



**HAPPY  
NEW YEAR**

# Lodge Happenings



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

**JANUARY  
2020**

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*Happy New Year!*

*Now that we have seen the end of 2019, I hope 2020 brings all of us a happier, healthier, more prosperous New Year.*

*With a renewed energy and 9 months under my belt as your Exalted Ruler, I have been reflecting on the overall mood and atmosphere at various points in time at the Lodge. We are a large family, over 1000 strong. As in all families, there are certain times that Members observe or participate in a minor form of conflict. It is all too important to remember our obligation during these times, Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity. Forgiveness is what I will add at this juncture. A new year and clean slate are most important at this time. For all aspects of life, not just Elksdom.*

*I would like to thank Christina Nolen and her Elves for providing food and gifts to many in our community that needed a little "Hand Up" this season. She truly defines the principle of Charity.*

*Seana Travers did an outstanding job with the Children's Christmas Party. Providing our members and their Children and Grandchildren with a special day of gifts and festivities. Great Job Seana! Brotherly Love at its finest!*

*Fidelity has been and continues to be demonstrated by Ray Strohm and his entire Veterans Committee. Their Faithfulness to Poughkeepsie's Veterans is surpassed by no other. Their continued loyalty and support of said Veterans is a service many in this great country seem to neglect. I am most proud of all of you.*

*Lodge 275 had a great presence in the Arlington Holiday Parade. Although a bit nippy, it was fantastic to see a large group of members brave the cold and march along in our great community. Thank you Lynne McCarthy for your beautiful presence as Mrs. Claus. It was fun to be with you on the float watching all the bundled up children with eyes wide with delight. Joe Devens donating his truck and trailer to carry the beautiful Gingerbread house, with a cookie smelling smokestack, for another year is a great act of kindness. Who will Ever forget Norm Spraying all the crowd with his "snow gun"?*

*Dick Long did a great job resuscitating the Lodge Hoop Shoot. This once a year event holds a longstanding tradition that Dick has always been a part of. Our lodge also is one of the few that sponsored a NY State Champion. If we have a member that's a fan of basketball and children, please let me know and I will put you in touch with Dick to help run this event.*

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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 Pfeifer  
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....

**Football Sunday's Still Going!**

**Feb 6th - Nominations of new Officers**

**March 22nd - Boy Scout Spaghetti Dinner**

# Secretary's Desk January 2020



## HAPPY NEW YEARS

### Absent Members

It is my sad duty to announce the passing of our members  
**Joseph M. Walsh** 26 Year Member  
**Gary James Gregory** 49 Year Member  
**Dennis W. Crawford** 6 Year Member

### Membership

Active Members – 1053  
Delinquents – 56 = 5.4%

### Delinquent Members

In this Newsletter is a list of the members of our Lodge who have not yet paid their dues for the 2019-2020 Elks Year. They will be dropped from membership on March 31, 2020 if no arrangements are made. Please review the list and contact anyone you may know.

### DUES

Dues for the 2020-2021 Elks Year will be going up \$2.00 due to an increase in the liability insurance premium assessed by the Grand Lodge.  
Regular membership \$99.50, Life/Honorary Life Membership \$46.50.  
Dues Notices should go out February 1, 2020  
(Don't shoot the messenger)

### January Meetings

Thursday January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 7:30pm By-Law Amendment Vote  
Thursday January 16<sup>th</sup>, 7:30pm

### Nominations of Officers

Nomination for 2020-2021 Lodge Officers will take place during the February 6, 2020 meeting. This is the only opportunity to make nominations for Exalter Ruler, Leading, Loyal & Lecturing Knights, Treasurer, Secretary and Trustee. Election of Officers will be conducted at the February 10, 2020 meeting.

### Proposed By-Law Change

Please see the proposed Poughkeepsie Lodge By-Law change in this newsletter.  
Voting on the By-Law change will be during the January 2, 2020 meeting.  
Only members in good standing (paid this year's dues) can vote.

### Phone Numbers

Lodge (845) 454-6660  
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### Delinquent Members As of December 20, 2019

Billie	Adsmund	Chris	Petsas
Brendon	Barry	Arthur	Plog Sr
Leonard	Bishop	Michael	Reed
Edward	Boulanger Jr	Jason	Reilly
Laura	Brooks	Jon	Rinaldi
Dylan	Brown	Matthew	Ripo
Susan	Bunten	Jacqueline	Ruf
Brett	Burchetta	Frank	Sculco
George	Cartolano	Eric	Sherman
Rudy	Castro	Robert	Shortt
Lorraine	Craft	Jason	Sleight
Jay	Curtis Jr.	Louis	Strippoli
Edward	Cussick	Gerard	Taggart
Charles	Darrow	Heather	Toth
Ronald	Davis	Thomas	Trainor
Joseph	Dolce	Daniel	Tuohy
Normand	Dumas	Justin	Varuzzo
Gerald	Duncan	Robert	Vitanza
John	Fenton	Kevin	Walsh
Dillion	Floughton	Thomas	Walsh
Chris	Flynn	Richard	Weiner
Charles	Geary		
D	Grossman		
Nelson	Guzman		
Roy	Hilliker		
Pamela	Hunt		
Brandon	James		
Edward	Kirschner		
Uwe	Krueger		
Thomas	Lewis		
Mario	Liquori		
Michael	Mason		
Lawrence	Minckler		
John	Murphy		
Lawrence	Perretta		

These Members WILL be **Dropped** from membership on March 31, 2020 if No Arrangements are made by then. Please inform anyone you may know on the List.

Lodge Secretary

Proposed Amendment to the By-Laws, House Rules and Rules of Order Poughkeepsie Lodge No. 275

Article IV: Meetings

Sec.1 The regular meeting of the Lodge shall be held on the third Thursday evening in each month throughout the year, except in the months of February, March and April in which the Lodge shall meet on the first and third Thursday.

Voting to take place during the regular meeting on January 2, 2020, Members in Good Standing only.

To become effective upon approval of the Grand Lodge Committee on Judiciary but not before April 1, 2020

**FRIDAY NIGHT  
DINNER & DANCING  
January 17th**



Salad @ 6:30 Dinner @ 7pm

Dancing from 8-10pm

**\*NO reservations required!**

Dinner & Dancing \$16

Dancing only \$11

**Music by Harvest Duo**

**Dinner:**

**Pot Roast or Stuffed Sole**

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\*\*\***

***....ER Message continued***

*Leading Knight, Jane Anderson, deserves Kudos. Jane has gone above and beyond this year. Bingo is a great money maker for the Lodge. Her commitment and dedication to Bingo is unparalleled. She also has served as booking chair. Stepping in when there was a vacancy and working more than full time in this capacity. Jane is also very diligent in making sure the Lodges bank deposits are in the bank in a timely manner. She truly has the heart of a great Elk.*

*Jane and Jack Brewster have really stepped up when the previous Treasurer vacated the position. Speaking of which, The Treasurer position at the Lodge is still vacant. Please contact Jack Brewster or myself at the Lodge if you are interested in filling this position.*

*As I close, please come and see how our new Kitchen addition of Frank Lefevre. He has improved the overall performance of our kitchen and the product it turns out. Chef Joe and Frank are a force!*

*Again, I wish you all a very Happy New Year. If you have any questions or suggestions, as always, feel free to call me.*

*Fraternally Yours,  
Sara  
(845)656-3296*

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER MENU**

- 1/08 - Stuffed Chicken Breast, Crabmeat Stuffed Flounder, Cheese Ravioli w/Meatballs
- 1/15 - Roast Beef, Baked Sole Piccata, Baked Ziti w/Meatballs
- 1/22 - Chicken Scarpariello, Fish & Chips, Egg Plant Rollatini
- 1/29 - Roast Turkey, Baked Pollack, Baked Pasta w/ Vodka Sauce

**FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER MENU**

- 1/03 - Bar Menu & Specials
- 1/10 - Bar Menu & Specials
- 1/17 - Bar Menu & Specials
- 1/24 - Bar Menu & Specials
- 1/31 - PRIME RIB NIGHT & Bar Menu

**WE ARE IN NEED  
OF A LODGE  
TREASURER.  
IF YOU OR  
SOMEONE YOU  
MAY KNOW IS  
INTERESTED  
PLEASE CONTACT  
ANY OFFICER OR  
THE LODGE.**

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# JANUARY 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Dinner 5:30-7pm	2 <b>Lodge Meeting</b> 7:30pm	3 Lunch 11:30-3 Dinner 6-8pm	4 Lunch 11:30-3 Pizza & All U Can Eat Buffet
5	6	7 Bingo	8 Dinner 5:30-7pm	9	10 Lunch 11:30-3 Dinner 6-8pm	11 Lunch 11:30-3 Pizza & All U Can Eat Buffet
12	13	14 Bingo	15 Dinner 5:30-7pm	16 <b>Lodge Meeting</b> 7:30pm	17 Lunch 11:30-3 Dinner 6-8pm	18 Lunch 11:30-3 Pizza & All U Can Eat Buffet
19	20	21 Bingo	22 Dinner 5:30-7pm	23	24 Lunch 11:30-3 Dinner 6-8pm	25 Lunch 11:30-3 Pizza & All U Can Eat Buffet
26	27	28 Bingo	29 Dinner 5:30-7pm	30	31 <b>PRIME RIB</b> Lunch 11:30-3 Dinner 6-8pm	