#### NEWPORT LODGE OF ELKS No 104 BPO ELKS

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#### **JULY 2019 NEWSLETTER**

The 2663rd Session will be held on Thursday July 11th, 2019 at 7pm

Summer is here at last. Time to enjoy our porch. Wine and dine as you watch Newport pass by. Thanks to all the hard work of our volunteers, the porch is looking great. More work is needed but we are off to a great start! Nice choice of flowers Bev.

The state convention on the Cape is now behind us and the National convention in St Louis starts on June 29<sup>th</sup>. A full report will be filed upon my return.

Thanks to good weather Flag Day went off as planned. Sadly, we had more officers on the deck then members in attendance. You missed a very meaningful event. Our Boy Scout troop was impressive as usual.

We are addressing the heating/cooling problems in the lounge. Our current system is just not doing its job. I will do all I can to deal with immediate problems.

Many events are in planning.

Thanks to Dr. Sabins, a field trip is being arranged for local special needs individuals. A boat trip around the harbor should put a smile on their faces.

Don't forget the 365-event coming again this August. Last year 1,600 special needs individuals enjoyed a day just for them. Music, magic, food and fun. 150 Rhode Island Elks donated a day to help. Can you donate one day to help others?

A bus trip to visit Elks lodges in Connecticut is in the planning stage. This is a great chance to see some of our brother lodges. If you have ideas for events or just want to get involved, just come to any Board of Directors meeting or approach any Lodge officer. The electronic bulletin board in the lounge will list meetings and events so you can be up to date and informed. We will update this board often.

All seven windows on the lounge will be replaced with new state of the art units. The current windows are dangerous and unusable. Since these unit must be built, it will take several weeks to complete this job. Repairs to our building is and will always be on going. If you have a talent or interest, we can use all the help we can get. Bill Sink, Exalted Ruler

#### **IMPORANT LODGE MEETINGS**

June 26th at 6PM - House Committee\* followed by **Board of Directors (BOD)** 

June 27th at 5PM - Lodge Member Meeting

July 9th at 6PM - Activity Committee

July 10th at 6PM - House Committee\* followed oBOD

July 11th at 6PM - Parking Lot Committee

July 11th at 7PM - Lodge Member Meeting #

\*Members are encouraged to attend the House Committee meeting and bring any suggestions, ideas or constructive comments concerning lounge operations. This is where they should be addressed.

MEMBERSHIP	
Current Active Members	780
Current Life & Honorary Life Members	52
Applications on Hand	15
Delinquent Members	110
For the members who have yet to pay their	2019-
20 dues, you now fall in the "Member Not in	n
Good Standing " category. As such you are	not
eligible to participate in any Lodge activitie	
which includes use of the lounge. Call the I	-
Secretary if there are questions about your	_

#### **MEMBERSHIP ACTIONS**

Name	Occupation	Sponsor
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The following applicants will be interviewed on July 2nd, balloted on July 11th and initiated on Aug. 8th:

#### **BY-LAWS COMMITTEE**

The By-Laws Committee met on June 12 to discuss moving Lodge meetings to Monday evenings. This is a fiscally driven proposal to allow the Lounge to remain open on what is usually the busiest night during the week for other Newport establishments and to close for meetings on the slowest night of the week.

The new wording below was read at the June 13<sup>th</sup> Lodge meeting and will be voted on by the membership at the July 11<sup>th</sup> meeting.

#### **ARTICLE IV: MEETINGS**

**Section 1.** The regular Lodge meetings of this Lodge shall be held on the second and fourth Monday of each month throughout the year, except in the months of July, August and December, in which the Lodge shall meet once a month on the second Monday. In October the meetings shall be on the second Tuesday of the month. When Memorial Day falls on the fourth Monday, the meetings shall be held on the fourth Tuesday of the month.

#### SCHEDULED ENTERTAINMENT

Friday, July 5th-Grimes & Bruneau 6:30-10pm Friday, July 12th-In Tandem 6:30-10pm Saturday, July 13th-Dan Durand 6:30-10PM Friday, July 19th-SnowBryds 6:30-10pm Saturday, July 20th-Stu Krous 6:30-10PM Friday, July 26th - Diesel 6:30-9:30pm

#### **NEW MEMBER MEET & GREET**

July 25<sup>th</sup>, 5 to 7PM for new or "newish" members to meet other members, learn more about the Lodge and get involved! All members welcome!

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The following Members are celebrating a Birthday during **JULY**. Come into the lounge during the month and you will receive a complementary drink.

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1st Daniel J Oakley	16th Ferrer A Buratti
2nd James Robert Black	16th Alvaro Vieira
2nd David L Fleury	17th Carl R Herron
2nd Ernest R Oliveira	17th Joseph Silva
3rd Peter Herne	17th Sharon M Sutphin
3rd Anne C. Miller	19th Pamela Howard
3rd James W Ryan	19th John Lyons
3rd Debra Young	19th Robert L Peckham
4th Darlene Filosa	20th Andrew LaBlanc
4th Rose M Northup	20th Marsha Thomas
5th Thomas Oatway	20th Michael A. Thomas
5th Stephen Wilcox	22th Sharon J Blewett
6th Daniel J Alvarnas	22nd David Bush-Brown
6th Dan Gibbs	22nd Richard P Mahoney
6th Carolyn Lockwood	22nd Laurel Phelps Tower
6th Arthur Tasso	22nd Kenneth R Tremblay
7th Darryl Dowling	22nd Joseph C Warner
7th Susan M. Morgan	23rd James A Gallerani
8th Kenneth R Bidlack	24th Karolyn Bbowley
9th Beth Corriveau	24th Edward G Simonetti
9th Louis E Finn	25th Victoria A Hench
9th Ralph E Morgan	25th Susan M Morgan
10th Jeanne Kane	25th Amory Weld
10th Arthur Schreiber	26th Deborah Pearson
10th Jane A Walsh	27th Daniel; Santos
11th Joseph R Hutchison	28th Margaret Mary Dubuc
12th Daniel E Elliot	28th Kenneth A Forsythe
13th Brett E Potter	29th Chad Donnelly
14th Joshua Burnett	29th Gerard M Downing
14th Ronald F Hart	29 Roland F. Dufresne
14th Harry F Scott	29th Judith A Graves
14 th Debra Tiernan	29th Carol A Stewart
15th Carol L Gray	31st Donna Bouressa
15th Robert Howard	31st Holly Hewitt
15th Nicholas Sanginario	31st Cathy B. Patterson

#### **MONTHLY CHARITY DRAWINGS!**

The ways & Means winner for May are: \$100-J. Hutcherson

\$10-A. Fleming \$10-D Healy \$10-M. Cudworth \$10-B. Neilan \$10-K. Bidlack \$10-B. Alber

A new Ways and Means charity is now well underway. Currently there are no opening for additional participants.

#### **SICKNESS & DISTRESS**

If you know of any Member who is currently ill at home, hospitalized or in a retirement/nursing home please notify the Lodge Secretary at 846-0815 option 3. Also take a moment to send a card, or stop by for a visit.

#### At Home

Laura Toppa - Middletown, RI Dewey Morton - Newport, RI

#### **Nursing & Retirement Homes**

Richard Shepard - John Clark Center Middletown, RI Sarge - Blenheim Senior Living Middletown, RI Bob Kilmer - Royal Nursing & Rehab. Center Rose Kane - John Clark Center, Middletown, RI

The best way to keep this list and the one in the lounge up to date is to notify the Lodge Secretary as information becomes available.

#### HOUSE COMMITTEE UPDATE

<u>Drink Prices</u> - Over the past five years, alcohol wholesale prices have crept up in small increments. Since there has not been a price increase, the Newport Lodge has fallen below the Elks national standard of price to cost ratios. In an effort to reduce the largest gaps, the House Committee approved a small price increase on select items effective August 1, 2019.

All bottled beer (except Guinness\*) and well and call drinks will increase 25 cents, while two shot martini type drinks will increase 50 cents. New prices for bottled domestic/ import/premium beer\* will be \$3.25/\$4.25; well/call drinks \$3.50/\$4.00; and two shot/martini drinks will range from \$4.50 to \$9.75 depending on brand.

We appreciate your continued support of the Lounge and this necessary action.

#### **Summer Lounge Hours**

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday\*\* & Friday
1:00 to 9:00PM+
Wednesday
3:00 to 9:00PM+
Saturday, Sunday & National Holidays
12:00 to 9:00PM+

+Earliest Closing Time
\*\*Closes for Lodge Meetings

<u>Straws</u> - Anticipating a new state law requiring this, the Lodge has adopted a policy that plastic straws will be provided only when requested.

#### **SECRETARY'S CORNER**

\*there are still some problems with applications. The biggest being legibility. I do want to have each candidate's name and address right and make sure the phone number and email address are correct. All too many times we get as far as the interview and a candidate has to correct the spelling of their name or address. I truly rather that not happen.

\*We are beginning to see a drop off in the number of sales receipt from Clements' Market being turned in. Please remember that dropping off those receipts not only helps our Lodge, but it helps many other deserving organizations in the Newport Area. Several times each year Clements' sends checks to these organizations, including the our Lodge, based on the receipts turned in. By turning your receipts in you will be helping more than just us. *Don* 

#### **COMMUNICATIONS**

Receive Lodge weekly news in your inbox! Send your name and email address to <a href="mailto:newporkelks104@gmail.com">newporkelks104@gmail.com</a> to begin receiving weekly updates!

Waiting for the mail? You can view the monthly newsletter online before the 1<sup>st</sup> of the month at <a href="https://tinyurl.com/newportelksnews">https://tinyurl.com/newportelksnews</a>

Calling social media buffs! The PR Committee needs your help - Contact Nicki Trilling at <a href="mailto:ntrilling@gmail.com">ntrilling@gmail.com</a> or Jody Sullivan at <a href="mailto:jodyjude@cox.net">jodyjude@cox.net</a>.

## ELK OF THE YEAR & OFFICER OF THE YEAR

This year, with the weather finally turning nice, we will be honoring the Elk Of The Year & The Officer Of The Year with a cookout on the lawn. The event be IHO of The Elk Of The Year, *Bill Loeseke* and Officer Of The Year, *Ron Cudworth*, PER, will take place on August 17th beginning at twelve noon. The food will be just what one would expect at a cookout, burgers, Italian sausage and the fixings. Tickets are \$15.00 each and can be purchased from Lenny Bucci., PDD.

#### **REMINDER!**

As prescribed by Lodge By-Laws, and authorized by Grand Lodge Statutes, there will be only one regular Lodge meeting during the months of July & August. The omission of one meeting each month will lengthen the application process. Proposers should explain the reason for the delay to their applicants.

### **THE QUEEN OF HEARTS**

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Queen of Hearts session is under way. The format and the rules will remain the same. Additional information will be posted on the Bulletin Board and in this Newsletter as it becomes available. Volunteers needed to sell tickets on Saturdays from 6-8PM. See

#### 4TH OF JULY BARBECUE

Join us on the lawn to celebrate the 4th of July 5 to 7PM for yard games for kids and adults, raffles. Bring a side dish or dessert to share. Donations accepted to defray the costs of

# **July 2019**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
	1 5PM- Horseshoe League	2	3	4 5-7PM-4th BBQ	5 Grimes & Bruneau	6	
		Dinner Served	Dinner Served	Dinner Served	Dinner Served	Dinner Served	
7	8 5PM- Horseshoe League	9 6PM-Activity Committee	10 6PM-House Committee/ BOD Meeting	11 6PM-Parking Lot Comm 7PM-Lodge Meeting	12 In Tandem	Dan Durand	
		Dinner Served	Dinner Served	Dinner Served	Dinner Served	Dinner Served	
14	15 5PM- Horseshoe League	16	17	18	19 Snow Byrds	20 Stu Krous	
		Dinner Served	Dinner Served	Dinner Served	Dinner Served	Dinner Served	
21	22 5PM- Horseshoe League	23	24	25 5-7PM-New Member Meet & Greet	26 Diesel	27 Snow Byrds	
		Dinner Served	Dinner Served	Dinner Served	Dinner Served	Dinner Served	
28	29 5PM- Horseshoe League	30	31		Love this Historic Building?  Support it's Restoration!  With a \$5.00 donation to the Newport Elks Building Fund, you will receive this beautiful pin to wear proudly		
		Dinner Served	Dinner Served		see the bartender to get your pin(s) today!		