



# The Elks Profile

Laconia Lodge #876

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## A Message from the Exalted Ruler

April 2018

I am going to jump right in and tell you about the month of March. As Exalted Ruler, this will be my final entry in the monthly newsletters, as it is now the end of my journey in these shoes. I want to share some of the month's happenings: initiation, installation of officers and award presentations, and finally my farewell as Exalted Ruler.

The first initiation of the month was held on March 5th and the following 2 members were initiated:



Pictured left is Jason Wilson, middle Jan Dignan, ER, and on the right, is Patrick Scannel.

Please join me in congratulating and welcoming our newly initiated members.

The budget for 2017-2018 for both the Lodge and Bar has been posted in the Lodge. On March 19th, a motion was made to accept the budget, as written, seconded, discussed and passed. The budget is still available in the Lodge for those of you that have not had the opportunity to review it.

A couple of new purchases were approved by the House Committee and Board of Director, motioned on the floor during the March regular Lodge meetings, and approved by our members. These purchases were a new POS (Point of Sale) system and a new security and monitoring system. These new purchases will provide better and more efficient workflows for the canteen and kitchen and better security of the building and parking areas. These updates are necessary for the continued success of our Lodge.

Installation of Officers and Volunteer/Member Appreciation night was held on Saturday, March 24th. Presiding over the Installation Ritual Ceremony, and a member of the State Ritual Committee, was William Roy, PER, PDD. Assisting him in the ceremony was Doti Acres, PER, PDD, and Bill Shene, PER, who performed installation of all other officers and appointees. A special thank you for presiding over installation.

The following officers were installed:

**Officers:**

**Trustees:**

**Appointed positions:**

Exalted Ruler: David Brown	5 Year Trustee: Mark Roy	Esquire: Jimmy Culpon, PER, SVP
Leading Knight: Sandy Shene, PER, PDD, PSP	4 Year Trustee: Bob Martin	Chaplin: Dorothy Brown
Lecturing Knight: Kim Calder, PER	3 Year Trustee: Jamie Roy	Inner Guard: Bill Shene, PER
Loyal Knight: Lisa Saucedo	2 Year Trustee: Deb Bean	Tiler: Laurel Johnson
Secretary: Susan Ayers	1 Year Trustee: Mike Smith	
Treasurer: Nila Morrison		

Pictured below are the new officers for the term 2018-2019.



Please join me in welcoming and congratulating our new suite of officers, trustees, and appointees. As well, a big thank you goes to the outgoing officers, for year 2017-2018, for your dedication, leadership, time, and hours of service in performing lodge business.

These dedicated outgoing officers are; 1 year trustee, Howie Kelleher, Esteemed Loyal Knight, Brenda Pinard, Esteemed Leading Knight, Frank Mello, PER, PDD, PSP, Inner Guard, Dick Ingram, and Treasurer, Deirdre Tibbetts. As well, thank you to all my Chairpersons and the hard work you have done in the performance of the duties within your committees. A new House Committee will be selected by the incoming Exalted Ruler and will be announced in April when the new year begins.

Following installation was Happy Hour and appetizers, with dinner served at 6pm. A huge thank you goes out to John Froehling for the wonderful dinner. John prepared a fabulous dinner themed the "Tour of Italy". All entrees were homemade consisting of lasagna, stuffed shells, chicken parmesan, meatballs, sausage and spaghetti. As well, a heartfelt thank you goes to Vince Vella for donating the wonderful assortment of Italian desserts. Thank you to all the volunteers that helped John in the preparation of dinner and the clean up afterwards. All the leftover food was donated to services in the Lakes Region that provide meals for those in need.

This night is an annual event to thank all our dedicated members and volunteers for everything they do during the year to make us such a successful Elks Lodge in providing services for our surrounding communities. This night is all about you and our way to "thank you" for your service.

The following are awards presented during Member Appreciation Night. I wish I had the room in this newsletter to expand upon and list all the reasons why these awardees deserve this recognition. A tribute was given to each of them during the Member Appreciation celebration. Please take an opportunity to thank them for their selfless contributions to our Lodge #876.

**Elk of the Year Award** was presented to Harry Bean, pictured left. **Citizen of the Year Award**, pictured center, was presented to Tricia Roy, and **Officer of the Year Award** was presented to Lisa Saucedo. These awards are presented to those deserving members and volunteers for all their hard work throughout the year.



Also presented were two additional awards of special recognition for service above and beyond their duties. The first award was presented to Secretary, Susan Ayer, pictured left. The second of these awards was presented to Howard Kelleher, 1 Year Trustee. Thank you for all of your hard work and support.



We will be initiating eight newly proposed and vetted members on Saturday, March 31st at 10am.

**To my Suite of Officers and Trustees,**

It has been my pleasure and privilege to have served as Exalted Ruler for the past two years. It is never one person that holds this office, but it is the people who support and entrust you in this duty. From the bottom of my heart, Thank you. It takes a village to make this great organization live on. Our Laconia Lodge #876 is about what we do to help our friends and neighbors, the youth of our communities, the heroes we cannot thank enough for their service, and those in need and a little down on their luck. This is what we do and a huge thank you to all of you that believe in this great organization. I have a long, long list of people I want to thank for your help and support as Exalted Ruler, but knowing my space is limited, I will just say, **THANK YOU ALL, and you know who you are.**

Finally, congratulations David Brown as our newly elected and installed Exalted Ruler. It will be my pleasure to assist you in any way and I am confident our Lodge members will give you the utmost respect and support that was provided to me. Good luck to you and your newly installed officers in the year to come.

Past Exalted Ruler,  
Janice Dignan

## Manager's Corner

A new year is upon us and with it we welcome our new Officers for the 2018-2019 year, and express our gratitude toward our outgoing Officers for the past year. Our Member's Appreciation night was great and we can't thank our volunteers enough for all the hard work they put in. The month of April will include our usual events: Meat Bingo on the 20th and Fish Fry on the 27th. We are also bringing back karaoke, so be sure to join us on April 14th to participate, or simply enjoy the music and the fun! Our Facebook Page is being worked on so we can offer more options for everyone to see what is going on. In addition to that, we have started an Instagram page, so follow us: laconia\_elks\_lodge876 for even more events and photos. Members, don't forget, we can always use volunteers for Rotary breakfast on Friday mornings, let us know if you can help out!

Katie LeRoy  
Lodge Manager

## — Secretary's Notes —

Susan Ayers • Secretary

secretary876@metrocast.net

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## 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](http://www.laconiaelks876.org)

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

Dues for 2018-2019 year

**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

cut along lines and mail back with payment

DUES STATEMENT FOR APRIL 1, 2018 - APRIL 1, 2019

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Membership #: \_\_\_\_\_

Annual Regular Member Dues (\$60.00) Amount Included: \_\_\_\_\_

Annual Life Member Dues (\$25.00) Amount Included: \_\_\_\_\_

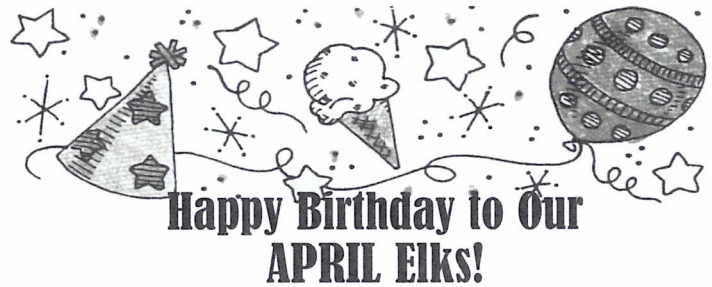
Optional Donations :

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	Richard Gilbert	16	Jeff Blaney
01	Glenn Hazzard	16	Aaron Dupuis
02	Jeffery Josten	16	Lisa Savage
03	Kathleen Sheerin	17	Ashley Tibbetts
04	Earl Brough	18	Brian Emery
04	Stephen Petro	18	Richard Henault
06	Michael Smith	19	Richard Baron
06	Mathew Snow	20	Chris Cleveland
07	Crystal Crane	21	Paula Arsenault
07	Rodney Dyer	22	David LaFond
07	Gloria Lacasse	23	Charlie Bowler
08	Deborah Bird	24	Dorothy Frawley
08	Michael Jesseman	24	David Price
09	Reginald Fountain	25	James Roy
10	Bruce Hibbard	25	Deirdre Tibbetts
11	Richard Merrill Jr	25	Michele Tinker
12	Gary Breton	25	Joseph Yacono
13	Richard Guerin	26	Kenneth King
13	Richard Sanborn	27	Christine Poulicakos
13	Medric Whittier Sr	27	Bradley Thompson
14	Suzann Wolk	28	Jeffrey Marceau
15	Donald Chisholm	28	Dana Stevens
15	Richard Gluyas	30	Mark Roy
15	Claude Patten Jr		

## 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.



## Lodge of Sorrow

**John "Jack" F. O'Doherty,**  
Jack was born 6/30/54, initiated 9/19/88,  
he died on January 15, 2018

**Benjamin E. Jacobs,**  
Benjamin was born 6/14/20, initiated 3/20/60,  
he died on February 22, 2018

**Fred W. Parkhurst Jr.,**  
Fred was born 8/27/31, initiated 2/17/79,  
he dies on March 9, 2018



## Proposition for Membership

Frank Holland from Gilford, Proposed by Branda Pinard  
Heather Abbott from Laconia, Proposed by Julie Jones  
Nicholas Hanks from Laconia, Proposed by Randy Fitts  
Robert Seale from Laconia, Proposed by Dana Lamprey  
John Ash from Laconia, Proposed by Mark Roy  
Richard Perron from Laconia, Proposed by Mike Cleveland  
Donald Laflam from Laconia, Proposed by Kermit Merrill

## Reinstate

Hubert Houle

## Proposition for Life Membership

Henry J. Greemore

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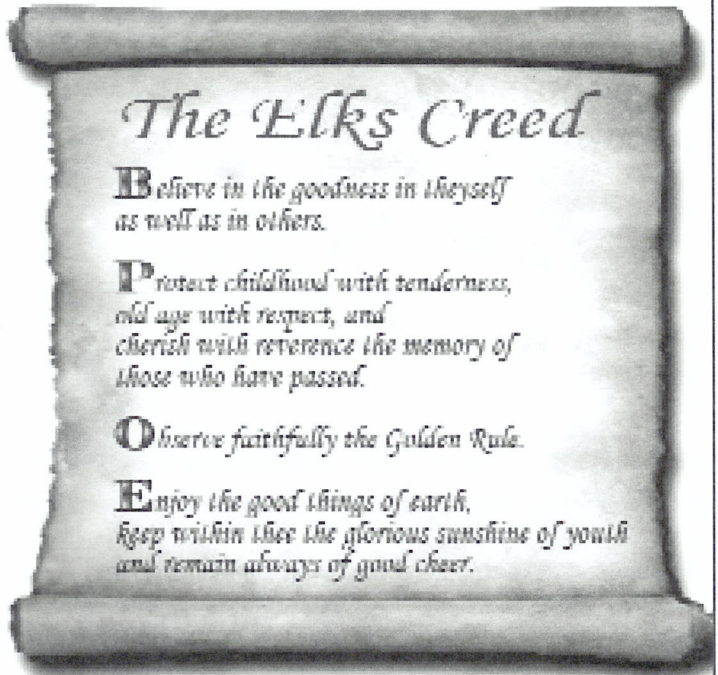
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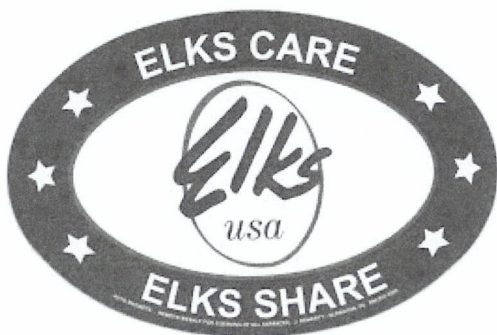
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**Grand Exalted Ruler 2017-2018 Malcolm J. McPherson Jr  
 District Deputy GER Nancy Labonte - Franklin NH  
 2017-2018 Lodge Officers**

Exalted Ruler: .....Janice Dignan, PER	Treasurer: .....Deirdre Tibbetts	Trustees: 5 yr: .....Bob Martin
Est. Leading Knight: ..Frank Mello PER,PDD,PSP	Tiler:.....Dorothy Frawley	Trustees: 4 yr: .....Jamie Roy
Est. Loyal Knight: .....Brenda Pinard	Esquire: .....Jim Culpon, PER	Trustees: 3 yr: .....Deborah Bean
Est. Lecturing Knight:.....Lisa Saucedo	Chaplain: .....David Brown	Trustees: 2 yr: .....Mike Smith
Secretary: .....Susan Ayers	Inner Guard: .....Dick Ingram	Trustees: 1 yr: .....Howard Kelleher

**2017-2018 House Committee**

Jim Culpon, PER  
 Margaret Mary Culpon  
 Joe Juliano

Debra Bean  
 Jamie Laramie

Lisa Saucedo  
 Susan Ayers

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