



THE LEGEND

Newsletter of the Kinderhook Elks



April 2023

Exalted Ruler's Message

To my Kinderhook Elks family,

Spring has sprung!!! A new lodge year is upon us with a full slate of officers. That in itself is a terrific way to start. New ideas, new drive and momentum to move the Lodge forward. We have set goals, we are working out details to be more visual not only in the community but in the Lodge itself. There are sign-up sheets for events and sign-up sheets for fill-ins. This will help when there are functions so people can sign up if they have time, and the person in charge of running the event knows who they have and who they will need.

There are times that I need to remember that the Lodge is a business, and something that is very difficult for me is keeping that in my mind. I consider the Lodge and its members part of my family. We work together. play together, we laugh and cry, we celebrate life events and we share the pain of loss with each other. That being said, myself and the new chairs are going to do our best for the Lodge, its members, and the community we are here to serve.

Please, if you have an idea or you want to be more involved, please do so. We are always looking for ways to expand what we already do. We have had new business cards made up with a QR code, imagine that we are working our way into the 21st century. We have a spot at the Kinderhook Farmers market to get our name and our mission out to more people. This is a big commitment. Yup!! There will be a sign-up sheet put up, so if you have a Saturday morning available and you would like to represent the Lodge in the community and answer questions, sign up.

I have a great feeling about the next year. When I was ER before, we accomplished so much especially during COVID. The chairs came up with ideas and we worked hard keeping our name out in the public. We did the food drives, the hygiene supply drive, Easter Bunny and Santa drive-thrus, we got involved in the 518 Rainbow hunt and monster Kleenex boxes just to name a few.



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One of the goals for the next year is to gain 50 new members. Anything is possible if we all work together. There is a thermometer up in the Lodge, as we gain members we will fill it in. So spread the word, tell your friends and family all about us, bring them in for breakfast, a dinner night, or just a beverage in the lounge. Better yet, ask them to help work an event and they will see for themselves what it's like.

Last thing, DUES ARE DUE, Jerry will be putting up a list of members from which he hasn't yet received payment. Check the list out regularly and if you know someone on it, give them a gentle reminder.

Thank you for everything you do for the Lodge and the community we serve.

Anne Leiser PER

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Kinderhook Elks Lodge 2530

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Saint Patrick's dinner

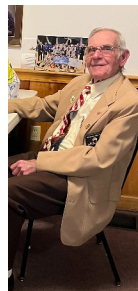
This year's St. Patrick's dinner of corned beef and cabbage was held on Saturday, March 18th. The event coincided with the annual visit by the State President, Cameron Ricci.



From left to right: Past State Vice President John Piddock, State President Cameron Ricci, Past State President Daniel Capella, and our own Past State President Jerry Shook.



Photos by Marge Yager



Officer Installation

On Sunday, March 26th, the new officers were installed for the year 2023-24. The Grand Exalted Ruler performing the ceremony was PDD Paul Crumb from Peekskill Elks Lodge #744.

The ceremony was followed by dinner and presentation of the following awards:

Outstanding Service Commendation: **Terri Brew**

Elks Distinguished Citizenship Award: **Joe Laviano**

Elk Of The Year: **Richard Fisher**

The Lodge received the Making A Difference Special Citation which was accepted on behalf of the Lodge by the Board Chair, **Ben Lasher**

ER Anne Leiser was presented with a personalized gavel by outgoing ER John Piddock.



Front, L-R: Tiler Larry Knott, Chaplain Sharon Deck, Loyal Knight Terri Brew, Leading Knight Darci Hover, Exalted Ruler Anne Leiser PER, PDD Paul Crumb, Lecturing Knight Kelly McGiffert, 5yr Trustee John Sundwall Jr., and Lodge Esquire John Deane

Rear, L-R: Treasurer Joe Laviano PER, Secretary Jerry Shook PSP, Leo Buell PDD, Joel Dyslin PER, Trustee Robin Howes, John Piddock PSVP, Trustee Thom McDermott, Trustee Chairman Ben Lasher, Frank Masten PER, and Chris Akers PDD.



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Richard Fisher



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Making A Difference Special Citation
accepted by Ben Lasher



Watch Out John!



A big thank you to all those behind the scenes who prepared, served, and cleaned up after the dinner.



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Meetings

Book Club

We had a great book club meeting March 11th. Thank you to Julie and Leslie for the bagels and donuts.

We had some really good discussion on the book *Love and Other Words* by Christina Lauren. Overall, the book was well received and it was noted that the book was co-authored by two writers.

Each book we read is unique to the readers likes and dislikes. It is okay to not like a book as each book brings new experiences and good conversation.

Our next book is *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Locks* by Rebecca Skloot.

The lodge has a lot going on in the next few months so be sure to check the Facebook page and the Kinderhook Elks Lodge website.

Our next meeting is scheduled for April 15th at 10:00am.

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Car Show

The committee met March 14th at 5pm to firm up a few details for the car show. In addition to trophies for cars on display there will be face painting, a silent auction, food trucks, a few vendors, t-shirts for sale and music.

The East Coast Riders will have a motorcycle on display and be selling tickets for their annual raffle.

Spring Fling

On Saturday, March 25th, the Lodge hosted a Spring Fling Special Needs Prom. Our guests were greeted at the door and received beautiful corsages and boutonnieres designed by Roseann Antonovich of Cottage Rose Florists. A “help yourself” candy bar was supplied by Tammy McDermott. Attendees were treated to several different kinds of appetizers, vegetable and fruit platters and green punch. The main meal was tossed salad and baked penne. After dinner they enjoyed brownies by Denise, pink and blue cupcakes made by Lee Ann Alessi and a beautiful Prom cake donated by Mike Blasl.

After their meal participants had pictures taken as a memento of their special night. Music was provided by DJ Brian Michaels and the guests danced the night away until 9 pm.



This event takes months of preparation by the prom committee, coordinating with several outside departments. Tammy McDermott and Sandy Lacrosse did an excellent job of getting everyone and everything together, and working with Beth StClair Bedell and her staff. A big thank you to Jack Smith for doing hours of dish washing.

The night was a huge success! This year there were over 40 prom attendees from several upstate counties and 18 caregivers to ensure the night flowed smoothly. The entire team always feels accomplished by this event and looks forward to the next one. It was a night to remember for all.

Veterans



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Widows Support Group

Any widow whose spouse was a veteran can join the Joseph P. Dwyer widows connection. It's held at 10:00 am on the second Thursday of every month at:

Suite 7
389 Fairview Ave.
Hudson, NY

Food and refreshments are served.
Please come and join the group and share your thoughts and stories.

The Albany Stratton VA

Please note that Veteran Service offices are no longer in the VAMC facility. Please contact the organization directly using the following phone numbers

Disabled American Veterans 888-604-0234
NY State Dept. of Veterans Services 888-838-7697
Veterans Benefits Administration 800-827-1000
VBA New York Regional Office 212-807-3152
Veterans of Foreign Wars 518-626-5687

Veterans Food Pantry

The Veterans Food Pantry at the Joseph P. Dwyer room at 388 Fairview Ave. Hudson, NY, is open. Veterans who need help can come to the new pantry for supplies. They are open Mondays and Tuesdays from 9:00a - 12:00p.

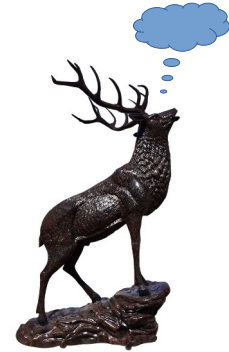
Honor a Vet Program

Darci Hover and Gordie Engel will be selling 3' by 5' flags for \$40 to those who wish to sponsor a veteran for the Honor a Vet Ceremony that will be held on Memorial Day. The flags come with rebar and a pole. The flags that were purchased will be displayed on the Elks lawn prior to the ceremony. There will be name tags on the flags and sponsors may take their flags after the ceremony.



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Kinderhook Farmers Market

The Kinderhook Elks Lodge is now participating in the Farmers Market by having an information booth to educate the local community on our lodge. The season runs from May 6, 2023 through October 7, 2023 every Saturday from 8:30am - 12:30pm.

Special thanks to the Kinderhook Business and Professional Association for making us feel welcome and allowing us to participate at no cost.

If you would like to volunteer to help out at the booth contact Terri Brew at 518-461-2327, brewterri@yahoo.com.

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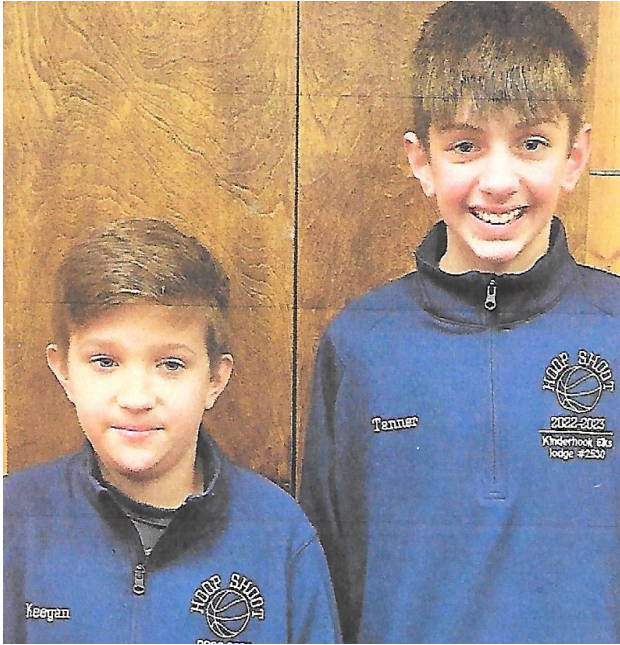
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Hoop Shoot

Tanner LaTorre and Keegan Mulins won on the District Level advancing to the regional Level of the Elks Hoop Shoot. Tanner then advanced to the State level where he made 21 of 25 basket shots.

In House Baby Shower

The baby shower sponsored by the Elks and hosted by LeeAnn Alessi, Nina Kahn and Gail Smith on March 11th benefited 9 mothers.



Beacon Grant

On March 29th, Exalted Ruler John Piddock of the Kinderhook Elks Lodge #2530 presented donations to Ann O'Neil of the Chatham Silent Food Pantry, Aja Sisco and Dawn Stewart of Our Community Cares in Chatham, New York, and Christine Remm of the Capital District Women Veterans of Troy, New York.



Christine Remm of the
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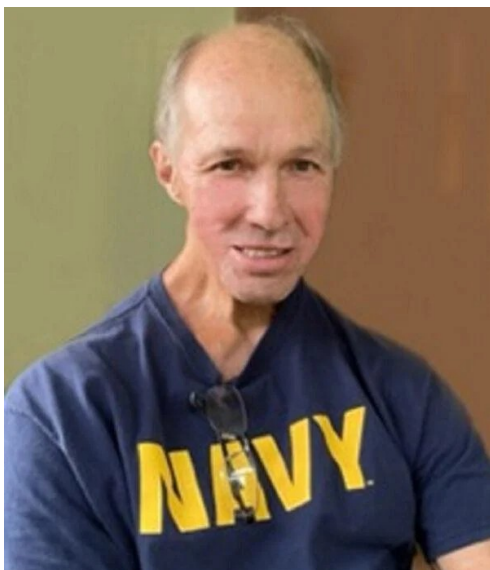


Aja Sisco and Dawn Stewart of
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Ann O'Neil of the
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These donations are from the Beacon grant that the Lodge received through the Elks National Foundation's Community Investments Program (CIP).



To Our Absent Members

Robert Warrington
June 23, 1947 to February 23, 2023

Member Robert Warrington passed away February 23
in Florida after an eighteen year battle with cancer.

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- Lodge meetings** Please join us!
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Board of Directors: Monday 17th at 7:30pm

April Menus – served Fridays from 5pm to 7pm

- 7th Fish Fry, served with coleslaw, French fries or onion rings - \$14. Bar menu available
- 14^h Fish fry, served with coleslaw, French fries or onion rings - \$11. Bar menu available
- 21st Polish night – Golumpkis, Kielbasa, Pierogis, and Dessert -\$15
- 28th Meatball Sub - \$10

April Events

- 8th Easter Bunny and Egg hunt in village of Kinderhook 11am to 1pm
- 15th Book Club meeting - 10am
- 25th Membership Committee meets 6:30pm



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