Brattleboro Lodge of Elks No. 1499 December 2023

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Exalted Ruler's Message

Closing the books on November, we had a great month!

The Veterans breakfast on November 12 was a great success. I would like to thank all of the volunteers who worked on it and Bill & Barb Wallace who organized it.

With the holiday season upon us I would like to remind all officers that there will only be one meeting in December which will be held on the 13th.

We added seven new members to this great organization in November. It was a pleasure to have District Deputy South Jim Morse and Karen Whitney join us for the initiation. We hope these new members will become active members in our lodge.

Upcoming this month will be the Childrens Christmas party on the 2nd and the Elks Memorial service on the 3rd. For December dinners, please see the "From the House" section.

Many thanks to Barbie Barrett and her crew for cooking their first Friday night supper. It was delicious! I would like to see more new faces joining in on the Friday night suppers. It is always a lot of fun.

Keep an eye out for continued raffles, as Nancy always has something going on. Also, check out the Brattleboro Elks Facebook raffle page.

With the holiday season upon us I would like to wish a safe and happy holiday season to all your families and friends.

Sincerely, Exalted Ruler Jeff Kerylow

Happenings:



On Sunday, December 3, the lodge will conduct the annual Memorial Service for our recently departed members. The service will begin promptly at 11:00am. There will be a luncheon following the service. The tablets of remembrance will be updated to include those members we lost in the past year:

Nancy G. Whelan

Born 02/03/1943 Initiated 06/08/2016 Deceased 04/19/2023

Christian Hansen, Jr.

Born 10/16/1931 Initiated 02/17/1968 Deceased 5/17/2023

John H. Babbitt

Born 02/03/1928 Initiated 09/13/1975 Deceased 06/072023

Ben R. Abel

Born 01/31/1939 Initiated 09/22/1976 Deceased 07/27/2023

Kevin Hawkins

Born 07/12/1949 Initiated 02/21/1988 Deceased 07/29/2023

Beth McLean

Born 03/06/1986 Initiated 08/12/2015 Deceased 09/16/2023

We invite all members as well as friends and family of those departed to attend.



Propositions for Membership

Richard Pollica proposed by Ralph Buchanan
Patricia Gilbert proposed by Courtney Millerick
Adam Ziegner proposed by Frank Lopez
Heidi Waite proposed by Nancy Kerylow by reinstatement

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We are always looking for people to host a dinner. Anyone that is interested can talk to Nancy or anyone of us on the House Committee. On behalf of the House Committee, I would like to wish every one a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Stay Safe!

Meals:

December 8 Wings December 15 French Night December 22 Southern Night December 29 Fish & Chips

Raffles:

Nancy continues to run raffles which benefit our Elks Charities and members of our community. Thank you Nancy and all who continue to support our Lodge and the Charities that we support. You have proven that "Elks Care, Elks Share."

Thank you, Frank



Left: Students of the Month from Brattleboro UHS

Right: Students of the Month from Hinsdale HS



We initiated 7 new members on November 8th. L to R: Serena Benedict, Anna Borgatti, Larry Kempf, Jimmy Kempf, ER Jeff Kerylow, Mark Sprague, Trevor Flannery, Sara Achilles



NATIONAL AND STATE ELKS' SCHOLARSHIPS; AWARDS; AND GRANTS AVAILABLE

For further information: Visit: www.elks.org/enf/scholars

Email: scholarship@elks.org

MOST VALUABLE **STUDENT Scholarship**

This is open to any graduating senior, U.S. citizen, in the country. This application should be completed online. The deadline for this

> scholarship is November 13, 2024.

ENF LEGACY AWARDS

These are available to children or grandchildren of members of the Elks in good standing only. The applications must be completed online. The deadline for this application is February 5, 2024.

For questions, contact: Gene Whitney P: (802) 380-2660

E: gwhitney@wsesu.org

EMERGENCY EDUCATIONAL GRANTS

These are grants for children of deceased or totally disabled Elks. Applications are available from May 1 to November 2. Access the application online.

ROGER SHERIDAN **SCHOLARSHIPS**

Awarded to a senior girl and boy who plan to major in physical education or a related field. These scholarships are sponsored through the Vermont Elks Association and applications are due February 1, 2024 and distributed by request.

BRATTLEBORO ELKS' SCHOLARSHIP

Criteria: Male or female high school senior who wishes to further his/her education. Applicant must be a student at Brattleboro UHS, Hinsdale HS, Leland & Gray UHS, or Twin Valley UHS. The student should be accepted to a College, Technical School, or University. Deadlines is April 5, 2024.

EARL CAVANAGH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Criteria: Male or female student currently enrolled in a University, Technical School, or College. The applicant must be a child or grandchild of a member, or is a member, in good standing, of Brattleboro Elks' Lodge #1499.

Deadline is April 5, 2024.



December 2023 Calendar of Events

Looking for a way to support the lodge? Volunteer at one of the dinners or events. We are always in need of volunteers.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
					1	Kid's Christmas Party	
					John Kilduff	Allen Cohen Emmy Sheldon	
3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
Elks Memorial Service				Hanukkah Starts	Wings		
Robert J Richotte Jr Ramona Severance	Valerie Hughes Paul W Jones Joshua Roberts Diane Vergara	Kevin Lambert	Daniel Bacigalupo Serena Benedict William J DeCosmo	Richard S Johnson Jr Matthew M Ogden Edward J Seekins Joseph S Spano	Chad Cutting Ryan Cutting David R Follensbee	Bobbi Kilburn Walter Maitland	
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	
			Lodge Meeting 7 PM		French Night		
Scot R Hodgdon	Tanner Freeman Jessica Galdamez James L McPhail Jr	Chad Frechette Floyd W Musgrove	Brandy J Speno		Hanukkah Ends Daniel Boyd Lawrence LaBarge	Kelli Corbeil William F Solomon James Spiak	
17	18	19	20	21	Southern Night	23	
Chester A Grenda Leslie Jo Houssan Stephanie S Huestis	Michael J Finnell George A Wright			James L Coulombe Rachael Speno	David V Dias	David F Bell Stephen Kerylow Thomas R O'Connell III John Whelan	
24 Roger Aiken Donald F Lavalley Karen Trenosky Julie Zolnoski Mya McAuliffe Kelsey Rabideau	Moony ChuTmas	26	27	28	Fish & Chips	30	
Happy New Year 31	Douglas L Hadlock	Gabrielle Ciuffreda Justine Murphy	James P Barrett Peter J Duff	Lori Brown Bryce Fletcher Jean Wilde	Alex Richardson		

2023-2024 Elected Officers

Exalted Ruler: Jeffrey Kerylow
Leading Knight: Melissa McAuliffe
Loyal Knight: S. Chase Stanley
Lecturing Knight: Amanda Daniels
Secretary: Mark Gouger
Treasurer: Steven Nelson
State Trustee: Frank Lopez
Trustees: Karen Zelenakas, Jeff Dixon,
Pete Randall, Ralph Buchanan,
Barbara Wallace

· · · <u>Appointed Officers</u> · · ·

Esquire: Frank Lopez Chaplain: Jil MacMenamin Tiler: Jean Wilde Inner Guard: Lucie Fortier





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