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The Exalted Ruler's Message



Greetings, BPOE #916 Elks Family. How are you doing? We are thinking of all of you and hoping that you and your families are staying safe and healthy. Please let me know if the Elks can help you in any way. As of today, Governor Scott has requested that we remain closed at least through May 15th.

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic our installation of officers had to be postponed. However, State Trustee Randy Corey, PER, PDDGER was able to hold a videoconference installation on March 29 for me as new Exalted Ruler and my husband Fred as Leading Knight. We will install other officers as soon as it is safe to do so.

Before I continue, I want to thank Rosaire Longe for his dedicated service to our lodge. Over the past year he worked tirelessly on so many unexpected maintenance projects while continuing to hold our regular Elks functions. Thanks also to Irene Longe for her tremendous support behind the scenes as Dishwashing Diva and Cleaning Queen Extraordinaire!

Thanks also to all of you who returned the surveys with your dues. You can be assured that each survey has been read and that all suggestions will be considered. There were many great ideas! Look for a discussion of these in my next letter.

In June we usually have a Flag Day Ceremony and Scholarship Awards. I want to share a story about one of last year's recipients, Seamus Stein, a freshman at St. Michael's College. I had the pleasure of working alongside Seamus at the polls on Town Meeting Day. He is maintaining an honor roll average in data science and he loves his classes! While in high school, Seamus completed an Eagle Scout project by donating outdoor campfire benches for Silver Towers. It was such a joy to hear Seamus share his college experiences with such enthusiasm.

Is there someone in your circle of friends and family that you would like to honor by offering a scholarship in that person's name? Such donations would be greatly appreciated. You can reach out to me or to Dr. Jack Murray, Scholarship Chair.

In closing I want to highlight my message for all of the Burlington Elks:
"The Power of One"

- One person can make a difference.
- Help one neighbor whenever you can.
- Volunteer for one event at your lodge.
- Sponsor one new member.
- Attend one member meeting this year.
- Share one great thing about Elks with family, friends, or co-workers.



Signs at the Lodge - Thank you, Fred Dusablon, Leading Knight!



Elks Care/Elks Share,
Fraternally, Beth Dusablon, ER