of 31 lbs. 9 oz. and Lou Warlow came in third with 28 lbs. 1 oz. Tony Elliot weighed in a 20 lb. 12 oz. striper to take the win for Biggest Single Fish in the Surf Category. The Elks sincerely thanks all who participated in making this tournament a success.

## Pet Photos with Santa - Sunday, December 5th 1p - 4p

Bring your pet to the Lodge on Sunday December 5<sup>th</sup> between 1p and 4pm and have a picture taken with Santa!

There will be treats and music to get everybody into the Holiday mood. A great keepsake or Christmas card. We request a \$5 donation. All proceeds will be donated to the Humane Society in our Lodge's name.

The picture will be ready for pickup by 5p the same day  
Pictures will also be available by E-Mail!

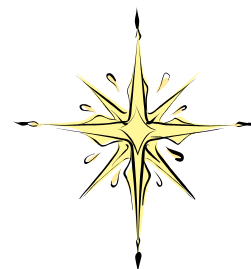


## Children's Christmas Party - Sunday December 12th

Terry and Lenny Kachur, Chairpersons



Bring the kids to see Santa, his Elves, the Toy Soldier, the Balloon House and MORE! Open to Grandchildren, Step-Grandchildren, Nieces, Nephews of Lodge members.  
Open to children from newborns through 9 years old accompanied by a member of our Lodge  
**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!** Use sign-up board in the Lounge.  
**DONATIONS WELCOME!**  
Any questions, call Terry and Lenny Kachur @ 609-348-4549.



## Special Needs Children's Christmas Party Friday, December 17th , 1p - 3p

Dee Brown, Chairperson

Just pick an envelope from our Angel Tree in the Lounge and make a Christmas gift come true for a special one. The gift amount this year will be a maximum of \$50. We are looking for donations of juice boxes, candy canes, candy for gift bags.

It would be great if you would wrap your gifts.  
Any questions, contact Dee Brown @ 609-377-1887.





**Veterans Service Committee - Joe Kelly, Chairperson**

**Christmas Visits**

- **Veterans Haven in Ancora** - Wednesday evening December 1st
- **Veterans Memorial Home at Vineland** - Thursday morning December 9th

LET'S SPREAD CHRISTMAS CHEER AND PROVIDE SOME NICE GIFTS FOR OUR WORTHY VETERANS. WATCH FOR A "WISH LIST" TO BE POSTED IN THE LOUNGE AND ON [www.brigantineelks.com](http://www.brigantineelks.com) OR HELP OUT WITH A MONETARY DONATION TO THE LODGE VETERANS SERVICE COMMITTEE. COOKIES AND BROWNIES ARE ALWAYS APPRECIATED. WE WILL BE TAKING GIFT BAGS WITH PLAYING CARDS, SHIRTS, GLOVES, ETC. WE ALSO PROVIDE GIFT CARDS TO WAL-MART. Thank You Dr. Frank Kern for the donation of soaps and lotions.

**Striper Tournament**  
 THANK YOU-THANK YOU-THANK YOU to the organizers and participants of this years Tournament. The substantial addition to our treasury will be immediately put to use providing Christmas presents and stockings for our Veterans Christmas visits. Outstanding effort!

**FYI to all Veterans with a military or VA ID**  
 Home Depot in Absecon provides a 10% discount.

**Army/Navy Game - Veterans Appreciation Day - Saturday December 11, 2010**  
 Come to the Lodge and be a part of this special day - meet our Veteran guests and THANK them for their service to our country. Veterans will arrive at 11:15a with the *Welcome Ceremony* set for Noon. A Prime Rib/Crab cake dinner will be served at 12:15p followed by the game at 2:30p. A "Tailgate" supper will be served at 5p after which our Veterans will depart. Why not host a Veteran family member or a friend to a wonderful afternoon of Food, football and Friendship?

**The Gates at Somers Point, NJ ("Veterans Point")**  
 We collect good quality furniture and furnishings for Veterans moving into these apartments. Many of the Veterans have little, if anything, other than a roof over their heads. Dave Biggins and Joe Kelly picked up 6 dining room chairs donated by new members, Sam Chavitz and Rita D'armi. Frank Vesely is placing a trailer at "Veterans Point" to store donated furniture and furnishings.



**Call Dave Biggins at 610-721-4956 to arrange a pick up.**  
**Next Meeting - Monday December 6th @ 6p**

As a Member of this great Order, take the time to seek out and thank our Members who go that extra mile to assist these true American heroes.

**Our Lodge Participated in Brigantine's Veterans Day Parade**



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DOT MATHIESON SENDS CARDS, CARE PACKAGES, FLOWERS, FRUIT BASKETS, ETC. TO ANY ELK WHO IS ILL OR IN DISTRESS. IF YOU KNOW OF SOMEONE WHO COULD USE OUR HELP AND THOUGHTS, PLEASE LET DOT KNOW AT 609-485-2467(H) OR 609-456-7621(C); FEEL FREE TO LEAVE A MESSAGE.  
**TO ALL ELKS AND THEIR FAMILIES**  
 SHOULD A MEMBER PASS AWAY, THE OFFICERS WILL PERFORM THE ELKS FUNERAL SERVICE AT YOUR REQUEST. PLEASE CONTACT THE EXALTED RULER, BILL JOYCE

**Our Thoughts are with You**

**SICKNESS & DISTRESS**

- DONNA BAKELY
- JOE KILROY
- BOB NELSON
- HENRY TOFINI

**PASSINGS**

- RAY BUTTERWORTH
- FRAN FUNSTON
- GENE LAMARQUE
- BOB NELSON'S SISTER
- JANE PELTONEN'S SISTER
- HERB SZATKOWSKI

**ELKS MISSION STATEMENT**

TO INCULCATE THE PRINCIPLES OF CHARITY, JUSTICE, BROTHERLY LOVE AND FIDELITY

TO RECOGNIZE A BELIEF IN GOD

TO PROMOTE THE WELFARE AND ENHANCE THE HAPPINESS OF ITS MEMBERS

TO QUICKEN THE SPIRIT OF AMERICAN PATRIOTISM

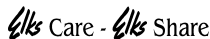
TO CULTIVATE GOOD FELLOWSHIP

TO PERPETUATE ITSELF AS A FRATERNAL ORGANIZATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR ITS GOVERNMENT

THE BENEVOLENT AND PROTECTIVE ORDER OF ELKS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA WILL SERVE THE PEOPLE AND COMMUNITIES THROUGH BENEVOLENT PROGRAMS, DEMONSTRATING THAT *ELKS CARE AND ELKS SHARE.*

**HOW TO BRING IN A NEW MEMBER**

REACH OUT TO THE PEOPLE YOU KNOW. LET THEM KNOW WHAT ELKS DO. BRING THEM TO THE LODGE. LET THEM SEE THAT



AND THEN, JUST ASK THEM IF THEY ARE INTERESTED IN KNOWING ABOUT THE ELKS. OFFER TO SPONSOR THEM.

AFTER ALL, THE ELKS ARE THE PREMIER CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION IN OUR BRIGANTINE COMMUNITY

**Member Profile - Meet the Mathiesons**

What would Friday Night Food be without Dot's salads? Certainly not as tasty as they are with Dot slicing, dicing and assembling the best salads in town.



Dot and hubby Jack have been a fixture at the lodge as far back as 1989. Jack first joined the Elks in 1977 in Mercer County. His Dad was his sponsor. After moving to Brigantine in '88 he changed Lodges to #2428. Dot became a member in 2002.

This active couple finds time for helping out at the Lodge in several ways. Besides being the salad maker extraordinaire, Dot is in charge of Sickness and Distress for our lodge. Jack is the volunteer who maintains the windows in the Lounge so we can all enjoy the beautiful view.

Outside of the Lodge, Dot volunteers with Meals on Wheels of Atlantic County. She supports many of the Elks charities but has a special place in her heart for Special Needs Kids. Her hobbies include cooking, needlework, reading and enjoying the beach.

Jack is an avid fisherman and keeps busy working on cars and puttering around his workshop.

They always find time to visit the grandkids in Florida for a month each winter.

Dot has a special Italian salad dressing recipe that folks are always asking for. Dave Biggins has renamed it the Elks House Dressing. She wanted to share it with everyone.

**Elks House Dressing** (serves 6-8)  
 ½ cup red wine vinegar  
 1 cup Olive Oil  
 ¼ cup Dijon mustard (made w white wine, not the grainy kind)  
 2 big squirts of lemon juice  
 ¼ cup honey  
 1 teaspoon dried basil  
 1 teaspoon oregano  
 Salt and Pepper  
 Whisk all ingredients together.

**BIRTHDAY WISHES**

- 1 JOSEPH MARTIN  
FRANK VESELY  
ANDREW LOGUE
- 2 JOSEPH PYLE  
ROBERT RILEY JR  
JOHN RIOS  
PRESTON MC CLASKEY  
KIMBERLY GLOMB
- 5 DON GOODIN
- 6 MICHAEL PLES  
JOSEPH PALMER  
WILLIAM TONER
- 7 SUE FOLCHER  
ROSEMARIE SKELLY  
JAMES GRUTKO
- 8 GEORGE HINES  
JOYCE BIGGINS
- 9 JOSEPH HORAN
- 11 TOMMY LEPERA  
DON IRONS, PDDGER
- 12 WAYNE CONNELLY  
JEFF WYNKOOP  
RAYMOND FREEBERRY
- 14 EILEEN REICHARD  
JAMES REYNOLDS  
JOSEPH HARTNETT  
PATRICK MC MAHON
- 15 CHERYL GILL  
GREGORY GOFF SR  
MICHAEL MCALEER
- 16 AUGIE PELTONEN
- 17 JOSEPH MCGEE
- 18 JOSEPH CARROLL  
RICHARD HOLT  
RAYMOND DESTEPHANIS JR
- 19 ROBERT DOUGHERTY JR  
CAROL ADGALANE  
ROBERT DRAKE JR
- 20 THOMAS MCGILL  
RUSSELL RODJINSKE  
THERESA BIRNSTIEL  
STEPHEN SWEENEY
- 22 STEPHEN MAHAN
- 24 PATRICK PEACOCK  
WALTER WYTOSHEK  
MELISSA HANNAN  
ANDREW WALTER
- 25 THOMAS REILLY  
PATRICIA MC LAUGHLIN  
ALBERT STELLA
- 26 BILL HEBLING
- 27 GREGG KNIGHT  
JAMES MAGUIRE JR
- 28 RONALD HUNGRIDGE  
JOSEPH KINSLOW  
PAUL D'AMBRA  
OTTO HARAZIM  
PAUL WASILUK SR
- 30 DEBORAH ENDERLIN  
HENRY TOFINI
- 31 JOSEPH LUCAS  
DAVID BAKELY  
BRIAN FISHER  
MICHAEL MC MAHON



## Youth Committee - Julie Mandes, Chairperson

### The Annual Hoop Shoot was a fun event for all!



#### THE WINNERS

AGES 8-9: 1ST PLACE JOHN GRAHSLER, 2ND PLACE MICHAEL LAKES, 3RD PLACE ALEX TOWN  
 AGES 10-11 BOYS 1ST PLACE ROBERT MARINO, 2ND PLACE HARRISON KLAISS  
 GIRLS 1ST PLACE LAUREN OLEKSIK, 2ND PLACE SAMANTHA GRAHSLER  
 AGES 12-13 BOYS 1ST PLACE R.J. DAVIS, 2ND PLACE MATT OLEKSIK, 3RD PLACE ZACH NESTER  
 GIRLS 1ST PLACE JULIA KLINE

THANKS TO THE ELKS VOLUNTEERS  
 JAY MANDES; DONNA FULMER; SAM STORINO, PER;  
 PAUL CONSORTE, TRUSTEE; JOHN  
 WALDRON, TRUSTEE; DENNY AND EILEEN REICHARD;  
 MICHAEL SHIMPENO; FRAN CHAMBERS; BILL HEBLING;  
 STEVE MAHAN; REGIONAL YOUTH CHAIR DON  
 IRONS, PER;  
 COUNCILMAN FRANK KERN; FRANK VESELY, PER, PDD.  
 SPECIAL THANKS TO JACK CRABTREE WHO WORKS  
 FOR THE C.E.R.

### Our Youth Committee Fundraiser has begun at this website

[www.efundraisingonline.com/BrigantineElksYouthCommitteeFundraiser](http://www.efundraisingonline.com/BrigantineElksYouthCommitteeFundraiser)

Go to this link and then click on Support Us. This will take you to our online fundraising store where 40% of funds from all purchases will come directly back to the Brigantine Lodge Youth Committee! We are focusing on raising additional funds for the Peer Leadership Seminar. Great gifts are available for family and friends. Especially popular are the Restaurant.com gift cards for purchase at extreme discounts! You can get a \$100 gift certificate for only \$35. A \$50 Gift certificate only costs \$20! It's great that when redeeming the gift card, you get to choose which zip code you are in and there are tons of participating restaurants across the country! Other things available are magazines and magazine renewals, along with yummy cookie dough! We hope you will consider checking out the online store.

(Note: the free movie ticket offer for forwarding the information to 12 friends mentioned on our poster/flyer has now expired. Sorry.)

### Brigantine Youth Alliance Plans to support the Veteran Committee's Army/Navy Game Event

I, as youth committee chairperson, recently received a beautiful email from Joe Kelly which said, "I have always thought of the involvement of our Youth with the Vets committee as a Win-Win arrangement. Our Veterans simply love seeing and talking to the young people, while our children learn the value of our freedom and learn to revere those who made our freedom possible."

I couldn't agree more! It was especially touching to me when Joe mentioned to me that the Veteran's committee is welcoming the youth selected to come to volunteer to serve the vets at the upcoming Army/Navy Game Event, And are invited to stay around for the game and the supper to follow." I think it is a great thing to have the youth and Veterans connect. (The recent grant which I received for the youth committee includes some funds which youth will use to support this connection.) I will be attending the next Veteran's committee meeting to share more information about ideas for the use of these funds.

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## DECEMBER 2010

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
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12 CHILDRENS CHRISTMAS PARTY 1P	13	14 COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES 6:30P LODGE MTG 7:30P	15 HOUSE COMMITTEE 7P	16	17 SPECIAL NEEDS CHILDREN'S XMAS PARTY 1P FRIDAY NIGHT FOOD 5:30P	18
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26	27	28 COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES 6:30P LODGE MTG 7:30P	29	30	31 NEW YEARS EVE KITCHEN CLOSED	JANUARY 1 NEW YEARS DAY