

Exalted Ruler's Message

This is my last message as ER, I am honored to have been your Exalted Ruler for the last year. Thank you for your support in the past year and thank you for all your help in keeping our Lodge a great place to visit, socialize, and volunteering. I would like to congratulate all the incoming officers for the new year. Also please remember to pay your dues and to promote membership.

Stay Safe and God Bless!

Fraternally yours,

Edward C Massa, ER

March Events

ER's Volunteer Appreciation Dinner

March 18, 2023 at 6:30 PM

Each year, the Exalted Ruler takes the time to give thanks and hosts the Volunteer Appreciation dinner for all the members that have given their time to help out with various Lodge events, community programs, or contributed in the ongoing maintenance of the Lodge. The Exalted Ruler will also be awarding Elk of the Year, Officer of the Year, Employee of the Year, Citizen of the Year, along with several other well deserving recognitions. The Exalted Ruler will also be recognizing area community service members that have contributed to the area community. Invitations have been mailed and please let the Exalted Ruler know by Wednesday, March 15th that you will be attending.

Dinner menu includes: Roast Beef, taters, gravy and vegetables.

THANK YOU

Every month, there are members, officers and committee persons who volunteer their time to help make our organization function smoothly. Please know that your efforts are greatly appreciated by

Installation of Officers

March 25, 2023

Installation of officers for year 2023-2024

5 PM—Installation ceremony

5:30 PM—Cocktail hour

6:30 PM—**Stuffed Pork Chop, potato, veggie & salad**

\$20 per person includes two free drinks to be used that evening. Tickets available at the bar. Please purchase your tickets by March 18th.

Committee Members Needed

We are in need of members to help out at the Lodge by volunteering to serve on our committees. We have committee members who have served for years and are taking a break and stepping down at the end of March. They have done an amazing job. Please consider helping out your Lodge. If you are interested and/or have questions, please contact Leading Knight Anne Fleming at (315) 489-6250 or by emailing at annefleming69@gmail.com.

To book an event at the lodge, call Lisa Green

Event Phone Number: (315) 816-8010 or

Lodge Phone Number: (315) 788-1720

Lodge: (315) 788-1270 Fax: (315) 788-1681

Lodge email: elks496@centralny.twcba.com



Antlers # 496 Has Joined Elks #496!



The Watertown Elks #496, has started a new junior program called the Antlers for kids ages 12-21st birthday, when they can become actual Elks. Interested Elks' members and their children and grandchildren are invited to our last informational meeting on **Tuesday, March 7, 2023, at 6:00 PM**, at the lodge. At that meeting youth Antler applications will be accepted and any further questions will be answered. Additional participants are encouraged to attend and sign up. It's not too late to apply and applications will be available at this meeting.

Antlers Dates

March 7, 2023, 6 PM Information and applications accepted.

March 21, 2023, 6 PM All kids planning to become Antlers should attend and return applications with the initiation fee. Parents should attend as well to learn how to support our young Elks. We will review our inaugural Antlers initiation.

April 4, 2023, 6 PM 1st Antlers Initiation Class

We hope to see many kids sign up as well as hope to encourage many parents to join us to support the activities for the Elks Junior Program. Any questions can be sent to Linda Lepper, Tiler and Antlers Advisor at iwantmorerhinos@yahoo.com.

Antlers Care



Antlers Share

Help Your Lodge Meet ENF Per Capita Goal!!

Each year, our lodge strives to meet our ENF per capita goal, which helps us to receive grants to support our various community program (Dictionary program, Drug Awareness, Back Pack program, Veterans, Scholarship program, etc.). Help us try to raise \$2,000 to meet our per capita goal by donating to ENF. When making donation, write a check out to Watertown Elks Lodge # 496 and write "ENF" in the memo. Your donations to ENF are tax deductible! Try consider joining the Fidelity Club by visiting Fidelity Club website for more info: www.elks.org/ENF/FidelityClub.cfm. There are incentives in joining the Fidelity Club!!!

BELL JAR REPORT

January 2023

Total Income:	\$10,584
Total Expenses:	\$2,123
Worthy Causes:	\$250
Net Income:	\$8,211

2023-2024 Lodge Officers

Exalted Ruler—Anne M Fleming
Leading Knight—Michael Cummings
Loyal Knight—Jay Miller
Lecturing Knight—Margaret Bootie
Secretary—Heather Sullivan
Treasurer—Melissa VanBrocklin
Secretary—Heather Sullivan
Esquire—Karen Miller
Tiler—currently vacant
Chaplain—PER Dennis J Brady
Inner Guard—Linda Lepper
Trustees: PER Anthony J Verne
PER Kathy Converse
Mary Hughes-Hoiston
Linda Knight
Edward C Massa (soon to be PER)

Volunteering At The Lodge

Volunteering at the Lodge are ALWAYS welcomed AND much needed. Whether it's cooking, prepping, cleaning, serving food, or being on any committee, any individuals interested in volunteering are never turned away. If you are interested, please step up and email the Lodge to tell us what you're interested in doing. Be on the volunteer list and please provide us with your best contact info so that we may reach you. We hope that you'll be willing to be reached even at moment's notice!

New Members Indoctrination/Initiation

On February 28, 2023, there will be Indoctrination for New Members at 7:00 PM. Initiation of New Members will take place on Thursday, March 2, 2023 during our regular Lodge session. New members and their sponsors are requested to be present at both. Thank you.

March Friday Night Dinner Specials:

Friday March 3, 2023—Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, veggies—\$10.95

Friday March 31, 2023—Crispy 4 piece fried chicken with mac 'n cheese, veggies—\$10.95

MEMBERS ON THE SICK BOARD

Terry Scee Jr

Paul Fitzgerald

George Grappotte



Jon T Rich, Jr # 8743

Sean P Lyng # 8136

Francis J Mitchell LM # 3825

Ronald D Monnat LM # 8143

William L Couchman LM # 6352

Pat Crupi LM # 8289

Jeffrey J Turner # 7258

From the secretary's desk:

Dues statements have been sent out late January 2023 for the 2023-2024 Lodge Year. If you do not receive a statement, please contact me so we can review your mailing address.

Changes to LIFE MEMBER status is as follows: You must be a paid 30-year member. The age requirement has been dropped. No refunds for the current year. The status will take effect the next lodge year. To apply, send a written request with your member number and contact information to the Lodge Secretary.

You can now pay your dues online at

<https://search.revopay.com/elkslodge>

Dues for 2023-2024 Lodge Year

Regular Dues: \$94.00; Life Member Dues: \$64.00

Contact Information:

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Watertown Elks Lodge 496
PO Box 6008
Watertown NY 13601

Phone: (315) 788-1270
Email: kkowal0496@gmail.com

Annual Pizza Sale

The annual pizza sale has turned out to be a success! 149 pizzas were sold and the monies raised will be going towards our Major Projects. Thank you to all who purchased pizzas and to those that volunteered in this annual fund raising event. Looking forward to next year's Pizza Sale and hope we will get over 200 sold!!!

- Michelle Contryman, Pizza Sale Chairperson

LODGE ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

There will be a Lodge Activities Committee meeting on Tuesday March 7, 2023 at 6:00 PM. An organizational meeting to start identifying, planning and carrying out events for members to enjoy. Events such as Comedy night, tournaments, Murder Mystery theater shows, bus trips, etc., etc. This meeting is open to any members interested in being on the committee or to just attend the meeting.


All information for next month's bulletin must be submitted by the **15th** of this month. Thank you for your cooperation. PER Dennis J Brady, Editor



March 2023

MSPE = Member Sponsored Private Event



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Friday Night Dinner Menu: Prime Rib: King Cut (16oz) - \$24.95 Queen Cut (12oz) - \$19.99 Haddock—\$11.95 Chicken tenders—\$8.95 5-7:30 PM	TO BOOK AN EVENT AT THE LODGE, CALL LISA GREEN AT (315) 816-8010 OR (315) 788-1270	Lunch Served Tuesday—Friday 11:30 AM—2 PM February 28: Indoctrination Night for New Members	1 Wednesday Night Burgers 5-7:30 PM	2 Initiation of New Members / Lodge Session 7:30 PM Trustees Meeting 6:30 PM MSPE: 10 AM—2 PM	3 Friday Night Specials: Meatloaf, mashed Potatoes, veggies 10.95 5-7:30 PM Plus regular menu - See top left corner	4
5 Del Lweeen FunDay Bowling 1:00 PM	6 Monday Night Wings 5-7:30 PM	7 Steak Night Tuesday 5-7:30 PM \$15.95 Queen of Hearts 7PM Activities Committee Meeting—6:00 PM Antlers—7:00 PM	8 Wednesday Night Burgers 5-7:30 PM MSPE: 5—9 PM	9	10 Friday Night Dinner 5-7:30 PM See menu top left corner	11 MSPE: 12—3 PM MSPE: 6—9 PM
12 Del Lweeen FunDay Bowling 1:00 PM MSPE: 12—3 PM	13 Monday Night Wings 5-7:30 PM House Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	14 Steak Night Tuesday 5-7:30 PM \$15.95 Queen of Hearts 7PM	15 Wednesday Night Burgers 5-7:30 PM	16 Lodge Session 7:30 PM	17 Friday Night Dinner 5-7:30 PM—See menu top left corner  MSPE: 4:30—10 PM	18 ER's Volunteer Appreciation Dinner 6:30 PM See inside
19 Del Lweeen FunDay Bowling 1:00 PM	20 Monday Night Wings 5-7:30 PM	21 Steak Night Tuesday 5-7:30 PM \$15.95 Queen of Hearts 7PM	22 Wednesday Night Burgers 5-7:30 PM Board of Directors Meeting 6:30 PM	23	24 Friday Night Dinner 5-7:30 PM—See menu top left corner MSPE: 6—10 PM	25 MSPE: 1—4 PM Installation of Officers 5—9 PM See inside for additional Info.
26 Del Lweeen FunDay Bowling 1:00 PM MSPE: 11—2 PM	27 Monday Night Wings 5-7:30 PM	28 Steak Night Tuesday 5-7:30 PM \$15.95 Queen of Hearts 7PM	29 Wednesday Night Burgers 5-7:30 PM	30	31 Friday Night Specials: Crispy 4 piece fried Chicken with mac & cheese, veggies 10.95 5-7:30 PM Plus regular menu	



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March 2023

LODGE HOURS

Monday	2:00PM —9:00PM
Tuesday—Wednesday	11:00AM—9:00PM
Thursday	11:00AM—9:00PM*
*Except on Meeting Nights	
Friday	11:00AM—11:00PM
Saturday	11:00AM—11:00PM
Sunday	11:00AM— 7:00PM

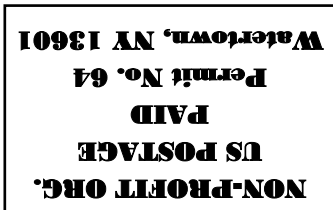
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 Home of 2022-2023 North Central District DDGER Jill Bruce Wiley

Officers 2022—2023

Exalted Ruler	Edward C. Massa
Est. Leading Knight	Anne M. Fleming
Est. Loyal Knight	Margaret "Peg" Bootie
Est. Lecturing Knight	Jay Miller
Secretary	Kim Kowal
Treasurer	Melissa VanBrocklin
Esquire	PER Dennis J. Brady
Tiler	Linda Lepper
Chaplain	Karen Miller
Inner Guard	PER Joan Grappotte Carlo

Trustees:

PER Cheryl A. Clark	Presiding Justice—Matt Doheny
PER Anthony J. Verne	Mediator: PER Cheryl A. Clark
PER Kathy Converse	House Committee Chair: Kelli Bell
Mary Hughes-Hoiston	Bar Manager: Geoff Matraw
Linda Knight	Kitchen Manager: Chris McCauley



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March Birthdays

Happy Birthday to all who have birthdays this month! Stop into the Lodge on your special day.

Michael Carpenter	1	Kimberly Burnard	6	Robert Woodward	12	Jeffrey St Croix	18	Donald Shaw	25
Charles Patrick	1	Lisa Cooley	6	William Murrock	13	Martha Jones	19	Heather Sullivan	25
Joseph Peters	1	Patrick Hanlon	6	Allen Drake	14	Robin Partridge	19	Carrie Bernhard	26
Timothy Ames	2	John Hulbert	6	William 'Bill' Kamalsky	14	Daniel Reff	19	Eddie Davis	26
Robert Casper	2	Jamie Navarra-Hewey	6	George Topper	14	Heather Wiley	19	Robin Killenbeck	26
Andy Fredenburg	2	Edward Scharf	6	Michael Grandjean	15	Kevin Saber	20	Rebecca Mabry	26
Deborah Frickman	2	Michael Sholette	6	Jason Hutchinson	15	Gilbert Hurlburt	22	Christopher Netto	26
Kenneth Scott	2	Kevin Vine	6	Lance Peterson	15	Jacob Navarra	22	Gary Grill	27
Joseph Butler	3	Shannon Wilson	6	Mark Robert	15	Dave Bonney	23	Kimberly Roberts	27
Joan Carlo PER	3	Karen Gerken	7	Lisa Barre	16	R David DeRemer	23	Terry Byard	28
William Coursen	3	David Gifford Sr	7	Philip Clement	16	Ronald Laduke	23	Donald Calarco	28
Napoleon Dobbins	3	Vickie Staie	7	Angela Gault	16	Matthew Strader	23	Daniel Davis	28
Gordon Matraw Jr	3	Geoffery Duvall	8	Kathy Overton	16	Elijah Tezeno	23	Rosemary Denesha	28
Ronald Quartulli	3	Thomas Gagnon	8	Julie Sparacino	16	John Allen	24	James Alberty	29
William Doyle II	4	Dennis VanCamp	8	Miles West	16	Kim Anderson	24	Kelly Biedekapp	30
Francis McLeod	4	David Corey	9	Larry Beerman	17	William Coppola	24	Stephan Hermann	30
Darrin Prance	4	Keith Rose	9	Sean Brett	17	Aileen Dawley	24	David Missert	30
Laurie Bickel	5	Sally VanTassel	9	David Buerger	17	Sean Haley	24	Laurie Nohle	30
Christin Filippelli	5	Kimberley Kowal	10	Dale Porter	17	Tyler Hayes	24	Bernard Tufo Jr	30
Darcie Lepper	5	Brian Whalen	10	Kenneth Thompson	17	Robert Seeber	24	George Grappotte	31
Stephen Rae	5	Charles Hosmer	12	Darwin Danks	18	Michael Christie	25	Taylor Lavere	31
Joseph Tarzia	5	John Morris-Smith	12	Jerry Hunneyman	18	Robert Hedger	25	Terry Thompson	31



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