



Portland Elks

The 188 News

June 2024

Dear Members and Officers,

Summer is just around the corner which will finally bring some much needed sunshine and warmer days. Hoping that you are all able to spend some quality time with your family and loved ones.



I had attended the State Elks Convention the first week of May and was truly inspired by how dedicated our fellow Elks are in advancing Elkdom throughout the State. We were very fortunate to have placed first in the State for our Veteran's program at our lodge. I was truly proud of this accomplishment and acknowledgment by the State and for all of the hard work from our Veteran Committee members. In addition, we placed 2nd in the State for our online presence of our website. This is also very commendable given the amount of attention and work needed to maintain the site.

On June 9, we will be holding our Flag Day ceremony at the lodge which will be followed by a breakfast for all veterans. This is a wonderful ceremony in which we commemorate the birth of the American flag and will be doing this with all of the veterans present. If you can make this event it would mean so much to our veterans with your support.

Then on June 14 we will celebrate Father's Day with a recognition and BBQ menu in the lounge.

Hope to see you all in June.

Fraternally yours,

Joe Winschel
Exalted Ruler



2024—2025 LODGE OFFICERS

Joseph Winschel
Exalted Ruler

Martha Binette
Esteemed Leading Knight

Renate Masse
Esteemed Loyal Knight

Barbara Pileggi
Esteemed Lecturing Knight

Victoria Doughty
Secretary

Charleen Durgin
Treasurer

Barbara Spiller
Chaplain

Denise Goupil
Esquire

Sandra Smith
Tiler

Robert Pomerleau
Soloist

Roger Jones
Trustee (1 year)

Tim Smith
Trustee (2 years)

Kimberly Toppi
Trustee (3 years)

Gary Rairdon
Trustee (4 years)

Joan Harmon
Trustee (5 years)



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Seated (l-r): John Meehan, Mark Tibbets, Felicia Ham, Steve Ham

News from Lodge Secretary

Victoria Doughty



Welcome to Summer! I would like to update you on where we currently stand at Portland Elks Lodge #188.

- ◆ We currently have 477 members. Of that number, 304 are current with their dues and 104 are delinquent.
- ◆ If you are delinquent, I am in the office on Wednesday's and Friday's usually from 10:30 am to 7:00 pm. You can reach me by telephone at 207.773.7396 extension 103, if you would like to schedule an appointment or just drop in on Wednesday or Friday. The Lodge opens at 3:00 pm on both of those days.
- ◆ **Dues for Regular Members: \$94.00; Life Members: \$56.50**
If you've paid your dues, but have not picked up your member card, it is at the bar for you to pickup. Please consider coming in to get it and enjoy the company of your fellow Elk members.
- ◆ We initiated four new members on May 13, 2024. Please welcome Felicia Ham, John Ham, John Meehan, and Mark Tibbetts, Sr.
- ◆ Presently there are five candidates in the pipeline who wish to become members of Portland Elks Lodge #188.
- ◆ If you are planning on sponsoring a candidate to become a member, please get their application into the Secretary's Office as soon as possible and remember there is a \$40.00 application fee that must accompany it. Also, the application needs to be filled out completely. There needs to be a proposer's name (**must be a member in good standing, and two references on the back of the application – proposer cannot be one of the references**).

Housekeeping

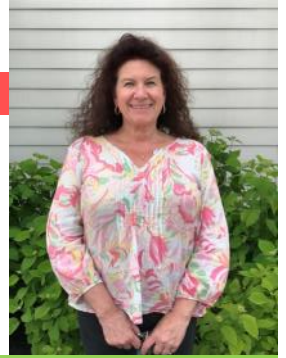
I realize that this is probably old information, but it bears repeating from time to time. Please remember that if you are bringing in a guest who is not a member, **you**, as the member, must sign them in and when you leave, they must also leave.

WISHING YOU ALL A SAFE AND FUN SUMMER



Manager's Message

Kim McDonough, General Manager



Meeting

Lodge 188 General Meeting Buffet Dinner

Monday, June 10

Buffet Dinner served 5—6 pm

\$15 pp

Call 773.6939m x304 to RSVP, or sign up in the Lounge

Presentation of 2024 Kathryn Paquette Scholarship winners will take place during the General Meeting





Happy 100th Birthday George!

Our longtime member, George Pacillo, turns 100 on June 26. The Veteran's Committee is planning a birthday celebration for George on Wednesday, June 26, in the Lounge, and he will be able to attend. To help George celebrate, let's all drop off a 100th birthday card for him to enjoy. There is a special basket in the Lounge where you can leave a card. If you can't make it to the Lodge, you can mail one to: Portland Elks Lodge 188, attn: George Pacillo. 1945B Congress Street, Portland, ME 04102



All Veterans

are invited to the annual

FLAG DAY CEREMONY & BREAKFAST

Sunday, June 9, 2024

9:00 am Flag Day Ceremony

9:30 am Complimentary Buffet Breakfast

1945 Congress Street, Portland

RSVP: 207.773.7396 or sign up in the Lounge
no later than June 1st.

Trustee Committee

Gary Rairdon, Chairperson



My name is Gary Rairdon I have been a member of the Elks Lodge 188 Portland for two years. I was newly elected to a four-year term to the Board of Trustees this year, and most recently elected by my peers to chair this committee. I'm excited to be part of this wonderful organization and more importantly being a member of the Board of Trustees to help foster the brother and sisterhood of the Elks membership and the amazing things we do here at Lodge188.

The Board of Trustees is made up of five amazing members, all of which were newly elected this past spring. We have hit the ground running supporting each other and our lodge as a cohesive and productive group. The new officers are Joan Harmon, Kim Toppi, Tim Smith, Roger Jones, and myself. Thank you for your time, input, and willing to serve as a Trustee.

Please help me in congratulating each one on them, and please feel free to reach out to any one of us if you have a question, concern, or comment.

MEET OUR VOLUNTEERS.....JEANETTE CONLEY

Jeanette Conley has been a member of the Portland Elks for 23 years. She has been involved in many ways.....she served as a Trustee, was a member of the Building Committee when the new Lodge was built, spent many years working in the kitchen on Friday nights, and now is part of the 3 Card Challenge team in the Lounge, and serves on the House Committee. As part of the building committee, she assisted with the design of the bar and kitchen, as well as helped pick paint colors.



Jeanette grew up in Portland. She has three daughters and now Jeanette is the proud grandmother to three granddaughters and three grandsons. Jeanette's late husband, Jack, also served as a Trustee at Lodge 188.

Jeanette retired in 2007 after 28 years working for the Portland Press Herald. Her tenure at the PPH was in the advertising/classified department and later as an IT

Activity Committee

Kim Toppi, Chairperson



Master Class...Wreath Making with Pamela Dill

Tuesday, June 4, 4:30 pm

Cost: \$25

Crafter Pamela Dill will walk you through the steps to design your own front door wreath. We'll provide a 16" grapevine wreath and plenty of flowers, greens, and ribbon. You bring a glue gun. At the end of the night, each participant takes home their own wreath. Family and friends welcome.



Option 1: Floral Wreath (colors and variety of flowers may vary slightly than photo)

Option 2: Succulent Wreath (colors and variety of succulents may vary slightly than photo)

Name _____ Wreath type: _____

Guest Name _____ Wreath type: _____

Guest Name _____ Wreath type: _____

Charge my CC: _____ Exp _____ CVV _____

Send \$25 check made payable to Portland Elks Lodge 188, attn: Kim Toppi, 1945B Congress Street, Portland, ME 04102, call Kim at 207.329.0845 to reserve spot, or leave payment in the Lounge Bar.

June Calendar of Events

- June Community Charity Drive: Maine Needs
- June 4 Master Class.....Wreath Making, 4:30 pm, \$25pp
- June 6 Volunteer Appreciation Cocktail Party
- June 7 Mike & Chris Show in Lounge, 730-1030 pm
- June 9 Veteran's Breakfast/Flag Day Ceremony
- June 14 Father's Day Recognition in Lounge/BBQ menu

June 2024

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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2	3 House Committee 5 pm	4  Doors Open 9 am WREATH CLASS 4:30 pm	5 Activity Comm 2 pm  3 Cards 5 pm	6	7  3 Cards 6pm Mike & Chris Show 730pm	8
9 Veteran's Breakfast & Flag Day Ceremony 9 am	10 Trustee Co—4:30 pm Gen Mtg 6 pm	11  Doors Open 9 am	12  3 Cards 5 pm	13	14  3 Cards 6 pm DJ, Karaoke Father's Day BBQ 	15
16 	17	18  Doors Open 9 am	19  3 Cards 5 pm JUNETEENTH Celebrate Freedom JUNE 19	20	21  3 Cards 6 pm DJ, Karaoke	22
23	24 Veteran Committee 5 pm	25  Doors Open 9 am	26  3 Cards 5 pm Blood Drive 9-3 pm	27	28  3 Cards 6 pm DJ, Karaoke	29
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THE CHRIS AND MIKE SHOW



PLAYING THE BIGGEST VARIETY OF HITS ANYWHERE!

Friday, June 7
7:30—10:30 pm
LIVE in Lounge 188



Celebrate Father's Day in Lounge 188 on Friday, June 14 with a BBQ theme dinner menu, and complimentary dessert for all Dads!




May Day Baskets delivered to local nursing homes thanks to the generosity of Lodge 188 members!

Bingo—Every Tuesday —Doors Open at 9 am

Purchase of Cards start at 10am, Games start at 12 noon. Sale of Pull Tabs and 50/50 tickets. Kitchen open for delicious snacks and lunch prior to game time. Join us for a fun afternoon!

Bingo Hotline: 207-773-7396




CLYNK for Maine Children's Cancer Program—\$141 since October

Here is an easy way to help support the Elks and our commitment to the Maine Children's Cancer Program Fill a CLYNK bag with bottles and cans and then drop off at any Hannaford. Labeled bags are available at the Lodge Bar area, or call Kim at 207.329.0845 and a few can be mailed to you.



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Tim & Liz Smith
Gladys Stokinger



Becoming a Booster is a way to recognize family members and friends that are important to you. The cost is \$10 for one year, or become a Lifetime Booster for \$100. If you would like to become a Booster, fill out form below and return with check to: Portland Elks Lodge, 1945B Congress Street, Portland, ME 04102, attn: Lodge Secretary.

NAME _____ In Honor/Memory of: _____

Booster type: Yearly (\$10) _____ Lifetime (\$100) _____

TIME TO ORDER A BRICK!

If you want to remember a loved one or honor a family member, or a friend who has done a good deed, an engraved brick at Lodge 188 leaves a lasting legacy.

Bricks are \$50 each and are placed around the Elk at the main entrance to the Lodge.

Applications are on a table in the hallway leading to the Lounge. Completed forms and a check may be turned in to Barbara Pileggi. Bricks will only be ordered when there are at least 5 new bricks to be engraved.

Our sincere thanks to all those who have placed an order.



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Newsletter submission: if you have info to share or if you attend a Member Event and take photos that could be included in an upcoming newsletter, please email to Kim Toppi, Newsletter Editor, ktoppi@maine.rr.com for consideration. Thank you!

Lodge/Lounge Hours	
Monday	Closed
Tuesday	Bingo ONLY
Wednesday	3pm—9 pm
Thursday	Closed
Friday	3pm—11pm
Saturday	Closed
Sunday	Closed

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 207.773.7396

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