

The Elks Profile

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A Message from the Exalted Ruler

August 2019

The Lodge is proud to welcome our five newest members. As always make them feel included and involve them in our activities and fellowship.



Jonathan Koert, Michael Walchak, Stephen Leonard, John Pickard, and Keith Fletches

Bob Martin and I had the honor and privilege of attending the Elks National Convention in St. Louis, Missouri. It was an amazing experience to join 6,850 fellow Elks in an educational and motivational program designed to strengthen our local lodges and to help this phenomenal organization to prosper, flourish, and grow. A few key points were continually highlighted over the three days. First we need to ask ourselves WHY we became members. The Elks is not an organization built on individuals who merely want to drink and socialize; but rather it is an organization which needs volunteers and dedication to improve the local community, the state in which we reside, and the country as a whole. Being an Elk should be viewed as a precious honor. Additionally, in order for this organization and our local lodge to grow and remain healthy, we need to continually encourage people to join and show them the important work our organization does. We MUST be stellar examples of what it means to be an Elk. Make it a goal to increase our membership. Keep membership applications with you, or log into your Elks.org account and sign up new members electronically. It's easy to complain about things in one's lodge, but when is the last time each of us had a willing spirit to volunteer, work hard, and truly make a differ-

Our new Grand Exalted Ruler, Robert L. Duitsman, shared his vision for this year, "Honoring the Past - Embracing the Future". Let's work hard to make this year the best it's ever been in our lodge and in the organization as a whole.



If they know you, and they like you, they will want to be part of you.

The car show to benefit the Tilton's Veterans Home held on July 26th was a success. This event in conjunction with our monthly fish fry brought in a big crowd, a collection of 56 antique and collectors cars, and \$1500 which is being donated. Thanks to Larry and Maureen Record for chairing this event, and thanks to all of our members that donated their time, hard work, and funds to making this occasion so successful.



Please plan to attend and volunteer at the Veterans Picnic at the Tilton Veterans Home on August 10th. The event starts at noon, but volunteers are asked to be there at 11:30 a.m. to help set up. Please help serve a veteran their lunch and share a meal with them. Offer a smiling face and enjoy good conversation. These fine men and women served our country, so let's sacrifice an hour or two and serve them.

August 24th is a day with a couple of wonderful options for our members. Gilford Old Home Day will be taking place, and our lodge will have the Drug Awareness Trailer at the event. The Town of Gilford has donated a spot for our trailer. Please stop by the trailer or volunteer to work at the trailer for an hour or two. Let's show our local community how passionately our organization feels about protecting our youth from drugs. Let's distribute as much free material as possible. Remember Elks Care Elks Share! The New Hampshire State Elks picnic will be held this day as well in Franklin. The sign-up sheet and information is posted on the cork board in our lodge. Get to know your fellow Elks, share ideas, enjoy a meal and a beverage, and just have fun.

As always, let us be strong Elks and proudly serve our lodge, our community, and our country!

Exalted Ruler, LISA SAUCEDA

Manager's Corner

\$100 Drink Chips Raffle"

\$5 per ticket / \$20 for 5 tickets

Proceeds used for Elks painting restoration and cleaning

Drawing will be held on August 16th

Help design the new lodge pin

Submit your design ideas to Nila Morrison

Final vote @ August lodge meeting

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 —

Margaret-Mary Culpon • 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.

www.laconiaelks876.org

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

Any questions contact Margaret-Mary Culpon at:

secretary876@metrocast.net or call the lodge

- Remember All Dues are due on April 1, 2019 <u>Dues for 2018-2019 year</u> DUES FOR 2019 - 2020 HAVE CHANGED

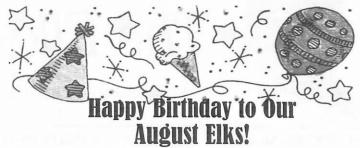
Due to Grand Lodge Insurance Increase,

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

2019 - 2020 Dues

Remember all Dues are due before April 1, 2019

DUES STATEMENT FOR APRIL					
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 : \$					



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DAY			DAY		
01	Susan	Ayers		Milo	Pike
02	Edward	Gaudet	16	David	Didonato
	David	Mudgett		Fred	Rourke
03	Stephen	Bomil	17	Danielle	Culpon
	Allen	Raper	19	Brian	Fountain
05	Charles	Beede	20	Janice	Dignan
	Maureen	Record		John	Faro
07	Larry	Drake		Jason	Wilson
	Daniel	Shaw	21	Edward	Provencal
80	Alice	Mowery	22	Hope	Anderson
09	Roxanne	Greenmore	25	Denise	Bonfiglio
10	John	Bruno	26	Kenneth	Bonnette
10	Aaron	Gilbert		Larry	Mosbrucker
11	Anthony	Felch	27	Kenneth	Hammer
13	Sharon	Tinker	28	Alton	Gardner
14	Robert	Cunningham	29	James	Gaillard
	Donald	Lamontagne		Laurel	Johnson
15	Michelle	LeBlanc	30	Brett	McCrea
	Mary	McIntire	31	Ryan	Laramie

Lodge of Sorrow



Propositions for Membership None for the month of August

Reinstatement:
None for the month of August

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Grand Exalted Ruler 2019-2020 Robert L Duitsman District Deputy GER Kevin Lincoln - Plymouth, NH 2019-2020 Lodge Officers

Exalted Ruler:Lisa Sauceda	Treasurer:Nila Morrison	Trustees: 5 yr:Vince Vella
Est. Leading Knight:Doti Gath	Tiler:Scott Robinson	Trustees: 4 yr:Mark Roy
Est. Loyal Knight:Harold Perkins	Esquire:Jim Culpon, PER	Trustees: 3 yr:Bob Martin
Est. Lecturing Knight:Breanna Martin	Chaplain:Dorothy Frawley	Trustees: 2 yr:James D. Roy
Secretary:Margaret-Mary Culpon	Inner Guard:David Brown	Trustees: 1 yr:Richard Gilbert

2019-2020 House Committee

Frank Mello Robert Martin Jim Culpon, PER David Brown Michael Smith

Breana Martin Michael Bolduc

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