



JOHNSON CITY ELKS LODGE # 2821 NEWSLETTER – JULY 2010



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

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**Lodge
Membership

218
And Growing!**

ELKS CARE – ELKS SHARE

Brother and Sister Elks,

A great job with the BBQ for the Crime Victims' Group, It was a sellout. Lodge members Mary Ellen Jennison and Dru Cavanagh did the organizing and made it a great success. Dru and Mary Ellen are also Board members of Crime Victims'. Special thanks to those Lodge members who assisted. Elks Care Elks Share.

Wendy and her helpers did it again, a super great job at the Flag Day Ceremony. Thanks to those officers who attended and were part of the ceremony.

I need to say thanks for making the Lodge look so good, to Alicia, Deb and Jerry for the flowers outside, the flowers were donated by Farmer Browns, and to Ron and his Wednesday crew for painting and repairing the Lodge.

The spaghetti dinner for Veterans appreciation night was a great success. Let's all take the time when we see a Veteran and say thanks for what they did. A smile and a hand shake mean so much.

The Emergency Services Dinners for the month of May were donated by Herb Flint and the Wacky bartenders of Thursday night Ken and Holly. June's dinners are donated by the Monday night card players. Thank you so much for your donations.

I have the privilege as ER picking Elk of the Month. This task I take is from the heart and although everyone of us shines and donates in some way to make this Lodge the way it is, "The Little Lodge that does BIG Things" I take great pride in giving this couple Elk of the Month, They are there when things get tough and when you need a helping hand, you don't find them in the forefront though they have been there before, but you usually find them behind the scenes, in the background helping, smiling, and doing.

I take great pride in giving Elk of the month to **Bill & Alicia Beck**.

Kenneth A. Jennison, Exalted Ruler

ENF

Our newest ENF members: **Mike Bartosik, Al Clough, Cathy Dillenbeck, W. Fahrenbach, Phillip Furman, Charles Sax and Sue Whalen**. Thank you to these and all member of ENF for their support.

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.

ELKS OF THE MONTH

July	-	Ken Jennison
August	-	Mike Bartosik
September	-	Kimberly & Paul Reger
October	-	Sheryl Scalley
November	-	Dan Hoover
December	-	Alicia Beck
January 2010	-	Kathy & Doug Neiss
February	-	Dave Gardner
March	-	Tim & Wendy Turner
April	-	Steve & Sharon Flint
May	-	Deb Valenta
June	-	Bill & Alicia Beck

*** OFFICER OF THE YEAR ***

2001-02	-	Ron Foster
2002-03	-	William Bayliff
2003-04	-	Dennis Gazda
2004-05	-	Alicia Beck
2005-06	-	Herb Flint
2006-07	-	Mark Prindle
2007-08	-	Kathy Neiss
2008-09	-	Russ Ryan
2009-10	-	Paul Reger

*** ELK OF THE YEAR ***

2001-02	-	Doug Neiss
2002-03	-	Charlotte Maluchnik
2003-04	-	Jill Foster
2004-05	-	Tom Karpinko
2005-06	-	Linda Koliander
2006-07	-	Sharon Flint
2007-08	-	Elinor Gardner
2008-09	-	Jerry Smith
2009-10	-	Doug Gardner

*** CITIZEN OF THE YEAR ***

2004-05	-	Nancy Graver
2005-06	-	Glen Roberts
2006-07	-	Kim Reger
2007-08	-	Rosemary Lafreniere
2008-09	-	Audrey LoPresti
2009-10	-	Paul Burnett



**Lodge Pins
Only \$3**

BUILDING FUND TOTAL =

\$17,265.08

Cash Acct -----	\$1,537.95
085 CD -----	\$4,047.66
089 CD -----	\$4,058.22
092 CD -----	\$4,062.18
Vanguard Fund---	\$3,559.07



HOUSE COMMITTEE

The house committee would like to thank our volunteers. To name just a few: Alicia and Bill Beck (June's Elks-of-the-Month) have helped with chicken BBQs and Friday night dinners. Also Alicia, along with Jerry Smith, spruced up the property by planting flowers, pulling weeds and cleaning up the back yard. Jerry supplied and painted a new mail box for the lodge. It makes the lodge look much more inviting. Sue Whalen and Leona Stevens did a great job coordinating and hosting the Trivia Night event. We'd like to thank Ron Foster and his "cardiac crew"- Jerry, Gary and Dino- for doing all their handy-man projects. These are just a few of the volunteers for June that have made all the difference in the well-being of our lodge. A big THANK YOU to all our volunteers;

YOU make us great!

Hi, all. It's June already and time to think about making a donation to **NYS Major Project**.

Last year Johnson City lodge was one of only two lodges in South Central District to make a \$10.00 per member donation to Major Project.

It was YOU who did that!

I would like to make over \$11.00 per member this year. So please help us make that by donating all you can.

Thank you
Steve Flint, Chairman

Two Smart Chicks Trivia

Our first TRIVIA was a huge success, raising over \$200 for ENF. Our next date is Wed, July 21st at 7PM.

Membership Corner

Awaiting Initiation

Douglas Whitaker proposed by Bob Gillette

Applications in Process

James Guiton proposed by Ken Jennison
 Steven Hotsko proposed by Lou Pittarelli
 Chris Albeck proposed by Dino Christopher
 William Walsh proposed by Adam Gardner

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



**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

Herb Flint, Chairperson hflint@stny.rr.com
 (723-7429 - 759-8985)

Membership Status

Membership as of 04/01/2010	216
Members Initiated	+2
Members Affiliated	+0
Members Reinstated	+0
Member Transfer and Absolute Demits	- 0
Members Deceased	- 0
Dropped From Our Rolls (for non-payment)	- 0

Current Membership	218

**WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBER(S)
 Jeanine Bowers**

**24 members have still not paid their dues for this year.
 Please pay up soon.**

**Please be sure to send any address changes, should you
 move. It is very important that I keep
 our lodge and Grand Lodge records current.
 Paul Reger, Lodge Secretary**

**3rd Sunday Every Month.
 Oxford Veterans Home Visit.**

Want a Free Friday Night Dinner!

Are you a senior 60 yrs old or older?

- When you purchase a Friday Night Dinner ticket you will receive a raffle ticket!
- Each week we draw for a free dinner. It could be you!

ROOM RENTALS ___If you are looking for a great room, great food, and great prices consider your lodge for your next event

We can Setup, Cook, & Serve

Our lodge can comfortably hold up to 55 people. The House Committee has several dining packages available.

Please contact Russ Ryan at rryan@stny.rr.com if you are interested in booking our lodge.

We've scheduled our second annual **B-Mets** ball game and picnic for Tuesday August 3rd. This is an All-You-Can-Eat picnic at B-Mets stadium followed by a B-Mets game against the Harrisburg Senators. The menu consists of hot dogs, hamburgers, Lupos, spiedies, macaroni salad, fruit salad, chips, and soda. And it's all-you-can-eat! The picnic runs from 5:00 to 6:30. That's an hour and a half! Did I mention that it's all-you-can-eat?? The ballgame starts at 6:35.

The cost for the picnic and ballgame is only \$22. Sign up at the lodge and leave your payment with the bartender. We'll get the tickets the week before the game. Let's show the community that the Johnson City Elks supports our home town team (and that we know how to eat). Sign up today! Any questions, give me a call. 765-2161

Paul Reger

PS: a side bonus – Tuesday night is 'Two for Tuesday'. During the game Coke fountain drinks and certain beers are priced Two for One. How can you pass up this night?



July Golf Tourney - at Genegantslet

Saturday, July 24th 8AM tee time

\$50 per person
Sign-up at the Bar

Includes Golf, Cart, Lunch, Prizes-Great Fun!

LET's MAKE THIS THE BIGGEST ONE YET!
GOAL IS 10 TEAMS!



Johnson City Lodge to participate in JC Carousel Days

To celebrate the reopening of the CFJ Park Carousel
This is a GREAT opportunity to show the JC Community
what we are all about.

Saturday, July 24, 10 am – 6 pm

We will be cooking Hamburgers, Hotdogs and Salt Potatoes.

Many Volunteers are needed. 2 hour slots available.

Contact Kathy Neiss to sign up or for more info.

Kneiss@stny.rr.com or (607) 760-0814

Did You Know?

Ed Lovell and his daughter won a Father's Day Golf Tourney! What better way to celebrate Father's Day!

Good news! Our Johnson City Elks Lodge can participate in a "private party setting" at Tioga Downs! Please let me know if you are interested. We need 50 attendees. We would be looking at September or October 2010.

Kaylee Williams, granddaughter of **Rosemarie and Dale Stevens**, "displayed her art talent" on lodge placements! Great job **Kaylee** and thank you **Jerry** for printing!

Notice the beautiful flowers at the lodge? **Farmer Brown's** (right across from the lodge) generously donated flowers to our Johnson City Elks Lodge! We thank their kind, generous and helpful staff!

Dolene Riley's granddaughter was awarded a Binghamton University scholarship! She will be playing Division One Softball! Congratulations!

Gary and Bruce just returned from a trip to Las Vegas (seems like a lot of Elks have been heading out that way!) Ask them about their trip!

Marlene Danielowicz and her hubby have returned to spend the summer with us! So good to see them!

Dino just returned from Nashville! Ask him about his trip!

David and Elinor just returned from Mystic, Ct. I understand David was very lucky at Foxwoods Black Jack tables!

Let me know what's happening with you! It's evident you are a diverse, interesting family of "brothers and sisters"!

Submitted by Alicia Beck

Flag Day was awesome! Thanks to all those members and guests who attended!

We had 140 in attendance which is a new record!

Thanks to the following Elks for sharing their talents:

This person shows up on crutches and a cast and is an excellent baker. I had no idea she was hurt having baked dozens of cupcakes and cookies (delicious) for our refreshment table. The cupcakes were the decorations and looked and tasted great. Thank you so much Paula Hoover, you are a true Elk and sister!

Thanks to Tim and Deb Valenta for helping Paula set up. And for super Sharon Flint for running to the grocery store last minute!

This person used her creative talents and arm muscles, and knows how to set up a room—thank you, Alicia Beck.

This person uses his video skills to record our great event—and even gets out from behind the camera to read Flag 5—thank you, Paul Reger.

This person kept the scouts at an even pace for carrying each of the Flags—thank you, Kim Reger.

This person pitches in and does whatever is needed, and leads the pledge—thank you, Tim Turner.

Thanks to ER Ken and the officers for reading Flag parts. They were excellent and did our lodge proud: Russ Ryan, Sue Whalen, Kathy Neiss, Herb Flint. Alicia for reading the History, and Bill Maney for reading the Response.

Thanks to Miss Liberty, Hannah Merrick, for handing out programs. Thank you all!

Mayor Hannon was under the weather, so Deputy Mayor Monica Silas attended in his place and shared some words from her heart of what the Flag means to her. ER Ken presented a Flag to her, and she donated it to the Highlands who were in need of a new one.

Thanks also to Rick Balles for coming to show your support.

Barbara Pruitt for playing the bag pipers—had some teary eyes in the audience.

My brothers from the VVA 896, thank you. Your motto, “Have you hugged a veteran today?” I did! Check out their upcoming fishing tourney, info on our bulletin board. Money from the tourney will support their program “Helping Hands for Greater Binghamton”, which enables the VVA896 to help support our local veterans with their needs.

Thank you, thank you, Troop 110 and their leaders. They also performed the Flag folding last minute. They lived up to their motto, “always be prepared”.

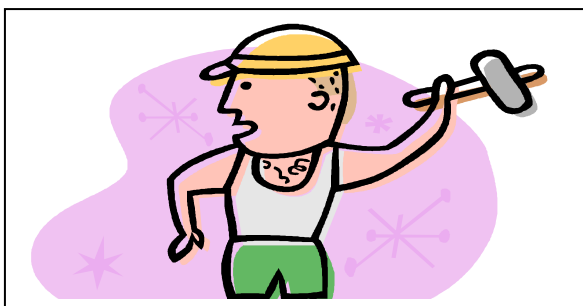
Special thanks to Julie Beard vocal music teacher from the JC Middle School, and the JCMS Columbia Chorale! This group of 30 6th graders was truly amazing. It even made Kathy Neiss cry! Gottem lined up for next year!

And thanks to the Highlands for sharing their clubhouse with us!

It was an inspirational, educational, fun evening. Met some new folks too. That’s what we are about, sharing and caring.

Until next year,

Wendy



There will be a meeting of the cardiac crew every Wednesday at noon. This is to do some of the things that need to be done at the lodge that other people don't have time to do. Such tasks as sprucing up and any minor repairs that need to be done. If you want to donate a couple hours a week to help beautify our lodge just show up. Coffee and doughnuts will be provided.

Contact Ron Foster if you have any questions.

Johnson City Elks Lodge T-shirts and Golf Shirts

All shirts are a 50/50 blend.

Prices are for sizes Youth - XL

(Add \$1.00 for every extra "X" on the size - up to 6X)

T-shirt with small logo on front chest area **and** large logo on back \$8

T-shirt with pocket - logo on front **or** back \$9

T-shirt with pocket - logo on front **and** back \$10

Golf Shirt (with or without pocket) - logo on front chest area \$15

Golf Shirt (with or without pocket) logo on front **and** back \$16

Order forms at the Lodge – Several Color Choices available

All orders must be prepaid

Make checks payable to 'Johnson City Elks Lodge'

For questions contact Wendy Turner at wrt2@cornell.edu or call (607)

Orders must be placed by July 2

Tentative artwork below



July Birthdays

01 Ben Cabot III	01 William Fahrenbach III	03 Richard Balles	03 Jodi Dribnak	
06 Leanna Beck	06 Ron Foster	06 Steve Litwin	10 George Thiel	12 John Carle
12 Mike Kelley	13 Bill Muska	14 Pat DeVault	16 Ben Cabot II	16 Dan Hoover
17 Linda Koliander	21 Alicia Beck	23 Elinor Gardner	23 Baretka Motsko	24 Holley Angel
24 Mike Pratt	30 Connie Kovach	30 Wayne Leyman		

Remember to stop in for your Birthday drink.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



JULY 2010 – CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Lodge Hours:

Mon., Tues., Wed., & Thu – Lodge opens at 5:30pm

Friday – Lodge Opens at 4:30pm

Saturday & Sunday Openings will be determined by Events

All Friday Dinners will be \$8 with coffee and dessert!

WATKINS GLEN NASCAR WEEKEND! AUGUST 6TH THRU THE 8TH.

20 TO 25 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED EACH DAY. PLEASE SIGN UP!

Share your favorite family recipe and time with your fellow members! Volunteer your team to cook on a Friday Night!
(See Sharon Flint to schedule your Friday.)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27 (June)	28 (June)	29 (June)	30 (June)	1	2	3
	6pm- TSQ Sign In		Noon – Cardiac Crew 6:30pm- Carle's Cards	Gardner's Cards	Marie's Breaded Chicken Cutlet Dinner 5 – 7pm	
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	6pm- TSQ Sign In 6pm- Trustees	7pm -No Lodge Meeting	Noon – Cardiac Crew 6:30pm- Carle's Cards	Gardner's Cards	Rita's Sausage, Peppers & Onions Dinner 5 – 7pm	12 Noon Chicken BBQ 6pm Gardner's Cards
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	6pm- TSQ Sign In 6pm- Trustees	**272**	Noon – Cardiac Crew 6:30pm- Carle's Cards	Gardner's Cards	Deb V's Roast Pork Dinner 5 – 7pm	Bunco
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Oxford Veterans Home Visit	6pm- TSQ Sign In 6pm- Trustees	7pm Lodge Meeting Newsletter Articles Due	Noon – Cardiac Crew 6:30pm- Carle's Cards 7PM- TRIVIA	Gardner's Cards	Sharon's Lasagna Dinner 5 – 7pm	Golf at 'Genny' Carousel Days at CFJ Park
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
	6pm- TSQ Sign In	7pm- PER Meeting	Noon – Cardiac Crew 6:30pm- Carle's Cards	Gardner's Cards	John's Roast Beef Dinner 5 – 7pm	
1 (Aug)	2 (Aug)	3 (Aug)	4 (Aug)	5 (Aug)	6 (Aug)	7 (Aug)
	6pm- TSQ Sign In 6pm- Trustees	5 - 6:30 PICNIC 6:35 B-METS BALLGAME 7pm -No Lodge Meeting	Noon – Cardiac Crew 6:30pm- Carle's Cards	Gardner's Cards	NASCAR Dinner 5 – 7pm	NASCAR

Chicken BBQ's 2nd Saturday of every month through September.

<u>2010-2011 Lodge Officers</u>	<u>2010-2011 LODGE COMMITTEE CHAIRS</u>		
<p>Exalted Ruler – Ken Jennison Leading Knight – Russ Ryan Loyal Knight – Dino Christopher Lecturing Knight – Kathy Neiss, PER Esquire – Bill Maney, PER Chaplain – Sue Whalen Inner Guard – Marty DeVault Tiler – Vacant Secretary – Paul Reger Treasurer – Dennis Gazda</p> <p><u>Trustees:</u> (1yr) Gary Van Driesen, Chairman (2yr) Scott Dow, (3yr) Jerry Smith, (4yr) Kimberly Reger and (5yr) Helen Sicignano</p>	<p><u>Accident Prevention & Insurance.</u> Helen Sicignano <u>Americanism Programs</u> Tim Turner <u>Auditing&Accounting</u> Kathy Neiss <u>Bell Jar / Gaming</u> Paul Reger <u>Business Practices</u> Dennis Gazda <u>Community Activities</u> Deb Valenta <u>Drug Awareness</u> Kathy Neiss <u>Elks National Foundation</u> Russ Ryan <u>Flag Day Service</u> Wendy Turner</p>	<p><u>Government Relations</u> Doug Neiss <u>Hoop&Soccer Shoots</u> Cristina Jennison <u>Indoctrination (M'ship)</u> Ken Jennison <u>Internet / Webmaster</u> John Oakes <u>Investigation (M'ship)</u> Herb Flint <u>Lapsation (M'ship)</u> Paul Reger <u>Lodge Activities</u> Deb Valenta <u>Mediator</u> tba <u>Membership</u> Steve Flint <u>Mother's Day</u> Lori Wahila</p>	<p><u>Memorial Sunday</u> Kathy Neiss <u>National Service/Vets</u> Herb Flint <u>NYSEA Major Project</u> Steve Flint <u>Presiding Justice</u> Bill Maney <u>Public Relations</u> Deb Valenta <u>Scholarship & Grants</u> Sharon Flint <u>Standing Relief</u> ER, Knights, Sec., & Treas. <u>Visiting Committee</u> Bill Maney <u>Youth Activities</u> Christina Jennison</p>
<p><u>House Committee:</u> Russ Ryan-Chairman, Holly Belveg Steve Flint, Sharon Flint and Deb Valenta,</p>	<p><u>Past Exalted Rulers Association</u></p> <p>Bill Bayliff, PSVP / PDDGER Alicia Beck, PER Jim Bridges, PER Sharon Flint, PER Steve Flint, PSVP / PDDGER Ron Foster, PER Joe Maluchnik, PSVP Bill Maney, PER Doug Neiss, PSVP Kathy Neiss, PER ----- (JC PER Secretary) Deb Valenta, PER -----(JC PER President)</p>		
<p><u>South Central (6360) District Chairmen</u></p> <p>Kathy Neiss, Drug Awareness</p> <p>Herb Flint, Veterans Service</p> <p>Doug Neiss, Gov. Relations & Protocol</p> <p>Steve Flint, Major Project</p> <p>Paul Reger, Public Relations & Empire State Elk</p> <p>Sharon Flint, Scholarship</p> <p>Alicia Beck, Business Practices</p>			

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