

**Johnson
City**

ELKS

**Lodge
#2821**

The Little Lodge That Does Big Things!

2023 – 2024 Officers:

Exalted Ruler – Meryl Deemie, PER
Leading Knight – Ben Cabot II
Loyal Knight – David Agron
Lecturing Knight – Jeff Dibble
Secretary – Russ Ryan, PSVP
Treasurer – Gayle Klein, PER
Esquire – Tim Turner
Chaplain – Abigail Agron
Inner Guard – Dino Christopher, PER
Tiler – Herb Flint
Trustees – Terry Reagan
 Al Jasinski
 Hope Woodcock-Ross, PSVP

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calendar of events! Follow us on
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February 2024

Brothers and sisters,

Happy Valentine's Day

Now that January is over how are we doing with our resolutions?? We all make resolutions and try really hard to keep them. I am asking all the Elks out there to become more involved in the work of the Order. I'm also asking each one of you to ask a friend to join us in our work for others. If each of you asked just one friend, can you imagine what that would do for our Lodge? So many extra hands to help.

I can't express how grateful I am for everyone who helped clean the Lodge in December. You all did a wonderful job and we passed our health department inspection. Thank you again.

Are there any cooks who would like to prepare a dinner every few months? Have a favorite meal you would like to share with others? We have members to help cook and serve a meal if you are interested. It is a fun way to help the Lodge and make new friends. Contact Lisa McKernan at 607-222-7005 or leave a message at the Lodge 607-798-0358. We would love to have you join us on a Friday.

Our next meetings are February 6th and 20th. We will have an Initiation at the February 6th meeting. Come join us and welcome a new member.

Irish Blessing
May you have many blessings
And wherever your path may wind
May every day that's coming
Be the bright and happy kind

Fraternally yours,

Meryl Deemie, Exalter Ruler
607 797 4050 – 607 237 6879

Mortgage Update:

Our mortgage balance stands at \$79,336. Contributions to the building fund are appreciated in getting this job done. Thanks!

Membership Corner

Please welcome our newest members:

None

Applications in Process

Dennis A. See proposed by Terry Reagan

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

**Oxford Veterans Home Visit
TBD**

February Birthdays

2 David Shaw
7 John White
7 Hope Woodcock-Ross PSVP
10 Jeff Dibble
10 John Sacco
10 Donna Sicignano
12 Scott Dow PER
22 Rosemarie Stevens
22 Donna Wright



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.

Membership Status

Membership as of 04/01/2023 168

Members Initiated	+6
Members Affiliated	+1
Members Reinstated	+2

Member Transfer and Absolute Demits	-2
Members Deceased	-3
Dropped From Our Rolls (for non-payment)	-2

Current Membership 170

2024 – 2025 Dues

Dues are due before April 1st 2024 for the year 2024-2025. All of us must pay our dues before April 1st every year. Dues notices for the 2023 – 2024 year will be mailed. **The dues for new year are:**

Lodge #2821 Dues	\$55.00
Grand Lodge Assessments	\$34.00
NYSEA Assessments	\$ 5.00

Total Due \$94.00

Optional Donations:

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

Please send in your 2024-2025 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
607-775-4640 (H) 607-222-3610 (C)

Elk of the Month

January's Elk of the month is
Ben Cabot II

For serving as an officer, making repairs around the lodge, entertaining us with karaoke, and helping in many other ways.

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

DELINQUENT MEMBERS

The following members have yet to pay their 2023-24 Lodge Dues, \$89.00. Payment is needed soon to retain their membership. Dan Clune, Ralph Demario, Doug Linderberry, Michael Meadows, Steve Sager, John Sicignano, and John White.

SECRETARY'S CORNER**DUES**

April 1st, 2024 - March 31st, 2025 Lodge dues are now being accepted. Our dues including State and National assessments are \$94.00. Please make your checks payable to J.C. Elks. Reminder our dues need to be paid by the end of March. Thanks, Russ

\$3200.00 LODGE GRANT

Our lodge recently received this money from the Elks National Foundation. Used for two Christmas events, helping the children of Moms House in Johnson City and support of the residents of four local Group Homes. Thanks to Hope Woodcock- Ross and Alicia Beck for heading up these events.

Can you help?

Looking for new cooks and dinner helpers. Stop by any Friday to talk with Lisa about helping with our dinners. Also, we can use desserts, feel free to drop off desserts any Friday after 3pm.

Starting this month, enter to win a free dinner. One entry for every DINE-IN meal. Drawing will be held after the last dinner of the month. Come inside to enjoy a delicious meal, catch up with friends, and be entertained by our Lodge singers.

****Nominations of Exalter Ruler and Knights will be accepted in person at the first meeting in February, 2/6/24. Voting will be held at the second meeting, 2/20/24. ****

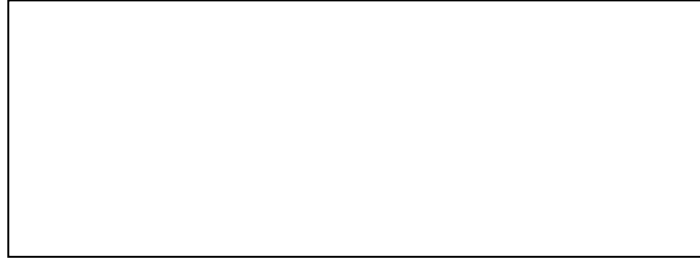
Beginning April 1st the Johnson City Elks Lodge will need someone to step up and take care of, and be in charge of the Bell Jar machine.

It requires;

1. Ordering tickets for restocking the machine.
2. Keeper of the security keys.
3. Regularly removing cash from the machine and organizing safe deposits and recording income.
4. Insuring a sufficient amount is in the bell jar cash bag for winning payouts. Usually about \$600
5. Accounting for quarterly statements to the NYS Gaming commission.
6. Year end (mid December) Gaming License application to the Town of Union Clerk.
7. Occasional maintenance, testing, cleaning and tending to malfunctions. A complete manual is in the machine.

More instructions for someone interested, on use of forms for applications and reporting. If interested, please contact Ben Cabot at 607-348-6239.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28(Jan)	29(Jan)	30(Jan)	31(Jan)	1 7pm T-Party	2 Marie's Monterey Jack Chicken	3
4	5	6 7pm Lodge Mtg	7 Pitch night	8 7pm T-Party	9 Meryl's Lemon Chicken	10
11	12	13	14 Pitch night	15 7pm T-Party	16 Gayle's Mac & Cheese	17
18	19	20 7pm Lodge Mtg	21 Pitch night	22 7pm T-Party	23 Darryl's Lasagna	24
25	26	27	28	29	1(Mar)	2(Mar)

The Lodge is open 5-7pm on Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays