

Exalted Ruler's Message

I would like to wish all our members a Happy New Year's 2023. This past year has gone by fast. Moving forward, the first meeting in February is the nomination for officers. Please consider becoming an officer. Also, continue to help volunteer and bring in new members. Last, but not least, please continue to pay your dues if you have not done so.

Thank you to all who made donations towards Harvest Dinner for Seniors, Warm Feet Warm Hands, and Children's Christmas party. Aside from the Harvest Dinner for Seniors being wiped out by the snowstorm, we were able to donate the meals to the local homeless people, the VFW and the Salvation Army. Your donations made it all possible and we were able to end the year 2022 on a good note for our Lodge.

Stay Safe and God Bless!

Fraternally yours,

Edward C Massa, ER

January Events

PIZZA SALE



**ORDER YOURS AND
GET THEM IN TIME FOR
SUPER BOWL LVII**



PICK UP ON SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11th

Noon—4:00 PM

ORDERS MUST BE PLACED BY FEBRUARY 4th

ALL PIZZAS ARE UNCOOKED

Plain Cheese	\$12
Butter garlic	\$12
Cheese & pepperoni	\$13
Cheese & sausage	\$13
Deluxe	\$15
(cheese, sausage, pepperoni, peppers, onions)	
Buffalo Chicken	\$15

TOTAL TO BE PAID WHEN ORDERING

Order forms available at the bar and on the website.

Family Night Dinner

Spaghetti & Meatballs

Thursday, January 12th

5:30—7:30 PM

Benefit Major Projects

**Spaghetti, meatballs,
salad, Italian bread**



\$12.00



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

Lodge email: elks496@centralny.twcbc.com

New Year's Day

Open Noon to 6:00 PM

Bloody Mary—\$1.50

Happy Hour Prices All Day



Antlers to Join Elks #496!

Coming soon to Watertown Elks #496, 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 an informational meeting on **Tuesday, January 10, 2023, at 7:00 PM**, at the lodge.

The Antlers of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America has the following major objectives which are in line with all we do as Elks.

- To quicken the spirit of American Patriotism
- To teach respect for parents and love of home
- To inculcate the fundamentals of good citizenship
- To aid in a worthy cause
- To establish foundation of character
- To promote the welfare and enhance the happiness of its Members
- And to respect the conviction of others in the matters of worship and religion is true Americanism

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.

Elks National Foundation Legacy Awards

Each year the Elks National Foundation awards \$1.4 million in college scholarships worth \$4,000 each to a total nationally of 350 children and grandchildren of dues paying Elks. Applicants are judged on knowledge, community service, charity and integrity. If you have a child or grandchild entering college in the Fall please encourage them to apply. The application process is done online. Please visit enf.elks.org/leg for further information or to apply.

The application deadline is **February 6, 2023**.

If you have any questions or need any assistance please contact Lodge #496 Scholarship Chair Peg Bootie at 315-788-0298 or abigail1893@verizon.net. Additionally, please watch the bulletin in April for information on our Lodge's local Legacy Scholarships that will awarded in the Spring of 2023.

BELL JAR REPORT

November 2022

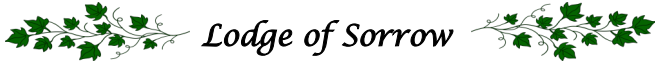
Total Income:	\$18,778
Total Expenses:	\$1,947
Worthy Causes:	\$200
Net Income:	\$16,631

MEMBERS ON THE SICK BOARD

Terry Scee Jr

Paul Fitzgerald

George Grappotte



Jon T Rich, Jr # 8743

From the secretary's desk:

Dues statements will be 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

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Submitted by the Grand Lodge: Per capita and fees set for 2023-2024

For the 2023-2024 fraternal year, on April 1, 2023, the following per capita and fees will be due from each Member: Grand Lodge per capita-\$6.50; Insurance assessment-\$17.00*; and the Elks Magazine assessment-\$5.50, for a total of \$29.00.

*This amount represents a \$5.00 per Member increase from last year.

Attention must continue to be given to retaining our delinquent Members as well as attracting new or reinstated Members. Involvement in Lodge activities should be encouraged to help keep Members interested.

If you, or someone you know, plan to visit Chicago over the winter, call the Grand Secretary's office to set-up a time, and staff can give you your own personal tour of the National Headquarters.

Season's Greetings and Happy Holidays from your Grand Lodge staff.

Indoctrination / Initiation

The following are ready for Indoctrination on Tuesday, January 17th and Initiation on Thursday, January 19th:

Chris Matthews	John Gaus
Matthew C Hildebranski	Martha Jones
Cameron Rapant	Ryan Skinner
Todd A Doldo	



Elks Care ~ Elks Share

On the morning of November 29, 2022, the Watertown Elks Lodge # 496 made a donation in the form of check to CAPC to cover the expense of the purchase of boots and mittens for area children as part of the Elks Annual Operation Warm Hands, Warm Feet. All this was made possible by generous donations of our Lodge members! The area children THANKS YOU and have made us beautiful Thank You cards!

Pictured from left to right: PER Dennis J Brady; Mary Jane Mathewson - Family Center Director; PER Trustee Kathy Converse; Craig Cashman - CEO; PER Trustee Cheryl Clark; Trustee Linda Knight; Trish Gay - Head Start Family Special Sr. Specialist.



Children's Christmas Party, Warm Hands, Warm Feet Harvest Dinner meals...

All smashing success!!! The Watertown Lodge # 496 would like to sincerely thank all the members who donated this year. It would not have been possible without your caring and giving hearts!!!!

To book an event at the lodge, call Lisa Green

Event Phone Number: (315) 816-8010 or

Lodge Phone Number: (315) 788-1720

Del Leween Funday Bowling League

Bowling league begins Sunday, January 8th at 1:00 PM. Be there around noonish to complete your USB's!!

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

January 2023

MSPE = Member Sponsored Private Event

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Del Leween FunDay Bowling 1:00 PM	2 Monday Night Wings 5-7:30 PM	3 Steak Night Tuesday 5-7:30 PM \$15.95 Queen of Hearts 7PM	4 Wednesday Night Burgers 5-7:30 PM	5 Lodge Session 7:30 PM Trustees Meeting 6:30 PM	6 Friday Night Dinner 5-7:30 PM See menu below	7 MSPE 4-9pm in Lodge Banquet Room
8 Del Leween FunDay Bowling 1:00 PM	9 Monday Night Wings 5-7:30 PM House Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	10 Steak Night Tuesday 5-7:30 PM \$15.95 Queen of Hearts 7PM NEW! Antlers Program See info inside—7 pm	11 Wednesday Night Burgers 5-7:30 PM	12 Family Night Dinner Spaghetti & Meatballs 5:30—7:30 PM Benefit Major Projects See inside—\$12.00	13 Friday Night Dinner 5-7:30 PM See menu below Specials: Stuffed Peppers—\$10.95	14 MSPE 4-9pm in Lodge Banquet Room
15 Del Leween FunDay Bowling 1:00 PM MSPE 1-3pm in Lodge Banquet Room	16 Monday Night Wings 5-7:30 PM	17 Steak Night Tuesday 5-7:30 PM \$15.95 Queen of Hearts 7PM Indoctrination—7 PM	18 Wednesday Night Burgers 5-7:30 PM	19 Initiation & Lodge Session 7:30 PM	20 Friday Night Dinner 5-7:30 PM See menu below	21
22 Del Leween FunDay Bowling 1:00 PM DD Clinic @ Ogdensburg Lodge 10:00 AM No Tap Bowling follows @ 1PM	23 Monday Night Wings 5-7:30 PM	24 Steak Night Tuesday 5-7:30 PM \$15.95 Queen of Hearts 7PM	25 Wednesday Night Burgers 5-7:30 PM Board of Directors Meeting 6:30 PM	26	27 Friday Night Dinner 5-7:30 PM See menu below Specials: Scalloped Potatoes & Ham— \$10.95	28 MSPE 6-11pm in Lodge Banquet Room
29 Del Leween FunDay Bowling 1:00 PM	30 Monday Night Wings 5-7:30 PM	31 Steak Night Tuesday 5- 7:30 PM \$15.95 Queen of Hearts 7PM	1 Lunch Served Tuesday— Friday 11:30 AM—2 PM		Friday Night Dinner Menu: Prime Rib: King Cut (16oz) - \$24.95 Queen Cut (12oz) - \$19.99 Haddock—\$11.95 Chicken tenders—\$8.95	TO BOOK AN EVENT AT THE LODGE, CALL LISA GREEN AT (315) 816-8010 OR (315) 788-1270



Watertown

B.P.O.E. #496

www.elks496.org

Home of PSP Francis Hart, PSP Nelson Navarra & PSP Timothy E. Kelly
Home of 2022-2023 North Central District DDGER Jill Bruce Wiley

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

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

Elks Care — Share

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Watertown, NY 13601

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P.O. Box 6008
Watertown, New York 13601-6008

January Birthdays

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

Mark Decilles	1	Chuck Capone	8	Dina Kelly	13	John Morgia	18	Michael Hanson	22	Mary McClure	28
Jeffrey Turner	1	William Dowdle	8	Timothy Tallmadge	13	John Parks	18	Melissa Kampnich	22	Leo McNulty	28
Thomas Compo	2	Paul Heckmann	8	Elwyn Bodley	14	Gary Stinson	18	Amanda Mayne	22	Justina Neddo	28
Brenna Ginger	2	Scott Kolb	8	Nicholas D'Argenio	14	Ian Voodre	18	Lloyd Damon	24	James Scordo	28
David Renzi	2	Bruce MacKenzie	9	Bonnie Herman	14	Gordon Greene	19	George Eassa	24	Griffin DeForest	29
Damita Smith	2	Robin Scordo	9	John Keegan	14	Todd Knight	19	Linda Harter	24	Scott Scee	29
Charles Caprara	3	David Gebo	10	Lawrence Lafave	14	Edward Thomas	19	Walter Jones	24	John Clement	30
Lisa Davoy	3	James Miller	10	Leo Coleman	15	David Butler	20	Donald Godfrey	25	Michael Fortunato	30
Patrick Merritt	3	Alexander Ritz Jr	10	Charles Holland	15	Douglas Clement	20	Jody Hewitt	25	George Lafex	30
Darren Smith	3	Mark Capone	11	Christopher Boulio	16	Kristine Frederick	20	Judy Motter	25	Deborah Patchen	30
Michael Barker	4	Ronald Chisamore	11	Suzanne Davis	16	Eric Hoiston	20	Raymond Shelmidine	25	Joan Roach	30
Joelle Decillis	4	Timothy Esposito	11	Jack McIlroy	16	Arthur Parker	20	George Morley	26	Joseph Gravelle	31
Thomas Gee	4	Virginia Fleming	11	Connie Riordan	16	Peter Philips	20	William Stoodley	26	Charles Schweinsberg	31
Robin Smith	4	Frank Schepis	11	Leo Thompson	16	Denise Deline	21	Loren Walts	26	Steve Smith	31
Sandra Bruno	5	Stephanie Shorkey	11	Steven Adams	17	Patrick O'Donnell	21	James Distefano	27		
Scott Clark	5	Frank Marzano	12	Craig Frederick	17	Steven Wood	21	Cindy Eiss	27		
Joseph Fiorentino	6	Paul Bouchard	13	Walter Gallo	17	Cindy Fitzpatrick	22	Jeffrey Wiley	27		
Ronald Horning	6	Brian Cowan	13	Bonnie Peck	17	Patrick Frier	22	Cynthia Mason	28		



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