



THE LEGEND

Newsletter of the Kinderhook Elks

November 2021



To my Kinderhook Elks Family,

Fall has arrived, and the clocks will be going back soon. It's been extremely busy at the Lodge. If you can help with any of the functions please reach out. There are over 340 members of this Lodge, and it would be so much easier for us if you could call the contact person mentioned in the weekly emails and let them know you can help us out. Some have been there so much we are thinking about putting bunkbeds in for the overnight stays. It might be easier sometimes. Yes, I'm joking but not about the help - we need you!!! You don't have to do it all but if you can help let us know. We will put up a sign-up sheet in the lounge for anyone that could be a fill in for a Sunday breakfast, just put your name and number down. Breakfast crews are actually fun, and most days you're done and home by noon.

Stegmann is fast approaching and the sign-up sheet is up for drivers and delivery help. There are also cards at the quarter pool table if you would like to make a donation. The schedule for D-elivery week is being published in this newsletter.

As the weather begins to change, please remember those that live alone. Less sun makes for seasonal depression. So please take the time and call or stop in and check on someone you know lives alone. They don't have to be an Elk either, remember Elk's care, lets prove it.

Thank you for everything you do for the Lodge and the Community we serve.

Anne
ER/PER





KINDERHOOK ELKS

Veterans Roast Beef Dinner
November 11th, 2021
5p - 7p

Free to Vets & \$10.00 Non Vets
Reservations Required No Walk In's

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To Reserve your Meal by
Sunday, November 7th, 2021

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QUEEN OF HEARTS GAME OPEN TO ALL

Come try out our Queen of Hearts Fundraising game at the Kinderhook Elks....

You might just win some \$\$ and help the Lodge with our community programs too!

Rules - The game consists of a standard deck of cards with 2 (two) jokers for a total of 54 cards. Cards are shuffled, numbered 1 through 54, and placed in an envelope in the locked cabinet. Tickets are sold for \$1.00 (one dollar) each or \$5.00 for 6 tickets. Your name, phone number and envelope number go on each ticket, then place in the drum.

On drawing day (**Friday at 7pm.**), we will do a Facebook Live Event where you can see the drawing take place. A random person will pull one ticket from the drum. Then, we will pull the corresponding numbered envelope from the board. All other tickets in the drum will be discarded.

If that number reveals the Queen of Hearts, then that person wins 60% of the pot and the game has ended. The rest of the cards will be removed, and a new deck of cards will be put in its place and a new game will begin. Payout is in the form of a check from the Lodge. Tax requirements are the responsibility of the winner.

If any other card is revealed, the person wins the prize amount below and the game continues until the Queen of Hearts is pulled.

Any questions, please reach out to Tammy McDermott at 518.704.1866 or email at 33Frogsinatree@gmail.com.

Dave's Wings & Dogs

**Sunday's
4p—6:30p**

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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Hello Members,

I am excited to announce our new Newsletter Editor, Kate Timmis.

Kate has been working hard learning the newsletter and advertising role over the last couple months. She is doing a wonderful job at it. Kate is jumping right in with fresh ideas to bring the newsletter to the next level.

The committee is excited to have Kate be a part of the team. Please join me in giving her a big warm welcome!

Going forward, please send all advertising and newsletter input to Kate at

ktimmis3@gmail.com

Thank you everyone for your support over the last few years when I headed the newsletter. I truly appreciate all your input, suggestions, just great to work with. I'm amazed when I think about how much you have all taught me. I've learned and grown, thanks to you, and now it's time to hand over the reins to Kate. Thanks again for all the great experiences.

– Tammy McDermott

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It's that time of the year again! We are collecting Deer Hides for the Veterans.

We have 3 locations to drop off this year:

Kinderhook Elks Lodge 2750 NY-9H, Kinderhook, NY

Ghent Sportsmen's Association, 1128 County Rd 9, Ghent, NY

Tri Village Rod & Gun Club, Rod & Gun Club Road, Valatie, NY

Follow the road signs to labelled barrels on premises, if using large black bags, please do not tie off, hides need air!

We will be collecting hides up to mid January



Most Valuable Student

The 2022 application will open on August 2, 2021.

Applicants will be judged on scholarship, leadership, and financial need.

Eligibility:

- Current high school seniors, or the equivalent, who are citizens of the United States are eligible to apply.
- Applicants **do not** need to be related to a member of the Elks.
- High school graduates are not eligible to apply.

Applicants must be citizens of the United States on the date their applications are submitted; permanent legal resident status does not qualify.

The 2022 application deadline will be November 15, 2021 at 11:59 p.m., Pacific Time

Awards:

- The Elks National Foundation will award 500 four-year scholarships to the highest-rated applicants in the 2022 competition.
- Male and female students compete separately.
- Ranging from \$1,000 per year to \$12,500 per year, Most Valuable Student scholarships are for students pursuing a four-year degree, on a full-time basis (minimum of 12 semester hours), in a U.S. college or university. All scholarships are in the form of certificates of award conditional upon the full-time enrollment of the winner in an accredited U.S. college or university.
- The Chicago office of the Elks National Foundation will announce the 500 national winners in late April, 2022. (Many local Lodges, districts and state Elks associations award their own scholarships through this program. These scholarships are not to be confused with the 500 Elks National Foundation Most Valuable Student Scholarships.)
- The 20 Top Finalists traditionally* participate in an all expenses paid [Leadership Weekend](#) in Chicago during which they'll interview with the national judges. These 20 Finalists will be vying for two first-place awards of \$50,000; two second-place awards of \$40,000; and two third-place awards of \$30,000. The remaining 14 finalists will receive awards of \$20,000. The 480 runners-up will receive fifth-place scholarships of \$4,000.

Looking for other Elks scholarship options? Learn about [Legacy Awards](#) and [Emergency Educational Grants](#).

Questions? Email scholarship@elks.org or call 773/755-4732.

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Member Note -

Ever since I got interested in John Kennedy and his service on the PT 109 I have taken time to research any ship's history that I come across when meeting Navy Veterans. It's just a small hobby and I like history and when you find information out about Navy War ships you find a lot of brave men with a lot of history behind the ships.

When I became reacquainted with Gordy Engel and found out he had served on the USS Fremont APA-44. I went to work researching his ship.

I found a long crews list and I found Walter Engel and his enlisted time on the ship. The USS Fremont was an attack launch ship. It had made 10 successful attack launches in a row,

Fremont earned the coveted Amphibious Assault Award for 13 consecutive years. She is the only ship in the Navy to have accomplished this.

I also came across decals for sale of the ship and gave him two of them. To make up for the time I stole his pizza. (Another whole Story).

Not long after, I was talking to Dave Riffley and found out he served on the USCG Cape Kiwanda 95329 - a 95 foot patrol boat. He had told me, much to his dismay, that the ship was given to Cambodia. I found it hard to believe that the US Navy would give a ship to an enemy so I started to research the USCG Cape Kiwanda 95329. What I found out was unbelievable and much to Dave's enlightenment. His ship was actually given to South Korea In May of 1969, not Cambodia. I printed him the story and the news release photo of the transfer.

After telling this story to Anne she asked me to write it up for the newsletter. At some future date I will write the story of the stolen pizza.

- Jerry Hallenbeck

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Elks Christmas Party

Saturday, December 18th

Doors Open at 2pm - Dinner at 5pm

Bring a \$10.00 Secret Santa Gift

3 Drink Coupons

Music - Games - Trivia

Raffles & Prizes

Reservations Required

Contact Tammy McDermott for

Questions 518.704.1866



Time

If I had the power to turn back the clock,
go back to that house at the end of the block,
the house that was home when I was a kid,
I know that I'd love it more now than I
did.

If I could be back there at my mother's knee
and hear once again all the things she told me
I'd listen as I never listened before
for she knew so well just what life had in store.

And all the advice my dad used to give,
his voice I'll remember as long as I live.
But it didn't seem really important then;
what I'd give just to live it all over again.

And what I'd give for the chance I once had
to do so much more for my mother and dad.
To give them more joy and a little less pain.
A little more sunshine, a little less rain.

But the years roll on and we cannot go back.
Whether we were born in a mansion or in a shack.
But we can start right now, in the hour that's here,
to do something more for the ones we hold dear.

And since time in its flight is travelling so fast
let's not spend it regretting that which is past.
But let's make tomorrow a happier day
by doing our "good to others" today.

Author Margaret McCarthy

November 11th-

On this day, Veterans Day, we are commemorating service of veterans of all wars. We remember how men and women set aside their civilian pursuits to serve their nation's cause, defending the freedom of mankind and preserving our precious American Heritage.

We believe our strength on the field of battle, on the supply lines which nourished our armed might, lay in justice of our cause against the forces of evil. We believe our determination made us better warriors because we fought with our minds and our hearts, as well as our bodies.

We recognize service to our country and her cause does not end with the termination of military service. We continue our endeavors on behalf of an honorable world peace with a feeling of profound gratitude to God and to the men and women who gave their lives as part of the cost of this noblest of causes.


Out of blood and sweat, we learned of purpose, sacrifice, tolerance, bravery and discipline. These are solid foundation stones upon which a great nation is built. In our continuing quest for an honorable world peace, we must cultivate these virtues.

Roger Bradley



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

Fridays - 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

NOV

- 5th - Philly Cheese Steak w/FF \$12.00 5p - 7p
- 11th - District Deputy Visitation at Saugerties 6:30p
- 11th - Free Veterans Dinner - Roast Beef, Potatoes, Veggies and Cake
\$10.00 for Non Vets 5p - 7p Reservations Required No Walk Ins
- 12th - Fish Fry, Cole Slaw, French Fries or Onion Rings, \$11.00 5p - 7p
- 15th - ENF Most Valued Scholar Applications Due - on line
- 19th - Chicken Pot Pie, Salad and Dessert \$12.00 5p - 7p
- 23rd - District Deputy Visitation at Catskill 7p
- 26th - Trim a Tree Night - Pot Luck Dinner

DEC

- 3rd - Philly Cheese Steak w/FF \$12.00 5p - 7p
- 4th - Veterans Christmas Dinner - Reservations Required
- 10th - Fish Fry, Cole Slaw, FF or Onion Rings \$11.00 5p - 7p
- 11th - Stegmann D-elivery 8a—?
- 17th - No Dinner
- 18th - Christmas Party - starts at 2p, dinner served at 5p
- 24th - No Dinner
- 31st - No Dinner



North Hudson District #6260 2021 Calendar of Events



Stay Tuned for Updates

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Stegmann Dates

November 6th - Scouting For Food slips delivered by boy scouts to doors first

Saturday in November

- Non perishable food donations accepted for Scouting for food at the parking lot at

KJ's Gymnastics/Crossed Eyed Owl Parking lot, 8am - noon

November 24th - Application deadline

December 2nd - 6pm pick out toys at the Ghent VFW

December 5th - Unload truck with toys at the Lodge

December 6th - Toy wrapping from 5pm to finished

December 7th - Route Toys

December 11th - D-elivery Day 8am until finished

Sign up sheets in the Lounge at the Lodge

Every month is an opportunity to discover
something or make a decision that will
change your life forever.

Don't miss it! Do whatever you have to do
to make your life as exciting as possible.

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- Cumulative Miles Ridden 50/50; \$5 per chance
 - top 3 closest to the total miles ridden
 - 1st => 25%, 2nd => 15%, 3rd => 10%
- Cumulative Time Ridden 50/50; \$5 per chance
 - top 3 closest to the total minutes ridden
 - 1st => 25%, 2nd => 15%, 3rd => 10%
- Pledge Per Mile (i.e. \$0.10 per mile) or Lump Sum (i.e. \$25)



Contact:

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All proceeds go to Elks projects
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Kinderhook #2530
Brunswick #2556
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WHAT IS NO-SHAVE NOVEMBER?

No-Shave November seeks to grow awareness — not to mention hair-ness — about cancer. The organizers want people to embrace their hair, which many cancer patients lose, and to let it grow — as the holiday's originators say — "wild and free." No-Shave November is a fun and creative way to remind folks that many of our friends and neighbors struggle every day with the disease and with efforts to fight it. Moreover organizers also encourage participants to donate the money they'd normally spend on hair care to cancer support and educational organizations.

Anyone up for friendly competition?

Grand Lodge News

GRAND LODGE ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

Community Projects Contest recognizes volunteer work

By **MICHAEL B. BRYANT**

Community Project Contest Coordinator

As we start to emerge from the hibernation we have been dealing with for the last 18 months, it is time to once again interact with our local communities to fill their needs and promote Elksdom's great deeds.

Our communities desperately need assistance that local governments are challenged to provide at this time. Connecting with members of the community in these projects also introduces them to the Elks and the many wonderful programs and activities we do.

The Grand Lodge Community Projects Contest is a way for your Lodge and your Members to gain recognition for this hard work. It is encouraged that you identify a need in your community, develop a plan to address the need, and solicit volunteers to follow through with the plan. Try to engage both Members and non-Members in both developing your plan and putting it into action. This builds relationships, fosters goodwill, and can result in new Members joining your Lodge. Try to identify a program that can grow from year to year and be an icon of what your Lodge stands for in the community.

The Community Investment Program administered by ENF provides many grants that can be used in your program. The \$3,500 Beacon Grant is perfectly suited for continuing active projects. You can merge the Spotlight Grant with the Beacon Grant, which provides \$5,500 total. Or, your Lodge can start a program with other CIP grants. Visiting the ENF Community Investment Programs page on elks.org can provide past examples of projects that have been successful.

Be active in your project; don't just give a check to a project or organization. The best reward comes not only from providing for your community but from engaging with it. These relationships are what build the foundation for strong and proud communities.

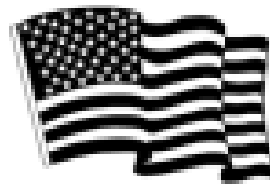
Get recognition for your Lodge and Members by applying for the Community Project Contest. The Committee awards first, second, and third place in each of the six membership categories based on the size of your Lodge. The categories have been restructured this year to balance the categories with each having roughly the same number of Lodges. It does not matter how large or small your Lodge may be—you will be competing against Lodges your own size. The form is a fillable PDF

that can be completed, saved, and e-mailed to the project coordinator, whose contact information is listed on the form.

The contest is based on criteria such as number of Lodge people involved; number of man-hours; number of days for the event; number of newspaper articles; number of social media messages; and number of signs posted. There is a point value for each item. It could not be easier.

The Community Project contest form is located at <https://www.elks.org/grandLodge/activities/files/communityProjectsContest.pdf>. A five-minute YouTube video explains the history of the Community Projects Contest and the concept of the program at <https://youtu.be/XQH9Oq7LKbM>.

Applications are due to the project coordinator listed on the application by April 1, 2022, but don't wait until then to submit. Once the project is completed fill out the form and submit it then. You can e-mail or mail the completed form. If e-mailed, please provide a few .jpeg photos that depict the nature of the project with your community. Reward your Members and receive publicity for your Lodge at the Grand Lodge Convention.



2021-2022



AMERICANISM ESSAY CONTEST

Essay Theme: *“What does it mean to love your country?”*

1. Eligible participants must be a student enrolled in the fifth, sixth, seventh or eighth grade during the normal 2021-22 school year, preceding June 30, 2022. **Deadline: Must be submitted to Local Lodge by December 15, 2021.**
2. Essay length is not to exceed 300 words.
3. Essay must be typed or legibly printed in ink. Also, Essay must be submitted as written (or typed) by the entrant.
4. Essay must be submitted for judging to the Elks Lodge administering the contest at his or her school or, if unknown, to Lodge nearest to home address of entrant.
5. Entrant must be identified on essay by name, home address, grade, school attended and sponsoring Lodge. (Lodge may enter Lodge information on essay.)
6. Judging criteria:
 - Originality: Avoid the use of trite or worn out words and phrases – 30 points
 - Development of theme: Stay focused on ideas and thoughts. Don't ramble – 40 points
 - Mechanics and neatness: Use proper spelling, grammar and punctuation – 30 pointsThere are two divisions for judging essays:
 - Division 1 (combined fifth and sixth grades)
 - Division 2 (combined seventh and eighth grades)

PROCEDURES FOR LODGE AMERICANISM CHAIRMAN

Select from submitted entries the top three essays from each division and send the six essays to the District Americanism Chairman by Jan. 31, 2022, or the date established by the State Association.

PROCEDURES FOR DISTRICT AMERICANISM CHAIRMAN

Select the top three essays in each division from entries submitted by Local Lodges and send the six essays to the State Americanism Chairman by Feb. 28, 2022, or the date established by the State Association.

PROCEDURES FOR STATE AMERICANISM CHAIRMAN

Select the first-, second- and third-place winners for the state from entries submitted by the District Chairman. In addition, State Chairman forwards the first-place winners from each division to the Grand Lodge Essay Contest Administrator. (Must be postmarked by March 31, 2022.)

SEND TO: Essay Contest Administrator David P. Cioe, Grand Lodge Fraternal Committee, 6 Francis Street, Barrington, RI 02806-2709.

Plaques for first-, second-, and third-place winning essays in Divisions I and II will be available for pickup at the Fraternal Committee's Booth at the end of the Grand Lodge Session on July 5, 2022.



“What does it mean to love your country?”

Essay Contest

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RULES:

1. Eligible participants must be Students enrolled in the 5th, 6th, 7th or 8th grade at the time of the contest.
2. Essay length is not to exceed 300 words.
3. Essay must be typed or legibly printed in ink. Also, Essay must be submitted as written (or typed) **by the entrant.**
4. Essay must be submitted for judging to the Elks Lodge nearest to the address of the entrant.
5. Participant must be identified by name, grade, school attending and sponsoring Elks Lodge on the Essay.

AWARDS:

Plaques will be awarded by the Grand Lodge for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Place for national winning essays in Division I and Division II. Winners will be announced at the Grand Lodge Session in Atlanta, GA, July 3-6, 2022.

ENTRY DATE:

Essay should be submitted to local Elks Lodge on/before December 15, 2021.

The Essay Contest Cover Sheet must be completed for each level of competition and remain attached to the Essay.

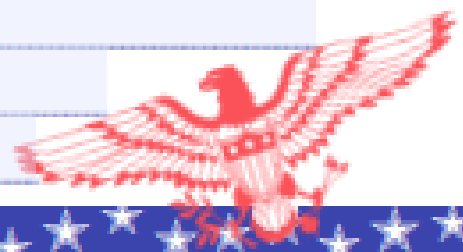
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2021-2022 AMERICANISM ESSAY CONTEST COVER SHEET

(MUST be attached to each Essay)



“What does it mean to love your country?”

Section 1 — to be filled out by student

Division I: 5th or 6th Grade (Circle or Highlight One Grade) Division II: 7th or 8th Grade

School _____ Teacher's Name _____

School Address _____ City _____ State _____

Student's Name _____ Male ☐ Female ☐

Age _____ Grade _____ Parent's Name _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Home Phone (_____) _____ E-mail _____

(used only to contact the winners)

Send to Local Lodge no later than December 15, 2021.

Section 2 — to be filled out by Lodge Chairman

Chairman's Name _____

Chairman's Home Phone Number (_____) _____

Sponsoring Lodge Name & Number _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Select the top three essays from each division and send them to the District Americanism Chairman by January 31, 2022 or the date established by the State Chairman. (Top three only, do not separate as 1st, 2nd, or 3rd.)

Section 3 — to be filled out by District Chairman

Chairman's Name _____ District _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Chairman's Home Phone Number (_____) _____

Select the top three essays from each division and send them to the State Americanism Chairman by February 28, 2022 or the date established by the State Chairman. (Top three only, do not separate as 1st, 2nd, or 3rd.)

Section 4 — to be filled out by State Chairman

Chairman's Name _____ State _____

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Select the 1st, 2nd & 3rd place winners for your State and send the 1st place winner from each division to the Contest Administrator, David P. Cioe, by March 31, 2022.

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