



# Hour of Eleven

## Rochester Elks #2225

Making a Difference for 44 Years!

July 2005

Hi Everyone,



**From Your  
Exalted Ruler**

This has been an incredible summer so far. The weather has been unusually warm and our Lodge events have been predictably "cool". Every time we do an event such as Flag Day, I get just a little emotional. This ceremony brought me back to what the American flag really stands for. I had the opportunity to meet some wonderful veterans who fought to keep our country safe. Brian Dittmer and David Monaghan gave us an outstanding tribute to the flag, and Don Iodice told us about it's history.

I keep telling you about the wonderful things that go on in this lodge, but I have yet to tell you about a few outstanding volunteers that make all this happen. Let me start with one gentleman who is always here and ready to help in any way he can. His name is Andy Williams. Andy asks for nothing, and probably gets just a little more. He is always at the other end of the telephone when I call, and has never refused to volunteer his services for any thing we need done in the Lodge (even making potato salad and Irish stew). Andy is also a member on the House Committee. He has been a member for less than a year, but has given us a thousand years service. I salute you Andy!!

Let us not forget the women in this Lodge. One of the most unsung heroes is my friend, Susan Monaghan. She has never refused to help since the day she became a member of this Lodge. Her husband Dave usually gets the pats on the back (and he should), but Sue just stands by and has done everything from cleaning the inside of the toilets, working on the entertainment committee, baking the best baked potatoes, and being a Trustee working on a budget. Thank you Sue, sometimes, we just forget to say how much we appreciate each other.

I also want to send a special thank you to Julie and Kurt May for the wonderfully crafted announcement board that you took time to make and put up over our shuffleboard table in the Club.

There are many people who volunteer their time, and I thank you all.  
Sandy Catanese

### Editors Note

MEMBERSHIP, if you want to know more of what is happening at *your* Lodge remember that ALL meetings are open to you. So you can observe and bring any comments and questions. There is always a guest statements time of the meeting. We encourage positive active involvement from everyone.

Thanks

Ann Marie Lamphier PER

PS. Don't forget our daily drawings at the Lodge

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