

# THE ELKS CALL



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ELKS—STRENGTHENING ELKDOM THROUGH  
COMMUNITY AWARENESS

CHARITY ☆ JUSTICE ☆ BROTHERLY LOVE ☆ FIDELITY

## WATERBURY LODGE ANNUAL CLAMBAKE!

Sunday, September 15, 2019 • 11:00 A.M. - 5:00 p.m.

Great Food- Great Fun- Great Friends

Cercemaggiore Club, Sylvan Lake Road, Watertown, CT

Tickets: \$35 in Advance    \$40 at the Door



Exalted Ruler, Flavio Basile, has challenged his House Committee to outdo all previous clambakes in terms of attendance and food presentation. We can take care of the food; however, we need members and guests to take care of the attendance part of this challenge. The last couple of years have been terrific. The same core group of members, who have done this for a long time and have a winning formula, will be in charge of the menu, food prep, and service.

The Cercemaggiore picnic grove is an outstanding facility. **We are making arrangements for additional tables and chairs and will expand the bathroom facilities** to accommodate the expected record crowd. The menu includes raw and steamed clams, corn, steak sandwiches, sofrito, burgers, dogs, sausage patties, ribs, homemade macaroni and potato salads, coleslaw and a few surprises. Beer, soda and water will be available throughout the day. There will be a cash bar and horseshoes, bocce, and cards will also be available. Our popular cash raffle will also be featured. Last year's attendance was the largest in recent years, so get tickets early please.

Our challenge as always remains member and guest participation. You do not need to be a member to attend, so please feel free to invite family and friends. We are accepting credit cards, checks and cash for ticket purchases. We have the team in place to ensure a high-quality event. We need tickets to be purchased as early as possible so we can plan our food purchases properly. It's a great comfort to know what to expect for attendance because the expenditures for shellfish, keg beer and other food products are significant. We expect to limit ticket sales to 350 on a first come first served basis. **Tickets are available in the main bar through Friday, September 13th at \$35.00 per ticket.** Tickets are also available at Ro's Restaurant in Oakville. They have been longtime supporters of our various events, so please remember that when considering a place for an outstanding pizza.



Your House Committee and Clambake Team look forward to  
presenting a quality event for your enjoyment.

Remember: You are not a true  
Waterbury Elk until you have attended  
this extraordinary clambake!

### ELKS CALL

Official Bulletin of Waterbury Lodge # 265  
Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks  
PO Box 615, 283 W Main St.  
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**Editor: Mike Gannon**

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Webmaster: **Carissa Ciarlone**

Membership as of April 1, 2019: 1,321

### LODGE OFFICERS 2019-2020

Flavio Basile	Exalted Ruler
Michelle Minicucci	Est. Leading Knight
Steve Knox	Est. Loyal Knight
Tony Cavallo	Est. Lecturing Knight
Ginny Leary	Secretary
Patrick Jennings	Treasurer
Susan Buzzeo	Tiler
Howard Osorio	Chaplain
Mickey Fell	Esquire
Richard Dilger	Inner Guard
Jerry DiPietro	Organist

### BOARD OF TRUSTEES

5-Year Trustee	Steve Kontout
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3-Year Trustee	Bret Reis
2-Year Trustee	Robert Wergin
1-Year Trustee	Mike Gannon, PER

### Presiding Justice of the Subordinate Forum

Matthew McCormack

### House Committee Chairman

Ryan Gannon, PER

Telephone-All Departments (203) 755-1159

Regular Lodge Meetings-Second & Fourth

Tuesday of the month @ 7pm

July & August-fourth Tuesday only

December-second Tuesday only

Initiation meetings start at 6:30pm



### SICK BOARD

#### IN REHAB

- Cheshire Regional  
Tony Dance
- Jefferson House-Newington  
Robert Vitvitsky, Sr.



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Billy Demers

#### AT HOME

Sam Plourde  
Jay D'Angelo

Michelle Minicucci, Esteemed Leading Knight  
Phone # (203) 695-7957

## IN MEMORIAM



### IN MEMORIAM TO OUR ABSENT MEMBERS

There are no member deaths to post this month!  
Thank god!

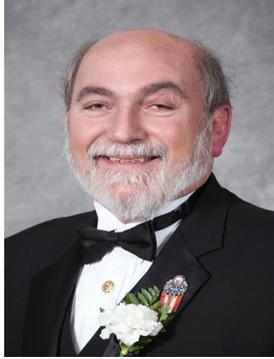
*The clock of their days has stopped, and across its dial the motionless arms mark The Hour of Eleven, the "Golden Hour of Recollection".*

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.

# EXALTED RULER'S MESSAGE

Members All:

Once again this year our annual golf tournament was a great success. Thanks to all the participants who continue to support it. An event like this could not be successful without the help of many volunteers. Thank you co-chairmen Jerry DiPietro and John Kunkel, and Ralph Monti for doing a fantastic job securing flag sponsors.



We had another series of great Saratoga trips continuing the event begun by Jerry Barth many years ago. I would like to thank all the people who volunteered. I would like to name them all, but it will take the rest of the space for my article.

September looks like another busy month with the start of the men's bowling league on August 29<sup>th</sup> and the "Suds & Smoke" barbeque on September 7<sup>th</sup>. Our annual clambake is scheduled for September 15<sup>th</sup> at the Cercemaggiore Club in Oakville, and on September 22<sup>nd</sup> the Grand Exalted Ruler will be visiting CT at the Westbrook Lodge. Please note that our caterer will begin "Taco Tuesday" this month commencing on September 10<sup>th</sup>.

Our committees are working hard to make these functions possible. Let's help them by supporting their functions, and it is a great opportunity to introduce your friends to the Elks and what we do in the community. This is also a great way for new members to become involved by volunteering or by attending.

Let's not forget the Soccer Shoot competition to be held on September 21<sup>st</sup> at the Wolcott Sports Complex. Let's show our support by having all of our children and grandchildren participate it is your Lodge.

To make Saratoga a success there were many people who volunteered; however three people above all came out to help with breakfast all four trips, Marlene and Mike Madzek, along with Mary Ellen Baranowsky. I'm proud to make them Elks of the Month! Congratulations!

Yours in Elkdom,

Flavio Basile, Exalted Ruler

## NOTICE OF VOTE

At the lodge meeting on September 24, 2019 there will be an election for the position of Esteemed Leading Knight. The members nominated are Michelle Minicucci, PER and Tony Cavallo, Esteemed Lecturing Knight.

The meeting will open at 5:00 and be immediately suspended for voting. Voting will conclude at 6:30 and the regular meeting will be called to order at 7pm.

Please plan to attend so your voice can be heard regarding this extremely important matter.

Yours in Elkdom,

Flavio Basile, Exalted Ruler

## BANQUET HALLS

### AVAILABLE

Weddings, Bereavements

Birthdays, Showers, Stags

You name the event, small or large, and we can handle it! The beautiful Brady Hall can accommodate your larger events, and the redecorated Donahue Room is perfect for showers, birthday parties, etc. Please call the lodge at (203) 755-1159 option 3 to book your dates today!



# SECRETARY'S CORNER



Greetings to All:

As we enter into the sixth month of our fraternal year, many events have come and gone, and I hope you have taken advantage of some, if not all of them. There will be many more in the next few months including the annual Clambake on September 15th. Don't miss it!

We are still waiting for about 100 members to pay their dues. If funds are tight and you need to make payment arrangements, please do not hesitate to contact me. We can work together to figure it out. Once again, I am reminding you that dues can now be paid online at our website, [www.elks265.org](http://www.elks265.org). I am notified immediately when you pay online, and your member card will be mailed out promptly. Of course, you can always mail your payment to: Office of the Secretary, PO Box 615, Waterbury, CT 06720 or leave it at the Lodge in the Secretary's door or at the Rathskeller.

There will be an Initiation this month on September 10<sup>th</sup>. Please try to attend this meeting to observe the impressive initiation ritual and to support our new members.

I am in the office a couple times a week. If you need to see me, the best way is to contact me through e-mail [secvwtby265@gmail.com](mailto:secvwtby265@gmail.com) or call 203 755-1159 Option 4 and leave a message. I will respond as soon as possible.

Best regards,  
Ginny Leary, Secretary  
Waterbury Lodge #265

## EARLY BIRD DINNERS

Every Wednesday Rita puts out a great menu of "Home Style" entrees for just \$9.95! Get here early because dinner starts at 4:00 p.m.

Dinner is followed by Karaoke by DJ Jord or Don playing all of your favorite tunes. Have dinner then join in the fun by singing your favorite songs for us.

Join us for **dinner Thursday through Saturday** with a variety of dishes prepared by Chef John and his crew that will appeal to any taste. Also, the Saturday night 4-Course Dinner deal is a great value! Check it out and you'll be hooked.

**GREAT FOOD, GREAT FRIENDS, GREAT FUN!**



## CELL PHONES FOR SOLDIERS

We have sent over **500** cell phones since we started this project!! PLEASE KEEP THEM COMING FOR OUR TROOPS! Thank you for all the current donations.

**Kathy Gannon, Junior PER**

## DO YOU LIKE TO BOWL?

We are looking for Elk Members to join our Women's Duckpin Bowling League which meets on Monday evenings at 6:30 p.m. starting in September through March. If you are interested in joining our league, please contact Mary Rice at 203 756 2882 or Betty Dillon at [liz.dillon69@gmail.com](mailto:liz.dillon69@gmail.com). Limited openings available.



## CLAM NIGHT EVERY FRIDAY!

The Rathskeller has been busy on Clam Night. Clams on the half shell, fried clams, steamed clams, shrimp cocktail, and lobster rolls are available. Full dinner menu available. Please join us for a great night of food and fun!



Clams: 1/2 Doz. \$4, Doz. \$7

Shrimp \$1.25 Each



## Stand Down 2019

### Connecticut State Department of Veterans Affairs

I am proud to announce that our lodge has received a Beacon Grant for \$2,500 to be used for Stand Down, which will be held on September 20, 2019 at the Connecticut Department of Veterans Affairs in Rocky Hill. It serves veterans from all over the state and provides various services that include medical, hearing, drug testing, judicial, motor vehicle, dental and haircuts to name a few. Clothing, shoes, blankets, sleeping bags and other necessary articles are given out to attendees. Veterans are provided with guidance to file veteran claims with both state and federal agencies and aids them in finding shelter should they be homeless or at risk of being homeless.

It is a very rewarding experience for those who volunteer. If you are interested in volunteering this year, please contact me at [mar.madzek@frontier.com](mailto:mar.madzek@frontier.com) or 203-592-6715 for an application.

Please consider joining us.

Thank you

Marlene Madzek, PER,PDD

## SEPTEMBER EMBLEM NEWS



There were no meetings in July or August, but that doesn't mean we stopped working!!!! We will continue our work in the community with our Literacy, Drug, Americanism and Community Service projects. We will attend our Supreme Convention in Albuquerque at the beginning of September! Our next meeting is Wednesday, September 18<sup>th</sup> at the Elks Lodge.

### SAVE THE DATE

**SUNDAY – NOVEMBER 17<sup>TH</sup> – POCKET BOOK BINGO!!!!!!!**

Please enjoy your Labor Day holiday

*Margaret & Michele*

## ***GROSSO TEAM WINS ELKS GOLF TOURNAMENT***

The quartet of **Bob Grosso, Steve Clark, Curt Moreno** and **Frank Napomoceno** combined for a 13-under-par 58 to card top honors in the 68<sup>th</sup> Waterbury Elks Lodge Golf Tournament Aug. 2nd at the Southington Country Club.

The team of **Jim Burns, Kyle Burns, Chris Colwell** and **Mike Fischer** came in second in the Scramble-format tournament with a 61 while the squad of **Steve Essex, John Mounford, Joe Voccola** and **Kyle Wandyes** was third on a matching of cards with a 62.

The short hole contest winners were **Dave Piel Jr.** on No. 3 at 47 inches; **Anthony Guisto** at No. 7 at 5 feet, 1 inch; **Moe Hernandez** at No. 12 at 2-5; **Matt Arias** at No. 15 at 6-8 and **Rich Tortora** at No. 17 at 8-10. The longest drive winners were **John Mounford** among the men and **Renee Wandyes** among the women.

Co-chairmen **Jerry Di Pietro** and **John Kunkel** would like to thank the volunteers who provided assistance at the golf course on tournament day, including **Mary Clifford, Lynn Connolly, Lisa Demarest, Ken Dupont, Mickie Fell, Sue Fortier, Linda LaFauci, PER Marlene Madzek, Angela Roberge, Danielle Topazio** and **Danielle Violette**, and the Grill Crew of co-chairmen **John Carosella** and **Bill Gannon, PER Eugene LaFauci, Joe Koopstus, PER Mike Madzek, Gene Minicucci, George Reis** and **Bret Reis**. For the "Cooling Station" thanks go out to **PER Kathy Gannon** and **Karen Brooks**.

Special thanks to Emblem Club members President **Michelle Clifford, Cathy Corcoran, Linda Galvin, Lynn Gregory, Lisa Guisto** and **Margaret Mary Simpson** for setting up the Brady Hall, serving the awards dinner and cleaning up the hall. Thanks also to **Carmine Famiglietti, Lynn Gregory** and mixologist **Robin Abramovich**.

John Kunkel & Jerry DiPietro

Co-Chairmen

## Roof and Air Conditioning Project Proposal

**As read on the floor at the September 10, 2019 regular lodge meeting.**

This motion is to strip off both layers of roofing on the Rathskeller building and re-roof with a Firestone Fully Adhered Roof System. The estimate, provided by Diamond Roofing Specialists, Inc., that includes the details of the roofing project, is attached hereto. The quoted price is \$61,000 with a contingency for replacing roof decking as necessary for \$6.95 per sq. ft.

The second phase of the project includes removing the 15-ton air conditioning unit to allow for the installation of the new roof. The existing unit will be scrapped and replaced with a Trane high efficiency roof top unit. The quote from M.J. Fahy & Sons, Inc. is for a total \$36,150. There is a \$2,250 Cool Choice rebate available making the net cost \$33,900. The decision to replace the AC unit is based on its age and estimated useful life. It is 16 years old and at its end of life stage per Fahy's serial number inquiry to the manufacturer. The quote to remove and reinstall the existing unit is \$21,950.

The total estimate for this project is \$101,000, which includes a 10% contingency on the roofing quote.

The plan to fund this project is to offer interest bearing bonds for sale to all Waterbury Lodge 265 members. The bonds will have a \$250 face value and accrue simple interest at a 5% APR. Bonds will be retired on a monthly basis beginning with the 13<sup>th</sup> month after the last bond is sold. At each meeting of the lodge, bond numbers will be randomly drawn and those will be retired. Our goal is to retire \$1,000 per month for a payback period of 8 years and 4 months. The total interest expense for the bond issue is estimated to be \$23,750.

To supplement the bond issue and to reduce the total indebtedness, we will also solicit direct donations from the membership. All donors' names will appear in the Call the following month.

The vote for approval of this project will take place at the regular lodge meeting on September 24, 2019 in the lodge room. Please plan to attend to vote on this very important project.

Yours in Elkdom,

Mike Gannon, PER, PDD

Trustee Chairman

## **Setback League Closes Out the Season**

Another great year for the setback league has come to an end. This year we had a dethroning of the four-year champs with team **Cammalletti** beating team **Genovese** and team **Borvetti** beating team **DeRosa**. First place went to team **Cammalletti**, second-place to team **Genovese**, third place to team **Borvetti** and fourth place went to team **DeRosa**.

The banquet was a huge success, and I can't thank John and his staff enough for the excellent food and service. I also want to give a shout out to Nancy, our bartender, who always does a great job for us. I thank you from the bottom of my heart. We couldn't get this done without you! We are looking for new teams for next year. If anyone like to play in the Monday night men's set back league, please call me at 203-768-6402

Thank you all very much for your support.

Tony Cavallo, League Chairman

## AUGUST 2019 EVENT CALENDAR

<b>Monday</b>	<b>September 2</b>	<b>Labor Day—Enjoy the Holiday!</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>September 3</b>	<b>Monthly Dinner</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>September 7</b>	<b>Suds &amp; Smoke Cookout</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>September 8</b>	<b>Antlers Monthly Breakfast</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>September 10</b>	<b>Lodge Meeting 7 p.m.—Initiation</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>September 15</b>	<b>Waterbury Lodge Annual Clambake</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>September 17</b>	<b>Monthly Dinner</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>September 17</b>	<b>District Deputy Audit</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>September 20</b>	<b>Operation Stand Down, Rocky Hill</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>September 21</b>	<b>Elks Annual Soccer Shoot</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>September 21</b>	<b>Crash 21 in the Rathskellar</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>September 22</b>	<b>GER Visit—Westbrook Lodge</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>September 24</b>	<b>Lodge Meeting 7 p.m. Voting 5:30 p.m.</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>September 27</b>	<b>Police/Firefighter of the Year</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>September 28</b>	<b>Magnanini Winery Trip</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>September 28</b>	<b>CT Elks Fenway Park Trip</b>

**Please enjoy your Labor Day Holiday! Be safe and have fun!**

## Elks Annual Soccer Shoot

Wolcott Sports Complex, 493 Spindle Hill Road, Wolcott, CT 06716

Saturday, September 21, 2019

Registration and Competition - 9:00 a.m. through Noon

Ages 4-13 - Participant must have turned that age before January 1, 2019

All Children are Invited, Must bring Birth Certificate

Prizes awarded for first, second, and third place in each age group.

This is not a traditional soccer game. Individual participants shoot into various size goals to score points.

**VOLUNTEERS WELCOME**

Michael Madzek, PER, Soccer Shoot  
Chair 203-592-1933



## Wine Trip to MAGNANINI WINERY, Wallkill, NY

SPONSORED BY THE WATERBURY 265 ANTLERS PROGRAM

Saturday September 28, 2019

Bus leaves the lodge parking lot at 3:30pm. Bus leaves the winery at 11:00pm.

Wine tasting from 6pm to 7pm immediately followed by dinner.



**Antipasto, Homemade Soup, Homemade Tagliatelle,  
Mixed Garden Salad**

**Chicken & Beef or Pork, Vegetable & Potato, Dessert  
& Coffee**

**\*\*\* Attire is Neat Casual, \*\*\*No hats, tee shirts, shorts  
or flip flops please.**

**Cost is \$90 per person which includes bus,  
wine tasting, dinner & gratuities**

**\*All proceeds to benefit ECAD Service Dogs for Vet-  
erans & Children\***

For tickets call **John** at **203-228-3750**, or  
purchase them in the Rathskellar.

## ANTLERS PROGRAM NEWS

We are taking orders for "I SUPPORT THE ANTLERS" T-Shirts for \$18 each for all sizes. Please make checks payable to Antlers 265.

Please plan to attend the Antlers Monthly Breakfast on Sunday, September 8, 2019 at the lodge. The price is \$10 for an all-you can-eat breakfast that includes eggs, omelets, bacon, sausage, waffles and more! Starts at 9am and goes until noon.

For any questions concerning Antlers events, contact **Steve Knox** at **203-518-3938** or **Susan Buzzeo** at **203-709-0054**.

**PLEASE SUPPORT THE ANTLERS!**



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**Elks Care - Elks Share**

# INTRODUCING

# TACO TUESDAY!

**COME JOIN US FOR DINNER IN THE RATHSKELLER  
STARTING SEPTEMBER 10<sup>TH</sup> FROM  
5PM to 8PM.**



## *JERRY DiPIETRO GOLF LEAGUE*

J. Kunkel-B. Gannon.....	27.0
Cookson-Ensero.....	27.0
G. Keating-Noll.....	26.5
Orsillo-Jacques.....	26.0
Orso-Cavanaugh.....	26.0
Famiglietti-Simpson.....	25.0
B. Grosso-J. Grosso.....	24.5
Ranaudo-Hanks.....	24.0
Sakocius-Jennings.....	24.0
Hernandez-Boyle.....	22.0
Shaknaitis-M. Gannon.....	21.0
Fino-Dillon.....	18.0
Sullivan-Martino.....	18.0
Colwell-Zimmermann.....	17.5
Morotto-B. Keating.....	17.5
Johnson-Sciarretto.....	16.0

## PRICE INCREASE ANNOUNCEMENT

DUE TO ESCALATING DISTRIBUTOR AND OVERHEAD COSTS, THE PRICE OF ALL BOTTLED BEER HAS INCREASED BY ABOUT 25 CENTS EFFECTIVE AUGUST 1, 2019. A COUPLE OF BRANDS MAY HAVE GONE UP A LITTLE MORE DUE TO THEIR COSTS. PLEASE CONTINUE ENJOYING YOUR FAVORITE BEVERAGES HERE AT THE LODGE.

Fraternally,

The House Committee



### MONTHLY DINNER

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3RD 6:30 SHARP

PASTA FAGIOLI

SOFFRITTO

STUFFED LONG HOTS

PORK OSSO BUCCO

VEGETABLE

POTATO

SALAD

WINE INCLUDED

50/50 RAFFLE

\$25.00 PER PERSON

BRING YOUR FRIENDS FOR A GREAT EVENING OF FOOD AND FRIENDSHIP.

YOU MUST HAVE RESERVATIONS.

PLEASE CALL WATERBURY ELKS

203-755-1159

### CRIBBAGE LEAGUE NEWS

CRIBBAGE LEAGUE PLAY WILL BEGIN ON SEPTEMBER 9, 2019 IN THE RATHSKELLER. ANYONE INTERESTED IN PLAYING THIS SEASON SHOULD CONTACT ER FLAVIO BASILE 203-233-9293.

## FROM THE EDITOR

Please submit your Call articles to [mikeg0174@aol.com](mailto:mikeg0174@aol.com) by the 18th of the month in order for us to produce and distribute the newsletter in a timely manner. Too many articles are being submitted well after the deadline which makes it very difficult to finish the publication. All submissions should be in **MS Word, Excel or PowerPoint format** attached to your email. Please **proofread and spell check** your articles. I will do the same, but many of you are not reviewing your work before submission. I cannot accept any handwritten or printed documents because I do not have the time to type in your articles. This will allow for quick copying and pasting into the MS Publisher document with minimal changes.

Be advised that the Call is now being distributed through our new web site from [mikeg0174@pb06.wixshoutout.com](mailto:mikeg0174@pb06.wixshoutout.com). Please check your spam folder if you do not receive the email, and unblock it if necessary. Best regards,  
*Mike Gannon, PER, PDD, Call Editor*

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The following applications for membership have been received recently:

**Paul Moraski**  
**Lawrence deCrisenti**  
**Carol Ann Ferraro**  
**Leo Perritano**  
**Roberto Diaz**  
**Keith Fortier**  
**Roberta Gule**  
**Victor Margo**

