

NOBLE ELK



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Dover Lodge of Elks #184

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Elks Care Elks Share

Our Exalted Ruler

The Trustees of this Lodge have been working very hard at saving our Lodge money in many different ways, looking closely at the finances, taxes, insurance fees, utility costs, etc. Most recently they were led by 4-Year Trustee, Frank Santin who has been in talks with a few local financial institutions regarding our mortgage. The result of his hard work is detailed on Page 3 and will be presented to the membership at our next meeting on December 12th. We will need the approval of the Lodge before moving forward to present this plan to Grand Lodge and it is very important that you read and understand what the Board is proposing for the betterment of the Lodge. Under their direction, our Lodge has become more stable, enabling us to hold dues at the current rate, donate to more community organizations, and they have made us realize that when you work hard and take pride in what you are doing, good things will happen. Thank you gentlemen!!

Have you had the opportunity to visit the Lodge lately? There have been a lot of changes taking place. We have been a Non-Smoking facility since the end of September and as mentioned before Norm Langlois generously donated \$5000 to clean up the newly named Langlois Lounge. A handful of members have been doing just that. A few late Saturday nights were spent cleaning, repairing, and painting both the Langlois and Thresher Lounge areas. It is a much lighter and brighter space. We are hopeful to have the work completed before the end of this month.

Our Lodge Manager, Peter Marcoux has been cooking Friday night dinners with the assistance of the House Committee who have scheduled entertainment for most Friday nights. The dinners are going well and the members seem to be enjoying the weekly entertainment. Remember to call in by 7pm on the Wednesday before to make your reservations and join us for some great food and good music.

If you can make it on Tuesday, December 4th, we will be visiting the folks at Riverside Rest Home to sing a few Christmas carols, serve the folks some cake and ice cream, and spread some holiday cheer with Santa and one of his elves. Don't forget the Lodge Christmas Party / Yankee Swap on the 7th! The lounge areas will be decorated for the season and we hope you can join us for some holiday fun.

Are you free on Monday nights? Would you like to get out and join some friendly people? Why not come down to the Lodge for some Line Dancing lessons? See the details on page 4! Sounds like a lot of fun ~ hope to see you there!! Merry Christmas and Happy New Year !!

Until next month, take care and be well.



Elks Memorial Service

The Memorial Service will be held Sunday, December 2nd at 11:00 am in the main hall. It will only take a few moments of your time, but will leave a lasting impression on you as we remember our departed members. Light refreshments will



From the Desk of the Secretary ~ Tracie Kirby

Happy December! Below is a list of all delinquent members who have not yet paid their dues for this year and are at risk for being dropped as a member 03/31/2013. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the office at 603-742-1742 or email doverelks184@comcast.net.

Delinquent Members:

Anthony Arsenault, LM Harry Brown George Davidson Robert Fernald Dianne Hart John Lizotte William Palmer, LM Concetta Stracuzzi

Eric Blough Oscar Byrd Michael Davidson Stephen Foster Katherine Howard John Loughlin, LM Mark Petrin **Ernest Twombly**

Patrick Boyle Corey Canning Keith Dawson Phillip Fuller Patrick Howard Owen McKenney, Jr. Richard Mower Thomas Phillips Shane Wilson

Melynda Breton Keith Cook Shannon Dawson Earl Gaudet Frank Kleczek **Timothy Raxter** Rocco Wood

Jean Brodeur George Couture Thomas Dimon, LM George Geer, Jr Frank Lavalley **Timothy Mullaney** Kevin Redden

Donna-Marie Broussard Daniel Dockham John Duyon Hank Greenberg Wayne Learnard Harold Or III Justin Sabatis

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Exalted Ruler Est. Leading Knight Est. Loyal Knight Est. Lecturing Knight Secretary Treasurer Esquire Tiler

Chaplain

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Barbara Allard Ken Kirby Robert Libby, PER VACANT Tracie Kirby Bob Walker, PER Ken Brown PER Linda Grant Colby McDonald, PER

Roger Ward

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Merle Wentworth (5), Frank Santin (4), Bruce Horn (3), Garry Allard (2), David Sullivan (1)

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! This coupon entitles the bearer to one drink, courtesy of ! the Dover Lodge of Elks, during your birthday month (note expiration date). You must be a member in good standing of Dover #184, and present this completed coupon to the bartender upon ordering.

Member Name

Member Number

Month and Day of Birth

Coupon expires December 31, 2012 & will be verified by Secretary.

- 1 Dennis M. Coffey Steve Lafargue
- 2 Charles Banaian, LM
- 3 Norm Baillargeon Paul F. Grondin James Kageleiry, LM
- 4 Richard P. Libby LM Niki Moutevelis
- 5 Donald O. Ainsworth Seth M. Perkins
- 6 John M. Crowley
- 7 Thomas J. Bascom
- 8 George E. Davidson John Sirviris, LM Paul E. Tuttle
- 9 Barry Gilpatrick Gerald A. James, Sr.

- 10 Bruce K. Bentham
- 12 Colby W. McDonald, PER
- 13 Scott Kellev Joanne Stewart
- 14 Martin Richardson
- 16 David Brown, Jr.
- 17 Ida F. McClendon
- 18 Kevin R. Plante **Ernest Twombly Erich Waters** Richard C. Weeks LM
- 19 Kenneth McComish John McCormick Linda O'Der
- 20 James S. Quinn
- 21 Jean W. Brodeur

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2012-2013 **GRAND EXALTED RULER** THOMAS S. BRAZIER

> 2011-2012 **ELK OF THE YEAR** TRACIE KIRBY

2011-2012 OFFICER OF THE YEAR **KEN KIRBY**

2011-2012 CITIZEN OF THE YEAR **BARBARA ALLARD**

SICKNESS AND DISTRESS

Terence Casey PER LM Michael Casey, PER, LM Bruce Hauschel, LM Norman Langlois Jim Servetas LM

Riverside Rest Home

Gerry Lawlor

Have a Safe and Happy Holiday!

HOUSE COMMITTEE

Manager: Peter Marcoux

Members: Valerie Kincaid, Bruce Horn, Linda Grant, Sue Corriveau, Lisa Saulenas Wentworth, and Greg Thayer

LODGE COMMITTEES

AMERICANISM Pam Potter. ACCIDENT PREVENTION Garry Allard. AUDITING/ACCOUNTING Robert Libby, PER, COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES DRUG AWARENESS PROGRAM DIANE "Deb" Miller, ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION Joe Marshburn, PER, HLM, FLAG DAY COORDINATOR Ken Kirby, GOVERNMENT RELATIONS Allan Trombley PER, HOOP SHOOT COORDINATOR ROBERT LIBBY, PER, INDOCTRINATION COORDINATOR Kenneth Brown, PER, HLM, GOVERNMENT RELATIONS Allan Trombley PER, WEBMASTER Allan Trombley PER, LAPSATION COORDINATOR Val Kincaid, Lodge Activities Marla Freeman, Membership Tracie Kirby, NATIONAL VETERANS SERVICE Kenneth Brown, PER, HLM, INTERIM Newsletter Editor Barbara Allard, Public Relations Barbara Allard, Parliamentarian Paul Vatcher PER HLM, Soccer Shoot COORDINATOR ALL OFFICERS, YOUTH ACTIVITIES All Officers

Anyone knowing of a Brother or Sister Elk who is ill, in the hospital or in a rest home, should notify the Leading Knight, Lodge Secretary or Lodge Manager.

KUDOS TO:

- ♦ Ken and Tracie Kirby, Bob and Sheila Libby, Rick and Sue Corriveau, Peter and Linda Grant, Garry & Barbara Allard, Kent Rosberg, Deb and Jesse Brooks, and Alec and Dean Parmer for spending their Saturday evenings painting the lounge areas.
- ◆ Deb Brooks for volunteering to sew new valances for the lounge areas.
- ◆ Frank Santin for his due diligence working with the bank in restructuring the Lodge mortgage.
- ◆ Bruce Horn for securing the storage of the tent.
- ◆ Ricky Jacques for cutting up the fallen tree damaged by Hurricane Sandy.

21 Ralph G. Libby III

22 Stephen Clifford

23 David Emerson

26 Charleen Barlow

27 Michael Davidson

Robert V. Jablonski

Thomas J. Moore

W. Scott Leighton, LM

William H. Gowen, LM

Michael R. LaPoint

David A. Vachon

28 Darrol M. Robinson

29 James Boyatsis, LM

31 Ronald L. Chase, Sr. LM

Philip E. Dirck

If you see someone doing something good for the Lodge, please email it to b allard54@hotmail.com or drop a note with the information into the newsletter box located next to the jukebox in the lounge !!!

There is an open position available on the House Committee.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Barbara Allard.

Leonard and Dorothy Arkerson

Shirley King

George E. Morancy, PER, LM

December Anniversaries

Spouse Birthdays

Theresa Zevetchin



From the Office of the Trustees ~ Frank Santin

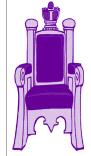
<u>IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING THE LODGE MORTGAGE</u>

This notice is to advise the general membership that our Lodge #184 will be considering a proposed **refinancing of our existing mortgage** currently held by Dover Federal Savings Bank of Dover, NH. The Board of Directors has been reviewing a variety of proposals. The Board has determined that by remaining with Dover Federal Savings Bank and restructuring our current mortgage; that the pending proposal is the most favorable option and received a unanimous vote of endorsement by the Board members present at our last Board of Directors meeting.

It is intended to present the restructuring proposal at the next general membership meeting scheduled for December 12, 2012 for a vote to approve/disapprove. At that meeting we will have copies available for any member wishing to review the drafted amendment to the existing mortgage, but in advance there is a breakdown below that summarizes the proposed changes.

- 1. The current balance of approx of \$167,609 remains the same. (We are **not** asking for any additional funds.)
- 2. The existing term runs for another 135 months which calls for a projected payoff date in approx February of 2024. The term would remain in place but the payoff would be shortened depending on how aggressive we are in reducing the principal.
- 3. Our current interest rate is 7 1/2 %. This would be reduced to 4 1/4 % with a fixed rate set for five years followed by a variable rate of Prime plus 1 for the remaining balance of the term. (For example; as of today Prime is at 4 1/4% so if the variable were to start today we would be paying 5 1/4% against whatever the balance is that remains in five years.)
- 4. We are currently paying \$1843 per month towards our mortgage. The new amount would be reduced to \$1570, saving us \$270 per month.
- 5. The lower interest rate would also mean that we are responsible for a lower interest payment. This allows us the option of making a smaller monthly payment than we are now for any period of time if we were running short on funds. Otherwise we could continue paying the same amount we pay now or even a little higher which helps us attack the principal which serves to shorten the term and pay even less interest.
- 6. And added benefit occurs if we refinance by restructuring our mortgage with Dover Fed. There will be no closing fees that would otherwise cost us \$900-1100 since we are modifying an existing mortgage and as a courtesy, Dover Federal will waive a standard \$250 fee for modifying the mortgage because we are a non-profit.

If you have any questions or concerns even prior to the December 12, 2012 meeting, feel free to contact any one of your Board Members (Trustees and Chair Officers) listed on the previous page.



THE VACANT CHAIR

With great sadness, we formally announce the passing of our departed brothers. Brother Michael McConnell was born on December 4, 1948 and passed away on October 27, 2012. He was proposed by Maureen Loughman and was initiated on June 26, 2010.

All of us within the Lodge convey our sincere condolences to the families and friends of our departed brothers. A memorial donation will be sent to the Elks National Foundation in Michael's name.



NEWS FROM DOVER EMBLEM CLUB #4 Pat Jacques. Correspondence Secretary

It is with great sadness that we learned of the passing of one of our dear members, Janice Elliot. She was a member for almost 40 years. Five Emblem members attended her Memorial service in Newmarket. President Judie Dionne performed the service along with Kay Tuttle, Rachel St. Lawrence, Pat Marshburn, and Pat Jacques. We were honored to have been given Janice's Past

President pin which will be passed down to each Past President in the future.

Emblem's Friday night dinners started on November 2nd with a Chicken dinner. It was a great success and thank you to all who planned and helped with the dinner. Our next dinner is planned for December 7th ~ Ham and Scalloped Potatoes, Veggies and Dessert. We hope everyone will try to come and enjoy the dinners as well as the entertainment provided by the Elk's House Committee.

President Judie, Pat, Rachel, and Eileen attended the Supreme Emblem luncheon in Nashua which honors the Supreme officers from New Hampshire. Supreme officers from Maine and Massachusetts were also in attendance.

Our Christmas party will be held on December 19th at 6:30 pm at mama D's. A menu will be sent with the December newsletter. You will be able to order off the menu. Kindly have the correct amount. We will be having a Yankee Swap. Deadline is Sunday, December 16th. Call Pat Jacques at 781-7975.

From your House Committee:

Because of the holidays this month there are only two Friday Night Dinners. The Emblem Club is hosting the first one on the 7th and Peter will be cooking Meat Loaf on the 14th. If you have any meal suggestions please drop them in the suggestion box next to the sign in sheet or email them to Peter at doverlounge@comcast.net. Nappy will be playing in the lounge on the 7th for the Lodge Christmas Party/Yankee Swap and John Cox is back on the 14th.

New Year's Eve Silver and Gold Gala ~ Monday, December 31st ~ Prime Rib and Chicken Marcella, appetizers, dessert table, champagne toast, and party favors all for \$25.00 per person ~ Music by Saxx Roxx Band (Nappy's new band). The House Committee has come up with some exciting ideas for appetizers and desserts!! Ticket are on sale NOW!! Please see your friendly bartenders for tickets (before December 23rd) and make sure to sign up for your table!!

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year from your House Committee!!!

ELKS CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

A Christmas Party for children / grandchildren (ages 10 & under) of Elk and Emblem members will be held in the main hall on Saturday, December 15th from 1:00pm – 3:00pm. Children will enjoy face painting, balloon animals, Clown show, snacks and a special visit from Santa who will have a gift for every child.

If you wish to volunteer & assist with the planning of this exciting party, please call Linda Grant @ 207-698-7228 or Barbara Allard @ 692-5879 or attend the organizational meetings on Mondays, November 5th and 26th at 6:30pm at the Lodge. Our goal is make the holiday season brighter for our little ones. If you wish your child or grandchild to attend please complete the form below and return it to the Lodge (Dover Elks #184, 282 Durham road, Dover, NH 03820 Attn: Children's Christmas Party). Give it to a bartender or drop it in the Newsletter mailbox next to the Jukebox no later than December 2, 2012.

Elks Children's Christmas Party Saturday, 12/17/2012	1:00pm – 3:00pm	
Member Name Membership #	# of Children attending	ng P
Relationship to Member:		
Names and Ages of Children:		



Elks Hoop Shoot Saturday, 12/1/12 @ Dover High School Gym 9:00am

Open to all boys and girls ages 8-13.

Mark your calendar and bring the kids to this fun event.

Volunteers NEEDED ~ come on down and help out!!!



GRILLE OPERATING HOURS (bartender's discretion)



Sun, Mon, Tues, & Thurs, 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Wednesday 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Friday 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 a.m.

Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. (no function)

Happy Hour every Tues & Thurs 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.





Annual Hunter's Feed at the Dover Elks #184 Sunday, January 19, 2013



If you have any game, meat, fowl or anything else you would like to donate to the feed, we will happily accept anything you are able to donate.

Donations may be dropped off at the lodge or if you cannot deliver, please call the lodge (742-9851) or contact Bruce Horn and we will be happy to arrange a pick up.

The function will be in the main hall from 12:00 noon to 4:00 pm. Dinner will be served at 3:00 pm with raffles and prizes to follow.

Limited beverages will be included in the price of just \$25.00 per person, payable at the door. Come One, Come All to the first big event of the Elks' New Year!

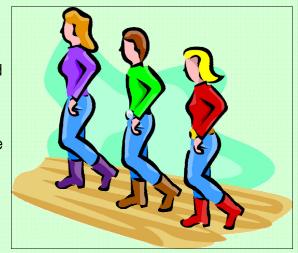
LINE DANCING LESSONS AT THE LODGE!!

Mark your calendars for some fun and excitement as the Dover Elks Lodge will be hosting Line Dancing Lessons next year. Instructor John Cox will hold one hour sessions for 6 weeks at the low cost of \$30 per person (that's only \$5 per lesson) beginning on Monday, January 21, 2013 at 6:30 pm.

Bring your friends, bring your family, heck, bring your neighbors!! Full payment (\$30) is due before the start of the 1st lesson and paid directly to Mr. Cox. The doors will open at 6:00 pm for payment and registration. So bring your cash, dust off your dancing shoes, grab your friends and come join in the fun!!!!

If there is a cancellation due to inclement weather, the lesson will be added to the end of the schedule.

The dates are: January 21st, and 28th, February 4th, 18th, and 25th, and March 4th. (Please note there is **NO** class on Feb 11th)



Riverside Rest Home Christmas Party

Please join us as we spread some Holiday Cheer with the folks at Dover's Riverside Rest Home.

Meet us there on Tuesday, December 4th at 6:00 pm for some
Christmas caroling and a visit from Santa. He may have one of his elves there too!
There will be cake and ice cream for everyone!
Members and guests are invited to come along.
Try to get there by 5:30 ~ we will need help transporting the residents to and from

Try to get there by 5:30 ~ we will need help transporting the residents to and from the Recreation Room.



Lodge Christmas Party



The Lodge Christmas Party and Yankee Swap (\$10 limit) will be held in the lounge on Friday December 7th <u>after</u> the Emblem Club's Dinner.

Come have dinner and join us for some festive fun.





Bring your favorite Christmas Cookies or Snacks to share and your present for the Yankee Swap!



Music by NAPPI

7:00pm - 10:30pm

12/31/2012

Cocktails: 6:00 pm

Dinner: 7:00 pm

Music by

SAXX ROXX BAND

ONLY

\$25.00

per person

Celebrate the
New Year with
friends and family at
the
Dover Lodge of Elks

Members and Invited Guests !!!

No Jeans/T-Shirts/ Sneakers



Dover Elks New Years Eve Silver & Gold Gala



Prime Rib, Chicken Marsala, Dessert Table Party Favors Champagne Toast at Midnight!



Tickets go on sale at the Lodge November 1st!!

Be sure to sign up for your table when picking up your tickets

For more information, call the Lodge at 742-9851 or contact

Val Kincaid at valsie@comcast.net!!

or Barbara Allard at b_allard54@hotmail.com

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
					QUEEN OF HEARTS <u>EVERY</u> FRIDAY NIGHT!!	HOOP SHOOT DOVER HIGH ~ 9am	
2 Pool League 1:00 pm 2nd Annual Chili Cook Off!!	****	4 HAPPY HOUR 6-8 CRIBBAGE	5 Board of Directors Meeting 7pm	6 HAPPY HOUR 6-8	7 EMBLEM Dinner HAM Dinner Entertainment: Nappy Lodge Christmas Party/ Yankee Swap ~ bring a gift ~ get a gift!!	8	
9 Pool League 1:00 pm	House Committee Meeting 6:30 pm Y	11 HAPPY HOUR 6-8 CRIBBAGE	12 Lodge Meeting 7pm	HAPPY HOUR 6-8 Emblem Meeting 7:00 pm	14 Friday Night Dinner MEAT LOAF DJ John Cox	15 Children's Christmas Party 1 - 3 pm	
16 Pool League 1:00 pm	17	18 HAPPY HOUR 6-8 CRIBBAGE	19	20 HAPPY HOUR 6-8	21 No Dinner or Entertainment Because of the Holiday	22	
30	24 Christmas Eve 31 New Years Eve Gala	Merry Christmas	26	27 HAPPY HOUR 6-8	28 No Dinner or Entertainment Because of the Holiday	29	