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BIG E NEWS

Franklin Lodge of Elks 1280
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May 2013

Message from your Exalted Ruler

Sending thoughts and prayers to the families, victims, and first responders in Boston.

Well, after the first month as your Exalted Ruler again, I forgot how much fun it really is (snicker). What a great night at the Installation of Officers. So many, much deserving awards for just some of the people who do countless amounts of work for our Lodge. Congrats to Evalyn Sylvester for the Elk of the Year. Congrats to Winnie Keyser for the Officer of the Year. Thank you to the Emblem Club for a wonderful meal, and to Helen Gallant for my favorite dessert. The fish fry social was a great success as always, along with the meat raffle that followed. Thank you to both committees for a great night with the proceeds going towards the 39th annual Kids Fishing Derby. The Emblem Social "potluck" was a great success, so much food, if you attended and went hungry it was your own fault. Thank you to all Emblemets who donated. The spaghetti and meatball social was a great time, plenty of food as well. Thank you Steve Bourdeau and your crew for a great meal. A shout out to DJ Ed Heath for keeping us moving to his fantastic music selection.

May is a pretty busy month for us. The 3rd is an Emblem Social, the 6th - 9th is Youth Government week, the 11th is the Kids Fishing Derby, Community Days, Copper Cannon cleanup day, the 17th - 19th is the Elks State Convention at Attitash, the 17th is a P.E.R. Social. So with that, if you'd like to help on any one

of these dates, please see any of your Officers for details.

If you have been down to the Lodge, you will see that all the ceiling tiles have been replaced. It looks great! I'd like to thank the people who helped on this project and to Alicia Marceau (and Dave) for letting us use her one-ton to haul away the old tiles.

A big thank you to the Janitorial Staff for getting the Lodge all spiffed up in time for Installation.

Motorcycle season is among us again. Please do not park your car or truck in the two designated motorcycle parking spots, Thank you! I would like to thank the bartenders for a great job behind the bar, and I appreciate the participation from the members in the 11 o'clock toast every night. Please take a moment to like us on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/FranklinLodgeOfElks1280> or just type in the search bar Franklin Lodge of Elks 1280.

In closing, if you play Texas Hold'em and your dealt a 7 and 5 suited, I suggest you play them to the end! But that's just me.

Yours in Elkdom
Jeff Davis, E.R.

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Secretary Notes

My trip to Florida was wonderful. I would like to thank everyone who paid their dues on time. Currently we have 109 that are delinquent. Not bad for only being 2 months into the New Year. If you're one to the delinquents please send your dues in soon.

On a good note: We started 2012-2013 year with 477 members. After all the drops and initiations we had a gain of 13 for a total of 490. A very good year.

Lodge of Sorrow: John Lilly 1975-2013

Propositions for Membership:

Patrick Davis pp by Cindy Howe
Susan Morrill pp by Mike George
Melissa Flynn pp by Shirley Brorby
Cathleen Ann Kelley pp by Jeremy Bryson
William Swenson pp by Jesse Mulder
Dan Woodham Sr. pp by John Cleveland
Ryan Shurtleff pp by Toby Locke
Michael Bonner pp by John Cleveland
Transfer for Membership: Robert Hubbell

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

Letter to the Past ER

I would like to commend and congratulate Past Exalted Ruler, George LaBonte, for a great year of his Service, Leadership and Dedication in the chair office as Exalted Ruler.

This past year was a very important year with the celebration of the Franklin Lodge of Elks reaching it's milestone of 100 years old. As the Exalted Ruler, George worked very hard during his year to be sure our Lodge celebrated this Historical event. He worked very close with the Centennial Committee and attended every meeting and events. He also headed other committees such as Community Day, Veterans Council and other events within the Lodge in addition to his special duties as the Exalted Ruler of the Lodge. Plus hold down a full time job. Pretty remarkable!!

At the Installation of Officers on April 6th, George, as the outgoing Exalted Ruler, made sure he

commended and recognized all the Officers and Members who helped him during his year as Exalted Ruler. He handed out many plaques and didn't forget anyone. Of course he wouldn't have got through his year without his wife, Nancy by his side. Thanks to you both for all you do for the Lodge

I would also like to mention that George served as Exalted Ruler three other terms. I guess you would say "he is gluten for punishment". But knowing George the way I do he is very dedicated and devoted to Elkdom and deserves a "BIG THANK YOU". George is not just another Brother Elk, he is my Brother and makes me proud.

Marguerite Collins
Chaplain

Drug Awareness

A big thank you to Joe Giunta, Sue Smart, Andrea McFall, Kate Higgins, Pauline LaBonte and Sue Fife for making poster and essay packets for the schools & students and for judging the posters and essays in March.

We had 3 local winners from each category and 3rd place local essay winner won the 1st place state essay. Our 1st place poster winner won 2nd place state level. Gift card awards will be presented at the Franklin Community Day event on May 11th at the DAP Trailer at 2pm.

Centennial Committee

The next meeting will be May 2nd at 6pm to give an update and discuss the time capsule to be created. All interested in participating in creating and donating to the capsule please attend.

The committee has scheduled a Social for June 21st. Proceeds will go to creating the time capsule.

See 'ya there, YIE, Kim Maynard

Franklin Community Day

ALL DAY: Enjoy demos, displays, crafts, games, amusements, food & more at Odell Park

2:00 PM Franklin Elks Lodge 1280 – Presentation of Awards to Drug Awareness Program essay and poster contest winners – at gazebo

upcoming events

Emblem Club Social

Friday, May 3rd at 6:30pm

\$6.50pp

Milk Baked Chicken, Baked Potato's,
Veggie and dessert

Come down and show your support to the Emblem
Members of our lodge

DD Homecoming

Gina Parris & Dennis Dionne

May 11th – 5pm

Concord/Epsom Lodge 1210

Dinner (Pot Luck, bring a dish), Music & Dancing
\$10 per person, tickets available at the Lodge

PER Social

May 17th - 6:30pm

\$8.00pp

home made steak tips, choice of steak fries or mashed
potatoes & veggie

karaoke, by Mark French to follow
proceeds to benefit ENF

Officer's Social

May 31st - 6:30pm

\$6.00pp

Potluck Dinner, please bring a dish to share with your
fellow members, Entertainment to follow meal.



39th Annul Kids Fishing Derby

May 11, 2013

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.



May 2013



| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|-----|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|--|
| | | | 1 Emblem Mtg 7pm | 2 Centennial Mtg 6pm | 3 Emblem Social | 4 |
| 5 | 6 BOD Mtg 6pm | 7 Youth Government May 6 - 9 | | 8 Lodge Mtg 7pm | 9 | 10 Commnity Day Kids Fish Derby DD Homecming |
| 11 | 12 HC Mtg 6pm | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 NH State Elks Convention - Attitash May 17 - 19 Per Social |
| 18 | 19 NH State Elks Convention | 20 BOD Mtg 6pm | 21 | 22 Lodge Mtg 7pm | 23 | 24 |
| 25 | 26 | 27 HC Mtg 6pm | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 Officer's Social |



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

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.



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

