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# NEW LONDON ELKS LODGE No. 360



**BULLETIN – APRIL 2019**

**LODGE MEETINGS THIS MONTH:**

Thursday, April 11th , 7 pm

Thursday, April 25th, 7 pm

Directors Meeting Monday April 1st, 6:30 pm

*The Whaling City Lodge*  
*A Fraternal Organization*

## Exalted Ruler's Message

### Greetings Members!

A sincere thanks to everyone who helped make my year as Exalted Ruler an enjoyable one. The Lodge runs with the help of the volunteers. To that end, the Exalted Ruler is permitted to choose two volunteers each year for a special award. **My choices for this year's Grand Exalted Ruler citation are Dorene Gramolini and Bob Burke.** Dorene has been an extraordinary help around the lodge, co-chairing Italian Night and also contributing her time and efforts to a number of other activities. Bob has contributed with his handiwork around the lodge and his excellent skills in the kitchen for a number of events. They will be presented a certificate and a pin at the March 28th lodge meeting. I also thank every other member who has contributed their time and energy around the lodge.

We're nearing the time of the year when we are looking at the annual membership number. At the beginning of the year, we had 437 members. We added 28 members over the past year, lost 2 to transfers, and 17 passed away, bringing our total to 446. However, right now there are 20 members who have outstanding dues from the 2018-2019 year. We are very close to having a growth year for the lodge if we can retain a few of these members. Thanks to our Past Exalted Rulers Association for all of their efforts in sustaining our membership and to those sponsors who've done excellent work bringing in new members this year. **Joe Marino, by far,**

**brought in the most new members, with a total of 9 so far this year.** A special thanks to him and all of our sponsors for bringing in friends and family as Elks members.

Spring is coming, and with Spring comes the return of Steak Night! Joe Marino will be back cooking on the outdoor grill on the fourth Tuesday of the month until October. It takes a lot of people to make steak night work, so thanks to him and all of the volunteers.

Russ Dinoto had his last day as a bartender last month to a nearly full Monday bar with a special cake and friends and family from around the area. It was a fitting tribute to someone who has given a tremendous amount of time to the lodge as a volunteer. On behalf of all of the lodge, Thank You, Russ, for all you've done!

The incoming Exalted Ruler Torrance Jennings has his installation scheduled for April 13th. Dinner costs \$10 and will feature a "soul food" style dinner similar to the one that Flo Potter has been cooking at the lodge. It's one you won't want to miss. Also featured will be the yet-to-be-named house band for the Elks featuring a variety of cover songs. It's going to be a great night!

Fraternally,

**Joshua P. Gray**  
**Exalted Ruler**  
**New London Lodge of Elks**

## Looking Forward:

### May Events:

**5/1 - Youth Recognition Night 7 pm**

**5/6 - Directors meeting 630 pm**

**5/9 - Lodge meeting 7 pm**

**5/12 - Mother's Day Brunch 9-12**

**5/15 - New London Food Stroll**

**5/16 - Center for the Blind 5-8 pm**

**5/17 - Fish & Chips 5-7 pm**

**5/28 - Steak Night 5-7 pm**

**5/31-6/2 - State Convention**

## Resolution to Change House Rules

### Resolution to change Article III, #7, of the House Rules

**ORIGINAL VERSION:** Personal checks up to a maximum of \$75.00 per day per member may be cashed at the bar. Any personal check in excess of \$75.00 must be approved by the Exalted Ruler, Lodge Officer, or Board of Directors Chairman, provided there are sufficient funds on hand, and that it will not interfere with the working capital for the bar. There will be a \$30.00 fee assessed on any check returned from the bank for any reason. Check cashing privilege will be suspended for a period of one year after two (2) checks are returned for insufficient funds.

### **PROPOSED HOUSE RULE:** (changes underlined)

Personal checks up to a maximum of \$60.00 per day per member may be cashed at the bar. Any personal check in excess of \$60.00 must be approved by the Exalted Ruler, Lodge Officer, or Board of Directors Chairman, provided there are sufficient funds on hand, and that it will not interfere with the working capital for the bar. There will be a \$30.00 fee assessed on any check returned from the bank for any reason. Check cashing privilege will be suspended for a period of one year after one check is returned for insufficient funds.

TO BE VOTED UPON AT THE APRIL 25TH MEETING

### Nomination Results

Elections will have occurred by the publication of this newsletter. Nominees and Torrance Jenning's intended appointments are:

#### LODGE OFFICERS 2019-20

Exalted Ruler.....Torrance Jennings  
 Est. Leading Knight.....Elizabeth Clark  
 Est. Loyal Knight.....Erika Russo  
 Est. Lecturing Knight...Andrew Gilday PER  
 Secretary.....Henry E. Nichols PER  
 Treasurer.....William Struzinski  
 Tiler.....Vacant  
 Esquire.....Scott Cooper PER  
 Chaplain.....Debra Sargent  
 Inner Guard.....Michael Tranchida  
 Organist.....Joshua Gray  
 Trustee 1 yrs.....Michael Tomaszek PDD  
 Trustee 2 yrs.....Keith Robbins  
 Trustee 3 yrs.....Vacant  
 Trustee 4 yrs.....Scott Donovan  
 Trustee 5 yr.....Aldo LoDuca  
 Presiding Justice.....Atty. Scott Sawyer

### MEMBERSHIP DUES BLUE KEY CARD

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## Golf Committee Meeting

The Golf Committee will be meeting on Wednesday, April 17 at 630 pm. The Golf Tournament is scheduled for June 14, 2019. Save the date! Anyone who plans to help out, please come down! Even if you're not a golfer, we could use help with all aspects of the day.

**There are a number of small tasks that need to be done around the lodge. We are seeking volunteers to help us with these. Please contact Josh Gray or any of the Trustees if you can volunteer to help with any of them.**



- ~~Paint and caulk plywood~~ entrance
- ~~floor of the walk-in fridge~~ - Clean and organize walk-in storage area
- ~~Tile walk-in fridge~~ - Organize the cleaning closet next to kitchen
- ~~Fix plywood upstairs behind bar~~ - Clean HVAC room
- ~~Paint "Elks 360" letters on the side of the lodge building~~ - Organize area behind upstairs bar
- Shampoo carpets
- Cut weeds in parking lot
- Update Elks National Foundation donor board
- Scrape and paint the foyer
- Buff banquet room floor
- Restore the historical paintings in the lodge room

#### LODGE AND BAR HOURS

Monday - Saturday: 3:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Sunday Hours 3:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Notice: All closing hours are subject to change depending on functions and operating expenses.

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## SECRETARY'S CORNER By Henry E. Nichols PER

I am looking forward to working with our new Exalted Ruler Torrance Jennings and the newly elected officers. Congratulations to our newest Past Exalted Ruler Joshua Gray.

I will be mailing out spouse and widow Identification cards the second week of April. If you have not received yours by Wednesday, April 24 please contact me.

### DUES 2019/2020

**REGULAR \$85.00 — LIFE \$35.00**

Any questions you may have please contact me at 860 629-8371 or email [elks360@gmail.com](mailto:elks360@gmail.com) which I monitor daily. You can pay your dues online safely at [elk360.org](http://elk360.org). Your transactions are safe with the Lodge using Paypal.

Congratulations to our new members: Pierre Bumgardner, Patricia Mainville, Christopher Mooradian, Travis Romano.

### SICK LIST

**Convalescent Homes:** Arthur and Frank Perry, in Bridebrook, Joe Baude New London Rehab.

**Out of State:** Robert Joyce.

**L&M Hospital:** Bruce Brett.

**At Home:** Lorraine Allen, William Boordsen, James Devlin PDD, John Hunziker, Diana James, Noah Levine, Lou Lupica, Mariano Pica, Fred Serluca. *Any member knowing of a member in sickness and distress should contact the Leading Knight Elizabeth Clark, exalted ruler, lodge secretary or any officer, to see that they are taken care of.*

### BLUE KEY CARD

*The **Card Lock** will be changed **Monday, April 8** on the front and back doors. Please continue to use your **Tan Key Card** until then.*

## Scholarship Results

**Congratulations to Shawn Brooks of New London High School and Janatul Anika of Waterford High School for advancing as National Semi-Finalists in the Elks MVS Scholarship competition. They, along with 13 other high school seniors, will receive Lodge Academic Achievements Awards at Youth Night, which will be held on Wednesday, May 1st at 7 PM.**

## CINCO DE MAYO!

**FRIDAY, MAY 5TH**  
**A MEXICAN FIESTA!**

*Choice of two - make your own Tacos or Fajitas (chicken or beef) with all the trimmings and sides. Served with homemade Spanish Rice.*

Serving 5:00 - 7:00 pm

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**TUESDAY,  
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**JIMMIE R. PADGETT JR.**

Born: October 7, 1931

Initiated: February 21, 1971

Life Member: January 23, 2003

Died: March 13, 2019

**MICHAEL F. DOYLE**

Born: February 10, 1961

Initiated: March 3, 1999

Died: February 26, 2019

**THOMAS F. TRANCHIDA**

Born: March 6, 1923

Initiated: January 29, 1947

Life Member: October 13, 1988

Died: March 9, 2019

**CARLTON SAARI**

Born: March 4, 1945

Initiated: March 20, 1969

Life Member: November 2, 2011

Died: March 8, 2019

*The clock of their days has  
stopped and across the motionless  
shadows marks the hour of eleven.*

*May they rest in peace.*

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**APRIL 2019**

**ELKS SHARE**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
31	1 Directors Mtng 630 pm	2 Brgrs & Dogs 5-7 PM (TENTATIVE)	3 Wings 6 pm	4	5 Fish & Chips 5-7 pm	6
7	8	9 Brgrs & Dogs 5-7 PM (TENTATIVE)	10 Wings 6 pm	11 Lodge Mtng 7 pm	12 Fish & Chips 5-7 pm	13 Installation of Officers
14	15	16 Brgrs & Dogs 5-7 PM (TENTATIVE)	17 Wings 6 pm	18 Center for Blind 5-8 pm	19 Fish & Chips 5-7 pm	20
21 Easter Hospital Visit	22	23 Steak Nite 5-7 PM	24 Wings 6 pm	25 Lodge Mtng 7 pm	26	27
28	29	30 Brgrs & Dogs 5-7 PM (TENTATIVE)	1 Wings 6 pm	2	3	4

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