



**JOHNSON CITY ELKS LODGE # 2821
NEWSLETTER- DECEMBER 2013**



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**The Little Lodge
That Does
Big Things!**

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**Lodge
Membership

225

And Growing!**

ELKS CARE – ELKS SHARE

November and December are months when we remember and reflect on how grateful we are for the people in our lives and the accomplishments of the past year. We at the Johnson City Lodge have so much to be thankful for.

We have had a banner year in 2012, and we have done so much for so many. As we work into our holiday season, busy Elk elves are out shopping for our friends at Mom's House, HCA, and a family we've adopted. It's such a beautiful time of year when those of us that have can share a little with those less fortunate.

In this time of gratitude, I want to thank all of you for everything you've done to make my year so wonderful. Have a wonderful holiday! I hope to see each and everyone of you around the Lodge

-Suz

*Happy Holidays
and
Happy New Year!*

*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 too it! You can then use it on any Friday Night.*

The district hoop shoot will on 12/07/13 at the Broome Developmental Center's Gymnasium. Registration starts at 10:30 AM.

The South Central District Hoop Shoot for the winners will be o 01/11/14 at the Homer Junior High School with registration starting at 10:30 AM. Information about that will be available to the winners after the local hoop shoot on 12/07.

BVC is located on Glenwood Rd, Binghamton, N.Y.
If you need more information, let me know. -Dino

ELK OF THE MONTH

Russ Ryan

This month's Elk of the Month is Russ Ryan. Russ does an outstanding job as our ENF chairman, and we are always well over our per capita on ENF thanks to Russ's efforts. He also oversees writing all our grant requests, which takes a lot of time and effort, and enables us to do all that we do! He is an active participant in all our Lodge activities, and is really passionate about Elkdom!

And he runs in a pink dress.

Thank you Russ for all you do. You make us all proud to be Johnson City Elks!

* OFFICER OF THE YEAR *

Gayle Klein

* ELK OF THE YEAR *

Hope Woodcock-Ross

* CITIZEN OF THE YEAR *

Alicia Beck

2013 – 2014 Lodge Officers:

Exalted Ruler	- Sue Whalen
Leading Knight	- Gayle Klein
Loyal Knight	- Hope Woodcock-Ross
Lecturing Knight	- Leona St. Clair
Esquire	- Deb Valenta, PER
Chaplain	- Alicia Beck, PER
Inner Guard	- Liz Laughlin
Tiler	- Bruce DeLing
Secretary	- Paul Reger
Treasurer	- Dennis Gazda

Trustees:

Ken Jennison, Steve Flint, Gary VanDriesen, Kim Reger, Scott Dow

House Committee:

Gayle Klein, Hope Woodcock, Deb Valenta & Various Others



January Raffle
Tickets are available
at the lodge.

They make GREAT
Holiday gifts!

Veteran's

I would like to invite your scouts to be part of the Vet's Christmas Party at the Oxford Vet's Home.

On December 15th, we are putting on a free breakfast for those going to Oxford and a cost of \$6.00 for those not going. Breakfast is 10:30-12 and us leaving at 12pm to go to the home and returning around 3:30pm

We are carpooling for those who need a ride.

Recently our Lodge held a Free Spaghetti Dinner for Veterans. The Cub Scouts from Pack 43, volunteered to serve dinner. The following is compiled from their comments.

- Mr. Bahr told me we would be serving the Veterans spaghetti tonight.
- I know, we make them cards every Christmas.
- I'm a little nervous about all this. Yeah, me too.
- Wow, they really decorated in red, white and blue. Looks nice.
- They want us in the dining room to tell us what we are doing. Listen-up!
- This kitchen is really, really small! Mr. Ken (Jennison) and Mr. John (Tokos) have a lot of pots on that stove!
- Hey, we get cool aprons, with pockets! Do we get to keep them?
- They are doing the Pledge of Allegiance and Grace. So cool.
- Wow so many people are coming in! The "V" on the ticket means they served our country. Listen to William's Mom (Christine Freyvogel) she is in charge in the Kitchen. Mr. Jeff (Bahr) is in charge of the dining room.
- So everyone gets a salad, two pieces of bread and spaghetti dinner. We can do this! The people get their own dessert. I hope we can get some! They look so delicious. (All the scouts were served a dinner for their service.)
- Hey guys, they told us to give every Vet this button. They need to write if they served in the Navy, Army or whatever. Hey I got a Lady who is a Veteran! She was a nurse in the Navy. (It was our member Gail Ghinger).
- Mrs. Beck, I was scared, but this is really fun! Everyone has been so nice to us.

When the night ended these wonderful scouts had served **80 dinners**. They were recognized for their contribution and presented a certificate for their service.

Thank YOU!

- **Ryan** Bahr
- **Tyler** Tebo
- **Thomas** Bowen
- **Colin** Mott
- **William** Freyvogel
- **Anthony** Dudinyak
- **Ryan** Goodman
- **Mr. Jeff Bahr** (Scout Leader)
- **Mrs. Christine Freyvogel** (Scout Activities Coordinator)

Finally, as parents arrived to pick up their sons, I heard a scout tell his Dad, "**This was the best night ever.**" The future is very bright for these young men.

Membership Corner

Applications in Process

Mike Purtell proposed by Bob Purtell
Scott Smith proposed by Eugene Wainer
from St. Petersburg Lodge #1525
Joan Gardner proposed by Kimberly Rege

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

Membership Status

Membership as of 04/01/2013	217
Members Initiated	+11
Members Affiliated	+0
Members Reinstated	+0
Member Transfer and Absolute Demits	-0
Members Deceased	-3
Dropped From Our Rolls (for non-payment)	-0

<u>Current Membership</u>	<u>225</u>

Please Welcome Our Newest Member(s):
John Vasilchik

Dues notices have been mailed to all members during the month of February. Two hundred eight of our members have paid their 2013-2014 dues (\$63) and two others have responded to Dues Notice mailings, leaving seven that have neither paid their dues nor responded to the lodge. Names of these seven are posted below so other members can help us determine if there are personal situations that are precluding dues payments.

Jeanine Bowers
 John Chauncey
 Phyllis Crump
 Justin DuBrava
 James Guiton
 Min Lin
 Kimberly Miller



LODGE #2821
HONORS OUR VETERANS

“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

3rd Sunday Every Month.
Oxford Veterans Home Visit.

December Birthdays

02	John Fitzgerald
06	Pam Circiveto
06	Howard Heath
06	Joe Wlostowski
09	John Chauncey
09	Adam Gardner
09	Flo Winters
14	Mark Prindle
16	Craig Maye
16	Mike Teeter
19	John Whittemore
23	Karen Gazda
24	Gail Ghinger
25	Holly Belveg
26	Marlene Danielowicz
26	Brittany Kirker
29	Jack Dilascia
29	Al Fendick
29	Ernie Troncelliti

Don't Forget to Stop in for Your Birthday Drink!

Crockpot Wednesdays!

All dinners are \$5 and include dessert

December 4th – Hot Roast Beef Sandwich with Mashed Potatoes

December 11th – All you can eat Chili Mac Casserole and Side Salad

December 18th – All you can eat Creamy Bisque Tomato Soup with Grilled Cheese, with or without bacon

Did You Know? A column to keep us connected as a Lodge Family!

The Vestal Elks hosted the Johnson City Elks Fall Fashion Show and Tea Party!

This was the second year for this fundraiser! All proceeds from this event support our Mom's House, HCA and Christmas Charities. **So many came together** to ensure the success of this event! **Kathy Gardner, Vestal Elks**, thank you for your yummy chicken salad and assistance with the room set up. Models invested time and energy traveling to the store for fittings and participating the day of the event!

Our beautiful Lodge Models were:

- **Gayle Klein** **Lodge Leading Knight**
- **Lori Cabot** **Lodge Member**
- **Sharon Flint** **Past State Vice President and Lodge PER**
- **Leona St. Clair** **Lodge Lecturing Knight**
- **Dixie Dahl** **Lodge Member**
- **Marie Ryan** **Lodge Member**
- **Kimberly Reger** **Lodge Trustee**

Our Mom's House Models:

- **Charlene Grinnell** **Mom's House Administrative Assistant**
- **Helen Sacco** **Mom's House Board Member**
- **Cheri deBlock** **Mom's House Board Member**

The event featured basket raffles, tea sandwiches, desserts baked by our **Lodge Bakers** and beautiful fashions by Coldwater Creek. So many thanks to those **who arrived early and stayed late** to ensure the success of this endeavor:

- **Deb Valenta** **Lodge Esquire**
- **Marie Ryan** **Lodge Member**
- **Lucy Scully** **Lodge Member**
- **Dixi Dahl** **Lodge Member**
- **Hope Ross** **Lodge Loyal Knight**
- **Paige and Reagan** **Leona's Daughters and Fashion Show Assistants**

Coldwater Creek Support:

- **Tammi Seeley** **Lodge Member and Coldwater Creek Manager**
- **Christine Freyvogel** **Visual and Fashion Show Coordinator**

Finally, to my unsung Hero, **Ben Cabot!** **We had so many wonderful raffle baskets!** During the raffle process **Ben**, jumped in to help out! He added his special outgoing personality to this event! Thank you **Ben!**

This event demonstrated the spirit of our community. It became a coalition of Johnson City and Vestal Lodges, Coldwater Creek, Mom's House and generous community residents. We were truly blessed.

DO YOU REMEMBER THOSE CHRISTMAS PAPER CHAINS WE MADE AS KIDS?

To decorate our Lodge we will be constructing a Lodge Paper Chain.

- The construction paper "links" will be provided.
- Pens, Markers and Glitter Pens will be available.
- Please just add your holiday sentiment... For example, "We wish you the merriest of Christmases" from the Beck Bunch.
- We will **connect** the "links" and display at the lodge.
- If you can't get into the lodge, please call me at 607-797-3537 or email me at wbeck@stny.rr.com and I will make one for you!

It is the **connection** we have with each other that makes us "The Little Lodge that does BIG Things!

~Alicia Beck, Lodge Chaplain

In vain we call

Faye Anderson

Regardless of the paths their lives may have taken,
They are never forgotten, never forsaken.
Morning and noon may pass them by,
The light of day fades from the sky,

But ere the shadow of midnight shall fall,
The chimes of memory shall summon us all.
To speed them a message above all others,
God grant you peace,

TO OUR ABSENT MEMBERS

Memorial Sunday
Please join us
as we honor the
memory of
“Our Absent Members”
On Sunday, December
1st
At 1 pm
Luncheon to follow the
ceremony

Anita Wlostowski

Initiated 11-5-2002, Died 7-30-2003

Richard Miller, Sr.

Initiated 4-21-2001, Died 12-31-2003

Darlene Powell

Initiated 2-17-2004, Died 3-24-2005

Floyd Lafreniere

Initiated 4-28-1994, Died 7-27-2005

John Hrusecky

Initiated 12-12-1996, Died 10-18-2006

Jane Hebler

Initiated 9-6-2005, Died 12-12-2006

Don Hathaway

Initiated 10-2-1974, Died 5-22-2007

Joseph Cox

Initiated 11-20-1980, Died 11-10-2007

Dana Platt

Initiated 12-19-2006, Died 3-10-2008

Betty Clough

Initiated 11-13-2000, Died 4-18-2008

Dewitt Cox, PDD

Initiated 6-20-1974, Died 4-2-2009

Stephan Modlo

Initiated 2-17-2004, Died 6-26-2009

Thomas Karpinko, PDD

Initiated 6-18-1980, Died 12-17-2009

Arlene Williams

Initiated 3-23-2002, Died 6-23-2011

James Gable

Initiated 9-16-2008, Died 11-10-2012

Helen Sicignano

Initiated 5-6-03, Died 3-31-2013

Jack Carle

Initiated 6-6-01, Died 4-6-2013

Doug Gardner

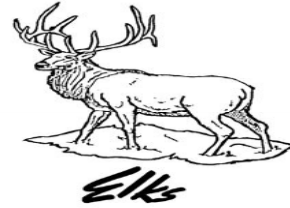
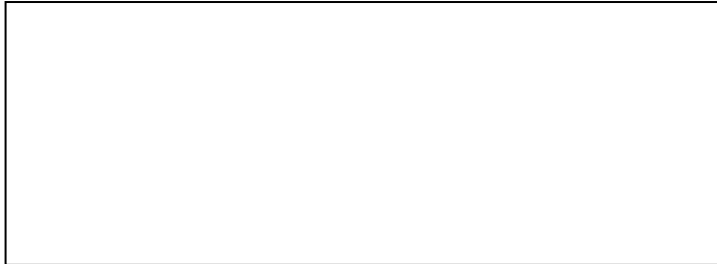
Initiated 2-5-08, Died 4-26-2013

Faye Anderson

Initiated 11-16-04, Died 11-10-2013

Snow Removal: Lodge is looking for person(s) to clear snow from parking lot. Contact Gayle Klein at gklein@stny.rr.com for more details.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Memorial Sunday 1pm	2 Bar Menu/ pizza Dave's T-Party 7pm	3 Lodge Meeting 7pm	4 Bar Menu Connie's League 6.30pm	5 JC Christmas Parade Bar Menu Dave's T-Party 7pm	6 Friday Dinner	7 District Hoop Shoot Competition 10.30am Dave's T-Party 7pm
8	9 Bar Menu/ pizza Dave's T-Party 7pm	10 HCA Christmas Party Dancing to the Oldies, 7pm	11 Bar Menu Connie's League 6.30pm	12 Bar Menu Dave's T-Party 7pm	13 Friday Dinner	14 Private Party
15 Breakfast 10.30 – noon, then carpool Oxford Vets Visit	16 Bar Menu/ pizza Dave's T-Party 7pm	17 Lodge Meeting 7pm Mom's House Party 10:30am @ Mom's House	18 Bar Menu Connie's League 6.30pm	19 Bar Menu Dave's T-Party 7pm	20 Friday Dinner	21 Private Party
22	23 Bar Menu/ pizza Dave's T-Party 7pm	24	25 MERRY CHRISTMAS! Lodge Closed	26 Bar Menu Dave's T-Party 7pm	27 Friday Dinner	28 ER Christmas Party 7pm
29	30 Bar Menu/ pizza Dave's T-Party 7pm	31	1(Jan) HAPPY NEW YEAR! Lodge Closed	2(Jan)	3(Jan)	4(Jan)

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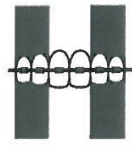


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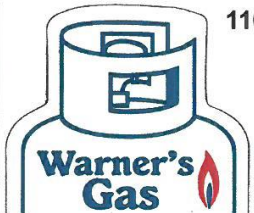
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April 2013

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 Smith and Betty Ann & Dan Juraska in memory of the **Smith & Juraska** deceased family members.

May 2013

In memory of **Joe Cox** from Barry and Liz Klipsch.

July 2012

In memory of *my husband, Stefan Jurkiw*, with all my love always. Gerri Jurkiw

In memory of *my parents, Edward & Bertha Okoniewski* will all my love always. Gerri Jurkiw

November 2012

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