HAVERSTRAW LODGE NO. 877 B.P.O. ELKS



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JULY & AUGUST MEETINGS 2ND AND 4TH TUESDAY OF THE

EXALTED RULERS MESSAGE PRESIDENT, 877 MESSAGE



Dear Members,

Summer is Here! Most of us look forward to this time of the year. There's always plenty of things to do and many opportunities to spend time with family and friends. In fact, Haverstraw Elks has been running on all cylinders over the last 2 months. We've had a lot of events and have more planned for the next few months. Our Kitchen Staff and Bartenders have been working hard to ensure that everyone has a great time at our outings. I am constantly amazed at how easy they make things happen and appreciate their continued efforts. I would, however, be remiss if I didn't ask for more volunteers to step up and help out. If we had more volunteers, our usual Kitchen and Bartending staff would be able to experience how great they've made the events for the rest of us. They show their commitment and love for our Lodge at every single event! I'm sure we'd all benefit from more volunteers being part of our TEAM. No experience is necessary! Take a moment to talk to any of the Crew and they will tell you what a rewarding experience it has been. For more information, please reach out to Lenny Vitale or me.

As usual, June has been a busy month. We've had a flurry of activity such as Bobby Coyne's Testimonial, our Flag Day Ceremonies, Father's Day Breakfast and the Annual Jim Wilhelm-Rich Coyne Golf Outing. All the events had tremendous turnouts with so many telling me what a fantastic time they had. Our Guest Speaker for Flag Day was Major Patrick Harris, Ret. He gave a speech that inspired all present. That's one of the best features of the Lodge's programs is that there is something for everyone. Again, thanks to all that helped!!

July will be another active month at Haverstraw Elks Lodge No. 877! Here are some of the highlights

On July 5th we have our Luau accompanied by the Town of Haverstraw's Fireworks. It's the perfect setting to celebrate our Independence. On July 20th we have the Homecoming for Pat Walsh, PDGER, and Brian Sherry, Past State Vice President. They worked hard during their terms. Let's celebrate their accomplishments. On July 27th we have Haverstraw Elks Lodge's annual Hot Dog Day. Many have inquired about what Hot Dog Day is all about. It's about the kids and Grandkids of members, their family and friends. It truly brings families together to enjoy food drink and fun. There's a bouncy house, a fishing tournament, a water slide, face painting a clown/magician, balloon art for the kids and plenty of hot dogs, beer and soda as well as an ice cream truck for everyone to enjoy. The New York State Elks Association President, Brian Green, will also be in attendance. I encourage all to attend this exciting event.

Yours in Elkdom, John Downs Exalted Ruler Dear Ladies,

It is hard to believe that summer is here already. I hope you are all enjoying time off with friends and family. I will be visiting my daughter in hot, sunny, Florida but will be back for the Deck Party on July 7th. I hope the weather will be nice. Please come and bring your cakes to raffle off. Thank you, Romie Griffin, for making this event wonderful. Our next meeting will be July 16th and will be a Potluck. It begins at 6 PM. The August meeting will be on August 20th at 7 PM. We had a great turnout at the last meeting, and I hope to see you all there.

Judy O'Sullivan is working hard to prepare for our Penny Sale. All donations are welcomed. She is also collecting scratch off cards. Please bring all donations to the July meeting.

The men will be having their Clambake on August 18th. It was a good time with plenty of food last year.

Diane Conklin is running our Lottery. Good luck to all Ladies!

A special thank you to Theresa, Wanda, Bridget, Nina, and Judy for helping at the Father's Day Breakfast. It is always better to have more help at our events, so please participate and join us. Remember that Sunblock and enjoy the warm weather!

Sincerely, Jennifer A. Henion President, Ladies Club 877 **EXALTED RULER**

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HOUSE CHAIRMAN'S CORNER -LENNY VITALE

To all our members:

Help is always needed!

For information on renting our facility, please contact Lenny Vitale (House Chairman) at 845-429-8738 or E-mail us at

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Articles must be submitted by the 10th of each month. Feel free to e-mail me at mickeyandlisa@gmail.com

VETERAN'S CORNER by Tom Carroll



A few months ago I wrote an article on the issues facing the Korean War Veterans Association and the Vietnam Veterans of America due to the "aging" of their membership. While I gave some detailed information on the plans of the VVA, I mentioned that I did not have any information on the plans of the KWVA.

Since then, I have spoken to some local KWVA members, as well as Sheila Fritts, the membership spokesperson for the national KWVA. The single initiative undertaken by the KWVA has been to open their membership to any veteran who served in the Korean Augmentation to the US Armey (KATUSA) in Korea at any time between September 3, 1945 to the present. The former by-law limited membership to those who served, in or out of Korea, between June 25, 1950 to January 31, 1955. The obvious effect of this change is to open up membership eligibility to a younger pool of veterans. There is also an Associate membership available to anyone of good character who has been discharged from the armed forces of the United States under anything but honorable conditions. There are no current plans for dissolution or transfer of assets.

Beginning in June, new "Community Care" guidelines go into effect for those veterans enrolled in the VA Health Care system. Community care allows veterans, under certain conditions, to seek care outside of the VA medical system. Previous guidelines have been if a veteran lives more than 40 minutes from a VA facility, or is facing a wait time of more than 30 days for an appointment. The new guidelines reduce the distance the drive time to 30 minutes and the wait time to 20 days. For specialty care, it is a 60 minute drive limit or more than 28 day wait time.

In the June, 2019 Elks National Magazine (the one with the St. Louis Arch on the cover), there is a very interesting and informative article about "The Silent Service". The article covers the entire history of the United States submarine fleet. If there are any members who served aboard a submarine, I would love to include your story in a future article.



SECRETARY'S CORNER JULY/AUGUST 2019

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<u>Membership Year End</u>		Membership Process	<u>Membership Process</u>		
Current Membership	1410	Next Investigation	7/16/19		

Members added to the roll6Next Vote7/23/19Removed from Roll6Next Orientation7/30/19Members in Arrears136Next Initiation8/03/19

The Following Members Are Eligible For Life Membership – Vote 9/10/19

Daniel Keeley-2873 Joseph Pehush-3372 Robert Lagrow-3686 Richard Benzinger-3747 Robert Meunier-3806

Frank Cifuni-2993 Lawrence Roper-3524 John Lavelle-3726 Eugene Burns-3760 John Ryan-3802

John Gould-3020 Thomas Morrissey-4890 Richard Lutkevich-3706 George Lodini-3773

Everett Conklin-3026 Paul Allison-3685 William Riccaldo-3715 Kevin Malley-3768

William Phillips-3200 Paul Braunwart-3721 David Zigler-3734 Martin Brophy-3789

Frank Gulino Jr-3225 William Hentnik-3717 Harold Tyler-3743 William Bromley-3801

Frank Finch

Kenneth Clinton

Delinquent Members as of June 21, 2019

Steven Abrams	Vincent Coe	Harold Fisher	Dwight Joyce
Pat Amorso	Brendan Colligan	Harry Floersheim	George Kelly
Edward Andrews	John Colluzzi	John Flynn	Christopher King
Nicolas Badstein	William Confrey	James Forzono	Joseph Knarich
James Bala	Joseph Crimi	Calvin Fowx	Stan Knipl
Evan Barberis	Rocco D'Elia	Donald Fox	Paul Konysz
Christopher Baumann	Christopher Dabreau	Augustus Frank	Georgius Kouris
Daniel Beddows	Kenneth Daniels	Daniel Freeman	Jeff Kreis
Pashk Bitici	Edward Darvid	Patrick Gallagher	Scott Krzykowski
Thomas Bolak Sr	George Davidson	Bryan Gillman	Kenneth Kunz
Michael Bonfiglio	William Decker	Gregory Grasso	Christopher LaSpina
Joseph Boulay	Stephen DeRosa	Albert Gregg	Keith Latarski
Thomas Brady	Ronald Discenza Md	Raymond Gregg	William Leins
Dan Breyer	Robert Donovan	Clint Halstead	John Lima
Bruce Brown	Andrew Dossi	Thomas Hansen	Christopher Linen
Richard Brown	Robert Dowd	Brion Hayman	William Linhart
Brett Bulson	Kevin Earley	William Heady	Darren Luzon
William Carr	Richard Ecroyd	Mark Heber	John Lynch
Tom Carroll	Vitino Errico	James Higgins	Joseph Mackey
Joseph Carzzarella	Brian Fagan	Paul Hoffmann	Dominick Maglione
Arthur Cassidy Jr	Michael Fahy	Brian Hogan	Bill Makris
Joseph Chapman	Howard Farewell	Steven Hurley	Timothy Malley
Joseph Cifuni	Alan Fehsal	Kevin Huslinger II	Anthony Manza
Fred Cifuni III	Theodore Figurski	Patrick Hussey	Brian Martin

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Richard Spatta
Thomas Stala
Anthony Stracci
Frank Torres
Joseph Trovato
Donald Turso
John Van Wagner
Scott VanDerhoef
Robert VanDunk
Daniel Velez
Le Roy Walden Sr
Frederick Walters
Charles Zaba



ELK'S LUAU

JULY 5^{TH} – RAIN DATE JULY 6^{TH}







LADIES CLUB CAKE SALE

JULY 9TH 1PM

ON DECK





HOT DOG DAY

JULY 27TH - 12 PM





VETERAN'S LUNCH

AUGUST 12TH – 12PM





CLAMBAKE

AUGUST 18TH





CIGAR NITE

AUGUST 23TH





LADIES CLUB PENNY SALE

SEPTEMBER 13TH

MORE INFO TO COME



MONTHLY CALENDARS

		JU	LY 20	19		
Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
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Ladies Club Bake Sale - 1PM		Lodge Meeting 7:30 PM				
7	8		10	11	12	13
14	15	Board of Director's Mtg 7:00PM Ladies Club Potluck Meeting 6PM	Dock Committee Mtg. 7:00 PM	18	19	20
14	15	Lodge Meeting 7:30 PM	17	10	13	Hot Dog Day 12 PM
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	Veteran's Lunch 12PM	Lodge Meeting 7:30 PM				
11	12		14	15	16	17
Clambake		Board of Director's Mtg 7:00PM Ladies Club Meeting	Dock Committee Mtg. 7:00 PM		Cigar Nite	
18	19		21	22	23	24
		Lodge Meeting 7:30 PM				
25	26	27	28	29	30	