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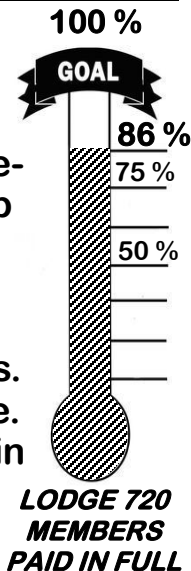
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MONTHLY MTGS / LODGE ACCESS SIGNED 2018 - 2019 MEMBERSHIP CARDS

When attending a floor meeting, please present your **SIGNED** 2018 - 2019 Membership Card for validation at the "Hall" entrance. Additionally, as of May 1st, all dues delinquent "white-key-cards," have been deactivated, denying electronic Lodge access. There can be no exceptions to this mandate. If you've paid your dues, make sure to retain your receipt which will be admissible during this interim as we update our roster, and reset the Lodge-Auto-Entry. **PLEASE help us reach our 100% P.I.F. target.**



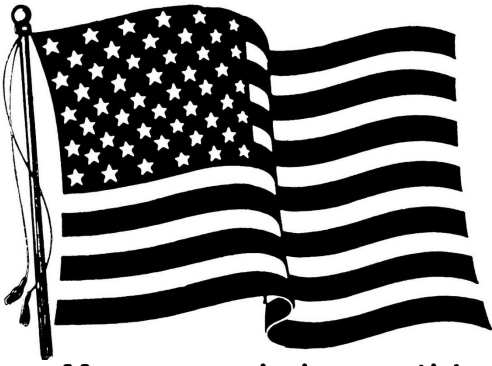
NEWSLETTER MATERIAL

Our goal is to have all "Chair" Newsletter materials in our editor's hands no later than the 5th of the previous month. i.e. March News = Feb 5th cut-off. Similarly, all other "non-chair" submissions must be received by the 10th of the previous month. As a reminder, it is the "Chair," or organizer's responsibility, to verify material accuracy such as dates, times, venues, & most importantly, contact personnel! This gives us the opportunity to flag any conflicts. **!!! We thank you in advance !!!**

SICKNESS & DISTRESS COMMITTEE

Duties include, (at the member's written request), posting relevant information such as hospital hours, bedside phone numbers, and a comprehensive monitoring of a member's progress and status, and where possible, discharge date and time information. Contact our Lodge's Sickness and Distress Chair, Kelly Dorgan Cote, PER (2), at 603-396-1168, should you learn of an ELK member in need of assistance. Please make arrangements to call us should you become infirm or need assistance. **ELKS CARE !!!**

FLAG DAY IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA



Flag Day falls within National Flag Week, a time when Americans reflect on the foundations of our nation's freedom. Our flag represents freedom, and has been an enduring symbol of our country's ideals since its early days. During both events, (Flag Day & Flag Week), Americans reacquaint their loyalty, & reaffirm their belief in liberty and justice, & observe the nation's unity. *(Although Flag Day is observed nationwide, it is not a USA public holiday.)*

Many people honor this day by displaying the American flag at homes and public buildings. Other popular observances include flag-raising ceremonies, Flag Day services, school quizzes & essay competitions, musical salutes, street parades, and special recognition awards.

The National Flag Day Foundation is actively involved in coordinating activities centered on the event, and keeping the flag's traditions alive. Following "Flag Day" is "Honor America Days," a 21-day period straight up to Independence Day, *The Forth Of July*. During this period, people hold public gatherings and activities to celebrate and honor our Flag and our Nation.

On June 14, 1777, the Continental Congress replaced the British symbols of the Grand Union flag with a new design featuring 13 white stars in a circle on a field of blue, and 13 red and white stripes – one for each state. Although it is not certain, this flag may have been made by the Philadelphia seamstress Betsy Ross, who was an official flag maker for the Pennsylvania Navy. The number of stars increased as new states entered the Union, but the number of stripes stopped at 15, and was later returned to 13.

In June 1886 Bernard Cigrand made his first public proposal for the annual observance of the birth of the flag when he wrote an article titled "The Fourteenth of June" in the old Chicago Argus newspaper. Cigrand's efforts finally paid off when President Woodrow Wilson issued a proclamation calling for a nationwide observance of the event on June 14, 1916. However, Flag Day did not become "official" until August 1949, when President Harry S. Truman signed the legislation and proclaimed June 14 as Flag Day. In 1966, Congress also requested that the President annually issue a proclamation designating the week in which June 14 occurs as National Flag Week.

The President is requested to issue a proclamation each year to call on government officials in the USA to display the American flag on all government buildings on Flag Day. US residents were also urged to observe Flag Day as the anniversary of the adoption of the Stars and Stripes as the official flag of the United States of America, by the Continental Congress.

The American flag, also nicknamed as "Old Glory" or the "Star-Spangled Banner," has changed designs over the centuries. It consists of 13 equal horizontal stripes of red, (top & bottom), alternating with white stripes, and a blue rectangle in the canton bearing 50 small, white, five-pointed stars. Each of the 50 stars represents one of the 50 states in the United States, and the 13 stripes represent the original 13 colonies that became the first states in the Union.



EXALTED RULER'S MESSAGE

Micheal E. Norway, PER, PDD

With the trees budding leaves and flowers blooming blossoms, June has finally arrived. With it comes some warm weather which is fast approaching and most welcome after a long winter and very short Spring.

This year's ELKS State Convention was once again a huge success, and a great time was had by all who attended. For more information and photos, go to <http://www.nh-elks.org/>

On June 10th, we will be having the initiation of new members. This will be climaxed by our Flag Day Celebration where we honor our country's flag. (See inside for itinerary.) This ceremony is a very special event, as it incorporates many Veteran's organizations as well as the Boy Scouts, who assist with the pageantry of the flags. I would encourage all members, families, & friends to come to the Lodge and learn the history of their country's Flag, including lore, tradition, and slices of Americana on how we became what we are today.

The ELKS Golf League should be in full swing by now, (pun intended). More info and updates will be announced herein as it becomes available.

Regarding membership; if you know a worthy person that you would invite inside your home and would break bread with, ask them if they would be interested in becoming a member of the ELKS. Invite them to get involved with our great Fraternal Organization. A good ELK is one that gets involved and helps their fellow man and woman, as well as Veterans of every stripe.

With that being said "**A GREAT ELK**" is one that is in "good-standing" with the Lodge. So if you haven't paid your dues as yet, please take the time to ensure that your yearly membership obligation has been fulfilled.

In closing, as summer is approaching, please be safe and enjoy.

FLAG DAY CEREMONY, JUNE 10, 2018

Flag Day is a day for Americans to celebrate and show respect for the flag that represents our independence and our unity as a nation. Our flag has a proud and glorious history and has waved in every battle fought by Americans. Many have died protecting both it, and our freedom. Please join us in this ceremony to honor "Old Glory" through it's history of creation & subsequent retirement. When flags are tattered and worn, its time for new ones to muster in their place. These star-spangled warriors are retired in a dignified ceremony of fire. With crackling embers and soaring flames, they once again evoke the memories of the rockets glare at Fort McHenry. And as a final gesture, their smoke wafts on high, filling the air with American pre-eminence through freedom and peace. *We again invite you to be part of this important slice of Americana. Our flag presentation, assisted by the Boy Scouts, will begin INSIDE our Lodge, and then proceed OUTDOORS to conclude our ceremony with the renewal of new Flags, and the retirement of dated Flags. A light meal will follow the Ceremony.*

SEE THE FOLLOWING PAGE FOR A COMPLETE FLAG DAY ITINERARY

NASHUA LODGE OF ELKS NO. 720
JUNE 10, 2018 - FLAG DAY SERVICE PROGRAM
INDOCTRINATION & INITIATION OF NEW MEMBERS
RETIREMENT & RENEWAL OF THE ELKS AMERICAN FLAG

1:30 INDOCTRINATION

Indoctrination of new ELK members, accompanied by their sponsors, along with their families prior to initiation, so that they may become fully informed as to the good works of the Order of ELKS.

2:00 PM INITIATION

Initiation of new ELK members, accompanied by their sponsors.

3:30 PM FLAG DAY SERVICES

Open to all Officers, ELKS and their families & guests. The pageantry of Flags will be presented by Boy Scout Troops 410 & 773. The history of our Flag will be recounted by George H. Smith, PER, PDD, SVP. The response will be given by Albert W. Savage, PER, PSP, PDD, HLM.

ELKDOM STRENGTHENS AMERICA

4:30 PM RETIREMENT & RENEWAL OF THE ELKS AMERICAN FLAG

ELK Officers & Members along with families & guests will assemble at the flagpole in front of the building. Our current flag which has waved so proudly, as well as other Flags that have become weathered & tattered, will be retired and interred with dignity, in a ceremony conducted by the American Legion James E. Coffey Post #3.

5:15 PM FLAG DAY DINNER

A family style dinner will be served in the Lodge Hall. All are invited.

FLAG DAY COMMITTEE

Albert W. Savage, PER, PSP, PDD, HLM

Kelly Dorgan Cote, PER (2), Esteemed Leading Knight

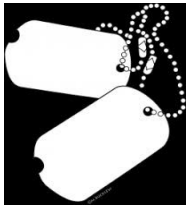
A special thanks to all Veteran's Organization that posted their Colors.



***! WE ARE PROUD
TO BE AMERICANS !***

FLAG DAY
2018





VETERAN'S CORNER

The recent baby shower that took place at the Manchester VMAC on Saturday, May 5th was a huge success. A special thanks to Kelly Dorgan Cote, PER (2) for working her magic with the generous donation of \$120.00 from Nashua ELKS Lodge #720, and \$100 ENVSC to double-plus in value of the actual donation to the Baby Shower.

Also a great THANK-YOU to Norman Lavallee for delivering items to VMAC. Needless to say, there were many happy Veteran families.

The recipients of the 2017 - 2018 ELKS National Veterans Service Commission Female and Male Veterans, as announced at the New Hampshire State Convention on Saturday, May 19th, were ELKS #720 Lodge members Steve Ordway and Michele Lefevre. We extend to them Kudos, and Hearty Congratulations.

Upcoming events:

- Bingo at Tilton Veteran's home, hosted by Dover Lodge #184 will commence at 6:30 PM on Monday, June 11th.
- Bingo at Manchester VAMC, hosted by Manchester ELKS Lodge #146, will begin on Monday, June 18th, at 7 PM.
- Summer Picnic #1, hosted by the New Hampshire State ELKS and Nashua ELKS Lodge #720 will be held at the Manchester VAMC on Wed. June 20th. The picnic starts at 11:45, with volunteers arriving at 11:15.

DISPLACED MEMBERS - WE NEED YOUR HELP

We have been unsuccessful in reaching or locating the following ELK members Joanne M. Labranche; Francis A Perrotta; Kenneth W. Stewart; Douglas J. Hayes If any member knows their whereabouts, or are able to reach these members, contact Lodge Secretary Annette Jacques at secrtery.elks720@gmail.com

RIB-FEST VOLUNTEERS WANTED

We're a'lookin' fer a few good men **AND** women, (21 YO +), to volunteer and lend a hand at the upcoming Rib-Fest at Anheuser Busch in Merrimack. Your participation in this event helps raise money for our numerous ELKS Charities.

The Rib-Fest event time-slots that need to be filled are as follows:

Sat, June 16th 5PM - 11PM

Sun, June 17th 8AM - 4PM

Please contact Kelly at 603-396-1168 if you're interested in volunteering.

PAINT NIGHT



After a few scheduling snafus, we're finalizing the specifics for our next "Paint Night." These are always a lot of fun for both seasoned and novice "DaVinci's" alike. The co\$ per-painter will be based on the number of people who participate. Consider giving it a try. You won't be disappointed. See upcoming newsletters for details.

NEWSLETTER MATERIAL, ELKS LODGE 720 ANECDOTES, MEMORABILIA, ETC

We're always on the lookout for articles that are suitable for our humble publication. If you have a bit of "ELK lore" or "ELKmabilia" you'd like to share, send it to Editor Mary McMahon at mrdmelks720@gmail.com, or drop a copy in our secure Suggestion Box in the Grille Room. We're waitin' on ya. Memorabilia,

ELKS WITH "PANACHE"

Below is a very brief list of notable ELKS who "Gave The Sign" long before us. (This particular slate of luminaries hale from the Entertainment sector.)

Lawrence Welk - (band leader)
Jack Benny - (comedian)
Andy Devine, PER - (actor)
Gene Autry - (singer)
Donald O'Connor - (actor)
Billy Barty - (actor, "Munchkin")
Irving Berlin - (composer)

Will Rogers - (humorist)
Ben Affleck - (actor)
Clint Eastwood - (actor)
William F. Cody - (Buffalo Bill)
Buster Keaton - (actor)
Tim Moore - (actor "Kingfish")
Harry Houdini - (magician)

FOURTH OF JULY

With Memorial Day behind us, we all know what's comin' up next. The Fourth of July, birthday of our nation, is on the horizon. ELK celebration festivities are in the planning as you are reading this, and they're shaping up spectacularly. Stay tuned to your newsletter as we head toward for the fireworks.

COMMUNITY THEATER AT ELKS 720 ??? WHY NOT !!!



We ask our membership if there would be any interest in Community Theater at ELKS? We certainly have the venue, and modest stage lighting & scenery is available. None of this would be overly ambitious. Our outings would probably be Saturday & Sunday Matinee's, and probably one week night. No musicals; simply comedy, light drama, and Standard Theater Fare. (We're making this up as you're reading this.)

So if you think you'd be interested in "Broadway on Murphy Drive," E-Mail to Editor Mary McMahon, mrdmelks720@gmail.com, or drop a note in our secure suggestion box in the Grille Room. And more importantly, if you have any theatrical skills to share, on-stage or off-stage, we'd really like to hear from you.

ELKS FOUR ✦✦✦✦ STAR KITCHEN - (See inside for hours of operation)

Our Great New Kitchen still has the modest menu of yesteryear. As such, we have scoured the countryside in search of new and exotic dishes, certain to dazzle the most jaded palates. So pay us a visit as we make our gastronomic transition; you won't be disappointed. *"Bon Appetite !"*

!!! HAVE WE GOT PULL TABS !!!

Paper pull tabs / electronic pull tabs; you pick 'em. Many folks prefer the "traditional" paper variety, yet the new "electronic" version with multiple games is catching on like wild fire. *C'mon down & give it a try. Get Lucky !!!*

•••••KENO••••• We're pleased to announce that ELKS now offers "KENO," similar to our neighboring Southern State. (Who needs 'em!) This, in addition to all other New Hampshire Lottery venues including Mega Millions, Power Ball, Mega Bucks, Pick 3, Pick 4, , , you name it. We also offer Scratch-off tickets of every size, shape, theme, and monetary denomination. So if you're itch-in' for scratchin,' (*couldn't resist*), hankerin' for a hamburger, and salivating for "suds," stop by 12 Murphy Drive. We've re-defined "One Stop Shopping!"



ELKS "Ye Olde Bulletin Board"
ELKS LODGE 720 MEMBERS
Post your non-commercial announcements here.
There's no charge, and you get your materials into the hands of fellow ELKS.
Give us a call, or drop a line.

GRILLE ROOM HOURS OF OPERATION
Sun: 11:30 AM 8:00 PM
Mon: 4:00 PM 10:00 PM
Tue: 4:00 PM 10:00 PM
Wed: 11:30 AM 10:00 PM
Thu: 11:30 AM 11:30 PM
Fri: 11:30 AM 11:30 PM
Sat: 11:30 AM 11:30 PM
Holidays: See Calendar

QUEEN OF HEARTS ♥♥♥♥ WEDNESDAYS; 7:30 PM; ! MEMBERS ONLY !

Check out our "Queen Of Hearts" game in the Grille Room. The rules have been revised and are posted at the Lodge, but most importantly - you do not have to be present to win. However, donations are required **IN PERSON** before EACH drawing. Questions? Contact Mary McMahon at: mrdmelks720@gmail.com

"ROLL-OVER FRIDAY NIGHTS;" 9 PM; ! MEMBERS ONLY ! See any bartender

Every Friday, 600 (+) member numbers are "thrown in a hat" & a single number is chosen. IF it's your number, and IF you've made the required weekly contribution - You've won. You don't have to be present to be a winner.

SEEN OUR NEW GRILLE ROOM ???

There's lots of convenient parking, and our Grille Room, Bar, & Meeting Hall are totally H/C accessible & smoke-free. This spacious, modern facility, has 4 giant TV's for sports, as well as "ELK PRICED" beer, wine, & spirits. Hours of operation are posted herein.



We've even carved out a modest smoking room for that "after-dinner-smoke!"

So Eat, drink, be merry, & have a puff. Start a family tradition. See you soon.

SEEN OUR NEW HALL ???

Our new smoke-free, H/C accessible Hall is available for all occasions at very competitive pricing. If you or auld acquaintance have an upcoming party, breakfast, luncheon, or dinner function you'd like to see at our venue, give Manager Hollie a call at 630-888-9804, or E-Mail to manager.elks720@gmail.com.

Fair warning: Our spacious, inviting, modern, welcoming, comforting new facility is attracting strong advance bookings, so we urge you - plan accordingly.

NEWSLETTER BY E-MAIL

If you'd prefer getting your Newsletter by E-Mail instead of via Post, simply send us an E-Mail request, (**OR**) a signed note in our secure suggestion box, (**OR**) contact Annette Jacques at secretary.elks720@gmail.com. **Save The Tree\$**

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK (Submitted by Mary Dowling-McMahon)

Please let us know if there are issues you feel that should be addressed in !YOUR! Newsletter. !YOUR! new Lodge has a new Lodge year comin' up. Help us to make ELKS 720, **#1** !!! Drop a note in our secure suggestion box, or an E-Mail to mrdmelks720@gmail.com.



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