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## The Elks Profile

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## A Message from the Exalted Ruler

January 2019

Last month proved to be a month filled with positivity. Christmas spirit and generosity, positive lodge changes, hard work from dedicated Elks members, and lots of fun had throughout our members made for a wonderful way to end 2018.

Much thanks goes to the 73 members and non-members who worked to assemble and deliver 88 Christmas food baskets to those in need in our local Lakes Region community. Through the generous donations of our members, we were able to feed delicious and hearty meals that could be enjoyed not only during the holidays. A special thanks goes to Vince Vella for donating 120 loaves of bread to this project. Thanks goes to Margaret-Mary and Jim Culpon and Tricia Roy for preparing breakfast for the workers who arrived at the lodge starting at 6:00 am. At 7:00 am., under the direction of Frank Mello, the volunteers began assembling the boxes, and by 8:15 am. volunteers were loading their vehicles to make deliveries to areas as far as Alton, Northfield, and Canterbury. It was heartwarming to hear the positive stories shared by the members. Bringing an unsuspecting family a Christmas food basket and seeing their smiles and tears of joy made all of the hard work worthwhile. Our lodge should be proud not only of exhibiting the holiday spirit, but more importantly of exhibiting the true meaning of being an Elk, namely brotherly love, charity, and improving our community and our country.





If you have not already seen it, please stop by the lodge and see the completion of the bar renovations. They are beautiful! The officers of the lodge worked hard to ensure that the renovations were completed under budget; and with their hard work and with the hard work of the volunteers, the bar is now more spacious, efficient, and visually attractive. Our Trustees spent hours donating their time to this project, and Richard "Gizz" Gilbert and Mike Buldoc spent hours on the needed carpentry. Many of our members have already commented on how beautiful everything looks.







With all of the positive changes and renovations that have been taking place, once in a while some of our electronic equipment's wiring gets moved and then the machinery temporarily shuts down or does not work as it should. Thanks goes to our resident

"electronic guru", Jamie Laramie, for his skills and hard work in getting these issues fixed quickly. It's proven to be a huge life-saver when we have not had to call out to a company to do this work and incur possible extra fees.

Many of our members have a lot of fun playing the games at the lodge. Some definitely are "close friends" with Lady Luck.



This is what a \$1000 winner looks like! - Congratulations!!

Since our last newsletter, we have learned that New Hampshire is no longer the 9th in the nation in financially supporting E.N.F. (Elks National Foundation). Our tiny state has now moved into the 6th position. This makes an incredible statement of how generous and dedicated our Elks members truly are. Let's continue making this statement and supporting such an amazing program.

As a final reminder, please plan to attend the next State Meeting which will be held at our lodge on January 20, 2019. Important issues will be discussed, and your votes really matter.

Exalted Ruler, David Brown

## Manager's Corner

As of January 1, 2019 you will no longer be able to purchase "drink chips" as you have become accustomed. Rest assured we will honor all drink chips already purchased, but we encourage you to redeem them if you can over the next few months. Don't worry, we will be coming back with new chips, so you can show your fellow Elks some love.

For now we need to clean up our process and inventory these "drink chips" going forward. Thanks for your patience, understanding, and support during our continuing changes for the best for our lodge, its members, and our business.

TRICIA ROY Lodge Manager

## Secretary's Corner

Have you recently retired, and feeling bored at home already? Do you have a trade that the lodge could utilize? Plumbing, electrical, cooking skills? Here at the lodge we are always in need of things to be done and people to cook. If this is something that peaks your interest, please do not hesitate to contact the lodge.

## — Secretary's Notes —

Susan Ayers • Secretary secretary876@metrocast.net 603-524-0809

#### Bulletin to be Read through our Website

The monthly bulletin is now available to read on our lodge's website. The monthly bulletin is only mailed to N.H. residents, unless otherwise requested, to the lodge secretary, to continue to receive it by regular mail.

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Click on "Bulletin" and choose which month you want to read.

Any questions contact Susan Ayers at:
secretary876@metrocast.net or call the lodge

# - Remember All Dues are due on April 1, 2018 <u>Dues for 2018-2019 year</u> DUES FOR 2018 - 2019 HAVE CHANGED

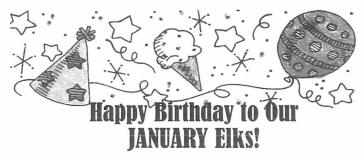
Due to Grand Lodge Insurance Increase,

Regular Membership is now: \$60.00 \* Life Membership is now: \$25.00

## 2018 - 2019 Dues

Remember all Dues are due before April 1, 2018

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Name:					
Membership #:					
Annual Regular Member Dues (\$60.00)	Amount Included:				
Annual Life Member Dues (\$25.00)	Amount Included:				
Optional Donations : 1) Elks National Foundation (ENF)	Amount Included:				
2) State Major Project (Copper Cannon)	Amount Included:				
3) Lodge Scholarship Fund	Amount Included:				
Total Paid for 2018-2019 : \$					



DAY			DAY		
01	Kevin	Daly	17	Velma	Harrison PER
01	Henry	Greemore	17	R Scott	Haskell PER PDDGER
01	Linda	Jackson	17	Tracey	Rich
01	John	Lavin	17	Deborah	Southworth
01	Charles	Schubert Jr	19	Kathy	Clairmont
03	Howard	Brown Jr	19	Janice	Pilling
03	Kevin	Moynahan	20	Robert	Fay
05	Robert	Lakin	20	Normand	Gaudet
06	Larry	Benoit	20	Susan	Noyes
06	Elisabeth	Kimmey	21	James	Chapman
06	Jamie	Laramie	21	Bruce	Morgan
07	Earl	Clough	22	Scott	Compton
07	Ronald	Dionne	22	Richard	Parshley
07	Beverly	Gordon	24	Robert	Dever
07	Donald	Knowlton	25	Robert	Finkeldie
07	Sandra	Lentz	25	Russell	Moren
09	Fran	Cahill	26	Debra	Lacey
09	Terri	Hawkins	26	Roger	Marceau
10	Leonard	Gardner Jr	28	Cindy	Haslam
10	Richard	Stewart	28	John	Heney Sr
11	James	MacQuarrie Jr	30	Jon	Rich
12	Richard	Dubois	31	Gary	Moulton
12	David	Relf	31	Lionel	Paradise
14	Roy	Larson Jr per pddger	31	John	Sullivan

#### Lodge of Sorrow



None for the month of January

#### **Proposition for Membership**

Mike Blake from Gilmanton, proposed by Beth Kimmey Thomas Menard from Laconia, proposed by Richard Ingram David Horvath from Gilford, proposed by Marlon Moran

#### Reinstatement:

William North from Northfield, proposed by Brett McCrea

Proposition for Life Membership

None for the month of January

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#### **Grand Exalted Ruler 2018-2019 Michael T. Luhr District Deputy GER James Culpon - Laconia NH** 2018-2019 Lodge Officers

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	Exalted Ruler:David Brown	Treasurer:Nila Morrison	Trustees: 5 yr:Mark Roy
ı	Est. Leading Knight:Lisa Sauceda	Tiler:Cheryl Hebert	Trustees: 4 yr:Robert Martin
		Esquire:Jim Culpon, PER	
	Est. Lecturing Knight:Sue Wolk	Chaplain: Dorothy Frawley	Trustees: 2 yr:
	Secretary:Susan Ayers	Inner Guard:Laurel Johnson	Trustees: 1 yr:Michael Smith
ı		Lodge ManagerTricia Roy	

2018-2019 House Committee			
Lisa Sauceda Robert Martin Michael Smith	Jim Culpon, PER Dorothy Frawley	Margaret-Mary Culpon Vincent Vella	

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