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Newsletter of the Kinderhook Elks Lodge #2530

# The Legend

## Exalted Ruler's Message

The first meeting in February is when next year's officers are nominated. Any member can be nominated to fill a chair at that time. If only one person is nominated to fill a position, at the following meeting, they are declared the winner. Nominations will be put forth at the meeting on Monday, February 10, 2014. Elections will be held at the February 24, 2014 meeting.

It is time for some new people to assume the positions available to run this Lodge. For this Lodge to continue to be in existence, your help is needed. **Step up and take an office to keep this Lodge running.** Officers do not have to memorize the ritual. It can be read. Many people have said they cannot memorize the ritual. Now is the time to come forward and take a chair because that reason for not filling a position has been eliminated.

Our Lodge sent three players to the regional competition for the Hoop Shoot which will be held at the Glens Falls High School on February 9, 2014.

Our Lodge sent thirteen scholarship applications to Dan Sullivan, District Chair. Twenty-seven essays have been turned in to our Lodge for the Americanism Contest. Prizes for the winning essays will be awarded at our Flag Day Ceremony in June. We wish all the participating students the best of luck.

We still need a Fourth Sunday Breakfast Crew. Please volunteer a few hours one day a month. By not serving breakfast that one day, all of our Sundays are being affected. Not everyone remembers we are not open the fourth Sunday, and they show up to an empty Lodge.

If you can think of something we can do to replace the Sunday breakfasts, please come to a meeting and give us your ideas. We would all be eager to hear what you have to say.

Fraternally,  
ER Chuck DDGER

**We need YOU to volunteer.  
Please consider donating your time to  
help keep our Lodge going.**

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**Next DD CLINIC is April 27, 2014**

**Congratulations  
Chase Edward Ward, Eagle Scout**

Lecturing Knight Bob Cramer presents a certificate, American Flag, and a check to Eagle Scout, Chase Edward Ward, at the Court of Honor Ceremony at the Kinderhook Elks Lodge.



Left to Right: Mother, Pam Ward, Eagle Scout Chase Edward and Father, Chuck Ward, and Lecturing Knight Bob Cramer.

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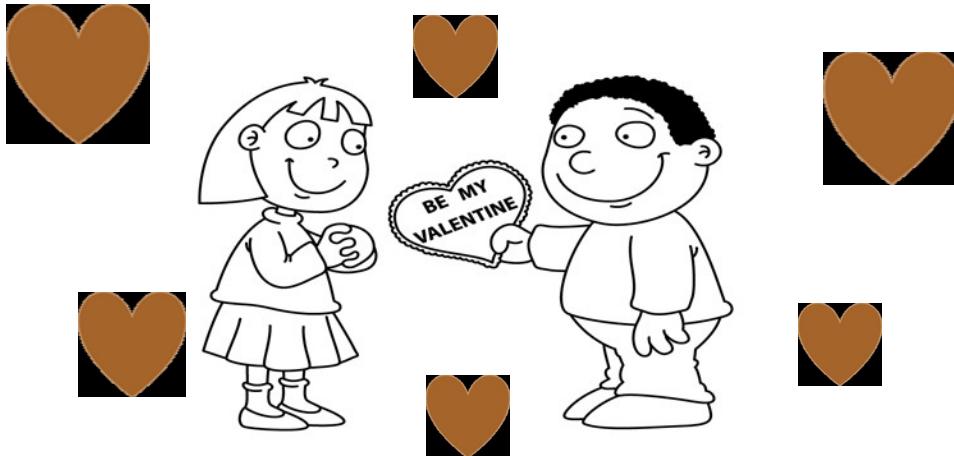
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February 15, 2014      6 PM Seating

**Your All-inclusive Dinner will feature:**

**Shrimp Cocktail**

**Prime Rib – Baked Potato - Green Beans**

**Deluxe “Serve yourself” Dessert Bar**

(cakes–cookies–pies–chocolate fountain)

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**\$25.00 per person**

**Cash bar available**

**Sign up and \$10 Deposit/person Requested**

**Reservations Close COB February 8, 2014**

### **2013-2014 Lodge Officers**

**Exalted Ruler**  
*Interim: Charles Cotsomas*

**Leading Knight**  
*OPEN*

**Loyal Knight**

*OPEN*

**Lecturing Knight**  
*Robert Cramer 758-7671*

**Esquire**

*OPEN*

**Chaplain**

*OPEN*

**Inner Guard**

*Jean Engel 392-9766*

**Trustee**

*Ida Letinic 605-3187*

**Secretary**

*Jerry Shook 828-5749*

**Treasurer**

*Joseph Luviano 758-1741*

**Organist**

*John Deane 758-7051*

**CHAIRMAN**

*Chris Akers (Chair) 858-7134*

*John Deane 758-7051*

*James Yager 758-1469*

*Kenny Witkowsky 669-2843*

*Richard Fisher 929-3971*

**HOUSE COMMITTEE**

*Steve Race (Chair) 758-1767*

*Bob Hawver 758-9816*

*Roger Bradley 784-3263*

*PER Chuck Cotsomas 828-2507*

*Mike Aiello 758-1626*

*Bert Beach 784-2104*

*Jean Engel 392-9766*

*(518 area code unless noted)*





## Essays are in!

Several schools participated in our annual Americanism Essay Contest. Over 25 students, from grades 5 to 8 prepared essays on the topic of, "What Does Veterans Day Mean to Me". Thanks to all who participated. The winners will be asked to read their essays at our Flag Day Ceremony in June. Many thanks to all the members who helped raise money for this worthy effort. The program promotes Americanism, and rewards academic achievement.

## Congratulations to Our Scholarship Winners

Our Scholarship Committee received 13 applications for the Most Valued Student award. Six students were chosen to advance to the district level in the competition. Many thanks to all those who participated. The winners of this year's contest are: **Jayne McGovern, Jennah Hebert, Kaitlin Pearson, and Connor Feathers, Brandon McKay, and Ryan Etue**. We wish them much success in their learning pursuits and hope they go on to win a piece of the grand prize! The ENF (Elks National Foundation) makes this program possible. Thanks to all who continue to donate to this worthwhile program.

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**Lodge meetings**  
are usually held on the  
**2nd & 4th Mondays**  
**8:00 PM**  
See you there!

(except July & August)

## WE NEED



The Elks do great things for our community—YOUR community. Call or speak to any one listed on page 3. Or stop by and someone will be glad to help you!



To All Members: Remember, the Lodge is every member's place.  
*Please help support us.*

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### Newsletter Articles

Must be submitted by the 15th of the month to be included in the next newsletter. Place articles in the envelop on the bulletin board at the Lodge or email [deemgeorge@gmail.com](mailto:deemgeorge@gmail.com)  
Or [news2530@fairpoint.net](mailto:news2530@fairpoint.net)

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## Bartender & Dinner Schedule for February 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Valentine's Day Party the 15th! 		Nomination & Election of Officers this month!	Step up and help YOUR Lodge!			D. Travis 3:00PM J. Yager 6:00PM
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
C. Cotsonas 1:00PM T. McDermott 4:00PM	J. Barmen	Closed at 8:00PM	J. Coutsonikas London Broil	Closed at 8:00PM	Phil Melino Open Face sandwich VEGAS NITE	L. Clockel 3:00PM D. Enlow 6:00PM
9	10	11	12	13	14	 15
G. Yates 1:00PM T. Smith 4:00PM	J. Shook Lodge Meeting 8PM	Closed at 8:00PM	G. Engel Liver & onions	Closed at 8:00PM	R. Fisher Gordy's Fish Fry	S. Andros 3:00PM D. Travis 6:00PM
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
C. E. Cotsonas 1:00PM OPEN 4:00PM	C. Davis	Closed at 8:00PM	J. Laviano Chicken Cordon Bleu	Closed at 8:00PM	R. Howe Turkey Club	L. Knott 3:00PM K. Altomer 6:00PM
23	24	25	26	27	28	
W. Boehme 1:00PM D. Travis 4:00PM	L. Buell Lodge Meeting 8PM	Closed at 8:00PM	C. Seymour Roast Beef	Closed at 8:00PM	G. Hammond	
	NOTICE:	St Patrick's Day Party March 15th	Sign up sheets at the Lodge			

We need your help on  
 Wednesday night dinner and the  
 4th Sunday breakfast crews.  
 It's just a few hours a month—please  
 volunteer to help out.

ATTENTION Crew Chiefs:  
 you need to write your specials on the  
 calendar on the fridge in the kitchen or  
 email it by the 18th of every month;  
 Otherwise the special won't be listed. Thanks!



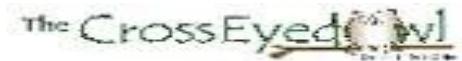
## SPECIAL NEEDS PROM

We will be holding our 3rd Annual Special Needs Prom on Saturday April 12, 2014 from 5-9 pm. The Ichabod Crane Questar III class is making decorations and decorating the hall. They have also secured a DJ to donate his services. I will be contacting Crazy Daisies who said they'd love to partner with us annually to provide corsages. I am looking for a few lodge members who would like to participate by either donating desserts, cooking dinner, serving dinner, serving dessert, checking participants in, pinning corsages, and cleanup and reset for Sundays breakfast. If you are interested in being part of my crew and helping these individuals have the time of their lives, please contact me, **Linda Baker, at 376-8365.**

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank all of my previous crew members that donated their time to the past two proms and the summer luau. I have received nothing but praise for the wonderful events that were put on and appreciation from families for everyone who helped make the events the success they were. You are all wonderful and I thank you all from the bottom of my heart!! I could not have done it without you!!



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