



BENEVOLENT AND PROTECTIVE ORDER OF ELKS FRAMINGHAM LODGE NO. 1264

MEETINGS 1ST AND 3RD WEDNESDAYS OF THE MONTH

E.R. MESSAGE

Dear Members:

I hope you had a Happy Thanksgiving day along with your loved ones. This is a busy season and a lot has been going on at the Lodge and in Elkdom.

We attended a seminar on Membership during the Regional Meeting and very important changes are coming that I think will benefit in keeping up our membership number. For example: Applications are available in pdf format and can be printed out online. Still hard copies will be available at the bar. Depending on the roll out of new software the ability to pay dues online by using a debit/credit card.

Do you know that by registering at www.elks.org, you can invite someone to join? Also, there is a section on Elks benefits and discounts, such as pet insurance, 30% off car rental, travel and hotel discounts, various kinds of health, dental and life insurance, auto and home insurance among others. If you order in Amazon consider going to smile.amazon.com, same products and pricing and they will donate 0.5% of the price to the charitable organization of your choice, look up for the Massachusetts Scholarship Fund. Also consider donating to the relief efforts of Elks families affected by the Paradise City fires, look for the flyer at the board.

Be kind to each other and do not forget that you joined into "a Lodge that has a bar, not a bar in a Lodge."

Happy Holidays and a Healthy New Year!

Fraternally yours,

Laura Medrano, ER

NOVEMBER MEMBERS THAT ROCK!!!!

Turkey Shoot and prize donations.

Brian Parker, Jimmy King, Jerry Blanchette, Paul King, June Robinson, Joan DeGrandmaison and the hard working ladies of the Entertainment Committee.

Cooking for the Veterans breakfast, Marine Corps Luncheon, Framingham HS Football team pasta night and many more....

Benny Ottaviani, Brian Parker and Paul King

Bar Food Cooking
Ernie Moreau

Donation of a wireless microphone

Dickie Jay

Donation of an Alexa

Jonnathan Ball

Supporting our Veterans at City Hall

Jerry Blanchette, Bob Anspach, Bill Osbone and Dan O'Rourke

**All Officers, Committee members for your work
and all the members that support our lodge.**

We need more members that

ROCK!!!!



SICKNESS AND DISTRESS

Paul Parker, William Casey, Flash Harper and Jody Mahan, and Peter Ivers.

If you know of a member who may be under the weather please inform an Officer of the Lodge.

ANNOUNCING THE DEATH OF MEMBERS

STEPHEN RYDER

Born February 8, 1939

Initiated: May 19, 1966

Life Member December 18, 2003

Died November 2, 2018



Sleep our Brother and peace be with you.

Remember in your prayers Brian Waldron on the loss of his mother and Sheri Manning on the loss of her father.

MEMORIAL SUNDAY

The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks has proclaimed the first Sunday in December as "Elk's Memorial Sunday" and mark the day with services in memory of their departed Members. Our Lodge will meet on SUNDAY DECEMBER 2, 2018 AT 11:00AM to honor our departed Members and to pay special commemoration to those who have passed since our last Memorial Sunday: Ronald Barney, James Collins, Marie Crivello, Theodore Langmeyer, William Manning, Paul Mazzaro, Robert Nelson, Stephen Ryder, Guido Sabatinell, and Robert Sebastian.



All family Members and guests and all Elks are invited to attend.

SECRETARY'S CORNER

The month ahead is a very busy one for most of us. The holidays are always hectic and can cause a great deal of stress. We need to remind ourselves that it is a season of giving. Having just celebrated Thanksgiving, where we reminded ourselves of all for which we are thankful, we are afforded an opportunity to express that gratitude. We have our Memorial Service where we express gratitude to those Members who committed themselves to our Order. We have our Kids' Christmas party where we give of our time and energy to bring a smile to our youngsters' faces as they meet Mr. and Mrs. Claus and receive a gift. Then there is the Members' Party where we can share the fraternal bonds that brought us together. There are also the Toys for Tots and the socks for our needy members in the community.

Yes, being an Elk should make one proud. My hope is that the new Members will become more involved this year, and that the older Members will find satisfaction in doing the good deeds that they do.

Soon we will be nominating the Officers for next year, and Dues notices will be going out in February. Much to think about: how may I serve our Lodge, and making my dues payment in a timely fashion because I know it is money well spent.

Have a blessed Holiday Season, a Merry Christmas, and a New Year filled with good health.

Fraternally,
Robert B. Anspach. PE, PDD, HLM
Secretary



MEMBERSHIP MOVES FORWARD

Congratulations to our newest Members: Stephen Balducci, Christopher Hendry, Erin Martino, Lindsey Monaco, Ashley Parker Smith, Casey Parker and Kasey Quinn.



Applications are being accepted for our next class. Included in them will be: Joel Chodakouki proposed by Jerry Blanchette and Thomas Coughlin proposed by David Connolly.

ANOTHER MEMBERSHIP APPEAL

This bulletin lists those who have passed on and will be remembered on Memorial Sunday. It also lists newly initiated members. Quick math shows us that the deaths have outnumbered the new Members. What is really difficult to accept is that there are still 39 Members who have not paid this year's dues and will be dropped from Membership on April 1, 2019. These Member's names have been placed on the bulletin board, letters have been sent and only one responded telling why they are not maintaining their Membership at this time. Please consider paying the \$73.00 and treat yourself to a gift that keeps on giving.



HOLIDAYS BRING PARTIES AND SHOPPING...BUT YOU STILL HAVE TO EAT

Come down to the Lodge December 12th for the Meal of the Month/Birthday Bash for all our Members and guests. Cost is \$8.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children and you will get an "all you can eat" dinner provided by TJ's Spirits of Ashland, with cake and ice cream for dessert. (Menu will be posted on the Lodge Bulletin Boards a week before.) If it's your birthday month then you stand a chance to win our monthly drawing. You also have a chance to participate in the 50/50 drawing. Dinner starts serving at 5:30 until 6:30. These dinners are open to non-members so bring a friend and enjoy the fine hospitality. How about a meal or two to go!!



BY-LAW CHANGE ACCEPTED

At our recent meeting the Membership opted to accept Elk Riders as the Official Riding Association of the Lodge. Congratulations to them and Jerry Blanchette PDD for making the motion.



SHOW YOUR PRIDE IN BEING A FRAMINGHAM ELK

The tee shirts worn proudly during the Flag Day festivities are on sale for \$10.00. We now have long sleeve shirts available for \$15.00. You may purchase them through our bar manager, or contact Sue Brown PER at sbrownie@gmail.com.



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The Framingham Elks is proud to be Drop off location
for Toys For Tots.

Please drop off a new unwrapped Toy today.

The Collection Box will be in the Members Lounge until
December 12th.

Thank you for your support.

ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION

I would like to begin by congratulating Michael Halpin on his donation for reaching PM2 status for donating over \$200.00. I would also like to congratulate John Thomson, Tiel Wadland, Ken Whidden, and Charles Villa on their recent donations and Jerry Blanchett for his monthly donation with a matching pledge through his company.

Many employers will match gifts given to non-profit organizations by employees and spouses, meaning that for every dollar you donate to the ENF, your company will donate another dollar! Some employers even match gifts from retirees. Double the impact of your gift today! To find out if your company sponsors a matching gift program. Check with your employer's human resource department to find out more.



To all the members that have donated to the Elks National Foundation this year. It is through your donations that we will continue to prosper and grow to be able to give back to our Society.

We are through three quarters of the year and based on my calculations we are currently at \$7.17 per member (GREAT JOB). We have achieved the GER's goal of \$4.75 per member and have exceeded the Lodge's goal of \$6.00 per member. 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. Once you have reached this plateau, I can add your name to the Elk National Foundation board in the members lounge.

Please send in any 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,

John J. Villa PER PDD HLM
Lodge Chairman



**EAST CENTRAL DISTRICT
ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION FUNDRAISER**

We are 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.

HEADLING – Rockin Joe Hebert, Host – Tom Stewart and Jessica Leigh



The Event will be held at the Hudson/Concord Lodge on February 2, 2019. \$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 \$1,500.00 in prizes. 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.***

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 25, 2019

A background graphic consisting of numerous stylized hands in various shades of blue and yellow, raised in the air as if cheering or participating in a group activity.

GET INVOLVED

EMBLEM NEWS



Hi All,

I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving and now on to Christmas and New Years! Sorry to say but we even had our first snow storm and got 7 inches. Way too early in the season as far as I'm concerned.

Speaking of Thanksgiving the turkey shoot was a huge success. We saw a lot of people that have been coming for years and I'm happy to say a number of people said it was their first time at a turkey shoot. Hopefully they won and had a great time and will come back next year and bring friends. Thanks to everyone who helped make the night so much fun especially our own "turkey gobbler" himself Paul King.

On a sad note one of our Emblem members pass on. Lucille Bellmore Past State President who was originally a member of the Natick Emblem and demitted to Framingham when Natick closed.

Our next meeting is on December 12th. A reminder that we have no meetings for the months of January and February.

Collation hostesses for December are: Sheree, Josie, and Pat

I want to take this opportunity to thank my officers and members for all that they do to help me keep this club going. No one person can do it alone and you girls are always there to help out and I really appreciate it. I would also like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a healthy happy New Year!

Yours in Emblem
June Robinson
Emblem President



LIVING OR DEAD AN ELK IS NEVER FORGOTTEN

This month we will have an opportunity to remember those Elks who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith. We will give special recognition to those who have passed this past year. A few examples are: Ron Barney (63 year Member) was a Guidance Counselor at local high school; Marie Crivello (20 years) married to the late William Crivello (27 years) who was an Officer of this Lodge; "Teddy" Langmeyer (46 years) was well known for his antique cars and owned Seaver's Florist which supplied us with many flowers for various occasions not the least of which were the carnations we once wore at Initiations. He is also the father of Teddy Jr. (29 years) and his wife Colleen (4 years) who are both Members of our Lodge; Paul Mazzaro (55 years) was the son of the late Arthur Mazzaro (39 years) who was also known as "Mr. Elk" as he had memorized all the parts of the Initiatory Ritual as well as the Installation of Officers. The game room is dedicated to him. Robert Sebastian (63 years) is the father of our Member Jimmy Sebastian (31 years). Stephen Ryder (53 years) was a legend in this City as he graduated from Framingham High, went to St. Anselm's and got his M.Ed from Framingham State University. He played for the Milwaukee Braves. He coached baseball, basketball and football at Marian High; Coached Framingham American Legion Baseball and Baseball at Framingham State where he was also Athletic Director.








I took a little more time with Stephen as I also knew him and his wife personally. The point of this segment is to remind the Members, and to show especially the new members, that there are those who walk among us, and who may share a spot at our bar, and who are Elks and have paid their dues in more ways than just the yearly contribution. Everyone has a story and we are proud of all those who have taken their oath before the Altar and are called Elks.

MEET OUR  MEMBERS

DECEMBER 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 DD Homecoming (Hudson/Concord 5:00pm)
Memorial Sunday 	Kids Christmas Party 2:00pm 	2  Patriots vs Vikings (4:25pm)	3  Hanukkah	4	5  Lodge Meeting (Only one this month)	6
9  Patriots vs Dolphins (1:00pm)	10	11 Members Christmas Party 	12 Emblem Club Meeting Meal of the Month Birthday Bash	13	14  Snowman Raffle Drawing	15  Hoop Shoot (Keefe Tech)
16  Patriots vs Steelers (4:25pm)	17	18	19	20	21	22
23  Patriots vs Bills (1:00pm)	24  Christmas Eve Lodge Closes at 6:00pm	25 Christmas Day Lodge Closed 	26	27	28	29
30  Patriots vs Jets (1:00pm)	31 New Year's Eve 					

JANUARY 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		 1 Polar Plunge	 2 Lodge Meeting	3	4	5
6	7	8	9 Meal of the Month Birthday Bash	10	11	 12 Dart Tournament (Arlington Lodge)
13	14	15	 16 Lodge Meeting	17	18	 19 Trivia Night
20	 21 Martin Luther King Day	22	23	24	25	26
 27	28	29	30	31	Caribbean Cruise January 27th - February 3rd	

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ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE



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Hope you all had a great Thanksgiving with family and friends. The Entertainment committee wants to wish you all a Happy Holiday and a Healthy New year.

We had a great turn out for our Turkey shoot. We would like to do a shout out to the following people who helped in making the Turkey Shoot a great success, Brian Parker, Kevin Higgins, Jimmy King and Sue Brown for picking up the Turkeys, Big Gobble, Gobble to Paul King for calling the cards. The Emblem and the Entertainment committee for donating the raffle baskets. Thank you to Jerry Blanchette and Paul King for handing out the turkeys to our winners. And to everyone who donated their turkey winnings to Mark Curtis.

December will be a busy time for everyone so there will be no meat shoot. We will be having our Snowman Lottery raffle going on in our Members Lounge starting December 1st raffle tickets will be 3 for \$5 and 7 for \$10, names and phone number's must be on the ticket to win. Tickets will be sold at the bar. See Cliff, Sheree King or our bartenders for tickets.

Keep an eye out for future dates: **December 2nd** is our Kids Christmas Party, **December 11th** is the Elks Member Christmas Party, **December 21st** Snowman Drawing pull, and **January 19th** is Trivia Nite.

I personally would like to thank Patty Higgins, Sue Brown, Donna Acorn, Lisa Forman, Laura Medrano, Shari Manning. These girls are your Entertainment Committee and we would not be a successful team without these people.

Hope to see you all soon.
Sheree King