

The Elks Profile

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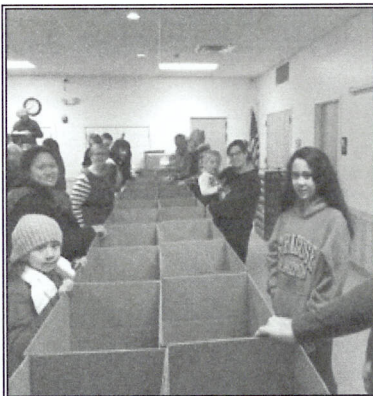
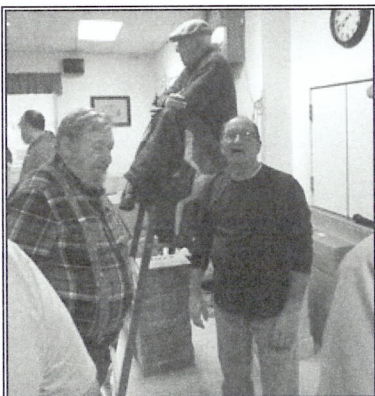
A Message from the Exalted Ruler

So here we are, ready to begin another year. It is time to reflect on our accomplishments of 2017 and begin the New Year with hope and anticipation of better things to come. 2018 will be a special year and one when the Elks will celebrate its' 150 year anniversary in San Antonio Texas.

December Recap:

Memorial Day Service was held on December 3rd. This day was bitter sweet. The Elks Memorial Ritual, although performed with a saddened and heavy heart; is our way of ensuring we remember our passed members, forever. Those who passed in 2017, along with decades of those who have passed before, are "Never forsaken, Never Forgotten". Thank you to all of you who came to remember and appreciate those that are no longer with us.

Christmas Baskets: One hundred and twenty (120) baskets were assembled and delivered on December 17th. Thank you to all of you that donated to the Lodge in support of such a great program and to all of you that came to volunteer your time assembling and delivering the baskets. We had about sixty volunteers this year. The basket was composed of about 20 different food items to include a pork loin and all the fixings for Christmas dinner. We hope everyone enjoyed their Christmas Dinner. Below are a few pictures of our volunteer. To the right is our Esteemed Leading Knight, Frank Mello, who has lead the assembly of food items and directed what needs to be added to the basket and in what order. Thanks Frank.



The Children's Christmas party was held later, on the 17th, from 1-3pm. A big thank you goes out to Santa Claus for taking time out of his busy holiday schedule to come to our party and to put a big smile on all the kids' faces. Pictured left are a few of the children at the party spending time with Mr. and Mrs. Santa (Bean).



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December 30th at 10am we will have initiation of approximately nine (9) new members

January 2018. On Sunday, January 7th, our lodge will be hosting the District North Hoop Shoot competition. The event will be held at the Gilford Community Center with registration from 9-9:30am. A luncheon will be served after the competition for all participants, their family and friends, and volunteers. Volunteers are welcomed.

The next State Meeting will be held January 14th at the

Concord Epsom Lodge at 1pm.

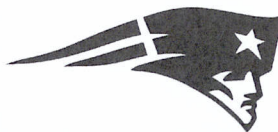
Now that we are going into a new calendar year we will be busy getting our budget ready to present to members, electing new officers, and preparing for Old Timers and Member's Appreciation Night. Busy months to come and more information will be forthcoming.

A big thank you to the Officers, Trustees, Lodge Members, and to all of you who volunteered your time in December 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.

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.

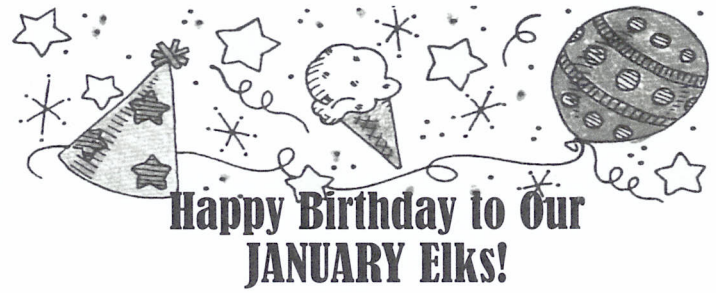
Fraternally yours,
Janice Dignan,
Exalted Ruler



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

MANAGER'S CORNER

— Secretary's Notes —
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**Happy Birthday to Our
 JANUARY Elks!**

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.*

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Click on "**Bulletin**" and choose which month you want to read.
 Any questions contact Susan Ayers at:
 secretary876@metrocast.net or call the lodge

DAY		DAY	
01	Timothy Brulotte	17	Velma Harrison Per
01	Kevin Daly	17	R Scott Haskell PER PDDGER
01	Leonard Gardner Jr	17	Tracey Rich
01	Henry Greemore	17	Deborah Southworth
01	John Lavin	18	Roger Dubreuil
01	Charles Schubert Jr	19	Kathy Clairmont
03	Howard Brown Jr	19	Janice Pilling
03	Kevin Moynahan	20	Robert Fay
05	Robert Lakin	20	Normand Gaudet
06	Larry Benoit	21	James Chapman
06	Elisabeth Kimmey	21	Bruce Morgan
06	Jamie Laramie	22	Scott Compton
07	Earl Clough	22	Richard Parshley
07	Ronald Dionne	24	Robert Dever
07	Beverly Gordon	25	Robert Finkeldie
07	Donald Knowlton	25	Russell Moren
07	Sandra Lentz	26	Debra Lacey
08	John Larhette	26	Roger Marceau
09	Fran Cahill	27	Ryan Southworth
09	Terri Hawkins	28	Cindy Haslam
10	Richard Stewart	28	John Heney Sr
11	James MacQuarrie Jr	30	Jon Rich
12	Richard Dubois	31	Gary Moulton
12	David Relf	31	Lionel Paradise
13	Carl Hamberger	31	John Sullivan
14	Roy Larson Jr		

- 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

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
 January



Proposition for Membership
Marc Flack from Belmont, proposed by Mark Roy

Reinstatement:
None for the month of January

Proposition for Life Membership
None for the month of January

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: _____

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as well as in others.

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

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**Grand Exalted Ruler 2016-2017 Michael Zellen
 District Deputy GER Brian Thibeault - Laconia, NH
 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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