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 "YANKEE DOODLE" C. 1758

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ER Message

Happy Holidays!

I hope you all had a very Merry Christmas and I wish you all a Happy New Year! We have much to be thankful for and proud of this past year as the lodge continues to step to help those in need. I am extremely proud of the response by our members in providing gifts and donations to our many charitable causes.

Though there were far too many folks to list individually, I'd like to thank a few folks for serving as leads: Joanne for overseeing the coats for kids, Larry and Linda for collecting pajamas, Larry and Rose for the adopt the family, Jim and Amy for donating the Christmas tree, Mark Secor, John Coyne and Tim Grugan for picking up furniture for the adopt a family, Rose, Angie, Rita, Mary and Marylou for wrapping gifts, Cathy and Rick Scoons for heading up the Children's Christmas Party, Zach Scott and Chris Adams as Santa and his ever-helpful Elf, Nancy and Floyd Hunt for preparing food and entertainment for the Adult Christmas Party as well as helpers

Paul, Mary, Rob and Shari Miller. I apologize for anyone I may have left out...there are so many more that contributed to the success of these events; God Bless you all!

As you know, we had a small grease fire in our kitchen on Nov 28th which has put our Sunday breakfasts on hold until the kitchen is restored. We are still waiting for a new grill and our ceiling tiles to be replaced. In the interim we are using our backup grill so we can continue to serve chicken wings and mini-dogs for Sunday football and burgers and dogs for Thursday bingo. Thank you for your patience as we anxiously await the restoration of the kitchen. My hope is we can resume Sunday breakfasts by January 16th-watch for email blast outs for updates.

As is mandated by Grand Lodge, we will have 2 lodge meeting in January- those being Monday January 10th and 24th starting at 7:30pm. We are also planning an initiation of new members on January 17th with indoctrination starting at 6:30pm followed by initiation at 7pm. All members are welcome to attend and

sponsors are strongly encouraged to attend to lend support to their inductees.

As you should be aware, at our December 13th lodge meeting the members voted to restrict entrance to the lodge to vaccinated members and guests only in order to comply with Gov. Hochul's mask mandate which runs from Dec 13-Jan 15th. We have a list of members behind the bar; you simply need to show your vaccination card once and you are welcome to visit the lodge whenever you wish. I apologize to anyone who is inconvenienced by this new mandate but following guidance by our State counsel we either had to adopt either Option 1: only admit fully vaccinated folks or Option 2: everyone must wear masks while in the lodge. The members voted on Option 1.

Please check the House Committee section and calendar for upcoming events.

God Bless You All and Happy New Year
 Fraternally,
 ER Brian

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IN THE HOUSE

Hours

The Lodge hours are as follows:
 Every day from 2:00pm-8:00pm
 EXCEPT
 Monday Lodge meeting night (2nd Monday of the month)
 and Friday and Saturday nights, the hours will be 2:00pm
 -10:00pma
 Thursday BINGO nights 2:00pm-10:00pm
 Sunday 12:00pm - 8:00pm during NFL Sundays

Friday Dinners

Friday dinners, asking for Cooks/Hosts, anyone looking to host, contact Paul or Brian for assistance/planning.

Bookings

We had 12 events in December. Many thanks to ALL our House Committee members and others for all your contributions for our lodge. Our New Beer Cooler is fully operational. New ceiling for the kitchen is scheduled to be installed January 5th.

House Committee

Holidays are over and the days are getting longer, Yay! The House is ready to handle bookings for the coming months. Booking dates are aplenty, now is the time to reserve the Pavilion or Hall for your Winter, Spring, Summer, or Special event. The House Committee stands ready to assist all our members for any type of event. The Committee needs NEW members to join, if you like to cook/prep/serve, you're help would be greatly appreciated, contact Paul for further information.

Volunteers are ALWAYS needed, step up and say I'd like to help or a least learn!

Hope to hear or see you soon.

Fraternally,
 Paul Muzio
 House Committee

Lodge Supporters Club

January 2023

Richard C. Carpinello (2022)
In Memory of Albert W. Carpinello

February 2022

Jay Stagg
for Rich Bedell and Frank Harper
George Vogt
In Memory of Peggy Vogt
Sue Polsinello
in Memory of Floyd M Smith, PER

July 2022

August 2022

September 2022

Alan Hedge
Marylou Hedge
Steven Hedge
Brian Hedge

October 2022

Jay Stagg
for Rich Bedell and Frank Harper
Patricia McCall
in Memory of Leon Cellery, PER
Charles Van Buren

March 2022

David Kretzschmar

April 2022

Cindy Jeffries
Dave Jeffries
Carol McKay
Lester McKay
Sue Polsinello
Tom Grant
Rockefeller Funeral Home
George Wagner
Marshall Wagner
Michael Wagner
Frank Heller
in Memory of Fred Hutchinson
Walt Myers

May 2022

JoAnne Netzer
in Memory of Francis A. Netzer and
John Tiro

Lawrence E. Rowse, PDDGER

Linda M. Rowse, SVP

John J. Rowse

Barrett L. Rowse

Christine Rowse

Morgan P. Rowse

Kellynn Rowse Hickam

Emily Rowse Smith

Steven Smith

Sharon Malinoski

Brian P. Rowse

In Memory of

E. Kevin Rowse

Gertrude B. Rowse

Kevin B. Rowse

M/Sgt. Thomas C. Rowse, USMC

William C. Rowse

June 2022

Lodge Supporters Club

For only \$5 a year! Your name will appear that month you sign up until the Year 2022! You can also put it "in memory of" a loved one! When the month approaches where your name is listed is when you owe \$5 to renew and be a Supporter for another year. (To those that have already renewed—you are paid through "your month" in 2021). To join - send \$5 to the lodge.

2073 has a new website!!

Check out our new website. Increasing communication for lodge activities and community events. 2073elks.org
This site will continue to grow with the memberships help.

**Want to include something in the Newsletter?
Please submit by the 20th of the month. Please sign up to receive your news letter by email. Please email submissions to renss.elksnewsletter@gmail.com or place in mailbox by the bar.**

2021–2022 Lodge Officers

Exalted Ruler Brian Kirch
Leading Knight Greg Collins
Loyal Knight Paul Muzio
Lecturing Knight Steve Nardacci-Frese
Esquire Dave Hilker
Chaplain Susan Herrmann
Inner Guard Barry Betz, Jr
Tiler Tom Rowe
Secretary..... Tom Nardacci PDDGER
Treasurer..... John Christiansen PER
Trustees Ron Barner PER, Tim Davis
..... Chuck Adams PER, Dana Murphy, Chuck VanBuren
House Chairman Paul Muzio
Newsletter Editor..... Alan Hedge

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS 2020-2021

Accident Prevention..... Chris Linck
Activities Committee Bob Myron, PER
Americanism..... Mary Jean Willis, PER
Auditing..... Andy Koenig
Bulletin..... Alan Hedge
Community Activities..... Bob Myron, PER
Drug Awareness..... Barry Betz Jr
Elks National Foundation..... Lawrence E. Rowse, PDDGER
Elk Training TBD
Flag Day..... Marylou Hedge
Hoop Shoot..... Scott Galarneau
House Chairperson..... Paul Muzio
Internet/Electronic Media..... Charles Adams, PER
Major Projects..... Marylou Hedge
Membership..... Greg Collins
Memorial Sunday..... Jack Coyne
National Veterans Service..... Tom & Michelle Penk
PER Association President..... Bob Myron, PER
Public Relations..... Greg Collins
Scholarship..... Lori Bishop
Soccer Shoot
Youth Activities Cathy Scoons

Bingo Report—November

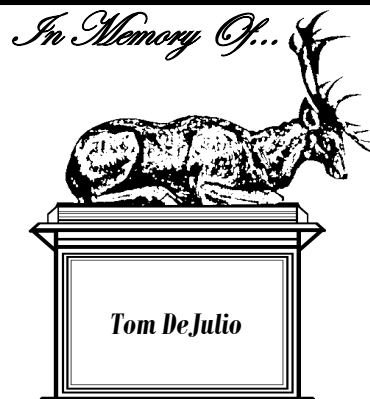
Occasions	3
Players	252
Gross Receipts	\$8,882
Prizes	\$5,378
Net	\$3,515

Chair: Mark Mann

Quarter Pool November

01-3261	16-2792
02-2804	17-3065
03-0902	18-2759
04-3277	19-2033
05-1014	20-1243
06-2759	21-2791
07-3122	22-3052
08-3162	23-2017
09-2903	24-1989
10-2532	25-closed
11-3352	26-3106
12-3161	27-2687
13-3200	28-3013*
14-2874	29-3319
15-1821	30-2939

***1 Winner**



Save the Date



January

- 1st - New Years Day
- 3rd - House Committee Meeting
- 10th - Lodge Meeting
- 17th - Initiation
- 24th - Lodge Meeting

February

- 7th - House Committee Meeting
- 12th - Valentines Dinner/Dance
- 14th - Lodge Meeting

Veterans 50/50 Winner

The winner of our Veterans 50/50 Raffle is Bryan VanDeusen! A total of \$1000 was collected in ticket sales. (Shout out to Rob Miller for his assistance in selling tickets.)

Bryan won \$500 and generously donated half back to our Veterans fund. My sincerest thanks to Bryan and to everyone else who supported the raffle to raise \$750 for Vets!

Cheri Pierce

ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION

Our Lodge donations have fallen off during the Holiday Season so now would be a great time to either make your first donation to the ENF or renew your ENF membership and help our Lodge in making the Grand Lodge per capita for this year. So far we have donated \$3335.00 with membership support of 5.24% of membership contributing. So where is the other 94.76% of our members? All one has to do is catch me at the Lodge, pretty easy, and hand me either cash or check (made out to the Elks National Foundation, and I will make certain that your donation will reach the ENF folks in Chicago.

I also stand ready to assist any and all in setting up anyone for the Fidelity Club, which is automatic giving on a monthly basis.

These donations help the ENF support Veterans, Drug Awareness Programs for youths, The Hoop Shoot and our National Scholarships, State Scholarships, and each States Major Projects.

Please do your Fraternal Duty and contribute. Remember, CHARITY is the GREATEST VIRTUE.

Fraternally,
Lawrence E. Rowse, PDDGER
Lodge Chairman, ENF

Breakfast is On Hold ! Sunday Morning Breakfast Club!

Breakfast patrons will now be given a punch card and receive a punch for each full paid breakfast.

15 punches & free breakfast!

Invite your family, neighbors and friends to come and join in the club to earn a FREE breakfast.

HOURS: Breakfast every Sunday: 9:00am — 11:00 am

Volunteer to help. See the weekly leads.

Rensselaer Elks 2073 Presents

Valentines

DINNER/DANCE

FEBRUARY 12, 2022

\$50 per Person (6-10pm)
\$20 Dance Only(8-10pm)
2 Drink Tickets Carnation for Ladies

**Prime Rib
Shrimp Scampi**

Includes Roasted Seasoned Broccoli and choice of Sweet Potato with butter or Baked Potato with butter, sour cream or both. Combination of both is available.

**DJ - Music from each Decade 50's to present
Changing every half hour**

RESERVE A TABLE OF 8-10 PEOPLE

<https://valentine-s-day-danceand-dinner.cheddarup.com>

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LAST CHANCE FOR PAJAMAS

PSVP Linda has decreed that Friday, January 21 is the last date to donate either pajamas and/or money to purchase pajamas for local kids via Concern's u. She will shop with the donated money and I will do my part by pushing the cart and asking the store manager for a further discount.

As soon as we can, Linda and I and hopefully Exalted Ruler Brian will take all the pajamas down to Concern's U. So far our Lodge has donated 106 pair pajamas. We can keep even more children warm this winter with a big final push of donations. PLEASE HELP.

Fraternally,
Linda Rowse, PSVP
Lawrence E. Rowse, Pusher of the Cart



January 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 NEW YEARS DAY
2	3 HOUSE COMMITTEE MEETING	4 BOY SCOUTS 7:00	5 DART LEAGUE 6:30	6 BINGO 7:00	7	8
9	10 LODGE MEETING 7:30	11 BOY SCOUTS 7:00	12 DART LEAGUE 6:30	13 BINGO 7:00	14	15
16 SUNDAY BREAKFAST (TENTATIVE)	17 INITIATION 7:00	18 BOY SCOUTS 7:00	19 DART LEAGUE 6:30	20 BINGO 7:00	21	22
23 SUNDAY BREAKFAST (TENTATIVE)	24 LODGE MEETING 7:30	25 BOY SCOUTS 7:00	26 DART LEAGUE 6:30	27 BINGO 7:00	28	29
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DELINQUENT MEMBERS Year 2021-2022
 Please Renew Your Membership NOW!
 This is your last Rensselaer Elks Lodge 2073 News Letter! You will be dropped from your Membership and will not receive anymore News.

Are you celebrating a Birthday in January?
 Bartenders are issued a list of those observing a Birthday each month. All you have to do is let them know that it is your Birthday month to receive your FREE Drink.
 Celebrate your special day with a drink at the Lodge!

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