



THE LEGEND

Newsletter of the Kinderhook Elks



July 2021

To the members of the Kinderhook Elks,

Oh boy the year is flying by. Covid is taking a backseat to life. Things are open and you can see everyone's smiling face again, isn't life grand? The Lodge is up and running. Breakfast is back so please spread the word. Friday night dinners are a hit, and Flag Day was a success. Thank you especially to John Deane for his organization of the event, Jeannie Engel for the refreshments, the Scouts for carrying the Flags, Jonathan Nichols for being our guest speaker, Chris Bellingham for taking pictures, and all those who attended and/or participated. It was a spectacular day and visiting afterwards was amazing. Thank you too all.

Tammy and Jeannie have country line dance lessons planned for Tuesdays in the pavilion and the Lodge yard sale will be the Saturday after the fair. The Fair is our biggest fundraiser of the year, sign up, help get all the shifts covered, and do what you can. Signup sheets are on the wall in the lounge. If you cannot get to the Lodge call 518-758-2530 after 4:00 pm and the bartender will sign you up. Also, when bringing things for the yard sale, please bring clean saleable items and place them in the cage in the basement. If you need help with getting items there, please reach out to us and we will work something out.

If you are interested in doing something, please let us know. There is always something going on. If you want to get more involved please reach out to someone you know and express your interest. Try working a dinner or breakfast crew. Not a good fit? That is ok, there are others to try. Like to cook? Have a meal idea and a free Friday? Let us know and we will work you into the rotation.

The Luau was a success, the attendees and the volunteers all seemed to have a wonderful time. Thank you to everyone who helped.

The ELK is here!!! and he is massive!! They could barely get him in the pavilion. Plans are being worked out for his placement.

There are so many amazing people at the Lodge, sort of like an extended family. You know what they say Elks Care Elks Share, so please come, get to know your fellow Elks, and get involved! After being 6' away from people it would be great to start fresh.

There are a ton of IFs in this letter, the Lodge works because the members work, not only for the benefit of the community, but for our own benefit. The human connection is a powerful thing. If we all work together we can accomplish so much. If you have an idea, lets run with it. If you want to know something, ask. If you want to get involved, do it!! We would love to have you.

Thank you to everyone for everything you do, those things that are seen and those that are not. It all needs to be done and many hands make light work.

Fraternally,

Anne Marie Leiser



Dave's Wings & Dogs

**Sunday's
4p—6:30p**



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Come on down to see us, place your order, visit with friends while you wait to take your meal home.

If you wish to just grab and go, please call Dave at 518-669-0155 and he will be happy to have your order ready for pick up.

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We need you!

It is that time of year to think fair.

This is our biggest event of the year.

Please help out with one shift, OK maybe two?

Sign up sheets are on the wall in the lounge. Stop by or call after 4pm and let someone know that you are willing and able to help.

There are volunteer options to park cars, baby sit the radio's, deliver water to volunteers, help sign parkers in and out, or sell raffle tickets, not all jobs require you standing for the 4 hour shift.

This event truly helps our lodge



A Volunteer Organization Helping Another Volunteer Organization...

Please consider helping out another organization by volunteering to work the Columbia County Convention at the VFW for Stuyvesant Falls Fire Company.

On July 30th, between the hours of 6p to 11p. July 31st between the hours of 2p to 7p.

If you can help, please reach out to Chris Akers at 518-858-7134.



Beginner Country Line Dancing
Tuesday Nights 7-9pm
July 6th, 13th, 20th & 27th
In Pavilion
\$6.00 pp
Show up by 6:45 and sign in at registration table





Lounge opens daily 4pm—7pm

Sunday breakfast's are dinning room seating w/ menu options. 8a - 11a

Sunday's - Dave's Dogs & Wings 4p - 6:30p. Place orders w/ Dave at 518-669-0155.

Friday's - Queen of Hearts at 7pm. Purchase Ticket in the Lounge or call Tammy at 518-704-1866.

Reservations are required for Friday night meals. Place your order w/ ER Anne at 518-758-2196.

Open to Members and Guests

July

- 2nd - Cold Subs Choice of Turkey, Roast Beef, Ham, Salami, or Mixed \$10.00
- 6th - Beginners Line Dancing 7p - 9p \$6 in Pavilion
- 8th - Red Cross Blood Drive 1p - 8p Reservations Encouraged via Red Cross Website
- 9th - Fish Fry, Cole Slaw, French Fries or Onion Rings \$10.00
- 13th - Beginners Line Dancing 7p - 9p \$6 in Pavilion
- 16th - Chicken BBQ - 1/2 baked Chicken, Potatoes, Baked Beans, Cole Slaw, Roll, Dessert \$15.00
- 18th - Breakfast Special—Steak and Eggs \$13.95.
- 20th - Beginners Line Dancing 7p - 9p \$6 in Pavilion
- 23rd - Meatball Sandwiches w/ Chips \$8.50
- 24th - Kinderhook Elks Car Show at Chatham Fairgrounds \$5 Gate Fee
- 27th - Beginners Line Dancing 7p - 9p \$6 in Pavilion
- 30th - Pulled Pork Sandwich's w/ Cole Slaw, Potato Salad, Roll, Rice Pudding \$12.00

Aug

- 6th - Cold Subs Choice of Turkey, Roast Beef, Ham, Salami, or Mixed \$10.00
- 13th - Fish Fry, Cole Slaw, French Fries or Onion Rings \$10.00
- 20th - Chicken Parm, Pasta, Salad, Dessert \$12.00
- 27th - Pulled Pork Sandwich, cole slaw and chips. \$10.00

Upcoming Lodge Meetings..... Please join us.

Member Meeting - July 26th at 7:30pm

Board of Directors Meeting - July 19th at 7:30pm



North Hudson District #6260 2021 Calendar of Events

July 4th thru 7th 157th National Convention Tampa FL



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Yard Sale is Back!

We are ready to start accepting your gently used goods for our annual yard sale.

Please make sure the items are clean and sellable.

If it is too heavy or you don't have a way to get it to us, Call PER Anne at 518-758-2196
and we will make arrangements for pick up.



Remembering Our Beloved



Almighty Father, source of forgiveness and salvation, grant that our relatives and friends who have passed from this life may, through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary and of all the saints, come to share your Eternal happiness through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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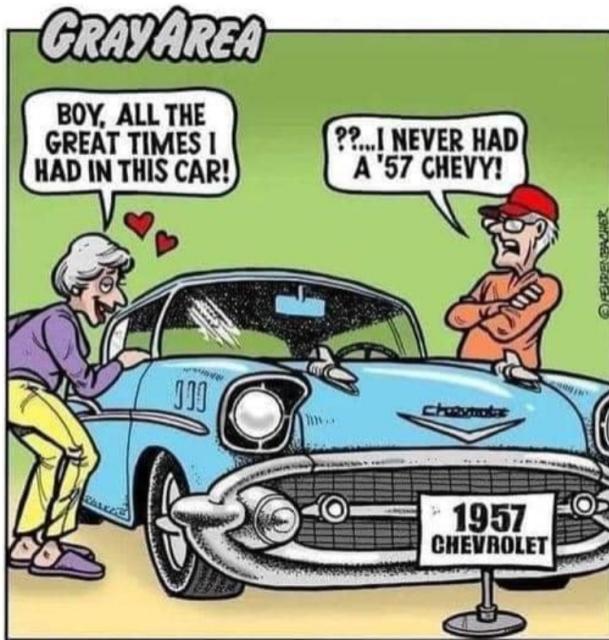
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Don't forget to sign up for the car show. Sign up sheets are in the lounge. Saturday, July 24, 2021 at 9 AM EDT – 4 PM EDT All questions go to our Chairman Dave Sweet at (518) 573-1853



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Grand Lodge News

See you during the Momentum of the next many years

A year ago, Stacey and I were just beginning this crazy time of representing all of you as the Grand Exalted Ruler. I can honestly say that this was something I would have never envisioned, but I am so glad to have been given this opportunity.

Why did I use *Creating Momentum for the Future of Elkdom* for our year? This organization is over 150 years old. It began with a group of actors who got together and decided to help the spouse of one of their friends who had passed and left her with nothing. That was in a different time, but benevolence is still a main focus of our organization. But our organization is not the only thing that is aging—it is our membership. I



Message from the Grand Exalted Ruler
PAUL R. RYAN

want the Members to continue to recruit Members of the younger persuasion and get that benevolence into our younger generations.

I would love to continue to tell you what you should be doing during this time of year, but I think instead I want to delve into what this year has meant

to Stacey and me.

I joined this organization because my wife and her entire family were members. If you are 21 or over, believe in God and a part of my wife's family, you are an Elk! My in-laws then asked me to get on the board because of my experience in the hospitality industry and because of my business background. I had no idea it would lead to this position. Even a couple of years into my membership, I had no clue what a Grand Exalted Ruler was.

This year I will admit was difficult, the main reason is the COVID situation and the fact that Lodges were closed, Conventions were cancelled and States

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could not have people in and together. But it also has been very rewarding. However, once we were able to start to travel it was the time away from our family that was difficult. To be able to spend time with other people who love what this organization is all about. The warmth we received and the Elks we have had the chance to meet has been absolutely fulfilling. Nothing replaces our family, but the Elks Family sure helped remind us that we have a huge family. The COVID situation only showed me that it can get us down, but COVID cannot knock us out.

Stacey and I promise to continue to serve you as we move forward in our lives. We absolutely look forward to serving this organization and the people who we love and enjoy. You, the Elks!

We look forward to joining you in Tampa. It will be a fun and exciting convention. Thank you for allowing Stacey and I to represent you this last year and into the future.



GRAND LODGE FRATERNAL COMMITTEE

These Lodges are All American

By JAMES E. STEWART
Committee Member

The 2020-2021 Lodge year was one of unusual circumstances. Nevertheless, our Lodges continued the great works of Elkdom as exemplified by the high quality applications received for the Contest 'A' — All American Lodge Contest. Complements to the many hundreds of Lodges that entered district contests and congratulations to the Lodges that achieved honors during their subsequent state competitions.

One-hundred and thirty-four (134) applications were forwarded for judging in the national competition. Each Lodge offered examples of fidelity to our Order and extraordinary service to their communities. You are models for us to follow. You make us **proud** to be Elks!

The three (3) top scoring Lodges in each of the six (6) membership divisions are awarded the title of "All American Lodge." Congratulations to the following eighteen (18) incredibly special Elks Lodges!

Division I (300 Members or fewer)

1st Place: Kearny, NJ No. 1050
2nd Place: Roxboro, NC No. 2005
3rd Place: Santa Monica, CA No. 906

Division II (301-500 Members)

1st Place: East Stroudsburg, PA No. 319
2nd Place: Gainesville, FL No. 990
3rd Place: Tampa, FL No. 708

Revision in Divisions for the 2021-2022 Contest

The 2021-2022 All-American Lodge Contest will have revised divisions that better equalize the number of Lodges in each division. The new division distribution is:

I = 1-150 Members (345 Lodges, 18%)
II = 151-225 Members (302 Lodges, 16%)
III = 226-300 Members (345 Lodges, 18%)
IV = 301-450 Members (318 Lodges, 17%)
V = 451-700 Members (316 Lodges, 17%)
VI = 701 Members & up (258 Lodges, 14%)

Division III (501-700 Members)

1st Place: Casa Grande Valley, AZ No. 1957
2nd Place: St. Louis, MO No. 9
3rd Place: Vestal, NY No. 2508

Division IV (701-1,100 Members)

1st Place: Phoenix, AZ No. 335
2nd Place: Apache Junction, AZ No. 2349
3rd Place: Fayetteville-Springdale, AR No. 1987

Division V (1,101-1,500 Members)

1st Place: St. George 'Dixie', UT No. 1743
2nd Place: Manasquan, NJ Lodge No. 2534
3rd Place: Santa Ana, CA No. 794

Division VI (1,501 Members or more)

1st Place: Sun City, AZ No. 2559
2nd Place: Orange, CA No. 1475
3rd Place: Lake Havasu City, AZ No. 2399

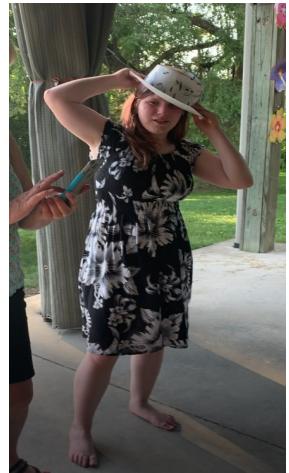
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Thank you to everyone involved with giving this guy a forever home.

Thank you all who helped with the Luau.

These kids are amazing. What a great time we all had. Can't wait for another event with them. Take a look.



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