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Happy New Year Fellow Elks!

I hope everyone had a joyous Christmas season! During the month of December we celebrated the holidays at Mom's House, the Oxford Vets Home, at the USO in Fort Drum, and at our lodge with several HCA House families present. We remembered our fallen Elks during Memorial Sunday as Elks are never forgotten; never forsaken. We also had a Friday Night dinner special at a reduced cost for YOU cooked and served by your officers. Still to come is my ER Christmas party which will take place on Sunday January 21st from 2-6.

Sadly we lost a beloved friend in December. Our District Deputy John Gardner's wife Kathy succumbed to lung cancer and we will miss her tremendously.

January brings us a new year; a time for resolutions and change. What will be your New Year resolution? I resolve to keep our lodge a fun and happy place to be, to keep us profitable, and to engage in beneficial fundraisers to ensure we continue to receive grants for our charities.

2018 is an extremely important year for the Elks. It is our 150 year anniversary! Since I am the District Chair for Lodge Activities we will be planning an Elks Winter Olympics that will begin in February immediately after the Super Bowl is over. This will be a 10 weeklong event happening every Sunday and will involve every lodge in our district. More info to come in the February newsletter and a signup sheet will be posted at the lodge detailing all the rules. We will need people to join the team but you don't have to participate every Sunday. If you are interested in being on the Olympic team let Hope or I know! This is a great opportunity to go out and visit the other lodges in our district.

As always we welcome new ideas for fundraising, new recruits for helping with dinners or bar tending, and don't forget one of my main goals for 2017/2018 is to increase membership.

Thank you to everyone who has helped "the little lodge that does big things" to continue to do just that!

Respectfully submitted,
Tammi Seeley ER

*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 members:

Joseph Stojek
Cott Demaree
Jeffrey J Dibble

Applications in Process

Grace Andres proposed by Will Andres
Jordan Egan Proposed by Adam Gardner
Marc Hennekens Proposed by Tammi Seeley
Danielle Hennekens Proposed by Tammi Seeley



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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

Oxford Veterans Home Visit January 20th

January Birthdays

2	William Beck
2	Dolene Riley
7	Joseph Palmasani
8	Dale Stevens
10	Lisa McKernan
12	Margaret Cox
14	Louis Pittarelli
16	Janelle Rossiter
17	Luisa Duerr
17	Lori Wahila
19	Dino Christopher
21	Richard Topa
24	Joseph Ruspantini
25	Catherine Massie

**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

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.

Membership Status

Membership as of 04/01/2017 214

Members Initiated	+13
Members Affiliated	+0
Members Reinstated	+0

Member Transfer and Absolute Demits	-2
Members Deceased	-1
Dropped From Our Rolls (for non-payment)	-1

Current Membership 223

2017 – 2018 Dues

Dues are due April 1st for the year 2017-2018. All of us must pay our dues by April 1 every year. Dues notices for the 2017-2018 year have been mailed. The dues for this year are:

Lodge #2821 Dues	\$50.00
Grand Lodge Assessments	\$16.00
NYSEA Assessments	\$ 2.00


Total Due	\$68.00
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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 purple membership card, your dues are now overdue. Please send in your 2017-2018 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!!

- Russell Ryan, P.E.R., Lodge Secretary rryan@stny.rr.com
607-775-4640 (H) 607-222-3610 (C)

<p style="text-align: center;">JOHNSON CITY ELKS PRESENTS</p> <p style="text-align: center;">ROAD KILL BINGO January 9, 2018</p> <p style="text-align: center;">STARTS @ 6:30 PM</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIZES WILL BE ALL THE FOOD</p> <p style="text-align: center;">FOR A MEAL FOR TWO</p> <p style="text-align: center;">TWENTY GAMES PLAYED / DOOR PRIZES</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LOSER'S GAME</p> <p style="text-align: center;">\$10.00 FOR 2 CARDS / \$20.00 FOR 5 CARDS PER PERSON</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;">Mom's House Helpers</p> <p>I would like to thank my daughter Paula Hoover, granddaughters Hannah & Sierra Merrick for all the shopping on Thanksgiving Eve and Black Friday. Thank you to Deb Valenta, Chris Albeck, Elinor and Dave Gardner, Hope Woodcock-Ross, Rita Christopher, Jeff Dibble, Bob Dussor, Alicia Beck, and anyone else that I may be forgetting (I only know what I've seen in pictures)> Than you Hope for making the baked ziti for the Mom's House lunch. Thank you Tammi, Hope, and of course our very own Santa, Scott Dow, for going to Mom's House to give the children their presents. They always love it. If I forgot someone, I apologize.</p> <p>Thank you Johnson City Elks for all that you do for Mom's House at Christmastime. Without all of you, it would not be possible to do what we do.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">~Sharon Flint</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Elk of the Month</u></p> <p>December's Elk of the Month is Dino Christopher for all his hard work and leadership in making the weeklong Elks Hoop Shoot a success! Dino has also been very helpful with the Wednesday night dinners!</p> <p>Thank you for all you do and for a being great Elk! You make us all proud to be Johnson City Elks.</p>	

Message from the Grand Exalted Ruler, Malcolm J McPhearson, Jr.

The new year brings an opportunity to start fresh. We make resolutions to stop procrastinating, eat healthier, exercise more, act nicer to others, and so on. Yet many of us set unachievable expectations and are left wondering why we abandon our resolutions by February.

Let's resolve to get rid of resolutions this year and instead set goals that we can realistically attain. I challenge you to choose just one actionable goal that you can execute this calendar year within your Lodge, community, or the greater Order. Here are some ideas to get you started:

- Share your pride in being an Elk by recruiting and installing a new member.
- Volunteer to chair a committee or event within your Lodge.
- Run for an officer position within your Lodge this coming March.
- Seek out a new charitable initiative for your Lodge to support in your community.
- Master the Elks ritual process and help strengthen your Lodge's ritual performance.

I hope these ideas spark a desire to make a difference in your community and work together with fellow members. If we give ourselves realistic goals, then we're more likely to stick to them and ultimately become a stronger Lodge.

As Pat and I get back on the road again this month, another one of my goals for the remaining year is to promote our 150 years of Elkdom. As we get closer to our annual reunion in July in San Antonio, Texas, I challenge each of you to bring your great works of Elkdom into your local communities.

I look forward to hearing about the ways you are strengthening Elkdom as we continue this journey together.

Welcome to Friday Night Dinners

See this newsletter for upcoming dinner specials. Please consider attending a dinner on Friday evenings. They are served from 5-7pm. Cost is \$9.00

Dinner suggestions? New dinner ideas are always welcome.

Please remember, all kitchen and wait staff are volunteers, if you would like to join in working a dinner let your server know. You can also contact the Lodge at 798-0358, ask for Deb Valenta. Thank-you

Lodge hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday open at 5.30pm; Wednesday open at 5pm; Friday open at 4.30pm;
Saturday and Sunday contingent upon event

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31(Dec)	1 HAPPY NEW YEAR!!! Lodge Closed	2 House Cmtee Mtg 5.30pm 7pm Lodge Mtg	3	4 Dave's T-Party 7pm	5 Gayle & Marie's Baked Ziti & Sausage Wear red today!	6
7	8 Dave's T-Party 7pm	9 Road Kill Bingo 6.30pm	10	11 Dave's T-Party 7pm	12 Tammi & Russ's Pot Roast Wear red today!	13 Dave's T-Party 5.30pm
14	15 Dave's T-Party 7pm	16 House Cmtee Mtg 5.30pm 7pm Lodge Mtg	17 Pitch League	18 Dave's T-Party 7pm	19 Deb's Monterey Jack Chicken Wear red today!	20 Vet's Home Visit
21	22 Dave's T-Party 7pm	23	24 Pitch League	25 Dave's T-Party 7pm	26 Jim's Meatloaf Wear red today!	27
28	29 Dave's T-Party 7pm	30 Game Night	31 Pitch League	1(Feb)	2(Feb)	3(Feb) <u>**16**</u>

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If you would like to be a bulletin booster member, just forward a check for \$10 made out to the JC Elks 2821 to Jerry Smith, 537 Reynolds Rd., JC., NY 13790. Your name(s) will appear for one year as a Bulletin Booster Club Supporter.

MAY

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 Safenf 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, Jwaska & Oakley* deceased family members.

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.

In memory of *Gail Troncelliti and the Troncelliti Family Members* from Emie 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

OCTOBER

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