



# The Elks Profile

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## A Message from the Exalted Ruler

December 2019

Hopefully everyone had a happy and memorable Thanksgiving holiday with friends and family. May that joy and comradery flow over into this month, December.

It was a great honor attending the G.E.R. dinner held at the Franklin Lodge of Elks on November 3rd. Along with our Lodge's \$1400 donation to E.N.F. at that banquet all fourteen lodges gave a combined total of around \$25,000. Once again our tiny state proves that our members have a generous spirit and truly believe in the Elks National Foundation and its works.

We still have a few months left in this fiscal year, so please continue to contribute whether online, by check, or in cash. The work that E.N.F. accomplishes is priceless and invaluable.

The Hoop Shoot held on November 17th at the Laconia Middle School had ten participants, seven boys and three girls. The children had a great time competing and then enjoying a tasty meal prepared back at the Lodge by two volunteers, Jane Flanders and Diane Callaghan, and our Lodge Manager, Tricia Roy. The Hoop Shoot ran smoothly under the direction of its chairman, Rod Roy, and with the assistance of 6 volunteers, Bob Martin, Jamie Roy, Jake Boudreau, Bob and Linda Jackson, and R.J. Pauley. Thank you for your hard work and dedication to what Elksdom is all about.



HOOP SHOOT

Diane Callaghan, Tricia Roy,  
and Jane Flanders

December 1st at 9:30 a.m. our Lodge will honor and pay respect to our fallen members. Please join us at our Elks Memorial Service and offer support to family members that have lost precious loved ones during this past year.

In addition to the \$200 that the Lodge is donating to purchase Christmas gifts for the Veterans at the Tilton Veterans Home, two other members have chosen to match the Lodge's donation. What a wonderful show of generosity! Having a total of \$600 will allow us to purchase many more of the recreational therapy supplies that the Veterans had on their Christmas Wish List. It's just another way that Elks show the true meaning of charity, generosity, and the Christmas spirit. Our lodge will have the honor of joining the Veterans for their Christmas party. Please take a couple of hours out of your lives and attend and participate. Let's share in the holiday spirit with these valuable members of our nation.

Thank you to all of the members who have generously donated to the Christmas Basket Fund. Through your generosity our Lodge can purchase great food and supplies to help ease the strains of the holidays for individuals and families less fortunate in our communities. If you have not had a chance to donate as of yet, please "dig deep" and offer whatever you can either by cash or check. No amount is too small. Donations will be accepted until December 9th. If you know of someone deserving of assistance, please put their information in the sign-up notebook. Be sure to include their name, complete address, and a working contact phone number at the place of delivery.

The Christmas baskets will be assembled at the Lodge on December 22nd at 7:00 a.m. Breakfast will be served to volunteers beginning at 6:30 a.m. If you are willing and able to help assemble the baskets and/or deliver a few, please sign up on the sign-up sheet located on the cork board at the Lodge. Delivery will occur immediately following the assembly of all baskets. Keep in mind that many hands make the load lighter. Let's work as a team!

December 7th is a pivotal day in United States History, a day referred to by many as Pearl Harbor Day. The Elks have always honored and supported our brave military men and women, and they continue to maintain that standard to this day. Our past G.E.R. Michael T. Luhr set an attainable goal for all Elks after he visited Pearl Harbor last year and noticed that most of the government issued plaques at Pearl Harbor are in need of repair or replacement. Time and the sea air have not been kind to them. In honor of Pearl Harbor Day, December has been proclaimed as the month that we should focus on donating to the Pearl Harbor Fund set up by Grand Lodge. Every dollar donated will help in the repair and replacement of signage, and the Elks will get recognition on all signage along with the military. If every member pledges a minimum of \$2, our lodge could easily donate \$1000 during December. You can donate either by writing a check and noting the Pearl Harbor Fund on the memo line, placing cash in the designated container behind the bar, or donating directly at Elks.org. Let's honor our military now and for all time.

On behalf of all of the Officers and Trustees of our great lodge, we wish each and every one of you a happy, healthy, and safe Christmas and Holiday Season with those you love.

Exalted Ruler,  
LISA SAUCEDA

### Manager's Corner

Enter for a chance to win \$100 in scratch tickets  
\$5 a piece or \$20 for 5

**\*\*All proceeds go to the Elks Painting Restoration Fund\*\***

Please be prepared to move your vehicles if asked, so that plowing can be properly done during inclement weather.

**SAFETY FIRST!**

**TRICIA ROY**  
Lodge Manager