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ER Message

Hope everyone is doing well. Hard to believe we are only weeks away from the 1-year anniversary of the dawn of the COVID pandemic and all the changes to our lifestyles necessitated by this virus. Each month I search for positive news to share with you as we slowly return to life as we formerly knew it. You may have recently heard the Governor has allowed for restaurants/bars to stay open to 11 pm; giving hope that as we continue to see progress in slowing the spread of COVID we will see even more relaxing of the Pause NY restrictions.

That being said, at this time the Lodge will remain open 2-8pm each day, with extended hours on Monday meeting nights, Wednesdays and Fridays. I apologize to those who wish we would remain open to 11pm each day, but given the current uncertainties, we do not plan to extend our hours until we are reasonably assured there will not be future restrictions under Pause NY.

We started our Lenten Friday night fish dinners February 19th which run through Friday April 2nd. Please check the In the House section for the dinner schedule and call or stop in the Lodge to make reservations or sign up and pay using Cheddarup. For questions regarding Cheddarup, please call Marylou at 518.221.9000.

On Monday February 22nd, we elected officers for the 2021-2022 year. I was asked and accepted the nomination to remain as your ER this year and look forward to another productive year. I welcome Steve Freese on serving as the Lecturing Knight, Paul Muzio as Loyal Knight, and Greg Collins as Leading Knight for the coming year and ask that you congratulate and thank them as well; and I also thank the remaining officers for agreeing to serve another year in their respective titles.

I want to thank everyone for your support of the food drive conducted by the Columbia High School Athletics program and also the concerns-u food drive and invite you to continue to support these causes through March. I also want to thank Thom Job and his committee on our new website and encourage all members to visit the site at: <https://www.2073elks.org>. Great job by all! And speaking of great jobs, a special thank you to Kayla Grugan for cleaning the liquor bottles and shelves in the bar; much appreciated!

God bless and thank you in advance for your generosity in supporting your local community and for your continued support of your Lodge.
 Fraternally,
 ER Brian

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Lodge Supporters Club

March 2021

David Kretzschmar

April 2021

Thomas Grant
John Travers
Dolores Travers
Theodore Kulpa
Mary Lou Kulpa
John Zdziebloski
JoAnne Netzer

In Memory of Francis Netzer

May 2021

Brian & Anne Kirch
*in Memory of Bob Beckwith
and Joe Gregory*

Joseph Marcy
Dave Rossiter

*in Memory of Fred Hutchinson and
Dolores Doonan*

Lawrence E. Rowse, PDDGER
Linda M. Rowse, PER

John J. Rowse, ELK
Barrett L. Rowse
Christine Rowse
Morgan P. Rowse

Kellynn Rowse Hickam
Emily Rowse Smith

Steven Smith

Sharon P. Malinoski
William C. Rowse

Brian P Rowse
In memory of

M/SGT Thomas C. Rowse, USMC
E. Kevin Rowse
Gertrude Rowse
Kevin B. Rowse

June 2021

Richard C. Carpinello (2022)

In Memory of Albert W. Carpinello

July 2021

August 2021

September 2021

Alan Hedge
Marylou Hedge
Steven Hedge
Brian Hedge

October 2021

Charles Van Buren
Joyce Davids

in Memory of Hamilton Davids

November 2021

December 2021

Henry Rivet

in Memory of Betty Rivet

January 2022

Rita Bedell
Charles Heermance

Ken Downes
Ken Downes

in Memory of Joe Mink

Ken Downes
in Memory of Jack Riley

February 2021

Jay Staggs

for Rich Bedell and Frank Harper

George Vogt

In Memory of Peggy Vogt

Sue Polsinello

in Memory of Floyd M Smith, PER

2021-2022 Lodge Officers

Exalted Ruler	Brian Kirch
Leading Knight	Greg Collins
Loyal Knight	Paul Muzio
Lecturing Knight	Steve Freese
Esquire	Barry Betz, Sr
Chaplain	Liz Roberts
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	Joe Herbst
Newsletter Editor.....	Alan Hedge

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS 2020-2021

Accident Prevention.....	Chris Linck
Activities Committee	Rose Herbst, Rita Sayville, Diana Murphy, Patty Bourdeau
Americanism.....	Mary Jean Willis, PER
Auditing.....	Andy Koenig
Bulletin.....	Alan Hedge
Community Activities.....	
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.....	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

Lodge Supporters Club

For only \$5 a year! Your name will appear that month you sign up until the Year 2019! 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.

Bingo Report

Occasions	
Players	
Gross Receipts	\$
Prizes	\$
Net	\$
Chair: Liz Roberts	

Quarter Pool January

01-3024	16-1696
02-No Draw	17-1014
03-Closed	18-3278
04-	19-2942
05-	20-2789
06-	21-3304
07-	22-2570*
08- √	23-3195
09-3272	24-2190
10-2682	25-2736
11-2369	26-2717
12-1243	27-2205
13-0624	28-2689
14-3124	29-1849
15-3302	30-2920
	31-3085

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.

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Save the Date



March

- 1st - House Committee Meeting
- 5th - Friday Night Dinner
- 8th - Lodge Meeting
- 12th - Friday Night Dinner
- 17th - St. Patrick's
- 19th - Friday Night Dinner
- 26th - Friday Night Dinner

April

- 5th - House Committee Meeting
- 12th - Lodge Meeting



Join your fellow Elks in a DIY Craft Project

(event will be in back room and social distance max 4, or family pod at a table- masks must be worn, but can be taken off while sitting)

Make and take wood sign sponsored by Franny's Farmhouse

Cost is \$40, this gets you 12 by 12 sign made by you and 1 free drink.

Join us for a make & take wood sign event on Saturday, March 20th at 4pm to benefit the Rensselaer Elks. You will be painting/stenciling a 12x12 unframed wood sign with a design of your choice. We have 42 paint colors to choose from at the event. Backgrounds will be stained and sanded ahead of time. Please choose from a distressed white, black, dark brown, or slate grey background when registering. Make & Take events normally take about two hours.

This event is being held at Rensselaer Elks Lodge #2073 located at 683 Columbia Turnpike East Greenbush, NY 12061. Registration is required so that we can prepare all of your materials ahead of time. Please purchase your ticket by March 16th. No refunds will be issued. If you register, and then cannot attend the scheduled event, you may send someone in your place, or you can pick up your project to craft at home.

Click on link to pick your design and to pay. (payment is through Franny's Farmhouse). If you have questions, or would like another design you can contact: Marylou at (518-221-9000)

<https://www.frannysfarmhousecrafts.com/product/rensselaer-elks-wood-sign-fundraiser>

Youth Activities Committee and Parents

For those who have helped or worked on Youth Activities as well as parents who brought their children throughout the years...Thank You.

We all worked hard to make Youth Activities fun and well rounded: Easter Bunny Visit, Kids Super Sunday, Scouts, Soap Box Derby, Turkey Shoot, Frog Jumping, Halloween, and Christmas Parties as well as sponsoring needy families, little league, and Drug Awareness.

A small token in the form of a Youth Activities Colin has been placed behind the bar for you to "simply request one" as a keepsake.

Brad Lebrecht HLM
Former Youth Activities Chairman

ENF Report

We have Bryan Van Deusen, PER Bob Myron, William J. Teliska, Svp Linda Rowse, PDDGER Lawrence E. Rowse, Esteemed Loyal Knight Elect Paul Muzio, Mary Muzio and Chris Linck to THANK for recent donations to the Elks National Foundation.

We are very close to our per capita for the Lodge year. Please do your part and make a donation to the Elks national Foundation. Our Lodge has been notified that the child of a deceased member has received a \$5,000.00 Emergency Scholarship for this year. We will get more back in Scholarships than we donate for the year. Also, we have received a couple of Community Investment Program Grants for our Lodge.

By donating to the ENF endowment fund, you provide the funds to help our Veterans, fund Drug Awareness Programs, sponsor the Hoop Shoot and Soccer Shoot, award Most Valuable Student Scholarships to all who apply and are judged for Scholarship and Need and receive Community Investment Program Grants. New York State also awards Scholarships to children and grandchildren of Elks which are funded by ENF.

So please help and do your Fraternal Duty and make a contribution to the Elks National Foundation. You can do so by writing a check payable to the ENF and give it to me and I will make certain it gets credited to you by ENF. Anyone who would like to know their status with ENF, just has to ask me and I will be happy to look up your status. If you would like to become a member of the Fidelity Club (automatic monthly donations) I will be happy to help you set that up. Linda and I do this with our Credit Card. It is painless and easy.

Fraternally,
Lawrence E. Rowse, PDDGER
Lodge Chm., Elks National Foundation

The Lodge is collecting Scalloped Potatoes for Concerns U to be given to the less fortunate of the area for an Easter Dinner. Concerns U tells us that they can get most of the ingredients from the Regional Food Banks but for some reason they do not carry Scalloped Potatoes. State Vice President Linda Rowse told them that Rensselaer Lodge would be willing to raise 250 boxes of Potatoes for them.

There is a collection box in the Lounge for them. If you do not wish to shop for them, there is an envelope at the bar for monetary donations and SVP Linda will shop for you. I believe that Hannaford has them for \$1.29 a box. Cheap enough! We purchased 10 boxes the other day, and if twenty five folks purchased just 10 boxes we would have our quota. For \$12.90 you can do your Fraternal Duty. Remember, CHARITY is the greatest virtue! PLEASE HELP!!!!

Fraternally,
Linda Rowse, SVP

SUPER RAFFLE!

The Boys and Girls Clubs of Southern Rensselaer County are having a Super Raffle to raise funds for Club programs and have asked for your help. Only 400 tickets will be sold. Tickets are \$100 with 50% of the tickets sold going toward the Clubs and 50% paid out in prizes. First place will receive 50% of the pool, second place 25%, third place 10% and 4th through 6th place will win gift certificates to local restaurants. The actual winnings depend on how many tickets are sold, but it is hoped first place will be \$10,000. Please see ER Brian to purchase your tickets and thank you in advance for your support,

ER Brian

From the Secretary's Desk: March 2021

Just a Reminder that dues for the 2021-2022 Lodge year are due. Currently there are 35 unpaid members on the delinquent list. Please check the delinquent list and see if may know someone on the list. We had a problem with the door card readers last year and you will have to use your current card until April 5th.



March 2021						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 HOUSE COMMITTEE MEETING	2 Boy Scouts 7:00	3 DART LEAGUE 6:30	4	5 FRIDAY DINNER FISH FRY	6
7	8 LODGE MEETING	9	10 DART LEAGUE 6:30	11	12 FRIDAY DINNER FISH FRY	13
14	15	16 Girl Scouts 7:00	17 DART LEAGUE 6:30	18	19 FRIDAY DINNER FISH FRY	20
21	22 LODGE MEETING	23 Boy Scouts 7:00	24 DART LEAGUE 6:30	25	26 FRIDAY DINNER FISH FRY	27
28	29	30	31 DART LEAGUE 6:30			

<p>DELINQUENT MEMBERS Year 2020-2021 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.</p>	<p>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!</p>
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