



Lebanon Lodge 2099

August 2026 Member Newsletter

Message from the Exalted Ruler

I hope everyone is having a wonderful summer.

In early July I went to Elk's National Convention in Chicago to represent our Lodge. I drove out and back instead of flying, which was a long peaceful ride. Going across parts of New York it seemed like there was a toll booth every few miles.

There were only four resolutions passed this year at the National Convention. All four were about edits to the Elks National Bylaws. There is a summary of the new resolutions at the Lodge bar.

At our July Lodge meeting we had a member nominated for five-year trustee. We will vote at our August meeting.

The board voted to move forward with a request from the pool players to re cloth and repair pockets on the pool tables. That request will also be voted on by our members at the August meeting.

On August 23rd there will be a District Deputy Clinic at the Keene Elks Lodge. There will also be a New Hampshire State Elk's Association meeting on September 13th at the Portsmouth Elks Lodge.

We will also be working to schedule our next Lodge initiation sometime between September to November.

That's all for now.

Sincerely,

**Exalted Ruler
Patrick Corsney**



**Timothy F. Jaeger is our new
Grand Exalted Ruler.**

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."

- Curtis Greene
- Everett Farnsworth
- Raymond Stone
- Joe Alvin
- Lee Woodward Sr.
- Fred Plaisted Jr.
- Herbert "Danny" Cornell Jr.
- Leonard Beliveau
- Douglas Woodward
- Ronald LaBombard Sr.
- Theodore L. Occhi

Veterans Committee Activity

250 Years!!

On Saturday, July 4th, The Veterans Committee hosted a 250-Year American Independence celebration at the Lodge. There were 40 members, visiting members and guests in attendance.

Fifteen of the attendees were Veterans! The event began with all attendees honoring this milestone by the Pledge of Allegiance. All enjoyed a variety of Hors d'Oeuvres and cake.

Conclusion of the event was a flag ceremony on the front lawn of our Lodge. Special thanks to Doug Maynard, Steve Rutledge, Robert Pushee and Larry Greenwood for performing the Flag Ceremony, Brenda Clukey for helping our Committee, and Darlene Talbert for grilling hot dogs!

The Veterans Committee would like to thank all who attended the 4th of July Celebration to make this such a great success.



Donation Bins

Upper Valley Haven

The August Haven bin theme is Back to School Snacks. Suggestions include:

- Dried fruits and nuts
- Pudding cups
- Granola Bars
- Crackers
- **Any donations welcome!**

On July 1st we delivered 98 items weighing 44 pounds to the Haven. Thanks to all that gave and please continue to do so. The need is great!!

Veterans Bin

Donations of lap blankets and new clothing are always appreciated.

Queen of Hearts

July Game News

Here are the weekly winners of \$100:
6/29 Mike Romano, 7/6 Paul Simon,
7/13 Tim Covell, 7/20 Kimi Clark.
Jackpot for 7/27 is \$1,145. 7/27 Betty

Waterman and Jackpot for 8/3 is \$1,251.

Congrats to the winners and thank you to all that have played.



Chaplain's Corner

Growing Together in Service

As summer begins to wind down and we look toward the changing seasons, August offers us an opportunity to pause and reflect on the blessings that surround us. It reminds us that growth doesn't happen overnight – it comes through faithful service, acts of kindness, and the relationships we nurture along the way. The strength of our Lodge is not found in our building, but in the hearts of its members. Every volunteer hour, every handshake, every meal served, every fundraiser supported, and every act of compassion reflects the values that make our Order so special. Charity,

Justice, Brotherly Love, and Fidelity continue to guide us as we strive to make a positive difference in the lives of others.

As we gather this month, let us also remember those who may be facing difficult seasons – our veterans, first responders, members who are ill or homebound, families experiencing loss, and neighbors who simply need to know someone cares. Sometimes the greatest gift we can offer is our presence and our willingness to listen.

Scripture reminds us:

"Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest

if we do not give up." – Galatians 6:9

May we continue to plant seeds of kindness, encourage one another, and serve with joyful hearts. Together, we can ensure that the spirit of Elkdom continues to flourish in our Lodge and throughout our community.

May God bless each of you with peace, good health, and the opportunity to be a blessing to someone else this month.

Faternally,

Chaplain
-Debra Monk

Birthdays

August 1	Richard Cadreact, Kevin Lozeau
August 2	John Severance, George Ward Sr
August 3	Barry Aher, Earle Gray
August 5	Ami Beaudoin
August 6	Deborah Babineau
August 8	William Crowder, Elizabeth Waterman
August 9	Janice Charbono, Shirley MacDonald
August 9	Charles Morgan
August 11	Leonard Guaraldi
August 13	Anita Jackson, Mark Lombardo
August 16	Candy Swift
August 17	Margaret LaHaye, Gary Laurie, Shaun Sarracco, Marilyn Stack
August 18	Jean Harris-Schwab, Valerie Thompson
August 19	Mark Eisener, Jason Lahaye
August 20	Perry Stark
August 21	Norman Dion, Tandy Tang
August 25	Douglas Decato
August 26	Russell Lary
August 27	Bruce Bennett, Howard Davis
August 29	Susan Caruso, Larry Pickering
August 30	Heather Cantlin
August 31	Michael Frost, Steven Roche, Stacy Slack, Robert Stevens

Shoutouts!

Special Thank you to members Max Jewell and Kim Dyke who donated a beautiful desk for the Manager's office. It is an amazing gift and much needed.

The desk was transported by member volunteers Jay Potter and Margo Lahaye. Martin Tatro, Jay Potter and Scott Merrihew helped bring it into the Lodge. Mark Karl provided technical assistance.

Thank you to the volunteers at the July 11th wedding: Margo LaHaye, Thom Valley, Martin Tatro, Ana Babcock, Rob Whitham, Doug Maynard, Diane Laroche, Anita Jackson, Deb and Brian Monk. Huge kudos to all the hard workers that helped make this event a success!

Calendar

Corn Hole Fridays

Corn Hole game at 6 pm.

Queen of Hearts & Veterans 50/ 50 Raffle

Every Monday from 6 to 7 pm

Cribbage

Every Wednesday at 6 pm

Lodge Meetings

Tuesday, August 11th at 7 pm

Save the Date

September 12th at 4 pm

Music for a Cause

Upper Valley Community Band Concert & BBQ (\$)

Please join us!

7th Annual Fundraisers for Copper Cannon Camp & Camp Mayhew

Co-sponsored by UVCB, Lebanon Elks Club and Hanover Lions Club

More information coming in the September newsletter

More Veterans Committee Activity

The Veterans Committee recently distributed \$7,000 to the following charities that support Veterans: Fisher House Foundation, Gary Sinise Foundation, Intrepid Fallen Heroes Fund, Tunnels 2 Towers, NH Veterans Cemetery Boscawen, NH, Honor Flight New England, Warriors at 45 North, Hero Pups, WRJ VA and The Tilton Veterans Home.

On Wednesday, July 15, The Veterans Committee presented (20) \$50 Walmart gift cards to Karen Campbell, Chief of the Center for Development and Civic Engagement at the White River Junction VA. These gift cards will be distributed by the VA to those Veterans most in need. This donation was made possible through the Freedom Grant received from the Elks National Foundation.

On Wednesday, July 15, the Veterans Committee donated men's undergarments and reading glasses totaling over

\$500 to the WRJ VA. These are items that are not made available through the Government but desperately needed by our Veterans.

On Wednesday, July 15, ten lap quilts, given by Charlene Parker and her manager, were given to the WRJ VA. We're very appreciative of their donation.

A very special thanks to all of you who support our Committee fundraisers and events. Without your support we would not be able to do what we do. God Bless!



Volunteer Opportunities: How you can help

Assist with planning, organizing and running member events

- Kitchen staff
- Event Overseers
- Committee Volunteers

Refer to the Volunteer Opportunities page on the Lebanon Elks Website at <https://lebanon-elks2099.com>. Volunteer Application Forms are available at the Lodge.

Current Opportunities

Event Overseers

The Event Overseer ensures that all patrons are safe and following the Liquor Laws of the State of NH and of the Lebanon Lodge of Elks. Overseers must monitor individuals either entering or exiting the building during an event to ensure that no patron is entering or exiting the building with drinks and to ensure that there is no consumption of alcohol in the parking lot or any other illegal activities. If more than one Overseer at an event, then one Overseer can assist the

bartender in being a runner for the bar in terms of stocking and/or making change. The Overseer is also responsible to stay until the event has concluded and all patrons have exited the building. This position is paid a flat fee of \$100. Most events are 4-5 hours. If this interests you, send an email to our Lodge Manager Diane LaRoche. Bpoe2099manager@gmail.com

Kitchen Help for Events

Kitchen staff is also welcomed for community dinners and private events. Duties include: preparing tables in the function hall for food service; preparing and cooking food for the event; plating and serving; ensure that food not consumed is properly stored; clearing of tables; dishwashing; removal of rubbish from kitchen; and to ensure the kitchen is cleaned and all items in their proper place. Kitchen staff might also assist the bartender if only one Overseer in stocking bar items, transferring ice from the downstairs bar to the upstairs bar and making change.



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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 barn 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**