



# Lodge Happenings

Poughkeepsie Lodge # 275  
Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks  
Charter Granted June 20, 1894



Home Lodge  
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July 2021



It has been two months since I have taken office, and it has gone by quickly. Our calendar at the lodge has been filling up with events. Covid 19 restrictions have been lifted.

It is wonderful to see our members return to the lodge. In the next few months, some of our members who have been instrumental in leadership roles and committees will be leaving. With that being said, we need people to step into committee positions, volunteer for bingo, assist at an event, and bring in new members. Elks invest in their communities in a variety of different ways. In the last two and half years as an Elk, I have seen Proms for Ability First, Veteran's breakfasts, donations of money and good to the Vet 2 Vet Program, food drives, supply drive for active servicemen and women, families and elderly people adopted at the holidays and given wonderful meals and beautiful gifts.

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#### 2020-2021 OFFICERS

Exalted Ruler	Christine Hillerud
Est. Leading Knight	Lynn Angivine
Est. Loyal Knight	John Kavolik
Est. Lecturing Knight	Brian Mallet
Esquire	Michael Tompkins
Chaplain	Tim Doyle
Tiler	Richard Filiberto
Inner Guard	Jean Jicha
Secretary	Dante Misedra
Treasurer	Vacant
Justice	Paul O. Sullivan

#### BOARD OF TRUSTEES

1 yr Trustee - Marc Pfeifer  
2 yr Trustee - Peter Scilleppi  
3 yr Trustee - Brian Mallet  
4 yr Trustee - Tom Conger  
5 yr Trustee - Bill Phillips (Chair)

**PER ASSOCIATION**  
Jane Anderson, PER

**HOUSE COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN**  
Norm Dennis

**BAR CHAIRMAN**  
Norm Dennis

**KITCHEN CHAIRMAN**

**BANQUETS & BOOKINGS**

**NEWSLETTER EDITOR**  
Richard Filiberto

## Secretary's Desk July 2021



### **Welcome**

After 5 years as Lodge Secretary, Ray has retired. He is succeeded by Dante Miscedra.

### **Meetings**

\*Lodge Meeting: Thursday July 15th

### **Events**

- \* Norm's Car Show, July 25th
- \* 300 Club: Drawing Sept 11th

### **Departed Members**

George H. Martin, Frederick A. Frankie,  
Brenda Phillips-Barker, Louis Fusaro.  
An Elk is never forgotten, Never forsaken.

### **Dues**

Dues Notices for the 2021-2022 Elk Year have been sent or are on the way. The dues for regular members is \$107.00 and \$54.00 for Life/Honorary Life members.

We still have members who have not paid this year's dues yet and are endanger of being dropped.

### **275 BUZZ**

This is a weekly newsletter sent Luton Wednesday for members using email. If you do not currently get the 275 Buzz please send your name and email to [bpoe275@verizon.net](mailto:bpoe275@verizon.net)

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### **FROM THE EXALTED RULER**

I know much more has been done. We are a group of giving and generous people. We do amazing things when we work together!

I am proud to be a member of this great lodge. Please consider volunteering for a committee, bingo or an event, we need everyone's help!

Fraternally Yours,

Christine Hillerud



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## Letter from our District Deputy

I was recently asked by a newly-initiated member, “what makes the difference at an Elks Lodge?” Serving within any capacity at within a Lodge can be a very rewarding experience. Elks enjoy being a part of something larger than themselves and working for worthwhile projects in our Lodges, communities and Nation. This past year brought this into sharp focus. Things that we were used to always doing changed or stopped completely!

The Order of Elks is a quiet network of patriotic men and women performing good deeds and changing lives for the better, without the need for recognition. What is the motivation for this incredible gift to our communities? I think the answer lies within our motto’s description of how members care for each other - we write *“their virtues upon the tablets of love and memory.”*

The strength of our Order is the strength of each Member. It defines the Order of Elks. We stay aware of what each other is doing, applaud each other’s efforts, acknowledge our successes, and encourage each other in our individual pursuits. When Elks get together, great things happen. Things like building hospitals for veterans, scholarships for our college-bound young people and charity that is beyond comparison. In a year that began with a lockdown and many Lodges affected by the fear of financial insolvency, I’d say we learned that success is how high you bounce back after you’ve hit bottom.

True and upright members bear a work ethic for all to see and shun inaction in the face of challenges. They don’t turn from a problem; however, in working toward solutions they treat others with respect, concern and encouragement. They ask the question, “What can I do to help?” They collaborate, inspire and thank others around them. This past year was an ordeal. In spite of it, we learned that our dedication to our principles and resolute determination to support our communities were the most powerful weapon we have. We learned that being good wasn’t good enough we had to adapt and in doing so, become better. We set our course by our cardinal principles, not by what was going on around us.

This is what makes the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and its quiet network of good deeds so effective.

Thank YOU for all that each one of you do!

Fraternally, and sincerely,  
Paul H. Crumb, DDGER  
Mid-Hudson District #6180



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