The Little Lodge That Does Big Things!

2024 - 2025 Officers:

Exalted Ruler - David Agron
Leading Knight - Dino Christopher, PER
Loyal Knight - Alicia Beck, PER
Lecturing Knight - Jeff Dibble
Secretary - Russ Ryan, PSVP
Treasurer - Gayle Klein, PER
Esquire - Tim Turner
Chaplain - Abigail Agron
Inner Guard - Bruce Wood
Tiler - Herb Flint
Trustees - Al Jasinski
Terry Reagan
Meryl Deemie, PER

Stay up to date on the lodge's calendar of events! Follow us on FaceBook!

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Hey Elks Family,

May was a good month. Our Friday night dinners and our chicken BBQ have all been doing great. It was nice to see everyone coming in and eating in the dining room and enjoying

June 2024

everyone coming in and eating in the dining room and enjoying each other's company. I want to thank everyone who has helped every Friday either preparing food, handing out our take-out orders, or helping in the dining room and bar.

Also last month I had the opportunity to go to the Elks State Convention. It was a great opportunity to meet with Elks from all over NYS and to see all the new officers being initiated for the state positions and our new state president. Meeting all these like-minded people gave me a new look on what we can do this year.

This month we will be hosting an Elks Appreciation Day June 22 from 3pm-6pm. All upstanding and current Elk members are invited to attend. We will be having lunch with dessert and basket giveaways. Come out and spend time with your Exalted Ruler, current officers, and get to know each other a little better.

I hope to continue to see the wonderful efforts that we are all making for our little lodge.

Fraternally yours,

David Agron, Exalter Ruler

The Lodge would like to extend a HUGE THANK YOU to John Sacco, owner of A Great Choice Lawn Care and Landscaping, for maintaining our lawn this summer. John and his team offer a variety of services like paver patios & walkways, retaining walls, outdoor fireplaces, lawn mowing, plus much, much more. They have been serving the local area for over 25 years. Check out the website: agreatchoice.com or give them a call at 607-729-3451 for a free estimate. No project too small or too large.

Mortgage Update:

Our mortgage balance stands at \$78,062. Contributions to the building fund are appreciated in getting this job done. Thanks!

Membership Corner

Please welcome our newest members:

Gregory Lewis Dexter Goula Sheila Clavsell Lori Williams

Applications in Process

Mark Sacco 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!

Membership Status

Membership as of <u>04/01/2024</u>	<u>166</u>
Members Initiated	+4
Members Affiliated	+0
Members Reinstated	+0
Member Transfer and Absolute Demits	-0
Members Deceased	-0
Dropped From Our Rolls (for non-payment)	-0
<u>Current Membership</u>	<u>170</u>

2024 – 2025 Dues

<u>Dues are due before April 1st 2024 for the year 2024-2025</u>. 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!!

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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 June 15th

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

4 John P Ghinger
6 Anthony Pagano
13 John Robilotto
18 Clarence Morris
20 Elizabeth Dibble
22 Joshua Bell
24 Gayle Pado
26 Ron Cornell
28 Steven E Flint, PDDGER
29 Leona St. Clair, PER



Sickness & Distress:

Beth Dibble

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.

Elk of the Month

May's Elk of the month is

Daryl Williams

For his continued help with our chicken BBQs and bar service

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

Elks National Foundation Grant

\$2,500.00

Our Lodge received this grant to be used in support of the summer food program run by Catholic Charities. They provide lunches for needy kids in our community.

Congratulations to our newest Life Member

Wendy Turner

Thirty years in the ELKS!

It's BBQ season!

June 8th, 11:30 am

Half chicken, salt potatoes, beans, roll \$13

Call 798-0358 to reserve a plate before they sell out!



IT'S PARTY TIME

Looking to hold a get together with family and friends? We proudly offer our dining room which accommodates up to 50 persons for your special events.

Contact the Lodge at 798-0358 and make your reservation. Thank you.

All members in good standing are invited to our Elks Appreciation Day on June 22nd from 3-6pm. There will be lunch, dessert, and basket raffle. We will also be honoring a very special member, Beth Dibble, who made a large donation to our Lodge. Let's all show Beth our appreciation and spend some fun time together.

A message from Grand Exalted Ruler Randy P. Shook

Elks continue to honor longtime Flag Day connection

June 14 is Flag Day—a mandatory service for the Elks. In 1907, the Elks became the first fraternal body to adopt by Resolution that June 14 be designated as Flag Day in our Order. President Woodrow Wilson established a national Flag Day in 1916 by presidential proclamation. In 1949, President Harry Truman, himself an Elk, signed an act of Congress designating June 14 each year as Flag Day.

The American flag symbolizes the "land of the free and home of the brave" for all Americans. As we pay tribute by proudly displaying our American flag, let us rededicate ourselves to the ideals of patriotism and freedom.

On Sunday, June 16, we observe Father's Day. We recognize fathers and grandfathers for their contributions to fatherhood. The first Father's Day was celebrated June 19, 1910, in the state of Washington. However, it was not until 1972 that President Richard Nixon made the third Sunday in June a nationwide holiday to honor fathers in the United States. We as Elks do not have a special ceremony to celebrate our dads; however, I would suggest you hold some type of event at the Lodge to make them aware their wisdom and love was and is much appreciated. Happy Father's Day.

With a short time to go, Wanda and I are beginning to end the adventure of a lifetime. It has been a great honor for us to serve as your First Lady and Grand Exalted Ruler. We have met so many great Elks and their families. We renewed old connections and made new ones. It has been great to see the many charitable works accomplished across the country. We are extremely proud. Thank you.

As we traveled from state to state you have made us very proud by letting the communities know who we are: "We Are THE Elks." We look forward to seeing you in Austin, TX.

Finally, remember the deadline for GER Award forms, for bringing in three new or reinstated Members, is June 12.

God bless our great Order, our troops, and the United States of America.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26(May)	27(May)	28(May)	29(May)	30(May)	31(May)	1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	7-9pm Amateur T-Party	7pm Lodge Mtg	Pitch night	7pm T-Party	Lemon Chicken	BBQ - 11.30
9 10 7-9pm Amateur T-Party	11	12	13	14	15	
		Pitch night	7pm T-Party	Smoked Pork Loin	Flag Day Ceremony 4pm at Northside Park	
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Father's Day 7-9pm Amateur T-Party	7-9pm Amateur T-Party	7pm Lodge Mtg	Pitch night	7pm T-Party	Meatloaf	Barnes & Noble fundraiser 10-4
					Elks Appreciation Day at the lodge 3-6	
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	7-9pm Amateur T-Party		Pitch night	7pm T-Party	Ham & Scalloped Potatoes	

The Lodge is open Wednesday & Thursday 5.30-8pm, Friday 4-7pm