# Lodge Happenings Poughkeepsie Lodge # 275 Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks Charter Granted June 20, 1894

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Happy Autumn Everyone,

Summer has just seemed to have flown by. We are now into cool weather, changing leaves and the Holiday season.

This is a great time to get involved in the lodge. We have over 1,000 member in this lodge and only a small percentage of our members volunteer their time. The volunteers we have are awesome, but they can't do it all. We have a great lodge and we could do so much more with more members willing to donate their time. Any time given is a tremendous help. There are some great committees looking for volunteers and a few that need a Chairperson. Please think about getting involved in your lodge. Its a great way to meet new people and make new friends .Please send me an email(monkeymom@optonline.net) if you are interested in giving the lodge a little of your time.

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#### 2020-2021 OFFICERS

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#### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

1 yr Trustee - Bill Phillips 2 yr Trustee - Marc Pfeifer 3 yr Trustee - Peter Scileppi 4 yr Trustee - Brian Mallet 5 yr Trustee - Tom Conger

PER ASSOCIATION Jane Anderson, PER

HOUSE COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN Norm Dennis

> BAR CHAIRMAN Norm Dennis

**KITCHEN CHAIRMAN** 

**BANQUETS & BOOKINGS** 

Jane Anderson, PER

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# Secretary's Desk Nov 2020

### **Bimonthly Newsletters**

Due to the significant financial challenges imposed on the Lodge from the Corona shutdown the Board of Directors has made the decision to publish the Lodge Newsletter every other month. Please consider subscribing to the weekly Lodge email newsletter **"275 BUZZ**" for updates on all Lodge activities. Email us at <u>bpoe275@verizon.net</u>

### **November & December Meetings**

Veterans Committee Meets Monday Nov 2 & Dec 7 Lodge: Thursday Nov 19 7:30pm BOD/House 6pm Lodge: Dec 16 at 7:30 pm

#### **Departed Members**

Donald J. Minard, PER, Wayne Hamilton, Ousoma "Sam" Abu-Yousif, Francis X. Struder, William Telfer. An Elk is never forgotten, Never forsaken.

#### Dues

As of Oct 19, **97** members have not yet paid their dues, last year this time our delinquency was 62. Delinquent members are no longer members "**In Good Standing**" and are not to House or Lodge privileges. We are open every day and serving lunch and dinner on Fridays and Saturdays. See the Secretary to pay your Dues and enjoy the Lodge once again. \$99.50 Regular Members, \$46.50 Life Members.

### 275 BUZZ

This is a weekly newsletter sent Luton Wednesday for members using email. If you do not currently get the 275 Buzz please send your name and email to <u>bpoe275@verizon.net</u>

### **Phone Numbers**

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#### FROM THE EXALTED RULER

I would like to take this time to thank some of our volunteers. Danny O'Conner and Frank Magurno for stepping up and working at the bar while we look for a new bartender. Jane Anderson for being BINGO and Booking Chairperson. Jane is stepping down after several years of volunteering in both positions. And as always, the kitchen staff who work tirelessly on the weekends to bring you delicious food.

Veterans Day is November 11th. Please take the time to say Thank You to a veteran. We have many members who are Veterans and I personally want to thank each one of them for their service to our Country. You can also support our Veterans by coming to our Veterans breakfast on November 8th. All net proceeds help support our local Veterans. See the BUZZ for details or call the lodge. Also, if anyone is interested, on November 11th we will be standing on the corner of Rt. 55 and Burnett Blvd with flags and signs to thank our Veterans that are driving by. Meet at the lodge at 10:45. Weather permitting we will stay for about 1 hour.

The next newsletter will not be until January. So in closing I want to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas and a Happy Healthy 2021. Remember we are POUGHKEEPSIE STRONG.

November/December Quote:

Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much.(Helen Keller)

Fraternally Yours, Lynn Strohm



Poughkeepsie Lodge #275

## **Breakfast Honoring Veterans**

## All Welcome

Sunday November 8, 2020 8 – 11 am Poughkeepsie Elks Lodge *Veterans eat for Free* Civilians \$10.00, Children under 6 \$5.00 Featuring S.O.S., Fried French Toast, Scrambled Eggs, Bacon, Sausage, Coffee, Tea, Mimosa Fountain, Raffles. Take out available. Face coverings and Covid precautions required. All net proceeds go to assist local veterans.



Leisure Time Dancers

The Poughkeepsie Elks Lodge is open however dancing has not yet returned. When we are able to dance again we will get the word out to you. Stay Safe and we Hope to see you all soon on the dance floor.

Chuck, Joe, Jean and Dave



# Lodge By-Law Revision

We are required to re-submit our Lodge By-Laws with any revisions to the Grand Lodge every 5 years for approval. The 5 years is up and we will be voting on the By-Law revisions at our regular Lodge meeting on November18th at 7:30pm.

The major revisions are: \* Increasing the Lodge dues from \$77.50 (currently) to \$85.00 for 2021-2022, 2022-2023 to \$90, 2023-2024 to \$100, 2025-2026 to \$105. This is in addition to any Grand Lodge and New York State Elks assessments.

\* Technical changes to the duties of the Treasurer and Lodge Audit committee to reflect the new Financial reporting System implemented by the Grand Lodge this year.

\* Any Lodge member in good standing can request a copy of the proposed By-Law revisions by contacting the Secretary. Benevolent & Protective Order of Elks Poughkeepsie Lodge #275 29 Overocker Rd. Poughkeepsie, NY 1260 A Fraternal Organization Non-Profit Organization U.S. Postage Paid Permit #2630 Newburgh, NY