



# LODGE EVENTS FOR MAY

## GOT GAME???

**Friday, May 1st at 7:00 PM**

Featuring: Pass Your Trash—

An exciting card game that lets you practice your poker face, screw your neighbor, and laugh with friends! Are you lucky enough to be King of the round? (each month we will pick a new game)



**Friday, May 8th at 7:00 PM**

**Trivia Night**



**Thursday, May 14th at 6:30 PM**

**Bingo at the Bar (no pub menu due to car show)**

(Activity Committee Event)

All Lodge activities are open to members in good standing and sponsored guests.

Pub Menu will be available during the above activities.

Next Committee Meeting: Monday, May 4th, 2026 at 6:30 PM

with House Committee Meeting

### Pub Menu

On the nights of activity committee events such as Trivia Night, Bingo at the Bar night, or other events, pub menus will be available. They include:

Chicken Fingers for \$8, Pizza Log \$8, Mozzarella Sticks \$7, Jalapeño

Poppers \$7, Basket of Fries \$4. Extra dipping sauce—\$.50.

## 140 Club

140 Club registration opened on April 1st for the new year to pay for 2027-2028 dues. Registration \$20, \$10 per month to help pay for your next year's dues. How much easier can it get? Also, get in on the monthly drawing plus the dinner at the end of the year.

## Building Maintenance Fundraiser

Saturday, May 9th

Cocktail hour 5—6 PM, LIVE Entertainment 6—10 PM

Featuring Hot Kogan Band! OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!!

\$15 Pre-sale tickets, \$20 at door

50/50, raffles, auctions, games!

Come out and party with us!



## Thursday Night Cruise-In

At Watertown Lodge's parking lot.

5 PM to 8 PM on those following dates:

May 14th, June 11th and 25th, July 16th and 30th,

August 13th and 27th, September 10th and 24th

Food and non-alcoholic drinks will be available outside.

ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT LODGE VETERAN PROGRAMS

## Mother's Day Breakfast

Sunday, May 10th 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Adults - \$15 Children (6-12 yrs. Old) \$10 5 and under—Free  
All you can eat breakfast buffet including: scrambled eggs, French toast, bacon, sausage, sausage gravy, home fries, English muffins, fruit, cereal, milk, juice, coffee and tea.



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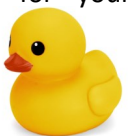
Bus Trip

On August 22, the NYS Elks is sponsoring a NY Yankees Vs Toronto Blue Jays Game. The Watertown Lodge #496 has put together a bus trip to Yankees Stadium for this game. The cost, per person is, \$109.38 for the game ticket, and, \$110.00 to cover the bus cost for a total of \$219.30 each. This is a one-day bus trip leaving Hale Bus Garage, Marble St., Watertown, at 6:15am and returning at 11:30pm. Only 52 seats are available and are going fast! Contact David Clement at 315-783-5012 or email [dwcwatn@aol.com](mailto:dwcwatn@aol.com) for more information. You need not be an Elk to go. The first 52 paid are the 1<sup>st</sup> going! Should be a great time!

## Major Project

We are proud to be part of the Dexter Duck Derby on June 13th, sponsored by Sons of the American Legion #583, Dexter. It's only \$10 to adopt a duck and half of the proceeds we sell goes to our Major Project Fundraiser. I have tickets and will be selling them at the Elks Lodge on Monday and Wednesday evenings. Thanks for your continued support!!

Lisa Green, Major Project Chairperson



## Friday Night Dinner

TBD!!

**Keep an eye out on our Facebook page for any upcoming Friday Night Dinner.**



Follow us on Watertown Elks 496 Facebook page for up to the minute updates/events/dinners. See videos and pictures from Lodge events and more!

## Veteran's Committee

"It is not fair to ask of others what you are not willing to do yourself."

Eleanor Roosevelt

As they say, April showers bring May flowers. Spring is here, and opportunities for volunteerism are blooming throughout the lodge! The Veterans committee is no exception to this!

The Veterans committee will try a different meeting night this month in order to try to include more diverse voices from our lodge membership. The May meeting will be held on Sunday, May 17th, at 5:00 pm. All are welcome to attend.

At our April meeting, we discussed fundraising activities and new ways to help our local veterans. April also brought opportunities to participate in food Distribution at Feed Our Vets.

In the month of May, we have the Thursday night car shows returning, Feed Our Vets Distribution, and the Armed Forces Day parade. Our final event for May will be the Memorial Day ceremonies.

Looking ahead, the Elks Flag Day Ceremony and Parade will be held at our lodge on Sunday, June 14th.

The Veterans Committee is open to anyone interested in giving back to those who have courageously served our country. If you have any questions about the committee or our vision for supporting veterans, please contact me. I would love to speak with you about the committee. You can send a message on the Elks 496 Facebook page or chat with me at the lodge.

Fraternally,  
Karen Miller  
Esteemed Leading Knight

## Cornhole Tournament with the BLACK RIVER BAGGERS

Sunday, May 17th from 12 noon to ???  
Come and have some fun!



Brian Dezell—DDGER—North Central District # 6240

800 Pray Rd, Lisbon, NY 13658 (315) 322-1074

Dan Shannon—State Vice President

5501 Jackson St, Lowville, NY 13367 (315) 717-5134

## House Committee

House Committee Message:

The House committee met on April 6 and David Clement was voted in as Chairman and Suzanne Renzi-Falge was elected Secretary. Derrick Kehoe and Dina Kelly were welcomed to the Committee.

The perch dinner was well attended and a big thank you to Tommy Lynch and Rob Lytle for cooking the great meal. Jake Desormo performed after the dinner and many members stayed to hear the music.

We are looking forward to our Building maintenance fundraiser on Saturday, May 9. Music will be by the great local band, Hot Kogan! There will be raffles, games, 50/50 drawings and a fun time for all. This event is open to the public and members are urged to support it by attending or donating an item for the raffle. Your Lodge could use some TLC and this event will raise funds for repairs that are needed.

As always, House committee meetings are open to all members for comments, suggestions, and even complaints! Our next meeting is set for May 4, at 6:30.

David Clement  
House Committee Chairman

To book an event at the lodge, call:  
Events Phone Number: (315) 586-5954 or  
Lodge Phone Number: (315) 788-1270  
Email: [elks496@centralny.twcbc.com](mailto:elks496@centralny.twcbc.com)

WATERTOWN ELKS LODGE #496

# HIRE YOUR CATERER

## RENT THE DINING ROOM

Your Caterer- Your Menu!

Your lodge is available  
for your functions!

FOR MORE DETAILS:

**315-586-5954**

or

**315-788-1270**

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be licensed by  
New York State

### BELL JAR REPORT

March 2026

Total Income:	\$17,473.00
Total Expenses:	\$11,319.20
Worthy Causes:	\$5,225.00
Net Income:	\$928.80

### MEMBERS ON THE SICK BOARD

We have a few members on the sick board. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers: Terry Scee Jr; Ron Netto Sr; Francis Devine; Louis Dunnigan

#### Lodge of Sorrow

**LM W Douglas Howland # 4425 LM Arthur H Zaremba Jr # 5809**

*"May light perpetual shine upon them, until the morning breaks and the shadows flee away".*

To pay your dues online, go to: [www.elks.org/payonline](http://www.elks.org/payonline)

Enter Lodge Number: 496 then click Watertown, NY No. 496. Click "Go to" and then on bottom left, click on "Make A Quick Payment" tab. Enter 00 and then your four digit membership number.



Get your password online at: [www.elks.org/register](http://www.elks.org/register)

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### Tuesday Steak Nights

### Wednesday Burgers

Tuesday nights are our steak nights. The steak dinners are \$18.95 and comes with choice of fries or baked potato, salad and dinner roll. Dinner is 5:30 to 7:30 PM.

Wednesday nights are our burger nights. The regular delicious half-pound burger comes fries for \$10.95. Make it a deluxe with lettuce, tomato and onions for \$12.95. Add bacon for additional \$1.00. BLT with fries are available for \$7.95. Additionally, fish sandwiches are for \$12.95.

Kitchen will be closed from Tuesday, March 31st until Thursday, April 2nd for our deep Kitchen cleaning period.

### DO YOU HAVE YOUR OWN ELKS.ORG ACCOUNT???

If not, sign up for yours now! It's free and a great resource should you ever have any questions about anything to do with Elks. A ton of resources are available at your fingertip!

### May Meetings...

Monday, May 4th—Activity and House Committee Joint Meeting 6:30 PM

Tuesday, May 5th—Lodge Meeting **7 PM** (note the new start time)

Thursday, May 7th—Lodge Session 7 PM

Sunday, May 17th—Veterans Committee 5 PM

Thursday, May 21st—Lodge Session 7 PM

### 2026 Legacy Scholarship

From May 1st through June 1st scholarship applications will be available for children, step children, grandchildren and step grandchildren of a Watertown Elks Lodge #496 member in good standing. Scholarships are open to high school seniors as well as students already attending college. Applicants will need to submit an official transcript from their high school or college with their application. The items reviewed for this award are academic achievement, financial need and the applicant's essay. The application deadline is Monday, June 1, 2026. A total of two scholarships will be awarded with a value of \$500 each. The recipients will be announced in June 2026. Applications will be available at the Lodge, on the Lodge website, by email and by regular mail. If you have questions, would like an email application or to receive an application by mail, please contact Peg Bootie at [abigail1893@verizon.net](mailto:abigail1893@verizon.net) or 315-788-0298.



All information for next month's bulletin must be submitted by the **16th** of this month. Thank you for your cooperation. PER Dennis J Brady, Editor








### May 2026 Birthday

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|--------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1 Scott Everett          | 6 Dessiray J Goutremout | 9 Terry W Scee Jr.     | 15 Timothy J Clement         | 21 Robert Peterson     | 26 Richard J Irvine     |
| 1 Renee Pettet           | 6 Donna Shannon         | 10 Michael M Cochran   | 16 Mark A Bartlett           | 21 Barbara J Yerdon    | 26 Amy L'Huillier       |
| 3 Breanna Burgenstock    | 7 Ryan Lee Alfaro       | 10 Herbert K DeJourdan | 16 Cynthia Cronk             | 22 Peter R Barnett     | 26 Gloria J Peluso      |
| 3 William F Caprara      | 7 Ward D Anders         | 10 Kasey Gardner       | 16 Raymond F Diehl           | 22 Kay Clement         | 27 Gabrielle Gullledge  |
| 4 Ray L Barden           | 7 Terry Ault            | 11 Jamie Cornell       | 16 William R Pugliese        | 22 Howard G Frederick  | 28 Vicki L Cote         |
| 4 Carol C Brown          | 7 Earl H Johnston       | 11 Geoff Mattraw       | 17 Patrick J Flynn           | 23 John C Cook         | 28 Justin Kampnich      |
| 4 James R Pinkerton      | 7 Carl E Lawler         | 11 Lonny L Reinhardt   | 17 Mary Hughes-Hoiston       | 23 Cindy Hoiston       | 28 Edward Mustizer      |
| 4 Sarah A Sinclair       | 7 Mark A Reff           | 12 Peter D Outwater    | 17 Marianna Larose           | 24 Al Countryman       | 28 Philip Waite         |
| 4 Dan Van Ness           | 7 Joseph C Stanton      | 14 Walter P Cummings   | 17 Richard D Tanner          | 24 Kristian M Loftus   | 30 Terrance L Cavanaugh |
| 5 Phillip P Compeau      | 7 Sidney Wheeler Jr.    | 14 Matthew M Grant     | 17 Charles Van Dyke          | 24 Bruce Morgia        | 30 John C Cook Jr.      |
| 5 Matthew C Hildebranski | 8 Tom Barber            | 14 Thomas J Pearson    | 17 Michael Yonkovig          | 24 Andrew James Thomas | 30 James DuPre          |
| 5 Charles K Holman       | 8 Ingrid Bartlett       | 14 Thomas C Roberts    | 19 Julie A Derrigo-Intschert | 25 Judy K Geng         | 31 Linda M Cantwell     |
| 5 Dennis C Trombley      | 8 Kelly M Bice          | 14 Gary Rowe           | 19 Peter R Lagrow            | 25 J David Moculski    | 31 Michael Coniglio     |
| 6 Leo F Cosgrove         | 8 Jennifer Kampnich     | 15 Lester Berghorn     | 21 Dan Bossuot               | 26 Jennifer Black      | 31 James S Powell       |
| 6 Peter L Decker         | 9 James N Navarra       | 15 Matthew F Caulkins  | 21 Kenneth Kasek             | 26 Michael E Branski   |                         |



# May 2026

MSPE = Member Sponsored Private Event

Sunday 12:00pm—7:00pm	Monday 2:00pm—9:00pm	Tuesday 2:00pm—9:00pm	Wednesday 2:00pm—9:00pm	Thursday 2:00pm—9:00pm	Friday 2:00pm—10:00pm	Saturday 11:00am—10:00pm
	<b>Pub Menu</b> See inside for what's on the pub menu To book parties and/or Events, contact our Booking Line at (315) 586-5954	<b>Steak Night Tuesday</b> <b>Steak &amp; side, salad</b> <b>\$18.95</b>	<b>Wed. Burger Night:</b> Burger with lettuce, tomato, cheese and onions w/ fries \$12.95 Fish Sandwich \$12.95 W/ bacon—\$1 extra BLT—\$7.95		<b>1</b> <b>GOT GAME???</b> 7 PM <b>Pub Menu Available</b>	<b>2</b> <b>MSPE—Banquet Room</b>
<b>3</b> <b>MSPE—Banquet Room</b>	<b>4</b>  <b>House Committee/Activity Committee</b> <b>6:30 PM</b>	<b>5</b> <b>Steak Night Tuesday</b> <b>5:30-7:30 PM \$18.95</b> <b>Queen of Hearts 7 PM</b> <b>Trustees—6:30 PM</b>	<b>6</b> <b>Burger Night</b> <b>5:30 PM—7:30 PM</b>	<b>7</b> <b>Lodge Session 7 PM</b>	<b>8</b>  <b>7:00 PM</b> <b>Pub Menu Available</b>	<b>9</b> <b>Building Maintenance Fundraiser!</b> <b>Featuring Hot Kogan!</b> <b>See inside!</b> <b>MSPE—Lodge Room</b>
<b>10</b> <b>Mother's Day Brunch</b> <b>8:30 am—11:30 am</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> <b>Steak Night Tuesday</b> <b>5:30-7:30 PM \$18.95</b> <b>Queen of Hearts 7 PM</b>	<b>13</b> <b>Burger Night</b> <b>5:30 PM—7:30 PM</b>	<b>14</b>  <b>Bingo at the Bar</b> <b>6:30 PM</b> <b>Thursday Night Cruise-</b> <b>In</b> <b>Lodge Parking Lot</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> <b>Urban Mission Fundraiser—</b> <b>Banquet Room</b> <b>Dueling Planos</b>
<b>17</b> <b>MSPE—Lodge Room</b> <b>Cornhole Tournament w/ Black River Baggers</b> <b>Veterans Committee</b> <b>5:00 PM</b>	<b>18</b>  <b>5:30 PM until GONE</b>	<b>19</b> <b>Steak Night Tuesday</b> <b>5:30-7:30 PM \$18.95</b> <b>Queen of Hearts 7 PM</b> <b>Orientation 7 PM</b>	<b>20</b> <b>Burger Night</b> <b>5:30 PM—7:30 PM</b>	<b>21</b> <b>Lodge Session/Initiation 7 PM</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>  <b>Lodge Closed</b>	<b>26</b> <b>Steak Night Tuesday</b> <b>5:30-7:30 PM \$18.95</b> <b>Queen of Hearts 7 PM</b>	<b>27</b> <b>Burger Night</b> <b>5:30 PM—7:30 PM</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>



# Watertown

## B.P.O.E. #496

# May 2026

### LODGE HOURS

<b>Monday</b>	<b>2:00PM—9:00PM</b>
<b>Tuesday-Wednesday</b>	<b>2:00PM—9:00PM</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>2:00PM—9:00PM *</b>
*Except on Meeting Nights	
<b>Friday</b>	<b>2:00PM—10:00PM</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>11:00AM—10:00PM</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>12:00PM— 7:00PM</b>

Home of PSP Francis Hart, PSP Nelson Navarra & PSP Timothy E. Kelly

### Officers 2026—2027

Exalted Ruler	Anthony DeMiceli
Est. Leading Knight	Karen Miller
Est. Loyal Knight	Thomas M Lynch
Est. Lecturing Knight	Derrick Kehoe
Secretary	PER Dennis J Brady
Treasurer	Beth A Bennett
Esquire	Suzanne Renzi-Falge
Tiler	Sheri Doroha
Chaplain	Margaret "Peg" Bootie
Inner Guard	David Clement

### Trustees:

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Beth Cassada
PER Philip K Nuffer

Presiding Justice: Matt Doheny
Mediator: Vic James
Activity Committee: Sandi LaVere
House Committee: David Clement
Bar Manager: Geoff Matraw
Lodge Steward: Barb Yerdon



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