

HAVERSTRAW LODGE #877 B.P.O. ELKS



The Friendly Lodge / A Fraternal Organization
 April 2020 Monthly News Letter
 The Elks Tale



APRIL MEETINGS 2ND & 4TH TUESDAY OF THE MONTH



EXALTED RULERS
 April 2020 MESSAGE
 Tom Colarusso



Dear Members,

I never thought this acceptance speech would be in print but despite the exceptional current events, I felt the membership should recognize the outstanding people around me as I start my journey as your 2020 Exalted Ruler.

I'm humbled and honored the Lodge has expressed their confidence in my ability to lead, in order to protect and prosper our lodge, as well as grow throughout the coming year. The membership has awarded me the responsibility and challenges of this job for the next twelve months. This beautiful lodge needs to be fiscally secure to guarantee continued success. If I may use the marina as an analogy, our ship needs to be righted. We have gone off course, but this can be corrected. The remedy may not be fun nor popular. However, a change can assure that this amazing, scenic, historic lodge continues to bring enjoyment to its members, our children and our grandchildren. We all embrace this wonderful lodge as our country club on the Hudson, affordable to the everyday people.

The challenges I'm experiencing on a personal level caused me to consider resigning from the position. However, after speaking with many of the lodge's Past Exalted Rulers, they encouraged me to continue through the chairs, and also provided me with emotional support as I face my treatments. Thank you Joe, John, Kevin, Scotti, Pat, Bucky, Dominic... if I left anyone out, I thank you as well.

To my officers, we collectively face a tall order in correcting the management of our lodge. You will play a much more active role in the way events are conducted. Note my door is always open, with communication being the key to our success.

To my brother lodge members, I ask you to get involved. I will be requesting that the lodge secretary send a mass e-mail in order to petition volunteers for upcoming events throughout the year. I only ask for a few hours of your time, while promising you will meet a great bunch of guys and have a few laughs.

Most of all, I would like to thank the most valuable resource in my life, my wife Terri, who picks me up when I fall, encourages me when things look their darkest, who by simply holding my hand gives me the strength to continue, Thank you, Terri.

In conclusion, thank you all for your support. I'd like to thank my officers for dedicating and committing themselves to the tasks ahead. I'd like to thank the PERs for the uplifting support. May God bless the USA and Haverstraw Lodge #877.

Tom Colarusso - Exalted Ruler - Haverstraw Lodge #877

APRIL 2020 CALENDAR REMINDERS

Saturday	April 11 th	12:00 PM	Children's Egg Hunt
Due to the Coronavirus All Activities are postponed or cancelled			
Stay tuned for updates as they become available			
Sunday	April 19 th	7:00-8:00 PM	300 Club
Tuesday	April 21 st		Ladies Club Meeting
Friday	April 24 th	7:00-11:00 PM	Cosgriff Wing Night
Tuesday	April 28 th	7:30 PM	Lodge Meeting





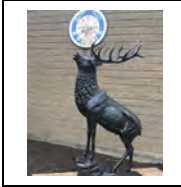
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Tom Colarusso
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Chris Huslinger
Ed Geary
Joe Gara, PER
Scott Taylor, PDD
Robert Coyne, PER
John Lawless, PER
Jim Tierney
Hon. Frank Phillips
John Intrieri
Jennifer Henion

Congratulations to our new officers



House Chairman's Corner
Help is always needed & appreciated
For information on renting our facility, please contact
John Intrieri (House Chairman) at 845-429-8738 or E-mail us at
host@haverstrawelks.org



Special Thanks to Past House Chairman: Lenny Vitale for his faithful Service & commitment

LODGE TELEPHONE NUMBERS

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ELK'S TALE SUBMISSIONS

Anyone with submissions or
contributions to the newsletter Please
E-mail your information to:

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Membership has its Benefits

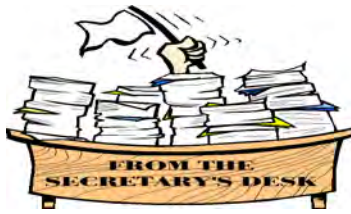
Our Banquet Room holds up to 220 people comfortably in a formal setting, overlooking the beautiful Hudson River, with 560 sq.ft.dance floor and an over 20' long full service bar. It is available to members, (at a discount), and non-members for all occasions, weddings, meetings and family gatherings.

Full kitchen and catering for any occasion is also available.

Let us host your next affair and help to support our club.

Call John Intrieri our house chairman @ 845-429-8738

Also available our Riverside Deck with Grill & Fireplace Room with Horse Shoe Bar



SECRETARY'S CORNER APRIL 2020

Secretary's Email: Secretary@HaverstrawElks.org

Secretary's Phone 845.429.8727

Membership As of 03/25/20

Current Membership	1520
Members added to the roll	0
Removed from Roll	0
Members in Arrears	0

Membership Process

Next Investigation	TBD
Next Vote	TBD
Next Indoctrination	TBD
Next Initiation	TBD

Proposed for Membership

Rahsaan Alexander
Jordan Coven
Mathew Culver
Henry DeSousa

Michael Gagan
Mike Graziano
Victor Haubner
John Heitman

Brian Klimek
Robert Lebzelter
William Lonergan
Nick Loucas

Darrell Lowe
Mark Messina
Xavier Perez
John Smyth

In Memoriam

Louis F. Avino	Initiated 3/20/76	Passed Away 1/19/20
Henry Renella	Initiated 10/13/87	Passed Away 1/29/20
George F. Lodini Sr.	Initiated 11/27/90	Passed Away 2/5/20
Noe Hamer	Initiated 5/24/16	Passed Away 2/6/20
William Conklin	Initiated 2/10/70	Passed Away 2/10/20
Ronald DiScenza	Initiated 5/23/06	Passed Away 2/19/20
Wlyer O. Michael Jr.	Initiated 1/17/79	Passed Away 3/2/20
Frank J. Haera	Initiated 4/9/66	Passed Away 3/3/20
Walter H. Johnson	Initiated 4/9/74	Passed Away 3/12/20

TO OUR ABSENT MEMBERS

In Vain We Call

The places that have known them shall know them no more; but their virtues are written upon the tablets of love and memory.



The Faults of Our Members We write Upon the Sands of Time Their Virtues Upon the Tablets of Love and Memory

We Currently Have Over 650 Members That Have Not Paid FY 20-21 Dues!

Pay Your Dues Online at HaverstrawElks.org

Last Years Delinquent Members That Were Dropped On March 31, 2020
(Any dropped member can be reinstated within 60 days without penalty)

Daniel Beddows
Thomas Bolak Sr
Joseph Boulay
Tom Carroll
Vincent Coe
John Colluzzi
Christopher Dabreau
Kenneth Daniels
Stephen DeRosa
Robert Donovan
Kevin Earley

Frank Finch
Harold Fisher
Harry Floersheim
Mark Heber
Patrick Hussey
Christopher King
Paul Konysz
Scott Krzykowski
William Linhart
John Lynch
Dominick Maglione

Anthony Manza
Brian Martin
Daniel McCluskey
Gary McCorry
James McCullagh
Christian Mendez
Frank Mirabello
Michael O'Connor
Anthony Pellitteri
Donald Price
Daniel Redford

Richard Sanders
Kurt Schuler
Daniel Sheridan
Thomas Sowden
Frank Torres
Robert VanDunk
Daniel Velez
Frederick Walters



VETERANS CORNER April 2020 Message

Tom Carroll

As with many other groups and organizations, the Coronavirus has impacted the veteran community, particularly in the hospital and nursing home communities which have always been vulnerable to the spread of disease. For us, it means our veteran's luncheon for April had to be cancelled and future luncheons are now tentative. I also participate in the "Bob Hope Division" of Chapter 333 of the Vietnam Veterans of America. That group makes a monthly visit to the New York State Veterans Nursing Home on the last Saturday of the month to show Bob Hope and Dean Martin videos and distribute various items donated to the nursing home. The March visit has been cancelled. Stay tuned for the April visit.

Veterans Affairs officials have also cancelled this year's [National Disabled Veterans Winter Sports Clinic](#), also citing concerns about the ongoing worldwide [coronavirus outbreak](#).

The event, which had been scheduled for March 29 to April 3, was expected to bring about 1,000 veterans, instructors and family members to Snowmass, Colorado, for sessions of winter sports and camaraderie.

Veterans Affairs officials recently took another step towards [expanding caregiver's benefits](#) to veterans who separated before 2001, but still have not finalized a date for when those families will see the payouts.

In recent weeks on Capitol Hill, numerous veterans' organizations have listed in congressional testimony that the inclusion of older spouses and caregivers in the benefits program is a top legislative priority for this year, and lamented delays in the effort so far.

For our Air Force veterans – with the growth of female combat pilots, the Air Force is changing some of the lyrics of "Wild Blue Yonder" to make the song "gender neutral". Lyrics such as "of his brother men who fly" will change to "brave who serve on high".

For our Army veterans – unlike recent announcements from the Marine Corp about removing references to the Confederacy on its bases (still to be determined what will be removed), the Army announced that it has no plans to change the names of Southern bases named after Confederate generals (I took Basic and AIT training at Fort Jackson – can't imagine it being re-named Fort Bernie Sanders).

For all veterans – Remember "Sgt Slaughter", the wrestler who dressed up in Marine grab? He continues to give interviews about his "two tours in Vietnam". Turns out old sarge, real name Robert Remus, never served in the Marine Corp and certainly never went to Vietnam (just like a certain Connecticut senator).

Stay healthy. Tom

The ELKS NATIONAL MEMORIAL In CHICAGO's Lincoln Park



A monument in the truest sense, the Elks National Memorial was built in 1926 to honor Americans whose profound sacrifices for the nation can never be recognized by mere words. With its massive dome, heroic sculptures and intricately detailed friezes, the Memorial is a distinctively American interpretation of classical greatness.



Ladies Club President /April 2020 Monthly Message

Jennifer Henion



Dear Ladies,

I hope this finds you all well and at home safely with your families. I wish you all God's Peace and good health.

Due to the fact that this virus will be here for awhile longer, I am cancelling our meeting for April 21st, which originally was our Instillation Dinner. I will keep you posted for information regarding our May meeting. I am praying that by then we will be over the hurdle but if not we will continue to stay home and try to think positive thoughts. We are all in this together. Please encourage all to stay home and report anything to your local PD if you see someone doing something they shouldn't be doing. For all our Seniors out there, I hope you will all be safe. If you know of anyone who could use a meal delivered or help shopping, please let us know. Forgive me if I do not get back to you quickly, but as an RN, I am in the middle of all this as well.

I would also like to extend a prayer to all the men and their families in our club. I am wishing them all the best as well. I hope to be able to sit on the deck and have a cold one or two soon. Thanks to John Downes for all his support to me this year. What a year it has been for us!

Some supplies you should have on hand during this should include a 3 month supply of medications,

over the counter Tylenol, Cough Medicine, Gatorade to replenish your electrolytes, tissues, do I dare say TOILET PAPER, Pet food. Remember meals do not have to always include meat. Pasta, rice, flour and canned vegetables go a long way. You can boil water if you run out. Get Alcohol or Peroxide to make cleaning supplies if you can. Order food and supplies delivered so you do not have to go out. Many restaurants have take-out and delivery as well. If you do not feel well and have questions, call me and I will try to help you.

Be kind to each other and help a neighbor, family or friend if you are able.

God Bless us each and all!

Sincerely,

Jennifer Henion Ladies Club 877 President

Elks Care – Elks Share

But Let's Not Share the Coronavirus

Wash Your Hands / Cover Your Cough

Stay At Home

Let's Beat this Thing Together By Staying Apart



MONTHLY CALENDARS

APRIL



APRIL 2020



Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
						
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MAY 2020



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