



BENEVOLENT & PROTECTIVE ORDER OF ELKS
WEST WARWICK No. 1697
 60 CLYDE STREET · WEST WARWICK · RHODE ISLAND · 02893

Lodge Meetings

May

Tuesday 21st 7:00pm
with initiation

Lounge

Mon 6 - Close
Tues-Sun 2 - Close
401/821-9807

**Kim Johnson, Sec.
Secretary's Office**

401/821-1699

Kitchen

Mon, Wed, Thu 5-8
Fri 4-8
Closed Sat & Sun

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Exalted Ruler's Message



Greeting members

it's my honor to address you for the first time as your Exalted Ruler.

I've been an officer here at West Warwick 1697 for 7 years and actually looking forward to having a great year with you all.

I want to thank everyone that supported me and elevated me to this position, and all my officers that stayed with me and the two new officers recently installed Billy Griffin as Leading Knight and 3-year trustee Sharon Tai. Also our house committee lead chair Hollie Torpey, her co-chair Kathy Brosious, and our bar manager Tina Santilly they are a great team to work with looking forward to helping them any way I can.

To round off my team Joyce Garland and Carolyn daenais our lead and co-chair of the hall committee.

I'm honored to call them all my friends and looking forward to a new year with great success

Sincerely yours in Elkdom

Jack Daniels your ER



**NO BINGO IN
MAY**



**Queen of Hearts
Wednesdays @ 7**



Board of Directors



Due to a timing issue, there is no
Board of Directors
report at this time.

As soon as it becomes available it will be
forwarded under a separate E-Mail.

From the Secretary's Desk

“Thank you” to all the members who have paid their 2024-2025 dues! If you are one of the 65 members who are late, please don't get left behind!



Please send in your member dues payment as soon as possible!

You must be a member in good standing to gain entrance to the lodge with your member key card. All members need to have a current membership card to participate in Elks lodge events and programs. Please do your part to help by supporting local and ENF charitable programs!

Please be sure to update me if you change any of your contact information in order to update your lodge records. If you know of any member who has been hospitalized, moved into a nursing home, or passed away, please be sure to let me know this information.

Secretary office hours vary between Monday and Tuesday from 3-8pm. The best way to reach me is by email at secretaryww1697@gmail.com or phone 821-9807 / 821-1699.



Secretary's Desk (Continued)

We currently have **301 members** at our lodge. It would be awesome to see even more smiling faces attending Elks events! Keep inviting new members to join. More members means more charitable works, even more events, and larger attendance at our meetings! Don't be shy-sponsor a new member today!

Yours in Elkdom,
Kimberly C. Johnson
 Lodge Secretary

From the House Committee

Hollie To rpey- House Chair, Ka thy Brosi ous Co- Chair

Tim Brosi ous, Do nald To rpey, Sandie Gelineau, Mike Gelineau,
 Manny DiSano, Ka te Jarbeau, Joyce Gaulin,
 Mi chelle Bucci, Gina Kingsbo rough.



Hello,

I am going to start with I can't wait fo r the warmer wea ther to come.

Bingo is going stro ng and still has a grea t turn out. **WHAT** you have n't bee n to the best bingo in the Sta te? Well, come down fo r a lot of fun, l aughs and prizes.

We also had a few games of Left Right Ce nter boy did some people win some mo n-ey!!!!!!

We would like to thank our barte nder s fo r the grea t job they do!

Here is a list of da tes and things coming!! Please mark your cale ndar.

May 4th- Ke ntucky Derby

May 5th Cinco de Mayo.

May 18th- House cook out.

June 16th -Mea t raf fle

November 17th Turkey Trot

We are wo rking o n a few dif fere nt eve nts DJs, karaoke, country line dancing, trivia, 80's dance party, Robert Bl ack, Big New Year s Eve Party, and mo re are coming. stay tuned!!!

Thank you.



Membership News

Propositions for Membership:

- ◆ Kevin Johnson proposed by Scott Shippee
- ◆ Sheila Harper proposed by Shawna Southern
- ◆ Dawn Corey proposed by Linda Horvath, CWG lodge
- ◆ Stephen Skenyon proposed by Shookfun Tai
- ◆ John Pidlipchak proposed by Joyce Anderson
- ◆ Gretchen Hobbs — Transfer Demit





Mother's Day BRUNCH

MAY

12

SUNDAY

10:00AM - 1:00PM

Scrambled Eggs w/cheese, Homemade Bisquits & Gravy,
Ham & Swiss, Turkey & Cheddar Crossaint Sandwiches,
Homemade Corned Beef Hash, Homefries, Sausage,
Bacon, Hawaiian Roll French Toast w/cinnamon

powdered sugar

Pastriess, Tea, Coffee, Juice

Mimosa's & Bloody Mary's available

ADULTS **\$12** | CHILDREN **\$7** | UNDER 5 **FREE**

Special Door Prize will be drawn

West Warwick
Elks 1697
50 Clyde Street
West Warwick



Lodge Journal - Bulletin

April 3, 2024 — *Queen of Hearts* raffle drawn, still no big winner, jackpot is over \$8,000

April 9, 2024 — *BINGO Night*—WOW What a crowd, There wasn't an empty seat in the house. Nice job goes out to the BINGO Committee for a job well done.

April 10, 2024 — *Queen of Hearts* raffle drawn, still no big winner, jackpot is over \$1,000

April 14, 2024 — *Installation of Officers* was held at the lodge to a large crowd, which according to many of the state and grand lodge members, was the largest they had seen at West Warwick Lodge 1697, and other lodges in many years. The installation went well and was emotional not only for the incoming officers but also for the outgoing Grand Suite as this was their last installation before they themselves were retiring. Flowers were presented to many officers by the Exalted Ruler and to our own Darlene Chilinski by her Grand Suite. The newly installed Exalted Ruler, Jack W. Daniels, Jr. was presented with multiple gavels of various sizes handmade by his family. Dinner followed, provided by Five-O-Five Fusion, was excellent and plentiful.

April 17, 2024 — *Queen of Hearts* raffle drawn, still no big winner, jackpot is over \$1,200

April 23, 2024 — *BINGO Night*—Again a full house at our mini in-house bingo. What a great time and a great job by our BINGO Committee.

April 24, 2024 — *Queen of Hearts* raffle drawn, still no big winner, jackpot is over \$1,500

April 27- 29 — *State Associate Meeting on the Cape* — Pictures and news coming soon to a newsletter near you!

April 30, 2024 — *BINGO Night*—AND AGAIN another full house at our mini in-house bingo. What a great time and a great job by our BINGO Committee. Haven't been — You don't know what you are missing!!

April 2024 — \$500 donations to each, West Warwick Soccer Association Youth & West Warwick Basketball Leagues.

“Never, was so much, owed by so many, to so few”
— *Winston Churchill*



WEST WARWICK ELKS
PRESENTS



Kentucky Derby

PARTY

SATURDAY

May
4th

Derby starts at 3:00 pm
Bring your favorite Dish
Pick your favorite Horse
6:45 Race Starts
Prizes for Best
Dressed & Best Hat
Lounges opens at 2PM

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60 CLYDE ST WEST WARWICK



Sickness & Distress

To all of our members that are sick or otherwise in distress, know that you are in our thoughts and prayers.

If you know someone that is sick or in distress, please contact the secretary at 401/821-1699 or email her at secretaryww1697@gmail.com





May 2024



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5 	6	7	8	9	10	11
12 	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21 	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

Schedule of Events May

- We 01—Queen of Hearts
- Sa 04 — Kentucky Derby Party 3:00pm
- Su 05 — Cinco de Mayo Party 2:00pm
- We 08—Queen of Hearts
- Su 12 — Mother Day Breakfast 10am-1pm
- We 15—Queen of Hearts
- Su 18 — House Cookout
- Tu 21 — Lodge Meeting @ 7:00pm
- We 22—Queen of Hearts
- We 29—Queen of Hearts

(Next BINGO Nights to be Announced—Watch your email)

June

- Su 09 — Flag Day Celebration
- Su 16 — Father's Day—Steak Fry
- Su 16 — Meat Raffle

November

- Su 17 — Turkey Trot



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| <i>01 Janele Beers</i> | <i>05 Donald Milton</i> | <i>18 Arthur Tower</i> |
| <i>01 Carolyn Dagenais</i> | <i>05 Paula Smith</i> | <i>18 Kathleen Zampa</i> |
| <i>01 Kate Jarbeau</i> | <i>06 Charlotte Eastman</i> | <i>19 Rachel Provencher</i> |
| <i>02 Roland Proulx</i> | <i>07 John Spaziano</i> | <i>21 Joseph Aschettino</i> |
| <i>03 David Scotti</i> | <i>09 Walter Foster</i> | <i>26 Geraldine Dubois</i> |
| <i>03 David Waldeck</i> | <i>11 Mary Flynn-Bergeron</i> | <i>26 Linda Teoli</i> |
| <i>05 Ryan Johnson</i> | <i>11 E. W. Graham</i> | <i>27 Mathew Cloutier</i> |
| <i>05 Kent Degraide</i> | <i>13 Jack Daniels</i> | <i>29 John Botello</i> |
| | <i>13 James McLellan</i> | <i>31 Robert O'Connor</i> |
| | <i>18 Christina Moyers</i> | |

Are you a member in good standing? Come in for a complimentary beverage!

Name:

Membership #

Birthdate:





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SCOTT SHIPPEE – 401-529-0678**

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JOIN US FOR THE

BINGO

West Warwick Elks #1697



Tuesday 4/30/24

STARTS AT 6:15PM
Lounge opens at
2pm & cards go on
sale at 5:30 pm

Kitchen isn't open - bring snacks-please no outside drinks

60 Clyde Street
West Warwick RI
02893





You're Invited

Installation of Officers
Sunday April 14th
Cocktail & Hor's devours 2:00
Ceremony begins at 3:00
Collation following
West Warwick Lodge 1697





Lodge Officers

2024-2025

Exalted Ruler	Jack W. Daniels
Leading Knight	W. Billy Griffin
Loyal Knight	Kent Degraide
Lecturing Knight	Lorrie L. Daniels, PER
Secretary	Kimberly C. Johnson
Treasurer	
Esquire	Amy Wallace
Chaplain	Barbara Hines, PER
Inner Guard	Raymond L. Bourbonniere
Tiler	Carol Degraide
1 year Trustee	Paul Counts
2 year Trustee	David Scotti
3 year Trustee	Shookfun “Sharon” Tai
4 year Trustee	Joseph Desserts
5 year Trustee	Eric Schrier
State Trustee	Richard Michaud, PER
District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler	Darlene Chilinski, DD



Happy May to All!!

As we all remember from grammar school, April Showers bring May flowers, and Mayflowers bring... PILGRIMS!! (My “Dad” joke for the month).

Newsletter is still growing, and we are working on getting those reports to us a bit sooner so the Editor isn’t running around like a chicken with its head cut off. My thanks to all that helped by getting them to me by then. Suggestions as always are welcome, and you can send them to me directly to sshippee@scoden.net, please put ELKS or NEWSLETTER in the subject so they routed to my special ELKS email box.

Pictures are always welcome from events, and most are already posted on our Facebook page. After this month, I will try and provide a link so users with internet access can see the picture galleries.

Enjoy your Lodge & the Spring
Scott Shippee
Newsletter Editor