Hello all! Well this article is bitter sweet to write. This is the last time you will hear from me. There might be a next time in my future but for now fare well and goodbye. I am going to remain active in our lodge as a Past Exalted Rule (PER) and Community Activities Chairman and representing the District as Community and lodge activities Chairman. I have a couple of personal projects that I will be working on that I would have liked to have seen come to fruition in my tenure as ER. I thought I would have had more time. People are asking me if I am counting down the days to retire as ER. Honestly, I am thinking about what I can accomplish in the short time I have remaining, I have enjoyed every minute of the time I have had representing, you the membership. I am looking forward to the time I have remaining and looking forward to doing as much as I can in my final month. This is not goodbye but hello to new challenges.

I want to give a huge thank you to Alan Hedge! He has done an EXCELLENT job as Newsletter Chairman this past year. If you want to know why your newsletters were not delivered to you in a timely fashion this year, it is because I am always handing in my article late each month. I am SORRY Alan! Thank you again for doing an outstanding job with our newsletter and all the other things that you do for the lodge.

At our last Lodge meeting, I nominated Brian Kirch for ER and John Rowse for Leading Knight. Greg Collins was also nominated as Leading Knight in 2020-2021 Elk year. Voting took place February 24th, 2020. I hope that both candidates running for Leading Knight will stay part as officers of the lodge no matter what the outcome of the vote is. We are looking for candidates for the positions of Loyal and Lecturing Knights in 2020-2021 year. If you are interested, come to lodge meetings on March 9th or 23rd, to express your interest. The next ER will be looking to appoint the positions of Esquire, Chaplin, Inner Guard and Tiller for next year.

Remember that the lodge does not run itself! We are looking for volunteers to help as little as you want to participate but the hope is to inspire you to do more by having more fun with the people that are volunteering.

Did you hear about our Valentine’s Day after musical jam? Thank you Eileen, Dan, Greg and the other bandmates that made this even a success. An additional $500 was raised for our lodges Major Projects Campaign. There was about 80 people who attended in the back room and an additional 20 or more in our bar that evening. I hope you, the membership, help create and support more events in the future.

Finally, a HUGE thank you to all of my supports and volunteers this past year! Thank you Officers, Trustees, PERs, Chairpersons and bartenders. Thank you Jim Walsh for grounds maintenance, decorating and all the other things you do. Thank you Liz Roberts and Nancy Hunt! Keep up the GREAT work you are doing with the Bingo hall! Thank you, Joe Herbst, for countless hours of cooking, chaperoning, and contracting as House Chairman. You were an asset to making the lodge a lot of money, keeping me calm and helping me see new things come to the lodge. Many people told us that we could not do that because that is not the way the lodge has done them in the past. Joe and I are here to tell you that CHANCE is GOOD and to embrace it. Change is the future. Don’t be stuck in the past, come out and get on board for the future. Together we can all make Rensselaer Elks Lodge #2073 thrive and do a lot of awesome work in our community and State.

God Bless you, your families, friends, the Elks, the military, the State of New York and the United States of America!

Peace out...

Fraternally yours,
Bob Myron
2019-2020 Exalted Ruler

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### IN THE HOUSE

#### Cleaning Contract
Every year the House Committee puts out for bid our cleaning contract. If you or someone you know is interested in bidding the bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope to Rita Prinzo by March 31.

The new contract begins on May 1st and runs for one year. If interested a list of duties can be obtained from Rita or Joe.

#### Fish Dinner – Friday’s during Lent
It is that time of year again. We will be serving fish dinners every Friday night during lent. Stop by and support your lodge.

#### Trivia
Trivia for March will be held on March 20th. This is always a fun evening - come early for a fish dinner and settle in for some friendly competition.

### St. Patrick’s Day
Make sure to signup early. This event is done every other year and sells out. Details in this newsletter, posted at the lodge or see Patty Bourdeau.

### House Committee
The House Committee stands ready to assist in making your party a fun and relaxing experience for all...great food at reasonable prices is our goal. Hope to hear from you soon.

House Committee meetings are held the first Monday of the month at 6:00. All members are welcome to attend.

Fraternally,
Joe Herbst
House Committee
Lodge Supporters Club

March 2020
Polly and Terri Naglieri
In Memory of Joe Bananas Naglieri

April 2020
Lawrence Rowe, PDDGER
Linda Rowe, PER
John Rowe
Barrett Rowe
Morgan Rowe
Christine Rowe
Kelwyn Rowe Hickam
Emily Rowe
Sharon Malinoski
Steve Smith
Jim and Dolores Dooman
In Memory of Jack Trossbach
Frank Heller
In Memory of Fred Hutchinson
Walt Myers
Dolores Travers
John Travers
John Zdzieblofski
Henry Skarzynski
Dolly & Teri Naglieri
In Memory of Joe Naglieri

May 2020
Thomas Grant
Wm. Rockefeller Funeral Home
George Wagner
Sharal Wagner
Michael Wagner
Paul Hire
Edward Warburton.

June 2020
Richard C. Carpinello (2022)
In Memory of Albert W. Carpinello

July 2020
Walter and Lynn Koch
in Memory of Kevin Koch.

August 2020
Wayne Heritage (2020)
Henry River
In Memory of Betty Rivet
Charles Herrmance
D Gregroyz Mack
In Memory of
Raymond and Helen Mack

September 2020
Alan Hedge
Marylou Hedge
Steven Hedge
Brian Hedge
Nancy Lill
In Memory of John Lill
Nancy Lill
In Memory of Scott Marsche
Henry Skarzynski
Ken Downes
In Memory of Joe Mink
Ken Downes
In Memory of Jack Riley
Ken Downes

October 2020
The Past Exalted Rulers of Rensselaer Lodge Remember their Past State and National Leaders:
Jay Amodeo, PSP
George D’Ambrose, PSVP
Frank P. Lill, PSVP
Alexander Sency, PDDGER
Raymond Daley, PDDGER
Wray E. Tibbetts, PDDGER
Veronica Adriance, PDDGER

November 2020
Rensselaer Elks PER Assn.
HONORS OUR CHARTER MEMBERS
James W. Welch
Henry Rivet
Chuck Van Buren
In Memory of James A Van Buren

December 2020
Lena Hoffman (2020)
in memory of Edward Hoffman
Rita Bedell
in memory of Richard Bedell

January 2021
Rita Buchanan
in Memory of Jack Buchanan
Ish Tonkin
in Memory of Marvin Tonkin

February 2021
Jay Stagg
for Rich Bedell and Frank Harper
George Vogt
In Memory of Peggy Vogt
Sue Polisnello
in Memory of Floyd M Smith, PER

2019–2020 Lodge Officers
Exalted Ruler .................................................. Bob Myron
Leading Knight ............................................. Brian Kirch
Loyal Knight .................................................. John Rowe
Lecturing Knight ............................................. Greg Collins
Esquire .......................................................... Ginny Costick, PER
Chaplain ....................................................... Liz Roberts
Inner Guard .................................................... Stephanie Deyette
Tiler .............................................................. Tom Rowe
Secretary ...................................................... Tom Nardacci, PDDGER
Treasurer ........................................................... John Christiansen, PER
Trustees ................................................................. Ron Barner, PER, Tim Davis
................................................................. Chuck Adams, PER, Dana Murphy, Chuck Van Buren
House Chairman ............................................... Joe Herbst
Newsletter Editor ......................................................... Alan Hedge

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS 2019-2020

Accident Prevention ................................................. Chris Linck
Activities Committee ………………… Rose Herbst, Rita Sayville, Diana Murphy, Patti Bourdeau
Americanism ……………………………………………………………… Mary Jean Willis, PER
Auditing .......................................................... Andy Koenig
Bulletin ………………………………………………………………………….. Alen Hedge
Community Activities .......................................................... Peter Willis, PER
Drug Awareness ……………………………………………………………….. Alan Hedge
Elks National Foundation .......................................................... Lawrence E. Rowe, PDDGER
Elk Training ……………………………………………………………………….. TBD
Flag Day …………………………………………………………… Marialou Hedge
Hoop Shoot ………………………………………………………………………….. Scott Galaraun
House Chairperson ................................................................. Joe Herbst
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 …………………………………………………….. Charles Adams, PER
Public Relations …………………………………………………………………………. Greg Collins
Scholarship …………………………………………………………………………….. Lori Bishop
Soccer Shoot ……………………………………………………………………………..
Youth Activities …………………………………………………………………………. Cathy Scoons

Bingo Report—January

Occasions 5
Players 450
Gross Receipts $11,321
Prizes $8,488
Net $2,833

Quarter Pool January
01-1275* 16-2336
02-2254 17-0740
03-1475 18-3032
04-3073 19-2729
05-3117 20-3032
06-2246 21-2647
07-1012 22-2682
08-3171 23-2769
09-2957 24-1907
10-3144 25-3240
11-2689 26-2506
12-3096 27-0341
13-1696 28-3254
14-1012 29-3180
15-3159 30-3210
31-2403
*1 Winner

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 rens.s.elsksnewsletter@gmail.com or place in mailbox by the bar.
Friday Night Trivia is Back!!
Friday March 20th
Dinner 5:30—6:45
Trivia Starts at 7:00
Fish Fry

The Peter Willis
“Shamrocks for Scholarships” - St Paddy’s Day Party
Saturday, March 14th, 2020
5:00-9 pm
Featuring live Celtic music from the Capital Regions Premiere All-Female Celtic Band

Triskele
$50 Per Ticket

Includes:
~ Traditional Irish Family Style Dinner served 5:00-6:00 Only
(Corned Beef, Cabbage, Ham, Red Potatoes, Carrots, Soda Bread, Desserts Coffee, Tea, Soda)
~ One Entry into the Shamrock Jackpot Drawings
10- $100 winners
~ One Free Irish Coffee or Irish Beer

We are offering a Blarney Basket Raffle - $10 per ticket or 3 tickets for $25

The Blarney Basket winner will receive: a $500 Celtic Tours Vacation Voucher, a Fire HD Tablet with Alexa hands free 1080p (32GB), a bottle of Jameson, Triskele CD’s, Irish Souvenirs and some NYS Lottery tickets!

The Rensselaer Elks is dedicating this party to the memory of our Past Exalted Ruler; Peter Willis. Pete was always advocating for education. A well-educated person himself; he valued and appreciated the power of knowledge. All proceeds raised for this event will be dedicated to our Lodge’s Scholarship Fund. Each year our Lodge awards scholarships to 2 deserving students from four local high schools.

From the Secretary’s Desk: February 2020

During the month of February, this office mailed the 2020-2021 lodge year dues statements.) has increased to $66.00. This includes: $19.00 for grand lodge assessments, insurance, elks magazine and $3.00 for State Association assessments.

You should notice that the amount due for the full year (April 1, 2020 through March 31,2021 and Grand Lodge and State Association assessments totals $22.00 . The remaining $44.00 is for regular lodge dues.

Life members assessments will be $22.00 for this lodge year.

Please remember the reason you became an Elk. Last year your lodge donated over $19,000.00 in charitable donations to baseball, football, soccer, basketball teams as well as several food pantries, boys and girls clubs, college scholarships and of course our state major projects and ENF donations.

Please pay your dues promptly and remember that a lodge is as only as strong as the membership that supports it.
Additionally, I would like to remind all of our members that they should check their membership card for their expiration date.
There are still some 40 members (which is extremely high for our lodge) who are one year late with their dues payments and as per Grand Lodge rules, these members will be dropped from the rolls as of March 31, 2020. They will have until May 30th to reinstate without penalty.

Fraternally,
Thomas Nardacci, PDDGER, Secretary

NORTH HUDSON DISTRICT 6260
2019-2020 Calendar of Events

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND EXALTED RULER CLINICS
• Saturday April 18 2020

Homecomings
• Tim Reed, NYSVP at Catskill Lodge
• Deb Minners, DDGER at Hudson Lodge
RENSSELAER ELK’S ANNUAL CHILDREN'S EASTER EGG HUNT
WITH A VISIT FROM THE EASTER BUNNY

SUNDAY, APRIL 5, 2020 AT NOON

MEET IN THE LOUNGE AREA

PLEASE DRESS ACCORDING TO WEATHER CONDITIONS AS WE WILL BE OUTSIDE UNLESS POURING OUT. NO SIGN UP NECESSARY.
**Save the Date**

**March**
- 2nd: House Committee Meeting
- 9th: Lodge Meeting
- 14th: St. Paddy’s Day Party
- 20th: Friday Dinner & Trivia
- 23rd: Lodge Meeting

**April**
- 5th: Children’s Easter Egg Hunt
- 6th: House Committee Meeting
- 12th: Easter
- 13th: Lodge Meeting

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**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.

**NEW HOURS STARTING MARCH 1**

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

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**Fry-day Lenten Dinner Specials!**

**Every Friday during Lent:**

5 to 7pm

*(February 29 thru April 10, 2020)*

- Fish Fry with French Fries & Cole Slaw—$10
- Broiled Haddock with Baked Potato & Cole Slaw—$12

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**Donate old Sneakers**

(or new Sneakers)

Our collection for used sneakers continues.

We are collecting all kinds of sneakers – new, old, tennis, basketball, soccer sneakers with rubber cleats, baseball sneakers with rubber cleats. Wearable sneakers are worth more than unwearable, but, we also collect unwearable sneakers.

The only exception is the sneakers must be a matching pair.

We have a collection box in the lounge near the dart board.

This fund raiser is being organized by the PERs and all proceeds will be donated to the lodge.

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**Elks National Foundation**

Our Mission: Helping Elks Build Stronger Communities

The mission of the Elks National Foundation is to help Elks build stronger communities. We fulfill this pledge by investing in communities where Elks live and work. We provide tomorrow’s leaders, our youth, with lifelong skills; honor the Elks pledge to never forget our veterans; help the state Elks associations accomplish their charitable objectives and fund projects that improve the quality of life in local Elks communities. Like all Elks, the Foundation values the belief that charity is the greatest of all virtues and that by sharing and giving we have the power to replace sorrow and despair with hope and confidence. Donations to the Foundation help us fund programs that match our cornerstone values of knowledge, integrity and community. Lawrence E Rowse, PDDGER, ENF Chairperson
Are you celebrating a Birthday in March? 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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DELINQUENT MEMBERS Year 2019-2020
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.

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