The Bulletin



October 2012

BENEVOLENT AND PROTECTIVE ORDER OF ELKS FRAMINGHAM LODGE NO. 1264

# MESSAGE FROM THE EXALTED RULER

September seemed to go by quickly.

Kids back to school, DD Pre-visit, and then the DD Visitation/Initiation.

Thank you to my Officers for a great performance and congratulations to our newest Members.

The Board of Directors has requested the Funds for the renovation of the Downstairs Ladies Room to the Floor, and the Membership has approved. We should see that complete in the month of October.

The Busy Hall Rental Season will be underway soon. If you or anyone you know is looking for a great place to have a Party, keep us in mind. Make your reservations as soon as you can. The Calendar is filling up.

I will be traveling to other Lodges for DD Visitations. Please feel free to join me on my travels. It is always fun to see others Lodges and their Members.

### **Downstairs Rentals:**

Respect the Downstairs rentals. The Members door card access may be shut off during Downstairs Functions. Please enter and Exit from the side Main Door.

#### Veterans:

"So long as there are Veterans, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks will never forget them"

Help us and Karen McNulty support the Troops.

There are drop off boxes in the Members Lounge for items to send to our Soldiers. Framingham Youth Football is still teamed up with us and will pay for the shipping costs. Let's stuff those boxes and mail some things to our Troops.

Here is a sample of items they have asked for:

Wet wipes (baby Wipes), Crackers, Cookies, Candy, Power Bars, 5hr Energy Drinks, Tail Mix, Beef Jerky, Slim Jims, Soup (just add water), Hot Choc, Tea, Coffee, Dental Floss, Eye Drops, Neosporin, Razors, Shaving Cream, Throat Lozenges, Tissues, Toothbrushes, Tums, Tylenol, Tuna (in foil Packs), Mosquito Wipes, Bug Spray, Writing Materials, Pens, Permanent Markers, Puzzle Books, Socks, Sun Block, Waterless Hand Soap, Band-Aids, Duct Tape (army sand Color)

With the Holiday's approaching, it is important that we keep their spirits high while away from home.





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### **Plow Contract:**

The Board of Directors is accepting Bids for the Plow Contract for this Winter. If you know anyone interested in bidding for the job, have them submit it to the Club by November 16th. "We don't know when it is going to start Snowing".

### Kid's Christmas Party:

The Kid's Christmas Party will be here before we know it. If you would like to make a donation to support this yearly tradition, please send your donations to the Framingham Elks Attn "Kids Christmas Party".

Chicken Shoot - Oct 20th 7:00 — Fully Cooked and ready to eat.

Halloween Party:





Costumes preferred – all Welcome

Oct 27th. Pot Luck. Bring a snack, appetizer, or your favorite dish.

Flyers will be posted in the Lodge as reminders. Contact Michele if you have any questions or suggestions. 508-361-2886

### **MEMBERSHIP INCREASE**



Congratulations to the following Members who recently assumed the Obligation: Lori Connolly, Joshua Franklin, Gregory Gravelle, Andrew Kobbs, Jose Medrano, Michael Richards, Robert Ryan and Chris Wozny. Applications are now being accepted for our next class. Remember: if you would invite a friend into your home, why not invite them to become a Member?

# ELKS CRUISE TO THE SOUTHERN CARIBBEAN

There are still available cabins for our State President Frank Barone's mid-Winter cruise leaving from San Juan. See the Lodge Secretary for more details.



# INSPIRATIONAL QUOTE

There's a difference between interest and commitment: when you're interested in doing something, you do it only when convenient. When you're committed to something, you accept no excuses; only results. This might apply to many areas of one's life!



Victor Golgota (St. Patrick's), Joyce Seariac (Concord), Don Logan (Wingate, Sudbury)

# **EMBLEM NEWS**

Our deepest sympathy goes out to family of June Giallombardo. She will be missed by all. Rest in peace.

Our first State meeting after convention was held in Westfield. It was very informative, as usual. It's nice see the members from other clubs and share ideas.

Thanks to all that reported on your summer community service time and hours. A few new ideas caught my eye and I want to share them with you. One member is a 'handy lady' at her senior complex. She fixes most anything from hanging curtains to programming cell phones. She's a Jack (or Jill) of all Trades! Another member runs errands to the post office for those in rest homes. These residents make things and want to mail them to their families, not just for holidays. A third member volunteers her time by fixing computers and re-setting internet connections. She is not a miracle worker but is very patient fixing our technical mistakes. And yet another member is a hairdresser, and goes to a house-bound elderly person and does her hair no-charge. Please remember to turn in your hours - it's not too late to report them.

Thank you for all of the items dropped off at the lodge for me to bring to Larry's Place. I thank you and I know our Veterans greatly appreciate all we do for them. I'm glad you all appreciate their wanting anonymity – this is why I cannot share their address with you. It is my privilege to give back to these Veterans who did so much for us.

I want to take time and share with you about how great St. Patrick's Manor staff is to Framingham Emblem. We received a large basket filled with Bennie Babies for our project, jewelry, food for A place to Turn, fresh vegetables for Larry's Place, and clothing for them too. I am so proud that I volunteer there and they let me be part of all their community projects. Thanks to a great staff that really cares about others.

October is just around the corner. We're planning a Cootie Party to be held on Sunday, October 21 from 1-4pm. Great fun for all – come on down!

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday October 10th at 7:30 pm. Collation Hostesses are Joan deGrandmaison, Darlene Herweck, Gladys Kiley, and Ginger Noonan.

Sickness and Distress: Members please report if any of our members are sick. If we don't know, we can't be there when you need support the most.

Advice Colum: It isn't where you came from; it's where you're going that counts.

Yours in Emblem,

Phyllis A. May, President 508 879-6053



# FRAMINGHAM 1264 BY-LAW REVIEW

A Committee has been formed to review our Lodge By-Laws as is required every five years.

One item which will be voted upon at our October 17. 2012 meeting is:



Article VI-A: Exemplification of Rituals: Sec.1 The Officers of the Lodge are authorized to use alternative forms of the opening, closing and initiatory Rituals as approved by the Grand Lodge.

An affirmative vote would allow the Officers to use an abbreviated form of the rituals. This does not mean that they must use it. The traditional rituals may also be used.

Other changes will be presented in future bulletins to be voted upon at a later time.

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# November 2012

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Daylight 4 Saving Time Ends	5	Election Day	7 Lodge Meeting	8	9	10
11 Veteran's Day	12	13 Clinton <sup>E</sup> Visitation	14 mblem Club Meetin Meal of the Month Birthday Bash		16	17 Turkey Shoot Lexington Visitation (DD Homecoming)
18	19	20	Lodge Meeting Blue/White Night	Thanksgiving 22 Day Breakfast Framingham Vs Natick	23	24
25	26	27	28 Halloween	29	30	

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### ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION,

I would like to begin by congratulating John Leombruno on his recent donation and reaching Participating Member 1 Status for donating over \$100.00. I would also like to thank John Acton, Ken Owens and James Caron 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 half way mark and we are currently at \$4.32 per member. We will achieved the GER's goal of \$4.50 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 help our programs.

As you are aware the Elks National Foundation supports many programs working with the Veterans 1.1 million, Hoop Shoot, Soccer Shoot and Drug Awareness programs in addition over 3.6 million dollars in scholarships were given out last year alone.

I would like to thank all the following members that supported Kathy and I in the Elks National Foundation Walk Around the Lake. ROGER DILLBERIAN, ED DOHERTY, PEARL EAGLES, JEAN JEWELL, BERNARD KANE, THOMAS KEILTY (TK), CESAR MONZON, KATHY MORSE, BRIAN PARKER, BETY SLECZOWSKI, JOHN J. VILLA, PAUL VILLA, BILL VILLA, JANET WHITLEY AND GEORGE ZANELLA. We did complete the walk and were able to raise \$347.00

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



### SECRETARY'S CORNER

A few of us went to the Grand Exalted Ruler Thomas Brazier's Reception at the Venus de Milo. His message echoed his vision of T.E.A.M. – Together Each Achieves More. His words were encouraging as he stressed members getting involved with their r Lodge. This has also been the message of our Exalted Ruler Jerry. The more one gets involved the more one gets back from being a Member. We have many activities and committees in which our Members may get involved, making us a stronger and a more charitable Lodge. Keep your eyes and ears open for opportunities that are presented to you and stay active.

With the coming of Fall, the Holiday season is not far behind. Read your bulletin to keep up with the events and activities being planned for the months ahead. There are many DD Visitations taking place which are open to Members. Tag along with some of the Officers who will be travelling, and meet Members from the Lodge's in our District and around the State. Our own DD Visitation went very well. We will soon get the final report from District Deputy Roger Doherty from Lexington. There is always room for improvement and perhaps we will learn something from his findings.

Enjoy the changing colors of the season!

Fraternally,

Robert B. Anspach, PER, PDD, HLM Secretary



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