

B.P.O.E. Falmouth Lodge 2380



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Elks Care

November 2023

Elks Share

“Let us be humbly thankful for inherited ideals - and let us resolve to share those blessings and those ideals with our fellow human beings throughout the world.”

-President John F. Kennedy

-Thanksgiving Day Proclamation 1962

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><u>Pot Luck</u></p> 			<p><u>1</u></p> <p><u>Board of Directors Meeting 6pm</u></p> <p><u>Lodge Meeting 730pm</u></p>	<p><u>2</u></p> 	<p><u>3</u></p>	<p><u>4</u></p> <p><u>Veteran's Coffee Hour 9am</u></p> 
<p><u>5</u></p> <p><u>Pot Luck</u></p> 		<p><u>7</u></p>	<p><u>8</u></p>	<p><u>9</u></p> 	<p><u>10</u></p>	<p><u>11</u></p> <p><u>Veteran's Day Luncheon 12pm</u></p> 
<p><u>12</u></p> <p><u>Pot Luck</u></p>  <p><u>Senior Thanksgiving Dinner 1pm</u></p>		<p><u>14</u></p>	<p><u>15</u></p> <p><u>HC Meeting 6pm</u></p> <p><u>Lodge Meeting 7pm -Special Time for ER Mike Lynch's "State of The Lodge" address</u></p>	<p><u>16</u></p> 	<p><u>17</u></p>	<p><u>18</u></p>
<p><u>19</u></p> <p><u>Pot Luck</u></p> 		<p><u>21</u></p>	<p><u>22</u></p> 	<p><u>23</u></p> <p><u>Open 11am-7pm</u></p> <p><i>Happy Thanksgiving</i></p> 	<p><u>24</u></p>	<p><u>25</u></p>
<p><u>26</u></p> <p><u>Pot Luck</u></p> 		<p><u>28</u></p>	<p><u>29</u></p>	<p><u>30</u></p> 		

2024 DUES INCREASE

Beginning in fiscal year 2024-2025 (which begins April 1st) Lodge dues will be increasing to a total of \$110.00 for the year for regular members, \$52 for the year for Life Members, and active military members will pay only the Grand Lodge assessments totaling \$31.25. The dues breakdown as follows:

Lodge Member Dues \$78.75
Life Member Dues: \$20.75
Grand Lodge Per Capita: \$6.50
State Association Per Capita: \$2.25
Grand Lodge Assessment(Elks Magazine, Insurance, etc) \$22.50

The Lodge does not get the full \$110 or \$52 that members pay, as \$31.25 of it goes to Grand Lodge and the State. Please note also, that the assessment from Grand Lodge can change, and increase that portion of the dues payment.

Dues have not been increased for many years, but the cost of keeping the Lodge running certainly has. When you consider our fundraising efforts have also slowed, we have had to dip into our General Fund Savings several times over the last few years to keep things running. However, the General Fund is not an unlimited source. We need to increase our fundraising efforts. The Board is open to any and all fundraising ideas, please bring them to a meeting if you have any!

You can also always send in a donation to the lodge at any time, just be sure to note if the donation is for the General Fund, Veterans, or Scholarships.

Thank You all for your understanding.

FROM THE LODGE MANAGER

Football Sundays have been going great with members contributing to a pot luck. It is really nice to see so many members bringing in dishes to share! The only thing I would ask on behalf of the staff is if some members could help with the cleanup efforts at the end of the games as well. More hands make less work, and it will go quickly!

Thank You,
Rita

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Beginning Membership 4/1/2023: **590**

Initiated 28
Affiliated 2
Reinstated 10
Dropped 0
Transferred Out 1
Absolute Dimit 0
Deaths 8
Expelled 0
Membership Total **621**
Average Age: 65

LIFE MEMBERS

Life Members 96
Honorary Life Members 3
Total 99
Life Percentage 16.78%

LAPSATION RATE: 6.44%

Delinquency:
6 months 0
One year: 35
Over one year: 3

Mail a check made payable for **\$110.00**, **\$52.00** (Life and Honorary Life), or **\$31.25** for active Military Members to the Falmouth Elks to:

Falmouth Elks Lodge
Attn: David Branga
140 Palmer Avenue
Falmouth, MA 02540

Please include your membership number on your check.

When paying dues don't forget to add your donation to ENF (or send a separate check, made out to the **Elks National Foundation**) for \$25 (or more!). ENF donations help the Lodge meet its Per Capita goal and qualify for ENF Grants to use for community events.

If you prefer to donate to the Lodge directly, please include a separate check made out to the lodge and note in the memo line what the donation is for: General Fund, Veterans, or Scholarship.

If you would like to receive your newsletter via email, or are not receiving the newsletter, contact the Lodge Secretary to make sure the correct email address is on file.

PAYMENT OF DUES ONLINE

You can now pay your dues online using the Grand Lodge payment system! It is fast, easy and secure!

Go to <https://search.revopay.com/elkslodge>

Select your Lodge and pay with a credit or debit card.
Don't forget to include a donation to ENF of \$25 or more with your payment!

NOTICE:

Dues for 2024-2025
Regular Members \$110.00
Life Members \$52.00
Active Military Members \$31.25

UPCOMING EVENTS

NOVEMBER

Saturday, November 11th

Veteran's Day Luncheon 12 noon

Sunday, November 12th

Senior's Thanksgiving Dinner

12-1230pm takeout orders / 1pm Dinner Service

Wednesday, November 15th

"State of the Lodge" by ER Mike Lynch

Special Meeting start time 7pm

DECEMBER

Friday, December 1st

Spaghetti Dinner Christmas Fundraiser 6-730pm

Thursday, December 14th

Vendor Bingo

Saturday, December 16th

Members Christmas Party 3-8

Sunday, December 17th

Kids Christmas Party

12pm start, Santa arrives at 1pm

COMING IN 2024

Crockpot Cookoff!! Chili Contest!!

PER Night!! Members Appreciation!!

Installation of Officers!! Bowling Tournament!!

150th Kentucky Derby Party!! And much more!!

CHRISTMAS PARADE

This year, we will be walking with Elroy and the Drug Awareness van in the Falmouth Christmas Parade. We are looking for volunteers to walk next to the van to pass out drug awareness material to children and to hold our Lodge Banner. Please contact Sheryl Barrett Maciel if you are interested in volunteering.

GIVING THANKS, & STAYING INFORMED

The Golf Committee would like to thank all those who donated their time and efforts to help put on this year's golf tournament. The tournament was a great success, netting just over \$8,000 for the lodge's general fund (much needed!!!). Special shout out to Heather Doyle for making up the hole sponsorship signs and the raffle tickets for the golf bag and clubs.

ER Mike Lynch would like to thank Thumper and his crew for putting on a delicious meal for the District Deputy Visitation. Great job as always, good sir!

The busy holiday season is coming up and the lodge has many events and fundraisers going on. We have our Veteran's Day luncheon at noon, on November 11th. On November 12th we are putting some of our grant money to good use and hosting our annual Senior's Thanksgiving Dinner starting at 1pm. Be sure to attend the Lodge Meeting on Wednesday, November 15th, special start time of 7pm, for ER Mike Lynch's State of The Lodge" address.

In December the fundraising events ramp up starting on the 1st with our annual Spaghetti Dinner, where proceeds go towards helping less fortunate families in town, followed by the Member's Christmas Party on December 16th where we will have raffle items raising money for the same cause. On December 17th, we will be hosting Santa Claus during our annual Kid's Christmas Party. Be sure to bring the young ones down!

The entire month of December PER Sheryl Barrett Maciel will be doing a calendar raffle, giving away a prize every day. Raffle tickets are only \$10 and can be purchased at the lodge, or online at the following link:

<https://square.link/u/ubQHZTVt>

Or scan this QR code to buy tickets:



Falmouth Elks Holiday Calendar Raffle - Prizes

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
December 2023						
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Casa Vallarta Gift Cards \$30.00	The Alley (MV) Long Sleeve T-Shirt & Koozie	Childs Blue Hat & Scarf	Bottle of Wine & Wine Glass Gift Basket	Roché Bro's \$50.00 Gift Card	Papa Jakes T-Shirt	Steve's & Sue's Par Tee Freeze \$25.00 Gift Card
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Spa Gift Box	Kenyon's Market \$25.00 Gift Card	Welch Cape Moves 10% OFF	Shipwrecked \$50.00 Gift Card	The Alley (MV) Crewneck Sweatshirt & Koozie	Steve's & Sue's Par Tee Freeze \$25.00 Gift Card	Dino's Pizza 1 Big D Specialty Pizza with up to 3 Toppings
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Pickle Ball Set	Cape Cod Market 25.00 Gift Card	Puritan Cape Cod \$100.00 Gift Card	Casa Vallarta Gift Cards \$30.00	Dino's Sports Bar \$20.00 Gift Card	Large Cooler	Casabopies \$50.00 Gift Card
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Golf Bag	No Drawing	Dino's Sports Bar \$20.00 Gift Card	Dicks Bait & Tackle T-Shirt	Gift Basket	Cape Cod Market \$25.00 Gift Card	Sand Bar (MV) \$50.00
<p>31 Papa Jakes \$50.00 Gift Card in Memory of • Ida Cary • Howie Bearse • Derek Doyle</p>						

Enter to win daily prizes!
 Tickets are \$10.00 with multiple chances of winning!
 Calendar at the Falmouth Lodge will be updated with winner as well as the winner will be called
 Winning ticket will be placed back into the basket for the opportunity to win again

➔ Tickets \$10.00 ➔



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Sickness and Distress

If anyone knows of a Member who is in sickness or distress or a family member requesting a Lodge of Sorrow please contact the Lodge.

Falmouth Lodge of Elks #2380
Officers 2023-2024
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- Exalted Ruler**Michael Lynch
- Esteemed Leading Knight**Dennis Souweine
- Esteemed Loyal Knight**Jason Mitchell
- Esteemed Lecturing Knight**Anne Marie Giampietro
- Secretary**.....David Branga
- Treasurer**.....Dana C. Nielsen
- Esquire**Nancy Kelly
- Inner Guard**Rita Collins
- Tiler**Michael Bishop
- Chaplain**.....John Simchock
- Justice of Subordinate Forum**.....Kevin Callahan, Esq.

- Sheryl Barrett (5yr)
- John Womboldt (4yr)
- Kevin Thayer (3yrs.)
- Barbara Zmuda (2 yrs.)
- Kirk Marks (1 yrs.)
- Club Governing Body
 (Board of Directors) Chair:
 Dennis Souweine
 Club Managing Body
 (House Committee) Chair:
 Jason Mitchell

- Officer of the Year:** Jason Mitchell
- Elk of the Year:** Rita Collins
- Citizen of the Year:** Beckie Saunders

Lodge Hall Available

Do you have an anniversary, birthday or family reunion to celebrate? Wedding or Reception? Great rates, full bar, huge dance floor! The Lodge Hall is available by reservation. For details and rental fees, email the lodge at functions2380@gmail.com or contact Rita Ramoska @ 508-818-6209 or email Manager2380@gmail.com

DUES PAYMENT COUPON

From _____

Member# _____

Email Address _____

Enclosed is a check for **110.00** for my 2024-2025 Lodge Dues. **This will pay me in full until April 1, 2025**

Please check one below:

- Mail my new card to me.
- I'll pick my card up at the Lodge
- Please send **ALL** correspondence via email

Please make checks payable to: **The Falmouth Elks** and mail your check and this coupon to:
Falmouth Elks, 140 Palmer Ave., Falmouth, MA 02540
Regular Dues: \$110.00 Life Member Dues: \$52.00
I am also enclosing a separate \$25.00 check
For the Elks National Foundation!