



SOUTHWEST DISTRICT NEWS



The 871st meeting of the Southwest District of the Pennsylvania Elks State Association will be held at Monessen Lodge #773 on Sunday, September 18, 2016. The delegates will meet at 2:30 PM. The Advisory Committee will meet at 1:30 PM.

DD Clinic

Aquila Hilling's first District Deputy Clinic will be held at Monessen Lodge on September 18th, at 12:30 PM. According to the Laws of the Order, it is necessary that the Exalted Ruler, Leading Knight, Secretary and the Chairperson of the Board of Trustees be present. As per Statute, a valid excuse for absence needs to be obtained from the DD prior to the date of the clinic. Other officers, committee members and members are urged to attend.

Aquila has promised a fun and informative session. She will have flyers, handouts, and tons of information.



OFFICERS 2016 - 2017

President.....	Garry Cox
Vice Pres.....	Dawn Lynn
Secretary.....	David Pular
Treasurer.....	Keith Hilling
Chaplain.....	Becky McCullough

Fall Convention

The Fall Convention of the Pennsylvania Elks State Association will be held at the Red Lion Hotel in Harrisburg on October 13-16, 2016. Room reservations must be made by September 29, 2015.

Once again we hope to share a Hospitality room with the South Central District on Friday and Saturday.

Grand Exalted Ruler Michael F Zellen 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.

There will also be a vote to increase the State by \$.25 a year for the next 4 years.



UPCOMING MEETINGS

September 18.....	Monessen
October 9.....	Connellsville
November 20.....	Canonsburg
January 15.....	Norwin
March 19.....	Scottsdale
April 9.....	Monongahela



FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK

- The 2016-2017 theme for the **Drug Awareness Poster, Essay and Video contests** is **"Just Say No."** Contest rules can be found at <http://www.paelks.com/files/DrugContest.htm>. Essays and posters must be turned in to local Lodges by January 6, 2017.
- Contributions to the **Home Service Fund** were received from Scottsdale (\$3000), Connellsville (\$2100), Washington (\$2094) and Monongahela (\$225) Lodges. Monongahela also donated \$100 to the **Legacy Trust Fund**.
- A contribution of \$1475 to the **Elks National Foudation** was received from Washington Lodge.
- Deadline for the **State Pin Contest** is November 19th.
- The **Most Valuable Student and Legacy Scholarships** are now available at www.elks.gov. Both scholarships must now be filed online. The MVS deadline to local Lodges is November 30, 2016. Legacy Scholrships must be filed by February 3, 2017.
- The Fall issue of the **State Newspaper** can be viewed at: http://www.thepaelk.us/The_Pennsylvania_Elk/Welcome.html.

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