



# The Elks Profile

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## A Message from the Exalted Ruler

March 2022

On the 18th of February, the Lodge's Exalted Ruler, Tiler, and Esteemed Lecturing Knight along with the D.D.G.E.R. NH North 5360 presented the \$5,500 donation to the New Hampshire Food Bank. As previously mentioned these funds were obtained by combining the Beacon and Spotlight Grants. The presentation was made at the Lakes Region Community College campus while mobile food supply trucks were parked and ready to serve those in need. The donation will supply 11,000 meals. The Lodge should be proud of making this donation, and it was possible because our members achieved and exceeded the G.E.R.'s goal for E.N.F. donations per member. Well done!



Frank Mello, Felicia Pelletier, Pam Langlitz & Lisa Saucedo

To all who ordered and enjoyed the Mexican dinner that was held last month with funds benefiting the Lodge Heating Fund, thank you for being a part of this. A huge thank you goes to Nila Morrison and Stacey Pate for preparing and serving the delicious meal. Our volunteers work hard to benefit the Lodge and local communities, and efforts should never be ignored.



On March 12th a St. Patrick's Day boiled dinner will be served with proceeds also benefiting the Lodge Heating Fund. Dinner will be \$10 per person and will include dinner and dessert. Advanced payment is appreciated and can be made with the bartender on duty or by putting your name and money in the Treasurer's mailbox March 9th.

The last Meat Raffle had a good turnout. Steve Laramie, Paula Gilbert and Gayla Gilbert did a great job making sure everyone had a good time.

The Installation of Lodge Officers and the 5-Year Trustee will take place on

Saturday, March 26th at 4:30 p.m. It is nice to see several members accepting the duties of being Officers for the very first time. Stop by and support these members as they embark on the upcoming Elk's year. Following the Installation a Member Appreciation Dinner will be held beginning at 6:00 p.m. If you have volunteered many times or just once throughout the year please attend. This dinner is to say thank you for all you have done. The four students that participated in the Americanism Essay Contest are also being invited along with their families. Hopefully we can get them to read their essays and share with us "What Does It Mean To Love Your Country?"

The proposed Lodge Budget for the 2022 - 2023 is in the newsletter for your review. A vote for approval will be taken at the March 21st Lodge meeting.

Members that reside in Gilford are aware that voting will take place on March 8th. On the ballot is the topic of KENO and whether the Town should allow it. If you want it in the Lodge, you will have the chance to make your feelings known.

Exalted Ruler,  
*Frank Mello*

There will be a P.E.R. Association meeting on March 26th at 3:30 p.m., prior to the Installation of Officers. The election of Association President and Secretary are on the agenda. 2022/2023 dues can be paid also. Any and all P.E.R.s are invited to attend or join.

Fraternally,  
Jim Culpon

## Manager's Corner

NEW EMAIL ADDRESS  
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LODGE RAFFLE  
\$100 in Scratch Tickets  
\$5 per ticket / \$20 for 5 tickets  
Prize will be drawn on March 31st @ 11:00 a.m.

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QUEEN OF HEARTS  
Prize is growing!  
Drawings - Wednesdays @ 6:30 p.m.

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NEW DRINK SPECIALS  
Come in and check them out!

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WINTER GUIDELINES  
Move vehicles if plow company  
is at the Lodge

TRICIA ROY  
Lodge Manager