

**LODGE OFFICERS
2013-2014**

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Dan Fife, Secretary

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Butch Keyser

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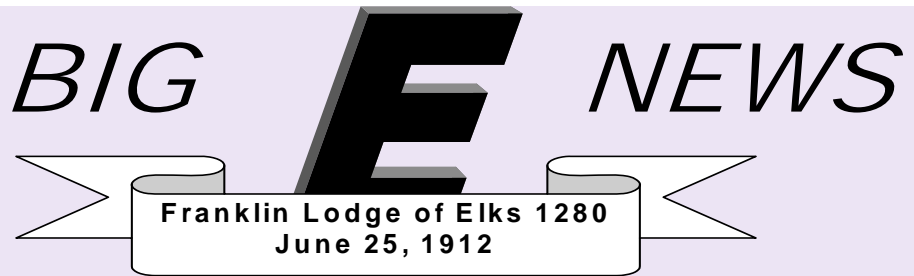
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April 2013

Message from your Exalted Ruler

I'm baaaaack!! Its time for the "new regime". First and foremost, I would like to thank the membership of our Lodge in trusting me to be your Exalted Ruler again for this year. It is a great honor and a privilege to be the Exalted Ruler! What a feeling when people come up to me and say, if you're going to be the E.R. next year, I will take an officers position! People are coming to me to be on committees, run socials, and I feel a great vibe from everyone even thou my year has not even begun. Usually the incoming E.R.'s are scrambling around trying to bribe or convince people to be on committees or even take an officers position. What a great membership we have!

I would like to thank the out going Exalted Ruler George LaBonte for another great year (this makes four times for him). I believe George is a true Elk! He's not just in it to hold the title. He has stepped up when the lodge has needed him, worked on all committees, gone through all the chairs, and has even offered to stay in the chairs as my Esquire. What more can I say.....Thank You George!

Installation of Officers is on Sat. April 6th. Please come show your support to the new officers and your lodge. This will be a great start to a great year!

If any members would like to help put on a social, have an idea of a fund raising committee, or would like to just

help and volunteer, please see any one of your officers and they will direct you to the right person. Your help or ideas will not be turned away.

As you all have seen in the last two months of the Big "E", we have been raising money to purchase a new A.E.D. device for our lodge. Well, with all your generosity and hard work we now have the device in the downstairs lounge area behind the bar. This could be the lifesaver of one of our members or guests in a time of need. I hope we never have to use this device! There will be a sign up sheet at the lodge to practice using this device on Bob Cullen! Wait, this could be a money maker! Hahaha, just kidding Bob. Thank you to all the people that helped on the meat raffles to raise money for the device.

As always, we have a busy year ahead of us. But with everyone's dedication and help we can have one hell of a year! I'm looking forward to being your Exalted Ruler, and working hand and hand with the officers and committees of our lodge.

Have a great month!

Yours in Elkdom
Jeff Davis, E.R.

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Elks Care - Elks Share

Secretary Notes

****IMPORTANT****

The dues statements are out. Members should pay their dues by March 30 as the new key cards will go into effect on Monday, April 1st. **I will be gone the first week of April** so if you want your 2013-2014 membership card before I go, please get your dues to me by Saturday, March 30th. Otherwise, you will have to pay the bartender and ring the buzzer to get in.

Propositions for Membership:

Jonathan Hutchinson pp by Christopher Cannon
Chad Davis pp by Jeff Davis
Nathan Palmer pp by Leslie J. Keyser
James McCaffery pp by Stanley Skeats
Bethany Moody pp by Buddy Beyers
Shari Marks pp by Karen Samson
Mark Charles pp by Philip Charles
Christopher Chambers pp by Carl Pickering Sr
Tom Woitalewicz pp by Kim Maynard
William Gallant pp by Warren Smith

I would like to extend sincere get well wishes for those who are sick and heartfelt sympathy to anyone who has lost a loved one.

Respectfully Submitted,
Winnie Keyser, Secretary

Centennial Update

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 17 at 7pm. All are welcome to attend. Will be discussing the time capsule. Anyone that has any item/items that they would like to donate to the time capsule please bring to the lodge and leave with secretary. All donated items are asked to be in by June 14th. Thank you.

Kim Maynard, Centennial Committee

"State Cribbage Tournament News"

The State Elks Cribbage Tournament was held on Sunday March 3rd at the Concord-Epsom Lodge with teams from nine different Lodges. The participating Lodges were Concord-Epsom, Derry-Salem, Dover, Franklin, Lebanon, Manchester, Nashua, Plymouth and Portsmouth.

The top four scores from each Lodge determine the final score for the respective Lodge. Nashua ended up in 1st place,, followed closely by Concord-Epsom and third place went to the Franklin Lodge . This means that next year's tournament will be held at the Nashua Lodge on the first Sunday in March. Franklin's top two scorers were Skinny Sylvester with 959 and Charlie Hurd with and 951. I would also like to congratulate Cindy Howe, the winner of a 54 inch LED flat screen TV.

The Franklin Lodge should be proud of the 23 players that took time from their busy schedule to make the trip to Epsom. Weather you finished first, last or somewhere in between you deserve a big "Thank You" for supporting the Franklin Lodge. Hopefully next year we can have even more players at the Nashua Lodge, so we can finally bring the tournament to Franklin where it belongs.

I would like to personally thank Steve Bourdeau and his kitchen committee, Doug Ricard, Dale Bowen, Jeff Davis, Winnie Keyser, Andrea McFall, Cindy Howe and Helen Gallant for putting on one of the best socials I have seen at the Lodge in a long time. A special "Thank You" also goes out to DJ, Ed Heath for donating his services for the social. Awesome job Ed. Part of the proceeds from this social went to help defray the cost of the entry fee for the Elks Cribbage Team. These socials would not be the success they are without the support of members and their guests who attend these events. Thanks for supporting our socials.

Please save the first Sunday in March of 2014 for next year's tournament. I will have reminders in the "Big E News" as the time approaches.

Thanks, "Gene Shaw"



39th Annual Kids Fishing Derby

May 11, 2013

Take your Child fishing & into the outdoors

Registration is 7am at Dion's Pond
Children fish by age groups starting 0yrs - 12yrs
(Dress for the Weather)

Fishing will start at 8am to 12pm
Trophies & Prizes for the children

Hot Dog, Hamburgers, French Fries &
Beverages available for a donation

110 Tickets on sale NOW.



upcoming events

Installation of officers

April 6th

5pm - 6pm - Cocktail Hour

6pm - 7pm - Installation 6pm

7pm - Dinner & Music

*Pork Loin, Garden Salad, Mashed Potato w/gravy,
Glazed carrots, Rolls/Butter, Banana Crème Delight*

Music is by Freddie Partridge

Emblem Club Dinner

Friday, April 19th at 6:30pm

Pot Luck for \$6.00pp

Pot Luck

Bring your family and friends on down for a night out
to relax and let us do the cooking.

Haddock Dinner

w/coleslaw, French fries or onion rings

Friday, April 12th - 6:30pm

\$8.00 pp

Karaoke to follow come down sing like a rock star
and support The Kids 39th Annual Fishing Derby
being held on May 11th at Dion's Pond

Spaghetti & Meatball Dinner

w/salad & garlic bread

Friday, April 26th - 6:30pm

\$7.00 pp

Entertainment to follow,
come down and support Elks National Foundation



April 2013



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 HC Mtg 6pm	2	3 Emblem Mtg 7pm	4	5	6 Installation of Officers
7	8 BOD Mtg 6pm	9	10 Lodge Mtg 7pm	11	12 Haddock Dinner 6:30pm	13
14	15 HC Mtg 6pm	16	17 Centennial Mtg 7pm	18	19 Emblem Dinner 6:30pm	20
21	22 BOD Mtg 6pm	23	24 Lodge Mtg 7pm	25	26 Spaghetti Dinner 6:30pm	27
28	29	30	Installation of Officer's (\$12.010) Secretary's Report to Lodge (\$12.050) Trustee's Report and Budget to Lodge (\$12.070) Annual Report Due May 1st (\$16.010) subject to \$100 fine.			



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Spring is a time to start fresh, a time of rebirth and renewal. The snows of winter melt away, flowers bloom, and all the world seems new again.



Hours of Operation for the Lodge
Mon, Tues, Wed & Sat - 9:00am to 11pm
Thurs & Fri - 9am to 12pm

Lodge meetings
Regular meetings - Bar is **closed** during these mtgs.
second & fourth Wednesdays at 7pm
Trustees:
second & fourth Mondays at 6:30pm
House Committee:
Mondays at 6:30pm, Please see calendar for schedule
All members are welcome and encouraged to attend regular Lodge meetings. We would like to see more members attend a lodge meeting and bring your thoughts and concerns.

Franklin NH Elks 1280 - Lodge Shirts & Sweatshirts
The Lodge is selling Men's & Women's Polo shirts with Elk logo on them. We changed the lodge name to read Franklin NH Elks.
Please see Exalted Ruler to purchase



Franklin Emblem Club #105
Regular meetings held 1st Wednesday of each month. Except for the months of July & August

