



# Lodge Happenings



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

**NOVEMBER**  
**2019**

Home Lodge of F.D.R.

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Happy November!

I once heard a quote and I don't know where I heard it. ***The Best Friendships are built when you do meaningful work together.*** There are many opportunities here at the Lodge for

Members to volunteer their time to. Just a couple hours a month could make a big difference around the Lodge and in your membership pride. We are 1,048 Members strong. We

would love to see more of you around the Lodge, whether it be watching Sunday football, volunteering to do small jobs, booking the banquet facilities or having a few sodas at the bar.

While on that topic, we are definitely looking for a Treasurer. A working knowledge of QuickBooks is required, simple banking and a few other responsibilities. Please call the Lodge and leave me a message if this is an opportunity you would like to talk about.

If computers are more your thing, we need a member to step up to take over the Monthly Newsletter. As I mentioned last month Derek "Deke" Gardner is retiring and now it's time for someone else to take it over. I have more information on that as well.

Tim Doyle and crew went above and beyond with Italian Night. It's always have fun to have Johnny Dell perform at the Lodge. The food was plentiful and fabulously presented. Thanks to all who made this a great success!

Seana Travers did an amazing job with the children's Halloween Party! The costumes were adorable and the kids had a blast. The party entertainers that she secured for this event were top notch. Great job Seana!

On Sunday October 13, Past State President Phil Conaty's district honored Poughkeepsie Lodge #275 with a stop on their Elks Lodge Tour. We Had A Blast!!! 6 people and I welcomed the group of over 50 to the Lodge in the morning with Norm's fantastic Breakfast Pizza and Christina's Bangin' Bloody Mary's. Thank you Ray, Lynn, Seana, Christina, Norm and Barry. There is another bus trip coming through on November 30<sup>th</sup>. We would love to have more Member participation and to welcome our Brothers and Sisters from the Kinderhook Lodge.

I want to take a minute to acknowledge Mike Derossa. This "Super Member" has brought roughly 17 of his family and friends into the Lodge recently as new Members. Keep up the great work Mike! It's great to see more and more happy faces around the Lodge lately. I have noticed the past couple weeks there has been a positive air around the Lodge. People are laughing more, talking to each other more and generally enjoying relaxing with new and old friends. It's nice to hear all the laughter around here! Come on down and be part of it! As Always, keep a close eye on The Buzz. It's getting busier with events like the ENF Committee's ***Cha Ching Wing Fling*** ( there are still a few tickets left ), The Veterans Breakfast and Country Western Night. We would love everyone to come march with the BPOE #275 Float in the Arlington Holiday Parade.

Fraternally yours,

Sara (845) 656-3296

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#### 2019-2020 OFFICERS

Exalted Ruler  
Est. Leading Knight  
Est. Loyal Knight  
Est. Lecturing Knight  
Esquire  
Chaplain  
Tiler  
Inner Guard  
Secretary  
Treasurer  
Justice

Sara Dempsey  
Jane Anderson, PER  
Christine Hillerude  
Lynn Strohm  
Michael Tompkins  
Lenny Napier  
Jean Jicha  
Raymond Strohm, PDD  
Paul O. Sullivan

#### BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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

#### PER ASSOCIATION

Jane Anderson, PER

#### HOUSE COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

Norm Dennis

#### BAR CHAIRMAN

Norm Dennis

#### KITCHEN CHAIRMAN

#### BANQUETS & BOOKINGS

Jane Anderson, PER

#### NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Derek "Deke" Gardner

#### BINGO CHAIRMAN

Jane Anderson, PER

**OFFICER OF THE YEAR**  
Tom Conger

**ELK OF THE YEAR**  
Fred Wright, PER



## PLAN AHEAD....

**Cha Ching Wing Fling - Nov 9**  
**Veteran's Brunch - Nov 10**  
**Country Western Night - Nov 23**  
**Paint & Sip - Nov 24 (sold out)**  
**Elks Memorial Service - Dec 1**  
**Arlington Holiday Parade - Dec 7**  
**Children's Xmas Party - Dec 15**  
**Member's Christmas Eve Buffet**

## Secretary's Desk November 2019

### Membership

Active Members – 1049

Delinquents – 62 = 6% (as of 10/18/2019)



### Absent Member

It is my sad duty to announce the passing of **Joseph Marallo Jr.**  
34 year member

### November Meetings

Thursday November 7<sup>th</sup> – Regular Meeting 7:30pm

Thursday November 21<sup>st</sup> – Regular Meeting 7:30pm

### 275 BUZZ

Weekly email newsletter with current news, events and activities at the Lodge.

Contact [bpoe275@verizon.net](mailto:bpoe275@verizon.net) to get on the email list

### Follow Us

Follow us online at [www.bpoe275.org](http://www.bpoe275.org)

Follow us on [Facebook](#) at bpoe275

### Phone Numbers

Lodge (845) 454-6660

Office (845) 454-6275

## Veterans Service Committee November 2019

The Next Meeting of the Veterans Service Committee will be on Monday, November 4<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. All members interested in helping and honoring our Veterans are encouraged to attend.

The Veterans Service committee recently purchased 12, \$25 Gift Cards from Stop and Shop to be given to the Vet2Vet program to be used for immediate assistance to Veteran families in our area in need.

The Veterans Breakfast is coming up on Sunday November 10<sup>th</sup> from 8-11am. Everyone is invited. Veterans and active duty military eat for free, everyone else is \$10, children under 12 \$5. We will also have a number of Great Raffles! Please come out and support our Veterans!

**The Veterans Service Committee of the Poughkeepsie Elks Lodge extend our sincerest appreciation and gratitude to the 272 Lodge Members who are Veterans, and to all Veterans of our great country. God Bless America, God Bless our Veterans.**



Elks  
National  
Foundation, Inc.

Deadline: **November 5, 2019**

Judged On: Scholarship, Leadership and Financial Need

Eligibility: High school senior or equivalent, U.S. citizen

Awards: Up to \$50,000 toward college education

Visit [enf.elks.org/MVS](http://enf.elks.org/MVS) to learn more.

Poughkeepsie Lodge Veterans Committee

## BREAKFAST HONORING VETERANS



**Sunday November 10, 2019, 8-11am**

All Welcome!

**Veterans Eat For Free!**

Civilians \$10.00

Featuring: S.O.S., Fried French Toast, Scrambled Eggs, Bacon,  
Sausage, Coffee, Tea, and a Mimosa Fountain.

Raffles!

 Care -  Share

All net proceeds to benefit local Veterans in Need.

At: Poughkeepsie Elks Lodge #275

29 Overocker Road, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603 (845) 454-6660  
Net Proceeds to benefit Poughkeepsie Lodge Veterans Programs

# ANNUAL DUFFY FARRIER COUNTRY WESTERN NIGHT

Saturday, November 23rd

7pm-11pm

Pork Loin dinner  
with all the fixins

Free Draft beer

*Live Music by  
Thunder Ridge*

\$25.00 per person

Sign the red book



## FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER & DANCING November 15th

Salad @ 6:30 Dinner @ 7pm

Dancing from 8-10pm

\*NO reservations required!

Dinner & Dancing \$16

Dancing only \$11

*Music by Harvest Duo*

### Dinner:

**Chicken Marsala or Baked Cod Loin**

*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*

*Line Dancing 9am-10am*

*Ballroom Dancing 10am-12 Noon*

**\*\*\*Leisure Time Dancers will be  
cancelled if Arlington Schools are  
closed or have a delay\*\*\***

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER MENU

- 11/06 - Chicken Parm, Baked Haddock, Eggplant Rollatini
- 11/13 - Roast Pork, Baked Flounder, Cheese Ravioli w/Meatballs
- 11/20 - Sesame Chicken, Baked Pollack, Manicotti w/Meatballs
- 11/27 - London Broil, Baked Cod, Meat Lasagna

### FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER MENU

- 11/01 - Chicken Marsala, Grilled Pork Chop, Crab Cakes
- 11/08 - Pork Schnitzel, Shrimp Marinara, Chicken St Joseph
- 11/15 - Chicken Marsala, Baked Cod Loin
- 11/22 - Chicken Parmesan, Shrimp Scampi
- 11/29 - Chicken Cacciatore, Shrimp Newburgh

*\*NY Strip Steak served every Friday night*

**Cha-  
Ching**



Presented by the Poughkeepsie Elks Lodge on  
November 9th, 2019

Time: 6:00 to 9:00 PM

DJ providing music in the bar

Tickets price \$50.00 per person  
(Only 300 tickets sold)

Delicious variety of wings and salad in the grill room

Includes beer, wine, and soda

1st Prize- \$5,000

2nd Prize- \$2,500

3rd Prize- \$1,000

4th Prize- \$500

For more information contact Jane, Arnie, Kim,  
Norm & Billy







## FOOTBALL SUNDAYS AT THE LODGE ARE BACK!!!

Watch the games on 10 TV's!  
Every seat is the best seat in the house! Drinks, Food, Snacks, Fun!!!



### Children's Christmas Party Sunday, December 15th @ 12pm



Children and Grandchildren of current Elk Members who have paid their annual dues through March 31, 2020 are welcome to attend. Ages from birth to 8 years old are eligible. Sign up at the bar or clip the coupon below and drop it off at the Lodge. Deadline for signup is Sunday, December 1st. **PLEASE SIGN UP EARLY!** Please fill out the sign up form completely.

Contact Seana Bailey (845) 242-2909 with any questions or donations.

CHILD'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_ AGE \_\_\_\_\_

ELK MEMBERS NAME \_\_\_\_\_ MALE \_\_\_\_\_

CONTACT PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_ FEMALE \_\_\_\_\_

My Brothers and Sisters.

November marks two holidays which, in my mind, are related. Sure, they were adopted at different times for different motivations but, for Elks, the two holidays call attention to the willingness of Elks to care and share; and, the service of the men and women that protect the harvest of Freedom we enjoy. It is a great month for Elks. We love a good party and no organization respects and celebrates our Veterans and uniformed service members more than the Order of Elks.

Veterans Day marks the signing of the Armistice by Germany ending the hostilities of World War I at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month of 1918. It is a time when our Nation pauses in thankful recollection of the sacrifices given by our Veterans. It is no wonder that Elks revere the "Hour of Eleven."

Thanksgiving was fixed as the fourth Thursday in November by law in 1941; however, it has been celebrated since the time of Plymouth Rock and the Mayflower. It is a tradition, observed annually, officially proclaimed by President Lincoln in 1863. More importantly, it is a harvest festival recognizing the end of the growing season with a shared feast.

In Elks Lodges, every month is a month to honor our American heritage. This month we recognize the personal contribution that Veterans make to the very freedoms that we, as American citizens, enjoy each day! It is also a moment when we gather our families and loved ones around us. November is a month to be especially grateful for God's blessings and share some good fellowship!

Fraternal & Sincerely,  
Paul Crumb, DDGER

**ELKS MEMORIAL  
SERVICE  
SUNDAY, DECEMBER  
1ST, 11AM**

**THIS IS OUR TIME TO  
REMEMBER OUR  
BROTHERS AND SISTERS  
WE HAVE LOST.**

**REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED  
FOLLOWING THE SERVICE.**



**CONGRATULATIONS  
POUGHKEEPSIE  
ELKS LODGE  
SCHOLARSHIP  
AWARD WINNERS!!!**

- **Kayla S Bastian**
- **Kyleigh Hillerud**
- **Ryan Richard**
- **Joseph Richard**
- **Michael K Tompkins II**

**The entire Lodge Membership  
wishes all of you luck in your  
educational future!!!**

After many dedicated years as the  
"Lodge Happenings"  
monthly newsletter editor,  
Derek "Deke" Gardner,  
will be stepping down  
March 31st, 2020.

Do you have basic computer skills  
including experience with Microsoft  
Publisher, Word, Adobe Acrobat and  
PDF files? Can you spare 4-5 hours  
per month? Let us know!



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# NOVEMBER 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Lunch 11:30-3 Dinner 6-8pm	2 Lunch 11:30-3 Pizza Night
3	4 Veteran's Service Committee Meeting 7pm	5 Bingo	6 Dinner 5:30-7pm	7 Lodge Meeting 7:30pm	8 Lunch 11:30-3 Dinner 6-8pm	9 Lunch 11:30-3 Pizza Night
10	11	12 Bingo	13 Dinner 5:30-7pm	14	15 Lunch 11:30-3 Dinner 6-8pm	16 Lunch 11:30-3 Pizza Night
17	18	19 Bingo	20 Dinner 5:30-7pm	21 Lodge Meeting 7:30pm	22 Lunch 11:30-3 Dinner 6-8pm	23 Lunch 11:30-3 Pizza Night
24	25	26 Bingo	27 Dinner 5:30-7pm	28 <i>Happy Thanksgiving</i>	29 Lunch 11:30-3 Dinner 6-8pm	30 Lunch 11:30-3 Pizza Night