

The Elks Profile

Laconia Lodge #876

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DECEMBER - 2017

A Message from the Exalted Ruler

I hope everyone enjoyed their Thanksgiving with family and friends. Happy Holidays to everyone.

Recap of November

All Christmas Basket letters were mailed out the first week in November. Thank you to Winnisquam Printing for printing the letter in color for us this year and keeping it within our budget. They came out beautifully. Thank you to Aavid engineering for donating the food boxes. Thank you, Norman Laramie, for arranging this for us. And a huge thank you to all of you that have given generously to help support our Christmas Basket Program.

Sunday November 12th

Second NH State Elks Association Meeting was held at the Littleton Elks Lodge 1831.

Sunday, November 19th

Local Hoop Shoot Contest. This year we had a huge turnout of youth to compete in the first of the Elks hoop shoot competitions. Pictured below, left, are the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners in their age group. Pictured right are our dedicated volunteers who prepared hamburgers and hotdogs at our Laconia Elks Lodge #876, for the contestants and their families after the contest.



ENF Tailgate Party

Also on the 19th, our second ENF tailgating party was held. Thank you for supporting ENF. The funds raised for these events are used, in part, to provide Grants for our lodges, to be used for the needs in our communities. Such a great cause.

The Christmas Basket Log Book will be closed for entries on December 1st. Last entries need to be placed in the log by November 30th. We need time to compile the food list, calculate the amounts needed for each item and get it to our vendors in time for delivery. We thank you for providing us with families that will appreciate meals for Christmas Day.

December Events:

Sunday, December 3rd at 10am, we will hold our Memorial Ritual Service for family and friends of our departed members. We will be remembering those members who passed between December 1st, 2016, to present. Please join us in remembering our departed members, "never forgotten, never forsaken". A notice listing those departed members may be viewed in the Daily Sun, the monitor in our Lodge Lounge, and on Laconia Elks Facebook Page. Please join us for this remembrance. Refreshments will be provided after the service.

Sunday, December 17th, The Annual Christmas Basket will be assembled and delivered. Breakfast will begin at 7am with basket assembly to follow at 8am. Deliveries will be made immediately following. There is a signup sheet in the lounge for all those that would like to volunteer. We need help with any of the following areas: **breakfast** preparation, service and clean up, **assembly** of baskets and most importantly, **delivery** drivers. All help is so appreciated. **Children's Christmas Party** will be held from 1-3pm. All members, please bring your children or grandchildren to have a fun time playing games and making crafts. Santa will be stopping by to hear all Christmas wishes. Please bring a small gift for your child/grandchild to open at the party. Beverages and snacks will be served during the party. Volunteers welcomed.

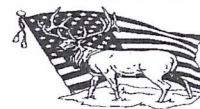
JANUARY 2018

January 7th, District Hoop Shoot. The event and luncheon will be held at the Gilford Community Center. Registration is at 8am with the shoot to begin at 9am. A luncheon will be provided following the event for all participants and their families. We will need volunteers to help with the event that day. Anyone interested in helping, a signup sheet will be in the lounge. A big thank you to the Officers, Trustees, Lodge Members, and to all of you who volunteered your time in November to make all our events successful. We could not have these events if we did not have you, our volunteers, to run them. Thank you all so much.

We need another team (2 people) to cook for Rotary Breakfast. We currently have 3 teams that rotate the Friday morning breakfast. It would require only a few hours every 4th Friday. If you are interested please let us know and we will provide the details.

If anyone has pictures of pets, recent or older marriage photos, or high school graduation pictures; please send to Beth at houseonthehill@nhmugs.com and she will post them on the monitor in the lounge. If you would like to share memories, we would love to see them, and in some cases, guess who you are. Please come in to see all the pictures from our monthly events scrolling on our TV monitor. Thank you, Beth, for keeping the lodge updated with all our events and posting them on the monitor. As always, please see our calendar of scheduled meetings and events enclosed in the newsletter.

Fraternally yours,
Janice Dignan,
Exalted Ruler



Laconia Lodge of Elks #876

The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks has decreed that the first Sunday in each December shall be set aside as a day for Elks to gather and honor the memory of their departed members.

On Sunday December 3, 2017 at 10:00 am all Elks, their families and friends are respectfully requested to join with us to pledge anew Fidelity to the memory of our departed members.

Your presence will be deeply appreciated.

Deceased Members

December 1, 2016 – November 14, 2017

"The faults of our Members we write upon the sand, their virtues upon the tables of love and memory."

Family, friends and the general public are cordially invited to attend the Elks' Memorial Service Sunday, December 3, 2017 at 10:00 AM at the Laconia Elks Lodge.

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Name (Spouse)

Robert C Chase	Malcolm Taylor
George Hachey	Tony Truett
Gail A Anthony	Norman R Dionne
Donald H Flanders	Donald E Fletcher (Margaret)
Raymond Chamberlain	Gisela S Noddin
Ronald Lamontagne	Maurice P Poudrier
Richard Jacques	James Dearborn
Herbert E Dick	Charles F Simpson

Should this reach a family of a member who has deceased, we are sadden and offer our sincere sympathy. Would you kindly inform the Lodge of the date and place of passing of our departed member.

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

There is only one Lodge Meeting in December, the 4th.



We will be holding a Patriots Flag Raffle for all the 1:00PM games

MANAGER'S CORNER

I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving.

We will not be having any events in December, everything will resume as normal in January. Meat Raffle will be January 19th and Fish Fry will be January, 26th. We will be filling Christmas Baskets on December 17th at 8:00am come at 6:30 for breakfast.

Peter Tibbetts
Lodge Manager

— Secretary's Notes —
Susan Ayers • Secretary
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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

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 2017-2018 : \$ _____



**Happy Birthday to Our
DECEMBER ELKS!**

DAY		DAY	
02	Michael Bird PER, PDDGER, PSP	15	Thomas Anderson
02	Michael Lovely	15	Peter Karatsanos
02	Glenn Shaw	15	Robert King
05	Harry Bean	15	Amanda Snow
05	Philip Carson	16	Jesse Laramie
05	Douglas Godfrey	18	Leroy Colby Jr
05	Donald Horsman	18	Donald Lucier
05	David Noyes	20	Michael Decelles PER
05	Charles Page	21	Rhonda Brailey-Maurer
06	James Culpon PER	21	S. James Goss
07	Bert Scott PER	22	William Merrill
07	William Shene PER	23	Timothy Bagley
08	Catherine Fligg	24	Mathew King
08	Robert Mignanelli	25	Robert White
08	Richard Provencal	26	William Hubachech
09	Richard Long	26	Paul Kelley
09	Dan Patch	26	James Nute
10	Aprill Morgan	27	Jacob Caldwell
11	Donald Muscautz Jr	27	Steve Downs
11	Heidi Williams	27	Dan Quimby
12	David Guyer Sr	30	Maxine Healey
12	Kevin Michael	30	Kenyon Noddin
12	Peter Tibbetts	31	Donald Doherty
12	Craig Wheeler	31	Kevin Lacasse
13	Robert Marden		

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

No passing's for the month of
December



Proposition for Membership

Reinstatement:

William Fecteau from Laconia, Proposed by Nancy Fecteau

New Member:

Deborah Leeber from Meredith, Proposed by Janice Dignan
Richard Fortin from Tilton, Proposed by Donald Lamontagne
Aaron Gilbert from Tilton, Proposed by Donald Lamontagne
Patricia Whaley from Laconia, Proposed by Marcia Lamontagne

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Believe in the goodness in thyself
as well as in others.

Protect childhood with tenderness,
old age with respect, and
cherish with reverence the memory of
those who have passed.

Observe faithfully the Golden Rule.

Enjoy the good things of earth,
keep within thee the glorious sunshine of youth
and remain always of good cheer.



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 2016-2017 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:Debra 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

2016-2017 House Committee

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 Margaret Mary Culpon
 Joe Juliano

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