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POUGHKEEPSIE LODGE #275

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FEBRUARY 2017



My Fellow Members,

So far, this Winter, it hasn't been that bad. January is basically in the books and we only have another couple of months to go and it should be starting to warm up. So, keep your fingers crossed and stay warm

In the beginning of January we held our yearly Hoop Shoot Contest which was held at the Arlington High School. We had a small turnout, but the participants were hot sinking free throw after free throw. Simply Amazing! This event was again run by our Hoop

Shoot Chairman and Super Elk Richard Long and his Team, and were aided by our own Boy Scout Troop #275. I was told that Richard will be stepping down as Chairman, but will remain on the Team to aid the transition. Our new Chairman is John Murphy and we are looking at big things next year as John is already revving up. So Thank You Richard for your many years of service and Good Luck to John as our new Chairman of Hoop Shoot.

Around the Lodge the Renovation Committee has been working on our small dining room which will tie in nicely with our Main Room. The estimated completion will be the middle of February so please excuse our mess. Dinners will still be held on Wednesday and Friday so stop down and take a look. I will tell you as of this writing that the bookings have been way up. I was informed that we even have dates set for 2018. Great Job to Daynor and Tom for making themselves available for inquiries and bookings. If any of our Members are in need of a Banquet facility and Catering, please stop down or give us a call. I guarantee that the price versus venue and quality cannot be beaten.

With only a couple of months left to the Lodge year, February is an important month in setting the Lodge up for the coming year. First, in recognition of our Members who have attained and completed a year as Exalted Ruler, the 1st meeting in February has been designated as (PER) Past Exalted Ruler Night. This is the night where PER's step into the Officers stations and perform the Ritual of Initiation for our New Members coming in. We will have an Impressive class of almost 15 New Members joining our Lodge to aid in the charitable works in which the Elks are engaged. So, stop down and welcome our New Members. Also, at this same meeting, we will be holding Nominations of Officers for the coming year. This is an important time as it will set the framework of our Lodge going forward. So, come on down and let your voice be heard.

Your Officers, Trustees and House Committee personnel have been doing an outstanding job this past year and deserve a big pat on the back. I will tell you that "no stone was left unturned" and we continue to make adjustments and improvements as needed to ensure profitability and longevity. Some of these have not been easy, but I ensure you that they are in the best interest of the Lodge and not on the best interests of individuals. Please keep this in mind as changes are implemented. I want to personally thank all of the above for their time, commitment, care and unyielding support in making our Lodge a showcase for others to follow. Keep up the Great Work! Remember, Poughkeepsie 1st!

In closing, I was informed yesterday that one of our most Patriotic Members had a stroke and is currently at St. Francis recuperating. Please keep Charlotte Craven in your thoughts and prayers, and if you want, drop her a Get Well card. I'm sure she will appreciate it. Get well soon Charlotte. We miss you! Until next month, Keep Well and God Bless.

ER Fred

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Est. Loyal Knight
Est. Lecturing Knight
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Chaplain
Tiler
Inner Guard
Secretary
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Justice

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Michael Tompkins
Lynn Strohm
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Jane Anderson

OFFICER OF THE YEAR
Michael Tompkins

ELK OF THE YEAR Frank LeFevre



PLAN AHEAD....

QUEEN OF HEARTS DRAWING WILL RESUME SOON!



Feb 4th - Super Bowl Party

March 18th - Irish Night

Secretary's Desk February 2017

Secretary Office Hours Tuesday-Saturday 9am-12:00pm

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Absent Members:

Rocco F. Vacca, Member of Poughkeepsie Lodge for 62 years!

Membership:

Membership as January 20, 2017

Active Members: 1038 Delinquent Members: 39

Please check the Delinquent List for friends and family. <u>All Delinquent members will be dropped</u> on

March 30, 2017.

"Friends Don't Let Friends Get Dropped"!

Dues 2017-2018

Dues notices for the 2017-2018 Elk year have been mailed out, please contact me if you did not receive one. Due to an increase in the Grand Lodge insurance premium, the dues have gone up \$.50 this year. Regular membership are \$95.50 and Life/Honorary Life membership are \$42.50. In the dues notice you are requested to update your information for our records. Please review and make corrections where necessary.

Upcoming Meetings

February 2, 2017 – PER Night, Initiation, Nominations of Officers

February 16, 2017 – Regular Meeting – Voting on Officers

March 2, 2017 – Regular Meeting 7:30pm March 16, - Regular Meeting 7:30pm

Nominations/Voting for Officers 2017-2018

Nominations for 2017-2018 Officers will take place during the February 2nd meeting. Nominations will be closed at that meeting unless no nomination for an office are received. Voting for Officers will be the following meeting on February 16th. No additional nominations will be accepted at this meeting unless none was received at the last meeting.

New Website

Check out the new Lodge website at www.bpoe275.org

Missing Members Do you know any of these Elks? Let them know they are missed!

Send Payment to: Poughkeepsie Elks Lodge 275 20 Overocker Rd. Poughkeepsie, NY 12603

Eric Amato David Baier James Berryann Jay Burkhard Scott Cookinham Vincent DiFrancesco Robert Ferris Jason Hennessy Paul Kefor **Uwe Krueger** Jason Liguori Tracy Lopez Louis Malagrino Michael O'Dowd **Robert Paris** Arthur Plog Sr **Raymond Schmitz** Shawn Sheldon James Skapetis **Deborah Sylvester**

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TOTAL DELINQUENT - 39



Email

Please send us your email address if you have not done so already. You will receive the weekly 275 BUZZ which informs you of upcoming events and news and the monthly Lodge newsletter a week earlier than by mail (not to mention saving the Lodge some money).

Send to bpoe275@verizon.net



FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER & DANCING FEBRUARY 24th

Salad @ 6:30 Dinner @ 7pm
Dancing from 8-10pm
*NO reservations required!
Dinner & Dancing \$15
Dancing only \$10
Music by Russ Allen or Guest (TBA)

Dinner choices are: Sliced Steak or Broiled Cod

Adult beverages available at the bar

*You may reserve a table for 6,8 or 10 people by calling the Lodge Mon-Fri 9am-12pm Ask for Arnie

Come join the Leisure Time Dancers on Wednesday's from 9am - 12 noon

Line Dancing 9am-10am Ballroom Dancing 10am-12 Noon

(NO CHARGE FOR ADMISSION)



IRISH NIGHT AT THE ELKS

Saturday March 18th 6:00pm till 11:00pm

Dinner @ 7:00pm

Ham and Cabbage dinner with all the trimmings served with platters of corned beef, dessert and coffee.

Free Draft Beer and Soda

Music will be provided by the Cagney's

Basket of Cheer and 50/50

Tickets \$30

Anyone interested in helping out please contact one of the chairmen Danny O'Connor 204-7125

Or Tom McGrath 235-4573

Also there will be signup sheets on the Bulletin Board.

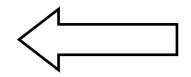
Join "Danny Boy" and his Clan of Leprechauns!
Sign the RED Book early!
Pick up tickets by March 4th

2017 Scholarship Fundraiser
Elk's Poughkeepsie Lodge 2.75
TIME: 11AM-1PM
\$1000 Dollars will be Given Away
FIRST PRIZE \$500
SECOND PRIZE \$500
THIRD PRIZE \$150
FOURTH PRIZE \$50
FIFTH PRIZE \$50
DONATION \$25.00 INCLUDES BRUNCH BUFFET
DRAWING TO BE HELD ON SUNDAY APRIL 30th, 2017
THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

JANE ANDERSON, LYNDA SCOTT, LYNN STROHM, JEAN JICHA

Elks Care - Elks Share

PLEASE SUPPORT OUR LODGE SCHOLARSHIP FUND!





There will be a meeting of the Elks Golf League on Sunday, February 12th at 1pm at the Lodge. At the meeting we will discuss: Dues, league schedule and old business. All current league members and any Elk member in good standing are invited to attend. The league runs from mid April to the end of September. Please Join us!



Hoop Shoot Report for 2016-2017

The event was held at Arlington High School on January 7th, This year turnout was low, the least amount of girls and boys we have ever had, with just 1 girl and 4 boys. I want to thank all the people that helped at this event.

The winners are: Juliana Kost, age 13, shot 20/25; Dominic Stanton, age 9, (great grandson to PER Don Minard) shot 20/25; Shea Basso, age 10, shot 5/25 & 3/5; Cody Gibbs, age 13, shot 15/25.

The Mid-Hudson Hoop Shoot was held at the West Haverstraw Village Hall on January 14th.

The results are: Juliana Kost placed 3rd, Dominic Stanton placed 3rd and Cody Gibbs placed 4th. Haverstraw Lodge served lunch and awarded trophies.

- Richard Long, Hoop Shoot Chairman

SHARE THE FUN!



Ask a Friend or Family Member to Join the Lodge!!!

Applications Available at the FDR Wall

LOOKING FOR BINGO VOLUNTEERS

Bingo is back!

We would love to have more people involved. Even if it's only once per month it would be a great help.

Contact Jane Anderson @, 914-475-2773

Join the Team and have a good time!!!





SUPERBOWL SUNDAY AT THE ELKS !!!

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February 5th
Pre-Game fun begins at 5pm!
Buffet at 1/2 time!

Come on out and enjoy the big game with us!



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<u>March Newsletter</u> Deadline

Monday, Feb 20th

WE HAVE A NEW NEWSLETTER EDITOR COMING! THANK YOU!!!

ATTENTION LEISURE TIME DANCERS!

WINTER WEATHER CONDITIONS POLICY:

Should the Arlington Central School District close or have a delay, dancing will be cancelled for that day.

OUR NEW LODGE WEBSITE ADDRESS IS:

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FEBRUARY 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Yankee Pot Roast, Broiled Haddock, Pasta w/Meatballs	2 Lodge & Board Meeting	3 Grilled Steak Bar Menu	4 Pizza Night Bar Menu
5 SUPER BOWL PARTY	6	7 Bingo	8 Lemon Chicken, Broiled Salmon, Cheese Stuffed Shells w/Meatballs	9	10 Grilled Steak Bar Menu	11 BAND NIGHT Pizza Night Bar Menu
12	13	14 Bingo	15 Braised Pork Chop, Broiled Cod, Cheese Ravioli w/Meatballs	16 Lodge & Board Meeting	17 PRIME RIB Bar Menu	18 Pizza Night Bar Menu
19	20	21 Bingo	22 Sliced Beef, Stuffed Flounder, Eggplant Rollatini	23	24 Bar Menu Dinner & Dancing Sliced Steak Broiled Cod	25 Pizza Night Bar Menu
26	27	28 Bingo				