



Portsmouth Elks No 97

NEWSLETTER ♦ AUGUST, 2013

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EXALTED RULER'S MESSAGE

JOHN McCUNE, JR.

As I write this, I am in Reno at the Elk's National Convention. For our trip here, we decided to drive and it has taken a few weeks to get here, so first and foremost I'd like to thank all of my officers for holding down the fort in my absence.

Our trip across the country has given us the opportunity to visit and stay at many Elks Lodges with our camper. As travelling frequently does, it gets you to appreciate what you have at home and in regards to the majority of the Lodges we have visited, this has certainly been the case. Most Lodges are hanging on by a shoe string, their membership is down,

and they are not sure how long they can survive. Here at the convention on the first day, we were told that last years' membership declined by over 23,000 members - approximately 2.69%, and this has been the trend for the past 30 years. In short, we are blessed to have such a strong and active Lodge, as we are not experiencing these problems at the current time. I think some of this is due to the Seacoast area, but our Lodge has been well run over the course of time.

In regards to the Lodge, you have probably noticed our continual improvements. Most recently, the pool has been fixed and re-decked,

so come down and enjoy! Thank you Don Hunter for spearheading that project and getting it done! We will continue to improve the Lodge and keep up with the times, and I think this will help to keep us thriving. In addition to that is member involvement, which we can always use more of. Please come down and enjoy our beautiful Lodge, and consider getting involved. We have a great organization in the Portsmouth Lodge of Elk's, and the more people involved the better it will be.

Remember, Elks Care, Elks Share!
Fraternally,
John McCune, Jr. *Exalted Ruler*

SECRETARY'S NOTES

RENEE McCUNE, SECRETARY



LODGE OF SORROW

JEFFREY FRAMPTON

DOI: 6/28/1981, DOB: 9/27/1949, DOD: 6/4/2013

VINCENT REVIEZZO

DOI: 2/17/2004, DOB: 9/7/1938, DOD: 6/5/2013



NEW MEMBERS

One May 28th we brought in 12 new members. Please join me in welcoming them: Barbara Meserve, Caitlin Colitto, Delmira Morse, Kevin Kobylinski, Logan Riley, Maggie Duffy Durkin, Mark Foderu, Paul Russo, Peter Chiano, Steve Medeiros, Theresa Kobylinski, Valerie Kolosky

POOL IS OPEN

The pool is open, remember, there is no lifeguard on duty, so swim safe! We kindly ask that there is no horseplay in the pool area.



POOL RULES

1. No lifeguard on duty, swim at your own risk
2. Pool use restricted to Elks members & their guests only
3. Children under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult
4. No glass containers allowed in the pool area
5. No diving or running
6. No alcoholic beverages allowed in pool area
7. Bathroom rules are posted at the entrance to the bathrooms from the deck
8. Shoes must be worn in the bathrooms

NEW THIS YEAR FOR POOL

There is a fee for Spouse pool access cards: \$5.00 (See Renee McCune for card)

DELINQUENT LIST

As of July 15 we have 185 members on the delinquent list. The list is located behind the bar - please review and if you know anyone on the list, please contact them and have them pay their 2013-2014 dues.

PORTSMOUTH LODGE CHARITIES APRIL 1, 2013—JULY 14, 2013

Copper Cannon	\$1,000
Mended Hearts	\$1,467
New Franklin School (hall discount)	\$200
NH Association for the Blind	\$553.71
One Mission: Deb Nadeau	\$100
Pease Greeters	\$1,514
Pool Renovations	\$700
Seacoast Family Promise	\$100
TOTAL	\$5,634.71

NH ELKS CHARITABLE DATA SUMMARY FOR 2012-2013

Program Participants:	88,893
Elks Who Worked:	10,771
Helpers of Elks Who Worked:	2,606
Total Workers:	13,377
Elks Hours Donated:	32,338
Helpers Hours Donated:	14,170
Total Hours:	46,508
Cash Value of Donated Hours*:	\$1,013,409.32
Elks Miles Traveled:	131,779
Helpers Miles Traveled:	30,258
Total Miles:	162,037
Cash Value of Miles Traveled**:	\$89,120.35
Cash Contributions:	\$177,164.00
Non-Cash Contributions:	\$692,234.00
Total Contributions:	\$1,971,927.67

* The Federal Government has determined that the cost of work done by charitable organizations like the Elks would average out to \$21.79 per hour if performed by social care and government agencies.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Exalted Ruler	John McCune, Jr.
Leading Knight	Colin McGee
Loyal Knight	Anne-Marie King
Lecturing Knight	Gina Godbout
Esquire	Dan King <small>PER, PSP, PDD, HLM</small>
Chaplain	Larry Hart <small>PER, PDDGER, PSP</small>
Inner Guard	Linda Arsenault
Tiler	Rocky Coulp
Secretary	Renee McCune
Treasurer	Robert Fiandaca <small>HLM</small>
Lodge Manager and Caterer	John Mikol
5 YR Trustee	Tracy Delaney <small>PER</small>
4 YR Trustee	Karen Hunter <small>PER</small>
3 YR Trustee	Dave Thibeault <small>PER</small>
2 YR Trustee	Don Hunter
1 YR Trustee	Brigid Arcand <small>PER</small>

COMMITTEES & CHAIRMEN

Accident Prevention	Patrick Mullaly
Americanism	Renee McCune
Auditing	Carl Bletzer
Bylaws Committee	Anne-Marie King
Christmas Baskets	Dave Thibeault <small>PER</small>
Community Activities	Dave Thibeault <small>PER</small>
Drug Awareness	Renee McCune
Entertainment	Linda Arsenault
Lodge Activities	Don Hunter
Flag Day	Doug Kirkpatrick <small>PER</small>
Government Relations	Ray Mullaly <small>PER, PDD, HLM</small>
Hoop Shoot	Stan Maddock <small>PER</small>
Indoctrination	Dan King <small>PER, PSP, PDD, HLM</small>
Investigations	Renee McCune
Kids Christmas Party	Tracy Delaney <small>PER</small>
Lapsation	Renee McCune
Lucky Sevens	Dave Thibeault
Mediator	Carl Bletzer
Membership	John McCune, Jr.
Memorial Sunday	Doug Kirkpatrick <small>PER</small>
ENF	Laura Coakley
Newsletter	Scarlett McCrae
	Renee McCune
Parliamentarian	Ray Mullaly <small>PER, PDD, HLM</small>
PER Association	Doug Kirkpatrick <small>PER</small>
Relief	Chair Officers
Scholarship	Colin McGee
Soccer Shoot	Colin McGee
Turkey Raffle	Dave Thibeault
Veterans	Marga Coulp
Visiting	Governing Body
Website	John McCune, Jr.



SECRETARY'S NOTES...CONTINUED

TUESDAY MEETINGS

All members are welcome to attend the Tuesday meetings, which are held on the 2nd & 4th Tuesdays at 6:30pm. We'd like to see more members attend. Come down with your thoughts and concerns. Please note: during the meetings the bar will be closed.

NOTE

In accordance with State Liquor Laws, all

non-members MUST be signed in by a member. A Member can sign in up to four guests. Delinquent or unaffiliated (dropped) Elks CAN NOT be signed in as a guest. If delinquent, they must pay their dues, if unaffiliated they must be reinstated.

BIRTHDAYS

For those of you who have a birthday in August, Happy Birthday from all of us!

WHAT'S UP IN ELKDOM?

NH ELKS CONVENTION

JOHN McCUNE

In May the annual NH State Elk's Association held its annual convention, and a good time was had by all. As usual, Portsmouth 97 had the best suite with its "lobster" theme, complete with lobster traps, lobster lights, lobster shots, and lobster rolls. Our suite is always a great success due to this theme and such fantastic appetizers and drinks. I would like to thank John Mikol and his crew for preparing all of the food and lobster, Sheryl Timmons for her famous jello shots, Linda Arsenault for the BIG sandwich, Anne Marie and Dan King for supervising the "lobster races", Tracy Delaney for selling raffle tickets, and the Hunters for all of their transporting and setting up.

I would also like to thank everyone else that attended and helped out as I am sure I am forgetting someone. I would especially like to thank my wife Renee for all of her work getting the suite prepared. As usual, she went above and beyond, and all would agree the suite was fully prepared for everything.

Most importantly, we raised over \$500 for One Fund Boston, and this outweighs everything else.

DECK OPENING AND 50/50 RAFFLE RESULTS

The Deck Opening was a big success! A special thank you goes out to John Mikol and his team for providing the food and frozen drink specials and thank you to Gina Godbout for doing the cooking on the grill!

WINNERS OF THE RAFFLE WERE:

Maria Sillari \$900.00
Michael Griffin \$500.00
Maria Sillari \$200.00
Mark Eddows \$100.00

2013 ELKS LODGE #97 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Portsmouth Lodge #97 of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks is proud to present this year's recipients of \$6,000 in scholarships. These students were selected based on their extraordinary scholastic achievements,



Pictured from left to right are Brigid Arcand, Trustee; Chloe Lesieur, Rebecca Lockhart, Tessa Kaye, Olivia Eaton, Sophie Ruesswick, Elizabeth Tague and Colin McGee, Lecturing Knight. leadership, and commitment to community.

HALL RENTALS

Only Elk members in good standing are eligible for a discount for the hall rental. The Elk member must sign the contract and by doing so is responsible for all aspects of the contract.

THANK YOU'S

John Mikol and Team—thank you for putting on a great breakfast for the Saco/Biddeford Elks. Received great comments on food and hospitality.

Ted Boisvert —Thank you for all of your work on the function hall

PEASE GREETERS



Pease Greeters: Marga Coulp presents Al Weston with a check

Marga Coulp was able to attend the last flight that arrived at Pease Air Force Base and present Al

UPCOMING EVENTS

Weston with the money that was raised at our Kentucky Derby and the function that Marga and her team held at the Elks.

SOCCER SHOOT

SUNDAY, SEPT 1, 10AM REGISTRATION



The Soccer Shoot will take place on Sun., Sept. 1 at the High School. Registration begins at 10 AM, 11 AM start. It is open to kids under 14. Winners receive trophies and advance to the State championship.

TRI-LODGE GAMES

AUGUST 3RD @ NOON

LOCATION: PORTSMOUTH ELKS

It is that time of year again where we go up against Rochester and Dover in some fun games. This year it is at our Lodge. The games start at noon and we will have entertainment by Ron Drolet directly following the games (3-7pm). As you all know, we lost the trophy to Rochester last year and we really want to get it back. We need as many of our members to come down and support us, so please mark your calendars!

We will need some volunteers! Please see grill room bulletin board for sign-up sheet. Note: We will be accepting non-perishable food items to donate to the Seacoast food pantry

MEAT AND LOBSTER RAFFLE

SUNDAY, AUGUST 11 @ 2PM

DON HUNTER

This month's Meat/Lobster Raffle will benefit Liberty House. Liberty House is a non-profit organization, offering first-transitional housing, medical, and job assistance for homeless vets in New Hampshire. During their stay at Liberty House, residents are part of a supportive Veteran community that keeps them optimistic and committed to their goals. In the cozy home life atmosphere, Veterans feel like part of a family. Please take a few hours out of your day and show our Veterans your support and appreciation for all they have done for us.

INVESTIGATION/INDOCTRINATION

THURSDAY, AUGUST 22ND @ 6PM

On Thurs., August 22 there will be an investigation for new candidates. An invitation letter/email will be sent to those who need to be present.

SAVE-THE-DATE

ANNUAL CLAM BAKE & DUCK RACE

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

The annual Clam Bake and Duck Race will be held this year on the Sunday of Labor Day weekend. There will be John's famous seafood chowder, steam-



ers and mussels as appetizers. The choices for the clam bake are 1/4 pound of lobster, steak or 1/2 of a BBQ chicken with corn on the cob and red potatoes on the side.

The lobsters are 1/4 lb. because anything smaller, would just be too small. The costs are as follows: 1/4 lb. Lobster \$15.00, Steak \$14.00 and 1/2 a BBQ Chicken \$12.00. The food will be served from 1 to 2:30. Tickets go on sale the beginning of August. Mark your calendars for a day of good food, good friends and fun.

The Annual Duck Race is always held the same day as the Clam Bake. The time that the ducks are set free in the river, depends on the tides. The cost for a duck is \$5.00. If your duck is the first to cross the finish line, you win! You can buy your ducks in the grill room, just ask your friendly bartenders.



INITIATION

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10 @ 6PM

On Tuesday, Sept. 10 we will be having an initiation for all new candidates that have gone through the investigation process. All candidates need to be at the lodge by 5:15pm. New Members: At this time we will ask for the following: Remaining application fee, Pro-Rated Dues, Any contribution to the Elks National Foundation

DISTRICT DEPUTY AUDIT

OCTOBER 19TH @ 10AM

VETERANS HOSPITAL BINGO'S

SEPTEMBER 30,

OCTOBER 21 & DECEMBER 30

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SAVE THESE DATES!

AUGUST

- Aug. 2 Friday Night Dinner 5-7PM
- Aug. 3 Tri-Lodge Games 12PM
- Aug. 9 Friday Night Dinner 5-7PM
- Aug. 11 Meat & Lobster Raffle 2PM
- Aug. 16 Friday Night Dinner 5-7PM
- Aug. 22 Investigation/Indoctrination 6PM
- Aug. 27 G.B. Meeting 5:30PM & Regular Meeting 6:30PM
- Aug. 23 Friday Night Dinner 5-7PM
- Aug. 30 Friday Night Dinner 5-7PM

SEPTEMBER

- Sept. 1 Annual Clam Bake 1PM & Duck Race
- Sept. 10 Meeting & Initiation 6PM

LODGE INFORMATION

ELKS EMAIL ADDRESS



If you want to send an email to the Elks the address is: elks97@comcast.net

Please email information, address updates, newsletter submissions, etc., to that address.

E-NEWSLETTER INFO

The newsletter is now posted on the www.elks.org website on or about the first of the month under the Lodge #97 News or:

<http://www.elks.org/lodges/lodgenews.cfm?lodgenumber=97>

Please help the lodge save on printing & mailing costs, and see it sooner and in color. To be added to the email list send an email with ELKS in the subject field & include: your full name, address and email address to elks97@comcast.net. You'll receive an email notification when the newsletter is posted.

LODGE MEETINGS

REGULAR MEETINGS

Second & Fourth Tuesdays 6:30 PM

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Second Tuesday 5:30 PM

GOVERNING BODY

Fourth Tuesday 6 PM

GRILLROOM INFO

GRILLROOM PHONE: 603-436-9606

JOHN MIKOL 603-431-2510

Monday — Thursday: 12:00-10 PM

Friday & Saturday: 12:00-12:00 AM

Sunday: 12:00-10:00 PM



FRIDAY NIGHT DINNERS

Every Friday night John provides dinners at a great cost of just \$7.50. There are two choices every week and they are posted at the Lodge on Wednesdays. Dinners are from 5-7pm.



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 TO DRUGS**

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18	19	20	21	22 INVEST. & INDOCTRIN. 6PM	23 FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER 5-7 PM	24
25 SEPT. 1 CLAM BAKE 1PM DUCK RACE	26	27 G.B. MEET. 5:30PM & REGULAR MEET. 6:30PM	28	29	30 FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER 5-7 PM	31