



THE LEGEND

JANUARY 2018

Newsletter of the Kinderhook Elks Lodge #2530



ER's MESSAGE

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

"Here's a toast to the future, a toast to the past, and a toast to our friends, far and near. May the future be pleasant, the past a bright dream; may our friends remain faithful and dear." -- Anonymous

Happy New Year!! I hope that everyone had a wonderful Christmas and New Years holiday. December was such an incredible month; so busy, so much cold and the festiveness.

First, was the annual Memorial Service that was held on Sunday, December 3rd. It was so nice to see over 70 people attend; the lodge room being full. The officers of the Lodge preformed the service, with music beautifully preformed by PER Joel Dyslin's daughters Sandra Fischer, Wendy Madson, and Marcy Coalter. Luke Oliveri accompanied them on keyboard. The Reverend Lynn Horan, of St.Peter's Presbyterian Church gave a moving response. PSVP Chris Akers made a special presentation of a donation to the ENF on behalf of this year's departed members. Upon it's conclusion, a reception, organized by Heather Samascott, was held immediately after the ceremony in the lounge. Thanks to Steve Race and the PER Association for organizing this event.

On December 10th, the lodge held its Hoop Shoot contest. This was at Chatham High School. Congratulations to our champions: Landon Van Alstyne (8-9 boys), Marianna Chudy (8-9 girls), Carter Stark (10-11 boys), Zay Brown (12-13 boys), and Allyson Engle (12-13 girls). Then on December 30th, we hosted the Northern Hudson District Hoop Shoot contest at Ichabod Crane High School. Thanks to PSVP Chris Akers and his crew for these two well run events.

Also starting on the 10th was the Marion Stegmann Fund week. A huge thanks to Anne Leiser, Charlie Roppolo, Paul Martin, and the whole crew of helpers. They did such an amazing job; I believe deliveries were done before noon. Over 300 families in Northern Columbia County received packages. Also, I wish to give a very heartfelt thanks to all those who donated to the fund; whether in time, product and/or financially; Thank you!

The Elks Americanism Essay Contest had its due date for the essay contest. John Deane and the committee started the review process. On the 16th,

was our Christmas party (Elksmas). What a blast!! Thanks to John Deane for organizing this event. The music by John Deane, Karla Shook and Lauri Travis was wonderful. The drinks flowed with the assistance of Jerry and Abby Shook. And then there was the ugly sweater contest!!

Thank you to Charlie Davis, Jim Yager, their wives, Tom Loring, and Tom and Carol Miglio for wrapping gifts for the veterans and handing them out to the veterans at The Grand Barnwell. A special thanks to John Deane for playing music for everyone.

The last two Sunday breakfasts were special, too. First, on Christmas Eve we had the pleasure of Santa Claus visiting us and spending time with our guests. Then on New Year's Eve, the PER Association hosted the final breakfast of the year.

So what's ahead for this year 2018? Here are a few up coming events:

- Jan 13th (9am) is the District Deputy Clinic in Red Hook
- Jan 21st is the NFC/AFC Championships Football Party at the lodge
- Feb 3rd (noon) is the District Chili Cook-off in Red Hook
- Feb 4th is the lodge's Super Bowl Party
- Feb 10th (5-9) is the St. Valentine's Day Party at the lodge.
- Dinner (Chicken Cordon Bleu), Band, Dancing, etc.
- Feb 16th is the 150th Birthday of the Elks
- Feb 18th (3pm) is the PER Initiation
- Feb 19th is our annual blood drive

Finally, now is the time to start thinking of plans for the new lodge year; April 2018-March 2019. Of course there's the election of officers and filling of committees, but just as important is the planning of the year for the lodge. If you have any suggestions or thoughts, please let an officer and/or trustee know of them.

Fraternally,

ER John Piddock

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Kids and grown ups enjoyed Santa's visit!

Just look at those Smiles!

They must have been very good girls this year!

Thank you Santa for taking time out of your busy schedule to visit the Lodge.



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JANUARY Calendar						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Happy New Year!	2	3 Chicken over Pasta	4	5 Philly Cheese Steak	6
7 Football 3pm	8 Lodge Meeting 8pm	9	10	11	12 Fish Fry	13 District Deputy Meeting 9am
14 Football 3pm	15 BOD Meeting 8pm	16	17 Stuffed Pork Chops	18	19 Steak	20
21 Football 3pm	22 Lodge Meeting 8pm	23	24 Stuffed Chicken Breast	25	26 Pepperoni Subs	27
28 Football 3pm	29	30	31 Roast Beef			
	Stay warm folks!	Remember to keep your cars fueled up!	Check your car batteries!	Pack a blanket in your car for emergencies!	8 hour heat paks are great to take with you!	

Did you know? Greenlight A Vet is a campaign to establish visible national support for our veterans by changing one light to green. Please go to www.greenlightavet.com for more information.

Wednesday Dinner Crews & Sunday Breakfasts

What was your New Year's resolution? Perhaps you committed to volunteer more? That's great because we always need volunteers! We especially appreciate folks who are good at pitching in at the last minute when someone else can't make it. We'd welcome you to cook, wash dishes, bus tables, wait on tables, etc. If you would like to be a part of any crew, or volunteer as a "sub", please contact John Colgan or John Pidcock.

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 17- Stuffed Pork Chops
 24- Stuffed Chicken Breast
 31-Roast Beef

Friday Specials
 5-Philly Cheese Steak
 12-Fish Fry
 19-Steak
 26-Pepperoni Subs



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 M, Tu, Th 4pm - 8pm;
 W, F 4pm - 9pm
 Sat 3pm - 8pm
 Sun 3pm - 7:30pm

Dining Room Hours:
 Wednesday Dinner 5:30pm - 7:00pm
 Friday Specials 5:30-7:00
 Sunday Breakfast 8am - 11am



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There is a box in the lounge.

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

Did you know it's the Elks 150th anniversary?
 Contribute by sharing Elks history or browse the gallery,
 timeline, documents and more at:
<https://www.elks.org/history/>

ELKS DISASTER RELIEF PROGRAM HELPING TEXAS VICTIMS

National Elks President Malcolm J. McPherson Jr. also authorized a donation of \$25,000 be made from the Elks Disaster Relief Program, Inc. to assist the thousands impacted by Hurricane Harvey in Texas. His motto is "*Strengthening Elkdom through Community Awareness*".

The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks has made more than 5 Billion in donations since they first started 149 years ago. Last year alone, the Elks donated approximately \$323 million in cash, gifts and time to make our communities better places to live. The Elks are one of the premier patriotic and charitable organizations in the United States of America.

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