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Birthday Wishes - None

SP Conaty Travel Schedule (Plan)

Date	Event
September 1-3	Labor Day
September 15-17	South Central
September 22-24	Fall Conference
Sept 29,30 Oct 1	State Capital
October 6-8	North
October 20-22	Northeast
October 27-29	North.Hudson
November 3-5	West
November 10-12	Southwest
November 17-19	North Central
November 24-26	Thanksgiving
December 1-3	Southern Tier
December 8-10	South
December 15-17	Central
December 25	Christmas
February 9-11	West Central
February 16-18	Ontario
February 23-25	E.Central
March 2-4	Southeast
March 30-31	State Bowling
May 4-6	East
May 13	Mother's Day
May 17-20	Spring Convention

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Fellowship Through Giving!

Elks Care About...

--Sue Erkinen

Lodge Website Contest

The 2017 Lodge Website Contest is open. To enter , simply send your lodge name, Exalted Ruler and webmaster's names, and your web address to Matt Intrieri, webmaster@nyselks.org by September 1, 2017. The winning lodge website will be sent on to Grand Lodge for judging.

Grand Lodge Voting Results

- 1.To remove the option of the shortened initiation from GL Statutes 1665/1195
- 2.To allow lodges to amend bylaws to provide one meeting per month 1437/1428
- 3.To require all lodges to incorporate under the laws of state/ 1243/1601
- 4.To allow a lodge through Bylaws amendment to keep club rooms open during meeting without bar. 1310./1544
5. To require officers to perform long form of ritual at DD Visit. 1343/1519
- 6.To recognize Antlers Program under jurisdiction of Lodge Activities. 2675/180
- 7 To clarify club suspension to a member's home lodge applies to all lodges of the Order. 2593/266
8. To clarify authority of appointed trustees to take all actions with regard to property of a defunct lodge. 2649/208
- 9 To allow a lodge to waive dues, fees from one serving active duty or who has been separated from active .. 2336/507
- 10 To allow lodge to vote on matters of Sect. 16.150 at properly noticed special lodge meeting. 2574/271
- 11.To allow a lodge to reschedule a regular lodge meeting upon dispensation from the GER or DD, and notice to all members. 2807/255
- 12 To remove requirement for lodge to keep visitor's register. 1197/1654
- 13 To codify that Lodge Treasurer notify governing body of an excess of unappropriated cash in his possession. 2634/223
- 14 To allow Lodge Treasurer to pay bills electronically, and to increase amount on hand. 2564/298
- 15.To extend reach of Local Forum subpoenas. 2458/386
- 16 To clarify that provisions of this section only apply to those organizations in Article 3 Section 18. 2578/254
- 17 To require lodge to notify Grand Secretary of intent to send special representative to Grand Lodge. 2365/492
- 18 To prohibit possession or consumption of alcohol at lodge meeting. 2043/812
- 19, To revise or delete Laws of Order as a result of sale of National Home. 2754/80

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In Vain We Call...None at this time

Upcoming Conventions(Preliminary)

Date	Convention	Location
Sept 22-24	Fall Conference	Radisson Albany
May 31- Jun 3,2018	Spring Convention	Radisson Rochester
July 1- 4,2018	Grand Lodge	San Antonio TX
Sept 20-22, 2018	Fall Conference	Radisson Albany
May 2019	Spring Convention	
June 30, Jul 1-3	Grand Lodge	St Louis MO

Fall Conference Reservation Forms

Reservations for the Fall Conference September 22-24 in Albany are now available at nyselks.org under News or Conventions. Reservation forms for the Ladies Program are also available at nyselks.org under News.

Grand Lodge Award Forms

The Grand Lodge Fraternal Committee administers numerous programs of the Grand Lodge, and awards are given for: All-American Lodge – Contest "A"; Americanism Essay Contest – Divisions 1 and 2; State Association Bulletin – Contest "I"; State Association Website Award; Local Lodge Website Award; and State Major Project Display Award.

States and Lodges can find information regarding these programs and contests by signing into elks.org and select Grand Lodge, then Grand Lodge Committees. Once there, select Fraternal Committee and then select Program Info & Downloads. The files have already been updated for 2017-18. In addition, Fraternal Committee Members also distribute to our Lodges, GER "Outstanding Service Commendations" as chosen by your Lodge Exalted Ruler or designate and "Making a Difference Special Citations" for ER's and Lodges who have participated in six of the programs listed on the Fraternal Committee website