

THE ELKS CALL

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ELKS – STRENGTHENING ELKDOM THROUGH COMMUNITY AWARENESS

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EXALTED RULER'S MESSAGE

Members All:

Happy Summer Everyone! I hope you are enjoying it. August will bring hotter weather. Come down and sponsor the lodge by cooling off, enjoy a great meal Wed - Fri and enjoy the company of your fellow Elks. I represented our lodge at the National Convention in Minneapolis, Minnesota. It was informative and I got to meet members from all over our great country. Connecticut came in 4th for all over gain in membership. Please keep bringing mew members,

August 4th is the Golf Tournament at The Southington Country Club. Hope to see you there. September 17th is the Clambake at the Cercemaggiore Club. Tickets are \$40. Please buy your tickets as soon as possible. There will be plenty of food and fun.

I would like to thank Joe Keely for fixing the sink in the Men's bathroom. Many thanks to those that helped with the clean up at the lodge after the storm, especially Richard and Stephanie Dilger, Steve Knox, Carlos and Lisette Gotay, Michelle Minicucci, Eugene LaFauci and Charlie Simpson.

Steve Knox is the new House Committee Chair and Stephanie Dilger is the co-chair. Thank you to you both for stepping up and getting things done. The House Committee will be coming up with new ideas to get members to come back and sponsor the lodge. Because of his new appointment, Steve Knox resigned as 3-year Trustee. There will be nominations at the next meeting on August 29th @ 7pm if anyone is interested.

My Elk of the Month for August is John Kunkel for stepping up and running this year's Golf Tournament. I know you were supposed to retire from it John, but you knew the tournament needed you, so you stepped up for another year. It is greatly appreciated by me and all the members.

Please continue to support the lodge through coming to lodge events and having dinner at the lodge. As always, we need our continued support! I'm always looking for suggestions to improve the lodge, ideas that will bring you and any community service ideas that you may have to continue supporting our lodge and our community.

Fraternally Yours
Susan Buzzeo ER,

Susan Buzzeo

Lodge Hours:

THE RATHSKELLAR BAR IS NOW OPEN THE FOLLOWING DAYS AND TIMES: SUNDAY 1:00 P.M. - TILL

MONDAY AND TUESDAY 5:00 P.M. - TILL

WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY 11:00 A.M - 10:00 P.M. EARLIEST

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY 11:00 A.M - 11:00 P.M. EARLIEST

Lodge Meetings:

SECOND & FOURTH TUESDAY OF THE MONTH AT 7:00 P.M. JULY & AUGUST—FOURTH TUESDAY ONLY DECEMBER—SECOND TUESDAY ONLY INITIATION MEETINGS START AT 6:30 P.M.

Lodge Officers 2023-2024

Exalted Ruler: Susan Buzzeo Leading Knight: Carlos Gotay Loyal Knight: Jennifer Normand Lecturing Knight: Peter Wychulis

Esquire: Bryan McEntee

Inner Guard: Stephanie Dilger

Tiler: Richard Brown

Secretary: Flavio Basile

Treasurer: Francis Orsini

Chaplin: Howard Osorio

Trustee 1 Year: Steve Kontout

Trustee 2 Years: Eugene Lafauci

Trustee 3 Years: Vacant

Trustee 4 Years: Richard Dilger

Trustee 5 Years: Mike Devino



Members convalescing at home

George Van Dyke Joseph Sciaretto

John Theriault

Raymond F Coughlin Jr.

Members convalescing

Cheshire

Gerald Sokocius Joseph Koopstus (Koop)

Jimmy Urino



TO OUR ABSENT MEMBERS

The clock of his days has stopped, and across its dial the motionless arms mark The Hour of Eleven, the "Golden Hour of Recollection." MAY HE REST IN PEACE.

Eric Keith Lott Born October 20, 1958 Initiated June 24, 2008 Passed from our mist July 8, 2023

Please contact Carlos Gotay, Esteemed Leading Knight with information and updates. Phone # (203) 565-3708

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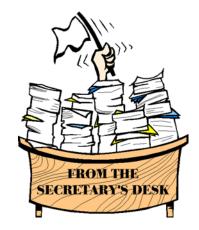
Information must be submitted by the 25th of the prior month.

Email—265submissions@gmail.com Thank you









Members All

Let's begin by welcoming Randy and Teri for taking over the catering at the BPOE #265.

This month our delinquent members list is at 154. STATUTES ANNOTATED Section 14.160 (c) The notice shall confirm to the delinquent Member that during the period of delinquency the Member is not entitled to the privileges of membership and that in the event of being dropped for nonpayment of dues, the Member can be reinstated only in the manner provided by the Laws of the Order.

It is not to late to renew your membershiop. A reminder when paying through PayPal the member is responsible for the service charge. Your membership dues are \$131 dollars plus PayPal service fee this also applies to Lifetime memberships.

I can be reached by email at secywtby265@gmail.com or by phone 203-755-1159 opt#4. Please leave a name and phone number on the voice mail so I'll be able to return your call. The voicemail does not have caller ID. Office hours are Wednesday 4:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. Saturday 12:00 P. M. to 4:00 P.M.

Thank you.

Fraternally yours Flavio Basile, PER Lodge Secretary

Americanism Programs Convention Socials SauMeboard Tournament Anniversary Night (Feb. 16) Corned Beef and Cabba c Night Softball Tournament Spaghetti Feed Auto Industry Night Sport Shirt light are Night Burbecues Baschall Night Baseball Trip. Billiards Touri Association Night State Presidents Night Bingo Blood Bank Steak Barbecue Boat Trips Bowles Night Bowling Tournament Boys Clab Night Steel Industry Night Stray Elks Roundup Summer Mixed Foursome Separe Dances Bowling Sweetheart Boy Scouts Night Гееванде Colf



EVERY WEDNESDAY
6:00 P.M.
COME ON DOWN AND JOIN YOUR
FELLOW ELKS FOR A FUN TIME
LIGHT MENU IS SERVED

Monday Night Setback League starting in September.

CHECK OUR FACEBOOK PAGE AND WEBSITE FOR UPDATES, MENUS AND UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

https://www.facebook.com/WaterburyElks265 www.elks265.org

BULLETIN BOARDS

Nothing should be posted on the boards in the Rathskeller, vestibule, hallways, or restrooms without first obtaining permission from the House Committee. If a house committee member is not available, please leave your posting with the bartender. Upon approval, it will be hung on the various bulletin boards. Anything posted without prior permission will be removed. Thank you for your cooperation.

The House Committee







SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT THERE WILL BE NO FOOD SERVICE ON FRIDAY AUGUST 4TH









Community service builds foundation for our future

After being elected Grand Exalted Ruler at the convention in Minneapolis, Wanda and I are humbled and honored to represent our great Order this year.

We have truly been blessed by the aid and support of so many people throughout the years. We owe a great debt of gratitude to our family, friends, and to you, our Elks family. We say thank you, one and all, for everything.

My slogan for 2023–2024 is "We Are The Elks." I am sure you will be hearing more about this at your District Deputy Clinic this month.

As we travel the country, Wanda and I are committed to promoting our Elks programs like never before. It is our belief this will make our Lodges stronger and improve our image throughout our great Order.

We will be promoting community service programs throughout our travels. These programs build stronger communities while stimulating a response that motivates worthy members of the public to seek Elks membership. In this way, our community service builds the foundation for our future.

Successful Lodges of the future will create and develop local projects that will become signature accomplishments in the eyes of the community. In turn, members of the community will see these projects mature over time and want to become involved.

If we work together toward our charitable pursuits and remain faithful to our programs, I'm confident we will soon see an increase in membership—not mere temporary gains, but a new era of growth where participation becomes commonplace.

A great source of funding for some community projects is the Elks National Foundation, known as the "Great Heart Of Elkdom." The ENF helps build stronger communities through programs that support youth, serve veterans, and meet the needs in areas where we live and work.

The Foundation has allocated almost \$16 million for Lodge Community Service Grants. This grant program allows your Lodge to complete more for your communities. This is once again a way for you to show your communities that Elks Care—Elks Share.

Make the Elks presence felt in your community by using these grants. What is your Lodge known for in your community? What reputation would you like to have? Find that need in your community and get it done. This will ensure people in your community know that "We Are The Elks."

The support we provide makes the Foundation's work possible. The goal we have established for the 2023–2024 fraternal year is \$4.80 per Member. That is not much when you consider the outstanding achievements of this program.

Remember "Elks Care—Elks Share" and "We Are THE Elks."

God bless our great Order, our troops, and the United States of America.

Submitted by Randy P. Shook GER, Grand Lodge Newsletter.









Message from the House Committee

I want to welcome Teri & Randy from the 19th Hole Café. If you haven't been to the lodge for lunch or dinner, stop in and try it. The kitchen hours are Wednesday 11:00am-2pm, 4:30pm-8:00pm and Thursday and Friday 1:00pm-8:00pm.

Clambake is Sunday, September 17th 12:00am - 5pm at Cercemaggiore Club. Tickets are \$40 and are on sale in the Rathskellar. This is a big event for our lodge, we need our members' support. There will be plenty of food, fun & games. Invite your family & friends. Please purchase your tickets by August 31st. We are looking for volunteers to help with the Clambake. You do not need to volunteer for the whole event. We are looking for members to help for an hour or 2 during the event. Please contact me if you want to help.

We want to bring back Guest Chef on Saturdays in October. If you have a signature dish or just love to cook, please consider volunteering one Saturday in October. Please contact me if you are interested.

Every Wednesday there is Karaoke in the Rathskellar starting at 6pm. Come down, have dinner, a drink and sing a few songs.

Thank you,

Steve Knox, PER



Riders delivering food to firemen who worked through the storm on Sunday 7/16









The Waterbury Elks Riders #265

would like to thank everyone that came out to the dinner for the Dominique Dalessio Scholarship Motorcycle Run. Though the weather was not in cooperation with us that day, and everything got flooded, we still had the dinner at 4:00 P.M. and raised some money for the scholarship. The raffle prizes were pulled, and there was a lot of food. So we did what we had to do, and the Elks Riders donated the food we had to the Fire houses and Police Stations that were helping out during the dangerous conditions of that day. We did not make our Quota for this function, so as a group we are not about to let the rain damper our functions.

We are going to be having another continuation of the Dominique Dalessio Scholarship Run on Sunday, August 20, 2023 starting from our lodge. At 10:00 A.M., kickstands up and going to the Bristol Lodge 1010, and then coming back to our lodge. At that time we will be pulling the winning ticket for the 65" Smart TV !!!! You can get your tickets at the bar for a \$10 donation. So if you want to go for nice ride and visit the Bristol Lodge come on down for 9:00 A.M. or meet at our Lodge at 4:00 P.M. to continue the fun.

Motorcycles, Jeeps, and cars are always welcome to join us.

Yours in Elkdom, Michelle "Lipsy" Minicucci, PER President Waterbury Elk Riders # 265













Greetings my fellow Elk Members,

The Antler program held their Harry Potter Movie Marathon on July 22nd and 23rd. Thank you all for coming down and sharing the cinematic experience with us.

During the movie marathon we began our next charity event. The Antlers are now collecting nonperishable foods to help Waterbury Food Banks. Please bring down any nonperishable foods we will be collecting until the end of August and if you don't have time to shop you can also give a cash donation and the Antlers will shop for you.

In August the Antlers will be going Camping as we begin our 2nd year of Antler's Family Campout. Last year we hiked to the top of Black Rock and this year we will be hiking to Leatherman's Cave. On September 23rd we will be having another Can and Bottle Drive. So, start saving those Cans and Bottles, and we will see you in September.

> Richard Dilger Lead Antler Advisor



Calling all Elk Members,

The Lodge Trustees are looking for some help. Currently we have several tasks that need to be completed around the lodge. So, we are looking for Volunteers and Donations to help keep the lodge going. We are looking to our membership for help.

We currently are looking for the following Donations to help clean and organize the storage room on the 3rd floor above the lodge room.

- Plywood
- 2x4, 2x6
- Wood planks
- Storage shelves (in good condition)
- Storage Bins
- Screws or nails

If you can donate any of the items, please reach out to Richard Dilger 203-518-1036 (leave a message) or any of the other Trustees.







BAR HOURS FOR AUGUST

Monday and Tuesdays 5:00 P.M. - Till

Wednesday and Thursday 11:00 A.M. - 10:00 P.M. earliest

Friday and Saturday 11:00A.M. - 11:00 P.M. earliest

> Sunday 1:00 P.M. - Till

Please come down and support the bar.

Bartenders discretion if there is no one in the bar for 45 minutes to an hour the bartender will be closing.

We will be serving finger foods made by the bartenders in our pizza oven.

BAR SPECIALS:

ARNOLD PALMER CANS \$2.00

\$2 SHOTS:

LORD CALVERT WHISKEY
LITCHFIELD DISTILLERY VODKA
LITCHFIELD DISTILLERY GIN
THE FAMOUS GROUSE SCOTCH
GOLDSCHLAGER



Serving Snacks Everyday

Pretzel \$3.00

Mac and Cheese Bites \$5.95

Broccoli and Cheese Bites \$5.95

Chicken Tenders \$6.95

Chicken Wings \$8.95



Ask one of your awesome bartenders for an order!

Happy Hour

11:30 P.M. - 6:00 P.M. \$2.00 a 14oz glass

Bud Light Draft

Lasting Brass Clock Tower IPA

\$3.00 a 14oz glass Guinness Draft

\$2.00 cans while supplies last (PBR not included)





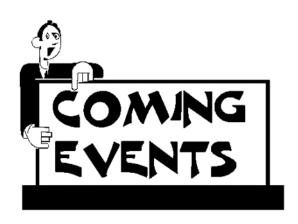












Waterbury Elks Lodge #265 71st Annual Golf Tournament: Friday August 4th

Elks #265 NY Bus Trip: August 5th

Pancake Breakfast: August 13th

Jerry Barth Saratoga Classic 2023: Saturday August 19th

Clambake: Sunday September 17th









Sunday August 13th 9:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M.

Waterbury Elks Lodge #265
283 West Main Street

Pancakes, Bacon, Sausage, Toast & Fruit
Coffee & Orange Juice

\$10 - Adults \$5 - 12 and under

WATERBURY ELKS LODGE #265

71ST ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

FRIDAY AUGUST 4TH, 2023 SOUTHINGTON COUNTRY CLUB

\$145 INCLUDES GREEN FEES AND CART, BREAKFAST & LUNCH AT THE GOLF COURSE. WATER, SODA & BEER AVAILABLE ON THE COURSE.

FOLLOWED BY AN AWARDS DINNER AT THE WATERBURY ELKS.

8:00 AM BREAKFAST 9:00 AM SHOTGUN START

LUNCH IS SERVED IN THE PAVILLION FROM 11:00 AM UNTIL GOLFERS PROCEED TO ELKS

COCKTAIL HOUR 4 PM OPEN BAR DINNER AT 5 PM

GOLD SPONSORSHIP \$500 SILVER SPONSORSHIP \$300 BRONZE \$200 FLAGS \$100

RAFFLES & DOOR PRIZES!!

TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE RATHSKELLAR



Elks #265 NY Bus Trip

Aug 5 2023

\$65 per ticket

****No seats held until payment made***

Canajoharie -Fort Plain, Lodge N. 2621

Old Station rd.

Elliston NY 13410

518-993-2621

Esperance Lodge No. 2507

111 Main St.

Esperance NY 12066

518-854-6200

Rotterdam Loge No. 2157

1152 Curry Rd.

Schenectady NY 12306

518-355-2480

Guilderland Lodge No. 2480

3867 Carman Rd.

Schenectady NY 12303

518-355-2480







Annual Clambabe

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 17TH 2023 CERCEMAGGIORE CLUB OAKVILLE CT 550 SYLVAN LAKE RD, WATERTOWN, CT

\$40.00 PER PERSON DONATION

\$45 AT THE DOOR

FOOD GALORE:

STEAK SANDWICHES,
CHICKEN, RIBS, CLAMS,
AND MUCH MUCH
MORE!



♦ 50/50 RAFFLE ♦ CORNHOLE ♦ HORSESHOES ♦

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT BAR OR HOUSE COMMITTEE









Waterbury Elks Lodge #265 Setback League

We are bringing back the Monday Night Setback League in September!

If you're interested sign up in the Rathskellar. Questions call the Lodge (203) 755-1159



SAVE THE DATE

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

SATURDAY DECEMBER 2, 2023

VENDORS NEEDED!

More info to come!









Jerry Barth Saratoga Classic 2023

Saturday August 19, 2023

Farewell Saratoga classic is coming up quick, due to increasing cost and lack of participation from Elks members, this is the end of many wonderful memories that began a very long time ago with Jerry Bart, the King of many great activities, it was an honor continuing the trips for many years. Thank you, Jerry. Sad to say this is the last Saratoga I'll be doing. I still have a few seats available if someone would like to go.

This year the price is \$120 a person; that includes bus transportation, breakfast at the Lodge at 7:00 A.M., picnic at Saratoga Springs Park, admission, and grandstand seating at the Racetrack,

and beverages on the bus and at the picnic. The racetrack allows you to enter with your own cooler as long as it fits under your seat, and you can stock up with beverages that we provide.

REMEMBER, NO GLASS BOTTLES INSIDE THE RACETRACK.

The bus will leave the Elk's parking lot at 7:30 A.M. and we should arrive at the Saratoga Springs Park no later than 10:30 A.M. so we can enjoy the cookout. Then, we will proceed to the racetrack between 12:00 P.M. and 12:30 P.M. and will leave at the end of the 8th race.

This is an event for members and guests to enjoy and not meant for the Lodge to lose money. If you book your seat, do not expect a refund at the last minute. There is a long waiting list. Please notify me a minimum 2 weeks in advance.

For bookings and information call Flavio Basile at 203-233-9293 or email

flavyb5369@comcast.net. For payments, make checks payable to "BPOE #265." You can mail it to me, Flavio Basile, at 200 Yale St. 30-B, Waterbury, CT 06704 or leave it at the Rathskeller with a bartender. Please do not leave cash.

Sincerely,

Flavio Basile















New Applicants

Jose Acosta Eliszabeth Langlais

Henry Brown Olivia Tuohy

Nicole Ciarleglio Avery Turner

Rachel Colon Robert Stokes

JoAnn McEntee Philip Sharp

William Thomas Pamela Dorn

Muhamet Redzep Brian Quinn

Levi Dallas Danna Torre

CELL PHONES FOR SOLDIERS

Since 2004 Cell Phones for Soldiers has...

Provided more than 400 million minutes of free talk time.

Recycled more than 20 million cell phones, reducing the impact on landfills. Mailed approximately 2,500 calling cards each week.

PLEASE KEEP THEM COMING FOR OUR TROOPS!









