



# THE LEGEND

## Newsletter of the Kinderhook Elks

April 2022



To the Kinderhook Elks Family,

It is indeed an honor to be your Exalted Ruler once again. I am looking forward to working with our newly elected officers through this upcoming lodge year.

The Installation of Officers ceremony, the first one open to the public since Anne Leiser was installed as ER back in 2019, was held on Sunday, March 27th. This year's set of officers is a good team that will work well together. A large portion of the officers are from last year and a couple (Chris Bellingham and myself) have previous experience as officers. We still have one chair open; the Esteemed Loyal Knight. If anyone is interested, please contact me or any of the other officers or PERs, even if just to discuss what's involved.

Thanks to the volunteers that made delicious appetizers for the refreshment time. There was quite the assortment. Thanks also to Dave Travis for still having his 'Dogs and Wings'.

House Committee Chair Dave Travis and Exalted Ruler Anne Leiser, PER give out this year's awards. The awards were as follows:

Bartender of the year - Jeannie Engel

Officer of the Year - Tammy McDermott

Elk of the Year - Lillian Todriff

We have three outgoing officers this year; Tammy McDermott, Frank Masten (PER) and Anne Leiser (PER). I want to take a moment and thank you three for everything that you have done for our lodge. Not just for the past year, but also the years of your service to our lodge and community. I'd also like to bring to people's attention that we have two anniversaries. Thirty-five (35) years ago Frank Masten (PER) was installed as Exalted Ruler. It is also Joseph Laviano's (PER) 25th anniversary of his installation to Exalted Ruler.

With nicer weather on the horizon please check our events calendar, whether on our website or on the calendars in the lounge area, for dinners, meetings, activities in the pavilion, and other events. This is a great time to get to know our officers and new members while helping our communities.

Hope to see you there.

Fraternally,

Exalted Ruler John Piddock, SVP



# **Homecoming Reception Honoring State Vice President John R. Piddock**



**Saturday, May 7, 2022**

**Appetizers/Cocktails at 5pm  
Roast Beef Dinner at 6pm**

**Kinderhook Elks Lodge #2530  
2750 Rte 9H  
Kinderhook, NY**

**Tickets = \$25**

**Contact: Lodge or (518) 281-2842**

## **Letter from Anne Leiser PER -**

To my Kinderhook Elks Family,

I would like to thank each and everyone of you that helped and supported not only myself, but the officers the members the Lodge and the community. WE have done so many amazing things.

We thought outside of the box during COVID, we kept in touch with our members, friends and we made our presence known in the community. I think we did an amazing job.

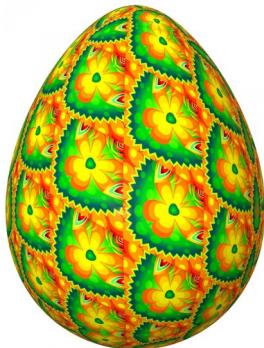
During the last three years I have grown as a person, learned so much about myself and some of the members of this Lodge. My family has gotten so much bigger. Members that I was never able to connect with, we have accomplished that. That to me is one of the best things ever. We all may not like everything about each other but there is always something to like, and then work on growing the friendship from there.

Remember we have the car show coming up, a comedy show planned, meals on Sunday and Friday, new programs (book club and a support group) starting and old ones continuing.... yup FAIR PARKING. We need you, your friends your family to accomplish this task. So please step up take a shift or two and help your Lodge out.

Now it's time for someone else to take the reins and move this Lodge forward. There are many with so much knowledge and experience, utilize that. There are also members that have stepped up to take new positions in the Lodge. That's awesome, new blood new ideas, let's continue to work together and make this a Lodge anyone would be proud to belong to.

Respectfully,  
Anne Leiser PER  
as of April 1 CCMO (card carrying member only) too funny





# ~Spring Fling!!!~



Where: Kinderhook Elks Lodge When: Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup>

Time: 5:00 – 9:00pm

RSVP: by April 20<sup>th</sup> to:

Tammy McDermott @ 518-704-1866

[33frogsinatree@gmail.com](mailto:33frogsinatree@gmail.com) or

Sandy LaCross @ 518-610-2888

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~ENJOY! ENJOY! ENJOY!~



Dinner and dancing with friends at this year's annual

**Special Needs Prom**

hosted by the Kinderhook Elks!

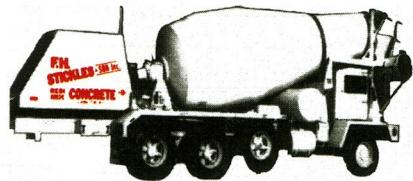
Individual and one guest welcome to attend at no charge.

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## 2022 KINDERHOOK ELKS AWARD RECIPIENTS



OFFICER OF THE YEAR - TAMMY MCDERMOTT



ELK OF THE YEAR - LILL TODRIFT



BARTENDER OF THE YEAR – JEAN ENGEL

## 2022-23 OFFICER INSTALLATION



Exalted Ruler: John Piddock SVP, Leading Knight: Chris Bellingham, Lecturing Knight: Steve Everett, Secretary: Jerry Shook, PSP, Treasurer: Joe Laviano, PER, Chaplin: Sharon Deck, Esquire: John Deane, Inner Guard: Jean Engel, Tiler: Larry Knott, Trustee: Chris Akers, PDD

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**Sunday's  
4pm—6:30pm**



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## Americanism Corner

April has sprung! Along with the flowers and showers, we have set aside two dates to remember our past, and promote our future. April 5, and the last Friday in April (April 29). Think about it for a few minutes. Answers to follow.....

The wives of fallen soldiers are designated as, "Gold Star Spouses". The Senate, in 2010, passed a resolution commemorating April 5 as a day to remember, and pay respect to surviving wives of fallen soldiers. Under recent guidance of the Department of the Army, this day is observed as Gold Star Spouses Day. Let's remember our special spouses.

April 29th is Arbor Day. The name comes from the Roman word for tree. Many communities plant trees, and place an American Flag beside each tree. This tradition began in Nebraska, in 1872. By 1907, every state observed Arbor Day. In 1970, President Nixon proclaimed National Arbor Day the last Friday in April. Where "wood" we be without a tree?

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# Kinderhook Elks BOOK CLUB

*Come join us for our 1st book club meeting.*

*This meeting we will discuss the club,  
decide how to best move forward  
with the meetings and  
the first book we will read.*

**April 9th 3p to 4p**

*Any questions, please contact  
Terri Brew at 518-461-2327  
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or*

*Tammy McDermott at 518-704-1866  
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## UPCOMING SUMMER EVENTS



## VETERANS EVENTS

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Happy 90th Birthday to John Neary!!

**A Long Time Member and Veteran of the Korean War. If you see John, usually on Friday nights at the lodge, wish him a Happy Birthday!!**



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Join us the first Tuesday of every month from 6-7:30pm starting on April 5th for an evening of equine activities. This program is full of hands on experiences with our herd. It is open to all veterans and no prior horse experience is needed.

Registration is recommended, but drop-ins are welcome. For more information please email  
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Dana O'Leary at  
[518-965-3027/danaerin1222@gmail.com](mailto:518-965-3027/danaerin1222@gmail.com)



# Kinderhook Elks

## Upcoming Events

**Sunday breakfast's** - 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 Tickets 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.

### Friday Meals & Events

#### APRIL

1st - Fried Seafood Plate (Clams, Shrimp & Fish, Cole Slaw, FF or Onion Rings  
\$11.00 5p-7p

8th - Fish Fry, Cole Slaw, FF or Onion Rings \$11.00 5p-7p

9th - Book Club Meeting 3p-4p

9th - Easter Bunny Visit at The Barnwell Nursing Home

10th - Breakfast with the Easter Bunny 8a -11a

15th - Fish Fry, Cole Slaw, FF or Onion Rings \$11.00 5p-7p

16th - Easter Bunny Visit - Village of Kinderhook, Town Square 11a - 1p

17th - Breakfast with the Easter Bunny 8a -11a

22th - Southwest Chicken Sandwich w/FF or Onion Rings \$10.00 5p – 7p

29th - **#1** Liver, Bacon & Onions served w/ Baked Potato, Caesar Salad & Dessert or  
**#2** Meat Lasagna or **#3** Veggie Lasagna served w/ Garlic Bread, Caesar Salad  
& Dessert \$13. 00 5p - 7p

30th - Annual Special Needs Prom, RSVP by April 20th, with Tammy McDermott

### UPCOMING LODGE MEETINGS, PLEASE JOIN US.

**Member Meetings - April 11th & 25th at 7:30pm**

**Board of Directors Meeting - April 18th at 7:30pm**





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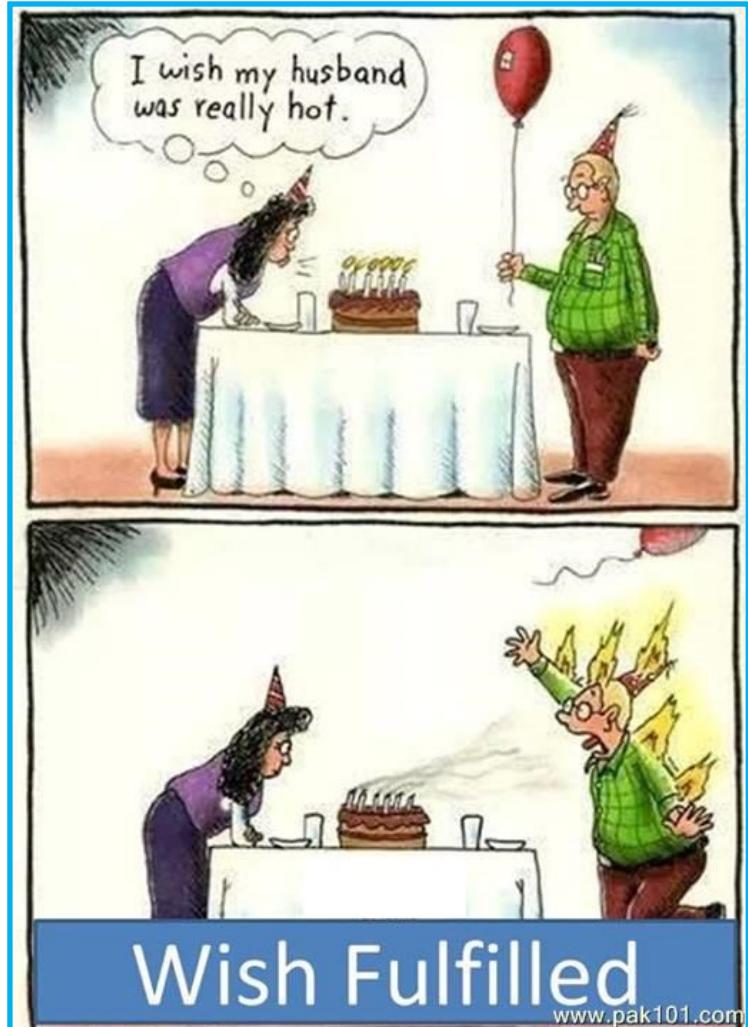
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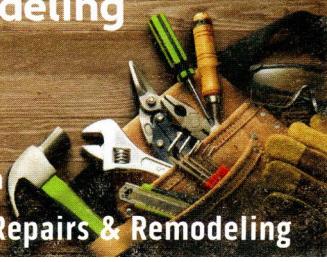
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Esteemed Lecturing Knight: Steve Everett 908-392-6318

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