

**Grand Exalted Ruler 2015-2016 Ron Hicks
District Deputy GER Doti Acres Gath - Laconia, NH
2016-2017 Lodge Officers**

Exalted Ruler:Jim Culpon, PER	Treasurer:Deirdre Tibbetts	Trustees: 5 yr:Debra Bean
Est. Leading Knight:Janice Dignan	Tiler:Dorothy Frawley	Trustees: 4 yr:Donnie Lamontagne
Est. Loyal Knight:Brenda Pinard	Esquire:Doti Gath, PER	Trustees: 3 yr:Howard Kelleher
Est. Lecturing Knight:Margaret-Mary Culpon	Chaplain:Richard Guerin	Trustees: 2 yr:
Secretary:Sandra Gaumont	Inner Guard:Dick Ingram	Trustees: 1 yr:Lenny Gardner

2016-2017 House Committee

Marc Roy	Donald Horsman	Louis Kimball
Meg Prue	Janice Dignan	Debra Bird
Sandra Gaumont		



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A Message from the Exalted Ruler

Hello Everyone, Winter is finally here.

As you all know, February is Officer Nomination and Election month. Nominations will take place at the 1st Lodge meeting on Feb. 1st. Elections at the 2nd Lodge meeting on Feb. Anyone interested should talk to a current Officer or PER for more info. A little time and dedication is all that's needed to become an Officer. You get out of it what you put into it, and IT can be rewarding, in knowing that you gave your best effort to the success of our Lodge.

State Convention is coming in May at ATTITASH. Reservation forms for rooms and or meals are at the Lodge. See Sandy G, Doti or myself to get these. Deposits are due April 1st to Doti. This is a great time to meet new and old friends from around the state in a RELAXED atmosphere. It's always a good time, come join us!

March will bring us Installation of the new Officers and Member Appreciation Night on March 19th. Details are in the works and will be out soon. Thank you to all the members that helped out during the past year, doing that ELKS do, at the Lodge, in the Community, and with the Programs that help our Kids and Vets.

Please check the newsletter and our Facebook Page to get all the details of what's happening at the Lodge. Peter is doing a great job keeping us informed, many thanks!

Fraternally Yours
Jim Culpon PER, *Exalted Ruler*

Managers Corner

I hope everyone is having a good winter. Dart League will be starting in February, if anyone would like to start a team contact me ASAP. Come down on Wednesday nights and watch the games and have something to eat, the kitchen will be open.

Karaoke will be on February 13th and March 19th. If anyone has any questions, concerns or ideas please feel free to contact me.

Meat Raffle and Fish Fry are the third and fourth Friday of the month. Due to increasing food costs, meat subs at meat raffle will be \$7 and Fish Fry will be \$8 for fish dinner.

Elks Care, Elks Share
Peter Tibbetts

a Little History on THE ELKS FORMAL ORGANIZATION AND NAME

The Order of Elks was formally organized February 16, 1868, in the City of New York. Its full corporate name is "Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America." Its declared purposes are to practice its four cardinal virtues, Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity; to promote the welfare and enhance the happiness of its members; to quicken the spirit of American Patriotism; and to cultivate good fellowship.

The animal from which the Order took its name was chosen because a number of its attributes were deemed typical of those to be cultivated by members of the fraternity. The elk is distinctively an American animal. It habitually lives in herds. The largest of our native quadrupeds, it is yet fleet of foot and graceful in movement. It is quick and keen of perception; and while it is usually gentle and even timorous, it is strong and valiant in defense of its own.

A representation of the majestic head of the male, with its spreading antlers, was adopted as the first badge of the Order; and is still the most conspicuous element of its copyrighted; fraternal emblem.

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— Secretary's Notes —
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Bulletin to be Read through our Website

The monthly bulletin is now available to read on our lodge's website. We are no longer mailing the bulletins to members unless a request is made 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 Sandra Gaumont at:
 secretary876@metrocast.net or call the lodge

***If you did not pay your dues for 2015-2016
 you will be dropped from membership
 on March 31, 2016
 and will need to reinstate!**

Dues for 2016-2017 year

Due to per capita increases from
 Grand Lodge and the NH State Association,

Regular Membership is now: **\$58.50**
 * Life Membership is now: **\$23.50**

2016 - 2017 Dues

*Remember all Dues were due before April 1, 2016
 If you have not paid yet you are delinquent!*

cut along lines and mail back with payment
DUES STATEMENT FOR APRIL 1, 2016 - APRIL 1, 2017

Name: _____

Membership #: _____

Annual Regular Member Dues (\$58.50) Amount Included: _____

Annual Life Member Dues (\$23.50) 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 2016-2017 : \$ _____



**Happy Birthday to Our
 FEBRUARY Elks!**

Norman Legassie, John Hughes, Stephanie Chaffee,
 Charles Dockham, James Fagnant, Trudy Hastings,
 Jody Hayman, Leo Lachance Sr, Jeffrey
 MacDonald, Peter Marquis, Michael Porell,
 Rick Dupuis, Wilfred Lamontagne, James O'Donnell,
 Robbin Caravona, Earl Lyons, Robert Mathews,
 Clifford Eastman, Melodie Hughes, Frank Mello Jr
 PER, Deborah Bean, Ernest Brown Jr, Nancy Fecteau,
 Christopher Tinker, Frederick Copp, Bernardine
 McCrea, Harold Perkins, Gary Birtille, Edward
 Dupuis, Cindy Murphy, Gregory Barter, William
 Cott, Kenneth Randlett, Bruce Foster, Philip Bragg,
 Daniel Golden, Thomas Michaud, George Murray,
 Kenneth Waterman, Howard Kelleher, James Ladieu,
 Greg Nunemaker, Donna Brown, Paul Dauphin,
 Wayne Fletcher, Raymond Marceau, Keinan Martin,
 John Shea and Sandra Shene

Proposition's for Membership

Laurel Johnson from Laconia, Proposed by David Brown
 Richard Hanks from Laconia, Proposed by Don Lamontagne
 Donald Muscquiz Jr from Moultonborough, Proposed by Don Lamontagne
 Anthony Linkkila from Laconia, Proposed by Don Lamontagne
 Anthony Felch from Laconia, Proposed by Jim Culpon
 Jon Rich from Belmont, Proposed by Jim Culpon
 Joann McMillan from Meredith, Proposed by Mark Roy
 Howard Brown Jr from Laconia, Proposed by Mark Roy
 Dana Lamprey from Sanborton, Proposed by Mark Roy

Reinstatement

James Paquette from Belmont

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