

BRATTLEBORO LODGE OF ELKS NO 1499

July - August 2025

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Exalted Ruler's Message

We have just wrapped up a busy month at the Club. June 4th we held our Student of the Month banquet. On June 7th a group of us went to the Silver Towers Camp clean up. And, on June 14th we held another successful Andrew Jewett Memorial Kids Fishing Derby. The annual Flag Day ceremony was held later in the afternoon on June 14. Thank you to all who helped and volunteered.

From June 29 to July 2 eight of us will be travelling to Kansas City, MO to represent our lodge at the Elks National Convention.

On July 4th we have once again been asked to lead the Brattleboro Goes Fourth parade with our American Flag.

Sunday, July 13th, is the annual Motorcycle/Classic Car ride up at Silver Towers. They are continuing the red, white and blue theme again this year. There will be many raffles taking place including our own 10" inflatable paddle board. Tickets are available for purchase at the club. Many thanks to Farrell Distribution and Sam Fontaine for the donation.

Sunday, August 3 is the annual Walk-a-thon at Silver Towers. If you would like to participate or sponsor a walker, contact me or stop by the club.

I hope everyone has a wonderful summer!

Jeffrey Dixon
Exalted Ruler

There will be
only one Elks newsletter
for the months of
July & August!

Just Ask

**NEW MEMBERS ARE THE
LIFEBLOOD OF OUR
ORGANIZATION.**

**PLEASE ASK FAMILY
MEMBERS, FRIENDS AND
CO-WORKERS IF THEY
WOULD BE INTERESTED IN
MEMBERSHIP TO THE ELKS.**

**The next initiation of new members
will be held at our regular lodge
meeting of July 9, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.
We ask that you join us to help
welcome our new members.**

CURRENT DONATIONS:

Tuition for area Silver Towers Campers	\$ 3800
Kurn Hattin School	\$ 250
Brattleboro Memorial Hospital	\$ 250
Boys and Girls Club	\$ 400
Kelsey Wells Scholarship	\$ 750
Brattleboro Parks and Rec.	\$ 165

Propositions for Membership:

Ronald Stephenson	Proposed by Stephanie Huestis
Allyson Gamache	Proposed by Billy-Jo Gouger
Jennifer Thompson	Proposed by Nathan Daniels (for reinstatement)

Lodge of Sorrow.....In Vain we Call

Robert G. Stocker, LM Born 09/02/1932 Initiated 08/21/1974 Passed 08/02/2024

Robert J. Lanoue, LM Born 06/27/1946 Initiated 11/03/1973 Passed 06/02/2025



The annual Brattleboro Goes Fourth parade will take place on Friday, July 4th. Brattleboro Lodge members will again lead the parade carrying our Garrison Flag. If you wish to help carry the flag, please add your name to the signup sheet at the lodge. Family members are also encouraged to join.



FROM THE HOUSE – MEALS FOR JULY AND AUGUST

July 4, No meal	Aug 1, Deck Dogs by Mark Gouger
July 11, Wings	Aug 8, No meal
July 18, No meal	Aug 15, Wings
July 19, Ruebens by Dave Follensbee	Aug 22, OPEN (any volunteers)?
July 25, Chicken Marsala by Tiffany	Aug 29, Chicken Sandwich & Fries

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."

The weather is going to start to get warmer. Come on down and enjoy our beautiful deck with your fellow members. Weather permitting, the first Friday of each month will be Deck Dogs!

Have a safe and fun filled summer!

Thank You!

Frank, Committee Chair



The annual Silver Towers Motorcycle/Classic Car ride will take place on Sunday, August 3. The theme will be red, white and blue. All the lodges in Vermont will have raffle prizes that will be brought to Silver Towers Camp. Raffle winners will be drawn after the ride.

JULY 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 Albert Huffman, Jr Virigina Staats	2 Paul Rounds	3 David August Chris Day Lewis LaClair Lynton Worden, Jr.	4  Rick Ballantine Chris Bell Kevin Mason	5 Zachary Corbin
6 Juliette Jewett Rocky Larock, Jr Lori Nelson Nicole Rancourt	7 Michael Gorman Lisa Johnson	8 Mark Garland Brian Squires	9 LODGE MEETING & INITIATION 7 PM Devin Kazeroid James Kozlowski George Pond Tracy Treadwell	10 Michael Campbell Jill Meschke	11 <i>Wings</i> Savannah Casey Kate Margaitis	12 Christal Dawes Lewis Hatch IV
13 Thomas Frechette Alex Stradecki Gail Ventura	14 Forrest Brown Jeannette Newman	15 Sparkie Robinson	16 Mark Speno	17 Henry Diemer, Jr	18 <i>No meal</i> Jay Bean Sonja Hurley	19 <i>Ruebens</i> <i>Silver Towers Golf Tourney</i> David Clark Steven Nelson
20 Philip Bond Brie Gouger Noreen Lake	21 Stephen Hellus Lori McAllister	22	23 Kyle Cassavaugh Jim Derosia Patrick Greenleaf Howard Lane, Jr William Monahan	24 James Kempf George Newman, Sr	25 <i>Chicken Marsala</i> Russ Greenwood Sam Mercurio	26 Jamie Boudreau Kristy Faulkner Chris Sawyer Mark Sprague
27 John Allen Lindsey Cleveland Alan Zavorotny Tony Zumbruski	28 Peg Curtiss Roger Sak	29 Michael Abbott Trevor Blum Wendy Fletcher John Lynde Jocelyn Roach	30 Andrew George Larry Kempf	31 Debra Campbell Chad Pacheco Frank Swett		



AUGUST 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 <i>Deck Dogs</i> Jeffrey Dwyer Chris Speno	2 Larry Bober
3 <i>Silver Towers Motorcycle & Classic Car Ride</i> James Baldwin Richard Frost Jennifer Kovach Charles O'Connell Tammy Sadlow David Ward Edward Whelan II Ralph Winslow, Jr	4 Patricia Finnell	5 John Murphy	6 John Brooks	7 Jared Barber Lyndsey Boyd Jason Johnson	8 <i>No meal</i> Linda Thurber	9
10 F Rene Lamothe	11 Brian King	12 Chris Farnsworth Antone Mendoza III Andre Smith	13 LODGE MEETING 7 PM	14 Michele Streeter	15 <i>Wings</i> Judith McIntyre Todd Niedzwiecki Virginia Yager	16 Thaddeus Betts Nathan Boudreau Susan Hiner Dannielle Russo
17 Hugh Barber Brad Gaines Ken Parsons Pete Randall	18 Alvin Watson	19 Amy Farnum David Sprague	20	21 Trista Bengtson Adam Fletcher	22 <i>No meal</i> Jacob Gouger Michael Skelly	23 Philip Astley Adam Ziegner
24 Karen Bergstrom Lee Cohen Sean Finnell Richard Hoppe Ethan Page	25 Dennis Frechette	26 Kevin Birch Jil MacMenamin Greg Thompson	27 Lynette Hamilton Gay Pfenning Alan Thurber	28 Angie Johnson Susie Koyl	29 <i>Chicken Sandwich/Fries</i> Stuart Wheelden	30 Jessica Fellows Patricia Walior Linda Walker Lisa Worden
31 Steve Finnell Bonnie Jones Patricia Payne	 <p>Goodbye July...   ALOHA August!</p>					

NATIONAL AND STATE ELKS SCHOLARSHIPS, AWARDS and GRANTS

***FIRST** is the **MOST VALUABLE STUDENT (MVS)** Scholarship. This is open to any high school senior who is a U.S. citizen. Applications must be completed online only. The application is available online from August 1 at enf.elks.org/MVS. **DEADLINE IS NOVEMBER 10, 2025.**

***SECOND** are the ENF LEGACY AWARDS. These are available only to children or grandchildren of any Elk member in good standing. The application is available online only from September 1 at enf.elks.org/leg. **DEADLINE IS FEBRUARY 2, 2026.**

***THIRD** are the EMERGENCY EDUCATIONAL GRANTS. These grants are for children of deceased or totally disabled Elks. Applications are available May 1 to November 2. You may access the application at scholarship@elks.org.

BRATTLEBORO ELKS SCHOLARSHIP

CRITERIA: These scholarships are available to any male or female high school senior who is attending Brattleboro UHS; Hinsdale HS; Leland & Gray UHS; St. Michael's or Twin Valley UHS. The student should have proof of acceptance to a College, Technical School, or University. Applications are available in your guidance office, or by request. **DEADLINE IS APRIL 3, 2026.**

EARL CAVANAGH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

CRITERIA: These scholarships are available to any male or female currently enrolled in a College, Technical School, or University. The applicant must be a child, or grandchild of a member, or be a member, in good standing, of the Brattleboro Elks Lodge #1499. Request applications from Gene Whitney. Contact information is below. **DEADLINE IS APRIL 3, 2026.**

Please contact Gene Whitney at 802-380-2660 or at gwhitney@wsesu.org if you have any questions.

2025-2026 OFFICERS

EXALTED RULER: JEFFREY DIXON
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*** APPOINTED OFFICERS ***

ESQUIRE: ALBERT HUFFMAN, JR. PER
CHAPLAIN: JIL MACMENAMIN
TILER: JEAN WILDE
INNER GUARD: PAUL BEEBE

Please submit any newsletter items to lodge secretary Mark Gouger by the 18th of each month.

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IMPORTANT NOTE FROM THE SECRETARY

Due to delivery difficulties with the US Postal Service, we will no longer be able to mail out paper newsletters. Only those members who have forwarded an email address will receive a monthly newsletter.