

**E R's MESSAGE****VEGAS NITE**  
**Is The 2nd Friday**  
**of**  
**Every Month****Lounge Hours**

Monday, Tuesday,  
Thursday  
4pm - 8pm

Wednesday, Friday  
4pm - 9pm

Saturday 3pm - 8pm

Sunday  
3pm - 7:30pm

**Dining Room Hours**

Wednesday Dinner  
5:30pm - 7:30pm

Sunday Breakfast  
8am - 11am

My Brothers and Sisters:

As I am sitting here writing our monthly ER message for our Lodge newsletter it is hard to believe that the year 2016 is at an end. This past year has flown by, it seems like it only just started. 2016 was a busy year and December was no different.

Our lodge started the month of December with our annual Elks Memorial Service on Sunday the 4th. I have to be honest and say that I was very disappointed with the lack of attendance by our members at this service in recognizing and showing respect for our absent members. I want to thank the PER association for organizing this event and also thank all the members and families who did attend the services. Thank you to everyone who donated appetizers.

I hope that next year, on the first Sunday in December, more members and their families will think about attending this meaningful service to recognize absent members and your own "lost ones".

The Annual Local District Hoop Shoot was held on Sunday, December 11th at the Chatham High School. Chairman for this event was SVP Chris Akers, Co-chairman Joel Dyslin and District Chairman, PSVP Rich Belcher. I want to thank everyone who helped make this a successful event. There were 24 boys and girls in attendance. All the 1st place winners in the different age groups, ages 8 to 13, will now move on to the District competition that will be held at the Ichabod Crane High School in Valatie. It will be on Saturday, January 14, 2017 at 9:00 a.m.

On Saturday, December 17th, many members and non-members volunteered to help deliver food and packages to local families for Marion Stegmann Fund. This year we helped 275 needy families.

Thank you to everyone who donated time during the week and on Saturday delivering to these families. A special thank you goes out to our Lodge Trustee,

Ben McEwan, who came forward to be Chairman of this committee.

The Lodge's annual Christmas party was also held on this Saturday, which has become a tradition. There was a great turn-out and everyone brought their best dish to share. It was wonderful to see so many friendly faces. Thank you to our House Committee Chairman, Dave Travis, for hosting the party and giving everyone a couple a free drinks during the evening. Upcoming Dates to Remember:

- January 14th, District Hoop Shoot, 9:00 a.m. at ICC High School
- January 22nd, Annual Bartenders Meeting, Sunday 2:00 p.m., all bartenders encouraged to attend.
- January 22nd, Crew Chief Meeting, All Head Cooks, Sunday 3:00 p.m., in upper bar area. I want to encourage all and everyone who works in the kitchen for any reason to attend. There will be lots of info to help new members and old.
- February, we are looking forward to a PER Initiation of new members. If you know of anyone who is "thinking" about or someone you know who "definitely" wants to become a member of our Elks Lodge, please submit an application as soon as possible. A date for this Initiation is yet to be determined.

Heather and I would like to wish everyone a very happy and prosperous New Year.

ER Steve Race

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16-BOD Meeting @ 8pm  
21-DD Clinic @ 9am  
23-Lodge Meeting @ 8pm

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There is a box in the lounge for any items you can donate.

If you have a family member currently serving in this capacity, please send their name and address to Kinderhook Elks or contact Tom Miglio at 392-8560.

Hard Candy	Hand Sanitizer	Snack Food
Dental Floss	Nail Files	Gum
Dry Soup	Plastic Baggies	Nuts
Beef Jerky	Feminine Products	Tea
Pop-Tarts	Stationery / Envelopes	Razors
Canned Fruit	Books (crossword, Sudoku,...)	Lip Balm
Tuna Kits	Twizzlers	Tylenol
Coffee	Toothbrushes	Band-Aids
Deodorant	Toothpaste	Socks
Q-Tips	Granola Bars	Pens

## Newsletter of the Kinderhook Elks Lodge #2530

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## Lodge Entrance Hall

As mentioned in the ER's August message, there have been some changes in the front entrance hall of the Lodge. The photos of all the past ER's that were previously hanging on the walls leading down to the Lodge room, have been reprinted in a smaller format and are now displayed on the right hand wall as you enter the front door. Also on the right hand wall, just inside the front door, is a photograph of all the Lodge officers and directors.

Meanwhile, a space has been cleared in the trophy cabinet on the left wall for the homecoming photo of our Past State President, Jerry Shook.

Please take a moment to view these photos the next time you enter the Lodge.



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