

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

2015-2016 House Committee

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

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MARCH - 2016

*A Message from the
Exalted Ruler*

Spring is getting closer, and so is the NEW LODGE YEAR with the Newly Elected Officers. Congratulations to the 2016-2017 Officers, I hope you have a great year. With the Member appreciation nite coming up, I want to thank everyone that helped out in some way this past year. THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU! All committee Chairs should have the names of those that served, that are coming to dinner, to me by March 7th, so we can get a count to order for dinner. A non-helping spouse/s.o., can attend for \$10.00. Chicken Cordon Blue is the main course, with all the extras.

The Lodge is busy with new activities, Tuesday pool league and Wednesday dart league. We are gaining membership from these activities, so let's welcome the teams and new members into the Lodge.

I want to Thank all the PER's that performed the Initiation Ritual and the meeting in February. And those that will help at the Installation of Officers on March 19th 2pm.

In closing, let me just say that I was and still am honored to serve Laconia Lodge #876, with my best efforts, for the benefit of all the members and the Lodge's best interest. I am confident that Jan Dignan and her officers will continue to do so, in their term as well. And last but not least, Please remember to treat the Lodge staff with kindness and respect, as they try to provide their best service to us. We all are the " Best People On Earth"!

Fraternally Yours
Jim Culpon PER, *Exalted Ruler*

2016-2017 BUDGET

THE 2016-2017 BUDGET WILL BE
POSTED ON THE BULLETIN BOARD,
AT THE LODGE FOR VIEWING
ON OR BEFORE MARCH 12TH.
VOTING ON THE BUDGET WILL
BE MARCH 21ST
AT THE REGULAR LODGE MEETING.

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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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.

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Click on "Bulletin" and choose which month you want to read.
 Any questions contact Sandra Gaumond 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
 MARCH Elks!**

Millard Smith, Ronald Knapik, Candice Knowlton,
 Sharon Elliott, Brianna Farley, Eric King, Jean Masse
 Sr, Lori Dickson, Robert Kempton, Ralph Brunelle,
 Sandra Gaumond, Neal Boutin, Richard Milligan,
 Arthur Stern, Nancy Shannon, John Berlied,
 William Romprey, Maynard Libby, John Mark,
 Robert McCrea Jr, Theresa Morris, James Fenmore,
 Sundae Romprey, Anthony Linkkila, Roland Delucca
 Jr, Lori Dupont, Gary McCrea, John Bacon,
 Adam DeLucca, Donald Boulia, Paul MacKinnon,
 Rickey Moorehead, Raymond Samson,
 Maurice Wright, Richard Ingram, Raymond
 Lapointe, Leah Plant, William Edgar, Laura McCrea,
 Reginald Gaudette, Rachel Laplante, Gary
 Aunchman, Chris Cass, Thomas Donovan, Stephen
 Sawyer, William Kosla and Philip Labonte.

Proposition's for Life Membership

Charlie Noddin Initiated May 1987
 Robert Sherman Initiated May 1973
 Richard Sanborn Initiated June 1986
 Peter Karatsanos Initiated June 1986

Proposition's for Dimit

Ron Stewart from Dover NH
 Michael Bulling from Manchester

Proposition's for Membership

Demission Chiassan from Belmont Sponsored by Mark Roy
 Paul Dillom from Canterbury Sponsored by Daniel Quimby
 David Merrill from Gilmanton IW Sponsored by Jeremy Berwick
 Tracey Rich from Belmont Sponsored by Jon Rich
 Frich Clough from Sunapee Sponsored by Mark Roy
 Amanda Snow from Sunapee Sponsored by Matthew Snow

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