#### LODGE OFFICERS

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**Vacant** 

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**Vacant** 

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**Lodge Esquire** 

**Vacant** 

Tiler

**V**acant

Inner Guard

Vacant

Chaplin

**Saturday** 

Vacant

#### **LODGE HOURS**

 Monday
 4:30-10:00

 Tuesday
 4:30-10:00

 Wednesday
 Special Events

 Thursday
 4:30-10:00

 Friday
 4:30-11:00

Sunday Special Events

4:30-10:00



### **Exalted Rulers Message**



I hope that everyone is enjoying their summer. Diane and I hope everyone is continuing to stay safe during this time. While stressful and difficult, we have our friends and families to rely on. if you need help or just a friendly ear. I am always here if you need me.

The lodge has several officer vacancies that it is looking to fill. If you are interested or would like to learn more, please contact myself or one of the other officers.

Just a friendly reminder: if you have not paid your dues: please do so as soon as possible. Either mail a check to the lodge or you can just put your payment in an envelop and drop it in the mail slot in the front door. Make sure your name is listed so your account can be credited.

Fraternally,

Nelson

Due to the pandemic, the Spring NYSEA Convention was cancelled. Grand Lodge cancelled the

National Convention scheduled for July.. Additionally, the NYSEA has cancelled the Fall Conference that was scheduled for September. The lodge looks forward to working with DDGER Dave DeYoung and SVP Kathy Newton.

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The Lodge will hold a meeting on Tuesday, August 11th. The meeting begins at seven. The Club

is planning on being open a half hour before and after the

meeting. Remember Social Distancing

Rules are in place. Please wear a mask. While the meeting will be short, we hope to see everyone there.



# Fill out a form at the bar, show your current membership card for a beverage on the lodge.

### Elks Dignitaries

**Grand Exalted Ruler** 

Paul R Ryan

State President

Paul Galarneau

**District Sponsor** 

Larry Haase

State Vice President

Kathy Newton

**District Deputy** 

**Dave DeYoung** 

# **August Birthdays**

01 Richard	Zacher	12 Jean	Morralie	22 Louise	McGhee
03 Charles	Fuhrmann	12 Gordon	Warme	25 Wendy	Walton
04 Sally	Ziolek	13 Rebecca	Manaresi	27 James	Cody
07 Robert	Moser	13 Mary	Melloni	27 Gary	Treichler
08 Mary Louise	Pleuthner	15 William	Kresman	29 Colleen	Smith
10 Anitta	Ridout	18 Robert	Klumpp	30 Edward	Metzler
11 Denise	Horab	18 Tara	Stufkosky	30 Steven	Nawrocki
11 Walter	Kline	21 Rodney	Haynes	30 Patricia	Spatorico
12 Dawn	Mastrorilli	22 James	Burr		

# Friday Dining



Jeff and his crew will **NOT** be cooking dinners on July 31st or August 7th. They will be taking a break. Stop in the lodge beginning Friday, August 14th to enjoy his culinary delight's

# **Youth Programs**

Did you know that the Elks are actively involved with our youth? Through programs like Drug Awareness, Hoop

Shoot, Americanism, Soccer Kick, and Scholarships, the Elks help to positively shape our future leader. Each year, the **Drug Awareness** Program holds a poster and essay contest for youth in grades K-8. They also have a video contest for Middle School through High School Graduates. Kids eight to thirteen can participate on the annual **Hoop Shoot** contest. National winners have their names inscribed in the Basketball Hall of Fame. The **Soccer Kick** is broken down into two areas. The Five Goal Contest has children under eight kicking into a series of goals that decrease in size. The Grid Goal Contest awards points when the ball is kicked into certain sections. The **Americanism Essay Contest** is for students in fifth through eighth grade. There is a different contest theme each year. Finally, the Elks offer Scholarships to graduating seniors. They also have scholarship programs for Elks children and grandchildren.

### August 2020

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11 Meeting Tonight	12	13	14 FISH FRY	15
16	17	18	19	20	21 FISH FRY	22
23	24	25	26	27	28 FISH FRY	29
30	31					



The following members are supporting the newsletter with a \$10 donation. Join in and be recognized.

Pat Bovanizer (02/21) Linda Burr (02/21) Bud Burr (02/21)

Martha Dowling (03/21)

Don Ertel (02/21)

Jim Golrmbek. PSVP (04/21)

Benson Jolley (04/21)

Peggy Kelly (02/21)

Joanne Reagan (03/21)

Anita Ridout (04/21)

Colleen Smith (03/21)

Richard Stoneham (04/21)

#### Dorothy Tubinis (02/21)



#### September 2020

8 Lodge Meeting

22 Lodge Meeting

#### October 2020

13 Lodge Meeting

27 Lodge Meeting

### Upcoming Events Dates to be Determined

Trivial Pursuit Night

Casino Excursion

Elk, Officer, Citizien of Year & Officer Installation Dinner

# Lodge Committee Chairs 2020 - 2021

Accounting Bob Weichman

Public Relations Vacant

Community Projects & Activities Nelson Cirrito, PER

Youth Activities Tracy Gilmore

Hoop Shoot Ben Jolley Drug Awareness Wendy Walton

Fraternal Ken Perry, PDDGER

Americanism
Paul Naus, PDDGER

Elks National Foundation Fran Iusi , PER

Scholarship Mary Roche, ER Memorial Sunday Ken Perry

Lodge Activities Colleen Smith

Veterans Service Ken Perry, PDDGER

Veterans Luncheon Nelson Ciritto/Ken Perry

Government Relations Ken Perry , PDDGER PER Association Bill Coleman, PER

Ritual

Paul Naus , PDDGER

State Major Projects Paul Naus, PDDGER

Accident Prevention Paul Naus, PDDGER

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# Elks Care - Elks Share



If you want to receive your newsletter in color and sooner, email us at nfelkslodge346newsletter@yahoo.com.

If you would like an article in the next newsletter, please submit copy ready articles via email by July 20th for inclusion in the August 2020 edition.

Come on down to the lodge on a Friday evening during lent for one of our caterers famous fish fries.



There also other seafood entries to tempt your palette. The caterer is also here during happy hour Thursday preparing an array of food for you to enjoy. For your catering needs at the lodge or offsite, please call Jeff at 440-0633. He will be more than happy to meet with you.



#### **President's Volunteer Service Award**

The Elks Drug Awareness Program is an official certifying organization for the President's Volunteer Service Award. According to the Grand Lodge PVSA application, if you have volunteered 4,000 hours and can provide some type of listing of what you have done and when, the Niagara Falls Elks Lodge can nominate you for this award. While 4,000 hours sounds like a lot, it averages out to about four hours a week for 20 years. I'm sure that our members have exceeded this requirement. Volunteer hours do not only have to be completed at the Elks. Do you volunteer with youth organizations? Are you a volunteer fireman? What about other civic and/or fraternal organizations? There are also awards for youth. Age 5-10 (75 Hours), age 11-15 (100 hours), and 16—25 (250 hours). For more information or an application, email nfelkslodge346newsletter@yahoo.com

### **House News**

The House Committee has been meeting regularly to put in place opening procedures that comply with state regulations. Social distancing is a must as well as the use if masks. You will see hand sanitizer in the club. Tables are distanced at six feet apart. Remember, you do not have to wear your mask while sitting at a table., but it must be on at all other times. Hope to see you soon!!!