



THE LEGEND

Newsletter of the Kinderhook Elks

June 2023



Exalted Ruler's Message

What a beautiful morning!!!

Have you seen the Lodge lately? What an amazing sight and how proud I feel to be part of this Lodge, and part of a family that truly supports our Veterans, EMS, fire, police and all those who dedicate their time and sometimes their lives for people they don't know for the betterment of this country and its citizens. Thank you from the bottom of my heart. I never served in the military, but I will always support and honor them and their families.

The camaraderie we are seeing recently, the working together as a unit, members supporting our Lodge and our community, has truly been an inspiration. That being said, there are many that work in the background doing jobs when no one is around, wanting to remain in the background as a support system. That foundation that keeps holding us up and together, thank you.

Time is going by at warp speed at the moment. So much going on. If you have an idea let us know, let's make it happen!! If there is something you want to see at the Lodge or something that you think will better the Lodge or the community let's work out a plan and see what happens.

I'd like to say the next few months will be busy, but who am I kidding every month is busy. Sign-up sheets are up for help on June 4th for initiation, June 9th and 10th help with the OK5K, June 11th for Flag Day, working at the Farmers Market or some of the larger community events, the car show and the list goes on and on, heaven forbid we forget FAIR PARKING!! Pick something that interests you, get involved this is your Lodge it is what you make of it. We truly are a family.

The delinquent list is slowly getting shorter. Please reach out to those members, there may be issues we are unaware of that we can help with.

Thank you to everyone for everything you do for the community and the Lodge. Many hands make light work and the rewards far exceed the effort. See you around the Lodge!!

Anne Leiser
ER/PER



Car Show Committee

The car show committee met this past month.

- We are in need of volunteers for Saturday the 22nd of July.
- If you can donate a raffle prize it would be greatly appreciated.
- We are also looking to borrow a couple of golf carts to transport people during the event.
- We have two new food vendors.
- Sponsors for the shirts need to be in ASAP.

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To Our Absent Members



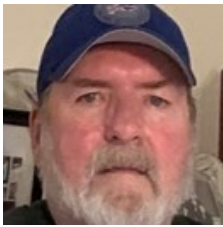
Kenneth C. VanAllen, 82, of Valatie, NY passed away on May 2, 2023 at Ellis Hospital in Schenectady.

Born on January 19, 1941 in Hudson, he was the son of the late Cornelius Peter and Marie (Ford) VanAllen and the husband of 49 1/2 years to Patricia Ann (Hutchins) VanAllen.



Kenny was from The School of Hard Knocks and to this day enjoyed owning and operating his beloved businesses including: VanAllen Automotive, Inc. (60 years), CarQuest Auto Parts, and OK Food Products. His love of streetcars led him into his well known carshows at his restaurant for many years.

Besides his wife, Patty, he is also survived by his brother, Neil (Michele) VanAllen of Kinderhook; his sisters, Alice Sharp of Spencertown, Tina Bauhoff of Valatie and many nieces, nephews and cousins.



East Greenbush (formally of Rensselaer) - Ronald B. Collins, 76, passed away Thursday, May 25, 2023 at St. Peter's Hospital, surrounded by his loving family after a courageous battle with cancer.

Born in Albany, he was the son of the late Archibald C. Collins and Helen E. Wagar. Ron was a graduate of Van Rensselaer High School class 1965. After graduation Ron enlisted in the US Army and was stationed in Okinawa during the Vietnam War. Through mutual friends he met the love of his life, Frances T. Collins whom he married on October 25, 1969. He began his working career at Sterling Winthrop, when they closed he went to work at BASF and then the US Postal Service. Upon retirement he fulfilled his lifelong dream of living at the family farm until his passing.

He was a member of the Gerald O'Neil post and the Kinderhook Elks Lodge and a life member of the East Greenbush VFW Post 7338. He enjoyed bowling, camping, hunting, watching the various wildlife around the farm and spending time with his family especially his grandkids and grand dog. He also enjoyed a good beer around the fire.

Ron is survived by his children, Sharleen (Michael) Remington and Ronald B. (Kari) Collins, Jr.; his sister-in-law Patricia A. (Mary Chambers) Savoie; his grandchildren Michael James, Collin and Meagan Remington and grand dog Lola. He is also survived by his brother David (Dawn) Collins of Colorado, nephews David and Steven Savoie, niece Saemi Collins and several cousins.

Funeral from the W. J. Lyons Jr., Funeral Home, 1700 Washington Ave., Rensselaer, Wednesday, May 31, 2023 at 9:30am.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Steve Caporizzo's Pet Connection, 341 Northern Blvd., Albany, NY 12204 or The East Greenbush VFW Post 7338, 100 Hayes Rd., East Greenbush, NY 12061.

Book Club Meeting

We had really good discussion on the book Trust. Mixed reviews but nice conversation. Feel free to attend meetings even if you do not get through a book. Not everyone will like all the book choices but the discussion is really good and we get feedback on book likes and dislikes.

The next book we are reading is The Giver of Stars by Jojo Moyes.

I mentioned that I purchased the next 4 books on Amazon and bought gently used books. Total cost for all four books was \$17.00. The book conditions were like new and 1/4 of the price.

It seems weekends in June are once again booked so we are meeting on a Thursday again. June 8, 2023 at 7:00pm. We will try for Saturdays again in August.

Just wanted to mention that the book club is open to new members. Feel free to invite others.

Hope you are enjoying the sunny warm weather and look forward to seeing you all next month!

Power washing

The building will be power washed to remove the grease and dirt from the back of the kitchen area as well as cleaning up the entire exterior of the building. The cost is \$650. Instead of doing a fund raiser for this project, we are asking for donations. There is a purple donation box in the lounge. Any donations would be greatly appreciated.



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Upcoming events

Special Needs Luau

The Special Needs Luau will be held June 3rd from 5pm to 9pm in the pavilion (see flyer on page 12).

Membership Initiation

We are working on scheduling an initiation for June 4th, so we will need members to prepare snacks for the event. We are going to reach out to the members that have joined in the last 2 years and give them a special invite, not only to see ritual done from a different perspective but to get them back in and get them more involved

OK5K

The OK5K is scheduled for June 10 and they are in need of some volunteers to help with setup, registration, flagman, etc. This is a community event so, if you're able to help, there will be a sign-up sheet on the board in the Lounge. Volunteers are needed on Friday June 9 starting at 5pm for course set up and registration, then again on Saturday June 10th starting around 6:45am. If you are able to help please sign up. If you find yourself free on those days please just show up. This is a great opportunity to get more involved with our community.

They also need a safety officer to ride a bike during the race to check on runners and, if there is an incident, to call 911 then radio the officials to give them the information.

Flag Day Ceremony

The Flag Day ceremony will be held in the downstairs meeting room on Sunday, June 11th at 3pm. The Boy Scouts will be participating. All are welcome to attend.

Upstage Productions

Upstage Productions is planning to put together a cabaret and the theme is going to be "Do you hear the people sing? It is a dream role cabaret that will be held July 1st and July 2nd. Tickets are \$45 for dinner and the show. Doors open at 5pm on Saturday, dinner will be served at 5:30 and the show will start at 7:30. On Sunday the doors open at 1pm, dinner will be served at 1:30 and the show will start at 3:30.

Wings and Sliders

On July 9th, Kelly McGiffert and Tom Burrall are going to do Wings and Sliders. (See flyer on Page 8.)

Car Show

The car show will be held at the Chatham Fairgrounds on July 22, 2023 from 8am to 2pm. (See flyer on page 2)

Lodge Yard Sale

The Lodge yard sale will be held on September 8-10. Clean salable items may be brought to the Lodge and left in the cage in the basement. It will be a busy weekend as we also have have a BBQ and an open house in the planning stages for Saturday the 9th.

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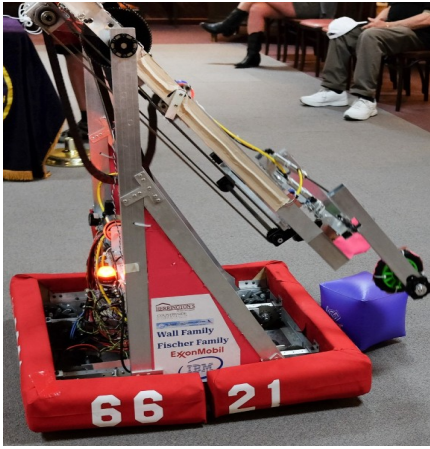
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On Monday, May 8th prior to the meeting, Chatham High School Robotic Team students demonstrated the robot entered in the robotics competition. The Elks had donated to the costs needed to fund this endeavor.



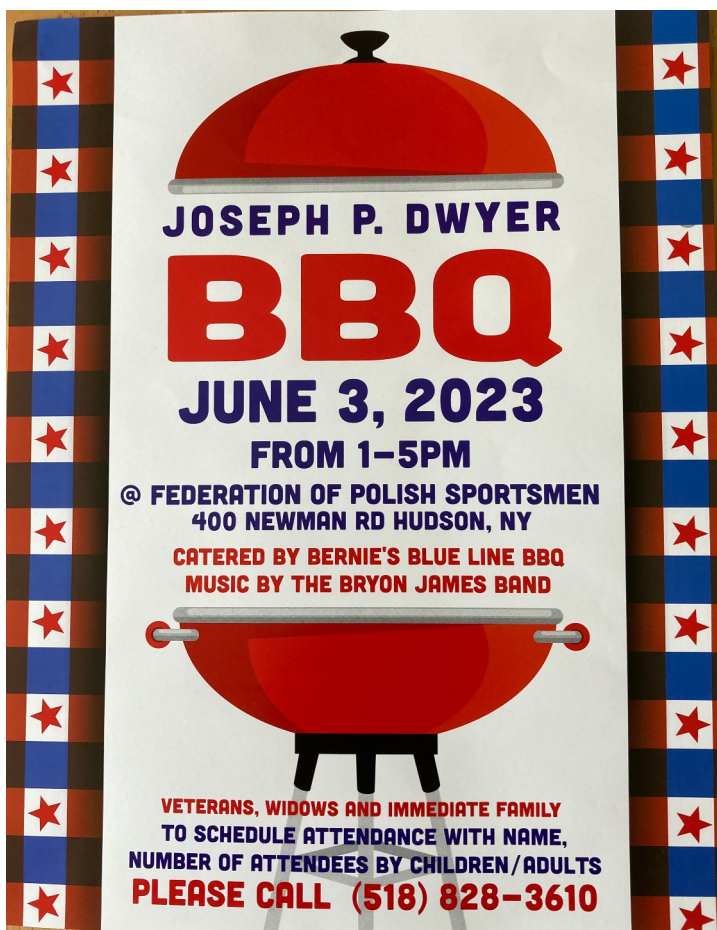
Honor a Vet Program

The Elks for honor field is in place. Huge thanks to John Sundwall, Ben Lasher, John Deane, Richard Fisher, Gordy Engel, and Tom Burrall for pounding rebar and setting lines. Special thanks to a young man named Lucas for unfurling 30 flags

The profile photo on our Facebook page was changed to show the flags and there have been many positive comments from the community.



Veterans



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:

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

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

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Veterans Benefits Administration 800-827-1000
VBA New York Regional Office 212-807-3152
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Veterans Food Pantry

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- Sunday Breakfast** Dining room seating with menu options. 8am – 11am.
- Lodge meetings** Please join us!
Members: Monday 13th and 27th at 7:30pm
Board of Directors: Monday 20th at 7:30pm

June Menus – served Fridays from 5pm to 7pm

- 2nd Philly Cheese Steak with French Fries or Onion Rings \$12 – Bar Menu available
9th Fish Fry, served with coleslaw, French Fries or Onion Rings - \$11 – Bar menu available
16th Chicken Parmesan - \$15
23rd Pepperoni Sub \$10
30th Osso Buco, mashed potatoes, green beans with bacon, pineapple cake \$18

- 3rd Special Needs Luau
4th Initiation of new members – 3pm
10th OK5K
11th Flag day ceremony – 3pm
29th Membership meeting – 6:30



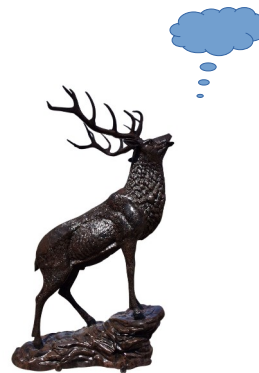
Kinderhook Elks will be hosting a luau for individuals with disabilities on Saturday, June 3rd from 5-9pm in the outdoor pavilion.

Food served will be hot dogs, hamburgers, chips, salads, veggie/fruit platter, desserts, soda, punch, & water.

There will be a DJ and dancing. This event will be a "mask positive" environment for those individuals who choose to wear a mask.

Please RSVP to Tammy McDermott at 518-704-1866 or LeAnne Alessi at 518-588-9425 by Saturday, May 27th to reserve a spot for your group.

Thank you! Hope to see some familiar faces again, miss you all!!!



A truly happy person is one who can enjoy the scenery on a detour.

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