



ER MESSAGE

I would like to start by thanking P.E.R. Jerry Blanchette and his suite of Officers for all their dedication and incredible work done over the last year.

I am honored to be elected and installed as the E.R. for the Framingham Lodge 1264. I am looking forward to working closely with the Board of Directors, Home Committee, Trustees, Entertainment Committee, and other Lodges in our East Central District.

I promise to work hard on building strong relationships with the Youth Groups, Homeless Shelters and the Veteran Services. I encourage people to come up with new ideas to help facilitate these goals. We need to continue to grow and improve our Lodge to strive to be the best in the District; however this will take more than a few people, it will take an army!

I look forward to a great and productive year as your E.R. and will represent you and the Lodge to the best of my ability.

Here's to all working together towards one common goal!

Hope to see everyone at the club.

Regards

ER Suzanne Brown



SICKNESS AND DISTRESS

Paul Parker (St. Patrick's Manor)

If you know of a Member who may be "under the weather" or could use a visit because he/she is in a home, please let an Officer know.

ANNOUNCING THE DEATH OF A MEMBER

Richard Seariac

Born: July 5, 1935

Initiated: June 23, 1987

Died: March 31, 2016



SECRETARY'S CORNER

Few people will disagree when I say this is a wonderful time of year. The sun is up early and goes down later; the weather starts getting warmer; we shed the winter clothes and start pulling out the summer attire; gardens are planted; the trees remind us that it is time for renewal. It also a time to give thanks to our moms and dads on Mother's and Father's Day.

Let us not forget the time we set aside to give thanks to all those who served our country, many of whom paid the ultimate sacrifice as we honor them on Memorial Day.

Yes it is a wonderful time of year! Within our Lodges we find renewed determination to improve our charitable work and to spread the word of Elkdom which is "Elks Care, Elks Share."

Our newly installed Officers and appointed Committees have been working diligently to make us all proud to be a member. What is asked of everyone is to give them support by participating in the activities planned. We have a great Lodge, and it is thanks to YOU the members.

We are one month into the new Elk year. If you want to know how you can help this year don't hesitate to contact an Officer or give me a call 774-279-2796, and I'll point you in the right direction.

Happy Mother's Day and a blessed Memorial Day.

Faternally,

Robert B. Anspach, PER, PDD, HLM
Secretary



CHARITY FUNDRAISING RAFFLE JUNE 11, 2016

This year's State Association Charity Fund Raffle books have been mailed.



\$20,000 Grand Prize
2nd \$3000
3rd \$2,000
and four
\$500 Sellers Pool winners.



If you buy or sell a book write your name on the blue ticket. That is for the Sellers pool.

The Lodge's share of the income from this depends on your participation. Please help your Lodge and your charities by purchasing the book. Please mail the raffle books back to the State Chairman with the envelope provided in the package. We will also have the Lodge pool again this year. This means that for every 20 books sold by your lodge including mail-ins the lodge will be entered into the pool for a chance to win one or more of the four \$500.00 prizes. "CHARITY IS THE GREATEST OF ALL THE VIRTUES" YOUR PARTICIPATION IS NEEDED TO MAKE THIS YEAR'S PROGRAM SUCCESSFUL.

If you would like to purchase more raffle books contact your lodge secretary. Returns may be made to our bartenders and placed in an envelope behind the bar.

EMBLEM NEWS



Hi everyone,

First I would like to congratulate Sue Brown on being installed as the new Exalted Ruler. The Emblem Club looks forward to working with you in the upcoming year. Give me a call if there is anything we can do for you.

I would also like to congratulate Phyllis May for being recognized for her many hours of volunteering St. Patrick's Manor at a dinner on April 17th. Good Job Phyllis we know how much you enjoy your work at St. Pats.

It is my pleasure in reporting on our annual community service report for 2015-16 year.

We did: 4,624 Hours 6,128 Miles \$29,884.00 Cash /Donations.

GREAT JOB everyone!! Let's keep up the good work and don't forget we are still collecting coffee, creamer and snacks and anything else that you think they might like to send to our soldiers. Also don't forget the pill bottle and coupons to give to Jean Jewell and if you have any costume jewelry or small stuffed animals the ladies at the nursing homes love to win them at their bingo games. Don't forget to send Pat Shorton your community reports each month.

Our "Early Bird" drawing winner was Lucy DeAngelis, congratulations Lucy. If you haven't sent in your dues in yet it's not too late.

Our Next meeting is on May 11, 2016.

Collation Hostesses are Nancy Jay and Joanie D.

Yours in Emblem

June Robinson
President



ANOTHER REMINDER: MEAL OF THE MONTH/BIRTHDAY BASH

In last month's bulletin I encouraged Members, family and friends to share in the monthly meal and birthday bash held on the second Wednesday of each month. The invitation is open to the public. If you're a Member of the Elks or Emblem you could win the birthday drawing held on that night. Keep your kitchen clean and join us. Meals start at 5:30pm and cost only \$8.00 for all you can eat, and children's meals are discounted in price.

BIRTHDAY
Bash

ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION

I would like to begin by congratulating Dan O'Rourke for his recent donation and becoming an Honorary Founder in the Elks National Foundation for donating over \$1000.00. Shake his hand the next time you see him for his continued support of the Elks National Foundation.

I would also like to thank Tim Rivers on his recent donation and reaching Distinguished Member Status for donating over \$500.00, Bill Sullivan and Brian Parker for reaching PM 4 Member Status for donating over \$400.00, Ernie Moreau, Cesar Monzon and Dick Mahar for reaching PM3 status over \$300.00, Peter Pandolfino PM2 status over \$200.00, Bob Blackadar and Scott Parker for reaching PM1 status over \$100.00

Thank you 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 finished the year at \$8.56 per member (GREAT JOB) we have met the Grand Lodge per capita of \$4.55 and exceeded our Lodge goal of \$6.00. We came in first place in our District and first place in the State for lodges between 301-500 members and 3rd place overall in the State. 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 6 million dollars in scholarships were given out last year alone.

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 your donation 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.

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 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



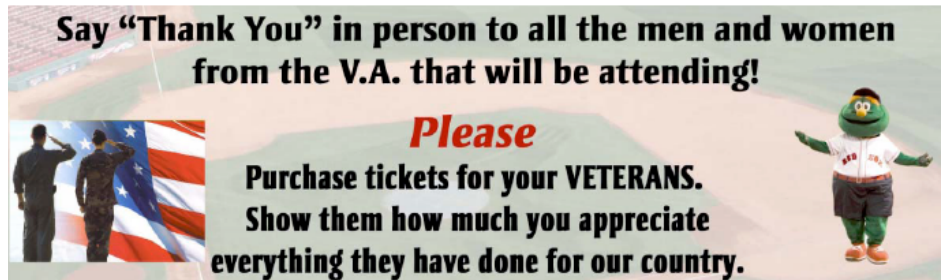
Email me with your thoughts on what we can do to improve our Lodge.

sue.brown@synopsys.com

MASS ELKS NIGHT AT FENWAY TO HONOR OUR VETERANS

This year the Mass Elks night at Fenway will take place on Tuesday August 30, 2016, 7:10pm, RED SOX vs TAMPA BAY RAYS. Tickets are \$59.00 for Right Field Box seats or \$40.00 per person for Right Field Grandstand seats and \$35.00 for Bleacher seats. This game is to honor our Veterans. Tickets can be purchased by using the form below. It would be a great idea to purchase a pair tickets to send a Veteran to the game.

ALL TICKETS MUST BE PURCHASED BY JUNE 11, 2016



Application

William Singier
74 Rosen Road
Holbrook, MA 02343

Total Tickets _____
Total \$ _____

_____ Right Field Box Seats @ \$59

_____ Right Field Grandstand @\$40

_____ Wheelchair/Companions @\$55

_____ Bleacher Seats @\$35

Fraternally Yours

Lodge _____ Number _____

Contact Phone Number _____ Email Address _____

Attach this coupon to your check made payable to: **Massachusetts Elks Association**

Mail Tickets to: _____

Once again we will be raffling off 1 pair of Right Field Box and 2 pairs of Bleacher seat for \$5.00 each or 3 for \$10.00. Drawing to be held at the State Convention in Hyannis on June 11, 2016.

If you would like to purchase any raffles tickets or tickets to the game give me a call.
I can be reached at 508-397-9065.

Please purchase a ticket to the ball game to Honor our Veterans.

If any Veterans from our lodge are interested in going to the game please let me know.

District Chairman
John J. Villa PER PDD HLM

Mark Your Calender for the Bourne National Cemetery Bus Trip



Lest We Forget

Bourne National Cemetery

Veterans Tribute – Sponsored by

Framingham Elks Lodge #1264

Sunday, May 29, 2016

10:15 AM

Box Lunch and Barbeque – all for \$ 20

10:30 am Bus leaves – ELKS Parking Lot

450 Union Ave., Framingham

1 PM Memorial Day Ceremony

4 pm return for lodge barbeque

ALL INVITED Veterans, -Friends, -Public

Send \$20 check made out to:

Framingham Lodge 1264 ELKS

PO BOX 4747, Framingham, MA 01704

Maritime Band Wreath dedications

Bring Camera

RSVP w/check May 16

You'll go back next year

First come first served

1 Bus Only

John Villa – (508) 397-9065

**MEMBERS CAN SIGN UP FOR THE BARBEQUE FOR \$10.00.
A SIGN UP SHEET WILL BE POSTED IN THE GRILL ROOM.**

PROPOSITIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

Jonathan Bell proposed by Bobby Briggs

Maryellen Hamilton Brown proposed by Cesar Monzon

Dolores Coots proposed by Bennie Ottaviani

Angelica Duphily proposed by Lisa Wozny

Joseph Mazzola proposed by Joseph McCarthy

Peter Moynihan proposed by James McGrath

Carlos Turcios proposed by Cesar Monzon

These applications will be voted upon in the second meeting in May, and then initiated in our June Class.

Applications are still being accepted for that class.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT FOR 2015-2016

Beginning Membership April 1, 2015..... 517

Initiate 25

Affiliated..... 2

Reinstatement 7

Total 34

Dropped 24

Dimit..... 3

Absolute Dimit..... 2

Deceased..... 11

Total 40

Loss 6

April 1, 2016..... 511

Number of Life Members 79

Number of Honorary Life Members..... 7

The numbers speak for themselves. Though we had 25 new Members join our Lodge we had 24 dropped for non-payment of dues. We still have some 120 Members to pay the current year's dues. If you haven't paid, please do so today.

Let's work together to keep our numbers up. Your Lodge provides many reasons to retain your membership.....get involved and discover why it is important to pay your dues.



MAY 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Meat Shoot 1:00 pm  	Regional Meeting (Fall River Lodge)		 Lodge Meeting			
 Mother's Day			Emblem Club Meeting Meal of the Month Birthday Bash			State President's Testimonial (Mansfield)
ECD PER Metting (Lexington 10:00am)			 Lodge Meeting			Armed Services Day 
Bourne Trip 	 Memorial Day		<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; text-align: center;"> <p><u>QUOTE OF THE DAY...</u></p> <p>Good, better, best. Never let it rest. 'Til your good is better and your better is best.</p> <p><i>St. Jerome</i></p> </div>			

JUNE 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; text-align: center;"> <p><u>QUOTE OF THE DAY...</u></p> <p>If you don't like something, change it. If you can't change it, change your attitude.</p> <p><i>Maya Angelou</i></p> </div>			 Lodge Meeting			
			Emblem Club Meeting Meal of the Month Birthday Bash		State Convention	State Convention
State Convention		 Flag Day	 Lodge Meeting			
 Father's Day						

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