### 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 - Abagail 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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Brothers and sisters,

April has been an eventful month for all of us. It all started with the change of officers and myself taking the helm that I am still grateful and humble for the opportunity.

Our first major fundraising/charity event on the 6th that we hosted for a family that survived a fire back in January was phenomenal. The amount of support we showed as Elks (officers and members) was truly inspiring to who we are. I want to thank everyone that helped from planning, to running, to clean up. This is what I have been wanting people to see and believe in what we are capable of.

Our first chicken BBQ of the season despite the rain and the cold temperature was a success. I saw the commitment of everyone and it shows. Friday nights have become a joy for myself and others. The amount of happy faces not just at the bar but in the dining room says it all. I have witnessed the overall moral improving and it makes my heart smile. Let's keep up the great attitude and continue to show who we really are.

Fraternally yours,

David Agron, Exalter Ruler

Mortgage Update:

Our mortgage balance stands at \$78,383. Contributions to the building fund are appreciated in getting this job done. Thanks!

May 2024

#### **Membership Corner**

Please welcome our newest members:

None

#### **Applications in Process**

Gregory Lewis proposed by Russell Ryan Dexter Goula Proposed by Herb Flint Sheila Clavsell Proposed by Lisa McKerman Brandy Barnett Proposed by Dave Agron Lori Williams Proposed by Daryl William

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	+0
Members Affiliated	+0
Members Reinstated	+0
Member Transfer and Absolute Demits	-0
Members Deceased	-0
Dropped From Our Rolls (for non-payment)	+0 +0 +0 *0 *bsolute Demits -0 -0
Current Membership	<u>166</u>

#### 2024 – 2025 Dues

<u>Dues are due before April 1<sup>st</sup> 2024 for the year 2024-2025</u>. All of us must pay our dues before April 1<sup>st</sup> 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 TBD

#### **MAY BIRTHDAYS**

2 Mike Rivera
3 Alvin Jasinski
7 Dave Gardner
7 Fred Holley
7 Gary Wilcox
9 Bruce Wood
11 Gayle Klein PER
13 Richard Seitz
14 Faye Munson
25 Mario Cosentino
29 Joan Farrell



#### 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.

#### **Elk of the Month**

#### April's Elk of the month is Lisa McKernan

For her continued hard work and inspiration in the kitchen. Her dedication to House Committee and the Lodge is greatly appreciated.

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

#### LIFE MEMBERSHIP

To receive Life Membership a member must (1) have 30 credited years (2) apply to the Lodge for Life Membership (3) voted in the affirmative on the Lodge floor by two-thirds of those present at a regular Lodge meeting. The Lodge members must be notified at least 10 days prior to the vote.

Russell Ryan, Secretary- rryan@stny.rr.com

## Turn In Your Bottles and Cans at Our Lodge!

Just drop off your returns in the box bin out front, helping to support our Lodge. Turn those returns into cash for our Lodge.

Thank you!

#### It's BBQ season!

May 11th, 11:30 am

Half chicken, salt potatoes, beans, roll \$12

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.

Dictionaries for the JC Middle School students will be handed out on Wednesday, May 15th at 10 am. Anyone interested in helping can meet at the Middle School. We will be stickering the dictionaries on Wednesday, May 8th at 5:30. Any questions, please contact Russ at rryan@stny.rr.com

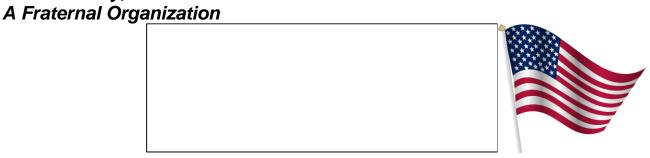
Dear Elks Brothers and Sisters,

I want to extend a HUGE HEARTFELT THANK YOU to all of our AMAZING ELKS who helped out at our Fundraiser for Sheila and Brittany who lost their home in a terrible fire back in January. Sheila and Brittany are very thankful and greatly appreciated our generosity and warm welcome so much that they have turned in an application to become members! Everyone was overwhelmingly generous with giving items for the basket raffle, designing and printing up flyers and tickets, pitching in with setting and cleaning up, cooking the delicious ziti and desserts, selling tickets and donating cash. I am very grateful and pleased that we raised \$1481 for Sheila and Brittany! I encourage everyone to stop by the Lodge and see the poster hanging up with the photos I took of this fun event! This wonderful day made me feel proud to be a member of the Johnson City Elks! Thank you all so much for caring and sharing!!

Fraternally yours, Lisa McKernan, House Committee.

Our dining room is becoming the place to be on Friday nights. The House Committee is looking for more kitchen help to serve the wonderful people joining us for a delicious meal. We also need members to bring desserts whether home-made or store bought. Sign-up sheet is at the Lodge, no experience is necessary. Come share a Friday night with us in the kitchen and meet fellow members. Enjoy the camaraderie and build lasting friendships.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
28(Apr)	29(Apr)	30(Apr)	1	2	3	4	
			Pitch night	7pm T-Party	Lasagna		
5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
	7-9pm Amateur T-Party	7pm Lodge Mtg	Pitch night	7pm T-Party	Deb's Halupki Casserole	BBQ - 11.30	
12	13	14	15	16	17	19	
	7-9pm Amateur T-Party		Pitch night	7pm T-Party	Marie's Turkey		
19	20	21	22	23	24	25	
	7-9pm Amateur T-Party	7pm Lodge Mtg	Pitch night	7pm T-Party		al Day Weekend dge Closed	
26	27	28	29	30	31	1(Jun)	
Memorial Day Weekend Lodge Closed			Pitch night	7pm T-Party	Darrell's Chicken Spiedie Subs		

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