



The Elks Profile

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A Message from the Exalted Ruler

June has been a very busy month. I would like to begin by thanking all of you that have helped make our many June events successful. Here is a recap of some of our recent events.

May 26th, 12 of our Tilton Vets came to Fish Fry. All enjoyed the fried food, a special treat for our Vets as they are rarely allowed this indulgence. We are hoping we can arrange their visit every quarter as we all enjoy our Vets and the many memories they share with us.

Tony Truell, one of our beloved members and a partner of the "morning crew", passed away May 22nd. Tony loved playing pool and spending time with his friends at our Lodge. We will sincerely miss Tony and the kind compassion that he shared with many of us. Never forgotten, never forsaken; "To our absent members."

June 4, Beth Kimmey and crew (Bruce Morgan, Mike Bolduc, and Bob and Suzy Martin) finished installing the replacement windows at Copper Cannon. A huge thank you goes out to all of you that helped to complete the task. Copper Cannon thanks you as well

Saturday, June 10th we held our 4th Annual Bike Fest. What an apropos week, Laconia Bike (Motorcycle) Week, to give away new bicycles to twenty-two (22) deserving children of the Lakes Region. Lisa Saucedo, Esteemed Lecturing Knight and Chairperson of Activities for Lodge 876, worked with James Holmes, Branch Director of the Laconia Boys and Girls Club and Store Manager Michael Krauss of the Gilford Walmart, to make this happen. Both gentlemen were amazing to work with. A huge thank you goes out to Walmart and their ability to work with us to remain within our budget. Our Lodge 876, applied and was approved for a National Elks Foundation Beacon Grant of \$2000 for this worthy cause. A huge shout out goes to the following Elks Members that also helped to make this happen; Ty Newman, Chelsea Barrett, Jake Berdeam, Janice Dignan (Exalted Ruler), Jamie Roy (4 Year Trustee), Peter Tibbetts (Elks Manager), Deirdre Tibbetts (Treasurer) and Sue Ayers (Secretary). This was the article sent to the Sun Newspaper.



Pictured are; center, Lisa Saucedo, Chairperson of Activities, along with Ty Newman, left, and some of the many recipients and parents of new bicycles

Laconia Elks Lodge #876 celebrated their annual Flag Day Ritual on **Sunday June 11th**. Joining us for our Flag Day celebrations were the Knights of Columbus, Pack 68 and Troop 68 of the Boy Scouts, and the Gilford Fire and Rescue Squad. The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks is the first and only fraternal body to require formal observance of "Flag Day". In July 1908, the Grand Lodge of this order, made the observance mandatory of each Subordinate Lodge of the Order. We were pleased with the turnout for the celebration and the beautiful day in which to perform it. Thank you to all that participated in our Ritual for Flag Day, commemorating the birth of our Flag, and to those of you that came to celebrate with us. We hold this celebration every year on Flag Day, June 14th, or the Sunday before. This article

and picture was in the Sun Newspaper last week.

Saturday, June 17th, Concord-Epsom Elks Riders 1210 made a ride for the Liberty House, to our Elks Lodge #876. This worthy cause raised \$500 for Liberty House. Liberty House provides a safe, supportive, substance-free housing community for American veterans transitioning out of homelessness. Thank you for sharing your ride with us and it was our pleasure cooking for you and welcoming all of you to our Lodge. Vice President Freddy "Mac" McIver, worked with Beth Kimmey to make this ride such a success.

Upcoming Events for July:

Only one regular meeting is required in both July and August, the third Monday of each month. Summer attire and no grey jackets are allowed at these meetings. On the agenda for July 17th Lodge Meeting will be a vote by our members to keep the video gambling machines or to get rid of them. The House Committee met in June to discuss and evaluated the financials of both the "pull tabs" ticket machine and the video gambling machines. According to the financial report; it does not make a difference financially either way. The report included a years' worth of Lodge income, with both machines, compared to the previous year with just the pull tab machine and it was a wash between the two. The decision was made by the committee to let our members determine the fate of the video machines. If you have an opinion regarding keeping the video gambling machines or doing away with them, please attend the July meeting to make your vote count.

Also for the July meeting we will be initiating 5 new proposed candidates for membership.

July 15th to the 20th are the dates for the National Elks Convention held this year in Reno, Nevada. Information obtained from the convention will be reported in the August newsletter.

On July 30th, we will hold our annual Family Fun day. There will be games, a jumpy house, clown activities and more. Hamburgers and hotdogs will be provided free for all children that attend. Please mark this on your calendars and bring your children and/or grandchildren to this fun event. If anyone has free time and want to volunteer to help for this event, your volunteer hours will be greatly appreciated.

A big thank you to the Officers, Trustees and Lodge Members who volunteered their time in June to make all our events successful. It could not have happened without you.

Please come in to see all the pictures from our monthly events scrolling on our TV monitor. Thank you, Beth, for keeping the lodge updated with all our events and posting event pictures on the monitor.

As always, please check out our calendar of events enclosed in the newsletter.

Fraternally yours,
Janice Dignan,
Exalted Ruler

MANAGER'S CORNER

I hope everyone is enjoying the summer sun finally. We will be holding our regular lodge events in July, Meat Raffle on July 21st Fish Fry July 28th. We are still in need of a Rotary Breakfast Crew, PLEASE if you are interested contact me.

Peter Tibbetts
Lodge Manager

**1 meeting per month for July and August.
3rd Monday of the month**

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Bulletin to be Read through our Website

The monthly bulletin is now available to read on our lodge's website. We are no longer mailing the bulletins to members unless a request is made to the lodge secretary to continue to receive it by regular mail.

www.laconiaelks876.org

Click on "Bulletin" and choose which month you want to read.
 Any questions contact Susan Ayers at:
 secretary876@metrocast.net or call the lodge

- Remember -

All Dues are due on April 1, 2017

Dues for 2017-2018 year

DUES FOR 2017 - 2018 HAVE CHANGED

Due to per capita increases from
 Grand Lodge and the NH State Association,

Regular Membership is now: **\$59.00**
 * Life Membership is now: **\$24.00**

2017 - 2018 Dues

Remember all Dues are due before April 1, 2017

DAY		DAY	
01	Robert Bray	18	Tylie Newman
01	Michael Cleveland	19	Wayne Swango
02	Elaine Gillis	20	Matthew Fligg
02	Richard Lacasse	20	James Greenwell
03	Douglas Hook	20	Henry Sarson
04	Stacey Pate	21	Paul Breton
06	Jane Flanders	21	William Cleveland
06	Tracy Jacques	21	Joshua Luscomb
06	Richard Pilling	22	Joseph Geraci
07	David Lagueux	22	Charles Hughes
07	Richard Plante	22	Michael Valovanie
08	Sadi Cleveland	23	Erich Clough
09	Denis Joyal	23	Robert Fugere
10	William Sheerin	25	Theresa Breton
14	George Chaffee	25	Jonathan Jurta
14	Robert Glejzer	26	Robert Donovan
14	Ron Stewart	26	Marc Gaudet
16	Margaret Mary Culpon	26	Allen Hamilton
16	Kenneth Knowlton	27	Jane Fortin
16	Susan Wheeler	28	Jeremy Berwick
16	Douglas Whittum	28	Douglas Morrison
17	Raymond Smith	29	Krista Diamond
18	Beverly Collins	30	Walter Keuenhoff Jr
18	Claude Kenney	31	Peter Harris

Lodge of Sorrow



Tony Truell

Tony was born on 12/19/1944, initiated on 7/18/1966, and he died on May 19, 2017.

Malcolm Taylor

Malcom was born on 1/21/1936, initiated on 10/2/1984, and he died on June 3, 2017.

Secretary's Corner

Have you recently retired, and feeling bored at home already? Do you have a trade that the lodge could utilize? Plumbing, electrical, cooking skills? Here at the lodge we are always in need of things to be done and people to cook. If this is something that peaks your interest, please do not hesitate to contact the lodge.

Fraternally Yours,
 Susan Ayers



Proposition for Membership

Jeffery Isabelle from Tilton proposed by Ken Hammer Sr.

Proposition for Life Membership

None for the month of July

cut along lines and mail back with payment

DUES STATEMENT FOR APRIL 1, 2017 - APRIL 1, 2018

Name: _____

Membership #: _____

Annual Regular Member Dues (\$59.00) Amount Included: _____

Annual Life Member Dues (\$24.00) Amount Included: _____

Optional Donations :

1) Elks National Foundation (ENF) Amount Included: _____

2) State Major Project (Copper Cannon) Amount Included: _____

3) Lodge Scholarship Fund Amount Included: _____

Total Paid for 2017-2018 : \$ _____

**Grand Exalted Ruler 2016-2017 Michael Zellen
 District Deputy GER Brian Thibeault - Laconia, NH
 2016-2017 Lodge Officers**

Exalted Ruler:Janice Dignan, PER	Treasurer:Deirdre Tibbetts	Trustees: 5 yr:Bob Martin
Est. Leading Knight:Frank Mello	Tiler:Dorothy Frawley	Trustees: 4 yr:Jamie Roy
Est. Loyal Knight:Brenda Pinard	Esquire:Jim Culpon, PER	Trustees: 3 yr:Debra Bean
Est. Lecturing Knight:Lisa Saucedo	Chaplain:David Brown	Trustees: 2 yr:Mike Smith
Secretary:Susan Ayers	Inner Guard:Dick Ingram	Trustees: 1 yr:Howard Kelleher

2016-2017 House Committee

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