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Danbury Elks 120 Update

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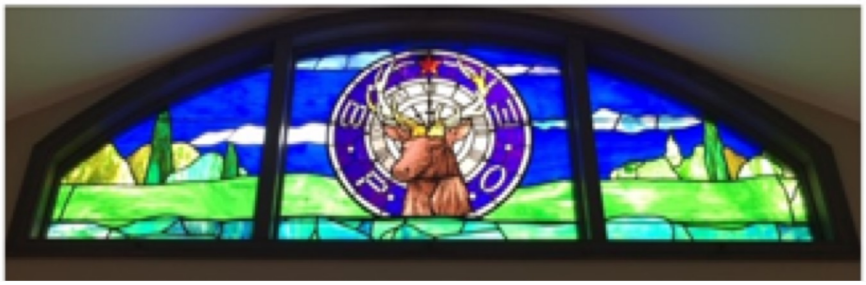

August 2021

ALL members in good Standing.

Please join the officers of the Lodge at the Lodge meeting on the 2nd Tuesday in August at 7:30 PM

See calendar within for important dates

Elks Care - Elks Share

Danbury Elks Lodge No. 120
A Fraternal Organization

Home Lodge of
Grand Lodge Auditing and Accounting Committee Chairman
William J. Chinn Jr. PDD, PSP
and
Special Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler
Richard M. Palanzo PDD, PGLCC, PSP

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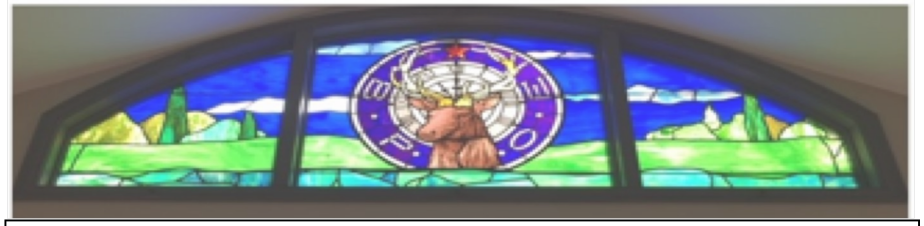

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First Year Trustee	Kent Rohrer	kentrohrer@gmail.com

Elks Sickness and Distress

If you know of a member ailing or recovering from an ailment or in distress, please Contact: Esteemed Leading Knight Alex Karsanidi or Exalted Ruler Raymond Ward

Passing of a Member

'The Elks Wake and Grave side Ritual service is a privilege of all members. If you would like this Ritual service for your deceased Elk family member, please notify your Funeral Director or contact Esteemed Leading Knight Alex Karsanidi to make arrangements.

BIRTHDAYS OF THE MONTH

August

01	William	F	Buttery	20	Michael		Dow
03	Michelle	R	Haber	23	Karyn		Palanzo
03	Gregory		Hefner	24	Anthony	J	Benicewicz Sr
07	Sandy		Bardelli	24	Njaal		Svege
07	Keith	M	Roth	25	Lynda		McGoey
09	James	P	Bargallo	27	Albert	A	Lourenco
13	Harry	W	Stevens	30	Eric	N	Svege
16	Leslie Ann		Jaber	31	William	J	Chinn Jr
16	Brian		Lescinskas				

Secretary's Corner

Membership Status: The Current membership count for the Lodge is 249 members. 40 members are still delinquent in paying their dues for the 2021/2022 Lodge year. As a convenience to members you can pay your dues using a credit/debit card but only stopping into the Member's Lounge and having it processed through the POS System. You can also utilize the PayPal button on the Lodge's web site. As a reminder, Delinquent members are not entitled to enter the Lodge until their dues are paid.

The Coastal DD clinic is being held on August 22th at the Waterbury Lodge, 283 W Main Street, Waterbury CT 06702. The clinic starts promptly at 9am and is approx. 4 hours. Any Member may attend the clinic to learn more about the CT and National Programs. It is also a great chance to meet Elks from other Lodges around the state.

As a reminder there is only one Lodge meeting this month on Tuesday August 10.

Life Membership: A member must be at least 65 years of age and a member for 30 years with the last 10 years in Danbury. If you believe you are eligible, please contact me in writing. If approved before March 31st it will become effective on April 1, 2022

Secretary Contact Information: Cell Phone 203 470-6970, or via e-mail at kcpelks@gmail.com. The Secretary's Office is also open from 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm on Regular Meeting nights.

Fraternally,
Karyn Palanzo, Lodge Secretary

If you have not yet paid your 2021-2022 dues. PLEASE support the Lodge, and retain your membership privileges, submit your dues at your very earliest convenience. If you have paid Thank You!!

BULLETIN BOOSTERS "ONE TWENTY UPDATE"

Frank Thomas	Nov-21	Paul A Palanzo	Mar-22	Paul Estefan	Apr-22
John Goodman III	Nov-21	Paul Grenier	Mar-22	Philip LoPresti	Apr-22
Lisa Knapp	Jan-22	Richard M Palanzo	Mar-22	Shirley Wilken	Apr-22
Martin Cohn	Jan-22	Richard Stavac	Mar-22	Thomas J Sweeney	Apr-22
Albert A Lourenco	Mar-22	Roger A Green	Mar-22	Thomas Saadi	Apr-22
Antonia C Nabholz	Mar-22	Scott Caggeinello	Mar-22	William J Chinn	Apr-22
Brian Dobson	Mar-22	Suzanne L Novaco	Mar-22	Daniel Bozek	May-22
Carl Allen	Mar-22	Thomas LoBosco	Mar-22	Guy Holick	May-22
Diana Samuelson Buttery	Mar-22	William Buttery	Mar-22	Jeffrey Tturner	May-22
E Joan Weldon	Mar-22	William E Miller	Mar-22	Joan Gall	May-22
Edward Lasky	Mar-22	Alex Karsanidi	Apr-22	John Gogliettino	May-22
Eric Svege	Mar-22	Douglas Kenyon	Apr-22	Larry W Seim	May-22
Ethan T Mable	Mar-22	Edward J Kielkucki	Apr-22	Linda Ann Peterson	May-22
George Huse	Mar-22	George Haber	Apr-22	Paul Olson	May-22
Glenn E Hemmerle	Mar-22	Gregory Hefner	Apr-22	Stephen E Barna	May-22
Greg Caggainello	Mar-22	Jennifer R Tanner	Apr-22	Tim J O'Rourke	May-22
Henrique Antonio	Mar-22	John Hancock	Apr-22	William Crawford	May-22
Joseph Reiss III	Mar-22	John Miller	Apr-22	Robert J Kaufman	Jul-22
Karl A Olson	Mar-22	John Stewart	Apr-22	Carl Lecher	Jan-23
Lyle Himebaugh	Mar-22	Michael Dow	Apr-22	Wayne Floegel	Apr-23
Michael R Shecora	Mar-22	Micheal Labriola	Apr-22	Tom Davies	Apr-24
				Kenneth Dosch	May-26

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The Bulletin Booster program - Supports the production expense for the Danbury Lodge Bulletin aka Danbury 120 Update for a year by making $10.00 donation. Submit to the Lodge, with your name as you would like it to appear in the Bulletin. The Month and Year listed indicates the expiration date.

DEADLINE for Bulletin Entries is On or BEFORE the 15th of the month

Events, messages, letters, etc. for the Bulletin must be sent to

Danburyelks120update@gmail.com

Members please feel free to Send information/picture(s)/article(s) history of the lodge you would like to share

GRAND Exalted Ruler's Message

Message from the Grand Exalted Ruler T. KEITH MILLS

Elks keep moving forward and Meeting the Challenge Wow, what a fantastic opportunity to serve our great Order. I would like to first thank my wonderful wife, Amy. Without her love, support, and commitment this experience would not be possible. We both are very grateful to have been chosen to take this incredible journey. I would also like to thank my other family members. Knowing they are helping take care of our personal obligations at home during this time is a huge help to both of us. My theme this year is "Meeting the Challenge." This past year was like no other in the history of our Order. With the ongoing COVID-19 situation, I want to congratulate local Boards of Directors and members for their efforts in continuing Lodge operations and remaining active in their community. Thank you for taking and showing pride in our Order. Not only could we not meet regularly, but we all experienced a crash course in virtual meetings. Summer is still upon us, but fall is closing in. Now is the time to begin planning Lodge fall activities. For example, begin working on a school supply program, or start one if one is not available in your community. This is an opportunity to engage with your schools, help children who need it by providing critical school supplies, and lay the groundwork for other Elks youth programs (e.g., Hoop Shoot, scholarships, drug awareness). This year, my goal for Elks National Foundation will remain at $4.80 per Member. I know this goal is easily obtainable since we have more than doubled this number for many years now. The stronger your Lodge, the greater benefit to your community

With the various grants from the Elks National Foundation, we can readily add to existing Community Service Projects. Today, our communities need us more than ever. There are always projects that could use our help to strengthen the charitable works we do. For some ENF Grants, your Lodge just needs to apply. Others are competitive. However, ENF personnel are there to assist you with these proposals. The Elks Most Valuable Student applications are now open and online. Create a little explanation sheet or download one from elks.org. Then call your high school counselors to inform them of our program and where they can direct their seniors for the eligibility requirements and application. Follow up that call with a small letter. Remember we also have the Student/Teenager Month and Year Program. This is one way for your Lodge to recognize high school students for their work and volunteerism. Look into this program within the Grand Lodge Youth Activities Program Manual. Finally, this week, visit Elks.org. Under the Fraternal Committee, print off the "Patriotism Week Proclamation." Have your city mayor sign it to proclaim September 6-12, 2021 as National Patriotism Week in your town. Then, use this opportunity to encourage new Members to join our great Order.

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BPO Elks Grand Lodge Resolution, Voting Results 7/6/2021	*Tampa Fl*	Elks.org
Num.	*Description*	*%*
2021-01	To return to the Laws of the Order the requirement that a Local Lodge conduct a long form Initiatory Ritual for the District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler at the time of his/her official visit.	35% FAIL
2021-02	To allow Local Lodge Past Exalted Rulers Associations to incorporate for the purpose of raising, receiving, and distributing funds for such charitable, educational, and scientific purposes that are supported by its Lodge, State Association, and/or Grand Lodge.	49% FAIL
2021-03	To require incorporated Local Lodge Past Exalted Rulers Associations to obtain Grand Lodge approval before taking certain actions.	48% FAIL
2021-04	To allow Local Lodge Past Exalted Rulers Associations to incorporate for the purpose of charitable fundraising.	50% FAIL
2021-05	To clarify that the Grand Exalted Ruler shall have the authority to remove any officer of a corporation formed pursuant to the new section 16.035 who neglects the duties of his office, or is guilty of contumacy or conduct injurious to the order.	64% FAIL
2021-06	To allow a Lodge to provide for the waiver of dues and fees of any Applicant who is a current or former Elks scholarship recipient with a goal of encouraging membership.	77% PASS
2021-07	To allow the Grand Exalted Ruler to grant full membership in the Grand Lodge to Past Exalted Rulers, otherwise qualified, who are prevented from attending a Grand Lodge Convention by reason of the convention having been cancelled or in the event a convention fails for lack of a quorum.	90% PASS
2021-08	To codify the policy of preventing the over service of alcohol and to require Local Lodges to establish a House Rule consistent therewith.	84% PASS
2021-09	To clarify the burden of proof and standard of review in the case of an appeal from an Executive Order.	90% PASS
2021-10	To codify fair process practices that are currently being followed in those circumstances where the rights of Members, Lodges, State Associations, or officers of any entity formed under the Laws of the Order may be impacted.	90% PASS
2021-11	To delete the requirement that the Lodge Secretary prepare the November membership report on forms provided by the Grand Secretary since the November membership report is now automatically generated and submitted through CLMS; and to eliminate the requirement that the Lodge Secretary give bond if the Grand Lodge Insurance Program provides such coverage.	95% PASS
2021-12	To eliminate the requirement that the Lodge Treasurer give bond if the Grand Lodge Insurance Program provides such coverage.	92% PASS
2021-13	To clarify the duties and responsibilities of the Grand Lodge Auditing and Accounting Committee and the duties and responsibilities of the Local Lodge Auditing and Accounting Committee as a result of the use of the new Grand Lodge online Financial Reporting System (FRS).	91% PASS
2021-14	To allow District Deputies to be appointed to Districts other than their home District.	40% FAIL
2021-15	To increase the amount subject to immediate distribution by the Trustees in the event of the liquidation of a Lodge in order to avoid administrative expense associated with the maintenance of nominal trust funds.	88% PASS

Lodge Events

BUS TRIP: ARE YOU Interested?

Would you be interested in a bus trip to **Casino** or **Baseball game** (Yankees, Mets, Harbor Yard) Please email Lecturing Knight Holly Sekiguchi at holly_sekiguchi@icloud.com that you are interested and how many would be in your party. If we can fill a bus, Holly will coordinate a trip. She will let you know the details and give you first round sign up.

See Important dates below

Support our Programs

Contact Exalted Ruler Ray for details or go to www.elks.org

Lodge Committee Chairpersons

Americanism	***See Exalted Ruler Ray***
Drug Awareness	***Holly Sekigucchi***
Elks Hoop Shoot	***Vinny Santise***
Membership	***See Exalted Ruler Ray***
Scholarship	***See Exalted Ruler Ray***
Soccer Shoot	***Vinny Santise***
Special Olympics	***See Exalted Ruler Ray***
Elks National Foundation (ENF)	***Eric Svege, PER***
State Major Projects (CCMC)	***See Exalted Ruler Ray***
Veterans	***Carl Allen***
House Committee	***Erin Domenech***
Public Relations	***Alex Karsanidi***
Investigating Committee	***Jack Knapp, PDD***
Judiciary Committee	***Tom Saadi***

Soccer Shoot is right around the corner. Contact Vinny Santise for Schedule shoot Kids up to 15 years are eligible.

The 2022 MVS Scholarship application will open on August 2, 2021. The 2022 application deadline will be November 15, 2021 at 11:59 p.m., Pacific Time Current high school seniors, or the equivalent, who are citizens of the United States are eligible to apply. No membership required. For more information go to:

https://www.elks.org/scholars/scholarships/MVS.cfm

Legacy Awards are $4,000 scholarships
The 2022 contest and application will open on **September 1, 2021**.
The deadline for 2022 applications is **February 7, 2022.**

Any High School Senior who is a child or grandchild (or step-child, step-grandchild, or legal ward of a living Elk who joined the order on or before April 1, 2019, or a charter member of a Lodge that was instituted on or after April 1, 2019, is eligible to apply. The Elk must also be a paid-up member through March 31, 2022. Great-grandchildren are not eligible.

https://www.elks.org/scholars/scholarships/Legacy.cfm

Drug Awareness

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Be a Lodge Officer NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY

Tiler and Innerguard are currently available Lodge Officer positions. If interested in learning more about the positions, ask Exalted Ruler Ray about them.

There is **No Obligation** in asking for information.

Interested in Bartending?

If you are interested, please contact Erin Domenech at (203) 947-3805.

★ Training will be provided! ★

Many hands make light work.
Many guests make successful events.

ALL members please come to Lodge meetings and events. Share your thoughts at the lodge meeting, enjoy member events. Attending Lodge meetings and events is helpful to the lodge. Consider helping at an event for an hour or so, its fun.

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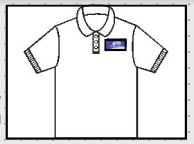

Little Library with the Lodge

Elks always care for children in need, and children's literacy is no exception. Due to COVID, many Lodges have had to refocus their favorite literacy projects and find new and exciting ways to engage children in their communities. Milwaukee, Wis., Lodge No. 46 reconsidered how to distribute reading materials to make its Gratitude Grant project both safe and accessible.

Inspired by the Little Free Library program, the Milwaukee Lodge set its sights on a little library of their own. Elks volunteers are building little libraries in different areas of the community and stocking them with books for children and families to borrow, read and swap out. Small, free libraries make reading materials accessible for children, even those whose families may not have access to reliable transportation to the public library or the funds to buy books.

"We hope that this project will improve reading comprehension and literacy rates by making books more available to not only children to read themselves, but for parents to read to infants and pre-school aged children," says Elisabeth Mulvany, Leading Knight for the Lodge.

According to recent study in the United Nations News, the rate of children who are experiencing difficulty reading has increased more than 20 percent in the past year due to the pandemic and subsequent school closures. And, Little Free Library cites that two out of three children living in poverty have no books to call their own. Providing accessible reading materials for children and families is the first step toward improving literacy rates.

If your Lodge is looking to work on children's literacy in your community, the possibilities are plentiful.

"There are so many ways to encourage literacy—contests, summer reading challenges, book exchanges, storyteller sessions for children, giving books as gifts, volunteering as tutors, or hosting 'reading clinics' for kids," Mulvany says. "Instilling the importance and fun of reading is more important than ever."

The Elks National Foundation helps Lodges serve their communities by offering Gratitude Grants of up to $3,000. To find out more about Gratitude Grants and the Community Investments Program, visit ***enf.elks.org/GratitudeGrants***.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5 IPA	6	7
8	9	10 7:30 Lodge Meeting	11	12	13	14
15	16	17 6:30 Officers and 7:30 BOD	18	19	20	21 Lobsterfest
22	23	24	25	26	27	28 DD Clinic in Waterbury
29	30	31				

August Important Dates To Remember

Aug	2	MVP Applications open
Aug	3	PER Meeting
Aug	4	National Coast Guard Day
Aug	5	National IPA Day
Aug	10	National Connecticut Day
Aug	17	Officers Meeting 6:30
Aug	17	Board of Directors Meeting 7:30
Aug	19	National Soft Ice Cream Day
Aug	21	Lobsterfest
Aug	22	DD Clinic Coastal/Northwest
Aug	26	National Dog Day

September

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6 Patriots Week 9/6 thru 9/12/2021 HAPPY LABOR DAY	7	8	9	10	11 PATRIOT DAY
12	13	14 7:30 Lodge Meeting	15	16	17	18
19	20	21 6:30 Officers and 7:30 BOD Meeting	22	23	24	25 Mike Jaber Memorial
26 GER Visit to CT	27 GER Visit to CT	28 6:30 DD Visit	29	30		

September Important Dates To Remember

Sept	6	Labor Day
Sept	6-12	Patriots Week
Sept	11	Patriots Day
Sept	14	Lodge Meeting
Sept	21	Officers Meeting
Sept	21	Board of Directors Meeting 7:30
Sept	25	Memorial for PER Mike Jaber
Sept	26-27	GER Visits Connecticut
Sept	28	Lodge Meeting DD Visit