







The Monthly Electronic Newsletter of the New York State Elks Year 11 Volume 7 – June 2019

Birthday Wishes—	
7/05 Ernest Southworth PSP	

SP Greene Travel Schedule (Plan)
Grand Lodge Convention 6/30-7/03

A Kind Thought Needed

Sue Erkkinen Dolores Olson Martin Rosenthal Charles Noonan Vern Singleton And their caregivers (spouses)

Fall Cruise to New England

Join the NYS Elks on a fall cruise to New England & Canada October 20-27. Includes 7 nights shipboard, shipboard meals, round trip motorcoach transport from Buffalo, Rochester, Syracuse and Albany, baggage handling (1/person) all fees and taxes, plus \$50 fundraiser to Major Projects and Camp Bristol for \$1349 interior, \$1479 oceanview. Forms at nyselks.org under News. With the panoramic vistas and acres of glass that ensure you will never miss a moment of the scenery.

Ritual Competition

1st Carthage Lodge #1762 2nd Wolcott Lodge #1763 3rd Watervliet Lodge #1500 4th Oswego Lodge #271 Congratulations to Carthage...off to Grand Lodge Ritual. Best of Luck!!!

Empire State Elk Winter Edition

Now online at nyselks.org under News.

Lodge Bulletin Contest

Div I Saugerties #2574 Div II New York #1 Div III Catskill #1341 Div IV Colonie #2192 Div V Lowville #1605 Div VI No entries

Social Media Star Awards (New) Lynne Stein East District Deborah Reedy Northeast District Thank you to all that entered! Michael Jones P.R. Chairman

Internet

100% District Participation
Northeast
East
Ontario
South Central
Southeast
Thanks to all the lodges that sent in submissions!
PDD Matt

Veterans Services

At the NYS Elks Spring Conference in May Justine Crowley-Duncan, Mechanicville-Stillwater #1403 & PER Anthony Specchio, Watkins Glen #1546 were award Veterans Volunteers of the Year. We are very proud of our volunteers and these two are shining examples. Congratulations to both!

Flag Day Ceremonies

Flag Day Chairs...be sure to turn your Charity hours into the lodge Secretary!

In Vain We Call...none to report

Eleven O'Clock Toast—New Contest

The Grand Lodge Ritualistic Committee is honored to introduce for 2020 "The Eleven O'Clock Toast Contest". It will be open to Exalted Rulers and Past Exalted Rulers who are certified winners in their respective state's Eleven O'Clock Toast Contest. The new contest will use the same version used during the Initiatory Ritual. Complete rules will be sent to State Associations and made available at the Grand Lodge Convention in St. Louis. If a State Association does not hold a State Eleven O'Clock Toast Contest, it can still send an individual to the Grand Lodge contest. Besides meeting requirements, the individual must be approved by the State President and the State Association Ritualist Chair.

The first contest will be held at the Grand Lodge Convention in Baltimore next summer. The winner will receive the Callicott Award in honor of PGER Ted Callicott, a true supporter of the Ritual.

2019-2020 Americanism Essay Contest Theme

"What Does Freedom Of Speech Mean To Me?" Watch for more details in the coming months.

Thank you to PDD Matt for ALL your help and guidance in producing this first issue of the monthly "Ezine" under my name.

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