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Lodge Happenings

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Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks
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JANUARY
2018



My Fellow Members,

2017 is now in the history books and 2018 is looking to be another great year for Poughkeepsie Lodge #275. Thanks in part to the many Members that have put so much hard work into getting us where we are today. BTW (that's acronym lingo for, "By the Way") have I said, "Happy New Year!" yet? Well, there it is. On behalf of the Officers and Members, we would like to wish everyone continued success, good health and joy for the

New Year. As for the Lodge, the goals for this year are pretty much the same as last year. Continue to upgrade/repair the Lodge infrastructure and increase revenue, membership and visibility within our community through the good works that we do. To accomplish this and to shed some of the load carried by some of our most dedicated Members, "We need YOU!" If you are interested in helping out or interested in becoming an Officer for the next Lodge year, please call the Lodge. We would love to have you be a part of the Team!

December was a very busy month at the Lodge. We first started with our yearly Memorial Service. This is held on the first Sunday and it's where we pay a special remembrance to our Members that have passed during the year. It was a very solemn and beautiful ceremony with approximately (50) fifty in attendance. I would like to thank our Chaplain Kim Acard for chairing this event and I would also like to Thank our guest speaker, PSVP Paul Crumb of Peekskill Lodge #744 who gave a very moving Eulogy. When the Chimes of Eleven strike again, we will again remember, "To Our Absent Members". Next up was the Elks Float w/Elroy in the Town of Poughkeepsie Holiday Parade. This turned out to be such an Awesome event and we were right there in the thick of our Community. I would like to Thank "the brains of this event" Christina Nolan for her creative float design, which BTW, I thought that we had the best float in the parade. Thanks to Joe Devens for the use of his truck and trailer, Uncle Norm for being everywhere and doing everything, Dave Cole for DJ'ing Christmas Songs and the many Members that helped out with manning the event and supplying baked goods for our pre-parade Bake Sale. And a very special Thanks to Todd Jicha for manning the Elroy the Elk costume. The kids really enjoyed it. Next was our Annual 20 Week Club Dinner & Drawing Co-chaired by Kim Acard and Arnie Rosenberger. Great Job again as it was sold out! I would also like to thank all of our Members that bought a raffle ticket and also congratulate all of our winners. The Dinner was superb to say the least. Thanks to Ray Ray for manning the back bar and Jane & Laura for helping out in whatever needed to be done. Thank You! As I write this, yesterday was our yearly Children's Christmas Party, which saw approximately (70) seventy children and their families meet with Santa and Mrs. Claus to receive their wrapped present. Hot dogs and refreshments were also served to all. Many Thanks to Seana Travers, Youth Activities Chair, and her many elves for making this event very special to the children and their families. Special Thanks goes out to Uncle Norm who again donated the two bicycles that were raffled off, Santa Deke and his lovely Mrs. Claus Christina for all that they do for this wonderful event. Kudos! Where was my present?continued pg 3

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Jerry Terwilliger



PLAN AHEAD....

Poughkeepsie Lodge Bus Trip
Visits to CT Lodges
February 10th

Children's Easter Party
March 18th

Secretary's Desk January 2018



Membership:

As of December 20th we have 1063 members and 53 delinquents

Absent Members

Earle "Rusty" Bunn, Member 30 years

Delinquent Members 2017-2018

As we enter the New Year, we have only three months left of our current Elk year. Please review the Delinquent List in this newsletter, and if you are on the list or knows someone who is, please contact me and "Let's make a Deal".

Dues

 That four letter word.

Dues notices will be going out at the end of January.

The Grand Lodge raised our dues by \$1.00, so:

Regular Member Dues will be \$96.50, Life Dues \$43.50

Veterans

Thank you to everyone who contributed to our very successful Food & Coat Drive in November. We donated over \$700.00 worth of food and 15 coats.

Upcoming Dates

January 4th – Regular Meeting 7:30pm

January 8th – Lodge PER Association meeting 7:00pm

January 18th – Regular Meeting 7:30 pm

Newsletter & BUZZ

Sign up to get your monthly Newsletter and weekly BUZZ by email. You will receive them a week earlier than mail and stay current. Just send in an email at bpoe275@verizon.net and request the email newsletter.

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Delinquent List (as of 12/18/17)

Keith	Ballard
Charles	Beverly
Salvatore	Buffa
Charles	Bumpus
Robert	Buzga
Anthony	Cappillano
Edward	David
Richard	Davison
Michael	Decker
Neil	Demaio
Michael	Depaola
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Thomas	Dolan jr
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Rick	Doyle
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Lou	Fusaro
John	Goodwin
Eric	Hall
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Karl	Jessen Jr
Warren	Johnson
Randall	Kesting
Mark	Mahoney
Antonio	Mancarella
Lisa	Massarelli
Timothy	Middlebrook
Jeffrey	Miller
Marcel	Minckler
Maureen	Murphy
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Carl	Naber
Roy	Parkton
Timothy	Patterson
Chris	Petsas
Mark	Redl
Joshua	Ridley
Matthew	Shaw
Richard	Smith
Robert	Sofka
Edward	Sullivan
Kenneth	Tooker
Thomas	Trainor
Sean	Travers
Nicholas	Valhos
Charles	VanTassell
Richard	Wiegmann
Theresa	Wilczews



**FRIDAY NIGHT
DINNER & DANCING
JANUARY 19th**

Salad @ 6:30 Dinner @ 7pm

Dancing from 8-10pm

*NO reservations required!

Dinner & Dancing \$15

Dancing only \$10

Suggested Gratuity \$2 per person

Music by Harvest Duo

Dinner choices are:

**Stuffed Chicken Parmesan
or Salmon**

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

*(Free Ballroom lessons
10-10:30 upon request)*

NO CHARGE FOR ADMISSION

Poughkeepsie Elks Lodge #275

ELKS BUS TRIP



Saturday February 10th

Connecticut Lodges

Westbrook Lodge #1784

New Haven Lodge #25

Derby Lodge #571

Waterbury Lodge #265

Danbury Lodge #120

Brewster Lodge #2101

Sign the "Red" book

SAVE THE DATE

Children's Easter Party

Sunday, March 18th

12pm



2018 Elks National Foundation

Scholarship Programs

Please go to www.elks.org for further information

Legacy Awards: \$4000 scholarship for children and grandchildren of Elk's Members. The 2018 contest opens September 1st, 2017. The deadline is February 2nd, 2018.

ER Message continued....

I guess I was on the naughty list again. Lastly, for the second year in a row, it was again, Christina Nolan for creating the very festive Merry Miracles Raffle which goes to benefit families within our community that are less fortunate. This will definitely bring some happiness to some of the families which might otherwise be less festive. Great Job Christina! I know you had helpers, as I saw Jim Pelton helping with the delivering of the food baskets. So Thank You to ALL!!! Here is my escape clause, if I have forgotten anyone in my Thanks, it was not intentional. Please drop me an email and I will add you in the following month. Just too much to keep track of.

In closing, there are a lot of events and stuff being held at the Lodge, so please keep an eye on the Newsletter, "The Weekly Buzz", and our website for what is coming up. If you were receiving emails, and now you're not, our apologies. We have had recent problems with our email distribution lists. If this has happened to you, or you would like to be added, please give Secretary Ray a call at the Lodge and he will be glad to add you. Lastly, Secretary Ray will be soon mailing out the dues notices for the coming year. I can't tell you how much our Members are appreciated for being a Member and supporting all of our good works that we do. Without YOU, we could not make it all work. So, Thank You to all of our Members. To our delinquent Members, if you are having difficulties with your dues, please call the Lodge. We do have a special fund set aside to support our Members dues in times of need. We don't want to see any of our Members being dropped. We are here for you. I think I have said enough. So until next month, take care and God Bless.

Fraternally,
ER Fred

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The Poughkeepsie Elks Lodge would like to thank the following businesses for their generous contributions of gift cards or merchandise to make the 20 Week Club Raffle a successful fundraising event. A special thanks goes out to Arnie Rosenberger soliciting the donations, Tom Conger and the kitchen staff, Jane Anderson, Laura Bennett, Ray Ray, and all who sold tickets.

Adam's Fairacre Farms, The Laundermat, Kelly's Steaks & Spirits, Plaza Diner, Public House, Delforno's Market Place & Catering, Vera's Pizza, H.G. Page & Sons, The Pool Guys, River Station, Acropolis Diner, Marianne's Floral Garden, Table Talk Diner, Empire Liquors, Dutchess Beer, Cotter's Liquors and Legal Sea Foods.

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**THE ANNUAL CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY
WAS A GREAT SUCCESS!!!**

Thanks to all that attended with a special thank you to the kitchen staff and all who donated their time and effort in making the Annual Children's Christmas Party a great success! A big thank you to Caffé Aurora for once again donating their delicious cupcakes. A very special thank you to all the Member's who donated money and helped us raise over \$1000 towards gift cards for the kids! Not only did each child receive a gift, but over 40 children walked away with a \$25 gift card! Thanks to you all for your kindness and generosity!

- Seana Travers




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Elks National Hoop Shoot Free Throw Contest

January 6th, 2018
12-3pm

Arlington High School
Boys & Girls Ages 8-13


"Come get your hoops on!"

Friday, Feb 16th


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CANCELLATION POLICY**



*Dancing is cancelled if Arlington School District has a **2 hour delay** or is **closed**.*

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Lodge Closed	2 No Bingo!	3 Pork, Haddock, Pasta Alfredo	4 Lodge Meeting	5 Bar Menu Grilled Steak	6 Pizza Night
7	8	9 Bingo	10 Roast Turkey, Cod, Ravioli w/Meatballs	11	12 Bar Menu Grilled Steak	13 Pizza Night
14	15	16 Bingo	17 London Broil, Flounder, Pasta w/ Meatballs	18 Lodge Meeting	19 Stuffed Chicken Parm Salmon Dinner & Dancing	20 Pizza Night
21	22	23 Bingo	24 Chicken Marsala, Salmon, Cavatelli w/ Meatballs	25	26 Bar Menu Prime Rib	27 Pizza Night
28	29	30 Bingo	31 Roast Beef, Cod, Eggplant Rollatini			