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The Elks Profile

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A Message from the Exalted Ruler

I hope everyone has enjoyed their summer. The weather has surely been a topic of conversation with all its ups and downs; a little bit of something for everyone. Provided below is a recap of happenings since our previous newsletter.

July

Family Fun Day was held on July 30th. I would like to begin with a thank you to all of you that helped that day. And to Lisa Sauceda, as committee chair, for her hard work to organize the event. This year a dunking tank was added to the venue of events providing fun, entertainment, and, of course a few laughs. Elroy, our Drug Awareness Mascot was there to celebrate the day as well. Below are a few pics from the day.



August

August 10th, Thursday a group of six (6) members of our lodge went to the "Elks Appreciation Night" at Copper Cannon Camp in Bethlehem. Upon arriving, we toured the grounds and had the opportunity to see some of their newer updates and conservation projects being implemented. One of the newer projects is a rain recovery system to be utilized for garden irrigation. The garden was in impeccable condition with a variety of vegetables growing in above-ground gardens. All the produce is incorporated into the many meals provided to the campers and counselors. In addition, they produce their own energy to power the camp using the solar panels located on their new dining hall. An excellent homemade meal was provided to all lodge attendees followed by a performance put on by the campers. It was a great evening. All Elks are encouraged, particularly if you are in the North Country, and near Copper Cannon Camp in Bethlehem, to please stop in to see what NH Elks donations are helping to support. Copper Cannon welcomes our Elks members and love to show off their camp and all the campers and counselors enjoying their time there. Thank you to those that

August 19th, District Deputy Clinic was held at the Franklin Elks Lodge #1280 and the Annual Elks Veterans Day Picnic was held at the Tilton Veterans Home.

DD Clinic and new officer's clinic were held at 9am to be attended by lodge ER, Leading Knight, COB of Trustees, and Lodge Secretary. The meetings were informative and will be helpful in completing our responsibilities within our office.

Veterans Picnic-All lodges in NH contribute food and other items to provide an enjoyable barbecue picnic for our heroes. There was plenty of food, beverages and friendship going around that day. Thank you Joe Juliano for delivering the hotdogs and latex gloves (our contribution) to the event. And thank you to all of you that volunteered that day to make it a big success. The BOD and House Committee met August 14th and our regular lodge meeting was held on August 21st. Your attendance is always welcomed. Dispensation has been granted for the first meeting in September as it is Labor Day. It is anticipated there will be limited attendance. We will have only one (1) regular lodge meeting to held on the third Monday, September 18th.

A "one-time" grant was approved by Grand Lodge this year called the "Anniversary Grant". It is added in commemoration of our 150th Anniversary in 2018. The grant is for \$1500 and the criteria for applying is one of "giving back to the community". For this grant; our lodge voted to do an excursion on the Mount Washington Cruise Ship with 20 of our veterans from the Tilton Veteran Home. Grand Lodge approved our application and

we have received the check for the event. So, on **Friday September 8th**, a group of Laconia Elk Lodge 876 volunteers, along with our veteran and some staff members, will be going for an afternoon excursion on Lake Winnipesaukee and enjoy a luncheon buffet. A huge thank you goes out to Sue Ayers for her great idea, completing the application process, and obtaining approval from Grand Lodge for this worthy event. Well done.

September 16th, Saturday-Fundraiser for Ashley Tibbetts. Ashley suffered a stroke a few months ago and although has recovered remarkably, still has some deficits with the use of her leg. There is a special brace available that will potentially improve its' use. The brace is not covered by insurance. This brace is costly and we, as Elks members, want to help defer some of the cost and will be holding a fundraiser on Saturday afternoon beginning at 3pm. Anyone that would like to donate a "basket", to be place in our raffles, would be greatly appreciated. For more information about the event, please contact Deirdre Tibbetts.

September 19th, Tuesday-District Deputy Inspection. 6pm. The following are some upcoming dates to remember, these can also be found on the NH State Elks Association website.

August 26th-State Picnic to be held at the Plymouth Lodge #2312, from1-5pm. Gina Lincoln, State President, PER, PDD. A pig roast dinner will be served. Dinner tickets are \$10/person.

September 17th, Sunday-1st State Meeting-Rochester Lodge #1393 Trustees meet at 12 noon with the State Meeting at 1pm. A light luncheon to follow.

September 27th, Wednesday-Grand Exalted Ruler, Malcolm McPherson Jr., and his wife Patricia will be visiting our Great State of NH. A complimentary luncheon will be served along with a "meet and greet" of our 2017-2018 GER and First Lady. This to be held at the Concord-Epsom Lodge #1210 at 1pm. The evening GER banquet dinner will be held at the Plymouth Lodge #2312 at 7pm. More information to come.

September 29th-The Drug Awareness Trailer will be set up at the Laconia High School Homecoming Football Game. Please come to check it out. The Elks Organization has partnered with the DEA to help with the drug crisis that has affected all of America. We provide extensive information on drug education. Please help us support this worthy cause and stop by to say hi.

A big thank you to the Officers, Trustees, Lodge Members, and to all of you who volunteered your time in August to make all our events successful. We could not have these events if we did not have you, our volunteers, to run them. Some of these events were Family Fun Day, Veterans Picnic, Meat Bingo and the Bean's supper, Fish Fry and Rotary Breakfast and our recent reopening of Wednesday Night Supper, (thank you Howie). My apologies if I missed anything. 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

MANAGER'S CORNER

I hope everyone is enjoying the summer. We will be holding our regular lodge events in September, Meat Raffle on September 15th Fish Fry September 22nd. We are still in need of a Rotary Breakfast Crew, PLEASE if you are interested contact me. Karaoke will be returning in October, Hope to see you all at the Lodge

Peter Tibbetts
Lodge Manager

— Secretary's Notes —

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

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 Susan Ayers at: secretary876@metrocast.net or call the lodge

- Remember -All Dues are due on April 1, 2017

Dues for 2017-2018 year DUES FOR 2017 - 2018 HAVE CHANGED

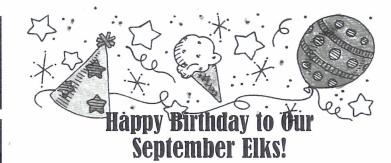
Due to per capita increases from Grand Lodge and the NH State Association,

Regular Membership is now: \$59.00 * Life Membership is now: \$24.00

2017 - 2018 Dues

Remember all Dues are due before April 1, 2017

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Name:	_		
Membership #:			
 Annual Regular Member Dues (\$59.00)	Amount Included:		
Annual Life Member Dues (\$24.00)	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 : \$			



DAY			DAY		
02	Daniel	Makely	17	Joseph	Giordano
03	Dorinda	Carpenter	17	Kevin	Martel
03	Mary	Ingram	17	Wendy	Sawyer
05	John	Amabile	18	Charles	Trites Jr
05	Jacob	Bordeau	19	Foster	Peverly
05	James	Dearborn	19	Lisa	Sauceda
06	Cynthia	Haskell	20	Thomas	Fish
07	Daniel	Barbary	21	Steven	Hayes
07	Laurie	Compton	22	Sandra	Maczko
07	Carl	Moorehead	22	Mark	Padula
09	David	Brown	22	Peter	Pinckney
09	Lorraine	Powell	23	Richard	Jacques
09	Fredrick	Shute	24	Joseph	Conlin
10	Patricia	Deflice	24	John	Ferguson
10	Ward	Ducatte	25	William	Avery
10	Bennett	Hayes	25	Richard	Burlingame
10	Fred	Washburn	25	Brenda	Pinard
12	Normand		25	Linda	Sinclair
12	Michael	Smith	26	Ralph	Beaman
13	Roberta	Guyer	26	Tyson	McKenna
14	Jeffrey	Caldwell	26	Christopher	Richard
14	Rowdy	Dupuis	26	Stacey	Witham
15	Judith	Cookman	27	Robert	Sherman
15	Denise	Goupil	27	Maurice	Whitehouse
16	Bill	Duggan	28	Robert	Hinds
16	John	Parent	28	Dennis	Mudgett
17	Wayne	Borge	28	John	Ramsay
17	Donald	Doherty	30	Vivian	Doherty

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.



ENF Tailgate Party - September 24th

We will be having a tailgate party on Sunday September 24th; it will start at 10am. We will have cornhole games, horseshoes, and other games. The cost will be \$12.00, ten for ENF donation and two for food and drinks. We will have a keg of Bud Light like last year and if you have mixed drinks you will get it for .50 less. During the game we will have Flag Raffle. We will have Flag

Raffle every Pats game that are at 1 pm and 4:30 pm GO PATS !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

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Robert Kelly from Hudson NH, Proposed by Janice Dignan Katie LeRoy from Laconia, Propoed by Lisa Sauceda

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Fundraiser for Ashley Tibbetts!

Saturday September 16th @ 3pm!

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Silent Auction - Basket Raffle - 50/50 DJI - Rizza donated by 405II

Ashley had a stroke on January 22™ and has lost function of her left lower leg and foot. Please join us to raise money for her. new device. The Bioness L300 costs roughly \$4500. Insurance continues to deny. The L300 Foot Drop System is a revolutionary medical device that may help Ashley regain mobility and independence. The system's gait sensor adapts to changes in walking speed and terrain, allowing Ashley to walk easily on stairs; grass and carpet may reduce the risk of falls and injuries.



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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 Sauceda	Chaplain:David Brown	Trustees: 2 yr:Mike Smith
Secretary:Susan Ayers	Inner Guard:Dick Ingram	Trustees: 1 yr:Howard Kelleher

2016-2017 House Committee

Jim Culpon, PER Margaret Mary Culpon Joe Juliano Debra Bean Jamie Laramie Lisa Sauceda Susan Ayers

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