



The Benevolent & Protective Order of Elks

March 1, 2015

Dear Elks and friends,

The regular monthly meeting of Perth Elks will be Thursday, March 12, 2015 at 6:00 PM. There will not be a dinner that night. Items of business will be:

- Approval of a slate of officers for the coming year.
- Consideration of the Budget for the coming year.
- There will be a meeting of the Executive Committee at 4:00 PM on Wednesday, March 4.

The Annual St. Patrick's Day Steak Dinner and Silent Auction will be held on Saturday, March 14, 2015 at 6:30 PM. It looks like there will be a large number of items for the Auction so let's all push for a large turnout for this event. Please make reservations as soon as possible. Tickets, costing \$15.00 each, are available from Warren Browne, Alta Street, Ron Gaunce, Ron Dube, Paul Kinney and others.

A game called Queen of Hearts has been started by Alan and Linda Young. All 54 cards in the deck are placed individually in envelopes which are tacked onto a board encased in a glass faced cabinet. There is a weekly draw where the object is to pick the Queen of Hearts. To participate in the weekly draw you need to buy a ticket (\$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00) which goes in a bowl. If your ticket is drawn you get to pick a card. If it is the Queen of Hearts you win the pot. There is now \$300.00 in the pot. Other winning cards are: - Other Queens - 10% of the pot; Jokers- 15%; Aces and Kings-\$25.00; Non winning tickets win a free drink. The draw is at 5:00 PM on Sunday. You must be there to win except if you have a ticket and the Queen of Hearts is picked you get 50% of the pot and the other half goes to the Elks.

In January the Lodge approved running a monthly draw using a deck of Cards. Each month the proceeds will go to a pre-determined project. For the first one the draw will start at the Executive meeting on March 4 and the winner will be drawn on the last Friday in March. It will cost \$5.00 to get a card and we will use all 54 cards. The winner will get \$135.00 if all the cards are sold.

The April Lodge meeting will be on Thursday, April 9, 2015 at 6:00 PM (if the crik don't rise) followed by a Baked Ham dinner.

The NB Provincial Elks Association will be holding their Annual meeting at our Lodge on Saturday, April 18, 2015 between 9:00 AM and noon. The Grand Exalted Ruler will be in attendance and we would urge all Lodge members to attend this meeting. There will be coffee at 8:30 AM and lunch at noon.

I will be approaching various members to sell tickets for the Dinner and Silent Auction. It would be great if any of you could make up a table of eight. Just let me know if I don't get to you.

There will be a Potluck this Friday, March 6, 2015. Lounge opens at 5:00 and we eat at 6:45 PM.

Fraternally,
Ron Gaunce, Secretary