The Empire State Elk Community Activities Pag

Carthage Lodge # 1762 annual Law and Order Night was a great success. In all eleven people were honored with awards for exceptional service as law enforcement, firefighting, emergency medical technician and 911 dispatch personnel. Seventy-five people attended the event. The evening included dinner, awards presentation and friendly chat between the various agencies that were represented. Exalted Ruler Wayne Moore is pictured with the honorees'.



Fulton Lodge #831 recently held a May Day celebration. Thousands of people attended this celebration. There was food, games and prizes. Bicycles were given to children. The Dare program set up a booth at the celebration. Together with the Dare office members of the lodge passed our drug awareness literature to over 1000 children. Pictured above is the lodge Drug Awareness chairman Dawn Bristol and the May Day Chairman Renee Ormsby.

Malone Lodge #1303 sponsored a Law Enforcement Appreciation night The event was attended by officers, agents, and high ranking representatives of nearly every law enforcement agency serving the North country. Also attending were their Canadian counterparts. The keynote speaker was NYS Police Superintendent Harry J. Corbitt.



Massena Lodge #1702 sponsored a luncheon for Special Olympians and Law Enforcement Officers who ran in the NYS Law Enforcement Torch Run in St. Lawrence County. This was the tenth year the Lodge has graciously sponsored a luncheon for the runners. Special Olympians are pictured with Trooper Mike Pinckney of Potsdam Lodge

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Pictured : New York State Elks Association President, David Carr, Detective Michael Lemm Liverpool Police Department Office Robert Thibault of Baldwinsville Police Department, Todd Bryant of Seneca Ricer Fire Department and Robert B Inman of Exalter Ruler of Liverpool Elks Lodge #2348.



Oswego Lodge #271 sponsored a night of Bingo at the Lodge for residents of Saint Luke's Nursing Home. The gentlemen enjoyed playing Bingo and talking with the members from the Lodge. Picture above; member Dave Plumley helping one of the gentlemen from Saint Luke's Nursing Home.

Smithtown Lodge #2036 Community activities chairman Joe Mullady has reported that over the past 6 months, Smithtown Lodge has donated approximately \$650 and 3 Vans loaded with non-perishable food to the Smithtown Food Pantry. Members are asked to drop off their donations in their collection bin where they are sorted, packed and delivered to the local food pantry by Smithtown's volunteers. This effort is ongoing and brings with it, outstanding personal rewards and community involvement.





Oswego Lodge #271 recently held an appreciation dinner to honor people of distinction in their community. Approximately 200 people attended. The lodge honored Police and Firefighters from several districts in their area. Jay Amodeo, NYS Elks Association President was the guest of honor and helped with the presentations. Pictured Elizabeth Malone, Exalted Ruler Oswego Lodge #271, Mrs Roger Kellogg for her husband Roger Kellogg (Posthumously) Hannibal Fire Company Kevin Holliday Novelis Fire Department, Jay Amodeo New York State Elks Association President, Deputy Chief Edward Maxon, Oswego City Fire Department, Sergeant Charles Burger Oswego City Police Department, Eugene Sullican III, Oswego County Deputy Sheriff, Lieutenant Kevin Velzy, NYS University Police at Oswego.

Massena Lodge #1702 held a fundraising 50's 60's 70's Dance. The Lodge



raised \$550 for the Massena Rescue Squad to be used towards the purchase of a Lift Assist. A great time was had by all. Pictured above, L - R: Exalted Ruler Chip George, Laura George, House Committee Chair Karen Murray and Leading Knight Mike Gleason.

Yorktown Lodge #2324 on Town Cleanup Day removed 15 bags of litter from one mile of Roadway. To accomplish this task Exalted Ruler Andrew Tumolo with Trustee Richard D" Andrea and the assistance of 16 Boy Scouts from Lodge Sponsor Troop 911 and their parents worked diligently to clean up both sides of the roadway. The Lodge participated in the Town of Yorktown 18th Annual Community Day event. Our Lodge was one of 200 tables that handed out information on our Lodge, Major Projects and Drug Awareness. There were close to 5,000 Towns people who came to the event. The balance of the material on Drug Awareness was taken by a local teacher to hand out in his class.

#2074, NYSEA Youth Chair Tim Welpe and Massena #1702 members Chip George (Exalted Ruler), Dan Murphy, Mike Creazzo and Karen Murray.

Liverpool Lodge #2348 recently celebrated their 43rd anniversary. New York State Elks Association President David Carr joined in the festivities. At a dinner in his honor awards were given to outstanding police and firefighters in the area. Chief William Becker, of the Liverpool Police Department and Chief William Lefencheck of Baldwinsville Police were present to honor the award winners from their departments. Detective Michael Lemm of Liverpool Police Department and Office Robert Thibault of Baldwinsville Police along with Todd Bryant of Seneca River Fire Department were honored for their dedication and outstanding achievements to their departments and all they represent.

Watertown Lodge #496 made their third donation within the last eight months of food and supplies to the food bank at Community Action Planning Counsel (C.A.P.C.). This latest donation was made possible by a \$500 grant from the Elks National Foundation for reaching the per capita goal. Exalted Ruler Scott LaVere, Esteemed Leading Knight Bill Baker, Esteemed Loyal Knight Kathy Converse and Esteemed Lecturing Knight Ed Massa are pictured delivering items to CAPC staff Kathy Sprague, Sharon Bouchard and Tammy Kitto.



Port Jefferson Lodge #2138- held its' Annual Family Lobsterfest to benefit The American Cancer Society's " Relay for Life". Chairman Ron Lindsey and his Committee of Elk volunteers raised approximately \$6,000 toward this worthy charity with over 130 guests in attendance. Plans are currently being made to present this most generous contribution to the American Cancer Society.

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