



THE LEGEND

Newsletter of the Kinderhook Elks

AUGUST 2022



To the Members, Families and Supporters of Kinderhook Elks Lodge,

Well we are on the the final stretch of summer. In a few short weeks we'll be parking cars, getting ready for the District Deputy Clinics and Visitation visits, and going to Albany for the NYS Elk's Association's Fall Conference.

First is that Fair Parking starts August 31st and goes thru Labor Day. I cannot state enough how important this is to our lodge; both as a financial perspective and from an image one as well. From the financial side, parking provides revenues that we put back into the Northern Columbia communities. From the image side, parking allows us to show Columbia County residents what Elkdom is and what are Elks. If all members of our lodge could help in some manner, whether parking cars or monitoring the booth, that would be so good for us. Sign up sheets for times are on the bulletin board at the lodge.

Next is welcoming our new District Deputy Grand Exulted Ruler Linda Rowse; of Rensselaer Lodge. From July 2nd to July 6th, the National Elks Convention was held in Atlanta, Georgia. Wendy and I, along with PSP Jerry and Abby Shook, attended. It consisted of three and a half days packed with meetings, workshops, ritual competitions and such. The four of us, with the Exalted Rulers of the other lodges in the North Hudson District, along with PDDGERs John Miners, Deb Miners, Richard Belcher, Larry Rowse, and Tom Nardacci District Deputy, took Linda to dinner in honor of her installment.

As discussed in the July newsletter, July was a busy month at the lodge. The Car Show at the Chatham Fairgrounds did very well, even with the weather. Congrats to Anne and her large team of volunteers on the successful event. Another hit with the community was the Wednesdays' Line Dancing.

For August we have the Yard Sale, another night of Bikers in the Pavilion and our Chicken BBQ. Of course these are in addition to the events scheduled with Chris Akers for use of the Lodge and/or pavilion.

May you all have a great August.

John Piddock



To my Kinderhook Elks family,

I know this isn't something that I have to do, but its something I want to do. I have been a member of this Lodge for 14 years. I have worked many functions, met some amazing people, made my family bigger and better, I have laughed with you, I have cried with you, I have learned and experienced things that have made me a better person. This is why I feel I need to write this.

We are members of a great organization at the lower level. We work together for the betterment of the community, Veterans, and kids, but along the way we do it for ourselves too. We pay to donate our time and talents to accomplish this. Don't take that wrong, we get so much more out of it; the pride, the satisfaction, the friendships, the joy in making someone's day, knowing that you were a part of making a difference.

We take an obligation to treat members as family, writing their fault on the sand so that when the tide comes in those faults are washed away. Their virtues we write on the tablets of love and memory. I haven't seen much of that lately, and even on my part I know its hard. We are being torn apart from the inside out with all the anger and frustration. No one is perfect, we all make mistakes, remember that oath. I know it isn't always easy, but its better for you, the other person and the rest of the Lodge to forgive and let go. We need to focus our attention on the good in people. There are members of the Elks that constantly throw things in my face that happened years ago. You have a few bad days and that's all they can remember? Really? I for one don't want to hear about it again, the embarrassment, you lived through it once no need to keep making people feel bad about themselves. All the good you did was forgotten but that bad day has branded you like the scarlet letter.

When we gain new members and they see the animosity among us, what does that say about us? They just heard a story and made promises that the members we have don't follow. No one person or event is to blame, we need to be a bit more welcoming, talk to someone outside of your circle, ask them to work a function, ask them about ideas they have. Most people are going to feel uncomfortable coming into a new place not knowing the ins and outs of the organization or the people. Reach out and try to welcome them, get them involved, introduce them to other members, listen not only with your ears but your heart and mind. The camaraderie and member support means so much in all aspects of life.

When constructing a building you make sure you have good footing before building. Those footings are your foundation, they aren't going anywhere, they are the platform for building up and out. The PER's, members who have been here for years, some even decades are our footings. Use these resources, come to meetings, if you don't understand something ask, the only stupid question is one not asked. Lets try and take one day at a time and with each day try to be the best you can be.

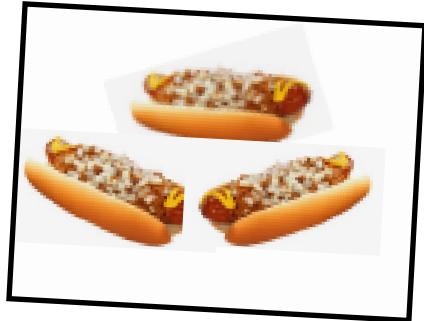
Thank you for reading my rant. Again if I can help, I will.

Fraternally,
Anne Marie Leiser PER

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Every month there's a special day to celebrate, commemorate, and send a card. There is one exception to this rule. During this month, there are no days off, no reason to celebrate, or send a card.

Which month is it? Hint... there are 11 wrong answers.
Go for it....

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Kinderhook Elks Car Show July 22, 2023

THANK YOU!!!! On the fourth Saturday in July for the past two years the Lodge has put on an amazing car show. The huge effort that goes into putting this event on was performed by the amazing members of this lodge, friends and family of members, and even some prospective new members. You all should be proud of yourselves. It was a pleasure working with you, but of course, the day of the event is more fun than work – at least it is for me. Thank you for making the event such a success! Also a big thank you to Matt Hauser for purchasing staff t-shirts – please keep them for next year. Looking forward to it! Make sure you are signed up for the Lodge newsletter to keep informed of the next meeting.





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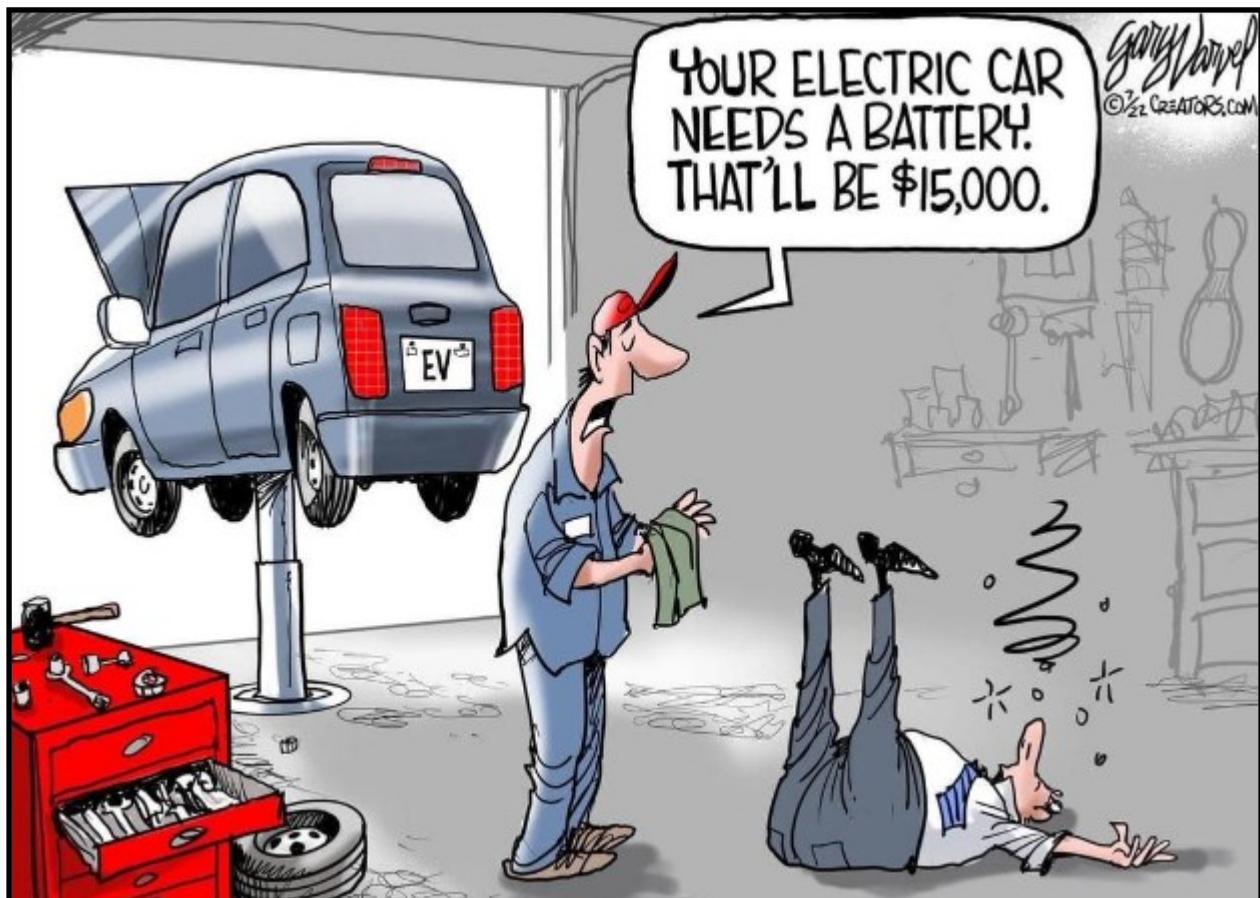
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Karaoke NIGHT

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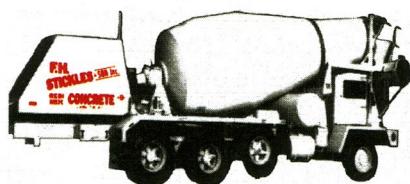
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Registration is recommended, but drop-ins are welcome. For more information please email
Rachel Conaway at
rachel@high-n-mighty.org or contact
Dana O'Leary at
518-965-3027/danaerin1222@gmail.com

Widows Support Group

Any widow who's spouse was a veteran can join the Joseph P. Dwyer widows connection. It's held every second Thursday of the month at 5:30pm at 389 Fairview Ave. Hudson, NY Suite 7. Food and refreshments are served. Please come and join the group and share your thoughts and stories.

NY Elks Camp Bristol
invites you to
Military Child
Appreciation Week!

NY Elks Camp Bristol is honored to host Military Child Appreciation Week! This is a free week at Camp Bristol for youths 10-13 years old who are the children or grandchildren of active-duty military members or veterans. Military Child Appreciation Week will take place August 7-12. This opportunity is open to the first 15 boys and first 15 girls that sign up.

To register or for questions, please call 315-625-8145

New York Elks Camp Bristol, located in West Monroe, serves as a home for residential youth camp and a safe and relaxing space for veterans to gather. Members of the community are invited to inquire about camp usage for meetings, school trips, and community events. The purpose of Camp Bristol is to gather to promote physical, emotional, and social well-being while fostering collaboration and cultivating friendships.

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Please sign up in the lodge on the Bulletin Board. If you can't get in, Call the Lodge 518-758-2530 and Have one of the Bartenders Sign YOU up for an open shift. This contract that we have with the Fair Board helps very much with our Lodge finances.

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Fridays - Queen of Hearts at 7pm. Purchase Tickets in the Lounge or call Tammy at 518.704.1866

Reservations Required for Friday Dinners - Place your order w/ Anne at 518.758.2196

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5th - Chicken Patty on Roll w/Lettuce, & Tomato, Chips & Mac Salad 5p-7p \$11.00

12th - Fish Fry, Served w/Cole Slaw, FF or Onion Rings 5p - 7p \$11.00

19th - Friday Night dinner - TBD

20th - Book Club Meeting 10a -12p Contact Terri Brew

26th - Meatball Subs, Served with Chips 5p - 7p \$10.00

26th thru 28th - Annual Yard Sale 9a - 3p, \$5 Bag Sale Sunday

27th - Chicken BBQ, 1/2 Chicken, Corn on the Cob & Potatoes 4p - 6p \$16.00

Tickets available at Lounge or Contact Anne 518.758.2196 to Reserve your Dinner

SEPT

Columbia County Fair - **Volunteers Needed**, August 31st - September 5th

2nd - No Dinner Labor Day Weekend

9th - Fish Fry, Served w/Cole Slaw, FF or Onion Rings 5p - 7p \$11.00

30th - Karaoke Night - Food & Drinks, 7p - 10p, Contact Thom or Tammy McDermott

OCT

7th - Philly Cheese Steak, Served w/ FF 5p-7p \$12.00

14th - Fish Fry, Served w/Cole Slaw, FF or Onion Rings 5p - 7p \$11.00

21st - Whiskey & Cigars Night, 6p, - \$40.00 Contact Thom or Tammy McDermott

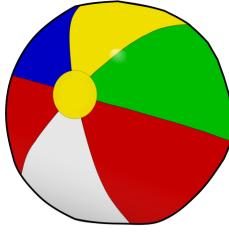
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Member Meetings - August 22nd at 7:30pm



Board Meeting - August 15th at 7:30pm



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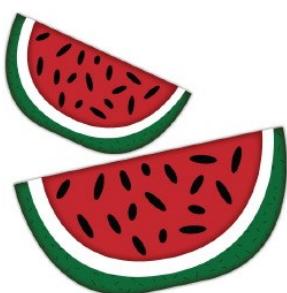
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