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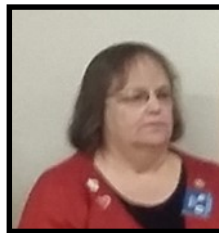
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Exalted Ruler's Report September 2017



Hi Everyone,

Thank you to everyone that helped with the float for the Lobster Festival Parade. You all did a great job. During the decorating of the float I realized that by leaving two people alone in the garage they come up with silly ideas, but it was a great idea. During the parade Les and William Demmons, walked with the float in military uniform collecting change/bills for the Veterans. The money they collected gave us a great start on "Collecting Loose Change for Veterans" on the floor in November. Please save your change for this event.

The month of September is the Willie Deshaies Elliott Challenge. So with that said while at the Lodge please see your bartender about buying an Elliott. This money raised goes to MCCP. Last year we won the plaque that goes around Lodges in Maine, for raising the most money during this challenge. So let us bring it back to Rockland this year.

We will be having a Friday Night supper (watch for posters for the menu) on September 22, 2017. Please come out to support this supper.

We will be hosting the State Horseshoe tournament on September 23, 2017. Registration at 8:00 am, play starts at 9:00 am.

The first Friday of the month we will be having a potluck supper. This will start with the first Friday in October.

On February 16, 2018 we will be celebrating the Elks 150th anniversary Nationwide. We will be hosting an anniversary party here at the Rockland Lodge on Saturday, February 17, 2018. Also the Maine Elks State President and First Lady, Dave and Sandi Anderson will be having their visitation at that time. The reason I'm mentioning this now is because I need a group of people to help with this event. Please let me know if you are interesting in helping to plan for this event. Thanks.

Exalted Ruler,

Barb Guy

Secretaries Corner

It is my sad duty to announce the death of our member, Robert Salo, #3116 who passed away on August 2, 2017.

There are two meetings in September, the first meeting is on September 12th at 7:00 following a meal of baked stuffed pork chops, mashed potato, vegetable and dessert at 5:45pm.

The second meeting is on September 26th at 7:00pm which follows a meal of meat loaf, mashed potato, vegetable and dessert at 5:45pm.

Fraternally,

Dwayne Guy, PDDGER, PSP, HLM, PER
Secretary

Propositions for Membership

We have received applications for membership or reinstatement from the following. Their applications were read on the Lodge floor on July 24th. We'll be voting on them when the Investigation Report is read. The next Orientation and Initiation is Sunday, October 1st, at 9:30 and 10:30 respectively.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Proposer</u>
Pamela Heal	Rockland, ME	Nurse	Alan Heal
Terrance McCue	Greenbush, ME	Truck Driver	Dwayne Guy

Membership Dues 2017-2018

At July's National Convention in Houston Texas, we were informed the Grand Lodge Assessments would be increased by \$1.00. So consequently, our dues will also increase by one-dollar to \$70.00 for Regular members and \$25.00 for Life Members. When you start paying next year's dues, 2018 – 2019, please make sure to pay the new amount.

Dwayne Guy,
Secretary

PER Meeting

The PER meetings commence again on Thursday, September 7th at 6:30 pm. The food and 50/50 raffles will begin again in October and continue on the 1st and 3rd Fridays of each month. Thank you for supporting the PERs in our efforts to support this Lodge and our community.

Bill Demmons, PER President

HEADS UP - Save your change

William Demmons, PER, our Veterans Chairman, will be having a fundraising event for the Veterans. Starting Friday, November 17th night with a supper through Sunday, November 19th, we will be collecting change to cover the downstairs floor. So let's see if we can cover the entire floor with change of any kind, for our Veterans.

Barb Guy
Exalted Ruler

Elliott and Friends Challenge

In memory of Willie Deshaises, longtime MEA Director of Elliott and Friends for MCCP and Honorary Past State President, we have designated September as Elliott the Elk Challenge Month. All Elliotts sold during September 1327 and the monies raised, will be contributed to MCCP in Willie's name. The Lodge with the highest contribution will have their Lodge's name placed on a plaque for display in their Lodge. The plaque will be presented in January and must be returned to the MEA Director of Elliott and Friends for MCCP the following October so it can be updated with the new winner each year.

Let's make this a big year for Rockland so we can win the plaque. Rockland Lodge #1008 won last year's Challenge, wouldn't it be great to repeat?

Barb Guy, MEA Maine Children's Cancer Program Director

Maine Children's Cancer Program - Walk

September 16th is a Walk for Maine Children's Cancer program. It is about a three mile walk and we start at South School in Rockland at 8 am. Anyone interested in walking and getting pledges, please see Barb Guy or just meet down at South School.. Barb Guy

Local Scholarships

Profiling this year's local scholarship winners continues this month with the recipients from Medomak Valley HS.

Brianna Grarner will be attending Eastern Maine Community College this fall where she will major in Liberal Studies then Surgical Technology with her goal of becoming a surgical technician. While attending the Midcoast School of Technology she obtained both her Certified Nurse's Aide and Emergency Medical Technicians certifications. Brianna's "Music to Memory" community service project earned 2nd place honors in the Skills USA competition and she will present her work in Kentucky this summer. Brianna will be a first generation college student in her family.

Chelsea Ripley will be attending Husson University this fall where she will major in Nursing. She graduated 3rd in her class with numerous AP classes and a diverse curriculum. She participated in many activities and sports in high school and earned several awards. Chelsea was also active in Student Council and served in various student officer positions throughout her high school years. She was described as having a tremendous work ethic as well as a want to understand class material beyond just receiving an "A."

Christopher Shelmerdine will be attending Maine Maritime Academy where he will major in Marine Engineering Technologies. He graduated with numerous advanced class and a diverse curriculum including several classes in engineering and architecture at the Midcoast School of Technology. He was very active in his school's leadership programs including Student Council class Vice-President in his junior and senior years. He was also active in scouting earning the prestigious Eagle Scout honor. Christopher was described as "an artistically highly gifted student who is very respectful, helpful, and focused student who enjoys surrounding himself with other positively committed peers."

Bill Bachofner, PER, Scholarship Chairperson

State Elks Horseshoe Tournament

The State Elks Horseshoe Tournament will be at Rockland Elks Lodge on Saturday, September 23rd. Registration is at 8:00am, play starts at 9:00am and the cost is \$15.00 per player. Lunch will be served. Hope to see many Elks from lodges near and far!

Bingo

Bingo will be held each Wednesday evening in September. We are in need of volunteer workers especially people who are interested in working as bingo game callers and people who are willing to work an entire evening shift (3:30pm – 9:30pm).

150th Anniversary of the B.P.O. Elks

In February 2018 the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks will be celebrating its One Hundred and Fiftieth Anniversary. From simple beginnings on February 16, 1868 the Elks has grown to over 1900 Lodges and close to 800,000 members.

We have donated more than \$6 billion, including more than \$323 million this year alone in cash, gifts and time to make our communities better places to live.

Rockland Lodge #1008 will be celebrating the anniversary on Saturday, February 17, 2018 and we are looking for members and spouses who would like to help us plan a great celebration, worthy of 150 years. State President David Anderson and First Lady Sandi will be making their visit to our Lodge at this time. If you would like to help, please contact ER Barb or myself. It is not too early to start planning and we want to do a memorable celebration.

MEA Calendar Winners

July's winner of the MEA Calendars that many of you purchased are listed below. Maybe you'll see your name listed here sometime – Wouldn't that be Great! For a complete list of monthly winners visit

Date	Name	Calendar #	Amount
7/14/17	Bill Walker	1098	\$100.00

Membership Number in the Newsletter

The hunt continues! Another member has been selected for a free beverage for the month of September. Is it your number? August's winner has not claimed their beverage as of this writing, so I'll let you know in October who it was. Let's see if you can find your number. Good Luck!

In Memoriam

Robert W. Salo
#3116 B-1947 I-2005 D-2017

In Memory of

Willard "Bill" Brown

A Good Deed is its Own Reward

Around last Christmas our lodge heard of a family in Waldoboro whose very young daughter was suffering from cancer. We collected some Christmas gifts and other items and delivered them to the family. One of the other items was a package of four tickets to the New England Patriots exhibition game on August 25th, a game I'm happy to say the Patriots won! The tickets were donated by Jeff Ward, Bill Rogers, our members Ed Hastings and Barry Henderson. What an awesome gift for a deserving family!

District Deputy

There's a new District Deputy in Coastal Maine! Irvin Pillsbury, PER, of Sanford #1470 was installed as DD at the National Convention in Reno, NV. His phone number is (207) 608-2704.

Dwayne Guy, PDDGER

Military Exchange Shopping

Are you a veteran of the US Military? The information below might be of interest to you. This **does not** apply to retired military personnel only, it's for all veterans.

The Army, Air Force and Navy exchange will start allowing all honorably discharged veterans to shop online with no taxes.

The target start date is Veterans Day, November 11, 2017 but, **you must register!** Registration began June 1, 2017. You must call 1-844-868-8672 to register.

SEND THIS TO ALL OF YOUR VETERAN FRIENDS AND RELATIVES!

Visit the site with more information:

DoD to Open Online Exchange Shopping to Veterans

www.defense.gov/News/Article/Article/1049558/dod/

Calendar of Events

Mon. Sep 4	All Day	Labor Day, Lodge CLOSED
Wed. Sep 6	6:30pm	Bingo with meals by Emblem Club
Sun. Sep 10	9:00am	Horseshoe Pit Party
Mon. Sep 11	5:30pm	Board of Corporation Meeting, members welcome
Mon. Sep 11	6:00pm	Horseshoe League Play, meals available
Tue. Sep 12	7:00pm	Lodge Meeting, baked stuffed pork chops, 5:45pm
Wed. Sep 13	6:30pm	Bingo with meals by Emblem Club
Sun. Sep 17	9:00am	Horseshoe Pit Party
Mon. Sep 18	6:00pm	Horseshoe League Play, meals available
Wed. Sep 20	6:30pm	Bingo with meals by Emblem Club
Fri. Sep 22	5:30pm	Friday Night Supper - watch for posters
Sat. Sep 23	8:00am	State Elks Horseshoe tournament - play at 9:00am
Mon. Sep 25	5:30pm	Board of Corporation Meeting, members welcome
Mon. Sep 25	6:00pm	Horseshoe League Play, meals available

In appreciation for all our members
Dwayne Guy, PDDGER, PSP, HLM, PER
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