The Bulletin





BENEVOLENT AND PROTECTIVE ORDER OF ELKS FRAMINGHAM LODGE NO. 1264 MEETINGS 1ST AND 3RD WEDNESDAYS OF THE MONTH

E.R. MESSAGE

I wish each of you a healthy and prosperous New Year. This Holiday Season validated once more how great Elkdom is. The generosity of our members with their time and money was inspiring. Reflecting on 2018, we should be so proud of all the good that we did for our veterans, our children and for those in some kind of need. We received awards and recognitions by our community. We had an increase in membership and we expect another class in February. Remember to feel welcome to those joining us. There are challenges for new year, keep our membership up and to deal with an old building that needs a lot of maintenance and structural repairs as well aging equipment. Support our events and functions, the proceeds help to defray the cost and keep the lodge financially stable. Save Saturday, February 16th, yes Valentines weekend for a Luau, dancing music, food and lots of fun!

A big Thank You to all you for successful year.

Fraternally Yours,

Laura Medrano, ER

MEMBERS THAT ROCK!!

For helping to pick up the Turkeys for the Turkey Shoot Kevin Higgins

For Performing the Memorial Sunday Ceremony Billy Osborn, Bob Anspach, John Villa, John Palmer, and Danny O'Rouke, and all those members that attended.

For the Kids Christmas Party

Our in-house Santa Clause and Mrs Clause, Dicky Jay and Jane Jewel, the great entertainers Sheree King and Jonnie DeGrandmaison, our own artist face painter Gerry Stevens, and all the help from Joan DeGrandmaison and Donna Acorn.

For a very funny Christmas Party

The one and only Ernie Moreau and side kicks Brian Parker and Bob McCarthy. Rhonda Moreau and Shari Manning.

> **For a delicious dinner** Bennie Ottaviani and George Zanella

For always thinking what is next

The Ladies of the Entertainment Committee

For a very very well attended Hoop Shoot Jerry Blanchette who enlisted Barbieri Elementary School, for all the volunteers, Roger Dilbarian, Joe McInnes, Dan O'Rouke, Donna Acorn, Bill Osborn and his 2 wonderful daughters.

To all of those that donated toys for "Toys for Tots"

A special mention to the guys who went shopping, Blanchette, Brigham, McCarthy, Gillis and Dilbarian. Michelle Brigham, says more dolls next year!

For putting up with us

Our Lodge Manager, Cliff Corrado, Assistant Manager Maureen Valentino and all our great bartenders.

For making Framingham Elks a great place All officers, directors and committee volunteers

You Rock!!! If I forgot somebody, you rock too, just let me know!!

We need more members that rock!



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

ANNOUNCING THE DEATH OF A MEMBER

Alan Wheeler Born: April 30, 1939 Initiated: Feb. 21, 1971 LM: Mar. 7, 2007 Reported: Dec. 10, 2018



I'm so done with cooking and entertaining!

Sleep in peace my Brother

HOLIDAYS ARE OVER AND YOU'RE TIRED OF COOKING FOR GUESTS

Come down to the Lodge on January 9th 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!!

SECRETARY'S CORNER

There are three months left in the Elk year and they are significant. January we are asked to consider how we might better serve our Lodge by being nominated for an Office. February provides us the opportunity to nominate and elect those who will over-see the operation of our Lodge. March (and April) we will install those Officers for the ensuing year.

Along with choosing the leadership for our Lodge we still have much to accomplish as we bring our current year to a close. The Entertainment Committee has planned some activities for us, and the Patriots always provide us with their own entertainment. There are meetings to attend and meals of the month to share, and ENF fundraiser to enjoy. The Elk year may be coming to a close, but the work goes on.

When the dues notices go out next month please remember to mark if you want the Membership card to be mailed or if you want to pick it up behind the bar. I also encourage you to give us your email address so that you may receive your bulletin by email.

Remember, if you have any questions regarding your Membership or activities in the Lodge or how you can get more involved, don't hesitate to email me at <u>bobanspach@aol.com</u> or call (774-279-2796).

I'll do the best I can to provide the information.

Fraternally,

Robert B. Anspach PER, PDD, HLM Secretary



APPLICATIONS ARE COMING IN BUT DELINQUENCY PERSISTS

On PER Night in February we will initiate new Members. Applications are being

accepted in order to compensate for the delinquents who will be dropped in just three months. Once more I plead with those who have not paid the

current year's dues of \$73.00 to do so now and avoid being dropped on March 31st. Everyone who reads the bulletin knows what great work our Lodge is doing for veterans, our youth, and for the community. Along with Lodge fundraisers, your dues contribute to maintaining our Lodge

and its overhead, as well as providing a facility to meet other Members and enjoy Elks sociability.

As a Secretary reminder: dues notices for the 2019-20 year will be mailed in February. Dues will remain at \$73.00 for Members and \$34.00 for Life and Honorary Life members.

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 <u>sbrownie@gmail.com</u>.

THE HOOP SHOOT

The Hoop Shoot was held on Saturday Dec 15th.

We had 26 Kids participate. The Winners will move onto the District Hoop Shoot on Jan 12th in Hudson. I will report back next month if we have any from our Lodge continuing on to the State Shoot.

Thank you to Roger, Donna, Dan, Joe, Laura, and Big Bill and his 2 daughters for coming and helping.





SHOD





GRAND LODGE ENF SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarship season has started with the Elks Most Valuable Student scholarship, now open for seniors in high school. Applications are only available on line at ENF website at <u>www.</u> <u>elks.org/enf/scholars</u>.



ENF also offers Legacy awards for seniors in high school for children and grandchildren of Elks members. (Elks Members Only). These are also \$4,000 awards. The application

process is done completely online, <u>www.elks.org/enf</u> 2019 contests starts September 1, 2018. DEADLINE IS Feb. 1, 2019 11.59 am Central Time

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. New and renewal applications should be filed between May 1 and October 31.

The Gunther & Lee Weigle Medical School Scholarship Award: This year, six (6) \$20,000 scholarships are offered exclusively to Elks scholars (current or alum)* entering their first year of medical school in 2019. Applications are due by May 15.

If you have questions on scholarships, please email <u>scholarship@elks.org</u> or call 773/755-4732.

ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION

I would like to begin by congratulating Suzan Brown on her donation for reaching PB2 status for donating over \$2,500.00. I would also like to congratulate Jim Furlong and Robert Armitage PM6 for donating over \$600.00, Janet Whitley, Robert Halpin and Mike Degnan PM2 for donating over \$200.00. Richard Finaly for attaining PM1 status for donating over \$100.00. and Carrie Correa for her recent donation.,.

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 \$9.62 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,

Lodge Chairman, John J. Villa PER PDD HLM



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



EMBLEM NEWS

Hi everyone,

Hope you all had a great Christmas.

We had a very busy December.

The Elks had their Memorial service and as always they had a candle for the Emblem Club to light honoring our deceased members. I was privileged to light the candle. Also in attendance were Ginger, Jean, Gladys and Phyllis May who lit the candle for Ed Mahan Past Grand Exalted Ruler.

After the Memorial service the Elks had their kids Christmas party. There were around 25 kids in attendance waiting for Santa Dickie Jay and Mrs Claus Jean Jewell to make their entrance. I hear there was an elf or two there trying very hard to keep the kids occupied while they waited.

Jean stepped in for Nancy who unfortunately ended up in the hospital. Happy to say Nancy's stay in the hospital was a short one.

A reminder there are no Emblem meetings in January and February.

Our next meeting will be on March 13th 2019!

Collation hostess are Joanie D and Jane Jordan

Happy New Year to all!

I hope it's a happy healthy one for everyone!

Yours in Emblem June Robinson President



LIVING OR DEAD AN ELK IS NEVER FORGOTTEN

This verse from our "Eleven O'Clock Toast" is heard at our initiation of new Members to impress them as to what becoming an Elk means. Then the toast is given at many of our functions to remind those present that the hour of eleven has a tender significance.

We also heard it at our Memorial Sunday Service when we recalled those Members who passed in the last year. At the same service we encouraged those attending to look over our Tablets of Love and Memory which hang in the Grill Room. Upon those tablets is a list of all Members who have gone before us since our Lodge began in 1911. This list contains the names of Officers, Past Exalted Rulers, Trustees, Home Committee Members, those who served on our Committees, as well as those who make up the majority of Elks: social members who enjoy the hospitality of our Elk's Lodge.

This month I want to remember all of them and encourage other Members to look over the names of those we promised to never forget. You'll surprise yourself as you read a name and say "I remember him (or her)," I promise you'll smile when you realize you actually didn't forget.

JANUARY 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday				
			2 Lodge Meeting	3	4	5				
		Polar Plunge								
6	7	8	9	10	11 🚺 E	CD Hoop Shoot 12				
			Meal of the Month Birthday Bash	1	Dart	Training Meeting eominster/Fitchburg) ent (Arlington Lodge)				
13	14	15	16 Lodge Meeting	17	18	19 Trivia Night Law and Order Night (Arlington)				
20 ECD PER Meeting (Maynard)	21 Martir Luther King Day	3	23	24	25	26				
27	28	29	30	31						
		Caribbean	Cruise Janus	ry 27th - Fe	bruary 3rd					

FEBRUARY 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	(Huds	Saturday ENF Fundraiser 2 con/Concord) State Hoop ot (Maynard)
3	4	5	6 Lodge Meeting (Nomination of Officers)	7	8	9 Dart Tournament (Beverly/Salem)
	e) 11 nce Bruins rans Night	12	13 Meal of the Month Birthday Bash	Valentine's Day	15 Luau	Night Cornhole Tournament (Auburn/Webster)
17	President's 18 Day	19	20 Lodge Meeting (Election of Officers)	21	22	23 Chili Cook Off
24	25	26	27	28		

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COMMITTEE

ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE

Happy 2019 to Everyone.

We have had a busy year as we say goodbye to 2018.

I would like to thank the following people, Patty Higgin's, Donna Acorn, Shari Manning, Lisa Forman, Sue Brown and Laura Medrano for being the greatest Entertainment committee the lodge has...

Big shout out to the following people, Paul King for being the call to person for all **meat shoots** and **Turkey gobbler caller**. Chris Wonzy for taking time to conduct our **Trivia Nite**, Jerry Blanchettte and Bennie Ottivaini for helping us succeed in our **St Patty's Day dinner**. To every one that helped on **Flag Day** a big **THANK YOU** to you all.

TERTAINMENT

These are just some things we did last year, I wanted to thank everyone who helped make it happen. Thank you to our Bar Manager Cliff Carrado for making sure we always had our bartenders when we needed them.

We are looking forward to the 2019 Calender Year. We already have dates set up and are busy adding more dates in the future. So Save the date:

<u>Trivia Nite</u> - Saturday Jan 19th, 7-9pm • <u>Luau Nite</u> - Saturday Feb 16th (More details to follow, or see fliers in the loung) • <u>Chili Cook Off</u> - Saturday Feb 23rd (See Brian Parker for details) • <u>St. Paddy's Day Dinner</u> -Friday March 15th, time to be announced later.

Hope to see you all soon

EC Chairperson Sheree King