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Meetings 2nd and 4th Mondays 8:00 PM

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Doors open at 11:30am Drawings start at 1pm

Donations of new items being accepted to benefit Community Service.

If you are interested in joining the committee or helping with the event, please contact Chuck Cotsonas at 828-3234.

SUNDAY BREAKFAST Please Note New Time 8:00 AM till 11:30 AM

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Flag Ceremony, June 11th at 7pm



Each year, Elks Lodges from across the country conduct a special Flag Ceremony. Prior to the June 11th regular meeting, the officers of the Lodge will present our version of the Flag Ceremony at 7pm. The winners of the essay contest have been invited to read their essays on: "Why I Am Proud to Pledge Allegiance to Our Flag".

In addition to the Flag Ceremony, there will be music and refreshments. The event is open to everyone, including their friends and family.

Please join us on Monday, June 11th, 2012 to celebrate the emblem of your freedom. Where would we be without it?



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Exalted Rulers Message



Thank you to everyone who worked the two prom nights.

The 100th Spring Convention of the NYS Elks Association is history.

It was fun, and we learned a lot.

We got to meet the National Hoop Shoot Champion from age group 10 - 11, and he is from Glens Falls. Out of 160 free throws in competition, he made 156. At the National Finals in Springfield, he had a perfect score.

The Flag Day Service will be held on Monday, June 11, at 7:00 p.m., prior to our regular meeting.

Remember, June 16 is the Chinese Auction. Doors open at 11:30 a.m., and the drawings will start at 1:00 p.m. Lunch will be available. We need more Auction items. Proceeds from the auction will be used to help get our Community Service Projects going. Community Service is the future of this order. It puts a good image of the Elks in the eyes of the public, and hopefully will bring in new members.

Fraternally, Chuck Cotsonas, ER

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We will be changing the format of the newsletter soon. If you have a suggestion please email us at:

> news2530@fairpoint.net or deemgeorge@gmail.com

> > Thank you!

-----Dinners at a Glance-----

Wednesday Dinners 5:30-7:30pm

6th - Stuffed Chicken Breast 13th - Lasagna 20th - BBO Ribs 27th - Ham & Scalloped Potatoes

Friday Specials 6-8pm

1st - Chicken Wraps 8th - Mixed Subs 15th - Chef Salad 22nd - Pepperoni Subs 29th - Pizza Night

Members: Remember, the lodge is every member's place. Please help support us.



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NO rags, fabric scraps, pillows or household goods - these items are expensive to dispose of.

Tax deductable.

Recycle and help others in need. Please bag your items in closed bags to keep them clean and dry.



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Thank you. The House Committee

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Bartender's Schedule And Wednesday & Friday Dinners **JUNE 2012**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY		
	,				P. Melino Chicken Wraps 6 - 8pm	2:00 pm B. Hall 5:00 pm W. Snyder 8:00 pm J. Yager		
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CLOSED JULY 4th; Friday July 6th = Mixed Subs

partial text borrowed from Robert E. Stephens, Grand Lodge Committee Member

MEMBERSHIP and COMMUNITY

With every new year, we struggle with what will be our accomplishments. One of the biggest accomplishments would be to retain or increase our membership.

How do we attract and retain our membership? By giving our Members a purpose for belonging. Then we need to ask ourselves, "What do we have to offer our Members, and what are we doing for our communities?"

To answer the first part of the question, we need to look at our facilities. Are they looking the best that they can? Are they clean and well painted? Are they safe? Are they a pride to look at and to offer to the public? Is the food and drink a little better than average? We need to make our Lodge a focal point in the community and a place to be proud of.

The second part of the question – what are we doing for our communities? – needs to be answered. We need to give our Members a reason to belong to our organization. Most Members join because they want to be involved in helping our communities be a better place to live. We need to increase our involvement and presence in this endeavor. If our Lodges will find out the needs of an area and encourage our Members to get involved, we will increase our membership.

Our Lodge participates in many events throughout the year such as youth activities, scholarships, Veteran's services, community activities, the hoop shoot, etc. There is no secret to getting and retaining members, but we need you to make our efforts successful. Get involved in the Lodge and in your community.

Extracted from: http://www.elks.org/who/

Elks Care, Elks Share. Are YOU an Elk?

Elks Lodges bring so much more to their communities than a building. They are places where neighbors come together, families share meals, and children grow up.

Elks invest in their communities through programs that help children grow up healthy and drug-free, by undertaking projects that address unmet need, and by honoring the service and sacrifice of our veterans.

Did you know that Elks in Alexandria, Va., hold a soup kitchen at the Lodge each weekday at lunch, serving 30 people, many of whom are veterans; Wheeling, W.Va., Elks Lodge hosts local youth once a week for a wholesome meal. They also provide homework help and invite community leaders to speak at the meals; and the Elks in Lockport, N.Y., provide an annual weeklong summer camp tailored to meet the needs of people with disabilities.

Do you know what your Lodge does? Contact an officer today or stop by to see how you can become involved.