



SOUTHWEST DISTRICT NEWS



The 852nd meeting of the Southwest District of the Pennsylvania Elks State Association will be held at Monessen Lodge #773 on Sunday, September 15, 2013. The delegates will meet at 1:00 PM. The Advisory Committee will meet at 12:00 PM.

OFFICERS 2013—2014
President..... Barbara Gagliardi
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- Please note the change of the meeting time to 1:00 PM. The time was changed due to the picnic. The picnic will begin following the meeting.
- Pittsburgh Lodge #11 and Pgh South Hills Lodge #2213 are now members of the SW District. We welcome them and look forward to seeing them at the District meeting.
- Local Soccer Shoots should be completed by October 10th, The State competition is scheduled for December 14th.
- The theme for the 2013-2014 Americanism Essay contest is "What Does Veteran's Day Mean to Me?" Participants must be in grades five through eight and the deadline to local Lodges is January 10, 2014.
- The theme for the Drug Awareness Poster and Essay contests is "Down With Drugs, Up With Awareness." The poster contest is for grades 3,4 and 5 and the essay contest is for grades 6, 7 and 8. Essays and posters must be turned in to local Lodges by January 17, 2014.
- Connellsville, Norwin and Scottdale Lodges sent participants to the Tournament of Champions at Seven Springs Resort. Unfortunately, we had no medal winners.

DD Clinic

District Deputy Joe Villaneuva's first Clinic will be held at Monessen Lodge on Sunday, September 15th at 12:00 noon.



It is mandatory for all Exalted Rulers, Leading Knights, Secretaries and Trustee Chairmen. Please contact Joe if you are unable to attend. Any interested members are also welcome.

District Picnic

The SW District picnic will be held at Monessen Lodge on Sunday, September 15th following the meeting.

The menu includes barbeque ribs & chicken, hot dogs, kielbasa and assorted side dishes. Picnic is adults only and the cost is only \$5.00 per person. Contact your ER or Secretary ASAP if you plan on attending.

Scholarships

The 2014 Most Valuable Student scholarship applications are now available.

Applications are available online at www.elks.org/enf/scholars, from high school counselors and from local Lodges. Applications must be submitted to the local Lodge by December 6, 2013.



Legacy Awards are \$4,000 scholarships (\$1,000 per year for four years) to children and grandchildren of Elk members. The student must complete and submit the ONLINE application before January 31, 2014, deadline.

Fall Convention

The Fall Convention of the Pennsylvania Elks State Association will be held at the Clarion Hotel in Harrisburg on October 10-13, 2013. Room reservations must be made by September 23, 2013.



DSVP Barb Gagliardi will host the Southwest District hospitality room on Friday and Saturday.

Grand Exalted Ruler Millard Pickering will make his official visit to our state at that time.

District committee chairpersons meet with their state chairpersons on Friday afternoon. There will also be special seminars on Business Practices and Membership on Saturday afternoon.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

September 15	Monessen
October 20	Connellsville
November 17	Canonsburg
January 19	Norwin
March 16	Scottdale
April 20	Monongahela

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