



MESSAGE FROM THE EXALTED RULER

FEBRUARY IS OFFICE NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

Please consider filling one of these important positions.

As I will be supporting the Nomination of Scott Gillis as your Next Exalted Ruler I hope that many of you will consider working with him as an Officer of our Lodge, or possibly actively participating in strengthening our Lodge by serving on some of our many committees.

I know Scott has many things in mind and has already started planning on some of the new things coming in the future months.

I am looking forward to the PER Night and Initiation of New Candidates on Friday Feb 22nd. If you plan to attend please let us know, so we can get a head count. There will be dinner at 6:30 for those attending the Ceremony immediately following at 7:30.



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

jerryblanchette@framinghamelks.com

Ideas for events, functions, fundraisers, etc... We can use this forum to answer common questions in the monthly Bulletins. Bring up new ideas and thoughts and we can see if there is common interest to put it into motion. Ideas start the process, then we need to gain the interest, then we need people to make it happen.

PROPOSITIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP:

David Comerato proposed by Scott Parker

Sheree King proposed by Rhonda Moreau

Jason Morelli proposed by Steven Patriarca

Kevin McDonald proposed by Joseph McCarthy

Jamie Romano proposed by Jerry Blanchette, PER, ER



These applications will be voted upon on the first meeting in February. Applications are still being accepted and will be posted in the Lodge Grill Room. All candidates will be Initiated on PER Night February 22, 2013.

EAST CENTRAL DISTRICT ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION FUNDRAISER



We are holding our annual East Central District ENF BOLA 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 Dancing to the Renown's Boston's Premier Vocal Group featuring music from the 50's, 60's and 70's bring your dancing shoes. The Event will be held at the Lexington **February 23, 2013**. \$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 \$1,000.00. 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...**

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Elks Care, Elks Share,

John J. Villa PER PDD HLM
Chairman

ANNOUNCING THE DEATH OF A MEMBER:

WILLIAM GANNON

(Recently reported by his wife, Loretta, from Yarmouth)

Born: August 11, 1927

Initiated September 15, 1960

Life member: March 31, 1992

Died: November 13, 2012

FRANCIS LEPORATI

(Brother of Michael Leporati)

Born: March 16, 1936

Initiated: October 4, 1997

Died: January 16, 2013



"Sleep in peace, my brothers."

DUES WILL BE DUE APRIL 1, 2013 FOR 2013-2014

Dues notices will be mailed out the first week of February and due back by April 1, 2013.

We are using the same format as last year: everyone should get a notice even if there are several of you in one household. I ask that you complete the information requested on the return envelope, and print clearly, especially the e-mail address. There is an opportunity to make a donation to the ENF at the same time, and credit will go to your name. Be sure to check off if you want the card mailed or left at the Lodge. If you are bringing your payment in the envelope to the Lodge, please place it in the Secretary's mailbox at the end of the bar in the Grill Room. Membership Cards will go out after March 20th, unless you have a special request. Thanks for your cooperation in this matter.



EMBLEM NEWS

Our sympathy goes out to Florence Benson on the death of her sister, and to Gloria Welch on the death of her sister-in-law.

Please watch your mail - important Emblem events are coming to you. Scholarship Chairman Ginger Noonan wants all to know there is a HOT TEA Month in this year. Tea may provide numerous health benefits, and it's an ideal beverage for the winter season. So please when you receive her letter with your tea bag, enjoy your tea and send your donation for our scholarship fund, and let Ginger know how easy that donation was to make.

Financial Secretary June Robinson will be mailing the bills for our annual dues. Please renew early - you could win our \$50 Early Bird Drawing prize. Good luck.

Winter is here so please check on your neighbors that might be sick or just lonely. What a nice community service that is, but please remember to report it. Our Community Service report continues to grow. Remember, helping others is what Emblem is all about. St Patrick's Manor staff did an excellent job collecting gifts for the teens and young children for us. The Christmas gifts donated to Framingham Housing for their teenagers were unbelievable. And the Salvation couldn't thank them enough for all the donations from St. Pat's Manor.

Larry's Place was very happy on Christmas Day when Phyllis showed up with complete turkey dinners with the help of Sisterhood and Brotherhood of the Temple Beth Am. And once again Larry's Place will have television for another year because of our help. These Veterans defended our country and certainly deserve all we can do.

Sickness and Distress: All is quiet! Betty Bradley and Joyce Seariac say thank you for their Christmas cards and best wishes.

Advice Colum: The world is a warmer place when we are there for each other.

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday February 13th at 7:30 pm. Collation Hostesses are Darlene Herweck, Ginger Noonan, and Barbara Smith.

Don't forget to buy Valentine's cards; it really is a special holiday. I hope all can spend the day with someone you really love, or with close friends.

Yours in Emblem

Phyllis A. May, President
508-879-6053



SICKNESS AND DISTRESS

Curtis Claflin and Joyce Seariac







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FEBRUARY 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>QUOTE OF THE DAY...</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">I don't think about financial success as the measurement of my success.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Christie Hefner</i></p>					1	2  State Hoop Shoot
3	4	5	6  Lodge Meeting (Nomination of Officers)	7  Orientation of New Applicants	8	9
10 PDD Meeting in Hudson	11	12	13 Emblem Club Meeting Meal of the Month Birthday Bash Ash Wednesday	14  Valentine's Day	15	16
17 Regional Meeting (Auburn/Webster Lodge)	18  Presidents' Day	19	20  Lodge Meeting (Election of Officers)	21	22 PER Night (Initiation of new candidates)	23 ECD ENF Bola (Lexington)
24	25	26	27	28		

MARCH 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>QUOTE OF THE DAY...</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">A man may die, nations may rise and fall, but an idea lives on.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>John F. Kennedy</i></p>					1 	2 Mass Elks Pool Tournament (Worcester)
3 Candlepin Bowling (Norwood) 	4 Mass Elks Veterans' Appreciation Night (Springfield Falcons Hockey Game) 	5	6  Lodge Meeting (Nomination of Officers)	7	8	9
10 Candlepin Bowling (Norwood) 	11  Daylight Savings Spring Ahead	12	13 Emblem Club Meeting Meal of the Month Birthday Bash	14	15	16
17 St. Patrick's Day  ECD PER Breakfast (Framingham)	18	19	20  Lodge Meeting (Election of Officers)	21	22	23  Regional Hoop Shoot
24 Installation of Officers (tentative)	25 Easter Sunday 	26	27	28	29	30
<p>(Note: From March 15 through April 15 there is Installation of Officers for all Lodges. Dates will be posted in the next bulletin.)</p>						

Veterans Appreciation Night With The Massachusetts Elks Association

Sunday, March 3



3:00 pm

VS.



All Tickets Just \$17!

(\$5 of each ticket to benefit the
Veterans Service Committee)

Elks



To order tickets, please contact Donna Slocombe, (413) 262.9226 or donnaslo@aol.com
Deadline to order: Wednesday, February 27

Veterans Appreciation & Massachusetts Elks Association Night With The Springfield Falcons
Sunday, March 3 - 3:00 pm - Springfield Falcons vs. Worcester Sharks - MassMutual Center, Springfield
Deadline to order: Wednesday, February 27, 2012

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone #: () _____

Email: _____

_____ Tickets at \$17 Each = \$_____ Please make checks payable to: Massachusetts Elks Association
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SECRETARY'S CORNER

You can imagine my surprise when I found out that one of our Life Members had passed away last November, and we just heard about it this month. It is an unfortunate reminder that when you have over 500 Members, and many of them live outside the Commonwealth, and many live a good distance from the Lodge, some may be ill, and have lost touch with old friends, that this sort of thing can happen.

We do what we can when we communicate with this bulletin, but it is a one way street. I'd like to hear from the Members who may have lost touch with the Lodge, or perhaps a family member can help me to find out how one of our own is doing. Give me a call at 774-279-2796 and I'll share your update with the members in future bulletins. Thanks.

February is a very important month in Elldom. It is a time when we select those who will be guiding our course in the ensuing year. Getting quality Officers is not an easy task, as the work commitment is very compelling. We have been fortunate over the years, and we are grateful for those who have stepped up more than once. If you are interested in helping your Lodge in this capacity as an Officer or one who wishes to work on a committee, please let me know or talk to one of the current Officers. Help is always welcomed.

Happy Valentine's Day to all you would be Valentines!

Fraternally,

Robert B. Anspach, PER, PDD, HLM Secretary

