



Red Bank Lodge No. 233

Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks • A Fraternal Organization

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Dear Member,

I am writing to you on behalf of the Red Bank Elks Americanism Committee. In case you are not aware this committee is dedicated to preserving patriotism, the symbol of this being our Nation's flag.

The Committee oversees and organizes several yearly town wide events, after which we supply a light repast at the lodge.

- Memorial Day
- Flag Day
- September 11, Patriots' Day

One of our uttermost achievements is the Americanism Essay contest, for students in grades 5 through 8. This is significant as it inspires and educates our young Americans about how they can show their support and love of our great country. To the authors of the most outstanding essays we award a monetary prize. It has been reported by the administrators of the participating local schools that this has made a noteworthy difference for some of these children.

The condition of the Lodge Flag is the responsibility of the Committee, it is lowered when ordered, replaced when needed and retired with dignity.

Additionally we donate classroom flags to local schools. These are proudly presented by lodge Officers and Members during assemblies.

In order to continue our Patriotic work we need your continued support. Please consider a donation towards the Americanism Committee to ensure that your lodge can help preserve the appreciation of our Nation's crowning symbol.

Please send your donation in the enclosed envelope or online at www.redbankelks.org.

Fraternally,

Charles Pugliese
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