

Exalted Ruler's Message

It is my esteemed honor to have been elected as the 2024/2025 Exalted Ruler for Watertown Elks Lodge 496. It is also a privilege to work with all my fellow members bringing helping hands to the community.

It is my belief that we have one of the best Lodges in the Northern District. The two main focuses I have for this coming year is Unity and Volunteerism. This will make our Lodge stand strong and be successful.

If I have not met you yet, I look forward to doing so. Please feel free to approach me or reach out to me at any time with questions or concerns.

Stay safe and God Bless.

Fraternally yours,

ER Michael Cummings

April Events

Friday, April 5th at 7:00 PM Trivia Night

(Activity Committee Event)

(Every 2nd Friday of the month except for April)

Thursday, April 11th at 6:30 PM Left Center Right Party

(Activity Committee Event)

(Every 2nd Thursday of each month)

Thursday, April 25th at 6:30 PM Bingo at the Bar

(Activity Committee Event)

(Every 4th Thursday of each month)

All Lodge activities are open to members and sponsored guests

Del Leween Funday Bowling League

Thank you, bowlers, for a great year. Fun day April 7th. See you at the NYS Elks Bowling tournament in Binghamton on April 13th & 14th! GOOD LUCK AND HAVE FUN!!!

FRIDAY NIGHT DINNERS

April Specials

April 5th—Prime Rib—\$22.95

April 12th—BBQ Ribs Full Rack—\$17.95

April 19th—Prime Rib—\$22.95

April 26th—Baked 1/2 Chicken—\$14.95

Every Friday—Fish * Steak * Chicken & More!



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The above two symbols are QR codes you can scan with your phone or tablet. Check out our website and/or Facebook page to keep current with upcoming events and activities. When on our Facebook page, please click "Like" and share away!

To book an event at the lodge, call:

Event Phone Number: (315) 816-8010 or

Lodge Phone Number: (315) 788-1270

Fax: (315) 788-1681

Email: elks496@centralny.twcabc.com

Coming in May...

Mother's Day Breakfast

Sunday, May 12th 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Adults - \$13 Children (5-7 yrs. Old) \$8 Under 5—Free

All you can eat breakfast buffet including:
scrambled eggs, French toast, bacon, sausage,
home fries, English muffins, fruit, cereal, milk,
juice, coffee and tea.



Watertown Street Rods



Announcing Monday Night Cruise-In

May 20th

June 10th and 24th

July 8th and 22nd

August 5th and 19th

On the North side of our Lodge's parking lot
Food and non-alcoholic drinks will be available outside

140 CLUB

The 140 Club has been started on April 1st. This will pay for your dues for the year 2025-2026 (next year's dues). It is \$20 to sign up and pay \$10 per month throughout the year. One monthly drawing of \$25 with a dinner and drawings at the end of the Lodge year. Please sign up with the bartender. Please complete the registration form when you sign up.

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BELL JAR REPORT

February 2024

Total Income:	\$15,803.00
Total Expenses:	\$13,048.79
Worthy Causes:	\$0.00
Net Income:	\$2,754.21

2024 Legacy Scholarships

During March and April 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 Friday, May 3, 2024. A total of two scholarships will be awarded with a value of \$500 each. The recipients will be announced in June 2024. 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 or 315-788-0298.

ENF

Time to renew Placemat sponsorship, memorial and business ads. Memorial and Sponsorship are \$25.00 per name. Business Card ads are \$125 per card or per number of squares. Please send to Lodge Secretary and with "Placemat" under memo.

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!!!

April Meetings...

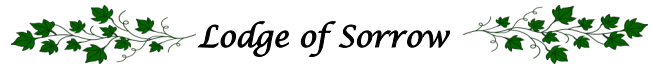
- April 2nd—Activity Committee 6:30 PM
- April 4th—Lodge Session 7:30 PM, Trustees 6:30 PM
- April 9th—House Committee 6:30 PM
- April 10th—PER Association 6:00 PM
- April 17th—Veterans Committee 6:30 PM
- April 18th—Lodge Session 7:30 PM
- April 24th—Elks Golf League Meeting 6 PM, Board of Directors 6:30 PM

May Meetings...

- May 1st—PER Association 6:00 PM
- May 2nd—Lodge Session 7:30 PM, Trustees 6:30 PM

MEMBERS ON THE SICK BOARD

Terry Scee Jr	James VanDusen
Toni LaFex	Francis Devine
Ron Netto SR	Aaron Clemons
Randy Yott	PER Scott Lavere



LM William E Berkman # 5150

From the secretary's desk:

Dues for 2024-2025 Lodge Year

Regular Dues: \$99.00; Life Member Dues: \$69.00

Dues for the 2024-2025 year was due on April 1st. If you haven't paid your dues yet, please make the extra effort in paying so you don't end up on the delinquent list.

You can also pay your dues online by going to:

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

PER Dennis J Brady
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Fun Winter Bash 2024 A Success!

The Winter Bash was lots of fun and a big success raising over \$2,500 for Cerebral Palsy, our Major Project. Lisa Green, our Major Projects chairperson, did an amazing job with the planning, doing raffles, a 50/50, and food for the evening. The band, Dan Wisner's Full Circle, kept people dancing the night away. Lisa thanked everyone who helped out, especially her family and volunteers. Her hope is to make this an annual event.

Activity Committee

The implementation of Activity Committee has turned out to be a huge benefit to our Lodge. This committee, spearheaded by committee chairperson Scott Hirst, has brought a lot of fun activities for our members and their sponsored guests. From Bingo at the Bar to Trivia Night, LCR party, cornhole tournaments, it has been breathing life to our Lodge and bringing lots of fun and laughter for everyone. Each activity has brought good crowds to the Lodge and has kept it a fun place to be with people enjoying the activity as well as the comradeship of Elks Members.

Elks Golf League 2024

There will be Elks Golf League meeting at the Lodge on Wednesday, April 24th at 6 PM.

Lawn Care Bid 2024

Bids to include Bradley Street and Morrison Street Elks properties. Mowed and trimmed by Thursday of each week as needed. Send bids to Elks Lodge # 496, 728 Bradley St, Watertown, NY 13601 Attn: T. Verne by April 27th.

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

April 2024

MSPE = Member Sponsored Private Event

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Monday Night Wings: 10 bone-in \$10.95 10 boneless \$9.95 5 chicken tenders \$9.95	1 Monday Night Wings 5-7:30 PM	2 Steak Night Tuesday 5-7:30 PM \$18.50 Queen of Hearts 7PM Activity Committee 6:30 PM	3 Wednesday Night Burgers 5-7:30 PM	4 Lodge Session 7:30 PM Trustees 6:30 PM	5 Fish*Steak*Chicken & More Prime Rib Trivia Night 7:00 PM (Activity Comm. Event)	6 MSPE 6—10 PM
7 Del Leween Funday Bowling League 1 PM FUN DAY	8 Monday Night Wings 5-7:30 PM	9 Steak Night Tuesday 5-7:30 PM \$18.50 Queen of Hearts 7PM House Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	10 Wednesday Night Burgers 5-7:30 PM PER Association 6 PM	11 LCR Party 6:30 PM (Activity Comm. Event)	12 Fish*Steak*Chicken & More BBQ Ribs Full Rack Trivia Night 7:00 PM (Activity Comm. Event)	13 MSPE All Day
14 NVS Bowling Tourney In Binghamton DD Clinic @ Carthage Lodge 10 AM	15 Monday Night Wings 5-7:30 PM	16 Steak Night Tuesday 5-7:30 PM \$18.50 Queen of Hearts 7PM	17 Wednesday Night Burgers 5-7:30 PM Veterans Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	18 Lodge Session 7:30 PM	19 Fish*Steak*Chicken & More Prime Rib	20 MSPE 12—4 PM
21	22 Monday Night Wings 5-7:30 PM	23 Steak Night Tuesday 5-7:30 PM \$18.50 Queen of Hearts 7PM	24 Wednesday Night Burgers 5-7:30 PM Board of Directors 6:30PM Elks Golf Mtg 6 PM	25 Bingo at the Bar 6:30 PM (Activity Comm. Event)	26 Fish*Steak*Chicken & More Baked 1/2 Chicken	27 MSPE 3—6 PM
28	29 Monday Night Wings 5-7:30 PM	30 Steak Night Tuesday 5-7:30 PM \$18.50 Queen of Hearts 7PM MSPE Blood Drive 1—6 PM	30 Steak Night Tuesday Steak & side, salad \$18.50 Also available: Chicken tenders & side, Chicken salad	Wednesdays Burgers & Fries: all burgers \$10.95 plus tax. Deep fried cheese curds w/ gravy—\$6.95 plus tax.	Tuesday—Friday Lunches: sandwiches, Wraps, salads, soups of the day, daily specials. 11:30 AM—2 PM	Check inside bulletin for additional info to Friday Night dinners and events



Watertown B.P.O.E. #496

www.elks496.org

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	12:00PM— 7:00PM

Home of PSP Francis Hart, PSP Nelson Navarra & PSP Timothy E. Kelly
Home of 2023-2024 North Central District SVP Joan Carlo

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Officers 2023—2024

Exalted Ruler	Michael Cummings
Est. Leading Knight	Philip K Nuffer
Est. Loyal Knight	PER Edward C Massa
Est. Lecturing Knight	Anthony DeMiceli
Secretary	PER Dennis J Brady
Treasurer	Beth A. Bennett
Esquire	Karen Miller
Tiler	Vacant
Chaplain	Vacant
Inner Guard	Vacant

Trustees:

TBA
Mary Hughes-Hoiston
Jay Miller
SVP Joan Carlo
PER Anne M Fleming

Presiding Justice—Matt Doheny
Mediator: Vic James
House Committee: Scott Hirst
Bar Manager: Geoff Mattraw
Kitchen Manager: Chris McCauley



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

David W Campbell	1	Joshua P Moran	5	Cynthia Lynn Derouin	11	James E Narrow	16	Gerald B Larose	23	Kevin R Berghorn	27
Gordon H Hall	1	John F O'Connor	5	Gary M Dragon	11	Wayne F Pate	16	Cameron Rapant	23	Rocco S Crescenzi	27
Albert C Woodard	1	Stewart G Snowdon Jr	5	Richard J Grassmann	11	Kevin E Robinson	16	Timothy M Castilleja	24	Alfred N Davis III	27
Dean Heath	2	Sarah Clement	7	Scott Green	11	Stephen Rutigliano	16	John C Damon Sr	24	Patrick Shortleeve	27
Daniel Patterson	2	Renee M Cook	7	Joy Lee Kriesick	11	Sylvia J Buduson	18	John W Fiorentino	24	Paul Jeremy Alberry	28
Kristan A Peck	2	William A Lawyer	7	Lisa Renzi	11	Frank J Chiuemento	18	Karen Gibbs	24	Wendy L Barnett	28
Christopher Robert	2	Ryan Lyng	7	Joshua Barnash	12	Christopher S Damon	18	Thomas L Hodge Jr	24	Frankie Caprara	28
Aaron P Ryor	2	Rusty K VanTassel	7	Charles P Donoghue	12	Gary J Hockey	18	Robert T L'Huillier	24	John R Clark	28
Carmen Carbone	3	George A Decker	8	Barbara Johnson	12	Russell Kellar	18	Michael A McCarthy	24	George F Courtney Sr	28
Franklin M Fuhrman	3	James E Humphrey	8	Anthony M Sparacino	12	William J Niewieroski Jr	18	Thomas H Misercola	24	Christopher Huni	28
Diane Kilburn	3	Richard J Steria	8	James L VanDusen	12	Anthony J Verne	18	Robin Oatman	24	Jennifer LaClair	28
Stephen Loonan	3	Samantha Gardner	9	Dennis J Brady	14	Sandi Dasno	19	Jonathan L Eyles	25	Dr John M Manfred	28
Dawn M Trombley	3	Gregory Henry	9	Michael Deline	14	Terri Gaylor	19	Gary E Pilon	25	Nancy Fey	29
Julie Verne	3	Michael A Parks	9	Dylan Hardwick	14	Bruce D Thomas	19	William M Slover	25	John J Gaffney	29
Craig C Bartholomew	4	Michael J Stofka	9	Edward J Southwell	14	John D Amedeo	20	Francis H Bazinet	26	Frank A Gorri	29
Sheri Doroha-VanAlstyne	4	Linda Thomas	9	Benjamin A Carroll	15	Tammy Eassa	20	Brian J LaLone	26	Jill B Wheeler	29
Francis Jareo	4	Paul J Green	10	Joseph J Converse	15	Michael D Saunders	20	Robert H Lefevre Sr	26	Edmond J Coseo	30
Brian P Martin	4	James Lawlor	10	James V Lettiere Jr	15	Douglas H Latray	21	F Toby Morrow	26	Jane Jenkins	30
Gary H Zehr	4	John J Rae	10	Steven S Schweitzer	15	Franklin C Massa Jr	21	Tony Netto	26		
Francis Devine	5	Ryan Amato	11	Carol A Cerow	16	Randy Parker	21	Betty H Reff	26		
George Mathar	5	Ernest J Clemons Jr	11	Dale R Duffy	16	Robert Walts	21	Kelvin R Berghorn	27		