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The Little Lodge That Does Big Things!

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October 2016

Brothers and Sisters,

October is here. Where does the time go? The temperatures have *finally* started to fall after the sweltering summer we had. Now is the time where we start to hunker down for the winter and wait for spring.

But things are continuing to heat up at the lodge!

On October 1st, we have our annual pet parade. Bring your dog, cat, gerbil, whatever you have and come down to the lodge to help provide a tactical training vest to a local K9 officer.

October 8th is our last barbeque of the season. That means it your last chance to get a taste of our famous chicken until the spring! Starts at noon, so come early or risk us selling out! The 8th is also the day of the purse auction to benefit Mercy House.

Our monthly vets visit is on October 15th. If you've never been to the Oxford Vets home, you don't know what you're missing. It's an excellent way to say thank you to those who gave so much for our freedom. Anyone willing to visit should contact Herb Flint.

The annual YMCA Trunk or Treat is on October 29th, and it's a great way to get out the name of Elks and what we do. It's said that the Elks are the best kept secret in the US, let's start telling everyone our secret!

Finally, our State President, William Reedy, will be visiting our district October 15th and 16th. On Saturday night, the district dinner will be held at the Binghamton lodge. I encourage all members to attend. Tickets are available at the lodge and must be purchased by October 7th. On Sunday morning, we will be hosting breakfast for the president at 8.30am. This is an excellent opportunity to show that we are the Little Lodge that Does Big Things!

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:

Janelle Rossiter
Robert Stevens

Applications in Process

David Balchikonis proposed by Tammi Seeley
Patricia Griffiths proposed by Carin Palmer

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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Membership as of 04/01/2016	**223**
Members Initiated	**+10**
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	**232**

2016 – 2017 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:

Lodge #2821 Dues	$50.00
Grand Lodge Assessments	$16.00
NYSEA Assessments	$ 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 2016-2017 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

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
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607-849-7892

Oxford Veterans Home Visit
October 15th

October Birthdays

01 Tom Baudendistel
02 Nicole Hartman
05 Dennis Gazda
05 Wendy Turner
06 Sharon Flint
07 Gail Imondi
07 Michael Senio
08 Bob Belveg
08 Sue Whalen
08 Terri Willerton
10 Mike Reed
11 Val Kelley
12 Dylan Gardner
14 Jason Beck
16 Liz Laughlin
16 Maria Mills
17 Ralph Demario
18 Jim Bridges
19 Joan Gardner
21 Richard Palmer
22 Steven Hotsko
22 Darby Schmitt
22 Gary Singer
27 Ed Kilgour
29 Patty Munson
31 Mike Belveg

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

John Danielowicz, husband of member Marlene Danielowicz, passed unexpectedly on September 7th.

C.C. Stevens, PER, PSVP, PDDGER, and present State Trustee passed away on September 26th.

Please keep their families in your thoughts and prayers.

Elk of the Month

September's Elk of the month is
Tammi Seeley
Tammi has been hitting it out of the park with everything she is bringing into the lodge, especially the new endeavor with Chocolates by Leopold for our veterans.

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

ENF Corner

A huge "heath of Elkdom" thank you to all who have donated to ENF. Special recognition goes to the following people:

Honorary Founder ($1,000+)

Mr. Herbert J Flint, Jr

Distinguished Member ($500+)

Mr. Kenneth A. Jennison
Mrs. Marsha Karpinko

Sustaining Member ($250+)

Mr. William W. Bayliff
Mrs. Holly Belveg
Ms. Gerri Jurkiw
Mrs. Charlotte Maluchnik
Mr. Douglas Neiss
Ms. Leona M. St. Clair

There are five strategic areas where the funds are used: college scholarships, youth substance abuse education, promoting healthy lifestyles for our youth, support of Veterans and community service projects. Your donations to E.N.F. help make these programs possible.
Russell Ryan, P.E.R., E.N.F. Chairman

Mercy House is a community care shelter which provides a home and a supportive family to people with terminal illnesses who can no longer remain at home. Residents spend their final days surrounded by their loved ones, and the love of the Mercy House staff and volunteers. The mission of Mercy House is to unconditionally accept each resident and ensure that they are treated with dignity, respect, and compassion. To that end, we will be collecting small travel sized toiletries like shampoo, conditioner, soap, pump hand soap, toothpaste etc. for these residents. If you have any that you would like to donate, please bring them to the lodge and leave them in the collection box. Thank you all for your generosity!

Elks play vital role in supporting our youth

Message from the Grand Exalted Ruler
MICHAEL F. ZELLEN

Elks have a proud history of supporting the youth of America, and now that summer is over and the children are back to school, every Lodge should be in high gear with their Youth Activities program.

You should make your communities aware that the Elks are committed to providing a sound and well-rounded Youth Activities program. Planning and implementing a comprehensive program will demonstrate to your community that "Elks are Leading the Way" and are dedicated to the youth of today who will be the leaders of tomorrow.

Franklin D. Roosevelt famously said, "We cannot always build the future for our youth, but we can build our youth for the future." What better way to prepare today's youth than to provide them with a well-rounded Youth Activities program? As Elks we should be loud and proud of our many programs that benefit the nation's youth.

My theme for the 2016-17 Grand Lodge year is "Elks – Leading the Way." Our Elks Lodges throughout America have been leading the way for many decades by sponsoring and supporting numerous youth activities in their communities, which include giving the "Gift of Words" by distributing dictionaries to grammar school students, awarding scholarships for graduating high school seniors, sponsoring Teenager and/or Student of the Month/Year recognition programs, Hoop Shoot, National Youth Week, youth sports programs, including junior golf, bowling and Soccer Shoots, and the Americanism Essay Contest. Many of our Lodges sponsor Scout troops and junior Elks, and provide both a safe meeting environment for them at the Lodge and the encouragement they need to succeed.

Recognizing youth in your community is one of the most rewarding things your Lodge can do. Among the foremost civic awards an Elks Lodge can award is either the Eagle Scout or Girl Scout Silver or Gold Award. The youth who receive these awards will never forget that the local Elks were interested enough to award them a certificate of their accomplishments.

I am certain that your Lodge has scheduled many activities to benefit the youth of our nation and to demonstrate that "Elks" continue "Leading the Way."

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
25(Sep) *****13*****	**26(Sep)**	**27(Sep)**	**28(Sep)**	**29(Sep)**	**30(Sep)**	**1** **Holiday Pet Parade**
2	**3** **Bar Menu/ pizza** **Dave's T-Party 7pm**	**4** **House Cmtee Mtg 5.30pm** **7pm Lodge Mtg**	**5** **Rita's Pot Luck Dinner 5.30pm** **League Night**	**6** **Bar Menu** **Dave's T-Party 7pm**	**7** **Sharon's German Meal** **Wear red today!**	**8** **BBQ – Noon** **Purse Auction 5pm**
9	**10** **Bar Menu/ pizza** **Dave's T-Party 7pm**	**11** **PER mtg, 5.30** **Roadkill Bingo 6.30**	**12** **Rita's Pot Luck Dinner 5.30pm** **League Night**	**13** **Bar Menu** **Dave's T-Party 7pm**	**14** **Barketa's Stuffed Shells** **Wear red today!**	**15** **Vets Home Visit** **State President Dinner**
16 **State President Visit 8.30am**	**17** **Bar Menu/ pizza** **Dave's T-Party 7pm**	**18** **House Cmtee Mtg 5.30pm** **7pm Lodge Mtg**	**19** **Rita's Pot Luck Dinner 5.30pm** **League Night**	**20** **Bar Menu** **Dave's T-Party 7pm**	**21** **Tokos' Roast Pork & Stuffing** **Wear red today!**	**22**
23 **30**	**24** **Bar Menu/ pizza** **Dave's T-Party 7pm** **31**	**25** **Lions Dinner 7pm**	**26** **Rita's Pot Luck Dinner 5.30pm** **League Night**	**27** **Bar Menu** **Dave's T-Party 7pm**	**28** **Jimmy's Meatloaf** **Wear red today!**	**29** **YMCA Trunk or Treat**

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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 Smith and Betty Ann & Dan Juraska in memory 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