



ER MESSAGE

To All members of Lodge 1264,

I must again say thank you to all who have entrusted me with this great responsibility. Thanks to all who attended the Installation. I think a good time was had by all.

A special thanks to Benny and George for once again a great meal and Paul for mashing what must have been 100 lbs of potatoes. Don't forget DJ Dicky and his great selections of music.

I would also like to point out all the supportive and positive comments of good luck with the coming year. Luck is not needed...Support and Help is what is needed.

All seats in this year's suite are full. The Trustees and Home Committee are in place and ready for the year ahead. Thanks to Benny Ottaviani and Chris Wozny for Stepping up to join the Home Committee.

I was able to attend four other installations in our district and I met so many new friends as well having witnessed firsthand of what being an Elk means. A lot of good people working together for the betterment of others.

I look forward to the upcoming State and National conventions. There will be plenty of other meetings and events upcoming that I will be attending to help me get off on a good start.

I want to continue a theme from last month's bulletin - Many Hands Make Light Work. In short we need more good people stepping up and helping out.

I challenge you to do just that! The first step is to attend a monthly meeting! These meetings are held the first and third Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm.

Come see the other side of the Elks, come see what we do, who we Really are. Remember we are a Lodge with a bar not a Bar with a lodge.

There are plenty of great opportunity's to help out. You will see on the coming pages many opportunity's to help our Community, as well as social events at the Lodge. Come see what it means when we say **ELKS CARE ELKS SHARE**.

God Bless Lodge 1264, The United States of America and The Flag that Represents it!

Fraternally Yours

Bill Osborn
Exalted Ruler





SICKNESS AND DISTRESS

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

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



FLAG DAY PARADE 2019

The City of Framingham will be having another Flag Day Parade this year on June 9th.

We hope to have another great day at the Lodge for the Parade.

If you would like to join the Flag Day Parade Committee for the Framingham Lodge, please let us know.



Elks Care - Elks Share

SECRETARY'S CORNER

Membership update: As of April 23rd we still had 122 Members past Due. If you or anyone you know has not paid their yearly Dues, please send them in; or drop them in the Secretary's Mailbox (Located in the Grill Room).

I understand completely that some people may have forgotten to open their Dues Notice or perhaps just set it aside and forgot about it however it is still important to pay on time. I will be posting a list of the delinquent Members on the Lodge Bulletin Board in the Grill Room. If you are a Sponsor of someone whom has not yet paid please help us to determine if they have intentions of staying with our organization. Thank you.

We will be having our next New Member Initiation on Meeting Night Wednesday, May 1st. We hope to have more than 10 people joining our organization that night. Welcome to our new Members.

April showers bring May Flowers. It also brings much better weather. The trees and flowers are in bloom and the pollen season has kicked into full gear. We don't want you to stay in the house because of it as we always have lots going on at the Club. I hope you are available to attend our Cinco De Mayo Meat Shoot on Sunday, May 5th. We also have the Veteran's Bourne Bus trip on Sunday, May 26th. If you can't make the trip you can still sign up for the Cook Out in the afternoon. See a posting in the Grill room to sign up for that.

I hope everyone had a great Easter/Passover. Enjoy the month of May and Happy Mother's Day to all Mothers.

Jerry Blanchette PDD HLM

Lodge Secretary



ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION

I would like to begin by congratulating Marie and Joe Aquino reaching there PM1 status for donating over \$100.00 to the Elks National Foundation. Shake their hand the next time you see them for their continued support of the Elks National Foundation.

A HUGE THANK YOU to 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 an all-time high of \$13.27 per member (GREAT JOB) we have met the Grand Lodge per capita of \$4.75 and exceeded our Lodge goal of \$6.00. We came in first place in the District and first place in the State for lodges between 501-700 members and 4th 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. In addition, over 4.79 million dollars in scholarships were given out last year alone.

To our newest 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 to get your name on the ENF board in the members lounge. If you would like to know where you stand with your total 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



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Thank you for helping us Go Green

Mark Your Calendar for the Bourne National Cemetery Bus Trip



Bourne National Cemetery

Veterans Tribute – Sponsored by
Framingham Elks Lodge #1264

Sunday, May 26th, 2019

10:15 AM

Box Lunch and Barbecue – 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 by May 17

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.

CHARITY FUND-RAISING RAFFLE JUNE 08, 2019

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.



EMBLEM NEWS



Hi all,

First I want to congratulate Bill Osborn and his team of officers for being installed last month. It was a great time. The Emblem club looks forward to working with you in the coming year.

Congratulations to Laura on a job well done during her year. Thank you very much for the flowers.

There are still a number of Ladies that have not paid their dues so if your one please do so as soon as you can. On a happy note the winner of our "Early Bird " drawing was Ellie Bolduc. Congratulations Ellie.

We are looking for new charity projects to get involved in. It would be great if it involved children. Let me know if you have any ideas.

Speaking of charities we are still collecting prescription bottles with the labels and pills removed LOL also pull tabs and eyeglasses. Costume jewelry like bracelets, necklaces, clip earrings and small stuffed animals as well as socks for bingo prizes for the nursing homes.

Phyllis, Gladys, Joanie and I will be attending the State Presidents testimonial dinner Sunday and will give you an update on the next bulletin.

Our next meeting will be on May 8.

Collation hostesses are Joanie DeGrandmason and June.

Yours in Emblem

June Robinson
President



CARD PLAYERS

It has been a long time since we have had Card Players gathering at the Framingham Lodge. But I did want to let you know that the Natick Elks does have a **Card Night**. They gather every Tuesday at 6:30 and play Pitch. If you would like to get back into it, the Natick Lodge welcomes all players. For more information call Diane @ 508-208-4533 or Bob @ 774-270-1215



The Lodge Needs You To Get Involved!

MAY 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1  Lodge Meeting New Member Initiation	2	3	4
5  Meat Shoot 2-4pm State Meeting Boston 10 Lodge	6	7	8 Emblem Club Meeting Meal of the Month Birthday Bash	9	10	11
12  Mother's Day	13	14	15  Lodge Meeting	16	17	18  ARMED FORCES DAY
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26 Bourne Trip 	27  Memorial DAY	28	29	30	31	

JUNE 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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9 Flag Day Parade Framingham	10 	11	12 Emblem Club Meeting Meal of the Month Birthday Bash	13	14  Flag Day	15
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ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE



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April showers bring May Flowers

May also brings last meat shoot till Sept. **Meat Shoot** Sunday May 5th (Cinco de Mayo) 2pm-4pm

Your EC has been busy planning events for the lodge. And are in the process of introducing new events for the future. *Please check the Calendar and the notices at the lodge for future events.*

One other event coming up is the **Flag Day Parade**. Save the date for Sunday June 9th

I would like to take this time to thank the following people for all they have done for us this past year. Patty Higgins, Donna Acorn (they do all the meat shoot shopping and organizing). Lisa Forman introducing and organizing the Luau. Paul King being that person who is always there when we need him to, Shari Manning, Jean Jewell, Kathy Corrado and Laura Medrano for helping whenever we need it. Sue Brown for planning our Mohegan Sun trip that we are in the process of planning again. To Chris Wozny our Trivia Night host, thank you for continuing in keeping this event going. Bennie Ottiviani and Jerry Blanchette for being our chefs for the St Paddy's Day dinner, Kevin Higgins and Jim King for helping picking up the turkeys for us. Cliff and Maureen (Bar managers) for working with us always. Without any of these people we would not be as successful as we have been.

Congratulate Bill Osbourne as our new ER we are looking forward to working with you!!!! Last but not least thank you to our members we could not succeed without your help.

Happy Mothers Day to all

Thank you

Sheree King

