



# ***Elks Newsletter***

***April 2018***

***Sebasticook Valley Lodge 2713***

***PO Box 459***

***Pittsfield, ME 04967***



## ***Exalted Ruler' Message***

I would like to take this time to thank the lodge for letting me be your Exalted Ruler for the upcoming year. And we still have some officers' chairs open if you would like to help out your lodge. Please see me.

It's my sad duty to inform you that Honorary Life Member Arey C. Bryant has passed away.

Arey was also a Charter Member and served as Lodge secretary for many years. More details are inside.

We will be having the Skowhegan-Madison Lodge install our officers on Saturday, April 7. Happy Hour will be at 4 and the fun will start afterwards. And a big thank you goes out to the members who took out time to come over and install us.

"Congratulations" to our newest Past Exalted Ruler Joan Bowley. Thanks for your hard work.

"Congratulations" also go out to Officer of the Year Luke DeLong and Elk of the Year Scott "Fuzzy" Williams.

I will be heading down to the Waterville Elks for the State Convention; and on Sunday, May 6, I will be at the Memorial Service for our departed members. So if you would like to come to the service, please be there by 10:30 a.m.

We are looking for help bartending; and if you can give us just a little time, it would get the other bartenders a little break.

Thanks for the hard work they are doing and filling the shifts.

I would also like to thank the lodge for letting me put on the Mike and Holly Cote benefit supper.

We put over 300 hundred people thru the door that night and raised over \$5,700 to help with Holly's medical expenses.

Thanks to all the people that came together and pulled this off.

Fraternally,  
Michael A. Havey, PER



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# Sebasticook Valley Elks

Past Exalted Ruler Michael A. Havey  
cordially invites you to our

## Installation of Officers



Saturday, April 7

Social Hour: 4 p.m.

Installation ceremony by the

Skowhegan-Madison Elks Lodge: 5 p.m.

A pot-luck dinner will be served in the club  
room afterwards

Please join us and get the new  
lodge year off to a great start!

# Honorary Life Member Arey C. Bryant passes away



Honorary Life Member and Charter Member Arey C. Bryant, 88, of Pittsfield died on March 25, 2018. He served as Lodge Secretary for many years.

After graduating from Maine Central Institute in 1948, Arey joined the U. S. Navy and served during the Korean War as a medical corpsman, with a tour of duty in Japan treating wounded soldiers. Starting as a clerk and rural letter carrier in 1956, Arey began a long career in the U.S. Postal Service. He was promoted to postmaster in Pittsfield in 1973 and later served in the same capacity at the Rockland Post Office.

After his retirement in 1996, he served as President of the Rural Maine Letter Carriers, President of the Maine Postmasters Association, Vice President of the National Association of Postmasters (NAPUS) and President of the NAPUS Retirees of Maine.

Arey was active in Boy Scouts, Little League, Jaycees and the Kiwanis Club.

In 2006, he was elected to Honorary Life Membership in the Sebec Valley Elks Lodge. He also served on the SAD 53 School Board for 15 years.

Arey is survived by his life companion, Suzanne Mercier, her daughter Megan, her sons Mark and Michael, Arey's daughter Kathleen, Arey's sons Richard, Kevin and Robert, seven grandchildren and seven great grandchildren.

A public memorial service will be held at the Elks Lodge on Saturday, March 31, beginning at 1 p.m. At 2 p.m., a U.S. Navy honor guard will present a ceremonial flag to honor Arey's military service and a ceremony will be conducted by the Rev. Scott Jones.

Arey requested that in lieu of flowers, please make contributions to Maine Central Institute, 295 Main Street, Pittsfield, ME 04967 or the Sebec Valley Elks Lodge, PO Box 459, Pittsfield, ME 04967.

In addition to the fine community work performed by the Elks, they need a new roof for their Middle Street Lodge.

An Elks Vacant Chair Ceremony will be held during the Monday, April 23 lodge meeting.

## Elks sponsoring MCI Robotics Team

In celebration of the Elks' 150th anniversary the Elks National Foundation made a \$1,500 Anniversary Grant available to all Lodges.

The grant had to be used for any of the following purposes: to relieve the poor, distressed or underprivileged; advance education; lessen the burdens of government; lessen neighborhood tensions; eliminate prejudice and discrimination; or to combat juvenile delinquency.

The Lodge voted to advance education by becoming a sponsor of the Maine Central Institute Robotics team, the Terror Bytes. The team is mentored by Aaron Basford, son of Wayne Basford, PER and Ginny Basford. The \$1,500 dollars went toward the purchase of the basic robotics kit required to participate in FIRST Robotics competitions.

The Lodge has also donated the use for the hall for fundraisers and demonstrations. The team helped the Lodge by serving at the Veterans' Day dinner.


Learn more about the team on their Facebook page: MCI Robotics Team - FRC 6337.

Support the ENF to help us bring more grants to the community!



# Event Calendar

## April 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
			Happy Hour! 4-7 p.m.		Happy Hour! 4-7 p.m.	Installation of Officers
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	Board of Directors, 6:15 Lodge meeting, 7 p.m.	House Committee 6:30 p.m.	Happy Hour! 4-7 p.m.		Happy Hour! 4-7 p.m.	
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
			Happy Hour! 4-7 p.m.		Happy Hour! 4-7 p.m.	
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	Board of Directors, 6:15 Lodge meeting, 7 p.m.		Happy Hour! 4-7 p.m.		Happy Hour! 4-7 p.m.	Chili Cook-Off
29	30	1	2	3	4	5
			Happy Hour! 4-7 p.m.		Happy Hour! 4-7 p.m.	MEA Convention Waterville

An important reminder to all members! Your 2017-18 dues card expired on March 31. The card locks will be changed in the club room on April 1, so you cannot patronize the lounge nor participate in lodge activities until your 2017-18 dues are paid. So please clip out the dues notice in this edition of the newsletter and either mail it in with your check or drop it off at the lodge ASAP. Your prompt payment not only assures that you'll remain a member in good standing, but will also help your lodge with its cash flow. Thank you!



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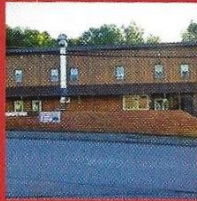
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## 2018-2019 Officers

**Exalted Ruler:** Michael A. Havey, PER  
**Est. Leading Knight:** Wayne Basford, PER  
**Est. Loyal Knight:** Jasper Farrington  
**Est. Lecturing Knight:** Vacant  
**Secretary:** Terry White  
**Treasurer:** Sarah DeLong, PER  
**Tiler:** Roberta Kelly  
**Esquire:** Michael D. Lange, PER  
**Chaplain:** Rita Farrington  
**Inner Guard:** Vacant  
**Presiding Justice:** Joshua A. Tardy  
**Trustees:**  
Lucas DeLong  
David Brown  
Kyle Paquin  
Carol Pettengill  
One vacancy  
**State Trustee:** Ernest Bryant, PER

## 2018-2019 Committee Chairs

**Accident Prevention:** Ernest Bryant, PER  
**Americanism:** Tricia Alley  
**Auditing and Accounting Committee:**  
Michael Lange, PER  
**Bulletin Editor:** Kathy Parent  
**Community Projects and Activities:**  
Michael Havey, PER  
**Drug Awareness:** Tricia Alley  
**Elks Memorial Day:**  
Michael Lange, PER  
**Elks National Foundation:** Lucas DeLong  
**Flag Day:** Ernest Bryant, PER  
**Fraternal Committee:** Sarah DeLong, PER  
**Golf Tournament:** Dennis Bragg, PER  
**Government Relations:**  
Joshua A. Tardy  
**Hoop Shoot:** William Piatt  
**House Committee:** Lucas DeLong  
**Lodge Activities:** Sarah DeLong, PER  
**Membership:** Sarah DeLong, PER  
**PER Association:** TBA  
**Public Relations Committee:**  
Kathy Parent  
**Ritualistic Chairperson:** Lucas DeLong  
**Soccer Shoot:** William Piatt  
**State Major Project:** Terry White  
**Veterans Services:** TBA  
**Youth Activities:** Chris Peterson

## Sebasticook Valley Elks 2713

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Dues Statement – April 1, 2018 to March 31, 2019

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Membership No. \_\_\_\_\_

Check one

☐ Life Membership – Prepaid Dues \$10  
Grand Lodge and State Association Dues \$20

**Total \$30**

☐ Regular – Prepaid Dues \$40  
Grand Lodge and State Association Dues \$20

**Total \$60**

☐ Optional – Elks National Foundation \$10

☐ Optional – Capital Improvement Fund \$5

Please return this statement with your payment or drop it off at the lodge.

### Sebasticook Valley Elks Chili Cook-Off!



**Saturday, April 28  
6:30 p.m.**

**Bring in your best recipe!  
“Hot or Not”**

**\$5 “Tasting Fee” donation  
Try ‘em all – enjoy ‘em all!  
Prizes for the best entries!**

**Open to Elks Members and  
Invited Guests!**

### Sebasticook Valley Elks Kentucky Derby Party and Hat Contest

**Saturday, May 5**

**Action begins at 6 p.m.**

*Wear your most colorful and unique  
hats with a horse racing theme. We’ll  
have drink specials, too!*



**Open to paid-up Elks Members\*  
and Invited Guests!**

*\*New dues cards must be used starting  
Saturday, April 1 for all lodge and club  
room events.*



# 2018 Maine Elks Association 89th Convention



The Maine Elks Association 89th Convention will be held at the Waterville Elks Lodge 905 on May 4-6, 2018. We are looking forward to hosting the members and guests of all the lodges from across the great state of Maine.

The Waterville Elks have planned both a productive and entertaining weekend for you all. Here is the weekend convention schedule.

## **Friday, May 4, 2018**

Time Event Dress Code

1:00 - 4:00 P.M. Registration Casual  
1:00 - 4:00 P.M. Vendor Exhibit Casual  
4:30 - 5:00 P.M. Nominating Committee Jacket/Tie  
5:00 - 6:00 P.M. Social Hour Jacket/Tie  
6:00 - 7:30 P.M. Dinner Jacket/Tie  
7:30 - 8:30 P.M. Awards Jacket/Tie  
8:30 - 11:00 P.M. Entertainment 905 Lounge Casual

## **Saturday, May 5, 2018**

9:00 - Noon Registration Casual  
9:00 - 3:00 P.M. Vendor Exhibit Casual  
8:30 - 9:00 AM PER Association Meeting Jacket/Tie  
9:00 - Noon Paint Workshop 905 Casual  
9:00 - 10:00 AM Trustee Meeting Jacket/Tie  
10:00 - Noon General Membership Business Meeting Jacket/Tie  
1:00 - 2:00 P.M. DD Orientation Casual  
2:00 - 3:00 P.M. National Pre-Convention Meeting Casual  
5:30 - 6:00 P.M. Social Hour Semi-Formal/Jacket/Tie  
6:00 - 7:30 P.M. Dinner Semi-Formal/Jacket/Tie  
7:30 - 8:30 P.M. Awards Semi-Formal/Jacket/Tie  
8:30 - 11:00 P.M. Entertainment Casual

## **Sunday, May 6, 2018**

10:00 - 11:00 AM Memorial Service Semi-Formal/Casual  
11:00 - 12:00 AM Officer Installation Semi-Formal/Casual

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