

Grand Exalted Ruler 2012-2013 Thomas S. Brazier
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2013-2014 Lodge Officers

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Elks National Foundation

The Elks National Foundation needs your help. I just checked our donations for this time last year against now and we are less than one third of the way to our required per capita. Last year at this time, we were over 50% of the way.

Remember this is where we get funds to do our Veteran, youth and community projects. If we don't make our per capita, we will not be able to apply for many of the grants that help us help others.

I will be sending out letters to all asking for your support of this program and hope that you will make a donation. The Grand Exalted Ruler has set this year per capita at \$4.50 per member again. Not all mem-

bers donate so I am asking everyone to please do what you can to get us at least to our per capita.

Checks can be sent or dropped off at the lodge marked for ENF or you can send a donation directly to ENF.

Elks National Foundation
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Thank you to all who have donated already and those who do.

In Elkdom,
 Sandy Shene, ENF Chair Person



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A Message from the Exalted Ruler

Summer is almost over, schools back in session, Fall is around the corner. The Lodge raffle will be drawn on Sept. 16th, at the lodge meeting. Please get your tickets sold and returned to the lodge as soon as you can. If you need more tickets, they are at the bar or contact Bill Shene. This is the largest fund raiser for the lodge, Please make it worthwhile. Thank You

This months Calender:

- Breakfast on the 1st,15th, 29th.
- Meat Bingo on the 20th
- Fish Fry on the 27th
- Lodge meeting on the 16th, with Initiation
- House and Board of Directors meetings on the 9th

The Family Fun Day and Bike Fest events were a big success, "Thank You's" to all who planned, helped, donated, and attended these events. Hopefully these events will continue to grow year by year, increasing our Public Image in the Community.

I hope everyone has a SAFE and HAPPY Holiday weekend.

Fraternally yours,
 Jim Culpon • *Exalted Ruler*

Donate for Life

a program the Elks support. To register go to www.donatelife.net and save a life or make one better.

Bulletin to be Read through our Website

The monthly bulletin is now available to read on our lodge's website. We are no longer mailing the bulletins to members unless a request is made to the lodge secretary to continue to receive it by regular mail.

www.laconiaelks876.org

Click on "Bulletin" and choose the month you want to read.

Any questions contact Sandra Gaumond at secretary876@metrocast.net or call the lodge.

THE ELKS PROFILE NEWSLETTER
 Published Monthly • Bob McCrea PER, Editor

A Message from the Esteemed Leading Knight

Well September is upon us, our children are starting back to school, drive with care. Please don't use your cell phones while driving because our children are in groups and many are not paying attention so as drivers we must pay close attention to what is going on around us. We must protect our future.

For all of you who have not returned your charity raffle ticket stubs and money, time is on us, the drawing is at the meeting Sep. 19th. Please consider buying the ticket yourself if you did not sell them. This is a very big part of the money we have to do the charity work in our community and programs.

Just one of the activities that we contribute to is the State Elks Major project, Copper Cannon Youth Summer Camp. This is a week free camp program for under privileged youths. To qualify for this the child only has to complete an application and medical form from doctor and qualify for the free lunch program in school. This does not mean they get free lunches because that is between them and the schools. What this means is their household income meets the same guide lines. We have been gaining in the number of youths sent to camp from our lodge area. Last year we sent 43 and this year we sent 47, with 2 more that were expected but had to cancel for personal reasons. Camp capacity at this time is 50 youths per week. With the completion of a new dining hall early next spring, the camp director hopes to be able to accommodate another 20 campers.

So any time someone asks you to help or donate to ENF just think of our youth of the community. Thank ENF for the money needed to do these worthwhile things. To list just a few of the programs sponsored by ENF, (Copper Cannon, College Scholarships which we give more than the US government, Our Veterans Programs, the grant money we receive such as that we are now using for the bicycle program we just had, along with many other community activities.

Fraternally yours,
 Bill Shene • *Esteem Leading Knight*

Secretary's Notes
Sandra Gaumond • Secretary
secretary876@metrocast.net

Youth Activities:

Our first annual youth bike fest was a great success. We gave 22 deserving children from the Lakes Region bicycles and helmets. The Boys and Girls Club enjoyed the new program and the local newspapers were great about promoting the event. Several members donated bikes and Wal-Mart in Tilton was great for the new bikes that we needed to purchase. This new program is thanks to an ENF grant and we are looking forward to continuing the program. Thank you to all who helped makes it a great day.

Thinking towards next year, anyone that would like to donate bikes, get them to Doti Acres Gath. We need bikes from 12" to 26". The biggest need is 20", 22" or 24" as that is the most common size bikes for 8-11 year olds which is who received 80% of this year's bikes.

**Gold Wing Fundraiser and
ENF Fundraiser
Coming in October**

2013-2014 Dues

*Remember all dues were due April 1, 2013.
If you haven't paid your dues you are delinquent!*

✂ cut along lines and mail back with payment

Dues Statement

April 1, 2013 – April 1, 2014

Name: _____
 Membership #: _____
 Annual Regular Member Dues (\$58.50)
 Amount Included: _____
 Annual Life Member Dues (\$23.50)
 Amount Included: _____
Optional Donations
 1) Elks National Foundation (ENF)
 Amount Included: _____
 2) State Major Project (Copper Cannon)
 Amount Included: _____
 3) Lodge Scholarship Fund
 Amount Included: _____
 Total Paid for 2013-2014: _____

Lodge Activities:

Family Fun Day was a great success for its 4th year and continues to keep growing. As always we still need more Elks there the day of to help pull off the event. Thank you to all who was there this year it was wonderful to see more members of our lodge involved. The plans for Elk Mania are underway and we are looking forward to another great event. The date for this event has not be set yet but we will keep you informed but the tentative date is November 23. As always there is Meat Bingo and Fish Fry.

Special Note

September Scratch Ticket Raffle-
See Peter, Deidre, Doti and Sandy G for tickets.
Winner gets 100 scratch tickets

From the Lodge Trustees:

If you notice anything in the lodge that needs repair, please bring it to our attention. In September and October we would like to get the shelves in the shed and get that more organized, Anyone interested in helping, please see Peter or Doti so we can set a date. Thank you to Rich for keeping up with our lawn this summer. Bids will be going out for snowplowing this winter, anyone who would like to submit a bid please do so by September 30.

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SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
\$8 pp 1 Breakfast 8-11	2 Lodge 7 PM	3	4	5 PER Meeting	6 Hall Rental	7
8	9 House 6:30 Trustee 7:00	10	11	12	13	14
\$8 pp 15 Breakfast 8-11	16 Lodge 7 PM	17 Hall Rental	18	19	20 Meat Bingo	21
22	23	24	25	26	27 Fish Fry	28
\$8 pp 29 Breakfast 8-11	30					

Fish Fry Fri., Sept 27 & Oct 25
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- OCTOBER 2013 -

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
		1	2	3 PER Meeting	4	5
6 Gold Wing Fundraiser	7 Lodge 7 PM	8	9	10	11	12 ENF Fundraiser
13 Breakfast 8-11	14 House 6:30 Trustee 7:00	15	16	17	18 Meat Bingo	19 Hall Rental
20	21 Lodge 7 PM	22	23	24	25 Fish Fry	26
27 Breakfast 8-11	28	29	30	31  Happy Halloween!		



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