



New York State Elks Association E-Zine



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GER Mike Smith at Fall Conference



GER Michael Smith will be in attendance at the 2010 Fall Conference in Niagara Falls. Welcome him and his wife, Sandra to New York and have him sign your card!

Upcoming Ritual Clinic

On Saturday, November 20, there will be a Grand Lodge Ritual Clinic, with Certification for Impressiveness, Word Accuracy and Computer, held at Watervliet Lodge 1500, Watervliet NY. The clinic will start at 9 AM.

Junior Golf Results

Girls 12-14		
Kayla McCabe	138	Watertown #496
Girls 15-16		
Jacquie Hoey	86	Plattsburgh #621
Sara Adamowski	96	Amsterdam #101
Erin Conklin	100	Watertown #496
Boys 12-14		
Arthur Griffin	79	Saranac Lake #1508
Bradley Lalone	91	Watertown #496
Benjamin Knapp	97	Rochester #24
Boys 15-16		
Mike Chambers	79	Potsdam #2074
Corey Purcell	80	Amsterdam #101
Connor Juber	80	Plattsburgh #621
Boys 17-18		
Mark Kneram	79	Watertown #496
Chad Call	80	Watertown #496
Gus Rietsema	83	Plattsburgh #621

Full details at NYSElks.org.

SVP Report now On-Line

The report to be submitted by the State Vice Presidents is now available as a Word Document on-line at NYSElks.org.

PSP Birthdays

9/24 Richard C. Wunder PSP 2006-2007
10/10 Charles I Noonan PSP 2001-2002

From the State Secretary

We are now almost half way through the Lodge year which is a good time to review our accomplishments and plan how we will close out the Lodge year. It is also a good time to make sure that the charitable records are current, the financial accounts are in order, the membership rolls are accurate, and your Lodge is achieving the goals that have been set for the year. It is important to check how your Lodge is doing financially, particularly in exceeding the per capita goals for ENF and Major Projects. There is still time to make adjustments, hold an additional event, organize a fundraiser, or plan projects that will get more members involved and working together to exceed these goals.

The Fall Conference is a terrific opportunity for you to learn from others, share your success, and enjoy the company of Elks who are active throughout the Empire State. It is also the time when the Grand Exalted Ruler visits New York and shares his perspective of Elkdom with us. I hope that many of you will be able to attend and will participate in the Secretary and Treasurer workshop which will be held on Saturday, September 25, at 1:45 PM in the East Room. Chris Maddock and I will be talking with you about how we are using electronic delivery and reviewing the deadlines for Grand Lodge, State Association and government reporting. We are planning to allow time for questions and discussion, so bring your thoughts and ideas to share with your brother/sister Elks. Fraternaly,
Paul Erkkinen



Useful Links for Veterans

A collection of **Useful Links for Veterans** is now available on the New York State Elks website. Go to nyselks.org, and click on the News item.

In Vain We Call...

None this month!

West District DD Ray Mattice's son passed away Monday, September 13. Please keep the family in your prayers.

Fall Conference Schedule (Preliminary)

Friday		
9 AM	Membership	East
	Elks Memorial	Center
	Drug Awareness	West
	Lodge Develop	Regency
10:30	ENF	East
	Americanism	Center
	Veterans Service	West
2 PM	Major Projects	East
	Scholarship	Center
	Elks Training	West
Saturday		
9 AM	Business Session	GBallroom
1:45	Secretary/Treasurer	East
	Empire Elk/Pub Rel	Center
	Youth/HoopSHoot	West
6:30	Reception	Foyer Deck
7:30	State Banquet	GBallroom

SP Bloss Visits

Sept 23-26	Fall Conference
Oct 1-3	State Capital
Oct 8-10	North
Oct 15-17	South Central
Oct 23-25	Northeast
Nov 5-7	West
Nov 12-14	Southwest

Soccer Schedule

October 3rd, 2010 – All Lodge and District Competitions need to be completed.

October 9th & 10th, 2010 – State Regional Events must be completed.

October 24th, 2010 – NYS Championship held at Oswego Lodge #271.

November 5th, 6th, and 7th, 2010 – The Area One Championship will be hosted by the New Hampshire State Elks Association at the Seacoast United Sports Complex, Hampton, New Hampshire.

CLMS News

At the CLMS Workshop at the National convention, it was announced that CLMS Version 2 is coming, but not until the annual report for this (2010) lodge year has been submitted. Version 2 runs on the web, and removes the need for backups and CASS updates. More information coming soon!!!