



BENEVOLENT AND PROTECTIVE ORDER OF ELKS FRAMINGHAM LODGE NO. 1264

MEETINGS 1ST AND 3RD WEDNESDAYS OF THE MONTH

ER MESSAGE

Coming down the home stretch of my year as your ER. Once again I'm very honored to do have represented 1264. The one thing I've learned over the last year is that we have a very strong lodge. This is not something that can happen with one person but by team work. You all should be proud of your hard work in the past and this present year.

I have repeatedly pushed membership growth and the retention of delinquent members. We recently made sure that all delinquent life members of 1264 were honored with their dues being paid for the current year. This soon will be a concern for upcoming year. We currently are leading the way in the ECD with a plus growth of 20 new members after having a negative of 8 last year.

By the time you read this we will have brought up 11 more new members in during our PER Installation Night! Awesome work by all involved.

I'm even more excited to announce that we have two members that have stepped up and answered the call and excepted the responsibility of taking a chair upstairs. I'm not sure when the last time this has happened in recent years.

Thank You Chris Wozny and Janet Whitley for excepting the call of Elkdom and taking on the responsibility of Lecturing Knight Chris and Loyal Knight Janet.

With PER's Donna Acorn taking on the ER position again and Laura Mendrano the leading Knight we are in good hands. Lest we forget Benny Ottaviani Jr taking on the position of a 5 Year Trustee.

All this and the very encouraging growth recently with new and younger members the future looks bright.

Let's keep up the hard work and move forward. We need new ideas and our newest members to step up by joining a committee and help keep 1264 strong and relevant in the District, State and on a National level.

I cannot miss the opportunity to personally thank Janet Whitley enough for going above and beyond by for filling my goal this year of a Missing Man's Table to be displayed in our lodge. It's permanent placement has not yet been decided but the Honorable Display has found a home at Lodge 1264.

THANK YOU JANET!!!

Hope to see you all at the lodge sometime soon.

Thank You!

God Bless Lodge 1264, America and the Flag that Represents it!

Proudly Your Exalted Ruler

Big Bill Osborn





SICKNESS AND DISTRESS

Paul Parker, William Casey, Gladly Kiley, Steve Leach and Owen Babineau

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

SECRETARY'S CORNER

Congratulations to our Newly Elected Officers to be Installed on April 4th at 5:00. Donna Acorn – Exalted Ruler, Laura Medrano – Esteemed Leading Knight, Janet Whitley – Esteemed Loyal Knight, Chris Wozny – Esteemed Lecturing Knight, Treasurer - Scott Penrod, Secretary – Jerry Blanchette, and 5 year Trustee – BJ Ottaviani. Other positions will be filled by appointment from the Incoming Exalted Ruler.

Also congratulations to our new 11 Members that were Initiated on Feb 21st during our PER Night. Tracy Bossi, Bradley Groleau, Cindy Fitzgerald, Stephen Fowks, Peter Hill, Daniel Colletti, Casey Diana, William Mallon, Thomas Lyons, Daniel Mariani, and Philip Regan.

PER night was performed by: Jerry Blanchette ER, Donna Acorn Leading Knight, John Villa Loyal Knight, Sue Brown Lecturing Knight, Esquire Dan O'Rourke, Secretary Bob Anspach, Inner Guard John Palmer. We were also assisted by current Chaplain Geri Stevens, ER Bill Osborn was the Treasurer of the Day and Nick Pagenella Tiler.

We are planning our next Initiation on Friday March 27, 2020 to get the rest of our waiting Candidates Initiated.

Reminder that the Framingham Lodge Installs the Norwood Officers on Sunday March 29 at 2:00. Please join us.

I hope all are planning to attend the St Patrick's Day Dinner, see Patty Higgins for Tickets.

Fraternally

Jerry Blanchette - Lodge Secretary



The Lodge Needs You To Get Involved!

ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION

I want to thank all the members that have donated to the Elks National Foundation this year. It is through your help that we will continue to prosper and grow.

We are almost at the end of the year and we are currently at \$9.99 per member (GREAT JOB) we have met the Grand Lodge per capita of \$4.75 and will meet the Lodge goal of \$6.00. As you are aware the Elks National Foundation supports many programs working with the Veterans, Hoop Shoot, Soccer Shoot and Drug Awareness programs in addition over 4.5 million dollars in scholarships were given out last year alone and over 12.4 million in Community Investment Programs.

To our newest Elks National Foundation members, the Lodge has already started your first pledge of \$10.00 to the Elks National Foundation. If you would like to add to the cause, please leave a check made out to the Elks National Foundation at the lodge to my attention and I will make sure that it is sent to your account or send it directly to the Elks National Foundation, 2750 N. Lakeview Ave., Chicago, IL 60614-2256. Include your lodge name Framingham #1264 and your membership number.

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



We did have a big boost at the end of the year due to the East Central District ENF Bola. This year we sold 121 books, which meant we donated another \$1,210.00 to the ENF.

Great Job to all that supported the fundraiser this year.

Here is the list of winners from the Elks National Foundation BOLA. This year we had 5 winners from Framingham. If you would like to know how good the comedians were just ask Jerry Blanchette. He was the star of the show.

\$1000.00	Tom Manguso	Framingham
\$250.00	Steve (Bucky) Stone	Framingham
\$100.00	Donna Lanzoni	Norwood

10 winners for \$25.00 in scratch tickets. Framingham's, Sheree King, Steve Gunning and Jeff Penders, Norwood, Ron Lanoni, Brian Plazko and Anne Plasko, Natick, Susan Gurkin, Franklin, Peter Diamond, Maynard, Flo Huminick and Steve Hardy.

I would also like to thank the following individuals on their recent donations to the Elks National Foundation and for their support in the East Central District ENF BOLA Fundraiser.

DONNA ACORN, ALEX ALPERT, ROBERT B ANSPACH, ROBERT AVERILL, BOB BLACKADARE, JERRY BLANCHETTE, STEPHEN BLANCHETTE, MICHELLE BRIGHAM, SUZETTE BROWN, ROBERT CONNOLLEY, DAVE CONNOLLY, PATRICK CRPW;Y. JOANIE DE GRANDMAISON, PETER DeVITO, ROGER DILLBERIAN, JOHN DONAHUE, MICHAEL DONNELLY, EAST CENTRAL DISTRICT PER ASSN, MICHAEL FORMAN, FRAMINGHAM ELKS #1264, JON JFUREY, JOE GATELY, GARY GEENSTIEN, STEPHAN GRIFFIN, RICHARD FINLEY, JOE HANSBURY, KEVIN HIGGINS, PATRICIA HIGGINS, THOMAS (TK) KEILTY, SHEREE KING, RICHARD MAHER, KRYSTEN MAHAN, THOMAS MANGUSO, SHARI MANNING, JAMES McCARATHY, JOSEPH McCARATHY, ROBERT McCARATHY, JAMES

McGRATH, LAURA MEDRANO, CESAR MONZON, KATHY MORSE-VILLA, WILLIAM OSBOURNE, DANIEL O'ROUKE, KEN OWENS, NICK PAGANELLA, PETER PANDOLFINO, BRIAN PARKER, JENNIFER PARKER, DENNIS, PARKER, SCOTT PARKER, JEFFREY PENDERS, SCOTT PENROD, STEVE PRIVITERA, PAUL SANFORD, ROBERT SIMONETTA, PAUL SPEAR, STEVE STANECHIEWSKI, GERRY STEVENS, STEVE (BUCKY) STONE, CHRIS TAFT, LISA TAFT, MAUREEN VALENTINO, CHARLES VILLA, DONALD R VILLA, JOHN J VILLA, J, PAUL M VILLA WALTER VILLA, WILLIAM VILLA, JANET WHITLEY, CHRIS WOZNY AND LISA WOZNY.

I would also like to thank Steve Curtis, Bill Barry, Marie DeStefano-Barry, Patrick Kimmett and Lorna Quale for supporting the East Central District fundraiser.

If I have missed anyone, my apologies.

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

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DRUG AWARENESS PROGRAM POSTER WINNERS:

The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks conducts a yearly Drug Awareness Poster/Essay Program. The winners from this year's participants from the

Framingham Elks Lodge #1264 are as follows:

All winners were from the David Mindess School in Ashland

POSTER WINNERS

1st place girls	Payten Tripp	\$75 Gift Certificate
2nd place girls	Ruby Khazadian	\$50 Gift Certificate
3rd place girls	Kendall Westerlind	\$25 Gift Certificate
1st place boys	Jacob Pedulla	\$75 Gift Certificate
2nd place boys	Marshall Naoh	\$50 Gift Certificate
3rd place boys	John Larson	\$25 Gift Certificate

Payten Tripp and Jacob Pedulla also won the District and on to the States.

IF YOU HAPPEN KNOW ANY OF THE WINNERS PLEASE DO NOT LET THEM KNOW. THEY ARE UNAWARE THAT THEY WON AT THIS TIME.

Great job by all that participated.

Lodge Chairman

John J. Villa PER PDD HLM



EMBLEM NEWS

Hi to all,

First of all, we would like to extend our sincerest sympathy to the family of Claudia Allen. Sleep my sister, sleep.

March puts us back in full swing after a couple of months off. Now the meetings start back up.

It's time to renew your membership. If you pay by March 15, you will be entered into an Early Bird drawing for a chance to win \$50.

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 11. Collation hostesses are Lynn Sanderson and Jamie Romano.

DID YOU KNOW??

WD-40 was originally made to use as a rust-prevention solvent and degreaser for the aerospace industry. Now it's a common household product. My dad used to swear by it as a relief for the arthritis in his knee. Really?? Well, here are a few uses for the product that really work. 1) Lube a garden trowel. Soil will slide right off. 2) Clean tile. Removes mascara, nail polish, paint and scuffs from tile floors. 3) Scrub stains from stainless steel sinks. 4) Unstick gum. It makes it easier to pull gum out of carpet and even hair. 5) Soften leather. It can also help break in a stiff leather tool belt. 6) Free stuck Legos. Your kids will thank you. 7) Erase crayon. It helps remove crayon from toys, flooring, furniture, walls, doors & TV screens. 8) Prevent flowerpots from sticking when stacked together. 9) Get rid of rust. Use on circular saw and hacksaw blades. It also cleans off tar and other gunk. 10) Remove goo. Unstick gooey residue from price tags, duct tape and stickers.

There are so many more uses of this versatile product. Check it out on the internet!

ONGOING:

We collect aluminum pull tabs for the Shriners Hospitals. They can be turned in to Joanie deGrandmaison.

Jeanne Ottaviani and Ginger Noonan are always looking for items for the local nursing homes, such as costume jewelry, large-piece jigsaw puzzles, large print crossword and word search books.

Jean Jewell continues to collect your old prescription bottles, with the labels removed.

Josie Lascano will continue to collect baby items for the local family shelters. All items are greatly appreciated.

Members celebrating their birthday in March are Marie Aquino, Pam Baker, Jean Jewell and Lynn Sanderson. Happy Birthday, ladies! If your birthday is in March but your name is not listed, it's because I don't have that information. You can email me to update our records.

Happy St. Patrick's Day!

Yours in Emblem,

Joanie deGrandmaison, PP, Financial Secretary

joanieandbill88@verizon.net





The month of February has flown by and spring is just around the corner!

The Winter Luau was held 2/15/20 and was a huge success. Those who attended enjoyed an evening of appetizers, music, dancing and a lot of fun! Thank you to all the EC who cooked, baked and volunteered their time to break up the monotony of the winter for all of us!

Back by popular demand is the annual **Saint Paddy's Day Dinner**

March 13, 2020

cocktail hour: 5-6 pm, dinner: 6-8 pm,

\$20 per ticket, see Patty Higgins 617-803-6115



Meat Shoot are back: please join us for fun, raffles and a chance to win some meat prizes!



\$20 per card set

April 18, 2020 4-6 pm

May 30, 2020 4-6 pm

Please join us!

Donna Acorn and Patty Higgins

EC members

**PASTA MAKING CLASS
WITH CHEF PHYLLIS
FRIDAY MARCH 6TH
6:30 PM - 9:30 PM**

- **LOCATION: FRAMINGHAM ELKS**
- **COST: \$35**
- **WHAT IS INCLUDED:**
- **ALL INGREDIENCIES TO MAKE 3 DIFFERENT TYPES OF PASTA AND SAUCE**
- **WE ARE ONLY ACCEPTING 12 PEOPLE**
- **PLEASE CALL SUE BROWN TO SIGN UP : 508-320-3217**
- **DO NOT HAVE TO BE AN ELK TO PARTICIPATE**

Always wanted to learn how to make fresh pasta !! Well here is your chance.



MARCH 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4  Lodge Meeting	5	6	7
8 State Candlepin Bowling Norwood	9	10	11 Emblem Club Meeting Meal of the Month Elks Rides Meeting	12	13 St. Patrick's Day Party	14
15	16	17 	18  Lodge Meeting	19 Orientation	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27 New Member Initiation 6:00 dinner 7:00 Initiation	28
29 Install Norwood Officers	30	31				

APRIL 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1  Lodge Meeting	2	3	4 Framingham Installation of Officers
5	6	7	8 Emblem Club Meeting Meal of the Month Elks Rides Meeting	9	10	11
12	13	14	15  Lodge Meeting	16	17	18 Meet Shoot 4-6pm
19 State 10 Pin Bowling Attleboro	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

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