

Lebanon Lodge of Elks #2099

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Dear Members

All is going fairly well as I approach my second month as ER. After having had a two week vacation and the State Convention, the last 3 weeks have put me a little behind.

The State Convention was marked by our one and only George Lapan, PER, PDD, being installed as the New Hampshire State President. Parker Argent, PER came from North Carolina to install George. Brian Ryea, PER, PDD, PSP, is now the State Secretary, Willis Ballou is now the State Tyler and Lois Lapan is now the State Chaplin. The Memorial Service on Sunday May 20th was conducted by all of the state exalted rulers all clad in their formal wear and jewels to honor our fallen members. As always, it was an impressive ceremony to witness

It saddens me to have to report that we have recently lost three of our brother Elks here in Lebanon; Kurt Foshee, Chip Ackerson and Wilfred (Inky) Plamondon, Jr.

Charlie Therriault, Jimmy Adams, Cullen Downing and I have had a couple of good sessions of work on the building of a shed for Copper Cannon Camp and it will be delivered on Saturday, June 2nd. That is also the day for Copper Cannon Cleanup. **We will be leaving the Lodge at 7:00 a.m**. We are still looking for volunteers to put in a work day up there. This is for a great cause so let's step up! This would be a great time for those of you that have never seen this camp to get a bird's eye view of it. Of course, the best time to go is when all of the kids are there so you can see how important this place is but for now we need all the help we can get. I repeat my last newsletter to say that we will need help with taking care of gardening, painting and whatever other needs there are on that day so you folks that have an interest in those areas should try to make a point of showing up for this day.

On May 24th, I, Brian Ryea, Pam Goude, Jim Adams, Allison Jones, and Cullen Downing were proud to have the honor to be witness to the delivery of furniture to outfit 6 bedrooms of furniture to Harbor Homes in Claremont. This was accomplished through the collaboration and the generosity of many people. Arleen and Steve Rutledge from Bridgman's Furniture were approached to see if they could assist us if we were successful in getting a grant from the Elk's National Foundation. Brian Ryea applied for the grant and we were notified that the grant had been approved and that a check in the amount of \$2000.00 would be sent to the Lodge. Tracy Broderick, Chair of the National Veterans Service Commission was consulted and she offered \$1000.00 for the project. With the funds available and with the generous donations from Bridgman's Furniture, Lebanon Elks Lodge was able to provide 6 twin size box springs, mattresses and frames along with dressers. Bridgman's Furniture realized that we were 2 night stands short of the project goal and donated two additional nightstands and also all of the bedding for the beds which included sheets and mattress covers. I thank all of you for your collaboration that resulted in such a wonderful effort for the benefit of our veterans.

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Annual Fishing Derby

This years Derby will be held on Saturday, June 9th @ NH Industries Pond. Registration will be from 9:30—10:00 AM. Kids ages 1-8 will fish from 10:00—10:45, and ages 9-15 will fish from

10:45—11:30. Lunch, Trophies and prizes will be at the Lodge after the Derby. If you wish to volunteer please contact Al Downing or Pam Goude at the Lodge. Bring your Kids, Grandkids, cousins, nieces and nephews to a wonderful day enjoying America's favorite past time....FISHING!

Elks Care - Elks Share

Friday Night Dinners

June 1st Italian Sausage \$7.00

With Onions and Peppers

June 8th Roast Pork \$8.00

DAD'S EAT FREE TONIGHT!

June 15th Steak BBQ \$10.00

FOLLOWED BY SINGING AND DANCING WITH JILL

June 22nd Chicken & Biscuits \$6.00

June 29th Backyard BBQ \$6.00

Burgers, Dogs and Salads

Dinner served with tossed salad and dinner rolls. 5:30—7:00 PM

UPCOMING EVENTS:

The Elks Fishing Derby will be held on Saturday, June 9th. Again, we are asking for volunteers to help out. For those of you that are interested in helping please talk with Al Downing. This event is open to the public.

Flag Day will be on Sunday, June 10 at 1:00 p.m. The Boy Scouts from Troup 34 will be advancing the flags. It would be nice to see a good representation of our membership in attendance to this event.

Cleanup day at the Lodge will be Saturday, June 23 starting at 9:00 a.m. Let's spiff this place up. Bring your rakes, gloves and tools.

Grand Lodge Convention to be held in Austin, Texas, June 30 – July 7th.

The Emblem Club will be having their seventh year of doing barbeques on the five Wednesday evenings in August. Make sure to stop by for a bite of chicken and fixins!

Franklin Lodge will be celebrating their 100th anniversary on June 23.

The State Picnic will be hosted by the Lebanon Lodge on August 5th. Contact Martha Chesley at the Lodge if you would like to help.

The Grand Exalted Ruler will be at our Lodge on Tuesday, September 25th. I will have more information to follow but in the mean-time it would be nice for our MEMBERS to put this on their calendars to remind themselves to make an effort to be at this event.