

Brattleboro Lodge of Elks No. 1499

June 2022

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Exalted Ruler's Message

The month of May flew by but was filled with activities. As usual, our wonderful lodge members excelled in getting things done!

Most of the Elks officers attended an Elks Training session on Thursday, May 5 led by Michael Finnell (PER, PSP, PDD). It was very informative and helped illustrate what Elks need to know to do their jobs properly. Another session will be held in the fall for those officers who were unable to attend. However, any member is welcome to join this session. Thank you, Michael, for sharing your time and knowledge.

May 1 - 7 was designated as Elks National Youth Week, which was recognized by a banner outside our lodge. Unfortunately, with Covid still active, we were again unable to hold our annual

Youth in Government Day, but sincerely hope to next year. We will, however, continue to recognize and support our youth throughout the year, as one week is certainly not enough.

More than 120 people were served a fabulous feast for Mother's Day on Sunday, May 8. Many families attended and it was so heartwarming to see several generations spending time together enjoying a delicious meal. Many, many heartfelt thanks to the wonderful members who did all the work to make it a special day! I would truly like to name you all but am certain I would surely forget someone.

There were 23 members from our lodge who attended the State Convention in Saratoga, NY May 13-15. The accommodations at the motel were very comfortable, along with delicious meals. State President Scott Phillips, First Lady Kelly, and their entire team were very gracious hosts and made the convention enjoyable for all. Much appreciation to Leading Knight Jeff Kerylow and Manager Nancy Kerylow for organizing, shopping for, and transporting all the items for the Brattleboro Hospitality room and to all those who pitched in to set up and clean up. Congratulations and much gratitude is extended to Jil McMenamin for her hard work in putting together our Youth Activities Book that was presented for judging at the convention. Brattleboro Lodge was recognized as the winner for our entry! Frank Lopez (PER, PDD) was installed as the state Trustee from Brattleboro Lodge and Ruth Houle was appointed as the state Public Relations Chairperson for the upcoming year. **At the final meeting of the convention on Sunday, May 15, Brattleboro Lodge donated \$9700 to Silver Towers in honor of our 97 years of existence.** This donation will go towards our 2022-2023 required lodge assessment.

The final Nationality Night until October, known as "The Last Supper", was held on Thursday, May 19 and spear-headed by Bill Wallace. The diners grilled their own steaks on the outdoor firepit.

The first of two Students of the Month banquets was held on Thursday, May 26 recognizing Brattleboro area students. Thank you to Gene Whitney for organizing these events and to Bill Wallace and his crew for putting on the meal.

A small Memorial Day celebration will take place at the lodge on Monday, May 30, to recognize all those who made the ultimate sacrifice for us to be able to live the way we do! The second student of the Month banquet will be held on Thursday, June 2 to honor students from Twin Valley, Hinsdale, and Leland & Gray. David Follensbee will be the chef for that event. A contingent of Brattleboro lodge members will head to Silver Towers on Saturday, June 4, for the annual clean-up day with our fellow lodges.

We started off our year in a great fashion and it will only get better due to the dedication of our hard-working members. Thank you to all who have participated!

Barbara Wallace, ER

Happenings:



ATTENTION:

SEEKING BIDS FOR NEW DECK ROOF

The lodge is looking for bids to construct a roof over our new deck. Since the deck is new, we are trying to prevent damage from the elements so it will last longer.

We also wish to make it more comfortable to use the deck during hot days.

If you are interested or know someone who may be, please contact Steve Nelson at the lodge to discuss.

News From



Saturday, June 4
Annual Clean-up Day,
with our fellow lodges!



Lodge of Sorrow

“The faults of our members we write upon the sands; their virtues upon the tablets of love and memory.”

Steve Holley

Passed away: April 17, 2022

Jeffrey W. Durborow

Passed away: April 19, 2022

JoAnn Howard-Wisniewski

Passed away: April 23, 2022

Members Installed on April 27

Casandra Martin
Dave Evans
Jean Evans
Chris Day

Mark Anderson
John Brooks
Evan Daigneault
Amy Kellom

Congratulations and welcome to our new members!



Top Row L to R: David Evans, Jean Evans, Mark Anderson, Chris Day
Front Row L to R: Evan Daigneault, John Brooks, Casandra Martin, Amy Kellom



FLAG DAY

We will be performing our annual Flag Day ceremony at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday, June 12.

All old, torn, or discarded flags should be brought to the lodge in order that they may be disposed of properly.

Flags may be left in the box outside the lodge entrance at any time.

4th OF JULY PARADE

Brattleboro Lodge members will again be carrying the Garrison flag and leading the parade in the Brattleboro Goes Fourth celebration on Monday, July 4.

It is less cumbersome if we get at least 30 people to participate and there is a sign-up sheet posted at the lodge.

Family members are always welcome! New t-shirts will be provided to all marchers.

Any extra t-shirts will be sold to defray the cost of purchase.

Please contact chairpersons Lori and Jeff McAllister with any questions.

From The House

On behalf of the House Committee, I would like to congratulate Exalted Ruler Barbara Wallace for winning the Eleven O'clock Toast competition at the 95th Vermont Elks Association Convention. Also, congratulations to Jil MacMenamin for winning the award for the best Youth Activities Notebook.

I want to wish everyone a happy, safe and fun filled summer!

Frank

Meals

June 3rd **Barbequed Ribs with Coleslaw and Fries**

June 17th **Wings**

Our Nationality Night Dinners have come to an end for now. When the nationality Night dinners start up again in the fall they will be moved to Friday instead of Thursday. We hope this move will encourage greater participation and be more convenient for our members.

Raffles:

Small Patio Set, donated by Nancy Kerylow

Tickets: 1 for \$5 or 3 for \$10

VENMO: Bratt-Elks or stop in the lodge.

Drawing: June 17th

Thank you.



June 2022 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.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 David S Berrie Sr Hilary Johnson Peggy Maxfield Jared Powers	2 Student of the Month Dinner Joseph J Bobee Sr Ruth Houle Timothy E Johnson Lee Leibowitz	3 BBQ Ribs Coleslaw & Fries	4 Silver Towers Clean-up Jack A Hutchins
5 William A Christmas James Paice	6 Alain Bernier Brenda Emery David R Fiske Norman A Johnson	7 Savanah Baker Jerome W Galanes Kevin Gragen Parker Waite	8 Lodge Meeting 7 PM	9 Craig Bengtson Heather Brown Kathy Cassin Francis E Dunleavy	10 Steve Clement Karen Henry William C Lynch	11
12 Flag Day Ceremony 10:00am George E Zumburski	13 Tierney Dwyer Hastings Simone Monette Barbara C Wallace Robert A Yantiss	14 Dennis Cote Sr Christopher K Martel Timothy J Selivanoff	15 Donald Yanke	16 Kelly E Dias Wendy Gouin Daniel McKenna	17 Wing Night Raffle Drawing Peggy DeAngelis Ronald Sebert Stephen R Stockwell	18 Lynda Jewett-Bell
19 	20 Jared V Rediske Mark V Speno	21	22 Lodge Meeting 7 PM Kristin Bratton Douglas N Emery Carolynn Fox	23 Sheila M Crowley Christopher J Haskins Douglas Hunt Tiffany Stanley	24 Daniel P Hiner	25 Michael Worden
26 Sarah Cassidy Peter Gallagher Dennis Mayotte Robert A Wistrom Karen E Zelenakas	27 Tony H Barton Spencer Bristol Robert J Lanoue George Schneeberger	28 Brad Borofsky Russell Brown Kim R Gragen	29 Michael P Gouin Richard B Hodgdon John Mathewson Joanne L Sprague	30 Judith Butynski David F Marine		

2022-2023 Elected Officers

EXALTED RULER: Barbara Wallace
LEADING KNIGHT: Jeffrey Kerylow
LOYAL KNIGHT: Dana Zelenakas
LECTURING KNIGHT: Amanda Daniels
SECRETARY: Mark Gouger
TREASURER: Steven Nelson
STATE TRUSTEE: Frank Lopez
5 YEAR TRUSTEE: Pete Randall
••• Appointed Officers •••
ESQUIRE: William Wallace
CHAPLAIN: Jil MacMenamin
TILER: Adam Smith
INNER GUARD: Melissa McAuliffe

From the Secretary

Dues payments for the 2022/2023 year were due on April 1. We still have too many delinquent members on our rolls. If you have not yet paid your dues for the year, please remit them ASAP. Dues payments allow us to fulfill many charitable requests in our community.

Send In Your Lodge NEWS



The email to send your lodge news and events to is elks1499newsletter@gmail.com. Please have info to me by the 15th of the month.

Thank you,
Kristin Bratton



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