

THE ELKS CALL



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**ELKS—STRENGTHENING ELKDOM THROUGH
COMMUNITY AWARENESS**

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WATERBURY LODGE ANNUAL CLAMBAKE!

Sunday, September 18, 2022, • 11:00 A.M. - 5:00 p.m.

Great Food- Great Fun- Great Friends

Thomaston Gun & Rod Club, 730 Old Northfield Rd, Thomaston, CT

Tickets: \$40 in Advance \$45 at the Door

Let's make this event one to talk about... we want to see all of you!!!. The same group of members who have done this every year with a winning formula will oversee the menu, food prep and service. The change of venue was due to the fact that the Cercemaggiore Club was not available. The Thomaston Gun and Rod Club is an outstanding facility located conveniently on Old Northfield Rd. between Rts. 109 and 254. There will be no reserving tables, first come, first served. You're encouraged to bring your own tables, chairs and canopies just as many of you have done in the past.

The menu: raw and steamed clams, corn, steak sandwiches, sofrito, burgers, dogs, sausage patties, ribs, macaroni and potato salads, coleslaw and more. Beer, soda, and water are included.

Bring your own games and playing cards. Let's get those tickets early please. Our challenge as always is member and guest participation. You do not need to be a member to attend, so please feel free to invite family and friends. Please note that there are no child tickets. We accept credit cards, checks and cash for ticket purchases in the Rathskellar. We have the team in place, so you bring the friends and family, and you won't be disappointed. We need tickets to be purchased as early as possible in order to plan our food purchases properly.

**YOUR HOUSE COMMITTEE AND CLAMBAKE TEAM LOOK FORWARD TO
PRESENTING A QUALITY EVENT FOR YOUR ENJOYMENT.**

ELKS CALL

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Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks
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Editor: Mike Gannon

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Webmaster: **Open**

Membership as of April 1, 2022 1,221

LODGE OFFICERS 2021-2022

Tony Cavallo	Exalted Ruler
Susan Buzzeo	Est. Leading Knight
Carlos Gotay	Est. Loyal Knight
Jennifer Normand	Est. Lecturing Knight
Ginny Leary	Secretary
Scott Bowman	Treasurer
Stephanie Dilger	Tiler
Howard Osorio	Chaplain
Bryan McEntee	Esquire
Open	Inner Guard
Open	Organist

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

5-Year Trustee	Richard Dilger
4-Year Trustee	Steve Knox
3-Year Trustee	Eugene Lafauci
2-Year Trustee	Steve Kontout
1-Year Trustee	Lynn Connolly

Presiding Justice of the Subordinate Forum

Matthew McCormack

House Committee Chairman

Flavio Basile

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

HOSPITALIZED

- Waterbury Hospital
Eric "Keith" Lott

IN REHAB

- Jefferson House-Newington
Robert Vitvitsky, Sr.
- Cheshire
Joe Koopstus



AT HOME

George VanDyke
Bonnie Egan
Mark Rubin
Joe Sciaretto

**Please contact Susan Buzzeo, Esteemed Leading Knight,
with information and updates. Phone # (203) 709-0054**

IN MEMORIAM



TO OUR ABSENT MEMBERS

Michael Scaviola

Born, March 2, 1926

Initiated, December 14, 2010

Passed from our Midst, July 8, 2022

John D. Dillon LM

Born, April 17, 1941

Initiated, December 7, 1968

Passed from our Midst, July 10, 2022

*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:

Another month has gone by, and we are now approaching the end of summer. We have recently returned from the Grand Lodge Convention in Atlanta, which was a great success, and all who attended had a wonderful time. There were a few by-law changes made at the convention with the stand out change being the age requirement for life membership being removed. The remaining by-law changes have been posted on the board in the Rathskellar.

We have a new cook who joined us in July. Come down and meet our new chef, Danny Davis, as he has already prepared some amazing meals enjoyed by all.

We have many exciting events coming up in August. The Elk Riders are hosting a cornhole contest taking place at the Lodge on August 27th. Prizes will be awarded to the top 3 winners. The annual golf tournament will take place on Friday, August 5th at the Southington Country Club!

Due to unforeseen circumstances, The Inner Guard officer chair has recently become available. If any one is interested in the position, please reach out to me.

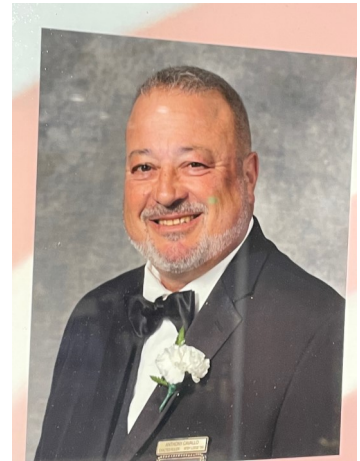
We are still looking for volunteers. Anything you can do, big or small, would be much appreciated.

My Elk of the Month is Susan Buzzeo. Susan tirelessly volunteers at just about every event and function that is held at the Lodge. Thank you Sue for your continued unwavering support of me and this Lodge. You truly are my Leading Knight.

As always, please come down and support our Lodge.

Yours in Elldom,

Anthony Cavallo, Jr., Exalted Ruler



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PLEASE KEEP THEM COMING FOR OUR TROOPS!

Kathy Gannon, PER



SECRETARY'S CORNER

Greetings Members of Lodge #265:

It's hard to believe we are more than halfway through the summer already. Hoping all have enjoyed some warm weather activities and events. Our Exalted Ruler and several Officers attended the National Convention in Atlanta, GA last month and welcomed the new Grand Exalted Ruler, Bruce A. Hidley. Congratulations to all newly elected GL Officers. One of the newly amended GL Statutes eliminated the age requirement of 65 for life membership.



The annual golf tournament will be Friday, August 5th this year. It's a great event whether you're golfing or volunteering. Lots of fun!

There will only be one meeting this month, Tuesday, August 23rd at 7PM.

Thank you to all who have paid your dues. There are approximately 150 members who still have not paid. If you recognize a name on the delinquent list, please let your fellow member know. Once again, if I don't have your current address, please contact me by phone or email to provide the correct information. This applies to email addresses and phone numbers. When we have all the correct contact information, it helps all the officers who may need it.

You can pay your dues online through PayPal at the Waterbury Elks website www.elks265.org. Please remember to add the service charge. I am notified immediately when you pay online, and your member card will be mailed out promptly. Dues can also be paid by credit card at the Rathskeller. Mail dues to: Waterbury Elks #265, Office of the Secretary, PO Box 615, Waterbury, CT 06720.

Any member who would like to volunteer, please contact me or any Officer of the Lodge. The best way to contact me is through e-mail secywtby265@gmail.com or call 203-755-1159 Option 4 and leave a message. I will respond as soon as possible.

You will find all the Lodge events and news in The Call which is available by email, and it can be downloaded from our website www.elks265.org. Also, copies are available in the Rathskeller. Contact me, secywtby265@gmail.com or Mike Gannon mikeg0174@aol.com with your email so you can receive the newsletter monthly.

The positions of Lodge Organist and Inner Guard are open. If anyone has the capability to fill these, please contact one of the Officers.

Stay well and stay safe!
Best regards,

Ginny Leary, Lodge Secretary





Jerry Barth Saratoga Classic 2022

Saturday, August 20; and Sunday, August 28, 2022

Post time is fast approaching, and the balance is now due. Please make **checks payable to "BPOE #265"** and mail them to me, Flavio Basile, 200 Yale St. 30-B Waterbury, CT 06704, or you can drop them at the Rathskeller. Please do not leave cash.

The price is \$ 110 dollars per person and that includes bus transportation, breakfast at the Lodge at 7:00am, picnic at Saratoga Springs Park, admission and grandstand seating at the track, and beverages on the bus and at the picnic. The track allows you to enter with you own cooler as long as it fits under your seat. You can stock up with beverages that we provide. REMEMBER NO GLASS BOTTLES INSIDE THE RACE TRACK.

The bus will leave the Elk's parking lot at 7:30 a.m., and we should arrive at the Saratoga Springs State Park around 10:30, allowing us sufficient time to enjoy the cookout. We'll proceed to the racetrack between 12:00 and 12:30, and we will leave after the 8th race.

For more information call Flavio Basile at 203-233-9293 or email fbasile-30@comcast.net

Sincerely,

Flavio Basile, House Committee Chairman



WATERBURY LODGE GOLF TOURNAMENT

FRIDAY, AUGUST 5, 2022

The tournament committee has done a great job planning this year's tournament at the Southington Country Club. The player fee is \$135, which includes greens fee, cart, breakfast, lunch, beer and water at the course followed by dinner and an awards banquet at the lodge. There will be raffles and door prizes also!

We are seeking additional tee and green sponsors. Sponsorship flags are \$75 each, and corporate sponsorships are available starting at \$500. If you wish to purchase a sponsorship, please contact John Kunkel 860-877-1912 or Joe Sullivan 203-525-6064.

We still have availability for additional foursomes, so please purchase your foursomes ASAP. We want to accommodate everyone who wishes to participate. Please note that reservations can't be secured without payment in full.

John Kunkel, Tournament Coordinator

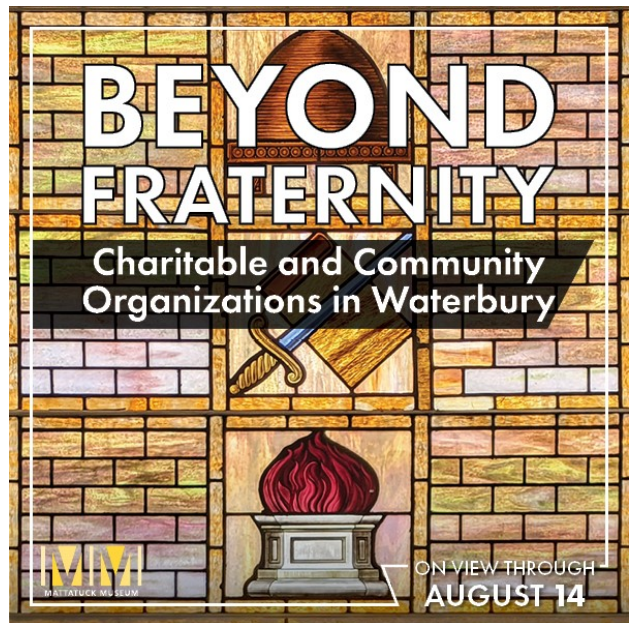
May 29, 2022 – August 14, 2022

Alongside Mystery & Benevolence, this exhibition explores the history of fraternal organizations in Waterbury through objects, photographs, and books drawn from the Mattatuck Museum's permanent collection and loaned by community members.

Lodge 265 has provided documents, pictures and artifacts to support this exhibition. If you get the opportunity, stop by the museum to check it out. Admission is only \$5.00.

Kathy Gannon, PER

203-217-6818 reactkg@aol.com



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 sit too long. If they don't move we will help them find a home as not to create clutter in the bar area.

THE HOUSE COMMITTEE

Dining at the Lodge

Dinner is served Wednesday through Friday nights. We continue to host Karaoke on Wednesdays, and Thursday is Steak Night! Also “Jimmy Clams” is back serving clams on the half shell and shrimp cocktail. All serving times are 5pm—8pm. We try to email the menus each week for your convenience. Please stop down for a meal and a beverage and enjoy yourself in the company of your lodge brothers and sisters. Don’t forget, you can always call to place a To Go order for pick up. Our food and beverage service is critical to the success of the lodge. The profits are used to pay a substantial portion of the lodge overhead expenses. We look forward to your support.



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 posted on the various bulletin boards. Anything posted without prior permission will be removed. Thank you for your cooperation.

The House Committee



CORNHOLE
TOURNAMENT
to BENEFIT
ELKS NATIONAL
FOUNDATION
SATURDAY,
AUGUST 27TH

1 p.m.—6 p.m.

Please join the WATERBURY ELKS RIDERS for an afternoon of summer fun, food and beverages. There is a **\$10 PER TEAM** entry fee.

All money raised goes to The Elks National Foundation in order to meet the Lodge's annual obligation to receive grants to serve Veterans, Children, and our Community.

1ST PLACE ... **\$50** Waterbury Elks Gift Card

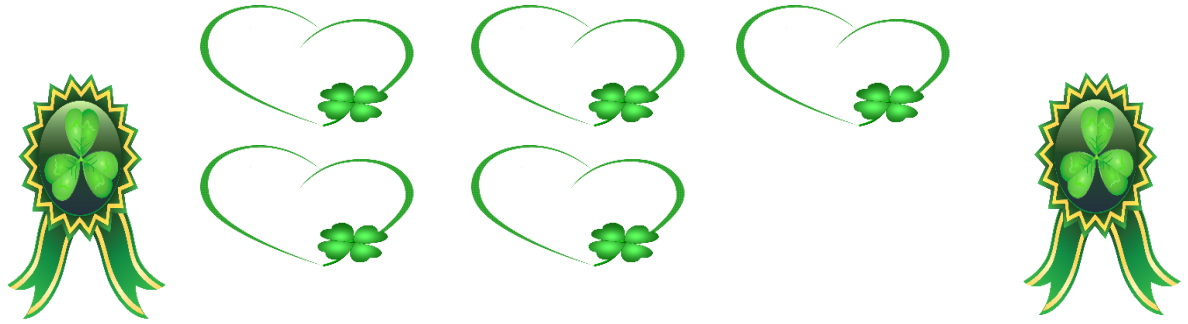
2ND PLACE ... **\$25** Waterbury Elks Gift Card

3RD PLACE ... **\$15** Waterbury Elks Drink Chips

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Call Michelle "Lipsy" Minicucci 203-217-2145

Sign up on the sheet in the Rathskeller



SAVE THE DATE
HALFWAY TO ST. PATRICK'S
HONORING OUR IRISH ELKS OF THE YEAR
JACK CLIFFORD, PDD, PER
MARY CLIFFORD, PSP, PP
SEPTEMBER 17, 2022
ELKS LODGE # 265
283 WEST MAIN STREET
WATERBURY, CT
4:00 PM – 9:00 PM
Tickets available in the Rathskeller
\$ 30.00 DONATION
Cash Bar, Music & Buffet, Raffles, 50/50
Corned Beef Dinner and Desserts

THURSDAY
STEAK NIGHT
5PM-8PM

House Salad \$1.95

Soup of the Day Cup \$2.95 Bowl \$4.95

N.Y. Strip w/Baked Potato &
Vegetable \$15.95

Also available for Steak: Bleu Cheese Crumbles, Sautéed Onions,

Mushrooms or Peppers for an additional \$.75 each

Long Hots \$1.00

Reservations STRONGLY suggested

Call or text Lynn (203) 509-0893



During a recent District Deputy Clinic at the Wallingford Lodge, we obtained information regarding the above pictured Elk statue that they recently purchased. I want to raise money to purchase one for our lodge and place it in the Memorial Garden. We are offering an opportunity for members to purchase a flag in memory of or to honor a friend or family member. The flags will be displayed on the fence in front of the lodge. We are in the process of designing T-shirts to raise funds for this project. I'm asking for your support. Just a small donation of \$10.00 per flag can help us reach our goal. If you would like to just donate, feel free to contribute any amount with which you're comfortable.

Thank you in advance for your support. It's always greatly appreciated.

Complete this form and mail or drop it off at the lodge attention Wanda Reif. Make checks payable to BPOE #265. The mailing address is Waterbury Lodge #265, 283 West Main Street, Waterbury, CT 06702.

In memory/honor of: _____ In memory/honor of: _____

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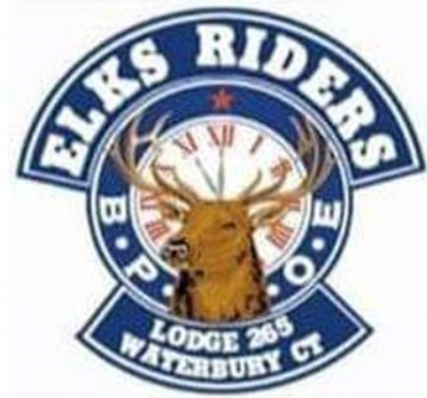
In memory/honor of: _____ In memory/honor of: _____

Member Name: _____

Total Donation: \$ _____

Thank you again!

Fraternally:
Wanda I. Reiff, DDGER



WATERBURY ELKS RIDERS # 265

Happy August everyone. It has been a hot summer, and we have been doing a lot this year. I would like to thank everyone who came out for the 2nd Annual Dominique Dalessio Scholarship Ride on Sunday July 17th. With all the donations and raffle prizes, we were able to raise \$1,700.00 this year. Thank you to the Elk Riders from Derby # 571, Middletown Riders # 771, Groton Lodge # 2163, our friends from the RPMC, and our volunteers on the grill. Debbie and Joe Dalessio, the parents of Dominique, had some difficulty on the ride with their bike, but came back to the lodge for the rest of the fun. It was a hot day, but thanks to Steve, Carlos, Stephanie, Stacy, Jennifer and George for providing cold water on the trip. I hope to see everyone next year around the same time. Also, \$115 was donated to the Willimantic Lodge #1311 from the 50/50 raffle proceeds. Thank you Willimantic Lodge for the great hospitality!

The Waterbury Elks Riders and lodge members will host a Cornhole Tournament on Saturday, August 27th from 1 p.m. until 6 p.m. If you are interested, get a couple of people together for a Saturday afternoon of fun, food drinks and raffles. This event is to raise money for ENF so we can qualify for the various Grand Lodge grants. If every member paid \$5 with their dues, we would not have to raise as much money.

Our next Riders meeting will be at the New Britain Lodge on Thursday, August 25th with dinner at 6 p.m and meeting at 7 p.m. If anybody has any suggestions, wants to help, volunteer at any events, or just stop by at the meetings, all are welcome. Hope to see you on an adventure to another lodge or just for a ride.

Yours in Elkdom, Michelle "Lipsy" Minicucci, PER, President Waterbury Elks Riders

ELKS RIDERS ON THE DOMINIQUE DALESSIO MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP RIDE



Rathskeller Bar Hours

Sunday	12:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m.
Monday	4:00 p.m.—11:00 p.m.
Tuesday	Closed
Wednesday—Friday	12:00 p.m.—11:00 p.m.
Saturday	12:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m.

AUGUST 2022

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3	4	5	6
			Dinner in the Rathskeller		Annual golf tournament No dinner	
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
			Dinner in the Rathskeller			
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
						Saratoga Trip
			Dinner in the Rathskeller			
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
		Lodge Meeting		Elks Riders Meeting		Cornhole Tournament
			Dinner in the Rathskeller			
28	29	30	31	September 1	September 2	September 3
Saratoga Trip						
			Dinner in the Rathskeller			
September 4	September 5					
	Labor Day!					

BPOE Waterbury, CT Lodge #265



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

MARK COMMENDATORE
CHARMAINE EMOND
GHISLAIN EMOND
SAMANTHA HORNBUCKLE

DEBORAH LUPO
MICHAEL MCGAUGHAN
RANDY POULTER
PETER WYCHULIS

