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Brothers and Sisters,

August 2016

I recently returned from the Grand Lodge convention, and I was blown away by the number of Elks I met! My daughter Paige came with me, and we walked the convention floor, talking to many Elks and learning what other states and lodges are doing. But the best part was after we had finished looking around.

Paige turned to me, smiled, and said, "Everyone is so nice!"

And she was right. Everyone was happy to meet new people and talk about their Major Projects and about the Elks in general.

It got me thinking about the motto of the station of the Lecturing Knight, Brotherly Love, and what it means to me. Personally, I think it can be difficult to achieve, since you cannot hold an object in your hand and say, "this is Brotherly Love." It's a feeling; it's intangible. We know we have attained it when we see the smile of a fellow member that may be in distress. It can come from the conversations we have with friends and family, be it a quick hello or an afternoon spent catching up after a long absence.

The Golden Rule – we must treat others as we wish others to treat us – is the foundation of our order. Sometimes, when we ourselves are being treated harshly, we find it difficult not to respond in kind. However, these are the times when it is most important to remember the tenet of Brotherly Love. We may never know another's situation, and perhaps there is a reason they are being disagreeable. A kind word or deed may change their entire outlook.

The first Elk I met was in the airport in Houston as I was waiting for my luggage. He was from a New Jersey lodge, and since we were staying at the same hotel, we split a cab. Now, a shared cab ride may not seem like a huge act; after all, we didn't know each other, and it seems like it was simply a financial benefit, not having to pay a seventy dollar cab fare. But remember, it can be the simplest act of kindness – of Brotherly Love – that can change a person in ways we may never know.

Fraternally yours,

~Leona

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Look throughout this newsletter for a membership number. It will look like this **999**. If it is your number, just come to the lodge bar and claim your 'Friday Night Dinner For One' prize certificate. The winner must come in person and show his or her membership card to the bartender. Your prize must be claimed before the month has ended. That's all there is to it! You can then use it on any Friday Night.

Membership Corner Please welcome our newest member:

Carol Johnson

Applications in Process

James Coletta Proposed By Alicia Beck David Balchikonis proposed by Tammi Seeley

Proposing candidates helps us to share our values with the community. Our numbers are growing! Next Month is up to YOU!

Membership Status



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"So Long As There Are Veterans, The **Benevolent And Protective Order of Elks Will Never** Forget Them!"

THE VETERANS CORNER

Ken Jennison, Lodge Chair (kennethajennison@gmail.com) 607-849-7892

Oxford Veterans Home Visit

August Birthdays

01 Charles Sax

05 Michael Washington

06 Jackie Lamont

07 Jeff Smith

08 Jeanine Bowers

08 Gary VanDriesen

09 Christine Flint

12 Kathleen Murray

12 Tim Turner

14 Albert Nickerson

16 Mike Quinn

16 Jason Sylvester

17 Bruce Deling

17 Paul Reger

18 Marie Drankoski

19 Scott Smith

20 Ron Speice

20 James Zwierzynski

21 Barry Graver

21 David Morse

23 Christina Jennison

27 Dixie Dahl

27 Gerri Jurkiw

27 Terry Reagan

27 Deb Valenta

Don't forget to stop in for your birthday drink and birthday celebration the first Friday of the month!

Sickness & Distress:

None

In Vain We Call:

None

August 20th

Membership Status

Membership as of <u>04/01/2016</u>	<u>223</u>
Members Initiated	+8
Members Affiliated	+1
Members Reinstated	+0
Member Transfer and Absolute Demits	-0
Members Deceased	-2
Dropped From Our Rolls (for non-payment)	-0
Current Membership	<u>230</u>

2016 - 2017 Dues

Lodge #2821 Dues

Dues are due April 1st for the year 2016-2017. All of us must pay our dues by April 1 every year. Dues notices for the 2016-2017 year have been mailed. The dues for this year are:

\$50.00

Grand Lodge Assessments NYSEA Assessments	\$16.00 \$ 2.00
Total Due	\$68.00
Optional Donations:	
ENF	\$10.00
Major Projects	\$ 8.00
Scholarship	\$25.00
Building Fund	\$25.00
General Fund	\$25.00

If you do not have a light green membership card, your dues are overdue. Please send in your 2015-2016 dues, along with any optional donations that you wish. Your new membership card will be sent as soon as your dues payment is processed. Please notify your Lodge Secretary when any of your contact information has changed. This includes your mailing address, home phone, cell phone, and e-mail address. If we don't have current contact information you will be missing out on communications from your lodge and your order. Also, once again, please let me know whether you prefer to receive the newsletter via e-mail or hardcopy. Thanks!

If you know of someone who is sick or in distress of any kind, please contact the Lodge. We care about the well-being of all of those connected with our lodge

JOHNSON CITY ELKS PRESENTS

ROAD KILL BINGO AUGUST 10, 2016

STARTS @ 6:30 PM

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Elk of the Month

July's Elk of the month is

Jim Sicignano

Jim has been a huge part of our lodge even before he became a member (officially). Whether it's bartending or cooking Friday night dinners, he is always lending a hand.

Thank you for all you do and for being a great Elk! You make us all proud to be Johnson City Elks.

Did YOU Know!

ER Leona and **Bernice St. Clair** became aunts! Their handsome nephew Clark was born on July 1st!

Donna Wright traveled to England and Ireland in July to attend her granddaughter's wedding in Southampton, England on July 3rd!

Gayle Klein's son Douglas was accepted into UCLA and will begin classes this September!

Gayle Klein's son Aidan is currently designing an app for phones that will go live August 1st! It's called SurfWrench and will be an aid for do-it-yourself car mechanics. He is currently attending RIT.

Did **YOU** know our members appreciate hearing about the important events in your life? Please email aeb834robinson@gmail.com with your stories! We care!

ENF

Our total Lodge donation currently stands at \$1220.00, which is a \$5.47 per capita member donation. Our donations help make us eligible to apply for E.N.F. grants. We recently received two grants totaling \$5000.00 which our Lodge will use for charitable works in our community. They include our annual HCA and Mom's House Christmas parties and the JCHS After Prom Party that we help sponsor. We also partner with St. Patrick's church to provide lunches for their summer program for the underprivileged in our area. Thank you for your support.

FALL PITCH LEAGUE

The next league will start Wednesday, September 7th at 6:30pm.

A signup sheet will be available in the lodge on the White Dry Erase Board by August 1st.

You may also call Deb Valenta at 743-9494. You may leave a voice mail.

There will be a maximum of 20 teams for the league

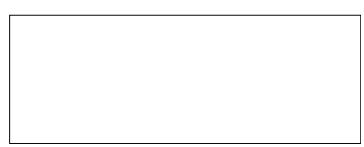
Deadline for sign up is Friday, August 19th.



ER Leona and Phil Furman presented representatives from Alive With Autism a check for \$2410 raised by the Elks
Alive With Autism Golf Tournament.

Lodge hours - Monday thru Thursday open at 5.30pm; Friday open at 4.30pm; Saturday and Sunday contingent upon events

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31(Jul) ***284***	1 Bar Menu/ pizza Dave's T-Party 7pm	2 Lodge Closed	3	4 Bar Menu Dave's T-Party 7pm	5 Marie's Baked Ziti & Sauage Wear red today!	6
7	8 Bar Menu/ pizza Dave's T-Party 7pm	9 Lodge Closed	10 Road kill Bingo 6.30m	11 Bar Menu Dave's T-Party 7pm	Mama B's Summer Picnic Burgers Wear red today!	13 BBQ – Noon
14 DD Clinic, noon @ Oneonta lodge	15 Bar Menu/ pizza Dave's T-Party 7pm	16 House Cmtee Mtg 5.30pm 7pm Lodge Mtg	17	18 Bar Menu Dave's T-Party 7pm	Tokos' Pulled Pork Wear red today!	20 Vets Home Visit
21	22 Bar Menu/ pizza Dave's T-Party 7pm	23 Lodge Closed	24	25 Bar Menu Dave's T-Party 7pm	Jimmy's Meatloaf Wear red today!	27
28	29 Bar Menu/ pizza Dave's T-Party 7pm	30 Lodge Closed	31	1(Sep)	2(Sep)	3(Sep)

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March

In loving memory of our Parents, Joe & Sophie Cox and Ed & Veronica Kilgour from Ed & Paula (Cox) Kilgour.

In loving memory of our Dad, Joe Cox from Paula (Cox) Kilgour & Margaret Cox.

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In loving memory of our Dad, Joseph Maluchnik, Jr., & Grandpa, *Joseph Maluchnik, Sr.*, from Pat, Sharon, Tom, Danielle, Jennifer Trent, Angie, Danny, Ariana and Harper. In loving remembrance of my husband Joe from Charlotte Maluchnik.

April

The Beck Family remembers the wit and wisdom of Anne Eileen O'Malley Beck and Joseph L Beck. "May you never forget what is worth remembering or remember what is best forgotten."

The Beck Family remembers *Annie Safemf deBoer*. "Throughout our lives we are given precious people. Some we enjoy for a lifetime, others only briefly. Every person has the power to change us, enrich us and make us better people." Annie 1918 -1952

Pat& Jerry Sm ith and Betty Ann & Dan Juraska in m em ory of the Smith, Juraska & Oakley deceased family members.

In memory of my sister, Nellie Fleeger. Will always remember the good times we had. Florence (Flo) Winters

August

In memory of my beloved husband, who I love immensely and miss so very, very much, *Stefan*. With all my love forever. Gerri Jurkiw

In memory of my wonderful and loving parents, *Edward & Bertha Okoniewski* whom I also miss so very, very much. I will love you forever. Gerri Jurkiw

December

In memory of Gail Troncelliti and the Troncelliti Family Members from Ernie Troncelliti

In memory of Richard Miller Sr. Never does a day go by that we do not miss you. Anita, Rick & Julie, Rick & Tammy Balles