The Bulletin



October 2015

#### BENEVOLENT AND PROTECTIVE ORDER OF ELKS FRAMINGHAM LODGE NO. 1264

## **ER MESSAGE**

September and October are busy months within the Elks as the District Deputy is visiting all of the Lodges in our District. As Loyal Elks, Framingham Members are doing our part to support all our Brother Lodges by attending as many Visitations as we can.

#### What are Elks?

American Citizens who guide their course in life by the cardinal principals of our order: Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love, and Fidelity.

As Elks we should be guided by these principals to support our Community, Our Veterans, Our Youths and any local Charities in need.



So far we have raised \$100 for each the Mass Elks Veterans and the Mass Elks Scholarship Funds through our 50/50 raffles (as well as 2 \$100 winners for participating) These 50/50 Raffle/Fundraisers are posted on the Bulletin Board in the Members Lounge. Please participate in any and all fundraisers we have at the Club. If you cannot help physically, please consider a

monetary contribution; or participate in the 50/50's and or Raffles.

There will be a Meat Shoot on Sunday Oct 18th at 3:00. Please plan to attend and support the event and the people that are running it.



The month of November is Veterans month. Please remember our Veterans. We will be running a Mass Elks Veterans campaign, look for more information in the coming month.

The Holidays are soon upon us, so let's think ahead and be ready.

Jerry Blanchette E.R.

# SICKNESS AND DISTRESS: Kevin Horton; Dan O'Neil recovering from hip surgery.

## Announcing the death of a member

Arthur J. Cunningham Born: Nov. 24, 1948 Initiated: Oct. 19, 1974 LM: Feb. 19, 2014 Died: Sept. 17, 2015

Donald Souchek Born: Feb. 3, 1927 Initiated: April 21, 1949 LM: Dec. 17, 1992 Died: Sept. 10, 2015



Sleep In Peace My Members, Your Names Will Never Be Forgotten



#### SOCCER SHOOT

We held our lodge Soccer Shoot on September 27, 2015. The day was sunny and we had 35 children participate. 7 First Place winners are going on to compete at the District Shoot being held on October 11, 2015 in Framingham at Keefe Tech at 9:00 am please come by to show your support.

I would like to thank all that helped out. Without your support this program would not be possible, your dedication to the ELKS Programs cannot go unnoticed.



Elks Members, Dan O'Rouke, Monica Tashjian, Diane Bosworth, Roger Dilbarian, and Jamie Romano, Non Members, Jim Hill, Kathy Morse-Villa and Tracie Tajiani. If I have missed anyone, I apologize.

Lodge Chairman, John J. Villa PER, PDD, HLM

#### SECRETARY'S CORNER

The season of fall is upon us. We all know what to expect and it comes on us all too quickly. Bring in the lawn furniture, get ready for some leaf blowing (or raking) and prepare to see the sun setting earlier. And if that wasn't enough there are all the weather forecasters telling us what to expect this winter.

As New Englanders this is nothing new. As Elks there are also many other things to anticipate: DD Visitations are going on, seasonal activities are being planned (football tailgates) Halloween Parties, Cootie Party, Meat Shoots, and other fun filled activities to encourage friendship building, and Lodge Fund Raising. (Paint Night was a blast for my granddaughter and me, and there's talk of another one in the future!!)

Planning an activity takes time and energy and its success is not measured by how much money it raised, but rather by how much fun the participants had while attending. When you see notices about an upcoming event, make a note to yourself and plan to attend. A healthy Lodge is one in which the members share a common purpose: to be faithful to our Cardinal Principles, Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity. Working together to benefit others is our source of strength. As we move closer to the season of giving and sharing think of ways you might be able to support our mission of Elks Care, Elks Share.

Our condolences go the families of those who have lost loved ones in the past two months.

Fraternally,

Robert B. Anspach, PER, PDD, HLM Secretary

PS: Congratulations to Donald Podgurski PSP of Norwood Lodge for receiving an award commending him on his dedication and service to Veterans. Well deserved, Donald!



#### **EMBLEM NEWS**



By the time you read this the first day of fall September 23rd will have past and pretty soon the leaves will be changing color and then start falling. Please be careful if your one of the unfortunate who has to rake all those leaves.

The first state meeting was held on September 20th at the Wareham Lodge. I'll let you know if there are any changes that need to be reported in the next bulletin.

On October 4th we are having a cootie Party with the proceeds going to the National Brain Tumor Association. It will start at 1:00 and I hope a lot of you come out to support this worthwhile cause. Not only will you have fun winning a prize, but also be able to make your own sundae. What more could you ask for!

I am happy to report Pat Shorton is taking over as community service chairman. Please send Pat your monthly reports.

Ginger Noonan our scholarship chairman is working on a fundraiser in the next month or so. Please keep an eye out for more information.

Our next meeting is on October 14th and collation hostesses are Jamie Romano and Colleen Kodjian.

Yours in Emblem June Robinson President





# MA STATE ELKS ANNUAL FALL CRIBBAGE TOURNAMENT

Sunday, October 25, 2015 at 10:00 AM, at the Weymouth Lodge #2232. This event only requires one member of the two person team to be an Elk in good standing.

The cost is \$45.00 per team (which includes Lunch)

For more info or to obtain an application contact: Linda Douglas Phone: (978) 537-1879 Email: douglin@comcast.net

# **ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION**

I would like to begin by congratulating my Dad, Dominic Villa, Mary Ann Quintal, Ed Quintal, Ed Kelly, James Caron and Kevin McDonald for their recent donations to the Elks National Foundation. 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 at the more than half way mark and we are currently at \$3.48 per member. We are on our way to achieved the GER's goal of \$4.65 per member and will meet or exceed the Lodge's goal of \$6.00 per member. This goal was achieved by only 20% of our membership. Please consider making a small donation to the ENF to help our programs.

As you are aware the Elks National Foundation supports many programs working with the Veterans 1.4 million, Hoop Shoot, Soccer Shoot, Drug Awareness programs over 1.7 million, Community Investment Program 9/7 million in addition over 5.1 million dollars in scholarships were given out last year alone.

I would like to thank the following members that supported me in the Mass Elks Walk for Elks National Foundation. Kathy Morse-Villa, Bob Anspach, Jerry Blanchette, Steven Blanchette, Roger Dilbarian, Brian Parker, Scott Parker and Betty Sleczkowski. I completed the walk in record time and we were able to raise \$135.00. I am still open for donations. Send checks to my attention made out to the Elks National Foundation and I will forward them to the ENF.

All donations by members go into their accounts. It is a great way to help grow this fund for our programs.

Thank you again for your continued support to the Great Heart of Elkdom.

Elks Care, Elks Share, Chairman, John J. Villa PER, PDD HLM

#### FRAMINGHAM EMBLEM CLUB IS RUNNING A COOTIE PARTY ON SUNDAY, OCT 4, 2015

Location: Framingham Elks Lounge Time: 1pm

Cost is \$7 to play, plus we'll offer ice cream sundaes for an additional \$3. Also we'll have a 50/50 raffle.



All proceeds will benefit the National Brain Tumor Society. This charity was chosen as this is the organization that helped President June Robinson's daughter through her ordeal. She is now 5-years cancer free!

Come on down, have some fun, and support our charity.

Hope to see you on the 4th!

# MEMBERSHIP MOVES FORWARD

Congratulations to our newest member Renee MacDonald!!

#### Our next class is increasing:

Mark Arielo proposed by Thomas Leone Brendan Busai proposed by Thomas Leone Cody Carlson proposed by Robert Averill David Curtis proposed by James Green

Applications are now being accepted for our next class.



Christopher Gorvitz proposed by Cesar Monzon Jason Grigg proposed by Robert Connors Marie Lane proposed by Jon Q, Donahue Krista Zechello proposed by Bennie Ottaviani

While the number of new Members is increasing there are still 46 Members who have not paid the current year's dues. If you have not paid your dues, now would be a god time to do it!!

#### ENDORSED GRAND EXALTED RULER MIKE ZELLEN

Those of us who were around in 1994, when our own Ed Mahan became the Endorsed Grand Exalted Ruler from our Lodge, know only too well the pride we felt when he took over the Office in 1995. His memorabilia still lingers in our Lodge, and our rental hall was dedicated to him. Now Saugus-Everett can share in these exciting two years. Mike and his wife Donna will represent Massachusetts well.

Fund raisers are being planned throughout the State to help defray the tremendous cost which will be placed upon the State Association as well as Mike himself. Pins and pendants are being sold as part of the fund raising events. See ER Jerry Blanchette PDD or the Secretary for more information on how you can help.

# PAINT NIGHT



Thank you to Sue Brown for

running a very successful "Paint Night at the Elks". There were 50 people paid up for the event. All that attended had a great time and are now looking into displaying their Masterpieces at Local Art Galleries.

Look for announcements about future Paint Nights.

# **PERs TAKE NOTE**

Any Past Exalted Ruler who may be interested in becoming a District Deputy in the future is invited to submit your letter of intent and a resume before November 1, 2015. Our Lodge has five Past District Deputies who will help any interested PER. Give it some thought, and contact Dick Caron, Dave Harrison, John Villa, Jerry Blanchette or Bob Anspach for more details.

# **MEAT SHOOT**





The Lodge will be hosting a Meat/Chicken shoot 3:00pm **Sunday October** 18th.

Tell your friends and come on dowr couple of hours of Fun.



# OCTOBER 2015

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Mass Elks Ten 4 Pin Tournament (Auburn)	5 Norwood DD Vistation	ius Caesar 6	7 Lodge Meeting	8	9	10
11 ECD Soccer Shoot	Columbus 12 Day	13 Clinton DD Vistation	14 Emblem Club Meeting Meal of the Month Birthday Bash	15	16	17
18 Meat Shoot 3:00 PM	19	20 Hudson/Concord DD Vistation	21 Lodge Meeting	22	23	24
25 ECD PER Meeting (Framingham)	26	27	28 Natick DD Vistation	29	30	Halloween 31

# NOVEMBER 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Daylight 1 Savings Time Begins	2	Maynard 3 DD Vistation Election Day	4 Lodge Meeting	5	6	7
8 Lexington DD Homecoming	9	10 Marine Corps Birthday	11 Emblem Club Meeting Meal of the Month Birthday Bash	Veteran's 12 Day	13	14
15	16	17	18 Lodge Meeting	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 Blue and White Night	Thanksgiving 26 Day	27	28
29	30			QUOTE OF THE DAY People who think they know everything are a great annoyance to those of us who do. <i>Isaac Asimov</i>		

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