

# THE ELKS CALL



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ELKS—STRENGTHENING ELKDOM THROUGH  
COMMUNITY AWARENESS

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

Email— [lindajacovino@sbcglobal.net](mailto:lindajacovino@sbcglobal.net)

Thank you

**ELKS CALL**

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Membership as of April 1, 2023 — 1,226

**LODGE OFFICERS 2023-2024**

Susan Buzzeo	Exalted Ruler
Carlos Gotay	Est. Leading Knight
Jennifer Norman	Est. Loyal Knight
Peter Wychulis	Est. Lecturing Knight
Flavio Basile	Secretary
Francis Orsini	Treasurer
Renee Pennington	Tiler
Howard Osorio	Chaplain
Bryan McEntee	Esquire
Stephanie Dilger	Inner Guard
Open	Organist

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

5-Year Trustee	Michael Devino
4-Year Trustee	Richard Dilger
3-Year Trustee	Steve Knox
2-Year Trustee	Eugene Lafauci
1-Year Trustee	Steve Kontout

**Presiding Justice of the Subordinate Forum**

Matthew McCormack

**House Committee Chairman**

James R Corcoran 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**

# IN MEMORIAM

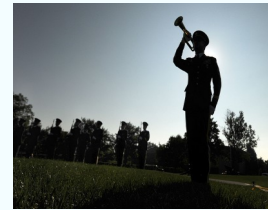
## TO OUR ABSENT MEMBERS

*The clock of his days has stopped, and across its dial the motionless arms mark Eleven, the “Goldenlection”.*

**MAY HE REST IN**

*The Hour of Hour of Recollection.*

**PEACE.**



### **SICK BOARD**

#### **MEMBERS CONVALESCING AT HOME**

**Please contact Carlos Gotay, Esteemed Leading Knight, with information and updates.**

**Phone # (203) 565-3708**

Bonnie Egan  
Richard White  
Joe Sullivan  
George Van Dyke  
Joe Bacci  
John Kunkel  
Mark Rubin  
Joseph Sciaretto  
Eric “Keith” Lott  
Danielle Topazio  
John Theriault

#### **STAMFORD HOSPITAL**

Thomas McCarthy

#### **MEMBERS CONVALESCING**

#### **CHESHIRE**

Joseph Koopstus (Koop)  
Jimmy Urino

#### **APPLE REHAB**

Thomas Verrastro

# PER MESSAGE



Dear Fellow Elk Members,

Wow ,the year went quickly and what a ride it was ! I want to thank everyone that helped me whether in a small way or a big way. We as a lodge couldn't have done it without all your dedication and support. It was a very difficult year but with everyone's help, we as a lodge persevered and there are no words to express how grateful that the heart of Elkdom swells in our lodge. I'd like to congratulate our new exalted ruler Susan Buzzeo and all her incoming officers. On March 25th 2023 we had our installation of new officers. We also recognized firefighter of the year, Adam April and police officer of the year, Samuel Kinkade.

We recognized citizen of the year Darrell Dublin SR also Elk officer of the year Scott Bowman and Ek of the year Linda Galvin. We couldn't have picked a more deserving crowd of people to give you your honors. It was a pleasure to honor them on so many levels An honorable mention to our State President Jim Money and his wife and First Lady Ivana for choosing Waterbury lodge 265 for presenting me with my PER Jewels. With that said, please come down and meet your new officers for 2023 – 2024 and bring us your ideas and your complaints, but mostly bring yourself back to the Elks.

Moving on, there will be an Easter egg hunt on April 8th 2023 at 11:00 AM for all members and their children or grandchildren. Even the adults could participate. Just an FYI, I will still be at the lodge if anyone needs any assistance. I will be in a different capacity as the junior PER so feel free to approach myself, the exalted ruler or any other officers for any concerns you have. For my first fundraiser as new junior PER I will be doing a lodge crawl to 4 New York lodges. It will be in May and I would like to fill at least 2 buses. I will be reaching out to other lodges to join us. The approximate cost will be \$60. If anyone's interested you can text me at 203 768 6402 or e-mail me at [cavallojr\\_anthony@yahoo.com](mailto:cavallojr_anthony@yahoo.com).

Finally it is with great pleasure that I saved the best for last. My last elk of the month is Moria Graham. What can I say about this young lady. She has participated, donated, and given her time and supported all our events. She has donated so many flower arrangements, too many to count and never ever hesitated to do so. Moria on behalf of myself and all our fellow Elks I thank you from the bottom of my heart for being the most giving person I have ever met. As I sign off with my last letter as your EXALTED RULER for the past year I want to again thank everyone for all the help and support you have given me. A special recognition to Wanda Reif, Moe Hernandez and Joe Bocci. THANK YOU FOR GUIDING ME IN MY ENDEAVERS

YOURS IN ELKDOM

ANTHONY CAVALLO JR

EXALTED RULER, PER

# SECRETARY'S CORNER

**Members All**

**Membership cards have been mailed out. This year the renewal notices have been mailed out from the Grand Lodge. We are still working some issues out. If you did not receive your renewal notice please call me or send me an email.**

**April 1<sup>st</sup> is when you are able to use the new cards.**

**I will be contacting new Life Time members that already sent dues before the notice of becoming a Life Time will be reimbursed.**

**I can be reached by email at [secywtby265@gmail.com](mailto: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. When leaving a message on the voice mail please leave a name and phone number. Voice mail does not have ID caller**

**Thank you.**

**Fraternally yours  
Flavio Basile, PER  
Lodge Secretary**

# Jerry Barth Saratoga Classic

Saturday July 22, 2023

Saturday August 19, 2023

Sunday August 27, 2023

The race track is not finalized the ticket price yet trying to keep the same pricing as last year.

More information to follow.

203-233-9293

Flavyb5369@comcast.net

To Members All:

Thank you for your support. As your new Exalted Ruler, I will continue to do what is best for the membership and our lodge. I am open to any suggestions you have.

The 130th Installation of Officers occurred on March 25th. It was a great night.

Congratulations to the following Officers;

Est Leading Knight- Carlos Gotay  
Est Loyal Knight- Jennifer Norman  
Est Lecturing Knight- Peter Wychulis  
5 Year Trustee- Michael Devino  
Chaplain- Howard Osorio  
Esquire- Bryan McEntee  
Inner Guard- Stephanie Dilger  
Tiler- Renee Pennington

Congratulations to the following award recipients;

Elk Officer of the Year- Scott Bowman, Treasurer  
Elk of the Year- Linda Galvin  
Citizen of the Year- Darrell Dublin  
Police Officer of the Year- Adam April  
Firefighter of the Year- Samuel Kincaid

I want to extend a special thank you to the following for the incredible help and support;

James Money State President and First Lady Ivana Money  
Wanda Reiff, PDD, PER, State Inner Guard  
Michael Johnson, VP Northwest District  
Dennis Johnson, PER, State President of the PER Association  
Jon Arthur, PSP, PDD, PER  
Michelle Minicucci, PER, PER  
Steve Knox PER  
James Corcoran, PER  
Michael Gannon, PDD, PER  
Kathy Gannon, PER  
Richard White PER

Would like to thank the Emblem Club, Jennifer Norman, Renee Pennington and her granddaughters, and Christine Risgio, Robin and Laura  
Finally Thank You to all the members that came to show support to all the Incoming officers.  
Let's have a great year!

Fraternally Yours,  
Susan Buzzeo  
Exalted Ruler



# EASTER EGG HUNT

## SATURDAY

APRIL 8

11:00 AM

ELKS

OPEN TO MEMBERS

PARENTS

GRANDPARENTS

AND ADULTS



# GUEST CHEF

JOE FRANCHERIS

SATURDAY

APRIL 22

MENU

Salad or Soup—\$2.95

Chicken Marsala w/mashed potatoes and

veggies - \$16.95

or

Steak Pizzaiola w/pasta

\$19.95

Cheesecake (Dessert) - \$5.75





## Can and Bottle Drive

When: Saturday April 22, 2023

Time: 9am to 12pm

Where: Elks Lodge 283 West Main St, Waterbury, CT 06702

Drop off starts at 9am

Richard Dilger 203-518-1036



Questions: please contact us @ [waterburyburyantlers265@gmail.com](mailto:waterburyburyantlers265@gmail.com)

## 39th Annual Sportsmen's Holiday

June 8th-June 11th, 2023 Wildwood, New Jersey

Fellow Sportsmen, as this article is being published, we are four months from our 39th Annual Sportsmen's' Holiday to Wildwood, NJ. The usual suspects will again coordinate arrangements and include me and John Kunkel. All payments will go through John Kunkel and include all charges associated with Golf.

Here are the rules of the road. **We try** to be understanding but need clarity early on.

1. There will be a sign-up sheet to be filled out noting your room partner and who is in your golf foursome. Complete the form in its entirety and submit it with your downpayment.

2. This year's dates are the same as the New Jersey American Legion Convention in Wildwood. Our host and fellow Lodge member, Adamo Pepitone, can only commit the Attache Motel for our trip. It can accommodate 88 people. He will do his best to scrounge up additional rooms if required, but all other motels are already fully booked. I can only guarantee 88 people will have rooms, and I may be forced to make some difficult choices. Selections will be made in accordance with receipt of payment. We will start taking deposits or payment in full immediately. Don't think about this until the last minute, or you will not be included. We have every confidence Adamo will break his neck to cover everybody who wants to go, BUT we can't guarantee anything beyond 88 attendees. Last year we had 86 guys sign up, so please don't wait until the last minute.

3. Room charges and golf fees have gone up. The fee for a double occupancy room will be \$425, and a single room will be \$475. Golf will be \$210 for the 2-day tournament and should be paid when you make payment for your room. Please remember, if you sign-up for golf and you decide not to play for any reason, the golf fee is not refundable. We are charged by Avalon for the number of golfers we sign up.

4. All transportation to Wildwood will be the responsibility of participating members. Any member with a van, pick-up or extra space in their trunk is asked to step up and offer to take any overflow of clubs or luggage.

**A \$100 deposit or payment in full will be expected as soon as you receive this article. Remember, I can only guarantee rooms for 88 people. The sooner I know the level of interest, the sooner I can advise Adamo to work on securing additional rooms.**

5. In previous years, most of the guys elected to go on Wednesday to extend their stay. There is an additional room charge of \$95. If you have a roommate, you will split the charge with that person. This charge is paid directly to the Attache when you arrive on Wednesday, June 7th and is not to be included in the charges payable to the Elks Lodge for rooms and golf. There will be a \$45 charge for Wednesday attendees for beverages and food.

We've enjoyed a great run with this event and we would like to keep it going as long as interest remains at current levels. It's a great deal and a memorable weekend. Please check the expected charges carefully as you make your deposit(s). We have no desire to become personal accountants. We also have no inclination to chase anybody; you are in or you are out. No personal invitations will be issued. Payments are to be made by check only. No cash should ever be left at the bar and neither the committee members or the Lodge will be held accountable for cash payments should they go missing.

**Payment in full is expected by Friday, May 5, 2023.**

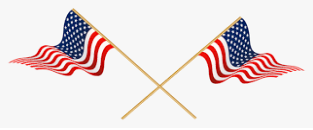
Wildwood Committee



SAVE THE DATE  
ELKS FAMILY PICNIC  
SUNDAY  
MAY 28, 2023  
QUASSY

HOT DOGS, HAMBURGERS,  
CHEESEBURGERS,  
SAUSAGE PATTIES, STEAK, BBQ CHICKEN  
RIBS  
ROAST BEEF, SALAD  
PRICE TBA

# MAY IS **MILITARY APPRECIATION** MONTH



**WATERBURY ELK RIDERS #265**

**CELEBRATING OUR **VETERANS** WITH A**

**FREE BBQ LUNCH**

**SATURDAY, MAY 20th, 2023**

**IN THE BRADY HALL FROM NOON TILL 3P.M.**

ALL MILITARY SERVICE **VETERANS** ARE INVITED TO JOIN THE ELK RIDERS #265 MEMBERS, FOR A **FREE BBQ!!!**

THE QUILTS OF VALOR WILL BE IN ATTENDANCE TO PRESENT QUILTS TO SOME OF OUR **VETERANS**. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!!!

IT IS A **\$10 DONATION** FOR ALL OTHERS ATTENDING.

ALL MEMBERS ARE INVITED TO COME AND SUPPORT OUR **VETERANS!**

VOLUNTEERS ARE ALSO WELCOME TO HELP US WITH PREP, SETTING UP, CLEANING AND DONATIONS OF DESSERTS!

Contact: Michelle "Lipsy" Minicucci 203-217-2145



**EVERY WEDNESDAY**

**6:00 PM**

**COME ON DOWN AND JOIN YOUR**

**FELLOW ELKS FOR A FUN TIME**

**LIGHT MENU IS SERVED**



## 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.

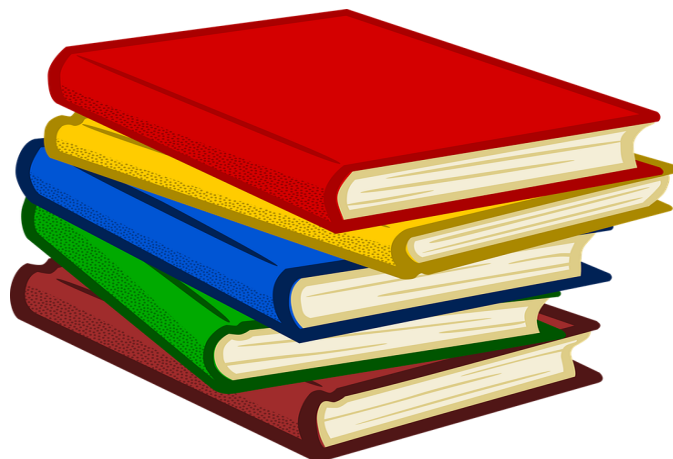
**PLEASE KEEP THEM COMING FOR OUR TROOPS!**

Kathy Gannon, PER



## BOOK NOOK

We have designated a place for you to exchange gently used books. You can find the books under the TV closest to the kitchen in the Rathskeller. This is the designated “BOOK NOOK”. Please feel free to leave and take books; however, don’t expect them to



## **BULLENTIN 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

## Life Membership Eligibility for 2023/2024

Allen, Kenneth W

Bergin, Sr. William J

Bessette, Kenneth J

Bocci, PER, Joseph R

Brigs, Ronald T

Capobianco, Michael C

Ciochetti, Paul V

Coughlin, Jr. Raymond F

Czarzasty, Dmd.Dr. Paul F

D'Amico, Victor C

Gulick David A

Kennedy Jr. Francis T

Lund Andrew Scott

Lyons Mark Joseph

Martineau Rene Gerard

Martino Joseph D

Matasavage Paul

McCarthy Stephen T

Mulhall Brian

O'Brien Edward J

Ouellette Mark G

Perugini III James

Petrunti Anthony

Ruby Jr. Louis E

Ryan Daniel J

Spiegel Jr. PER Michael A

Terenzo Joseph Michael

Tutolo Jr. Robert J





**Welcome to our new members who  
where initiated on March 28, 2023**