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2021-22 Elks Scholarships Awarded...

Congratulations to Bennington Lodge #567's Scholarship winners for the school year 2021-22:

AMHS			
EMMA H			
ADDIE	L		
ERINN	J		

BBA	
ALEXA	W
MATTHEW	G
WILLIAM	Α
AMOS	S
ADA-GRACE	Р
ALEXANDRIA	L

BBA	
HANNAH	С
TOBIANNA	Α
MADELEINE	R
LOU	С
LILY	Н

MAUHS	;
JACOB	Т
AUTUMN	Н

Between Bennington Lodge and the Vermont Elks Association a total of **\$23,000** in Scholarships were awarded to area graduating seniors this past school year.

2023 Most Valuable Student scholarship contest: Begins this month and is open to current high school seniors who are citizens of the United States. Applications are completed 100% on-line and must be submitted by late November. [*No paper applications are available.*]

The application is available at enf.elks.org/mvs.

2023 Elks Legacy contest: Begins in September and closes in February. This contest is open to children or Grandchildren of dues paying Elks. The application is available at *enf.elks.org/leg.*

<u>Information / Questions:</u> Please go to: <u>elks.org/scholars</u> for extended information on the MVS contest, as well as, the ENF Legacy Award.

[Email: scholarship@elks.org / Call: (773) 755-4732.]

Every area High School (AMHS, BBA, HFCS & MAUHS) will also have flyers and information available to students.

Sincerely and Fraternally yours,

Rob Poblocki PER, PDD Scholarship Chairman

Celebrating October and All Hallows Eve!

The Berkshire Medium will join us for An evening of entertainment on Friday, October 21st.

Stay "tuned" for more details.

MESSAGE FROM THE E.R.- AUGUST 2022

Good Day everyone, I hope you are all enjoying your summer. I recently got back from the National Convention, it was very informative and it was a good time with Elks from across the Nation.

We have some events coming up. For a starter: Battle Day parade August 14. We need volunteers to help carry the Flag and our Elks Banner. Also need a volunteer to wear the Elroy costume. We will hopefully have the Drug Awareness trailer here as well. Check further articles in the bulletin for more details.

A fund raiser was done on July 15 to raise money for Finley Scanlon who has cancer. Norm LeBlanc, Commander of the Bennington VFW spearheaded the event. He pulled together the organizations in area. It was a tremendous event and a large amount of money was raised. Great Job Norm!

I have Steak Night in August, we will have a great steak, corn on the cob, macaroni salad, garden salad and the fixings. Come join us for a great dinner.

Mark your calendars for November 5th – Oldies Night- it sold out last year.

As always- stay safe.
Fred Gilbar, Exalted Ruler

Secretary's Corner- August 2022

Hello fellow members,

Our delinquent list is down to 49 members! Please get those dues in. Please feel free to reach out to me about membership or changes in contact information. bennelks567@gmail.com Attn: Kristen.

Hope to see you at the Lodge soon.

Fraternally

Kristen Lewis,

Secretary, Bennington Elks 567

In Memoriam

Louis Caputo LM Richard Torrey LM "Until the hour of 11 shall regularly return"

First Annual Elkfest is coming to Silver Towers Camp in Ripton, VT, 8/26-28

Join Elks and their families from across the state to join in the fun, food and entertainment this weekend promises! More information will be available at the lodge and on our Facebook page.

Lodge Officers 2022-2023 Bennington Elks Lodge

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Exalted Ruler	Frederick C. Gilbar
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Trustee	Joyce Morier, PER
Trustee	Vacant
StateTrustee	Gregory A. Pinsonneault, PER, PDD

VETERAN'S SERVICE REPORT- AUGUST 2022

It is with a heavy heart that I must announce to you that I have submitted my resignation as a Trustee of the Lodge and as the Bennington Elks

Veteran's Service Chair, both positions that I have proudly held for many-many years. I can no longer fulfill the responsibilities and so have decided to step down. There will be nominations for the position of Lodge Trustee and I encourage you to step forward if you have the experience and the time for this important position. Over the years I have had many helpers at our Veteran's Service Projects but there have been 2 right hand Elks that were always there and I am hoping these two will accept the position of Co-chairs of the Bennington Elks Veteran's Service.

I thank all of you for the opportunity to serve our Lodge and our Veterans.

Fraternally- Arthur W. Charron, PER

FACEBOOK-LOOK UP "BENNINGTON LODGE # 567" become a member on our facebook page. We post events and news on Facebook.

To contact your Lodge Officers, please email bennelks567@gmail.com to the attention of the Officer you would like to contact

Bennington Lodge Website - www.benningtonelks.org You will find a lot of interesting information. Misplaced your bulletin? It's on the website. Let us know if there is information that you would like to see.

FALL PITCH LEAGUE- 40th Anniversary 1982-2022

Hello Pitch Players,

Fall is just around the corner, and it will soon be time again for our fall pitch league. The lodge had another outstanding pitch league season this past year. Our winter season had a record turnout of 32 teams who scrapped every week and after a very close season, Johnny O. and Orvis Jelley with a little help from Lob "the Old Scout" Maloney prevailed as our 2022 Winter Pitch League Champions. As always, I would like to recognize our faithful crew for all their help putting on our banquets. David Maroney, Mike Brush, Joe and Jean Wassick, Gary and Kay Daigneault, and Paul Coyne. Our lodge is truly blessed to have such dedicated and faithful members always answering the call, THANK YOU!

This fall marks the 40th anniversary of the Elks Pitch league and this will be our 79th season since the league began. This season would have been our 80th but our old Foe, COVID, stole one of our seasons from us. For 79 seasons dedicated members of our lodge have kept this league alive and made it one of the best nights our lodge has to offer. There has been no pitch league in Bennington that has lasted as long as the Elks Pitch League and that is something to recognize. Only one member has played ALL 79 seasons, former Pitch Commissioner, PER, PDD, David Maroney, congrats David and thank you for all your help through 79 seasons. Without your dedication and leadership this league would not be what it is today!

The league will start on Thursday September 15th and end on November 10th (9-week Season). The sign-up sheet will be posted at the lodge on August 21st. The league is \$5 per player per week, this includes the dinner at the end of the season. Just a reminder if there is an odd number of teams by the end of the sign-up period, the team that signs up last will have to sit out as we need an even number of teams for the league. The league will be capped at 34 Teams. You must be a member to play, and all substitutes must also be members. So come on down and sign up for the best Pitch League in Bennington's history!

Good night and Good Luck! Ryan Nolan-Pitch Commissioner

OLDIES DINNER DANCE!

Saturday, November 5, 2022

Music by Brother Lou Roberts! Dinner, Dancing and Floor Show!

START PLANNING YOUR SHOW NOW!

Wednesday Night Dinner for ENF

Always the first Wednesday of each month.

This is a monthly dinner, your choices include, Fried Fish, Baked Fish, Oven Roasted half chicken(from Henry's Market), scalloped or French Fried potatoes, Cole slaw, Clam Chowder, cookies and coffee. Only \$10. Doors open 5:15 serving starts 5:30. This is open to all and benefits Veteran's Programs and Scholarships through Elks National Foundation. Eat in or take out.

Wednesday August 3 , Wednesday September 7, always the first Wednesday of each month

A great dinner, a great price and a great cause, see you there!

Bennington Elks Lodge- First Annual Chicken BBQ Sunday September 11, 2022 from 1-5pm

Tickets at the Bar for Members and Qualified Guests

Menu includes: BBQ Chicken, Macaroni Salad, Baked Beans, Sausage, Chowder & Corn on the Cob Your Favorite games:

• Corn Hole • Horse Shoes • Can Jam • Giant Jenga A great Day, see the Bulletin Board for further details

Don's Corner-August 2022

Hi everyone- welcome to my corner- I hope everyone is enjoying these "Dog Days of Summer" It has been extremely hot. I hope you are relaxing while camping or just lounging by the pool. If you are looking for a place to stay cool, come down to the Lodge! I will have the AC on and the thermostat turned down to make you feel comfortable. Coming up on August 3 will be the monthly Fish or Chicken Dinner to benefit Elks National Foundation. In the kitchen will be Charlie Boyle and his superb team of Chefs making your Fish or Chicken just the way you like it. Only \$10 Doors open 5:15pm and serving starts 5:30pm.

Don't forget the Battle Day Parade on August 14, join us and help carry the Flag Tuesday August 16- Steak Night at the Elks- in the kitchen, our Exalted Ruler Fred Gilbar and his crew that will serve a great steak, grilled to your order, corn on the cob, macaroni

salad, garden salad, dinner rolls. Even with todays prices, it is still only \$15. Doors open at 6:15pm and serving starts at 6:30pm. Please remind other members what they are missing out on- great food, great fun and lots of conversation with friends. Best of all you can easily be home by 9pm. Hope to see you all there!

Everyday is a good day at the Lodge. Stop in, you will see why. See you at the Lodge

Don Roy, Head Steward

Birthday?- Fill out the card shown below on your Birthday and present it to the Bartender

Name		
Birthday		

ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION NEWS- AUGUST 2022

This is the 5th month of the Lodge Year 2022-2023. Our donations to ENF stand at \$4,265. And we have 173 donors so far. This represents only 23 % of our membership. Our goal for this year is to have 230 members or 31% of the membership. Please-let's try to reach our goal, we only need 57 more donors. If you have already donated, thank you very much, if you haven't yet donated, please consider a donation and please do it now.

It is ENF Grant Season- The available Grants are:

The Spotlight Grant- \$2,000.

The Beacon Grant- \$4,000.

The Gratitude Grant- \$2,000= \$3,500 depending on your project

The Impact Grant- up to \$10,000. The Freedom Grant- \$1,000, or \$3,000.

If you are interested in applying for a grant, let me know and we can go over the requirements of each grant to see which one fits your project the best. Then you would write up your project on line, explaining the project, who it benefits, what needs it fulfills. Submit the application and ENF will get back to you with acceptance or a question about the project. Then the Lodge receives the funds and you are set to go. After the project is completed, a report must be filed explaining how the project went, copies of all receipts, pictures taken at the project, news articles, This is filed with ENF who will accept it or possible ask a question about some

These Grants are open to us and are there for the asking. It takes a little work but is certainly worth it.

Thank you to all that have donated year after year, if you are not a donor please consider a donation.

Thank you Charlie Boyle, ENF Fundraising Chair

Silver Towers Camp Walk-a-Thon Walkers Needed!

Date: Sunday, August 7, 2022 Place: Silver Towers Camp, Ripton, VT For complete information on how to sign up, please see the information on the bulletin board in the lodge!

Vermont Veteran's Home WISH LIST

There's a box in the lodge for donation!

Music & Memory Fund: I-Pod Shuffles, I-Pods, Headphones, ITune

Cards (4th Generation)

REQUESTED ITEMS

Newspaper Subscriptions

Bingo Prizes

Crafts

Costume Jewelry

Neck Pillows

Outdoor Benches

Stamps Two pocket front wheelchair/walker bags

Due to COVID-19, books, CD's, puzzles and used clothing can not be accepted at this time.

Bingo Schedule

Chairperson: Jesse THE BINGO King Coffee- John Ottaviano & Ed Silver Break Opens- Alice Stearns

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Floor Kitchen			
	Team 1		
Tom Kinney	Aug.1 & Aug. 29	Kevin Durocher	
Jessie King [*]	Sept. 26	Scott Racicot	
Linda Oslizlo	1	Greg Maguire	
	Team 2	0 0	
Joyce Grusaky*	Aug. 8 & Sept. 5	Mike Brush	
Linda Oslizlo	0 1	Doug Woodard	
Tom Kinney		Jon Kenyon	
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	Team 3		
Greg Pinsonneault*	Aug. 15 & Sept. 12	Lori Pinsonneault	
Linda Oslizlo	0 1	Dale Corbett	
Tom Kinney		Greg Pinsonneault	
Brant Young		O	
0	Team 4		
Karen Harrington*	Aug. 22 & Sept. 19	Travis Racicot	
Linda Oslizlo	J 1	Richard Pembroke III	
Tom Kinney		Ryan Bull	
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MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Every Monday- Bingo

Every Friday- Queen of Hearts Drawing 6pm **Every Saturday-** \$2 book drawing 8pm

Wednesday August 3- Fish or Chicken for ENF

Thursday August 4- Golf League

Sunday August 7- Silver Towers Pilgrimage

Tuesday August 9- BOD meets 6:30pm/Regular meeting 8pm

Thursday August 11- Golf League Tuesday August 16- Steak Night

Thursday August 18- Golf League Make up for rain-out -check Bulletin Board

Tuesday August 23- BOD meets 6:30pm/no regular meeting

Friday- Saturday- Sunday August 26-27-28- Elks Fest at Silver Towers

Wednesday September 7- Fish or Chicken for ENF

Sunday September 11- Chicken BBQ

Tuesday September 13- BOD meets 6:30pm-Regular Meeting 8pm

Thursday September 15- Pitch League

Sunday September 18- Charlie Poole/Butch Corbett Golf Tournament

Tuesday September 20- Steak Night Thursday September 22- Pitch League

Tuesday September 27- BOD meets 6:30pm Regular meeting 8pm

Thursday September 29- Pitch League

Saturday November 5- Oldies Dinner Dance

Please see future bulletins for more details and additional events and join our Facebook page to stay current on Lodge News Your Social Committee is considering more upcoming events! Possibilities on the horizon: Community Appreciation Day, Food Truck Rally, Seafood boil... If YOU have ideas or would like to help by joining the committee or chairing an event, please e-mail the Lodge at bennelks567@gmail.com

August 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Bingo Team 1	2	3 Fish and Chicken Dinner for ENF 5:30pm	4 Golf League	5 Queen of Hearts Drawing 6pm	6 \$2 Book Drawing 8pm
7 Silver Towers Pilgrimage	8 Bingo Team 2	9 BOD Meeting 6:30pm Regular Meeting 8pm	10	11 Golf League	12 Queen of Hearts Drawing 6pm	13 \$2 Book Drawing 8pm
14	15 Bingo Team 3	16 Steak Night doors open at 6:15, serving 6:30pm	17	18 Golf League make-up	19 Queen of Hearts Drawing 6pm	20 \$2 Book Drawing 8pm
21	22 Bingo Team 4	23 BOD Meeting 6:30pm No Regular Meeting	24	25	26 Elks Fest at Silver Towers Queen of Hearts Drawing 6pm	27 Elks Fest at Silver Towers \$2 Book Drawing 8pm
28 Elks Fest at Silver Towers	29 Bingo Team 1	30	31			

September 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	Queen of Hearts Drawing 6pm	3 \$2 Book Drawing 8pm
4	5 Bingo Team 2	6	7 Fish and Chicken Dinner for ENF 5:30pm	8	9 Queen of Hearts Drawing 6pm	10 \$2 Book Drawing 8pm
11 Chicken BBQ 1pm	12 Bingo Team 3	BOD Meeting 6:30pm Regular Meeting 8pm	14	15 Pitch League 7pm	Queen of Hearts Drawing 6pm	17 \$2 Book Drawing 8pm
18 Charlie Poole/ Butch Corbet Golf Tournament	19 Bingo Team 4	20 Steak Night doors open at 6:15, serving 6:30pm	21	22 Pitch League 7pm	23 Queen of Hearts Drawing 6pm	24 \$2 Book Drawing 8pm
25	26 Bingo Team 1	27 BOD Meeting 6:30pm Regular Meeting 8pm	28	29 Pitch League 7pm	30 Queen of Hearts Drawing 6pm	

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