

Home Lodge of F.D.R.



# Lodge Happenings



**POUGHKEEPSIE LODGE #275**  
**Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks**  
**Charter Granted June 20, 1894**

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**MARCH**  
**2018**



My Fellow Members,

Well, this is it, my final column as your Exalted Ruler.

During the past (3) three years many of my fellow Officers and Members have put tremendous hours in working to straighten out the many issues which existed for quite some time. I am here to tell you that we are on the right path. There are a few main areas that I am especially proud of. First, was our renovation of our main dining room and the smaller adjacent

one. This was huge for us in shoring up our catering operation which has become so important to us in raising funds to operate our Lodge. Second, our financial tracking and reporting system and procedures are where we need them to finally be. This couldn't have happened without the many hours from Dave Carroll, Jim Johnson, Jack Brewster and Gail Phillips. Thank you all. Third, our Board of Trustees have never been stronger and have been focused on upgrading and repairing our infrastructure which has been let go for so many years. The repair of our parking lot, security camera system, new dishwasher & commercial hot water heater, addition of the pizza oven (which raves about on Saturday night's), the outside clean up along the border of our property, new telephone system and the soon to be listing of our unused piece of property across the street from the Lodge. Plus all of the general repairs and maintenance that are ongoing day to day. Thank You Bill Phillips, Tom Conger, Lou Rabin, Marc Pfeifer, and Pete Scileppi. Awesome Job! Fourth, our House Committee and Booking Chairman Tom Conger have done an outstanding job in the bookings of our facility, as well as, ensuring that our food items are met with quality and consistency at a price that won't break your wallet. With Chef Tom also serving as the Kitchen Manager, with his staff of Chef Joe Massa and with the addition of Nassir, which by the way came from Joseph's Steakhouse and all of the supporting staff of Frank, Glenn, Norm, Barry, Tim, Lou, Brian, Brad and so many more, I say, Thank You. The food is awesome. Also, part of the House Committee I can never forget is our Bar Chairman Norm for all that he does day in and day out. Jen for leading the financial reporting, Barbara for invoice accounting almost on a daily basis and Daynor for leading the House Committee for the past (2) two years. Thank You! And finally, which I consider most important of all, is the friendly and welcoming atmosphere throughout the entire Lodge. For some of you that remember, we had a lot of negativity floating around with just about everything that was going on. Now, it's about Teamwork, supporting one another and welcoming all that are willing to help. And with this, people are returning and enjoying themselves and our Membership is growing as the word is getting out. To all of you that have made this happen, Thank You from the bottom of my heart. You all are truly the best people that I have ever worked with. Keep it up moving forward and I will not be far away.

Speaking of moving forward, I would like to congratulate Exalted Ruler elect Jane Anderson and her Team of Officers for Stepping Up to lead our Lodge this coming year. I have worked with you all so I know our Lodge will be in good hands moving forward.

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## 2017-2018 OFFICERS

Exalted Ruler	Fred Wright IV, PER
Est. Leading Knight	Jane Anderson
Est. Loyal Knight	Sara Dempsey
Est. Lecturing Knight	Brian Mallet
Esquire	Lynn Strohm
Chaplain	Kim Acard
Tiler	Wayne Critelli
Inner Guard	Michael Tompkins
Secretary	Raymond Strohm, PDD
Treasurer	Gail Phillips
Organist	Larry Hazard
Justice	Paul O. Sullivan

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES

1 yr Trustee - Peter Scileppi
2yr Trustee - Lewis Rabin
3yr Trustee - Tom Conger
4yr Trustee & Chairman - Bill Phillips
5yr Trustee - Marc Pfeifer

## PER ASSOCIATION

Ray Strohm PDDGER, President

## HOUSE COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

Daynor White

## BAR CHAIRMAN

Norm Dennis

## KITCHEN CHAIRMAN

Joe Massa

## BANQUETS & BOOKINGS

Daynor White & Tom Conger

## NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Derek "Deke" Gardner

## BINGO CHAIRMAN

Jane Anderson

**OFFICER OF THE YEAR**  
David S. Carroll

**ELK OF THE YEAR**  
Jerry Terwilliger



## PLAN AHEAD....

**Children's Easter Party**  
**March 18th**

**Installation of Officers**  
**April 8th**

**Spring Fling**  
**June 2nd**

## Secretary's Desk

### March 2018



### *Absent Members*

Henry G. Page Jr. 44 Year Member

Henry Campbell 25 Year Member

Leo A. Reed 43 Year Member

### *Final Delinquent Notice 2017-2018*

A Final Delinquent list is attached in this newsletter. These members will be **dropped** on March 30, 2018 if no arrangements are made. Please, if you are on the list or know someone who is Please contact us. We can make arrangements for hardships or other accommodations.

### *Dues*

We have received about 450 dues payments for the 2018-2019 Elk Year already.

Please keep them coming in! I will be at the Lodge Saturday mornings from 9-noon in March to receive dues.

### *Upcoming Dates*

March 1<sup>st</sup> – Regular Meeting 7:30pm

March 15<sup>th</sup> – Initiation Meeting 7:30 pm

April 8<sup>th</sup> – Installation of Officers

### *Newsletter & BUZZ by email*

Several members have requested the Buzz and Newsletter by email however neglected to give me their email address! Just send in an email at [bpoe275@verizon.net](mailto:bpoe275@verizon.net) and request the email Buzz & Newsletter.

### *Follow Us*

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## *Final Delinquent Notice*

The following members are still **Delinquent** in their dues for the 2017-2018 Elk Year.

Unless some action is taken, these members will be **Dropped** from the roles on March 30, 2018. If you know anyone on this list please contact them and us. Arrangements can be made for any Hardships!

Charles	Beverly
Charles	Bumpus
Robert	Buzga
Edward	David
Richard	Davison
Michael	Decker
Neil	Demaio
Michael	Depaola
James	Dolan
Thomas	Dolan jr
Kathy	Doyle
Rick	Doyle
Gerald	Duncan
Robert	Dunlop
Raymond	Evangelista
Lou	Fusaro
John	Goodwin
Frederick	Harris
Harold	House
Sean	Hubbard
Karl	Jessen Jr
Randall	Kesting
Mark	Mahoney
Antonio	Mancarella
Jeffrey	Miller
Marcel	Minckler
Maureen	Murphy
Patrick	Myers
Carl	Naber
Roy	Parkton
Timothy	Patterson
Mark	Redl
Joshua	Ridley
Matthew	Shaw
Richard	Smith
Edward	Sullivan
Kenneth	Tooker
Thomas	Trainor
Nicholas	Valhos
Charles	VanTassell
Richard	Wiegmann



*See ya at the Elks*



**FRIDAY NIGHT  
DINNER & DANCING  
MARCH 23rd**

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:**

**Shrimp Scampi**

**or Chicken Marsala**

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\***



**Children's  
Easter  
Party**

**Sunday, March 18th,  
12pm**

**Easter Egg Hunt, a visit from  
the Easter Bunny,  
Fun Games and More!**

**Kids ages 8 and under**

**Sign up by March 10th at the  
Lodge or call Seana Travers @  
845-242-2909**



**Easter  
Bunny  
Raffle**

Donated by  
**Café Aurora**

To Be Raffled at the  
**Children's Easter Party**

**March 18<sup>th</sup>**

Tickets are 3 for \$5  
See the Bartender

**BAND NIGHT  
AT THE BAR!**



***Every 3rd Friday!***



### ER Message Continued....

I do ask that our Membership get behind our Officers and support them in everything that they require and have to accomplish this next year. It requires a tremendous amount of work and dedication to make everything work. This I am telling you from experience.

Recently, we had another bus trip to visit a total of (6) six Lodges within the States of Connecticut and New York. The Bus was packed with (54) fifty four of our Members and was sold out more than a month before hand. All I can tell you is we have an Awesome time on the Bus and at all of the Lodges. Thank You Brian Mallet for scheduling and working with the Bus Company and Thank You to all that went. PS - "10 MINUTE'S POUGHKEEPSIE!" That's an inside joke. If you want to find out, take a ride on the next one. I think we are looking at northern New Jersey and Pennsylvania, so stay tuned.

In closing, I can't help but put a few extra Thank You's out there for some of our extraordinary Members. Deke Gardner has been putting our Newsletter together for more than my (3) three years. Thank You pal for all that you did. Very Much Appreciated! Another, Christina Nolan for all of your artsy unique ideas that you have made come to life. For example, Merry Miracles, Project Emma, Sip & Paint and even our BPO Elks float in the Town of Poughkeepsie Holiday Parade complete with Elroy the Elk (Todd Jicha) and our pre-parade Bake Sale. What a unique perspective that you bring to our Lodge. Absolutely Amazing Job and Thank You! To Jane Anderson for heading up and growing our Bingo and Scholarship programs, and for again, Stepping Up to be our next Exalted Ruler. Thank You. As you were there for me I will be there for you. Thank you to all of our Committee Chairs and Members. Far too many for me to name them all, but I do recognize you and what you have done. Thank You to all! And finally, my personal Thanks to my other half, Kim, for standing beside me and supporting me in anything that is asked of me. You are truly the best and I Love You!

So, with that, I want to say, "adieu, adieu, and adieu." Thank You to all for the wonderful support. You will all be forever in my heart and I will always cherish the memories. Take Care and God Bless. This is ER Fred signing off...

Fraternally,

ER Fred

**Pre Patty Day Lunch**  
**Tuesday March 13<sup>th</sup> 12-3**

**\$8.00 Lunch Specials**

**Shepard's Pie**

**3 Corn beef Sliders**  
**topped with Sautéed Cabbage**  
**and Fries**

**Vanilla Cupcakes with Irish Cream**  
**Icing!**  
**(free with the first 20 lunches)**

**50/50 Raffle, Prizes, Giveaways**

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**"What's the quickest  
way to Cork?"  
I asked the Irish  
Farmer.**

Keep Calm And Oh Feck It Enjoy Some Craic

**"Are you walking or  
driving?"  
He said.**

**"Driving" I replied.**

**"Yes, that will be the  
quickest"**




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CARD IN THE NEWSLETTER  
IS \$100 PER YEAR.  
CONTACT THE SECRETARY,  
RAY STROHM. THANK YOU.**



**LENT**

Please join us for the Elks Club  
Friday dinner Lent Specials

**February 16<sup>th</sup>**  
Broiled Seafood Platter (Scallops, Shrimp, Flounder, Stuffed Clams)  
"Little Jimmy's" Macaroni and 4 Cheese

**February 23<sup>rd</sup>**  
Shrimp Scampi over Angel Hair Pasta  
Eggplant Rollatini over Angel Hair Pasta

**March 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
Fried Haddock and Chips  
Penne Pasta Pomodoro with Mushrooms and Green Squash

**March 9<sup>th</sup>**  
Shrimp Marinara over Linguine  
Baked Ziti and Eggplant Parmesan

**March 16<sup>th</sup>**  
White or Red Clam Sauce over Linguine  
Cheese Stuffed Manicotti

**March 23<sup>rd</sup>**  
Fried Seafood Platter (Scallops, Shrimp, Flounder, Clam Strips)  
Pasta Combo — Stuffed Shells and Cheese Ravioli

**March 30<sup>th</sup> (Good Friday)**  
Fried Jumbo Clam Strips and Chips  
Baked Ziti and Eggplant Rollatini

**\*\*All Dinners are served with Bread and Salad\*\***



**LEISURE  
TIME  
DANCERS  
CANCEL-  
LATION  
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 Meeting	2 Bar Menu Grilled Steak	3 Pizza Night Bar Menu
4	5	6 Bingo	7 Roast Turkey, Baked Sole, Cheese Ravioli w/MB's	8	9 Bar Menu Grilled Steak	10 Pizza Night
11	12	13 Bingo	14 Roast Pork, Baked Haddock, Pasta w/MB's	15 Lodge Meeting	16 Bar Menu Grilled Steak	17 Pizza Night
18	19	20 Bingo	21 Roast Beef, Baked Flounder, Manicotti w/ Meatballs	22	23 Bar Menu Grilled Steak Dinner & Dancing	24 Pizza Night
25	26	27 Bingo	28 Grilled Chix Breast, Baked Salmon, Stuffed Shells w/Meatballs	29	30 Bar Menu Prime Rib	31