

**Johnson
City**

ELKS

**Lodge
#2821**

The Little Lodge That Does Big Things!

2022 – 2023 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

September 2023

Brothers and sisters,

I hope everyone had a great summer. Lots of vacation time, barbeques and family reunions. As you know we had terrific weather and very few functions got rained out.

Now it's heading toward fall and time to reenergize ourselves and our commitment to the Elks. Those who have brought in new members try to get them to become active in some way. It doesn't have to be an officer-but that would be great- we need help with dinners, the bar, and activities we have going on during the year. We're always looking for an extra pair of hands with our activities.

Our Treasurer has a new job and would like us to find a new Treasurer. If you know of someone who would be interested, please let us know. Contact Gayle at gklein801@gmail.com with any questions.

September 19 our DD Tim Sayers DDGER will be at our lodge at 5:00 for our annual audit, dinner, and our meeting. Gray jackets please.

I want to thank everyone who helped with the Freddy Mendoza concert. Especially Dino who organized it and Rita that organized the kitchen. Our Barnes & Noble Fundraiser is September 9. We could use a few members to help. Call me or sign up at the lodge.

Thank you to Dave Agron and his crew that sold drinks at our Doug's Fish Fry fundraiser August 26.

Our next meeting is September 5 with an Initiation-Gray jackets please.

Happiness being a dessert so sweet,
May life give you more than you can eat.

Fraternally,

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

Mortgage Update:

Our mortgage balance stands at \$80,890. Contributions to the building fund are appreciated in getting this job done. Thanks!

NEED LAWNMOWERS The Lodge owns a lawnmower, but we are in need of people to mow and do general lawn maintenance. Please contact Dino at 607-768-3777 for access to the key and any questions. Thank you for keeping our Lodge beautiful.

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

**4212 Watson Blvd., Johnson City,
NY 13790 - 1052
Phone - (607) 798-0358
e-mail: JCELKS@GMAIL.COM**

**NEWSLETTER EDITORS:
Gayle Klein & Leona St. Clair –
jcelks@gmail.com**

**PRINTING and DISTRIBUTION:
Jerry & Pat Smith**



donatelifenet.net

Membership Corner

Please welcome our newest members:

None

Applications in Process

Linda Markoff proposed by Alicia Beck, PER

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
September 16th**

September Birthdays

3 Carol Nanni
12 John A Ghinger
13 Lena Modlo
13 Steven Sager
15 Derek Johnson
15 Susan Washington
16 Stacy Cacialli
19 Ryan Gottlieb
19 Gerald Perreault
25 David Finney
25 Joe Laskaris
25 Douglas Neiss Jr.
26 Gayle Lovell
26 Marcene McGrath
26 Vincent McGrath
26 Carin Palmer
30 Joseph D'Alessio
30 Nancy Graver



Sickness & Distress:

Al Jasinki

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	+4
Members Affiliated	+0
Members Reinstated	+1

Member Transfer and Absolute Demits	-0
Members Deceased	-2
Dropped From Our Rolls (for non-payment)	0

Current Membership **171**

2023 – 2024 Dues

Dues are due before April 1st 2023 for the year 2023-2024. 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	\$29.00
NYSEA Assessments	\$ 5.00

Total Due **\$89.00**

Optional Donations:

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

Please send in your 2023-2024 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

August's Elk of the month is
Alicia Beck

For all she does – reservations, decorating the hall, cooking and serving dinners, keeping the sign up to date, she does it all.

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

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.

ELKS AND FRIENDS

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!

Wednesdays are Pitch Night at our Lodge. Come on down enjoy some good company and a friendly card game. Pick up partners, starts at 6:30pm



Join us at the Lodge Friday evenings for karaoke and improv comedy with Ben. Enjoy a delicious dinner and join in on the fun entertainment.
Hope to see you there!



A message from Grand Exalted Ruler Bruce A. Hidley
September: Start of fall, halfway point of Lodge year

After being elected Grand Exalted Ruler at the convention in Minneapolis, Wanda and I are humbled and honored to represent our great Order this year.

We have truly been blessed by the aid and support of so many people throughout the years. We owe a great debt of gratitude to our family, friends, and to you, our Elks family. We say thank you, one and all, for everything.

My slogan for 2023–2024 is “We Are THE Elks.” I am sure you will be hearing more about this at your District Deputy Clinic this month.

As we travel the country, Wanda and I are committed to promoting our Elks programs like never before. It is our belief this will make our Lodges stronger and improve our image throughout our great Order.

We will be promoting community service programs throughout our travels. These programs build stronger communities while stimulating a response that motivates worthy members of the public to seek Elks membership. In this way, our community service builds the foundation for our future.

Successful Lodges of the future will create and develop local projects that will become signature accomplishments in the eyes of the community. In turn, members of the community will see these projects mature over time and want to become involved.

If we work together toward our charitable pursuits and remain faithful to our programs, I'm confident we will soon see an increase in membership— not mere temporary gains, but a new era of growth where participation becomes commonplace.

A great source of funding for some community projects is the Elks National Foundation, known as the “Great Heart Of Elkdom.” The ENF helps build stronger communities through programs that support youth, serve veterans, and meet the needs in areas where we live and work.

The Foundation has allocated almost \$16 million for Lodge Community Service Grants. This grant program allows your Lodge to complete more for your communities. This is once again a way for you to show your communities that Elks Care—Elks Share.

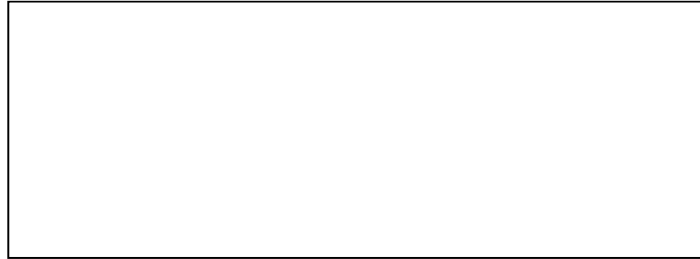
Make the Elks presence felt in your community by using these grants. What is your Lodge known for in your community? What reputation would you like to have? Find that need in your community and get it done. This will ensure people in your community know that “We Are THE Elks.”

The support we provide makes the Foundation's work possible. The goal we have established for the 2023–2024 fraternal year is \$4.80 per Member. That is not much when you consider the outstanding achievements of this program.

Remember “Elks Care—Elks Share” and “We Are THE Elks.”

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

Johnson City Elks Newsletter
Johnson City Elks Lodge #2821
4212 Watson Blvd.
Johnson City, NY 13790
A Fraternal Organization



September 2023
Vol. 27 Issue 9

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27(Aug)	28(Aug)	29(Aug)	30(Aug)	31(Aug)	1 Lodge Closed	2
3	4 LABOR DAY Lodge Closed	5 7pm Lodge Mtg	6 Pitch night	7 7pm T-Party	8 Alicia & Lisa's Burgers	9 Barnes & Noble Event 10-4
10	11	12	13 Pitch night	14 7pm T-Party	15 Hope's Chicken & Biscuits	16 Oxford Veterans Home Visit 2pm
17	18	19 7pm Lodge Mtg	20 Pitch night	21 7pm T-Party	22 Marie's Turkey	23
24	25	26	27 Pitch night	28 7pm T-Party	29 Gayle's Meatloaf	30

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