



THE LEGEND

APRIL 2017

Newsletter of the Kinderhook Elks Lodge #2530



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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

E R's MESSAGE

My Brothers and Sisters:

As everyone, or most of you, must know, the end of my year as Exalted Ruler is now upon us. This will be my last message to you for this year. Before getting into all the acknowledgements for the year, I would like to share a few events that happened this past month.

I would like to say that we are all excited about our new gas grill (for steaks, burgers and many other exciting food) that has been recently installed in our kitchen. Many thanks go to Chris Akers, Joe Laviano, Larry Knott, Bob Hymes, and to anyone else I may have missed, for helping to get this new grill purchased and installed.

I'm sure no one will forget the wonderful snow storm that shut down everything on Tuesday March 14th. I think we received approximately 18 inches of snow. The Elks Lodge was snowed in (imagine that!) and unfortunately had to be closed. I want to thank all the members who helped to clean walks and make paths, so that we could re-open the next day.

Ahhhhh, St. Patrick's Day corned beef and cabbage. I could not be there but the "wee ones", Leprechauns of course, whispered in my ear that the food and music were great. Thank you to our cooks Rich Jackson and Chris Akers for all you did, and to your crew for their hard work.

On Sunday March 19th our District Deputy, Larry Rowse, had a District wide Initiation at Rensselaer Lodge #2073. There were 15 new members initiated from 3 different Lodges. Two of these new members were from our Lodge, Michael Weldon and Craig Guild. I want to congratulate them for joining the Elks and our Lodge. I want to thank these officers, from our Lodge, who traveled with me to perform the Ritual, from memory and the Ritual part they did:

- Steve Race - Exalted Ruler
- Chris Bellingham - Lecturing Knight
- PDD Leo Buell - Inner Guard
- SVP Chris Akers - Chaplain

There were 10 new members from Rensselaer and 3 new members from Hudson initiated on this special day.

Tuesday, March 21st, a meeting was held at our District Deputy's Lodge, in Rensselaer. Our sponsor, Jerry shook and several Past District Deputies from our Lodge reviewed all the candidates for different District Chairmen committees. I am happy to report that all of the different Chairmanships have been filled and we are looking forward to another great year.

I am deeply saddened and sorry to report that we have lost our Chartered #1 Exalted Ruler Joseph Pinkowski. When Kinderhook Lodge #2530 was instituted in the year 1975 he was the First Exalted Ruler of our Lodge. I want to extend our deepest sympathies to his sister, Irene Buell, and brother-in-law Leo Buell.

I want to thank all of my Officers and Trustees for your help and support throughout this past year. Thank you to all the different crews

(Sunday, Wednesday, Friday and special events). Dave Travis, the house committee, and all paid and volunteer bartenders for keeping everyone happy. To everyone who helps park cars at the Chatham Fair, this is a major fund-raiser for the Lodge and we can't make it happen without all of you. Our Lodge would not survive without this fund-raiser. Everyone makes this Lodge what it is, whether it be heading a major function or cleaning a bathroom. It is important that we all contribute and support the Lodge and each other to make it the best it can be. Thank You to everyone for what you do. If you have any ideas for the upcoming year; special event, fund-raiser or anything that you think would help to improve our Lodge please see your new ER John Piddock, or any one of the Lodge's Officers. Have a Great New Year!!!!!!

ER Steve Race

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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

First let me say that I am truly humbled at being elected Kinderhook Elks' Exalted Ruler for 2017-18. I promise to do my utmost in keeping our lodge as one of the best in our District, as well as in the State.

Given that I am relatively new to the Kinderhook Elks and am not a native to the area, I thought that it would be appropriate to introduce myself. Essentially, I was born in Brooklyn and raised in Henderson; in Northern NY, near Watertown. My father was a detective and then judge, while my mother first stayed at home while we were young and then continued her career as an elementary teacher. Both taught and showed me by example, to be active in the community.

I moved to the Capital District 25 years ago. While here, I met and married my wife Wendy 21 years this December. She's a 'lifer' to the area with her parents being Wayne and Patricia (Callan) Pulver.

Wendy and I moved into the 'family' house in Kinderhook 19 years ago. Since that time, in following my parents' example on community service, I have had the pleasure of:

- Coaching and having been an officer with Northern Columbia Little League
- Coaching youth soccer (Kinderhook Fall program), basketball (CYO), and High School Bowling
- Being on various school boards
- Having been on the Village of Kinderhook Recreation Committee
- Having been a member on various Diocesan Task Forces
- Being a member of the Valatie Fire Department
- Being a member of the Kinderhook Knights of Columbus, Tri-Village Rod and Gun Club, and Kinderhook Elks.

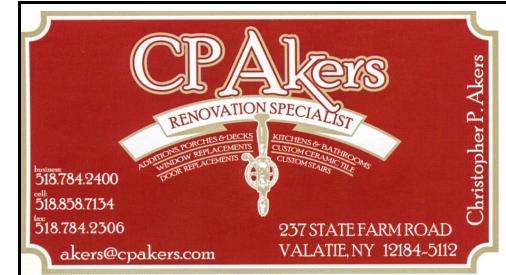
I look forward to working with all of you in the upcoming year.

John Piddock

Installation of Officers/Lodge Awards Banquet

is Saturday, April 1st. Ceremony at 3:00 pm, cocktails and h'orderves at 4:00 pm, dinner at 5:00 pm and awards after dinner. This is open to all members and their families at no charge.

The organizers of Sean's Run have requested that the Kinderhook Elks handle the parking for the Run. It is scheduled for Sunday, April 30th from 8am to 2pm. This will be at the Chatham Fair Grounds. We will need 6 to 8 people to assist with parking. Volunteers can contact John Piddock at 281-2842 or jpiddock1111@gmail.com



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APRIL Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 Installation 3pm
2	3	4	5 Meat or egg-plant lasagna	6	7 Clam roll w/ fries	8 Chris Akers homecoming 8pm
9	10 Lodge Meeting 8pm	11	12 Chili	13	14 Fish Fry	15 DD Clinic, Easter Bunny at noon
16	17 BOD Meeting 8pm	18	19	20	21 Menu only	22
23	24 Lodge Meeting 8pm	25	26 Roast Beef	27	28 PB&J or hot dogs	29
30 Steak Dinner						

Sunday Breakfast

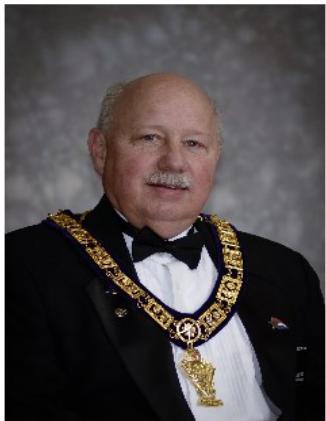
Chris Akers is looking for a waiter/waitress for the first Sunday of each month, starting March 5th. No experience necessary! The shift runs from 7:30am to 11:30am and breakfast is included! Interested parties should contact Chris Akers.

Third Wednesday Crew

The kitchen needs a new crew and crew chief for the third-Wednesday dinner. Jeanne Ward is moving out of the area and will no longer be able to run it. Bob and Cathy Tator would also like to step down but may be able to assist during the transition. We need the new crew in place by Wednesday, **April 19th**. If you would like to be a crew chief or just part of the crew, please contact Steve Race or John Piddock.

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Kinderhook Elks Lodge #2530 Homecoming Celebration April 8th, 2017



*State Vice President
Christopher P. Akers
North-Hudson District*

5pm Cocktails - 6pm Dinner

For tickets, contact:

The Lodge

You may have noticed the Lodge. This is part of a nationwide campaign to recognize those who serve our country. America's veterans are some of our nation's bravest, hardest-working men and women. However, it's hard to show them the appreciation they deserve when, back home and out of uniform, they're more camouflaged than ever. Greenlight A Vet is a campaign to establish visible national support for our veterans by changing one light to green. For more information, please visit www.greenlightavet.com.



Pizza!

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The Hudson Valley Blue Star Mothers is a group of women actively working out of the VFW in Hudson. Their main function is to raise money and receive donations of the items listed below and assemble packages to be sent to military personnel on active duty out of this country.

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

This recipe was contributed by Heather Samascott. She baked a batch of these for the new member initiation on February 18th. Anyone that tried one will confirm that these are the most delicious brownies on the face of the earth.

Chocolate and Raspberry Brownie Bars

Rich chocolate plus sweet-tart raspberry bits topped with more rich chocolate - what could be better? This recipe is great to make ahead, as it stays moist for up to a week; or freeze for longer storage. Yield: 2 dozen rich brownies.

Brownies

- ⇒ 4 large eggs • 1 1/4 cups Dutch-process cocoa • 1 teaspoon salt • 1 teaspoon baking powder • 2 teaspoons vanilla extract • 2 1/4 cups sugar • 1 cup unsalted butter, melted • 1 1/2 cups Unbleached All-Purpose Flour • 1 cup chocolate chips • 1 cup Raspberry Jammy Bits • 3 tablespoons seedless raspberry jam • 1 tablespoon Chambord liqueur or water

Chocolate Ganache Glaze

- 1 cup heavy cream • 2 tablespoons light corn syrup • 2 2/3 cups semisweet or bittersweet chocolate, chopped • 1 tablespoon Chambord or liqueur of your choice, or vanilla extract, espresso powder, or another flavor, to taste

Directions

1. Preheat the oven to 350°F. Lightly grease a 9" x 13" pan. To make very even bars, line the pan with aluminum foil before baking, leaving foil sticking up above the edges of the pan.
2. Crack the 4 eggs into a bowl and beat them with the cocoa, salt, baking powder, and vanilla until smooth.
3. Add the sugar and melted butter, stirring until smooth.
4. Add the flour, chips, and Jammy Bits, again stirring well.
5. Spoon the batter into the prepared pan.
6. Bake the brownies for about 30 minutes, until a cake tester inserted into the center comes out clean, or with just a few moist crumbs clinging to it. The brownies should feel set on the edges, and the center should look moist, but not uncooked. Remove them from the oven.
7. Heat the raspberry jam with the Chambord or water, and stir until smooth. Brush over the warm brownies. Set aside to cool for an hour or longer before topping with the ganache.
8. To make the ganache, heat the cream and corn syrup until they begin to steam. Pour over the chopped chocolate in a bowl. Let sit for 5 minutes, add any flavorings, and whisk until smooth. Let cool for 15 minutes or so.
9. Pour ganache over the brownies while it's still warm, but has begun to thicken - reheat if it thickens too much as you work. Allow several hours for the ganache to set up fully. You may refrigerate the brownies to hasten the setting of the ganache.
10. Remove the brownies from the pan using the aluminum foil sling. Heat a knife in hot water, wipe dry and use to cut the brownies. Repeat with each cut.



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 It is the golden hour of recollection,
 the homecoming of those who wander,
 the mystic roll call of those who will come no more.
 Living or dead, an Elk is never forgotten, never forsaken.
 Morning and noon may pass him by,
 the light of day sink heedlessly in the West,
 but ere the shadows of midnight shall fall,
 the chimes of memory will be pealing forth
 the friendly message --
 "TO OUR ABSENT MEMBERS"

Edwin J. Martin, Jr. 1928-2017, passed away on Tuesday, January 24, 2017. He was born on October 22, 2918 in Mt. Vernon, NY to Edwin J. Martin and Elsie Braun Martin. His family moved to Austerlitz in 1935 and Ed graduated from Chatham HS in 1948 where he excelled at six man football, track, and baseball—he even tried out for the NY Yankees! After graduation, he worked as a mason until he began his career with Crellin Plastics, where he worked for over 37 years. After retiring from Crellin, he worked for the Executive Line (Chatco) for five years, retired and worked at Blasi Funeral Home until 2015. Ed was a lifetime member of the Order of the Blue Vests, the Chatham Fire Department, and the Knights of Columbus. He was also a member of the Kinderhook Elks and the Chatham Village Board, and a faithful communicant of the Catholic Church. While a member of the Kinderhook Elks Lodge, Ed Martin served on many committees, worked on breakfast and dinner crews, many weddings and parties as well as bartending. He was Elk of the year 1997-1998 and a trustee of the Lodge for 5 years. For years Ed was a Boy Scout Leader, loved taking his family on camping vacations and spending time with his family and friends. Ed was an accomplished musician, playing drums for multiple bands over the years. Ed is survived by his loving wife of 66 years, Marilyn (deVane) Martin, 6 children, 14 grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren. He is predeceased by 2 sons and a sister. For those who wish, contributions in Ed's name may be made to St. James Church or the Chatham Fire Department.

Emerild Hebert, age 75, passed away quietly and peacefully at home after a courageous battle with mesothelioma. He enjoyed working with his hands and was a talented woodworker, mechanic and locksmith. He was a longtime member of the Kinderhook Elks where he served as Exalted Ruler from 1985-1986. Emerild held all officer chairs from Esquire and up. He placed 1st in state ritual competition as Leading Knight, was CP Chairman for many years, worked on a breakfast crew and many other functions, started the Lobster Valentine Dinners to raise money for CP along with Bob Mitchell, remodeled old lodge, on Albany Ave, basement into a game room for members and their families, moved into present lodge during his year as ER, moved bar location, built overhead glass holder in bar, built portable bar and rocking horses to raffle off, built trophy case in foyer of lodge, helped construct new restrooms in hall and liquor room, was the lodge locksmith carpenter while able, built the kitchen utensil cabinet and shelving, built the handicap ramp with some assistance, along with many other contributions. Emerild was born on December 20, 1940, in West Warwick, RI to Emerild Sr. and Henrietta (Breno) Hebert. He served in the Navy. In 1977 he moved his family to Valatie where he was employed by the Amtrak Maintenance Facility in Rensselaer. After retiring in 2007, he and his wife Annette relocate to TX. To cherish his memory, Emerild is survived by his loving wife of 51 years, Annette (Lemoi) Hebert, three sons and eight grandchildren, brothers, a sister, and many nieces and nephews. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that memorial be made to the American Cancer Society.