



JOHNSON CITY ELKS LODGE # 2821 NEWSLETTER – JULY 2011



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**The Little Lodge
That Does
Big Things!**

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**Lodge
Membership

226

And Growing!**

ELKS CARE – ELKS SHARE

Brothers and Sisters!

Congratulations to Phil Holowacz our New York State President. Phil, from the Sidney Lodge, was installed as president at the New York State Elks Convention in Rochester that was held May 19-22nd. This is both a great honor for Phil and the South Central District. James Sicignano P.E.R. was installed as State Vice President, South Central District. Both these gentlemen will do an outstanding job representing Elkdom.

Marie and I, along with several members of our Lodge, attended the Convention. Special thanks goes out to our Lodge Brothers and Sisters who traveled to Rochester; they made J.C.#2821 proud. While at the Convention I was able to attend two workshops, Veterans Services and a session dealing with Americanism. Both were very educational. Our Lodge received a first place award for Lodges with 300 and under members for 100% activity in the Annual Veterans Remembrance Report. Thank you to our Lodge and District Veterans Chairman Herb Flint, for all his hard work in making this award possible

Our Lodges 10th Anniversary Celebration held June 4th was terrific! Thanks to Anniversary Chairman Dino Christopher and his entire committee for making this day so special. All the members of our Lodge have much to be proud of. We can all look forward to continued success and prosperity in our Lodge's future.

The Flag Day ceremony presented this year at the Highlands was again both patriotic and inspirational. Thanks go out to the Boy Scouts of Troop #110, VVA896 Marine Corp League, JCMS Chorale, Buglers, Violinists, and our Bag Piper. All were sensational! Flag Day Chairperson Wendy Turner and the great teamwork of our Lodge members made for a memorable evening.

On July 4th we celebrate Independence Day in the United States of America. Ours is the land of the Free and the Home of the Brave. It may not be a perfect nation, but it is without doubt the best of all nations. Also in July, the Elks 147th Grand Lodge Session takes place in Phoenix, Arizona, July 17th –22nd. Marie and I will be representing our Lodge.

Please keep current with Lodge activities, stay involved, and remember that our meeting are held once in July and August, on the 3rd Tuesdays of the month.

ELK OF THE MONTH HOPE WOODCOCK

Since joining our Lodge, Hope has been very involved in our events and programs. She has volunteered for many special events, our hospitality room at the Convention, Anniversary Party, and recently started a donation box for supplies to benefit our local Moms House. Thanks Hope for sharing your talents with your Lodge!

Fraternally, Russell Ryan, E.R.

Deaths

To Our Absent Members. Sadly, member Arlene Williams, mother of member Doug Neiss, passed away. Please keep Arlene and the family in your thoughts and prayers at this time of bereavement.

Look throughout this newsletter for a membership number. It will look like this ****999****. If it is your number, just come to the lodge bar and claim your **'Friday Night Dinner For One'** prize certificate. The winner must come in person and show his or her membership card to the bartender. Your prize must be claimed before the month has ended. That's all there is too it! You can then use it on any Friday Night.

ELKS OF THE MONTH

July	-	Holly Belveg
August	-	Sue Whalen
September	-	Russ Ryan
October	-	John Tokos
November	-	Dennis Gazda
December	-	Dino&Rita Christopher
January 2011	-	Marie Ryan
February	-	Jerry Smith
March	-	Kathy & Doug Neiss
April	-	Alicia Beck
May	-	Doug & Dave Gardner
June	-	Hope Woodcock

*** OFFICER OF THE YEAR ***

2001-02	-	Ron Foster
2002-03	-	William Bayliff
2003-04	-	Dennis Gazda
2004-05	-	Alicia Beck
2005-06	-	Herb Flint
2006-07	-	Mark Prindle
2007-08	-	Kathy Neiss
2008-09	-	Russ Ryan
2009-10	-	Paul Reger
2010-11	-	Scott Dow

*** ELK OF THE YEAR ***

2001-02	-	Doug Neiss
2002-03	-	Charlotte Maluchnik
2003-04	-	Jill Foster
2004-05	-	Tom Karpinko
2005-06	-	Linda Koliander
2006-07	-	Sharon Flint
2007-08	-	Elinor Gardner
2008-09	-	Jerry Smith
2009-10	-	Doug Gardner
2010-11	-	Deb Valenta

*** CITIZEN OF THE YEAR ***

2004-05	-	Nancy Graver
2005-06	-	Glen Roberts
2006-07	-	Kim Reger
2007-08	-	Rosemary Lafreniere
2008-09	-	Audrey LoPresti
2009-10	-	Paul Burnett
2010-11	-	Wendy Turner



**Lodge Pins
Only \$3**

BUILDING FUND TOTAL =

\$20,803.26

Cash Acct -----	\$4,430.60
085 CD -----	\$4,107.27
089 CD -----	\$4,115.71
092 CD -----	\$4,113.67
Vanguard Fund---	\$4,036.01



Want a Free Friday Night Dinner!

- Are you a senior 60 yrs old or older?
- When you purchase a Friday Night Dinner ticket you will receive a raffle ticket!
 - Each week we draw for a free dinner. It could be you!

"Mom's House Needs of the Month"

July - Pocket folders, Post it notes, Playdough

August - Foam hand soap, paper towels, action figures like Buzz Lightyear and Woody, etc.

September - Board books, Baby wipes (member mark from Sam's club), Soft Kleenex

There will be a box / container for the lodge for donations to be collected in and a jar for change if someone doesn't like to shop.

Please call with any questions 607-222-8412 cell. I work from home normally, but have to travel periodically.
Elks Care - Elks Share, Hope Woodcock
Hope-mw@hotmail.com

Winner of the HD TV Raffle!

Mike Kelley, our Lodge Trustee, has been working diligently to raise funds for his brother, Daryl who is facing a lung transplant. Daryl is a member of Buckhorn Lodge #2656 in Arizona.

Mike forwarded tickets to other lodges for purchase!

During our Lodge's 10th Anniversary celebration the winning ticket was drawn. **And the winner was Lodge #2107 in New Hyde Park!** Mike placed a call to congratulate them and inquire about delivery. As "luck" would have it, the person who purchased the ticket answered the phone! Mike said the member was so wonderful! At the end of the conversation the Hyde Park Lodge member stated, [we want to donate this TV back to you!](#) He stated raffle it off again!

This is Elkdom at its best! Brother supporting brother. Thanks to New Hyde Park Lodge #2107 for caring and sharing!

*Submitted by Alicia Beck
on behalf of Mike Kelley*

New Fundraiser for Lung Transplant Expenses

40 inch LED Flat Screen TV
Tickets one for \$5.00 or three for \$ \$10.00

Drawing November 18th

See bartender for tickets!

Membership Corner

Applications in Process

Bernice St. Clair proposed by Scott Dow
 Colleen Clarke proposed by James Guiton
 Janine Lamphere proposed by James Guiton
 Jackie Kenefick proposed by Jim Guiton
 Fred Ryan proposed by Paul Reger
 Michael Cuff proposed by Jason Beck
 Karen Honnick proposed by Florence Winters
 Jessica Avery proposed by Sue Whalen
 Manda Wood proposed by Michael Teeter
 Gene Slocum proposed by Scott Dow
 Christopher Cabrera proposed by Mike Rivera
 Joseph Spaziani proposed by Carin Palmer
 Matthew Palmer proposed by Carin Palmer
 Brittany Kirker proposed by Elizabeth Laughlin

Proposing candidates helps us to share our values with the community. Our numbers are growing! Next Month is Up to YOU!



**LODGE #2821
 HONORS OUR VETERANS**

**“So Long As There Are
 Veterans, The
 Benevolent And
 Protective Order of Elks
 Will Never Forget
 Them!”**

THE VETERANS CORNER

Herb Flint, Chairperson hflint@stny.rr.com
 (723-7429 - 759-8985)

**3rd Sunday Every Month.
 Oxford Veterans Home Visit.**

Membership Status

Membership as of <u>04/01/2011</u>	<u>226</u>
Members Initiated	+1
Members Affiliated	+0
Members Reinstated	+0
Member Transfer and Absolute Demits	- 0
Members Deceased	- 1
Dropped From Our Rolls (for non-payment)	- 0

Current Membership 226

Please Welcome Our Newest Member(s):

By Initiation:
none

By Transfers In:
none

Please be sure to send any address changes, should you move. It is very important that I keep our lodge and Grand Lodge records current.
 Paul Reger, Lodge Secretary

28 members have not yet paid their 2011-2012 dues which were payable on April 1st. Please pay as soon as possible. We have already paid your per capita Grand Lodge and NYS assessments. Your dues are now overdue, pay now to save on our future mailing costs.

ROOM RENTALS If you are looking for a great room, great food, and great prices consider your lodge for your next event

We can Setup, Cook, & Serve

Our lodge can comfortably hold up to 55 people. The House Committee has several dining packages available.

Please contact Russ Ryan at rryan@stny.rr.com if you are interested in booking our lodge.

Now Overdue! - Dues Notice

The new Elk year starts on April 1st. Everyone must remit their **2011-2012 dues** and receive their new membership card by that date.

Dues Notices will be mailed in February. Send your dues in now to avoid the postage. Annual dues and assessments remains **\$61** for the coming year.

It's also a good time to consider making voluntary donations to various lodge and Elk programs. Suggested donations are:

Elks National Foundation	\$10
NYSEA Major Projects	\$ 8
Lodge Building Fund	\$25
Lodge General Fund	\$25

Any amount you can contribute to these funds is more than appreciated.

JCHS Class of 2011 After Prom Party

Some members of the JC Elks 'Stayed Up All Night' to celebrate with the JCHS Senior Class. We dealt Black Jack, laughed and had great fun with these amazing students.

Thanks to: Connie Carle, Scott Dow. Bruce DeLing, Rich Palmer and Harry Lewis for sacrificing a nights sleep to show our community that Elks Care Elks Care, not to mention, we never miss a good party.

Our Lodge also donated several raffle prizes for the event including a Laptop Computer. Great Job Everyone!!

Kathy Neiss, PER Drug Awareness and Education Chair

Take Me Out to the Ballgame

Johnson City
Lodge #2821
Fellowship Night



Show the community that Elks Care about home team success!!

Contact: Kimberly or Paul
765-2161 or 725-5105

Date: August 23, 2011

Time: 5:00 PM to 6:30 PM

Binghamton Mets Stadium

All-You-Can-Eat picnic including hot dogs, hamburgers, Lupo's chicken spiedies, macaroni salad, baked beans, fruit salad, potato chips and unlimited soft drinks.

Ballgame starts at 6:35

Bonus: Two for Tuesday adult beverage specials

Double bonus: Post-game fireworks!!

Cost: \$22 includes picnic & game ticket. (14 & under get \$2 discount)

Sign up now!

Johnson City Elks Lodge #2821 has once again scheduled a **Fellowship Night at Binghamton Mets Stadium.** The event, scheduled for Tuesday **August 23rd**, consists of:

- All-You-Can-Eat picnic from 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm
- Two 'fer the price of one specials on certain adult beverages
- B-Mets ballgame vs. the Erie SeaWolves starting at 6:35 pm
- Terrific fireworks display following the game

The picnic consists of hot dogs, hamburgers, Lupo's Chicken Spiedies, macaroni salad, fruit salad, baked beans, potato chips, and unlimited soft drinks. Wow! A great dinner and you don't have to cook, serve or cleanup. Spend some quality fellowship time with friends, family, co-workers, and fellow Elks, and cheer for your hometown team. What a great way to show that the Elks support our community.

The price for the picnic, ballgame, and fireworks is only \$22 per person (\$20 for children 14 and under). The attached flyer contains all the details. For any other questions or to sign up, please contact Kimberly or Paul Reger at 725-5105 or 765-2161 respectively. You can also sign up at the Johnson City Elks Lodge. Sign up now!

We'll see you at the ball park. Let's go Mets!!

July Birthdays

01 Ben Cabot III 01 Bill Fahrenbach III 03 Rick Balles 03 Jodi Dribnak 06 Leanna Beck
06 Ron Foster 06 Steve Litwin 10 George Thiel 12 Chris Albeck 12 Jack Carle 12 Mike Kelley 13
Bill Muska 14 Carol Dailey 14 Pat DeVault 16 Ben Cabot II 16 Bruce Duerr 16 Dan Hoover
17 Linda Koliander 21 Alicia Beck 23 Elinor Gardner 23 Barketa Motsko 24 Holly Angel
24 Mike Pratt 30 Connie Kovach 30 Wayne Leyman

Remember to stop in for your Birthday drink.
HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

The importance of donating to E.N.F. and Major Projects

For the New York State ELK year 2010-2011, for every dollar donated, the Elks National Foundation gave back \$1.68 to our state. \$538,380.00 dollars total. These monies will go for Scholarships, Veterans Services, Drug Awareness and Hoop Shoot programs, just to name a few.

The United Cerebral Palsy Association of New York State was founded in 1940 to address the needs of parents frustrated by the lack of services to meet their children's needs. In 1964 the New York State Elks Association partnered with U.C.P.A. to form the Elks Cerebral Palsy Program. Since that time our Elks Major Project has contributed \$10 million dollars and helped more than 12,000 individuals with disabilities.

Please consider a donation today to these wonderful programs! Thank-You, Russ, E.R.



**FLAG DAY -
2011**



DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know **Bill Maney's daughter, Maureen**, has just been elected the youngest woman ever of the NYS Women's Bar Association.

Did you know **Bill Maney's daughter, Bridgette**, is moving back to NYC! She was in working in Chicago assisting the team with Oprah Winfrey's last season. Bridgette's is working at ABC. She will be doing publicity for "**The Chew**", a one hour food focused program!

Did you know **Dolene Riley's grandson, James**, signed a letter of intent to play football for Hartwick! Dolene, you have very talented grandchildren!

Did you know Dale Stevens grandchildren participated in a BMX race in New Hampshire! Ask him how it went!

Did you know **Marie and Russ Ryan** are brand new grandparents? **Abigail** is three weeks old! Abby is the first grandchild for Russ and Marie.

Did you know **Gail Klein**, brought considerable donations for Mom's house and the Summer Read program! Gail had twin boys, so she always has two of everything!

Sickness and Distress

Ron Lewis, our BBQ team member, is recovering from two surgeries. He states he is doing better. Ron had a carotid artery and knee issue. (but nothing keeps him from BBQ's)

Char Maluchnik, is recovering nicely from her detached retina. Char had a new procedure which was successful.

Tim Turner's Mom, Marcia Turner, is doing so well in her recovery.

Bonnie Bayliff is on the road to recovery! Bonnie had a knee replacement! She will be walking the beaches very soon.

In Memoriam

While few can know the deep sadness you feel, those who care trust you'll find comfort in your precious memories. We will remember at the hour of eleven.

Charlie Sax on the loss of his wife Helen.

Doug and Kathy Neiss on the loss of their Mom and Mother in law Arlene Williams.

My family, Kathy and I wish to express our sincere thank you to the lodge. My Mother, Arlene Williams, passed away last week after a short illness. Thoughtfully and respectfully, our Johnson City Lodge performed a Lodge of Sorrows followed by a fine luncheon.

The hospitality, food and comfort offered at the Lodge created an atmosphere just right for my family and friends to reflect and share memories on what a great lady she was...

I want to note that the Lodge of Sorrows was the official funeral service; the words, tone and impressions were exactly the way my Mom would have wanted it.

Thank you again,
Doug, Kathy and family



JULY 2011– CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Lodge Hours:

Mon., Tues., Wed., & Thu – Lodge opens at 5:30pm

Friday – Lodge Opens at 4:30pm

Saturday & Sunday Openings will be determined by Events

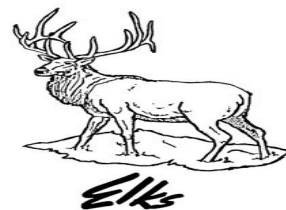
HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY 4TH

Share your favorite family recipe and time with your fellow members!
Volunteer your team to cook on a Friday Night! (See Alicia Beck to schedule your Friday.)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26 (Jun)	27 (Jun) 6pm- TSQ Sign In	28 (Jun)	29 (Jun) 6:30pm- Carle's Cards	30 (Jun) Gardner's Cards	1 Scott & Deb Speidies and Sausage and Peppers Dinner 5-7pm \$8.00	2
3	4 6pm- TSQ Sign In 6pm- Trustees	5 7pm Lodge Meeting	6 6:30pm- Carle's Cards	7 Gardner's Cards	8 Rita/Dick/Dino's Chicken Parm Dinner 5 – 7pm \$8	9
10	11 6pm- TSQ Sign In	12	13 6:30pm- Carle's Cards	14 Gardner's Cards	15 Sharon's Yummy Meatloaf Dinner 5 – 7pm \$8	16
17 Oxford Veterans Home Visit	18 6pm- TSQ Sign In 6pm- Trustees	19 7pm Lodge Meeting Newsletter Articles Due	20 6:30pm- Carle's Cards	21 Gardner's Cards	22 Mystery Chef's Roast Pork Dinner 5-7pm \$8.00	23
24	25 6pm- TSQ Sign In	26 7pm- PER Mtg	27 6:30pm- Carle's Cards	28 Gardner's Cards	29 Tokos Team's Roast Beef Dinner 5 – 7pm \$8.00	30
31	1 (Aug) 6pm- TSQ Sign In 6pm- Trustees	2 (Aug) 7pm Lodge Meeting	3 (Aug) 6:30pm- Carle's Cards	4 Aug Gardner's Cards	5 (Aug) Dinner 5 – 7pm	6 (Aug) **195**

<u>2011 – 2012 Lodge Officers</u>	<u>2011- 2012 LODGE COMMITTEE CHAIRS</u>		
<p>Exalted Ruler – Russ Ryan Leading Knight – Dino Christopher Loyal Knight – Sue Whalen Lecturing Knight – Leona Stevens Esquire – Deb Valenta, PER Chaplain – Tim Turner Inner Guard – Alicia Beck, PER Tiler – Bruce DeLing Secretary – Paul Reger Treasurer – Dennis Gazda</p> <p><u>Trustees:</u> (1yr) Scott Dow, Chairman (2yr) Jerry Smith, (3yr) Mike Kelly, (4yr) Steve Flint and (5yr) Gary Van Driesen</p>	<p><u>Accident Prevention & Insurance.</u> Mike Kelly <u>Americanism Programs</u> Tim Turner <u>Auditing&Accounting</u> Kathy Neiss <u>Bell Jar / Gaming</u> Paul Reger <u>Business Practices</u> Dennis Gazda <u>Community Activities</u> Deb Valenta <u>Drug Awareness</u> Kathy Neiss <u>Elks National Foundation</u> Sue Whalen <u>Flag Day Service</u> Wendy Turner</p>	<p><u>Government Relations</u> Sharon Flint <u>Hoop&Soccer Shoots</u> Ken Jennison <u>Indoctrination (M'ship)</u> Russ Ryan <u>Internet / Webmaster</u> John Oakes <u>Investigation (M'ship)</u> Herb Flint <u>Lapsation (M'ship)</u> Paul Reger <u>Lodge Activities</u> Deb Valenta <u>Mediator</u> tba <u>Membership</u> Steve Flint <u>Mother's Day</u> Lori Wahila</p>	<p><u>Memorial Sunday</u> Kathy Neiss <u>National Service/Vets</u> Herb Flint <u>NYSEA Major Project</u> Steve Flint <u>Presiding Justice</u> Bill Maney <u>Public Relations</u> Deb Valenta <u>Scholarship & Grants</u> Sharon Flint <u>Standing Relief</u> ER, Knights, Sec., & Treas. <u>Visiting Committee</u> Bill Maney <u>Youth Activities</u> Ken Jennison</p>
<p><u>House Committee:</u> - Dino Christopher- Chairman, Scott Dow, Gary Van Driesen, Jason Beck, Alicia Beck, Bruce DeLing and Deb Valenta,</p>			
<p><u>South Central (6360) District Chairmen</u></p> <p>Kathy Neiss, Drug Awareness Herb Flint, Veterans Service Doug Neiss, Gov. Relations & Protocol Steve Flint, Major Project Paul Reger, Public Relations & Empire State Elk Sharon Flint, Scholarship Alicia Beck, Business Practices Ken Jennison, Memorial Sunday</p> <p><u>NYSEA Chairmen</u> Kathy Neiss, Drug Awareness</p>	<p><u>Past Exalted Rulers Association</u></p> <p>Bill Bayliff, PSVP / PDDGER Alicia Beck, PER Jim Bridges, PER Sharon Flint, PER Steve Flint, PSVP / PDDGER Ron Foster, PER Ken Jennison, PER----- (JC PER President) Joe Maluchnik, PSVP Bill Maney, PER Doug Neiss, PSVP Kathy Neiss, PER ----- (JC PER Secretary) Deb Valenta, PER</p>		

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