



NEWSLETTER

Charity | Justice | Brotherly Love | Fidelity

March 2023 | VOLUME 264

TABLE OF CONTENTS

- ER's Message 1
- Mission Statement 1
- Lodge Information 2
- Secretary's Corner 3
- Quarter Pool 3
- Sunday Breakfast 3
- Bingo Report 3
- Sickness and Distress 3
- Blood Drive 3
- In Memory Of... 3
- Volunteers Needed 3
- Membership Information 4
- Save the Date 5
- Rensselaer Elks in Action 5
- Grand Lodge News 6
- House Report 7
- NYSEA News 8
- March Birthdays 8
- Tip of the Antlers 8
- ENF 9
- ENF and Observations 10
- Delinquents / Sponsors List 10
- Upcoming Calendars 11
- Newsletter Supporters 12

MISSION STATEMENT

"To inculcate the principles of Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love, and Fidelity; to recognize a belief in God; to promote the welfare and enhance the happiness of its Members; to quicken the spirit of American patriotism; to cultivate good fellowship; to perpetuate itself as a fraternal organization, and to provide for its government, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America will serve the people and communities through benevolent programs, demonstrating that Elks Care." and Elks Share."

ER's Message

Greetings,

At the last Lodge meeting, the Membership of Rensselaer Elks Lodge #2073 elected the Officers for next year. Congratulations to Tim Davis, who was elected Exalted Ruler, Al Campianso, who was voted in as Esteemed Leading Knight, Patrick Skelley, who became Esteemed Loyal Knight, and Gerald Wendel, who moved up to Esteemed Lecturing Knight. I want to wish this capable group of Officers great success next year as they carry out their duties. I would ask the Lodge to support them in their important work. The success of our officers translates into the success of our Lodge. I also want to offer a sincere thank you to Steve Frese for his work this year and wish his family well.

In any contested election, unfortunately there is going to be disappointment. That is obviously the case in our Lodge and I understand and respect the view from all sides.

As I said in the meeting, and to reiterate again here, Paul Muzio deserves a tremendous debt of

gratitude for the tireless work he has done to support our Lodge. I have personally witnessed all the time and extra effort he has put in. He deserves nothing but the utmost respect and accolades from our Lodge.

I do want to take the time to address the negative undercurrent at the Lodge with hopes we can put it behind us and move forward together. As with all things, this too shall pass. For my part in any of the general overall chicanery, I want to apologize to the Membership with hopes that it doesn't tarnish an otherwise good year.

The good news is that we had roughly 150 Members come out to vote. This is a large turnout for a meeting but a small drop in the bucket of our current 800+ Members. I hope we can mobilize our Members to get involved in our regular Lodge meetings, functions and programs too.

It is very apparent from the meeting that some clear procedures should be considered before any future contested votes to ensure full communica-

HEALING VIBES...

tion, proper mechanics and 100% transparency.

I want to wish our Lodge nothing but the best for next year. The Lodge has spoken and it is time for change. There are many ideas on how to move forward. I personally am excited to see what occurs.

For those who have helped me and supported our efforts this year, I give you my heartfelt thanks. It has been my great honor to serve this Lodge as ER. I hope I have managed to leave this Lodge in better standing from where I was entrusted to steward it. We have one of the finest Lodges in all of the Country. We have strong, vibrant, energetic, and caring Members who step up when needed. There is much to build upon and a lot left to do. The future is very bright for Rensselaer Lodge. All my best wishes to Tim Davis and his team...

Faternally,

Greg Collins

Tel: (407) 495-7561

E-mail: gregecollins@gmail.com

LODGE OFFICERS

Exalted Ruler	Greg Collins
Leading Knight	Paul Muzio
Loyal Knight	Steve Frese
Lecturing Knight	Patrick Skelley
Esquire	Gerald Wendel
Chaplain	Al Campisano
Inner Guard	Barry Betz Jr.
Tiler	Natalie Wagner
Secretary	Tom Nardacci, PDDGER
Treasurer	John Christiansen, PER
House Chair	Bob Myron, PER
Newsletter Editors	Greg Collins / Alan Hedge
Trustees	
5-Year Trustee	Chuck Adams, PER
4-Year Trustee	Ronald Barner, PER
3-Year Trustee	Dana Murphy
2-Year Trustee	Jim Walsh
1-Year Trustee	Tim Davis

NEW LODGE WEBSITE

We are working on the next update of the Rensselaer Elks Lodge #2073 website. We built a nice foundation already and we are ready to put some meat on the bones. Our website address is www.2073elks.org

If you have ideas for the website, or would like to do some work to help build it out, please contact Greg Collins at gregecollins@gmail.com or (407) 495-7561.

Stay tuned in the months ahead!

Support Your Lodge!

- Like / Share on Facebook
- Invite a Friend
- Volunteer Your Time
- Share Your Ideas
- Attend Lodge Fundraisers
- Attend Lodge Meetings
- Say No To Lodge Drama

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Committee	Chair
Accident Prevention	Chris Linck
Activities Committee	Cheri Pierce Rigsbee
Adopt-A-Highway	Brian Kirch, PER
Adopt-A-Family	Angie Vroman
All-American Lodge	Greg Collins
Americanism	Mary Jean Willis, PER
Antlers Program	Elaine Rudzinski
Auditing	Mike Bobersky / Andy Koenig
Bar Stewards	Tim Grugan / Tom Nardacci, PDDGER
Bell Jar	Nick Vecchione, PER
Bingo Chair	Mark Mann
Charitable Reporting	Linda Rowse, DDGER
Christmas Party	Nancy Hunt
Cigar Tasting	Bryan Van Deusen
Coats for Kids	Jo Anne Netzer
Community Activities	Bob Myron, PER
Community Awards	Chris Linck
Dart League	Charles Megyesi
Diversity	Natalie Wagner
Drug Awareness	Barry Betz Jr.
Elks National Foundation	Lawrence E. Rowse, PDDGER
Elk Training	Dave Hilker, PER
Entertainment	Dan Lang / Eileen Collins
Flag Day	Marylou Hedge
Fraternal	Cheri Pierce Rigsbee
Fundraising	Natalie Wagner
Government Relations	Tom Grant / Phil Danaher
Grants	Greg Collins / Natalie Wagner
Grounds	James Walsh
Hoop Shoot	Scott Galameau

House Chair	Bob Myron, PER
Indoctrination	Linda Rowse, DDD
Internet / Electronic	Greg Collins
Justice	Joseph Slater
Kids Coaching Program	Cheryl Higgins
Lapsation	Lawrence E. Rowse, PDDGER
Liquor Steward	Jeff Grugan
Lodge Historian	Ronald Barner, PER
Lottery	Chris Adams
Major Projects	Paul Muzio
Marketing	Greg Collins
Meat Raffle	Steve Frese
Membership	Greg Collins
Memorial Sunday	Jack Coyne
National Veterans	Cheri Pierce Rigsbee
Newsletter Editors	Greg Collins / Alan Hedge
PER Association	Brian Kirch, PER
Photography	Greg Collins
Public Relations	Greg Collins
Recreation	Ronald Barner, PER
Ritual	Tom Nardacci, PDDGER
Scholarship	Lori Bishop
Sickness and Distress	James Walsh
Soccer Shoot	Patrick Skelley
Steak and Lobster Bake	Steve Frese
Toys for Tots	Nancy Hunt
Trunk or Treat	Rose Herbst
Turkey Bowl	Joseph Slater / Steve Slater
Turkey Shoot	Lawrence E. Rowse, PDDGER
WELKcome	Chris Trumbull
Youth Activities	Cathy Scoons

LODGE INFORMATION

Website:	www.2073elks.org		
Telephone:	(518) 477-9947		
ER Greg:	gregecollins@gmail.com		
Lodge E-mail:	2073elks@gmail.com		
Newsletter:	renss.elksnewsletter@gmail.com		
Events:	housechairmanelks2073@gmail.com		
Mailing Address:	683 Columbia Turnpike East Greenbush, NY 12061		
Lodge Hours:	Sun through Wed 2 PM – 8 PM; Thurs 2 —10 PM; Fri and Sat 2 PM —12 AM		
Lodge Meetings:	2nd Monday of each month at 7:30 PM		
Trustee Meetings:	2nd Monday of each month at 7:00 PM		
House Committee Meetings:	1st Monday of each month at 6:30 PM		
Facebook:	@2073elks	Linked In:	2073elks
Twitter:	@2073elks	Tik Tok:	2073elks
Snap Chat:	2073elks	Pinterest:	@2073elks

SECRETARY'S CORNER

Lodge dues have increased this year to \$78.00 due to increased Grand Lodge and State assessments.

- Dues for fiscal year 2023 – 2024 went out in the mail beginning in February, so you should have received notice. If you did not, please make sure we have a current mailing address.
- **Pay Your Dues Now!** If you are delinquent, please pay your dues so you don't become inactive for payment.
- Please remember that only Members current on their dues may enter the building and you may not sign in delinquent members as guests.

There are now two ways to pay your dues:

- **Mail in a check:** Rensselaer Elks Lodge #2073, Attn: Lodge Secretary, 683 Columbia Turnpike East Greenbush, NY 12061. Be sure to include your membership number in the "Memo" portion.
- **Stop In:** Come visit me at the Lodge or see the bartender



We have a critical need for help! Please contact the House Committee Chair or ER to find out ways you may get involved. The Lodge only functions because of the hard work of our Members. It isn't fair to tax the same people for all tasks all year long. They need a break!

- Cook chicken wings or hot dogs
- Chaperone a party
- Clean up after an event
- Fill up care packs for Vets
- Volunteer for a youth activity
- Be a server

FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK: MARCH 2023

Let's Get Our Membership Current...

We currently have **8 delinquent members** who need to pay their dues for the 2022-2023 Lodge year. Please check the delinquent list and see if you may know someone on the list. We kindly ask all Members, especially Sponsors, to help us reduce the number of delinquent Members in our Lodge. The Grand Lodge sends out monthly delinquent statements, at a charge to the Lodge, and should be used to remit your dues. If I could process these dues payments, that part of my duties would be completed, and I could move on to other Lodge business.

Thank You, Tom

.....

SUNDAY BREAKFAST



The Lodge hosts breakfast every Sunday morning from 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM and members, their guests and the general public are welcome to attend. Our full service menu offers the most reasonable prices in town and a wide variety of food options with generous portions certain to please each guest. Help us to build our breakfast

crowd by inviting a friend to join you. Groups are welcome, but please call ahead for reservations.

FEBRUARY QUARTER POOL

01	2085	17	3082
02	3429	18	3054
03	2987	19	3478
04	3032	20	2520
05	2427	21	3266
06	2598	22	3267
07	2187	23	3128
08	3488	24	2576
09	1944	25	2863
10	2067	26	3208
11	3199	27	2940
12	3161	28	3338
13	1248		
14	3153		
15	3233		
16	3302		
3 Winners			

BINGO REPORT

Every Thursday night starting at 7:00 PM. Open to players age 18+. Doors open at 5:00 PM. \$1,300 in prizes.

Food specials and the best Bingo Crew on the planet!



FEBRUARY REPORT

- Chair: Mark Mann
- Events: 4
- Players: 360
- Gross Receipts: \$13,274
- Prizes: \$7,786
- Net: \$5,493

SICKNESS AND DISTRESS

Jo Anne Netzer

Please contact the Lodge for any sickness and distress notices at (518) 477-9947. If you know of someone who has lost a friend or family member, or someone who could use a cheery word or assistance from fellow Elks, please let us know. Elks Care!



In Memory Of...Richard Septer, LM

It is our sad duty to announce the passing of our Member, Richard. In vain we call. He has passed into the light which is beyond the valley of the shadows of death; the places that have known him shall know him no more. His faults we write upon the sands but his virtues upon the tablets of love and memory.

Rest in peace, Richard. Until we meet again at the hour of 11...

AMERICAN RED CROSS

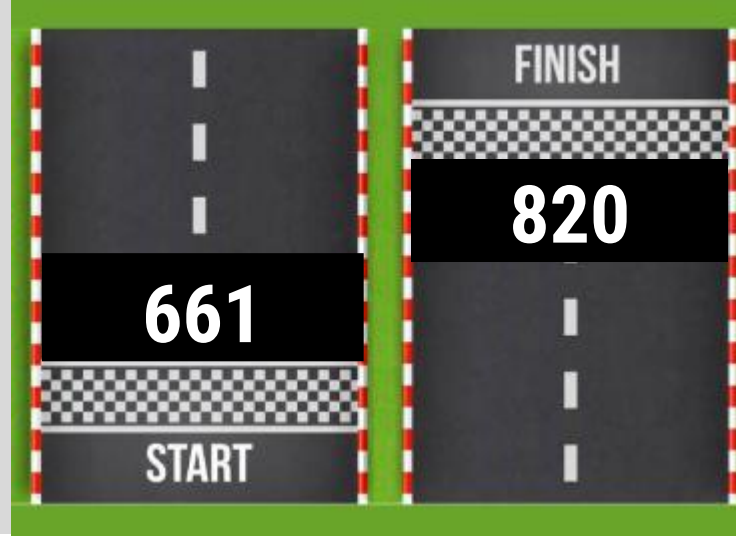


March 6, 2023
1:30 PM - 6:30 PM

MEMBERSHIP

Race to 800 Members!!!

Thanks to your efforts we have hit our stretch goal for Membership for this Lodge year. We should be very proud of all the work that was put into this incredible accomplishment. It is a clear example of what can be accomplished when the Lodge works together!!



MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Applications on Hand	
Waiting to Read	7
Investigation Committee	0
Ready for Balloting	16
Ready for Orientation	24
Ready for Initiation	1
Ready for Affiliation	1
Ready for Reinstatement	0
Other	0
Total	49
Beginning Membership Total 4/1/22	661
Increases	
Initiated	147
Affiliated	4
Reinstated	28
Subtotal	179
Decreases	
Dropped	6
Transferred Out	0
Absolute Dimit	1
Deaths	13
Expelled	0
Subtotal	20
Calculated Membership Total	820
(CLMS Active Members)	820
Average Age	58.73
Gain / Loss	159
Delinquency	
Six Months	0
One Year	8
Over One Year	0
Total	8
Lapsation Rate	1.21%



Welcome to the new Members of Rensselaer Elks Lodge 2073!

MEMBERSHIP PIPELINE

David Beebe	Cheri Pierce Rigsbee
Theresa Beebe	Cheri Pierce Rigsbee
Michael Bifano	Karin White
Leighann Brown	Kayla Grugan
Kimberly Joy Carey	Deborah Ganance
John Conte	Anne Conte
Nicole Conte	Kayla Grugan
Thomas Endres	Fred Endres, LM
Nathaniel Ferreira	Gregory Collins
Thomas Grant	Thomas Grant
Matt Hoffman	Gregory Collins
Griffin Hotaling	Jacob Hallenbeck
Jonathan Kebea	Gregory Collins
Gregroy Magdalenski	Lawrence Zink
Marissa McDonald	Justin Countryman
John Mullin	Conrad Jones, PER
James Muscato	Chris Trumbull
Kimberly Nalley	Conrad Jones, PER
Scott O'Dell	Gregory Collins
Natasha Polsinello	Charles Adams, PER
Tammy Schillinger	Cheri Pierce Rigsbee
Sherri Smith	Kayla Grugan
James White	Karin White
Joyce Zbras	Cheri Pierce Rigsbee

TOP PROPOSERS

Cheri Pierce Rigsbee	19
Conrad Jones, PER	9
Tom Nardacci, PDDGER	8
Tim Davis	8
Paul Muzio	5
James Walsh	4
Eric Albert	4
Bob Myron, PER	4
Melissa Lurie	4

Save the Date

- March 6: Red Cross Blood Drive 1:30 PM
House Committee Meeting 6:30 PM
- March 10: St. Patrick's Lodge Event 5:00 PM
- March 13: Antler's 6:30 PM /Lodge Meeting 7:30 PM
- March 14: Ladies Night 7:00 PM
- March 20: Lodge Initiation 6:30 PM
- March 25: Installation of Officers TBD
- March 27: Lodge Meeting 7:30 PM
- March 28: Lodge Initiation 6:30 PM
- March 31: Karaoke 7:00 PM

Secretary's Notice—March 2023

During the month of January , the Grand Lodge mailed the 2023-2024 lodge year dues statements. Dues have risen to **\$78.00 for regular members**. This includes: \$29.00 for grand lodge assessments, insurance, elks magazine and \$5.00 for State Association assessments.

You should notice that the amount due for the full year (April 1, 2023 through March 31,2024 and Grand Lodge and State Association assessments totals \$34.00 . The reminding \$44.00 is for regular lodge dues.

Life members assessments will be \$34.00 for this lodge year.

Please remember the reason you became an Elk. Last year your lodge donated over \$25,000.00 in charitable donations to baseball, football, soccer, basketball teams as well as several food panties, boys and girls clubs, veterans, 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 8 members who are one year late with their dues payments and as per Grand Lodge rules, these members will be dropped from tohe rolls as of March 31, 2023. They will have until May 30th to reinstate without penalty.

Fraternally,

Thomas Nardacci, PDDGER,

Secretary



RENSSELAER ELKS
IN ACTION



Ritual Contest



Vets Stand Down

New leadership pushing forward with positivity



April begins with the changing of the guard. It is extremely important that the new Officers, Board of Directors, and Trustees work hand in hand to accomplish the important programs in each of your Lodges.

It is crucial to develop a budget for your Lodge that each committee can work with. You must develop a budget that will keep your Lodge financially sound throughout the new Lodge year. Pick out a night and invite all the Officers, Board of Directors, and your committee members and take this opportunity to review your Lodge budget. Discuss ideas to make your Lodge programs even better. Discuss your goals for the Elks National Foundation, your state's Major Project, and any other community activities that your Lodge may be involved with. Listen to what your Members have to say. Always consider their input and be open and flexible to new ideas. Perhaps say, "OK, let's try it."

Another area of critical focus at the onset of a new Elks year is membership. Work with your appointed Membership/Membership Retention Chair as a team. All of your Lodge Members are

a part of your membership committee. It is important to reach out to delinquent Members in order to bring them back into your Lodge. It may only take one phone call. There is a chance that by speaking with the delinquent Member, you may get them to renew their dues and become an active Member again.

Your Lodge Secretary plays a very important role for Members who were dropped for nonpayment of dues. I encourage you to review Statute 14.180. This Statute is very clear that your Lodge Secretary shall advise the unaffiliated of his/her rights to reaffiliate within 60 days.

Make +1 in membership a priority during your term. I know our Grand Lodge Membership Marketing Manager Rick Gathen would be very proud to say your Lodge achieved a +1 in membership. With the leadership team you have put together, I know how hard you will be working on "Promoting Elkdom With Enthusiasm."

April also is the month when families get together for Passover and Easter. Helen and I want to wish you and your families a wonderful holiday celebration.

In closing, thank you for your continued leadership this year by working hard within your communities to show that "Elks Care — Elks Share."

God bless each of you. God bless our troops, past and present. And most of all, God bless America.

Bruce Hidley, GER

Watervliet / Colonie Lodge #1500

House Committee Report

When will Spring begin? A new Elk calendar year is nearly upon us. Congratulations to the elected officers for the 2023-24 year! I will help as available and I encourage all members to do the same in guiding the lodge in near future. How can you help in the future? Stay engaged with the Lodge, come in and read the communications board and flyers, review the newsletter, like our Facebook page or participate in our events. You could also let any Officer, Chairperson, or Past Exalted Ruler (PER) know of your interest to help in one or more specific area(s). The more hands make light work.

Thank you to Greg Collins for appointing me at the Chairman of the House Committee! I have learned a lot about myself, managing a business and Elkdome. I truly had a GREAT year and I hope I will reflect on the bottom line in revenue. I would like to thank my House Committee members and others supporting the Lodge. Thank you to Karen Peak, Nancy Hunt, Marylou Hedge, Bev Roach, Dom Indelicato, Scott Galarneau, Chris Trumbull, Rob Leddick, Rob Miller (HC Secretary) and Ed Serian (Lodge food purchaser). Without these people, the committee, cannot achieve positive results for the Lodge. Thank you to Tim Grugan and Tom Nardacci for being Bar Stewards and Jeff Grugan for being Liquor Steward. Thank you to the bartenders Chrissy Adams, Angie Vroman, Kayla Grugan, Stephanie Deyette, Shari Miller and Jay Rector. A HUGE thank you to Paul Muzio, for ALL the support you provided me, the committee and the Lodge. Without you, we could not have achieved all the good we did. Thank you Mark Mann and all the Bingo helpers. Thank you to Bryan Kirkland, a newer member but a role model for all Elks, for helping at every turn without asking. Thank you to all the Breakfast crews. Thank you to Brian Kirch, Joe Herbst, Rose Herbst, Mary Muzio, Pat Skelley and to all those that helped that forgot to mention. (Sorry to those who I forgot to shout out!) . I made some "frienimies" but I strived to repair those relationships. I struggled with the implementation of the House Committees Chairman's positions of authority. I pushed hard, for the membership, to make it a better place. I did the best I could do. I will continue to support the Lodge and its membership for years to come.

My apologies to Brian Hedge and Paul Muzio for not being elected. I hope you guys stay positive, active and run again next year. This one of one hundred plus reasons that all Members should attend the Lodge meeting(s). It is a responsibility of the elected officials to hear the voices of the memberships needs, reflect on the past and drive the Lodge into the future. If you do not like the way it is being done then let your voice be heard. We need to work together to achieve positive change and growth.

I am still our District Lodge and Community Activities Chairperson. I will be identifying the Lodge's plans for the next year, providing insight, promoting each Lodge's activities and communicating the events and the results within the district. Thank you Rensselaer Lodge #2073 for this amazing opportunity!

Sincerely,

Robert T. Myron

House Committee Chairman 2022-23

PER 2019-20

Tel: (518) 283-7784

LODGE NEWS

Want to include something in the Newsletter? Please submit by the 20th of the month. Please sign up to receive your newsletter by e-mail. Please e-mail submissions to renss.elksnewsletter@gmail.com or place in mailbox by the bar.

E-mail Address Capture

Please help us to build better communication by providing your e-mail address. Whether you have given it to us before, please send a new message with your current e-mail so that we can update our system to renss.elksnewsletter@gmail.com



Please be aware that our State President, Cam Ricci, will be in town the weekend of March 17th. He may swing by the Lodge for dessert on Friday, March 17th and he will be in the Lodge for certain for breakfast on Sunday, March 19th.



- Cheri Pierce Rigsbee deserves a tremendous amount of kudos for all of her work with the Veterans Stand Down Event. A full write-up will be out for next month but for now thank you to all who helped!
- Bryan Kirkland has stepped up around the Lodge and has been a tremendous help! The Miller Family has been a force of good all year helping with whatever is needed.
- Rob Leddick has done some amazing work all year.
- Andy Koenig has done a lot behind the scenes all year to untangle the Financial Reporting System.
- Our stellar Bingo Crew is the model to follow in our Lodge. Thank you to all for setting the path!
- The Superbowl Party was a smashing success and the proceeds will pick up the tab for a whole host of Kids events next year. Excellent job by all involved!
- Thank you to our Breakfast Crews for a job well done!

MARCH BIRTHDAYS ARE YOU CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY IN MARCH?

First	Last	Day
Sean	Seward	01
Robert	Young	01
Douglas	Hudson LM	02
Stephen	Blydenburgh Jr	03
Marc	Iorio	03
Gerald	Wendel LM	03
Natalie	Young	03
Matthew	Hilker	05
Albert	Campisano LM	07
Jason	Rector	07
Jennifer	Serian	07
Kurt	Bergmann	08
Joseph	Granich	08
Wayne	Barnard	09
James	Cullum	10
Vernard	Mathis	11
Robert	Myron	11
Michael	Reilly	11
Lisa	Rullo	11
Justin	Countryman	12
Andrea	Vroman	12

William	Lindemann	13
Raymond	Verrelli Jr.	13
George	Vogt LM	13
Robert	Balderston	14
Patrick	Campbell	14
Vincent	Lombardo	14
Mandy	McCord	14
Michael	Neumann	14
Mickey	Russell	14
Raymond	Yelle	14
Robert	Huggins	15
Joe	Trembly	15
Ronald	Barner PER	16
Kelly	Cronkhite	17
Steven	Hart	17
Gregory	Paluba	17
Taylor	Hicks	18
Daniel	Holmes	18
Thomas	Kennedy	18
Steven	Alviene	19
Helen	Probst	19
Catherine	Graziano	20

Theodore	Ricket LM	20
Logan	Haller	21
Michael	Morin, Jr.	21
Karl F	Popp	21
Wesley	Van Ort LM	22
Frank	DiMartino II	23
George	Lovely Jr.	23
Charles	Meacham Sr	24
Herbert	Bauer Jr LM	25
Charles	Heermance LM	25
John	Kulpa	25
Nicholas	Peter	25
Brian	Hedge	27
Donnajeanie	Woodka Faulhaber	27
Thomas	Dougherty	28
Lois	Rowe	28
Frederick	Kelly Jr	29
Babara	Lefebvre	29
Rebecca	Geisel	30
Matthew	Polsinello	30
Angelo	Ventura	30
Michael	Wasula	30
Christina	Barry	31
Kevin	Colwell	31
Jessica	Fetterman	31
Daniel	Skelly	31

MAKE GIVING EASY & JOIN THE CLUB!

Sign up for our monthly, sustaining giving program—the ENF Fidelity Club!

- › Give automatic, regularly scheduled donations each month from your credit card or bank account.
- › Receive special membership benefits and recognition pieces.
- › Update, adjust or modify your gift any time online or by calling us.
- › Sign up by scanning the QR code and make a sustaining difference in Elks communities today!



Use the QR code to sign up today.



Elks
National
Foundation, Inc.

In Focus: Elks National Foundation (ENF)



Elks
National
Foundation

Rensselaer Lodge #2073

District: North Hudson, NY #6260	New Donors: 80
Members as of 4/1/22: 661	Second Year Donors: 8
Individual Donors: 166	Third Year Donors: 7
Amount Donated by Individuals: \$8,300.5	Renewed Donors: 30
Per Member Giving: \$12.56	Renewal Rate: 100%
Lodge Support: 25.11%	Reactivated Donors: 48
District Support: 14.89%	Total Donors: 171
State Support: 15.85%	Fidelity Club Goal: 3
National Support: 12.24%	Fidelity Club Donors: 7

Elks National Foundation and Observations

WOW, what a GREAT YEAR for Rensselaer Lodge. First, we exceeded my very high goals for ENF. I thought I set the bar very high by aiming for a total of \$6,610 for our Lodge donations. So far, we have \$8,245.50 with more to come. I was looking for \$10.00 per member. We are at \$12.47 per member. The Lodge ENF support was 25.11% of membership. OUTSTANDING! We also received \$21,000 in CIP GRANTS.

I hope that all new members will support the Elks National Foundation every year with a donation of at least \$10.00 or more.

We received every grant applied for. We can take pride that our Lodge was one of twelve Lodges to receive an Impact Grant. Very Impressive! We can thank our Grant writers, Natalie Wagner and Exalted Ruler Greg Collins for doing a GREAT JOB.

The ENF fiscal year ends March 31. If you wish to make a donation for this Lodge year, you can mail a check to the Elks NATIONAL FOUNDATION at 2750 N. Lakeview Ave., Chicago, IL 60614-2256. DO NOT SEND CASH!

ENF things to think about: join the Fidelity Club. Or leave a bequest to the ENF in your will. Wednesday night Corn Hole matches, Karaoke nights, a great Golf Tournament for our Veterans, a Veterans Stand Down, Breakfast is doing Great and the Bingo Crew is just knocking it out of the park. Well done on everyone's part. The House Comm. did an outstanding job. Our Major Projects did exceptionally well. I could not believe how many kids showed up for our Trunk or Treat. We supported many Local Charities, did Route 20 clean-up, adopted 3 families for Christmas, supported Toys for Tots, collected Coats and Pajamas for Kids, handed out 8 Scholarships to local students and I am sure I am forgetting much more.

Now the goal is to keep the solid progress going forward. Please ALL, keep supporting your Lodge! I am VERY PROUD to be a member of Rensselaer Lodge!

Fraternally, Lawrence E. Rowse, PDDGER & Chairman, Elks National Foundation

Delinquents / Sponsors List

Our Delinquent List is now down to 8 Members. Thank you for all of your help in bringing this to a very low number. Our Lodge does appreciation the effort...

First	Last	Proposer
Frederick	Bastian	Gary P Carlson
Matthew	Burns	Gene R Schultheis
Geraldine	Colliton	Carolyn S Felock
Jason	Colliton	Dean Schermerhorn
Shawn	Curley	Jason Colliton
Amy	Donnelly	Gregory E Collins
Randy	Donnelly	Gregory E Collins
Kevin	Kelly	Gregory Proper

Requests For Life Membership

The Lodge has received letters from Members Leonard Hiles and Bryand requesting Life Membership.

Having met the requirements for Life Membership (At least 30 years as a member and obtained 65 years in age), Members Leonard and Bryland have met these requirements.

The vote on this request will be taken at the first meeting in March 2023.

Thank You Members!



MARCH 2023

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			Darts 6:30 PM 1	Bingo 5:00 PM 2	3	4
Breakfast 9:00 – 11:00 AM 5	Red Cross Blood Drive 1:30—6:30 PM House Meeting 6:30 PM 6	7	Darts 6:30 PM 8	Bingo 5:00 PM 9	St. Patrick's Lodge Event 5:00 PM 10	11
Breakfast 9:00 – 11:00 AM 12	Antlers Initiation 6:30 PM Lodge Meeting 7:30 PM 13	Ladies Night 7:00 PM 14	Darts 6:30 PM 15	Bingo 5:00 PM 16	St. Patrick's Celebration II 17	Castleton Library Breakfast 9:00 -11:00 AM 18 Quilts for Kids Event
Breakfast 9:00 – 11:00 AM 19	Lodge Initiation 6:30 PM 20	21	Darts 6:30 PM 22	Bingo 5:00 PM 23	24	Installation of Officers 25 Lodge Appreciation
Breakfast 9:00 – 11:00 AM 26	Lodge Meeting 7:30 PM 27	Lodge Initiation 6:30 PM 28	Darts 6:30 PM 29	Bingo 5:00 PM 30	Karaoke 7:00 PM 31	



CONTACT US

564 Bloominggrove Drive Rensselaer, NY 12144
Tel: (518) 429-6380 | E-mail: rpetro57@gmail.com

Rocky's Music Studio is a full-service music store specializing in musical instruction for students of all ages, abilities, and styles. Rocky's also has an onsite retail store with a complete selection of music books, supplies and instruments.



- ⇒ 904 Broadway Albany, NY 12207
- ⇒ Tel: (518) 432-6414
- ⇒ E-mail: jreilly@kimberlyscott.com
- ⇒ Web: www.kimberlyscott.com

KIMBERLY
SCOTT INC.

Kimberly Scott Inc. has been proudly serving New York's Capital Region for over 40 years. We offer complete Interior Design services which include project management, space planning, finish selections, color boards, accessories, artwork selections, including the actual installation and CAD drawings.



**Wm. J. Rockefeller
Funeral Home, Inc.**

**We Are Celebrating
150 Years!**

Our Family Serving Your Family In Your Hour Of Need

Wm. J. Funeral Home, Inc.

**165 Columbia Turnpike | Rensselaer, NY 12144 |
(518) 449-7047**

WWW.WJROCKEFELLER.COM

**Marshall G. Wagner
Owner / Director**

**George W. Wagner
Owner / Manager**

**Michael J. Wagner
Owner / Director**

**NEWSLETTER
SUPPORTERS CLUB**

March 2023
Sue Polsinello
in Memory of PER Floyd M Smith

April 2022
Cindy Jeffries
Dave Jeffries
Carol McKay
Lester McKay
Sue Polsinello
Tom Grant
Rockefeller Funeral Home

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

September 2022
Alan Hedge
Marylou Hedge
Steven Hedge
Brian Hedge

October 2022
Jay Staggs
for Rich Bedell and Frank Harper
Patricia McCall
in Memory of Leon Cellerly, PER
Charles Van Buren

The Past Exalted Rulers of
Rensselaer Lodge remember their
Past State and National Leaders:
Jay Amodio, PSP
George D'Ambrose, PSVP
Frank P. Lill, PSVP
Alexander Seney, PDDGER
Raymond Daley, PDDGER
Wray E. Tibbetts, PDDGER
Veronica Adriaance, PDDGER
Charter Member Hank Rivet

February 2022
David Kretschmar

For only \$5 a year! Your name will appear that month you sign up until the Year 2023! 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 2023). To join – send \$5 to the Lodge.

Rensselaer Elks News
Is Published Monthly by
BPOE Lodge #2073

**TOM NARDACCI, PDDGER
SECRETARY
ALAN HEDGE
EDITOR**

**RENSSELAER
LODGE OF
B.P.O.E Lodge No. 2073
683 COLUMBIA TURNPIKE
EAST GREENBUSH, NY 12061**

Non-Profit
Organization
U.S Postage Paid
East Greenbush, NY
Permit No. 8

