



December 2015

BENEVOLENT AND PROTECTIVE ORDER OF ELKS

FRAMINGHAM LODGE NO. 1264

ER MESSAGE

November was Veterans month. Thank you to all of you who purchased "Remember our Veterans" Badges at the Lodge or mailed them in from last month's Bulletin.



We also started a relationship with "Larry's Place", a Veteran's Shelter for Homeless Veterans. We Purchased a Picnic Table for them, attended a dinner and provided all of the residents with a bag of toiletries and we cooked 2 Turkeys for them for Thanksgiving.



December is a busy beginning with the Hoop Shoot on December 5th, Memorial Sunday and the Kids Christmas Party on December 6th and the Members Christmas Party on Dec 8th.

I look forward to seeing you at these events.

I would like to wish all of our Members and their Families a great Holiday and a Happy New Year.

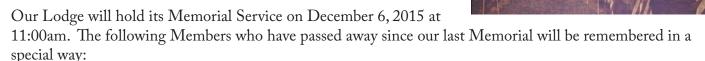
E.R. Jerry Blanchette

SICKNESS AND DISTRESS: Paul Parker and Betty Sleczkowski



MEMORIAL SUNDAY

The Order of Elks has designated the first Sunday in December as Memorial Sunday.



John Aylward Gene Sebastian Kevin Horton

Norman Levesque William Hoey Donald Souchek

James Lambros Arthur J. Cunningham

"Living or dead Elks are never forgotten, never forsaken."

All Members, relatives and friends are invited to attend.

MEMBERSHIP INCREASE

Congratulations to our newest Members: Mark Aurelio, Mark Benoit, Cody Carlson, David Curtis, Joseph Emery Guertin, Christopher Gorovitz, and Renee McLean who were Initiated this past November.

Proposition for Membership:

Michael Chagron III proposed by Shaun Keefe

Josefina I. Lascono Rugel proposed by Patricia Shorton

Miguel Angel Vara proposed by Jamie Romano

Liz Nannette Vara Lascano proposed by Jamie Romano

These Members will be Initiated on PER Night in February. Applications are still being accepted for this class.

The Following Members have reached the age of 65 and served our Lodge for 30 or more years and are now eligible for Life Membership:

Robert Armitage, Walter Connery, Richard Crane, Russell Dodge, Dana Maskel, Alan Maus, Michael Moran (has been a Member for 42 Years), Robert Turnan and Edward Yarosz.

These Members will be voted upon at our January meeting.



"Tis the season to be jolly," as the song suggests. Though temperatures may drop, spirits are lifted as we anticipate the holiday season. It comes quickly, but leaves just as fast. We go from giving thanks for all that we have, to a time of giving and sharing. We reach out to family and friends and also to those who may be less fortunate. As Elks we try to carry this spirit throughout the year by doing many charitable deeds. We support our food pantries, donate to other needy causes, foster our scholarship program for our youth, donate our time and energy to Soccer and Hoop Shoots, support of our drug awareness program, and let us not forget our support of Veterans in so many different ways.

As we leave the month of November and have been reminded that every day should be Veterans' Day, let us enter this season with the thought that every day should carry with it the spirit of these holidays.

Our thanks go to those who planned our Karaoke Nights, and our Meat and Turkey Shoots, those who prepared the meal for our Veterans on Veterans' Day, those who organized our Paint Night and many other activities which have helped our Lodge to grow and prosper. But also great thanks go to you the Members who participated in those events. Let us carry that same spirit into the New Year.

May you all have a blessed Christmas, and a happy holiday for whatever festival you celebrate.

Happy New Year!

Fraternally,

Robert B. Anspach, {DD, PER, HLM Secretary



EMBLEM NEWS

I hope you all had a great Thanksgiving. Now the Christmas season is upon us. Good luck with your shopping and I wish everyone a happy holiday season.

November was a busy month for us. First we had our memorial service honoring Pricilla Robinson who passed this past year and all our Emblem Sisters who have passed. On that note our deepest sympathy goes out to Dick Seariac and his family at the passing of Joyce who was a Emblem member for a long time.

Phyllis, Gladys, Joanie and myself attended the luncheon in honor of our Supreme President Jean Clarke from Connecticut and her Marshall, who happens to be Maureen Donnelly who is from the Littleton-Westford club which is a great honor for Massachusetts. We had an enjoyable afternoon despite the fact that the co-pilot (Me) got us lost for a short period of time. We also attended the second state at the Newton Lodge, as you can see we had a busy weekend.

We had our annual Turkey shoot and fun was had by all. I hope everyone who needed a turkey won one. It's always a fun time. Thanks to all who helped.

On a community service note Jean Jewell is collecting both the regular manufacturers and General mills education coupons also the plastic pill bottles minus the pills of course.

Our next meeting is on December 9th. Collation Hostesses are Gladys Kiley and Jean Ottaviani. A reminder we don't have meetings in January and February.

Have a Happy Holiday season Healthy New Year!

June Robinson President

ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS



Here's a heads up: for sometime in late January or early February, plans are in the making to give the upstairs hall a little "facelift." Watch for future notices as to the date and time. Many hands will make light work.



HOOP SHOOT

The Local Lodge Hoop Shoot Contest is being held Sat Dec 5th at 2:00 at Keefe Tech Gym on Winter St.

A Free Throw Program for Youth Ages 8-13

The Hoop Shoot is free to all participants and provides youth an opportunity to compete, connect and succeed Please invite all children from ages 8-13 to come participate.

We also need volunteers to help run the Hoop Shoot. Please plan to come and help out.

EAST CENTRAL DISTRICT ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION FUNDRAISER

We will be holding our annual East Central District Elks National Foundation Fundraiser. First prize is \$1,000.00, 2nd \$250.00, 3rd 100.00 and 10 chances to win \$25.00 worth of scratch tickets. The raffle book cost \$25.00 for 10 tickets or \$3.00 per ticket. The cover of the book is the entrance fee to Dinner and



Comedy show with 3 of Boston's top Comedians. The Event will be held at the Lexington Lodge on January 16, 2016. \$10.00 of each book sold will go to the Elks National Foundation in the seller's name. This is a great way to increase your ENF pledge and have a chance to win \$1,000.00. Raffle books are available through me. If you would like one or two books send the money to the lodge to my attention and I will fill out the tickets for you.

Good Luck. It a great way to support the Elks National Foundation...

Contact: John J. Villa for tickets. 508 397-9065

Hope to see you all there...... YOU WILL NOT RECEIVE THESE BOOKS IN THE MAIL...

BOOKS MUST BE RETURNED TO THE LODGE BY JANUARY 09, 2016

John J. Villa PER PDD HLM



1st Prize: iPad Air 16 GB - Generously donated by Framingham Youth Lacrosse -

2nd Prize: New England Patriots Gift Basket

3rd Prize: Cam Neely Boston Bruins Autographed 8x10 with certificate of authenticity

4th Prize: Jerry Remy Boston Red Sox Autographed Baseball with certificate of authenticity & 2 Player baseball cards

Pricing for the tickets: \$5 each & 3 for \$10 Raffle to be pulled at the Members Christmas Party on Dec 8th.

Cut out and mail into Lodge:	
	HOLIDAY RAFFLE

Name	 	
# of Tickets	 	
Total Amount enclosed		

ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION

I would like to begin by congratulating all the members that have donated to the Elks National Foundation to date.

We are through three quarters of the year and based on mu calculations we are currently at \$4.86 per member (GREAT JOB). We have met the Grand Lodge goal of \$4.65 and I'm sure with your continued support we will meet his goal this year and the lodges goal of \$6.00. We are now eligible for multiple grants from the ENF to help others in our community.

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 all for your continued support and helping us provide our students with scholarships well over 3.6 million last year. Last Year our Lodge gave out over \$18,000 to students through the State Scholarship Grants. The Elks National Foundation also supports the Veterans and many other programs including the Hoop Shoot, Soccer Shoot, Drug Awareness and Community Investment Program's.

Please send in and ENF donation to my attention and I will send it in your name.

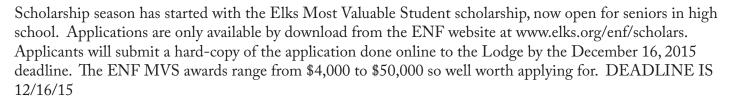
If anyone needs to get in touch with me at any time call (508) 397-9065

Elks Care, Elks Share,

Lodge Chairman,

John J. Villa PER PDD HLM

ELKS SCHOLARSHIPS



ENF also offers Legacy awards for seniors in high school as well. These are also \$4,000 awards. The application process is done completely online, www.elks.org/enf with a deadline of 1/29/16. DEADLINE IS 1/29/16

A third ENF program is the Emergency Educational Grant Program. This is open to students of deceased or totally disabled Elks members. Please contact the scholarship chairman for an application. DEADLINE IS 12/31/15

MA Elks Vocational scholarship \$1000 Award is for a student enrolled in a full time 2 year vocational technical course. Applications can be found at the Lodge or by contacting the Lodge Chairperson. DEADLINE IS 3/1/16

The MA Elks Scholarship is for seniors in high school and students already enrolled in a 4 year college program. This scholarship can be renewed each of the 4 years of college by re-applying each year. Hard copy applications can be found at the Lodge or by contacting the Lodge Chairperson. DEADLINE IS 2/1/16

See your Lodge Chairman Jay Renzello for the Mass State Elks Scholarship Applications.



DECEMBER 2015

Be at war with you	Monday TE OF THE Dur vices, at peace with new year find you a Benjami	n your neighbors,	Wednesday 2 Lodge Meeting	Thursday 3	Friday 4	Saturday Lodge Hoop 5 Shoot (Keefe Tech) 2:00
Memorial 6 Sunday Kids Christmas	Hanukkah 7 Pearl Harbor Day	Members 8 Christmas Party	Emblem Club Meeting Meal of the Month Birthday Bash	10	11	12
13	14	15	16 Lodge Meeting	17	December 25	19
20	21	22	23	Lodge Hours 9am-6pm	25 Christmas Lodge Closed	26
27	28	29	30	New Year's Eve		

JANUARY 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	4	5	6 Lodge Meeting	7	8	Law & Order 9 Night (Fall River) District Hoop Shoot (Hudson)
10	11	12	Meal of the Month Birthday Bash	14	15	16 ENF Bola (Lexington)
17	18	19	20 Lodge Meeting	21	22	23
31	25 President's Wid	Winter Cruise (Wes	tern Caribbean)	28	29	State Hoop 30 Shoot (Maynard)

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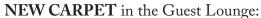
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Return Service Requested





DATED MATERIAL - PLEASE DO NOT DELAY



Thank you to the following Members for their hard work raising money and donating the brand new carpet in the guest Lounge.

Make sure to thank them next time you see them for their donation to the Club.

Patty Higgins

Kevin Higgins

Mike Donnelly

George Zannella

BJ Ottaviani

Alex Marcoaldi

Bennie Ottaviani

DUES

While membership increases and we witness Members who have remained faithful to our Lodge for over thirty years, there are still 38 Members who have not paid this year's dues. Letters were sent encouraging these Members to pay their dues and hold on to the commitment they made. If you received that letter it is not too late to bring yourself up to date. Cost is \$68.00. If you are wondering if you paid.....check your card!!

Thanks.