



## ER MESSAGE

Greetings to all:

The month of July proved that summer was finally here; I hope it was enjoyable for all!! Thank you to all those members who volunteered and made the night before the 4th a successful cook out!

I attended the 150th Grand Lodge Convention in New Orleans, LA the week of July 13-17th, 2014 and had a great experience. I do have a folder for anyone to look at regarding daily convention news, the 22 resolutions that were voted on and corresponding results. I will leave it in the members lounge this week.

I had the opportunity to meet outgoing GER Millard Pickering at a private balcony reception at the Royal Sonesta Hotel on Bourbon St and to meet the current GER John Amen and both their messages refer to the decrease in membership nationally. Recommendations have been made to implement a dedicated membership committee in each lodge and on Thursday July 17, 2014 the headline on Convention New was "BPOE waging war on membership decline" and this will also be available in the members lounge. I will assemble a membership committee and anyone interested in participating please let me know: [acornrn@verizon.net](mailto:acornrn@verizon.net) The Convention was very informative and I attended all sessions. I did make my way to the New Orleans Elks for a brief afternoon to enjoy their hospitality.

I would like to congratulate Jerry Blanchette on his installation as District Deputy to the Grand Exalted Ruler on Thursday July 17, 2014. Jerry will do a great job and we wish him well and lend any support that is needed. New Orleans is a fabulous city and accommodated the Elks convention very well. The streets were filled with Elks brothers and sisters from all over the United States, especially the infamous Bourbon St. I thank the membership for sending me to the National Convention and I believe I represented our lodge very well. Next lodge meeting will be August 6, 2014 @ 7pm.

Please stay tuned, we are trying to arrange a "Meat Shoot" in September, information will be posted at the Lodge and on the Facebook page for final date and time.

Have a great summer

Sincerely,

Donna



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## ATTENTION ALL FRAMINGHAM LODGE LIFE AND HONORARY LIFE MEMBERS

In appreciation of all your years of commitment to Framingham Lodge, and the Benevolent Order of Elks, Framingham Lodge is holding a luncheon in your honor on Sunday August 17, 2014 at 1:00pm.

40, 50, 60 year pins will be distributed with special recognitions also being presented. You will receive an invitation shortly with the hope you will respond favorably, and attend this celebration. For more immediate answers to questions call your Secretary: 774-279-2796.



## ANOTHER REMINDER

By next January you will have forgotten the days of comfort and looking for an escape.

Join State President Mark Cronin and his wife Nancy and fellow Elks, family, and friends on the January 31- February 9, 2015 cruise sailing on the festive Norwegian Gem to the tropical Eastern Caribbean. For more information see the Lodge Bulletin Board or talk with the Secretary.



## SICKNESS AND DISTRESS

Kevin Horton; Exalted Ruler Donna Acorn is home recovering from a hip replacement. Our thoughts and prayers go out to her for a quick recovery.



### Announcing the Death of a Member:

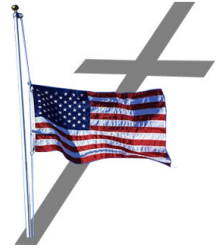
#### George Kennedy

Born: June 8, 1923

Initiated: June 18, 1939

Life Member: February 2, 1992

Died: July, 2014



## SECRETARY'S CORNER

Having recently returned from my 23rd annual Grand Lodge Convention held this year in New Orleans, I realized, as I had so many times before, that being a Member of Framingham Lodge 1264 is, truly, being a Member of one of the greatest Benevolent organizations in this country.

Attending the daily sessions and listening to the accomplishments of all our different programs makes me stand more proud when I am called an Elk. The spirit which brought over 8,300 Elks together was infectious.

Seeing the strength of our Exalted Ruler as she made her way to the various meetings, and knowing she would return home for a hip replacement (an experience to which I can relate) made me very proud to call Donna our Lodge President. She represented us well!

Knowing that our own PER Jerry Blanchette was administered the oath of Office as District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler for the East Central District by our new Grand Exalted Ruler John Amen made the Convention that much more special. We wish him the best as he makes his journey this year with his Esquire Chris Cavanaugh from Lexington.

There are Convention News editions at the Lodge for further details of each day's events.

Next year it is in Indianapolis. Details will be coming out in the fall. One thing is for certain.....I plan to be there!

Enjoy the rest of the summer. Remember, school starts early so drive more carefully!

Fraternally,

Robert B. Anspach, PER, PDD, HLM  
Secretary



## EMBLEM NEWS:



Annual State Outing was held on July 13th at Camp Virginia 96 Bolton Road, Bolton, Massachusetts. State President Phillip Begeal welcomed everyone to the event. There was chicken, hot dogs, hamburgers and watermelon. Plenty of good food and a great day full of fun. The horse race and ice cream truck were a big hit with adults and children.

Literacy Chairman June Robinson is coordinating our Sponsor a Student program again this year. She will be accepting donations from now through August 31st. This program gives students from needy families clothing and school supplies so they can have a positive start on their new school year in September. Make checks out to June Robinson and mail them to Framingham Emblem Club, Box 691, Framingham, MA 01704 or you can drop checks off at our mail box at the lodge.

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday August 13th at 7:30 pm. Collation hostesses are Joan deGrandmaison, Mary Anne Illman, and Jamie Romano.

Sickness and Distress: Pearl Eagles is having problem with one of her leg that she had surgery on.

Don't forget August 10th Cootie Party at 1pm. \$8. You can make a Sundae ice cream for only \$2. Its lots of fun come on down for a great Sunday afternoon and everyone wins a gift.

Hope your read your Topics, we are in it twice. Pages 6 & 17. Enjoy all the articles.

Advice Colum: When I woke up this morning lying in bed,

I was asking myself what are some of the secrets of success in life?

I found the answer right there in my very room.

The fan said...be cool

The roof said... aim high

The window said...see the world

The clock said... every minute is precious

The door said... push hard for your goal

The carpet said ...I'm available if you wish to pray

Carry a Heart that never hates

Cary a smile that never fades

Carry a touch that never hurts

That my good advice for this month. The rest is up to you!!!

Remember our charity work goes on all summer long. Please remember we can find a home for most everything. Clothing all ages and sizes. Household items, jewelry and stuffed animals are needed for the rest homes. Yarn to make hats and scarfs for cancer patient and local children who need to stay warm.

Yours in Emblem

Phyllis A. May President

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## ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION

I would like to begin by congratulating Charles Villa for his recent donation and reaching his 7th PM Status for donating over \$700.00. I would also like to thank all the members that send in a donation to the Elks National Foundation with their dues payment. A total of \$514.00 was donated. Donna M. Acorn, Hunter Adams, Shirley Atwell, Robert Averill, John P. Aylward, Richard J. Bourque, Pamela Baker, Michael Bradley, Peter J. Bradley, James J. Caron, James M. Collins, Walter H. Connery Jr., Robert Crandall, Richard DeAngelis, Roger Dilberian, Pearl Eagles, Robert Fountaine, John J. Friel, Mark Hanley, John H. Hartley, Lawrence M. Hoey, Peter Laincz, Bill Lawler, Daniel McCarthy, Joe McCarthy, Kevin McDonald, David M. McIntire, Richard L. Naughton, Kathleen O'Rourke, William A. Osburn, Philip Ottaviani, Jr., Brian Parker, Jeanne Penrod, Dave Rooney, Robert Ryan, Gerald C. Seymour, Stephan (Bucky) Stone, Bill Sullivan, Joseph Tersoni, Donald Trischitta, David Wolfe and Chris Wozny. We are two months into the year and we are currently over \$3.00 per member (GREAT JOB) and I'm sure with your continued support we will meet this year's Lodge goal of \$6.00 and the Grand Lodge goal of \$4.50.

As you are aware the Elks National Foundation funds many programs, 8.6 million to Community Investments, \$1.1 million to Veterans Services, \$825,160 Hoop Shoot, \$666,910 Drug Awareness and in addition over \$4 million dollars in Scholarships were given out last year alone.

There are many members that are very close to their Participating Membership status of \$100.00 if you would like to know where you stand contact me.

Thank you for your continued support to this great cause for charity. If anyone needs to get in touch with me at any time call (508) 397-9065

Elks Care, Elks Share,

Lodge Chairman,

John J. Villa PER, PDD, HLM



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## GRAND LODGE RESOLUTIONS

Below is a list of a number of resolutions presented for voting at the Grand Lodge Convention in New Orleans:

To change the Office of Lodge Tiler from an elected position to an appointed position. Passed.

To authorize a Lodge to require its Officers to memorize the Opening, Closing and Initiatory Rituals under penalty of removal from Office. Failed.

To reinstate the Grand Lodge and Local Lodge Public Relations Committees. Passed.

To allow the governing body of the Home, Club or other facility to suspend or revoke club privileges of a visiting Member without the requirement of a club suspension hearing. Failed.

To allow a vote to be taken by secret ballot instead of the voting signs of an Elk by a majority vote of the Lodge. Passed.

To allow a Lodge to hold regular Lodge meetings monthly, semi monthly, tri-monthly or weekly as provided by approved Lodge By-laws. Failed.

There were 22 resolutions. For a more complete summary ask your Secretary.





## AUGUST 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>QUOTE OF THE DAY...</b> It's a wonderful thing to be optimistic. It keeps you healthy and it keeps you resilient. <i>Daniel Kahneman</i>					1	2
ECD/PER Meeting (John Villa's Home, HOPKINTON)		Annual National Night Out 2014 (Cushing Memorial Park)	 Lodge Meeting (Only meeting this month)			
Cootie Party			Emblem Club Meeting Meal of the Month Birthday Bash	District Deputy Clinic (Franklin)		
Life Member Luncheon Framingham Lodge				Elks Night at Fenway		Elks Day at Suffolk Downs Race Track
						

## SEPTEMBER 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			 Lodge Meeting			Fenton-Densmore Football Game (Holy Cross)
Regional Meeting (Maynard)		Annual Golf Tournament (Marlborough)	Emblem Club Meeting Meal of the Month Birthday Bash			Horseshoe Tournament (Fall River)
Walk for ENF (Wakefield)			 Lodge Meeting DD Visitation (Lexington)			Walk for ENF (Wareham)
Walk for ENF (Gardner)	DD Visitation (Franklin)					Veteran's Motorcycle Run (Billerica)
Fall Cribbage Tournament (Weymouth)			<b>QUOTE OF THE DAY...</b> Don't find fault, find a remedy. <i>Henry Ford</i>			GER Visitation (Mansfield)

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## MEMBERSHIP

Membership needs to be one of our main focuses of not only the Framingham Elks, but the Elks Organization as a whole. Reminder that at one time someone thought highly enough of you to sponsor you for membership in the Framingham Lodge of Elks. Do you have friends or relatives who you feel would be great members among us. Bring them down, get them involved and give them a membership application.



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