



Lebanon Lodge 2099

June 2026 Member Newsletter

Message from the Exalted Ruler

Hello everyone!

To start out I hope everyone is ready for summer, I know I am.

We had a member nominated and elected for our five-year Trustee position.

Unfortunately, at our meeting last Tuesday, he resigned his position due to personal reasons. So we still have an opening for anyone that

would like to be a Trustee in our Lodge. If you know of someone who might be interested let us know or come to the next Lodge meeting and nominate them from the floor.

This last month we had our annual New Hampshire State Elk's Association convention. Five of us from Lebanon Elk's Lodge #2099 attended. Our Lodge received a plaque for making Elk's National Foundation per capita. We also were presented with certificates for Officers that took the Elks Training Course. It was a great time spent socializing with fellow Elks, sharing ideas and information.

Sadly we had another water leak the other night that turned out to be caused by a urinal overflowing upstairs. Luckily the bartender noticed and immediately got Diane to come in. She discovered the problem and with Thom's help they quickly got things under control. Other than a ceiling tile needing to be replaced and a wet spot on the rug the damage was minimal and easily fixed. Thank you Diane and Thom for your quick action!

We had an initiation in May bringing ten new members into our Lodge.

On Sunday June 14th we have our Flag Day ceremony at 9:00 am to be followed by initiation at 12 noon of 15 American Citizens joining our Lodge and organization.

On July 3rd I'll be heading out to represent our Lodge at the Elk's National Convention in Chicago.

That's all for now.

Come on in and enjoy our wonderful Lodge.

Exalted Ruler

Patrick Corsney

Community

Friendship

Charity



In Memory of

Please honor our fellow lodge members that have recently passed away.

“The places that have known him/her shall know him/her no more; but his/her virtues are written upon the tablets of love and memory.”

- Joe Alvin
- Lee Woodward Sr.
- Fred Plaisted Jr.
- Herbert “Danny” Cornell Jr.
- Leonard Beliveau
- Douglas Woodward
- Ronald LaBombard Sr.
- Theodore L. Occhi

Recent Member Events

Cinco De Mayo at the Lebanon Elks

Many thanks to the people that helped us put together a taco bar for members and guest at the lodge on May 5th. We would also like to thank people that put money in the donation can for the activities committee.



Upcoming Community Events

Flag Day Sunday June 14th



The BPOE Elks USA Facebook page tells us, "On June 14, Elks Lodges across the United States, Puerto Rico, and the Panama Canal will celebrate

Flag Day, continuing a proud tradition established by the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks in 1908. The Elks remain the only fraternal organization that mandates a formal observance of Flag Day.

The Elks’ commitment to Flag Day began in July 1908, when the Grand Lodge initiated

the annual nationwide observance on June 14. This tradition gained national recognition when President Woodrow Wilson proclaimed June 14 as Flag Day in 1916. The observance became official in 1949, when President Harry Truman, an Elks member from Independence, Missouri, signed it into law."

The Lebanon Elks Lodge Flag Day ceremony will be held in conjunction with a new member initiation ceremony. The ceremony starts at 9 am.

The ceremony is open to community members.

How to Raise & Lower our Flag

- When raising the flag, always raise the flag on staff briskly.
- Memorial Day: the flag should be displayed at half-staff until noon, then raised to the staff’s top until sunset.
- As a Sign of Mourning: the flag shall be raised to full staff, then lowered to half-staff.
- When lowering the flag, always lower it slowly and respectfully.
- Don’t let the flag touch the ground. Fold it as it comes down and before completely detaching it from the halyard.
- From half-staff, the flag should be raised to the peak before lowering.

When to Display our Flag



It is customary to display the flag only from sunrise to sunset on buildings and on stationary flagstaves in the open. When a patriotic effect is desired, the flag may be displayed 24 hours a day if properly illuminated during the hours of darkness.

- On Patriot Day, the flag should be displayed at half-staff from sunrise until sunset.
- On Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day, the flag should be displayed at half-staff from sunrise until sunset.
- The flag should be displayed daily on or near the main administration building of every public institution.
- The flag should be displayed in or near every polling place on election days.
- The flag should be displayed during school days in or near every schoolhouse.

Queen of Hearts

May Game News

The winners of \$100 in May were Thom Valley on 5/4, Mike Romano on 5/11, John Harrington on 5/18 and Tim Carr on 5/25. Congrats to our

winner and thanks to all that played!! A reminder that every non-Queen of Hearts card is worth \$100. Jackpot for the June 1st drawing is \$1,586.

Veterans Committee

On May 11th, a check for \$500 was sent to the NH Veteran's Home. The money is designated for their Sunshine Cart program which provides a wide selection of personal care items to the residents at no cost to them.

On May 20th I received an email from the Elks National Foundation that our application for the \$1,000 Freedom Grant was accepted. We will be buying twenty \$50 Walmart gift cards to be given to the VA homeless team for them to distribute.

Chaplain's Corner

Chaplain Support for Members and Families

As Chaplain, I want to take a moment to remind members and their families that support is available to you through our Lodge. My role is to be present, listen, and offer care during both everyday moments and times of need. This is a non-denominational role focused on connection, compassion, and fellowship within our Lodge.

Support can take many forms.

Sometimes it's a simple check-in call or message during sickness or distress just to remind someone they're not alone. Other times it may be a quiet visit, offering encouragement or prayer, or simply sitting with someone who needs support.

I also assist in honoring members who have passed by helping with memorial services and offering comfort to their families during times of loss.

There are also private, confidential conversations where members may just need someone to listen or provide

encouragement. Those moments are always respected and kept private.

At the heart of our Lodge are the values of Fidelity, Charity, Justice and Brotherly Love, which continue to guide how we support and care for one another.

If you ever need support or would simply like to talk, please feel free to reach out to me through the Lodge.

With care and respect,

Chaplain
-Debra Monk

Raffles and Fund Raising

Activities committee will be having a 50/50 raffle on Friday evening June, 12th. Money raised will be used to support lodge events and activities.

New Beverages at the Bar

We have some fantastic new beverages for June.

- DownEast "Blueberry Pie" Cider
- Sun Cruiser Pink Lemonade
- DeKuyper Watermelon Pucker Liquor



Birthdays

June 1	Marc Mason, John Vincent
June 2	Ana Babcock, Richard Crate Sr, Erik Gutsfeld, Beau Moulton
June 3	Amanda Shorey
June 4	Ronald Clogston
June 5	Robert Ricker
June 6	Carolyn Collins, Kenneth Dixon, Trina Lambert
June 7	Frederick Fleming, Barbara Greenwood, Spencer Perkins
June 8	Marie Roberts
June 9	Daniel Griswold, Robert Tessier, David Wallace
June 10	Michael Campbell
June 11	Deborah Findley, Charles Morrison, John Robichaud
June 13	Aaron McCoy, Kimberly Soule
June 14	Christina Scott-Smith
June 15	Russell Grant, Diane Laroche
June 16	Paula Cilbrith, Bruce Kimball
June 17	Martha Ilsley
June 18	Gary Rocke
June 19	William Kelley
June 21	Thomas Lacroix, Victoria Schettino
June 23	Jo-Ann Dugdale, Sandra Lumbr
June 25	Hans Schwab
June 26	Lisa Conrad, Matt Guaraldi, Sandra Tisdale
June 29	Martha Roberts
June 30	Christopher Connelly

Calendar

Thursday, June 11th

The lodge will be closed as we have a mandatory grease trap repair.

Sunday, June 14th

Flag Day ceremony at 9 am.

New member orientation at 11 am. Initiation ceremony at 12 pm. The lodge will be close from 12 to 1 pm during the ceremony.

Corn Hole Fridays

Corn Hole game at 6 pm. Weather permitting

Queen of Hearts & Veterans 50/ 50 Raffle

Every Monday from 6 to 7 pm

Cribbage

Every Wednesday at 6 pm

Lodge Meetings

Tuesday, June 9th at 7 pm

Tuesday, June 23rd at 7 pm

Shoutouts & Thank You

Thank you To Darlene Talbert and Thom Valley who shopped for the May initiation BBQ foods and to Darlene and Diane Agan who set up and cooked for the BBQ enjoyed by 50 plus people! Well done~ positive volunteer Elk actions were rewarded with many smiles and an enjoyed by all BBQ!!

Thank you to Mark Karl for sponsoring the taco bar supplies and doing all the shopping; and to new

member Rob Witham and Martin Tatro for a preparing the delicious taco bar for members to enjoy on Cinco De Mayo!! Volunteers make all the difference! Thank you, Martin and Thom for cleaning it all up and doing the dishes!

Many thanks to our bartender Abby for alerting Diane about the overflowing urinal last month and saving us from more costly water damage.

Raffles & Fund Raising

We have some beautiful Corn Hole boards to raffle off during the month of June. Proceeds will go to the activities committee to help us put on fun events for members. Tickets will be \$10 dollars each. Only 100 tickets will be sold. Talk to the bartender to purchase tickets.



Donation Bins

Upper Valley Haven

The June Haven bin theme is canned and packaged meat.

- Tuna fish
- Deviled ham
- Chicken

- Spam
- Vienna sausage
- **Any donations welcome!**

Veterans Bin

Donations of lap blankets and new clothing are always appreciated.



New Member Initiation

Initiation

- Jolene Laurie
- George Delsignore
- Kathlene Tevere
- Anthony Tevere
- William

Johnson

- Kathleen Clark
- Thoman Havill
- Jeff Follensbee
- Terry Flint St.
- Hope Hersey
- Travis Cram St.

- James Johnson
- Donna Kirk
- Michael Kirk

Transfer

- Linda Kinney

Business Cards

We are fishing... for Elks members business cards! In light of this years need for repairs and updates etc. for professional services, We would like to update our available resources! It would be great to be able to call upon and give business to an Elks member to professionally complete work here at the lodge if we are able versus an outside vendor!



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Our Lodge sits on 52 acres of land. It is a combination of fields and mountains. The building is an old farm that has been remodeled.

2026 Officers

Exalted Ruler: Patrick Corsney	Trustees: Mary Merrihew,
Leading Knight: Kathy Audette	Thom Valley, Bob Teeter,
Loyal Knight: Erin Hughes	Kimberly Bettis-Clark
Lecturing Knight: Doug	Esquire: Charlene Parker
Maynard	Chaplain: Debra Monk
Secretary: Anita Jackson	Inner Guard: Mark Karl
Treasurer: Scott Merrihew	Tiler: Bryan Monk

Community * Friendship * Charity

New Member Recruitment

Sponsor a New Member

The Elks welcomes new members into the fold. Invite your friends to our Lodge to enjoy many of the social activities that our Lodge offers including, pool, casino games, Bunco, cornhole and the opportunity to develop new friends with like interests. Sponsorship of candidates (your friends) makes the process of investigating and initiation much more efficient. To sponsor a friend for consideration, please ask your bartender for an application.

To join the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks candidates must believe in God; be 21 years of age and be an American Citizen.

Advantages of Membership

As mentioned above, the Lodge offers many social activities and camaraderie.

All Elks Lodges in the US welcome visiting Elks members.

Offers the opportunity to get involved with the charitable works of our Lodge by volunteering your time on committees, fundraisers, or functions; or

If you are unable to commit to time, you can give of substance by participating in our fundraisers, such as games, raffles and events the proceeds of which support our many local charitable partners such as The Haven, The Red Logan Dental Clinic, our Veterans and on a national level the Elks National Foundation.

As a member you have a voice in decisions that affect our Lodge by attending the bi-weekly meetings which are held on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month.



"You love the lodge. You want your friends to be part of what you love. Invite them to a dinner or charity event. Once they show interest in the lodge, invite them to join." - Grand Lodge Membership Recruitment Guide