

# Portsmouth Elks No 97

NEWSLETTER ♦ OCTOBER, 2012

500 JONES AVENUE, PORTSMOUTH, NH  
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## EXALTED RULER'S MESSAGE

TRACY DELANEY

The pool's closed and the kids are back in school so I think we can officially say that summer is over. With the beautiful fall weather we have been having, it's not surprising to see more pedestrian traffic on Jones Ave. These runners and walkers seem to spend more time admiring the foliage and scenery than looking out for cars. I need to again remind our members that the speed limit on Jones Ave is 15 MPH. Please keep a sharp eye out for foot traffic when driving on the road. We have done all we can to remind our neighbors that Jones Ave. is a road for vehicular traffic. Let's all do our part to make Jones Ave a safe road.

I also wanted to inform our members that at our meeting on September 11th, the members voted not to amend our by-laws to adopt the option to utilize the shortened ritual at the opening, closing and initiations as pro-

vided by the Grand Lodge. The Elks is an old organization steeped in tradition. These words were written over 100 years ago and though their language may seem a bit archaic, their meaning is quite beautiful. I urge any member to come to an initiation and actually listen to words spoken on Charity, Justice and Brotherly Love. This is what the Elks are all about.

Speaking of Charity, we are now coming into our busiest season. Over the next couple of months we have many charitable events that will need volunteers. Some of these events are the Turkey Raffle, Holiday Basket Raffle, Hoop Shoot, and the Christmas Basket Delivery. If you feel the urge to volunteer, here is a great opportunity. Please keep an eye out on the Lodge bulletin board, the newsletter or speak with any Lodge officer.

October is a fun month at our Lodge. We

will be having a Pumpkin Carving Contest and a Halloween Party in the Grille Room. When was the last time you carved a pumpkin? For many years now members have been bringing their carving skills to the Lodge for a fun, competitive evening. If you're too embarrassed to show off your skill, just come down and vote on your favorite pumpkin. There will be prizes and the pumpkins will be on display.

In closing, I just wanted to thank John Mikol, Sandy, Bill, Debbie, Rob and their crew for the great job they did with the Annual Clam Bake. The food was delicious as usual and a great time was had by all. If you did not attend, I encourage you to save the date on your calendar for next year.

As always, remember, Elks Care Elks Share.  
Fraternally,  
Tracy Delaney,  
Exalted Ruler

## SECRETARY'S NOTES

RENEE McCUNE, SECRETARY

phone with your new address when you leave. It costs us extra postage for the newsletters if it does not get to you. All address changes are greatly appreciated. The email for the Lodge is [elks97@comcast.net](mailto:elks97@comcast.net).

### PEDESTRIANS IN THE ROAD/ DRIVING SPEED

As most of you have noticed coming and going from the lodge, there are times that we have pedestrians walking in the road with their children or pets or students coming out of the trail from the woods and going into the road - PLEASE drive slow (speed limit is 15MPH) and keep an eye out for these folks.

### BY LAWS CHANGE

On Tuesday, October 13th we will be having a vote at our regular meeting to change the By Laws to reflect the increase in the Reinstatement fee from \$15 to \$25.

### PORTSMOUTH ELKS #97 CHARITABLE DONATIONS

#### APRIL 1, 2012 – SEPTEMBER 12, 2012

Avon Breast Cancer	\$563.12
Chief Michael Maloney	\$150.00
Copper Cannon	\$700.00
Dictionary Program	\$300.00
Elks National Foundation	\$3,036.00
Friends Project	\$515.00
MDA	\$68.00
NH Association for the Blind	\$523.39
NH Cub Scouts Pack 164	\$100.00
NH State Charity Dance	\$100.00
NH Theatre Project	\$500.00
Portsmouth Little League	\$600.00
Seacoast Food Pantry	\$710.00
Youth Scholarships	\$3,500.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$11,365.51</b>

### REMINDER

In accordance with State Liquor Laws, all non-members MUST BE SIGNED IN by a member. This includes spouses and significant others. A member can sign in up to four guests. Members who sign in a guest are responsible for their guest. Guests must leave when the



### LODGE OF SORROW

WILLIAM A. DAMOUR

DOI: 06/28/2005 DOB: 11/20/1933 DOD: 09/07/2012

### MEMBERS ELIGIBLE FOR LIFE MEMBERSHIP

At our regular meeting on September 11th the following members were voted in as Life members (the new rate will be in your dues notice that will be mailed out in December). Brian D Rafferty, Harry C. Clark, James E. Ritzo, John Martin, Joseph J. O'Brien, Jr., Paul Bernier, Raymond L. Cotillo, Ronald J. Bovio, Royce D. MacDormand.

### SNOWBIRDS

It is that time of year again when all you lucky people get to go south for the winter. Please remember to drop us a line via email or

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Exalted Ruler	Tracy Delaney
Leading Knight	John McCune
Loyal Knight	Colin McGee
Lecturing Knight	Anne-Marie King
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	Karen Hunter <small>PER</small>
4 YR Trustee	Dave Thibeault <small>PER</small>
3 YR Trustee	Don Hunter
2 YR Trustee	Brigid Arcand <small>PER</small>
1 YR Trustee	Patrick Mullaly

## COMMITTEES & CHAIRMEN

Accident Prevention	Patrick Mullaly
Americanism	Linda Arsenault
Auditing	Charles Meade
Bylaws Committee	Brigid Arcand
Christmas Baskets	Dave Thibeault <small>PER</small>
Community Activities	Dave Thibeault <small>PER</small>
Drug Awareness	
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	Darcy Gallucci
Lapsation	Renee McCune
Lucky Sevens	Dave Thibeault
Mediator	Carl Bletzer
Membership	Tracy Delaney
Memorial Sunday	Doug Kirkpatrick <small>PER</small>
National Foundation Newsletter	Laura Coakley 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
Spelling Bee	Laura Coakley
Soccer Shoot	Colin McGee
Turkey Raffle	Dave Thibeault
Veterans	Marga Coulp
Visiting	Governing Body
Website	John McCune



## SECRETARY'S NOTES CONTINUED

sponsoring member leaves, unless another member signs the guest in and assumes the responsibility for that guest. **NOTE:** DELINQUENT or UNAFFILIATED (dropped) Elks CANNOT be signed in as a guest. If delinquent, they must pay their dues, if unaffiliated, they must be reinstated. **REMEMBER:** If your guest is not your spouse or significant other, you can only sign them in three times – after that they must either join the Lodge or stop coming in as a guest.

### OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

For those of you with a birthday in October, Happy Birthday!

### PORTSMOUTH ELKS DUES/FEEES

- Regular Membership Dues: \$60.00
- Life & Honorary Members Dues \$21.25
- New Application Fee \$25.00
- Reinstatement Application Fee \$15.00 (due upon completion of application)
- Transfer from another lodge fee \$25.00 (due upon request)
- Return check fee \$25.00

## MEMBERS SPONSORING NEW CANDIDATES

I would like to thank our Members for continuously bringing in new candidates. A few things to please remember to let them know:

- 1) Application fee is \$25 we require \$10 upon completion of the application, the remaining \$15 will be collected at Initiation. Once application is completed and the partial fee is collected, give the application to the bartender and make sure she/he issues a receipt for the \$10.
- 2) The Elks year runs April 1 — March 31st.
- 3) Annual Dues are \$60 (If you are initiated during the year, the dues are pro-rated)
- 4) Once a date is determined for Investigation/Initiation a letter is sent to all candidates. Please note: we do not hold these every month, it depends on the number of applicants, so there can be a delay from the time we receive their application to the time a letter is sent out (could be a month or more)
- 5) Remind them to keep their receipt so they may come to the Lodge while awaiting Investigation/Initiation

## WHAT'S UP IN ELKDOM



### PORTSMOUTH ELKS #97 SOCCER SHOOT

#### COLIN MCGEE, SOCCER SHOOT CHAIR

The 2012 Lodge #97 Soccer Shoot was held on

August 26th under sunny skies. Several children competed in the various age groups with four emerging as Champions in their age group. Representing the Portsmouth Lodge in the State Championship at the Franklin Lodge will be Timothy Erickson (boys U-8), Laci Guerra (girls U-8), Dominic Scarponi (boys U-10) and Lydia Fedorowich (girls U-12). The State winners will compete in the District One Shoot in Rhode Island in November.

Congratulations to all of the contestants!

I'd like to thank Anne Marie King, Tracy Delaney, Dave Thibeault, Larry Hart, Doug Kirkpatrick and John Mikol for their help in running this successful event. The Shoot couldn't have happened without their help!

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON MEETING

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11TH @ 5:30PM  
TRACY DELANEY

This will be a meeting/training for Committee Chairpersons only.

### ELKS TRAINING

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11TH @ 6:30PM  
DAN KING

Information about the Grand Lodge Statutes is conducted in an informal manner. All are welcomed to participate in this program.

It will be held on October 11th at 6:30 pm.

### KARAOKE

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12TH @ 7PM  
LINDA ARSENAULT



After enjoying one of John's famous meals please stay and enjoy Karaoke by Darlene.

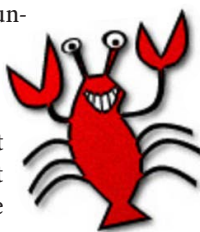
### MEAT AND LOBSTER RAFFLE

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14TH @ 2PM  
DON HUNTER

This month's Meat and Lobster Raffle will bene-

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fit ENF. The Elks National Foundation is a big supporter of all Elks youth activities. Please come down and enjoy the fun, and help support this worthy cause. Hang out after the raffle is done for the Patriots game!



### VA BINGO

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 15TH @ 6PM**

**MARGA COULP**



The Portsmouth Lodge of Elks goes to the VA Hospital in Manchester four times a year to hold a bingo for patients. This is a very rewarding experience for those who volunteer to attend. The patients truly appreciate what we do for them and thoroughly enjoy bingo games. So, if you are looking for a rewarding volunteer experience, please plan on joining us!

If you are interested in carpooling please email [elks97@comcast.net](mailto:elks97@comcast.net) before Friday, October 12th.

### PUMPKIN CARVING CONTEST

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 18TH @ 6:30PM**

**LINDA ARSENAULT**

There will be a Pumpkin Carving Contest on Thursday, October 18th at 6:30.

Bring your pumpkin to the Lodge and carve with fellow Elks. Or, just come down and vote for your favorite pumpkin. There will be prizes for the best pumpkin. All pumpkins will be on display for the Halloween party.



### DISTRICT DEPUTY VISIT

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20TH @ 10AM**

District Deputy Dennis Dionne, along with his suite of officers, will be here on October 20th for a visit/inspection.

### DINNER & COMEDY NIGHT

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20TH @ 6PM**

**DON HUNTER**



Saturday, October 20th is the time to have a great dinner and enjoy the comedy styling's of Dave Andrews, Hugo Maienza and Mitch Stinson. Tickets are \$25.00 per person and the dinner choices will be Roast Beef or Had-dock with Shrimp topping. Tickets are on sale now in the Grill Room. This event will benefit the Seacoast Food Pantry. As well as raising money, we are

also collecting non-perishable food items. There is an area in the Grill Room where you can drop off your items.

As always, we thank everyone for their generosity!

### HALLOWEEN DANCE PARTY

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27TH @ 7PM**

**LINDA ARSENAULT**



Come down and dance to great music and wear your costume. Prizes will be awarded for the best individual and couples costumes.

## FUTURE EVENTS

### STATE CHARITY DANCE

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10TH**

The NH State Charity Dance will be held this year on Saturday, November 10th at the Keene Lodge. Tickets are \$15.00 per person. Please see Tracy Delaney if you are interested in attending

### MOHEGAN BUS TRIP

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 21ST**

**DON HUNTER**

The Mohegan Sun Bus Trip is on! It is taking place the day before Thanksgiving.

The bus will leave the lodge promptly at 8 am and then depart Mohegan Sun at 6 pm. Please see Don Hunter to sign up or call him at 603-373-8420. Sign up fast, before all the seats are taken!



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### SAVE THESE DATES

- Oct. 5** Friday Night Dinner: 5-7pm
- Oct. 9** Board of Directors Meeting: 5:30pm
- Oct. 9** Regular Meeting: 6:30pm
- Oct. 11** Committee Chairperson Meeting: 5:30pm
- Oct. 11** Elks Training: 6:30pm
- Oct. 12** Friday Night Dinner 5-7pm
- Oct. 12** Karaoke: 7-9pm
- Oct. 14** Meat & Lobster Raffle: 2pm
- Oct. 15** VA Bingo: 6 pm
- Oct. 18** Pumpkin Carving: 6:30pm
- Oct. 19** Friday Night Dinner: 5-7pm
- Oct. 20** District Deputy Visit: 10am
- Oct. 20** Comedy Night & Dinner: 6pm
- Oct. 23** Regular Meeting 6:30 pm
- Oct. 26** Friday Night Dinner: 5-7pm
- Oct. 27** Halloween Party: 7pm

## LODGE INFORMATION

### ELKS EMAIL ADDRESS



If you want to send an email to the Elks the address is:

[elks97@comcast.net](mailto: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](http://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](mailto: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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<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> <b>BOARD OF DIRS. 5:30 &amp; REGULAR MEETING 6:30PM</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> <b>COMMITTEE CHAIR MEETING 5:30PM ELKS TRAINING 6:30</b>	<b>12</b> <b>FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER 5-7PM KARAOKE 7-9PM</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b> <b>MEAT &amp; LOBSTER RAFFLE 2PM</b>	<b>15</b> <b>VA BINGO 6 PM</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> <b>PUMPKIN CARVING 6:30PM</b>	<b>19</b> <b>FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER 5-7PM</b>	<b>20</b> <b>DISTR. DEPUTY VISIT 10AM COMEDY &amp; DINNER 6PM</b>
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> <b>REGULAR MEETING 6:30PM</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> <b>FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER 5-7PM</b>	<b>27</b> <b>HALLOWEEN PARTY 7PM</b>
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>			