



ER MESSAGE

I am very sad to hear of the Passing of our long time Inner Guard Betty Sleczkowski. Please join us at 1:00 on Feb 7th to celebrate her life as a great person and a great Elk.

We have made it into February without any big Snow, and avoided a bad storm to our south. I hope all are staying warm and safe over the Winter Months.

We would like to entice people to get out of the house and come down to the Club for the Superbowl. I know the Patriots are not in it, but it is the last Football game of the season just the same. I am sure there will be the normal Football "Pot Luck", and The Club will be providing some food as well. Hope to see you at Game Time.

February is a very important month for the Lodge, as we will have Nominations and Elections for New Officers for the upcoming year. If you would like to be involved, be an Officer, or just come and vote; please attend the Meetings on February 3rd and 17th.

We are working on and Installation of Officers date sometime in March.

There is going to be a Meat Shoot at 2:00 on Feb 21st. Come out and have some fun!

ER, PDD

Jerry Blanchette



SICKNESS AND DISTRESS

William Casey is home. Paul Parker is at St. Patrick's Manor. Dave Seariac was in Intensive Care in Brigham and Women's in Boston. Hopefully by the time you get this, Dave will be doing better.

ANNOUNCING THE DEATH OF A MEMBER

Elizabeth Sleczkowski

Born: Feb. 18, 1931

Initiated: Sept. 26, 1998

Died: Jan. 13, 2016



A Memorial Service is being planned by her family and it will be held at our Lodge on February 7, 2016 beginning at 1:00pm. Friends are invited to attend. There will be a small collation following the service. Sleep in peace my Sister. Your name will never be forgotten as it is written upon the tablets of love and memory.

MEMBERS ARE GETTING OLDER AND MEMBERSHIP HAS ITS BENEFITS

To become a Life Member you have had to reach the age of 65 with 30 years Membership. Congratulations to the following who have achieved this recognition: Robert Armitage (30), Walter Connery (30), Richard Crane (30), Russell Dodge (30), Dana Maskell (30), Allan Maus (30), Michael Moran (42 Years), Robert Turnan (39 Years), Edward Yarosz (35 Years).

SPEAKING OF MEMBERSHIP

Final notices were mailed to the 31 Members who have not paid this year's dues. If I do not receive payment you will be dropped from Membership on March 31, 2016. Remember, if you want to rent the hall it comes at a reduced rate, which makes paying the \$68.00 dues even more beneficial!! Please send in your payment quickly.



As for everyone else, dues notices for the 2016 – 2017 Elk Year will be going out this month. The cost has remained the same: Life Members \$34.00 and Regular Members \$68.00.

Please remember to mail back your dues, or drop them off at the Lodge, using the envelope which you will receive. There is also an opportunity provided to include a donation to the Elks National Foundation. This opportunity has helped Members increase their status with the Foundation which supports so many worthwhile causes. Please give it serious consideration.

SECRETARY'S CORNER

This month is a very significant month for our Order. Lodges all across the country will be nominating and electing the Officers who will serve in the ensuing year. Our first meeting in February is designed to accept Nominations. Our second meeting will be for elections. The newly elected Officers will also be looking to appoint Members who will work on the various Committees throughout the year. If you have any interest in serving your Lodge in any of these capacities, attend the meeting and let your name be known.

During the months of March and April Installation of Officers will be taking place. A list of the Lodges and their dates of Installation will be posted in the next bulletin. Most of these events are open to all Members so consider joining us as we make our rounds to each of the Lodges within our District.

Membership cards will be distributed to paid up Members after March 18, 2016. Reminder: Please use the envelopes you receive when paying your dues. They have your name and number on it which makes it easier for bookkeeping. Also, if you are changing your address please notify me so we can update the system. Many bulletins are returned with no forwarding address. This especially pertains to "snow birds" who head south for the winter. If I have your temporary address I can send your bulletin to you there. Also, if you use the Web page, you can read the bulletin there each month. Let me know if you don't need a hard copy of the bulletin. This also will save on postage.

Have a happy Valentine's Day, and for those with kids in school, enjoy the winter break!!

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



EMBLEM NEWS



I hope the new year has been a good one for everyone even though none of us won the Powerball.

I am going to start on a sad note by having to tell you that one of our members has passed. Betty Sleczkowski passed away on January 13th. She was both an Emblem and Elk member. Betty and her soft voice will be missed by many.

As for the weather I, along with most of you, are very happy with the weather we have been having so far. I was recently reminded that last year at this time we didn't have much snow and we all know what happened! Hopefully this year will be different. We deserve it after last year.

A reminder there will not be a meeting again this month. Also I hope you are keeping track of your community service reports and have notified Pat Shorton of all your hours.

You will soon be receiving your membership renewals, if you haven't received them already. Send your dues in early so you will be eligible for the "Early Bird" drawing to win the \$50.00 prize.

See you at the March meeting.

Happy Valentine's Day to all of you!!!

Yours in Emblem

June Robinson
President



ACTIVITIES HELP STRENGTHEN A LODGE

Sometimes when we look at a calendar we may just read about upcoming activities simply to know they are happening. I encourage you to view them as an opportunity to meet with other Members and get involved. The more you use your Membership card the more important it becomes. Coming down to the Lodge to participate in a meat shoot, or Super Bowl Party, or attending a Fund Raiser for the endorsed candidate for Grand Exalted Ruler Mike Zellen from Massachusetts, or by joining in the fun of a candlepin tournament helps us all to get to know one another better.

Don't just be a "joiner" be an active participant. Come to a meeting and share your ideas on how to improve the Lodge. I invite you to attend the PER Night this month and get to meet the new candidates who will be initiated. Make them feel welcomed and enjoy the dinner in their honor.

If you need any information regarding any of these activities don't hesitate to call:
774-279-2796.

Thank you.



Elks Care - *Elks* Share



Hoop Shoot

Please help support the Massachusetts Elks Association by taking advantage of this Celtics discount ticket opportunity for members, families, & friends.

\$5 from each ticket sold will help fundraise for the Elks National Veterans Service Commission and Scholarship Fund.



Celtics Event Info:

Boston Celtics vs Houston Rockets
Friday, March 11th - 7:30pm

Tickets – \$40

* Only 150 tickets available



Event Benefits:

- * **30% off Box Office Ticket**
- * Sit Together with other Elk Members
- * **Watch the game from Premium Group Location**
- * The 6 State Champions will be Anthem Buddies
- * 18 District Champions will get a VIP early entrance to watch the players warm up with 1 guest.
- * 25 randomly chosen Regional Participants will High Five the players at Halftime
- * 15% Coupon at TD Garden Pro Shop

*Kids need ticket for to participate in event. Offer not available through Box Office. Orders will be assigned seat locations on a first-come, first-served basis and are subject to availability. Tickets may sell out prior to the deadline.



To Order Contact:

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Order Deadline – Friday, February 11th
































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FEBRUARY 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	 3 Lodge Meeting (Nomination of Officers)	4	5	6
 7 Super Bowl Party Framingham Lodge	8	9	10 Meal of the Month Birthday Bash	11	12	13
 14 Valentine's Day Regional Meeting (Hudson/Concord Lodge)	 15 President's Day	 16 Birthday of the ELKS 1868	 17 Lodge Meeting (Election of Officers)	18 Oreintation of New Members	19	20
 21 Mass Elks at Springfield Falcons	 22 Meat Shoot (Framingham Lodge)	23	24	25	26	27 PER Night Initiation Performed by PERs
28 	29 Leap Year		<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; text-align: center;"> <u>QUOTE OF THE DAY...</u> You have to take risks. We will only understand the miracle of life fully when we allow the unexpected to happen. <i>Paulo Coelho</i> </div>			

MARCH 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<div>QUOTE OF THE DAY... Life is 10% what happens to you and 90% how you react to it. <i>Charles R. Swindoll</i></div>			<div>1  Lodge Meeting</div>	<div>2  Lodge Meeting</div>	<div>3  Lodge Meeting</div>	<div>4  State Pool Tournament (Worcester)</div>
<div>6 Candlepin Bowling Tournament (Norwood) </div>	<div>7 </div>	<div>8 </div>	<div>9 Emblem Club Meeting Meal of the Month Birthday Bash</div>	<div>10  Lodge Meeting</div>	<div>11 Mass Elks at the Celtics </div>	<div>12  Lodge Meeting</div>
<div>13 Candlepin Bowling (Norwood)  Mike Zellen Cocktail Reception (1-4:00pm Hudson/Concord Lodge)</div>	<div>14  Mike Zellen Cocktail Reception (1-4:00pm Hudson/Concord Lodge)</div>	<div>15  Mike Zellen Cocktail Reception (1-4:00pm Hudson/Concord Lodge)</div>	<div>16  Lodge Meeting</div>	<div>17 St. Patrick's Day </div>	<div>18  Lodge Meeting</div>	<div>19  Lodge Meeting</div>
<div>20  Lodge Meeting</div>	<div>21  Lodge Meeting</div>	<div>22  Lodge Meeting</div>	<div>23  Lodge Meeting</div>	<div>24  Lodge Meeting</div>	<div>25  Lodge Meeting</div>	<div>26  Lodge Meeting</div>
<div>27 Easter Sunday </div>	<div>28  Lodge Meeting</div>	<div>29  Lodge Meeting</div>	<div>30  Lodge Meeting</div>	<div>31  Lodge Meeting</div>	<div> Lodge Meeting</div>	<div> Lodge Meeting</div>

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Thank you for helping us Go Green

Join us for the

Framingham Elks

Meat Shoot

February 21st
2:00 pm



See Bulletin Board
for more details.