

**Johnson
City**

ELKS

**Lodge
#2821**

The Little Lodge That Does Big Things!

2020 – 2021 Officers:

Exalted Ruler – Jim Sicignano, PSVP
Leading Knight – Alicia Beck, PER
Loyal Knight – Jeffrey Dibble
Lecturing Knight – Dino Christopher, PER
Secretary – Russ Ryan, PER, PSVP
Treasurer – Gayle Klein, PER
Esquire – Tim Turner
Chaplain – William Beck
Inner Guard Merle Deemie
Tiler – Herb Flint
Trustees – Scott Dow, PER
Terry Reagan
Hope Woodcock-Ross, PER
Bruce DeLing
Debbie Prindle

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calendar of events! Follow us on
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December 2020

Members,

Thanks to PSVP, Lodge Secretary and Elks National Foundation Chair Russell Ryan! Earlier in the year Russ obtained a \$2000 Spotlight grant and a \$2500 Gratitude grant. Russ recently garnered a \$3500 Beacon grant, bringing this year's ENF grants total to \$8000! Russ shows his caring for the community and the lodge through his ACTIONS. Thank this good man when you see him.

Our Veteran's dinner was terrific! We passed out thank you cards from the scouts and American flags. Thanks to House Committee Chair Holly Belveg for orchestrating such a nice event along with SVP Hope and Meryl Deemie volunteering in the kitchen.

Due to the pandemic our Elks Memorial service will be held 'Drive In' style as we did on Flag Day. Attendees may stay in their vehicles or socially distance outside their vehicles. Just another example of the flexibility this year requires. Thanks to PER and Treasurer Gayle Klein for heading this event.

Russ has the membership cards for the new Elks year, please pay your dues early if possible.

With a few of our involved members traveling south for the winter, please volunteer to help with our takeout business and please patronize it.

Have a joyous Christmas as well as a healthy and happy New Year,

Respectfully,
Jim Sicignano

The current situation regarding the novel coronavirus is constantly evolving. As of the printing of the newsletter, all information is up to date, but subject to change. Please check the lodge Facebook page, as well as email, to stay up to date with all the news.

*Thank you,
Leona and Gayle, newsletter editors*

Mortgage Update:

Our mortgage balance stands at \$90,157. Contributions to the building fund are appreciated in getting this job done. Thanks!

We will be having a BBQ December 5th as a fundraiser for Major Projects. Please support our Lodge by enjoying a delicious Chicken BBQ and making a donation to Major Projects.

Membership Corner

Please welcome our newest members:

None

Applications in Process

Thomas Sullivan proposed by Dino Christopher

Proposing candidates helps us to share our values with the community. Our numbers are growing! Next month is up to YOU!



**LODGE #2821
HONORS OUR VETERANS**

**“So Long As There Are
Veterans, The
Benevolent And
Protective Order of Elks
Will Never Forget Them!”**

THE VETERANS CORNER

Ken Jennison, Lodge Chair (kennethajennison@gmail.com)
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Membership Status

Membership as of 04/01/2020 182

Members Initiated	+0
Members Affiliated	+0
Members Reinstated	+1

Member Transfer and Absolute Demits	-1
Members Deceased	-1
Dropped From Our Rolls (for non-payment)	-0

Current Membership 181

2020 – 2021 Dues

Dues are due before April 1st 2020 for the year 2020-2021. All of us must pay our dues before April 1st every year. Dues notices for the 2020 – 2021 year have been mailed. The dues for new year are:

Lodge #2821 Dues	\$55.00
Grand Lodge Assessments	\$19.00
NYSEA Assessments	\$ 3.00

Total Due \$77.00

Optional Donations:

ENF	\$10.00
Major Projects	\$ 8.00
Scholarship	\$25.00
Building Fund	\$25.00
General Fund	\$25.00

Please send in your 2020-2021 dues along with any optional donations that you wish. Your new membership card will be mailed to you as soon as your dues payment is processed.

Please notify your Lodge Secretary when any of your contact information has changed. This includes your mailing address, home phone, cell phone, and e-mail address. If we don't have current contact information you will be missing out on communications from your lodge and your order. Also, once again, please let me know whether you prefer to **receive the newsletter via e-mail or hardcopy.**

Thanks!!

- Russell Ryan, P.E.R., Lodge Secretary rryan@stny.rr.com
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Oxford Veterans Home Visit to be determined

December Birthdays

1 Gail Smith
2 Jack Fitzgerald
6 Howard Heath
6 Roxann Mancinelli
9 John Chauncey
9 Adam Gardner
13 Edward Martin
14 Mark Prindle
16 Craig Maye
23 Karen Gazda
23 Michael Meadows
24 Gail Ghinger
25 Holly Belveg
29 Jack Dilascia



Sickness & Distress:

None

In Vain We Call:

None

If you know of someone who is sick or in distress of any kind, please contact the Lodge. We care about the well-being of all of those connected with our lodge.

Memorial Sunday

Please join us as we honor the
memory of
"Our Absent Members"



Sunday, December 6th, 12:30pm

Drive-in style ceremony at the Lodge.

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Members Lost since our last Memorial Sunday:

*Ernect Troncellitti* 12-28-2019  
*William Bayliff, PDDGER* 1-1-2020  
*Douglas Neiss Sr., PSVP* 9-3-2020

## *In Vain We Call*

Anita Wlostowski, Died 7-30-2003  
Richard Miller, Sr., Died 12-31-2003  
Darlene Powell, Died 3-24-2005  
Floyd Lafreniere, Died 7-27-2005  
John Hruseck, Died 10-18-2006  
Jane Hebler, Died 12-12-2006  
Don Hathaway, Died 5-22-2007  
Joseph Cox, Died 11-10-2007  
Dana Platt, Died 3-10-2008  
Betty Clough, Died 4-18-2008  
Dewitt Cox, PDD, Died 4-2-2009  
Stephan Modlo, Died 6-26-2009  
Thomas Karpinko, PDD, Died 12-17-2009  
Arlene Williams, Died 6-23-2011  
James Gable, Died 11-10-12  
Helen Sicignano, Died 3-31-13  
Jack Carle, Died 4-6-13  
Doug Gardner, Died 4-26-13  
Faye Anderson, Died 11-10-13  
Marie Murray, Died 3-29-14  
Joseph Maluchnik, PSVP, Died 7-15-14  
Patricia Chura, Died 7-27-14  
Lynn Hackett, Died 6-27-15  
Dru Cavanaugh, Died 8-24-15  
William Maney, Died 8-31-2015  
Freda M. Pezutti, Died 2-3-2016  
Rosemary Lafreniere, Died 5-26-2016  
Kimberly Gates, Died 5-26-2016  
Suzanne Whalen, PER, Died 9-30-2016  
Ron G. Lewis, Died 10-16-2016  
Dennis Gazda, Died 10-17-2016  
Lawrence Witteman, Died 10-26-2016  
Albert Clough, Died 7-31-2017  
Robert Gillette, Died 1-25-2018  
Phillip Furman, Died 8-13-2018  
Edward F. Kilgour, Died 5-7-2019  
Luther Chergosky, Died 7-10-2019  
Terry Walters, Died 8-23-2019

### Elk of the Month

November's Elk of the Month is  
Russell Ryan, PER, PSVP

Russ does a great job as lodge secretary, ENF chair and helping his lovely wife Marie with shopping for the lodge.  
Russ also has gotten involved with our outdoor projects this summer. As always, his council is appreciated.

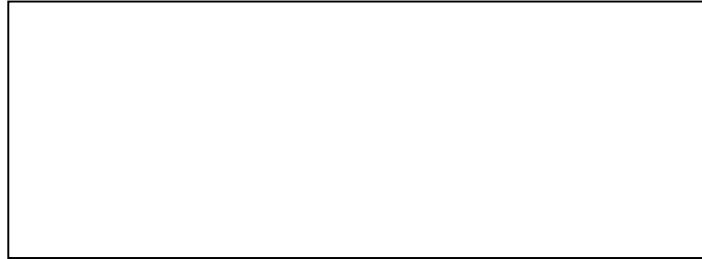
Thank you Russ for all you do! You make us all proud to be Johnson City Elks!

### E.N.F. NEWS

Our Lodge recently received the Gratitude Grant from the Elks National Foundation in the amount of \$2500.00 We will use this grant for charitable works in our community. A donation of \$800.00 was made to Saint Patricks' Church in Binghamton for their lunch program that helps feed the needy. We will use the remaining money to purchase Christmas gifts for the residents of the H.C.A. group homes that our Lodge helps support. Thank you to all our members who donate to the foundation, which make this grant and others like it possible.

~ Russ Ryan, ENF Chairman

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| Sunday                                      | Monday  | Tuesday                               | Wednesday                                     | Thursday                  | Friday                                             | Saturday                                |
|---------------------------------------------|---------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| 29(Nov)                                     | 30(Nov) | 1<br><br>7pm Lodge Mtg                | 2<br><br>5-7.30 Rita & Alicia in the Kitchen  | 3                         | 4<br><br>Jim's Meatloaf<br><br>Wear red today!     | 5<br><br>BBQ for Major projects<br>Noon |
| 6<br><br>Memorial Sunday 12.30 at the Lodge | 7       | 8                                     | 9<br><br>5-7.30 Rita & Alicia in the Kitchen  | 10<br><br>Hanukkah begins | 11<br><br>Rita's Roast Pork<br><br>Wear red today! | 12                                      |
| 13                                          | 14      | 15<br><br>6pm HC Mtg<br>7pm Lodge Mtg | 16<br><br>5-7.30 Rita & Alicia in the Kitchen | 17                        | 18<br><br>Dave's Pot Roast<br><br>Wear red today!  | 19                                      |
| 20                                          | 21      | 22                                    | 23                                            | 24                        | 25<br><br>Merry Christmas!<br><br>Lodge Closed     | 26                                      |
| 27                                          | 28      | 29                                    | 30                                            | 31                        | 1(Jan)                                             | 2(Jan)                                  |