



SOUTHWEST DISTRICT NEWS



The 815th meeting of the Southwest District of the Pennsylvania Elks State Association will be held at Mt Pleasant Lodge #868 on Sunday, January 27, 2008. The delegates will meet at 2:30 PM. The Advisory Committee will meet at 1:00 PM.

OFFICERS 2007—2008
President..... Donald Reese
Vice President..... Joseph VillaNeuva
Secretary..... David Pular
Treasurer..... Stanley Welsh



- **Americanism:** Essay contests are due to Chairman Challen Matthews by February 28th.
- **Drug Awareness:** Posters are due to the Lodges by January 31st and to Chairperson Ginny Cole by February 28th.
- **Home Service:** District contributions as of December 31st are \$18,300 a per capita of \$2.95. A contribution was received from Donora Lodge for \$700. We have 7 Lodges with 0 contributions.
- **Veterans:** The Remembrance report is due to DD Sam McCullough ASAP.
- **National Foundation:** Scholarship applications are due to Chairman John Carozza by January 31st. Connellsville and Mt Pleasant Lodges have exceeded \$5.00 per capita in the Foundation.
- **Elks Credit Card:** Each Lodge has received applications for the Elks Visa card. Each Lodge will receive \$10.00 for each member who signs up for the card.

District Deputy Clinic



DD Sam McCullough's next clinic will be held at Mt Pleasant Lodge on Sunday, January 27th at 1:00 PM. Progress and Lodge evaluation will be discussed. This is an opportunity for Lodges to get their questions answered. The clinic is mandatory for Exalted Rulers, Leading Knights, Secretaries and Trustee Chairmen and anyone not attending will receive a letter from PGER Carlon O'Malley. Any interested Elk is also welcome.

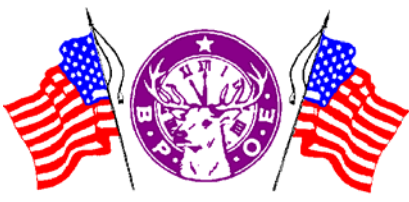
HOOP SHOOT



The Southwest District Hoop Shoot will be held at Connellsville Junior High East on Saturday, February 2, 2008. The starting time is 10:00 AM with registration beginning at 9:30 AM.

Please send the registration cards ASAP to District Chairman Dave Pular, PO Box 153, Leisenring PA 15455. Please double check the birthdates **AS OF APRIL 1, 2008.**

The 'Ben K Ortman PSP Traveling Trophy' will be presented to the Lodge team making the most baskets



Advisory Committee

It is important that all Southwest District Advisory Committee members attend the next meeting on January 27th as committee choices will be made. The meeting will begin at a special time of 1:00 PM.

Any member who wishes to chair a District committee should make their wishes known to the Advisory committee member in his/her Lodge or call PSP Ron Hawkins at 724-529-7970.

GER Campaign



Paul Helsel of the MD/DE/DC State Association is the endorsed candidate for Grand Exalted Ruler. The campaign committee is asking all Lodges to donate

\$100 for his expenses. Pins will also be sold at \$100 which will include admission to his cocktail party at the Grand Lodge convention. There are also lady pins and patron pins which are available from PSP Ron Hawkins.

Upcoming Meetings

January 27..... Mt Pleasant
March 16..... Washington
April 20..... Monongahela



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