

## Rensselaer Elks Lodge #2073 🌥



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#### **MISSION STATEMENT**

"To inculcate the principles of Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love, and Fidelity; to recognize a belief in God; to promote the welfare and enhance the happiness of its Members; to quicken the spirit of American patriotism; to cultivate good fellowship; to perpetuate itself as a fraternal organization, and to provide for its government, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America will serve the people and communities through benevolent programs, demonstrating that Elks Care." and Elks Share."

### ER's Message

Members.

Many apologies for the Newsletter not being distributed for October, we had an issue with our Email distributor which has been rectified, although it did take a while to do.

On September 7<sup>th</sup> the Lodge held its End of Summer Bash. The food truck, Living the Dream did an awesome job of dishing out the wonderful food they prepared, the Band, 3 By Noon was spot on throughout the event. Members had a great day despite the weather. A special thank you to Tim Davis for planning and organizing the event.

NYS Fall Conference was held September 19<sup>th</sup> through the 22<sup>nd</sup>. It was a successful conference, and we had the opportunity to meet and speak with our Grand Exalted Ruler Doug Schiefer and New York State President Tania DeFrank.

On September 27th we held our annual Cigar/Whiskey Night. About 30 friends and guests attended to make it a wonderful evening of enjoying freshly rolled cigars and tasting 7 different whiskeys. A big shout out to Dirck VanDeusen and Bryan VanDeusen for the superior efforts in putting

On September 21st, A job well done by Angie Vroman, Becky Geisel and Tim Grugan for handing out food to the needy in cooperation with the StreetSoldiers of Rensselaer, with an assist by Mary Muzio in the purchasing of food.

On October 12<sup>th</sup> the Lodge sponsored a breakfast fundraiser for the Nassau Free Library, which was very successful. Thank you to our volunteers for cooking and serving breakfast.

On October 19th the Lodge members held a bowling event which was attended by 20 members, a lot fun and laughs and look forward to doing it

On October 26<sup>th</sup> the Lodge held our annual Scaraoke night with DJ Dena and Bartender Kayla. The decorations were provided by and put up by Kayla herself with a little help from Jimmy Walsh. Excellent job by all and was such a great evening of entertainment.

On October 26th, the Lodge sponsored a 90-minute guided tour aboard the Dutch Apple II for Veterans, their spouses and friends. The Hudson River tour was made possible by a veteran's grant given to our Lodge from the Grand Lodge. Thank you to the organizers Angie Vroman, Valerie Grugan and Mark Mann. A light fare food spread was then provided back at the Lodge following the cruise for veterans, spouses and friends. Special thanks to our cooks for volunteering to prepare and serve the food, Tom Viola, Mark and Nina Walsh. Another successful event to show our appreciation and to thank our veterans for their past and present service to our great nation.

On October 27<sup>th</sup> our Annual Trunk or Treat was held, it will now be known as Rose's Trunk or Treat in honor of our dear member, Rosemary Herbst. A large contingent of children attended the event with food and treats handed out to each by many dedicated members. Hot dogs and Hamburgers were provided by the lodge and cooked up by our very own Brian Kirch, Joe Herbst and Rich Saville. A job well done with the planning led by Marylou Hedge

November 3<sup>rd</sup> our very own New York State Elks President, Tania DeFrank, was in town and attended our Sunday breakfast along with her husband and 2 PDD's, over 30 members were in attendance as a wonderful breakfast was delivered. Rensselaer Lodge presented Tania with Crystal Champagne flutes. A tour of the lodge followed for the entourage.

20 Week Club Major Projects are underway and in full swing. All 500 tickets have been sold, second straight year this has been accomplished, fantastic! Mary Ann Hilker and Mary Muzio have started to put together baskets for the auction and Terra Neisen and her crew are gathering donations at a record clip. This year's auction/dinner should be a huge success. November 23<sup>rd</sup> is Auction/Dinner.

Upcoming are our efforts to support our "Adopt-a-Family" and "Toys for Tots", in the past the generosity from our members was overwhelming, let's continue this support again this year.

The Lodge would like to get Friday or Saturday Night dinners back in action, please contact Bob Myron if interested (see number below).

As always, we welcome our members to get involved and volunteer your time, bob Myron, House Chairperson, is always seeking out help. Please contact Bob at 518-283-7784 to volunteer. Many hands make for light work.

God Bless and protect our members, our troops God Bless America

Fraternally, Paul Muzio Cell (518)527-4524 Pmuzio5@gmail.com

#### **LODGE OFFICERS**

Exalted Ruler	Paul Muzio		
Leading Knight	Steve Frese		
Loyal Knight	Gerald Wendel		
Lecturing Knight	Cheri Pierce Rigsbee		
Esquire	Conrad Jones		
Chaplain	Al Campisano		
Inner Guard	Joel Rigsbee		
Tiler	Jude Kanaly		
Secretary	Tom Nardacci, PDDGER		
Treasurer	John Christiansen, PER		
House Chair	Sheri Smith		
Newsletter Editor	Patrick Skelley		
	Patrick Skelley Trustees		
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	Trustees		
5-Year Trustee	Chuck Adams, PER		
5-Year Trustee 4-Year Trustee	Chuck Adams, PER  Ronald Barner, PER		

#### **COMMITTEE CHAIRS**

Committee	Chair
Accident Prevention	Chris Linck
Activities Committee	Open
Adopt-A-Highway	Brian Kirch, PER
Adopt-A-Family	Angie Vroman
Adopt-a-Neighborhood	Jason Terrence
Americanism	Mary Jean Willis, PER
Antlers Program	Cheri Pierce Rigsbee
Auditing	Mike Bobersky / Andy Koenig
Bar Stewards	Tim Grugan / Tom Nardacci, PDDGER
Bell Jar	Nick Vecchione, PER
Bingo Chair	Mark Mann
Charitable Reporting	Linda Rowse, DDGER
Christmas Party	Open
Cigar Tasting	Bryan Van Deusen
Coats for Kids	Shelley Viola
Community Activities	Bob Myron, PER
Community Awards	Chris Linck
Dart League	Conrad Jones
Drug Awareness	Barry Betz Jr.
Elks National Foundation	Lawrence E. Rowse, PDDGER
Elk Training	Dave Hilker, PER
Entertainment	Open
Flag Day	Marylou Hedge
Fraternal	Cheri Pierce Rigsbee
Fundraising	Open
Government Relations	Tom Grant / Phil Danaher
Grants	Greg Collins
Grounds	James Walsh
Hoop Shoot	Scott Galarneau
Ladies Night	Patti Embree

House Chair	Sheri Smith
Indoctrination	Linda Rowse, DDD
Internet / Electronic	Dominic Indelicato
Justice	Joseph Slater
Kids Coaching Program	Cheryl Higgins
Lapsation	Lawrence E. Rowse, PDDGER
Liquor Steward	Jeff Grugan
Lodge Historian	Ronald Barner, PER
Lottery	Chris Adams
Major Projects	Terra Neisen
Marketing	Open
Meat Raffle	Steve Frese
Membership	Open
Memorial Sunday	Jack Coyne
National Veterans	Cheri Pierce Rigsbee
Newsletter Editor	Patrick Skelley
Pavilion Restoration	Paul Muzio
PER Association	Brian Kirch, PER
Public Relations	Greg Collins
Recreation	Ronald Barner, PER
Ritual	Tom Nardacci, PDDGER
Scholarship	Lori Bishop
Sickness and Distress	James Walsh
Soccer Shoot	Open
Steak and Lobster Bake	Steve Frese
Toys for Tots	Nancy Hunt
Trunk or Treat	Rose Herbst
Turkey Bowl	Joseph Slater / Steve Slater
Turkey Shoot	Lawrence E. Rowse, PDDGER
WELKcome	Chris Trumbull
Youth Activities	Cathy Scoons

### Support Your Lodge!

- Like / Share on Facebook
- Invite a Friend
- Volunteer Your Time
- Share Your Ideas
- Attend Lodge Fundraisers
- Attend Lodge Meetings
- Say No To Lodge Drama

### **LODGE INFORMATION**

Website:	www.2073elks.org				
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Events:	housechairmanelks2073@gmail.com				
Mailing Address:	683 Columbia Turnpike East Greenbush, NY 12061				
Lodge Hours:	Sun through Wed 2 PM $-$ 8 PM; Thurs 2 $-$ 10 PM; Fri and Sat 2 PM $-$ 12 AM				
Lodge Meetings:	2nd Monday of each month at 7:30 PM				
Trustee Meetings:	2nd Monday of each month at 7:00 PM				
House Committee Meetings:	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month at 6:00 PM				
Facebook:	@2073elks Linked In: 2073elks				
Twitter:	@2073elks	Tik Tok:	2073elks		
Snap Chat:	2073elks Pinterest: @2073elks				



We have a critical need for help! Please contact the House Committee Chair or ER to find out ways you may get involved. The Lodge only functions because of the hard work of our Members. It isn't fair to tax the same people for all tasks all year long. They need a break!

- Cook chicken wings or hot dogs
- Chaperone a party
- Clean up after an event
- Fill up care packs for Vets
- Volunteer for a youth activity
- Be a server

### **BREAKFAST**



The Lodge hosts breakfast every Sunday morning from 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM and members, their guests and the general public are welcome to attend. Our full service menu offers the most reasonable prices in town and a wide variety of food options with generous portions certain to please each guest. Help us to build our breakfast crowd by inviting a friend to join you. Groups are welcome, but please call ahead for reservations.

#### **OCTOBER QUARTER POOL**

OOTOBER QUARTER TOOL							
01	3307	17	3375				
02	3081	18	3710				
03	3153	19	3293				
04	3594	20	3695				
05	2578	21	3179				
06	3708	22	3069				
07	3201	23	2570				
08	3406	24	1287				
09	2704	25	3476				
10	3577	26	3421				
11	1858	27	3710				
12	3692	28	3038				
13	3056	29	3543				
14	3419	30	2801				
15	2459	31	3033				
16	3295						
One Winner!							

#### BINGO REPORT – OCTOBER

#### **August Update**

Events: 5

• **Players:** 455

Gross Receipts: \$17,744

• Prizes: \$11,085

Net: \$6,664

Kitchen Gross: \$2,652



Note: Bingo doors open at 5:00pm and starts at 7:00pm

#### **SICKNESS AND DISTRESS**

All is well!

Please contact the Lodge for any sickness and distress notices at (518) 477-9947. If you know of someone who has lost a friend or family member, or someone who could use a cheery word or assistance from fellow Elks, please let us know. Elks Care!

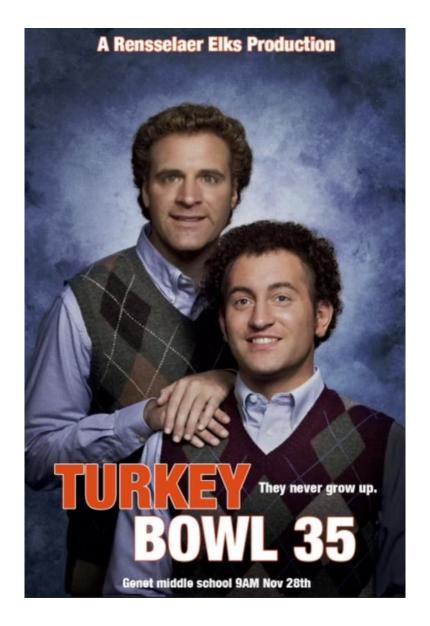
## **Lodge Updates**

#### **Veterans Cruise**

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## **Upcoming Events**







# November 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Breakfast 9-11am				Bingo 5pm		Rensselaer Lodge Visitation
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Breakfast 9-11am	Lodge Meeting 7:30pm			Bingo 5pm		Hudson Lodge Visitation
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Breakfast 9-11am				Bingo 5pm		20 Week Club Auction/Dinner
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Breakfast 9-11am				Bingo 5pm		Brunswick Lodge Visitation





# December 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Elks Memorial	PER Initiation			Bingo 5pm		
Service	House Committee Meeting 6pm					
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Breakfast 9-11am	Lodge Meeting			Bingo 5pm		
	Deadline for Toys for Tots					
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Breakfast 9-11am	Lodge Meeting			Bingo 5pm		Merry-aoke 7pm
Adult Christmas Party	7:30pm					
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
Breakfast 9-11am				Bingo 5pm		
Children's Christmas Party						
29	30	31				
Breakfast 9-11am						









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Richard C. Carpinello (2022)

In Memory of Albert W. Carpinello

Kevin B. Rowse

William C. Rowse

Michael J. Wagner Owner / Director

#### SUPPORTERS CLUB

#### **NEWSLETTER**

January 2024

in Memory of David L. Riffley

April 2022

Dave Jeffries

Carol McKay Lester McKay

Sue Polsinello

Rockefeller Funeral Home

in Memory of PER Floyd M Smith

Rockefeller Funeral Home George Wagner

Michael Wagner

in Memory of Fred Hutchinson

May 2022

in Memory of Francis A. Netzer and

Lawrence E. Rowse, PDDGER Linda M. Rowse, DDGER

John J. Rowse Barrett L. Rowse

Christine Rowse

Morgan P. Rowse

Emily Rowse Smith

Sharon Malinoski

Brian P. Rowse

September 2022 Alan Hedge

Marylou Hedge

October 2022

for Rich Bedell and Frank Harpe

in Memory of Leon Cellery, PER Charles Van Burer

Raymond Daley, PDDGER Veronica Adriance, PDDGER Charter Member Hank Rivet

Jav Amodeo, PSP

Frank P. Lill, PSVP

George D'Ambrose, PSVP

Alexander Seney, PDDGER

The Past Exalted Rulers of Rensselaer Lodge remember their Past State and National Leaders:

For only \$5 a year! Your name will appear that month you sign up until the Year 2025! You can also put it "in memory of" a loved one! When the month approaches where your name is listed is when you owe \$5 to renew and be a Supporter for another year. (To those that have already renewed—you are paid through "your month" in 2023). To join—send \$5 to the Lodge.

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