



THE LEGEND

Newsletter of the Kinderhook Elks



July 2023

Exalted Ruler's Message

Message from Leading Knight Darci Hover

The third Friday is still in need of a dinner crew. THIS is your chance to have a fun time creating food for one night a month, your way and bring fresh ideas to the 2530!

The pressure washing is happening on July 5th!!!! Thank you to the members that donated to get this done safely.

Fair Parking sheets are up, so are biker night and farmers market sheets. Please come in and sign up for as many shifts as you can. Your help is appreciated and needed for our biggest fund raiser of the year. For those that requested more information on fair parking, an orientation session will be held to train everyone on the details of volunteering for this event.

BARTENDERS - after having a conversation with Dave Travis and Sharon we are reminding you all to please remember to take out the garbage, refill the cooler, take the recycling and bottles downstairs, and if the floor needs sweeping please do so. If everyone does a little a lot happens.

We are excited to see what the third Friday crew, the clean building, the bartender team all working together brings to the lodge!! So many great things are happening that the future most certainly looks bright!!!!

Last but not least, thank you for those that volunteer and support the lodge. You are the glue that holds it all together. Happy 4th of July!!!!



Americanism Essay Contest

Winning essays from grades 5 through 8th grade were read by the students at the Flag Day Ceremony on June 11th.



Standing from left to right – Loyal Knight Terri Brew, Leading Knight Darci Hover, Exalted Ruler Ann Leiser and Lecturing Knight Kelly McGiffert. Seated from left to right from the Ichabod Crane School – Sadie Stead, Tara Manarel, Allyson DeMatteo and Abigail Schroun.

Flag Day Ceremony

About 50 guests and members attended the flag day ceremony on June 11th. The history of the flags was narrated by James Yager and the flags were presented by Hunter Hamilton. Guest speaker was Leading Knight Darci Hover. Refreshments were served in the lounge following the ceremony.

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Upcoming events

Blood Drive

On Wednesday, July 5th, there will be a Red Cross blood drive from 12pm to 6pm in the dining room.

Wings and Sliders

On Sunday, July 9th Kelly McGiffert and Tom Burrall will be making wings and sliders.

Car Show

The car show will be held at the Chatham Fairgrounds on July 22nd, 2023 from 8am to 2pm.



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Lodge Yard Sale

The Lodge yard sale will be held on September 8th -10th. 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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Postponement

The Musical Cabaret originally scheduled for July 1st and July 2nd has been postponed until the fall.

Awards

At the June meetings the following awards were presented:

PER John Piddock presented Virginia Hunt the Grand Exalted Ruler's Outstanding Service Commendation.

Exalted Ruler Anne Leiser presented the Membership Achievement Award to Loyal Knight Teri Brew.

Members not present who will also receive the award are: Frank Masten, Lisa Caproni and Jerry Hallenbeck's certificate will be given to his brother Bob.

Before the meeting – Veterans Chair Darci Hover presented a certificate she had made to thank Gordie Engel for his participation in the Field of Honor Flags display.

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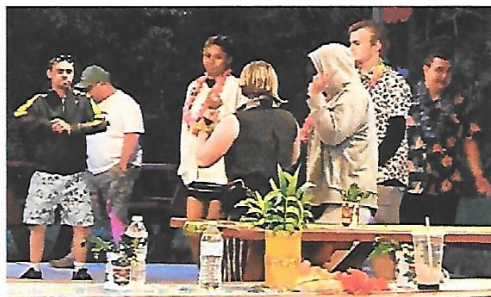
On Saturday, June 3rd, the Lodge hosted a Luau for individuals with disabilities. Attendees were treated to several different kinds of appetizers, vegetable platter and rainbow punch. The main meal was pasta salad, hamburgers, and hot dogs. You cannot forget their favorite of all, Cheese Puffs! Later in the evening everyone created their own ice cream sundaes.

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 Luau committee, coordinating with several outside departments. Tammy McDermott and Lee Ann Alessi did an excellent job of getting everyone and everything together and working with Beth St.Clair Bedell and her staff.



A big thank you to the rest of the committee Melissa Heusdens, Sandy & Rick LaCrosse, Gail & David Smith. We need to give a BIG shout out to *the Bottle and Can Depot* in Columbiaville for opening their doors on their day off to help us raise money to offset some of the cost for this event.

The night was a huge success! This year there were over 65 luau 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

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

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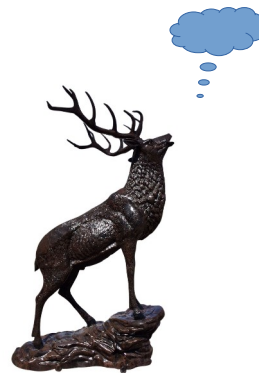
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Members: Monday 10th at 7:30pm
Board of Directors: Monday 17th at 7:30pm

July Menus – served Fridays from 5pm to 7pm

- 7th Philly Cheese steak, French Fries or Onion Rings - \$13 – Bar Menu
- 14th Fish Fry, served with coleslaw, French Fries or Onion Rings - \$12 – Bar menu available
- 21st Steak, potato, asparagus, salad and dessert - \$18
- 28th Sausage and pepper sub with chips - \$11

July Events

- 5th Blood Drive 12pm to 6pm
- 9th Wings and sliders – 4pm to 6pm
- 10th Membership meeting - 6pm
- 22nd Car Show – Chatham Fair Grounds - 8am to 2pm



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go of what was and
have faith in what
will be.

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