



# The Elks Profile

Laconia Lodge #876

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## A Message from the Exalted Ruler

December 2021

November is a month where several events took place to benefit E.N.F. Thank you to Nila Morrison for spearheading the Sunday Football Flag Raffles and the Holiday Craft and Vendor Fair. Thanks to Brett McCrea for making a delicious pasta supper, Nila and Stacey for serving, and to the 53 members and friends who purchased the meals. Proceeds are going to E.N.F. Brett has mentioned that he would like to prepare another dinner in the month of January with the proceeds benefiting E.N.F. Keep an eye out in the upcoming newsletter, on the Lodge Facebook page, the Lodge's t.v. monitor, and the white board to learn what date has been decided.

In the month of November we were also able to welcome five new members to our lodge and to the Order. Their Initiation took place on the 15th. Welcome all of them and include them in Lodge activities.



Standing: Chad Cote, Andrew Brown, & Martin Maher  
Seated: Alfred "Jack" Bears and Susan Clough

December is the month when Elks honor the words of the 11 O'clock Toast, "Living or dead, an Elk is never forgotten, never forsaken....the chimes of memory will be peeling forth the friendly message, "To our absent members." The Elks Memorial Service will be held on Sunday, December 5th at 9:30 a.m. in the Lodge Hall. Members, friends and guests are cordially invited to attend to pay tribute to our absent members and to support those who have lost loved ones.

Generosity is needed from our members to make the annual Christmas Food Basket program a success. On average a basket costs about \$25, so if you can contribute this amount or any amount, it will be appreciated. Either place your donation in the Lodge Secretary's mailbox or you can mail a check to the Lodge. Please reference that the funds are for the Christmas Food Baskets.

The Lodge will be in the holiday spirit on Sunday, December 19th assembling Christmas food baskets and delivering them to those that were sponsored by our members. The program will begin at 8:00 a.m. If you want to assemble or deliver, please sign up on the volunteer sheet on the Lodge cork board. Coffee, pastries, and muffins will be served beginning at 7:30 a.m.

Due to the Christmas holiday season many members have other plans, so there will **not** be a Meat Raffle, Fish Fry, or Sunday Breakfast in December. Those events will return in January.

There is a sign-up sheet on the cork board for volunteers to work a Wednesday night in the kitchen. Please sign up, for without volunteers there can be no kitchen service.

Pay your dues online at [www.Elks.org](http://www.Elks.org) or by check or cash in the Secretary's mailbox and include your membership number and name. If you want your card mailed, include a self-addressed stamped envelope with payment. To read newsletters at the Lodge website, go to [www.laconiaelks876.org](http://www.laconiaelks876.org). To discontinue mail delivery and receive the newsletters in your email, tell the Secretary at [Lacsecr876@gmail.com](mailto:Lacsecr876@gmail.com) or call, stating your current email address.

Exalted Ruler,  
*Frank Mello*

### LACONIA LODGE #876, BYLAW AMENDMENT TO HOUSE RULES

By order of the Grand Lodge, in reference to Resolution 2021-08, which added a new section to 17.052, requiring a House Rule prohibiting the over-serving of alcohol, as defined by State and Local liquor law/ ordinances.

"It is the responsibility of the manager, bartender, or server on duty at the time, to terminate service to any member or guest that appears intoxicated, Regardless of them being or arriving "on premise". All State and Local liquor laws and ordinances will apply".

The vote will be taken during the Regular Lodge Meeting on Dec. 6th at 7pm.  
Respectfully submitted,  
Jim Culpon PER,PDD,PSP, Lodge Bylaw Administrator.

### LACONIA 876 P.E.R. ASSOCIATION

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held after the Lodge meeting on December 6th. P.E.R.s your attendance is appreciated. Remember that Association dues should be paid at this time.

--Jim Culpon, PER, PDD, PSP

## Manager's Corner

### LODGE RAFFLE

Prize is \$100 in scratch tickets  
\$1 per ticket / \$5 for 6 tickets  
Prize will be drawn on December 31st

### QUEEN OF HEARTS

Prize is growing!  
Drawings - Wednesdays @ 6:30 p.m.

### DRINK SPECIALS

New "Nila" Drinks

### VOLUNTEERS

Always Needed

### WINTER GUIDELINES

Move vehicles if plow company is at the Lodge

TRICIA ROY  
Lodge Manager

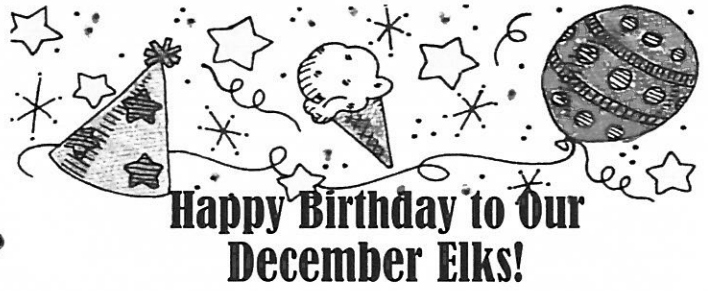
## Secretary's Corner

Regular Membership is: \$67.00 Life Membership is: \$32.00

Please make time to come to the lodge and pay your \$67 or mail a check to remain an active member. If you're receiving a newsletter in the mail and no longer want one, please email me with your name and membership number. One will be available on our website.

Any questions contact the Secretary, Margaret-Mary Culpon.

Lacsecr876@gmail.com or call the lodge.



## Happy Birthday to Our December Elks!

**— Secretary's Notes —**  
**Margaret-Mary Culpon • Secretary**  
**Lacsecr876@gmail.com**  
**603-524-0809**

To donate directly to E.N.F go to [enf.elks.org/MyLodge](http://enf.elks.org/MyLodge)

**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:  
 Lacsecr876@gmail.com or call the lodge

**If you have not yet paid,  
 please make time to come to the  
 Lodge and pay your annual dues for 2021-2022**

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**Grand Lodge has informed ALL lodges  
 that to provide adequate funding  
 for the Master Liability Program,  
 the per capita will increase for the  
 year 2022-2023.**

**The amount of the increase in dues will be \$5.00.**

**Regular dues will go from \$62 to \$67  
 and Life Membership will go from \$27 to \$32.**

DAY		DAY	
02	Kelleher, Christopher J	12	Wheeler, Craig
02	Lovely, Michael J	13	Kelly, Robert M
02	Shaw, Glenn E	15	Karatsanos, Peter R
05	Bean, Harry H	15	May, Theresa
05	Godfrey, Douglas K	15	Snow, Amanda
05	Horsman, Donald	16	Laramie, Jesse A
05	Noyes, David	21	Brailey-Maurer, Rhonda
05	Page, Charles M	21	Kreamer, Judith A
06	Culpon, James	22	Merrill, William E
07	Scott, Bert F	23	Bagley, Timothy A
07	Shene, William F	24	King, Mathew
08	Mignanelli, Robert V	25	White, Robert L
09	Long, Richard W	26	Hubacheck, William P
09	Patch, Dan Steven	26	Kelley, Paul N
10	Morgan, Aprill	26	Nute, James
11	Boiselle, Ryan Joseph	27	Caldwell, Jacob
11	Muscavitz, Donald	27	Downs, Steve
12	Guyer Sr, David L	31	Doherty, Donald J
12	Hennessy, Joseph J	31	Lacasse, Kevin
12	Michael, Kevin		

## Lodge of Sorrow




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 2021-2022 Lodge Officers**

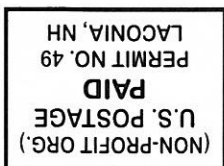
Exalted Ruler: ....Frank Mello, PER, PDD, PSP	Treasurer: .....Nila Morrison	Trustees: 5 yr:.....Brycen Martin
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**2021-2022 House Committee**

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 Lisa Saucedo, PER, DDGER

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