



# The Greenfield Elk



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*ELKS CARE - ELKS SHARE*

MAY 2009

Dear Members,

Officially Spring is here! A new season for growth and prosperity. I encourage all members new and "seasoned" to come in and support your club. We have set our budget for the next year and all of our committees have been asked to be very stringent with their spending. We have had to cut back as much as possible without changing the integrity of the purpose of these committees, therefore many of the "gratis" affairs may be skipped or considerably cut back this year. With rising costs everywhere, we need to keep a tight rein on the money we spend.

We, as a club, are incorporated; I am looking for volunteers to be on this board, which will meet once a year, in April. If you are interested leave your name at the club or email me at fsirum@comcast.net. It's not a time consuming or cumbersome job, but an important one. These spots need to be filled as soon as possible.

I'd like to welcome back all of our "snowbirds", those lucky ones who were able to bask in the warm weather during the winter months. Special thanks to Elsie and John Gilman for stepping in to help out as Chaplain and Leading Knight, to George Herzig, who organizes our Christmas Basket deliveries, Stan Maynard for organizing the Pitch League each year, the Golf League organizers, who will be back at the Meadows this year.

I realize it may be early to be thinking about this, but we need people to start thinking about being an officer. There will be several positions open which will need to be filled. I strongly encourage members to attend meetings to see how things are run. Many of our PERs and long time members have been keeping our club running smoothly, we thank them for that. Also, we have many very active committees, so please volunteer for one of them.

Events coming up: Memorial Day parade, Mother's Day, Member Appreciation Day, and the Golf Tournament.

Finally, thanks again for your support and be sure to stop in; socialize, attend a meeting, and volunteer. Be sure your dues are paid; we don't want a long list on our lapsation report.

**Remember "Elks Care — Elks Share"**

Fraternally yours, Linda Gorey, Exalted Ruler

## LODGE OFFICERS

2009-2010

**Robert Mott DDGER**

**Linda Gorey, ER**

**John Gilman, Leading Knight**

**Ed Reagey, Loyal Knight**

**Les Chadwick, Lecturing**

**Knight**

**Fred Ulrich, PER, Secretary**

**Timothy Herzig, Treasurer**

**Ted Telega, PER, Tiler**

**-Trustees-**

**Henry Burns, 1 yrs.**

**John O'Connell PER, 2 yrs.**

**Wes Clark PDD, 3 yrs.**

**Dennis Moore, 4 yrs.**

**Francis Sirum, 5 years**

**Adam Reed PER, Esquire**

**Elsie Gilman, Chaplain**

**Marilyn Wright Inner Guard**

**William Pease Jr. Organist**

2009 Portland, OR

2010 Orlando, FL

2011 Phoenix, AZ

2010 Austin, TX

## IMPORTANT DATES

**May 12 Lodge Meeting**

**May 21 Indoctrination**

**May 25 Memorial Day Parade**

**May 26 Initiation & Lodge Meeting**

**All Wednesdays are "Golf League"**

**LAST FISH FRY — MAY 22**

### ***Volunteers needed***

*The committee that brings pizza parties to our vets at the VA Hospital in Leeds are looking for volunteers.*

**NEXT FEW PIZZA PARTIES**

*May 16, 2009*

*June 20, 2009*

*July 18, 2009*

***Please volunteer!!!***

### **SICKNESS & DISTRESS**

**LOU WYSK**

**ANCHORAGE NURSING**

**DAVE PHILLIPS**

**BILL DUFFY**

**BUCKLEY NURSING**

**DON GIBSON**

**HOLYOKE SOLDIERS**

### Tip of the Antlers.....

Special thanks to everyone who has worked tirelessly on the Friday night meals, in the kitchen and on the lobster/steak raffle, which will end on May 22. Many members volunteered to work every Friday night for about eight months. Also special thanks to all those who came in every Friday to dine and made Fridays so very successful. We look forward to seeing you in October.

Once again, thanks to Dee Fleming for a super-successful Easter party for the kids and again for putting this bulletin together.

Don't forget to join us for Friday night meals, serving until May 22.

**REMINDER — LOCKS CHANGED APRIL 14, 2009!!**

### **GREENFIELD EMBLEM CLUB #43**

The next meeting of the EMBLEM Club will be Monday, May 4, 2009 at 7:15 at the Elks Lodge. Election of officers for 2009-2011 will be voted on.

Installation of Officers will be Saturday, May 30th with Supreme President, Mary Clifford, as installing officer. Cocktail hour will be from 1:00 to 2:00 with installation at 2:00 p.m. A collation and raffle will follow. All Elks are welcome to attend as well as any Elk or Emblem guests.

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**A big thank you goes out to those who helped me with the kids' Easter Party. I hope everyone had a good time, especially the kids. Dee**

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### **State Happenings:**

**May 3, 2009 MA Elks Association 4th Regional Meeting, Norwood Lodge #1124**

**May 30, 2009 MA Elks State President's Testimonial, Lombardo's Randolph, MA**

**June 12-14 MA Elks Association Annual State Convention, Sea Crest, Falmouth, MA**

**June 20, 2009 MA Elks' Association Elk on the Trail, Florida MA**

**July 5-9, 2009 Grand Lodge Convention (Portland, OR)**

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See the enclosed flier for Hudson Lodge of Elks' #959 Family Picnic, July 25, 2009. Sounds like it would be a great day!

See enclosed flier for the "Walk Around the Lake" sponsored by the Massachusetts Elks Association. Anyone wanting the sign up sheet and sponsor sheet please call me at 774-5750.

I want to thank Linda Gorey and Tina Wood for helping me hand address the April bulletin. There was a mix up regarding the labels and I appreciate all they did to help me get my first bulletin mailed.

I am taking suggestions regarding sections/ topics that you may want to see incorporated into the bulletin. One idea that was thrown out "Things for Sale", As the bulletin only comes out once a month, I'm not sure how this would work out. Another suggestion was a section for members to state things that they notice that are or not happening that could be improved upon. This could happen anonymously (although I would have to have your name and phone number for verification) or with your name. Let me know.

Darlene "Dee" Fleming 413-774-5750  
 Email: ladytipper@comcast.net

**FISH FRY UNTIL MAY 22<sup>ND</sup>**

**COME DOWN ON FRIDAY EVENINGS FROM 5:30 TO 7:30 AND ENJOY: FISH, SCALLOPS, SHRIMP, WHOLE BELLY CLAMS OR IF YOU ARE NOT A "FISHY" PERSON COME AND ENJOY THE STEAK TIPS COOKED YOUR WAY ON EITHER RICE OR FRENCH FRIES. ALL MEALS COME WITH FRIES, COLESLAW AND BREAD/ROLLS. SEE YOU THERE!!!**

**May Birthdays**

- 2 James E. Bitzer, Arthur H. Markoski, Derwood R. Tyler
- 3 James E. Capen, David J. Snow
- 5 Robert I. Kelley, William Swingleton, Jr.
- 6 Douglas H. Clapp
- 7 Robert A. Wood, Jr.
- 8 Theodore Telega, PER
- 9 Richard W. Hartshorn, II, Michael A. Hisz, Justin J. Moore, Lori Wegeil
- 10 James M. Burke
- 11 Lawrence Volpe
- 12 Joseph R. Charron, III, Francis L. McDonald, William W. Perry
- 13 William P. Devino, Richard S. Peel
- 15 Scott Digeorge, Donald C. Gibson, Raymond L. Jones, Jon T. Todd
- 16 Steven H. Guetti, Anthony A. Sirum, Paul D. Viens
- 17 Thomas A. Dillon, Robert J. Fistes, David M. Tetreault
- 18 Micahel H. Moore
- 19 John F. Griffon
- 20 Marshall W. Blouin
- 21 Edward Reagey, Frederick D. Ulrich, PER/Sec
- 23 Frederick V. Parody
- 25 William D. Heiden, Robert P. Johnston, Keith Schempp
- 28 Lorraine A. Cadran, Albert E. Magdycz
- 29 Joseph Mitchell, Jr.
- 30 James J. Dejoy, Edward A. Galenski, Jr. Joseph P. La Chance, Jason A. Markwell
- 31 Peter Broughan

**LODGE DUES 2009-2010**

**NAME** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS** \_\_\_\_\_

**ARE YOU A VETEREAN YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_**

**REGULAR DUES \$60.00 HONORARY & LIFE DUES \$30.00  
 PLEASE ADD \$2.00 FOR MASS STATE ELKS SCHOLARSHIP**

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 3-5 CHURCH ST.**

**GREENFIELD, MA 01301**

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**E-MAIL** \_\_\_\_\_

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# The Greenfield Elk, Jan 7 1913

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**3 - 5 Church St.**  
**Greenfield, MA 01301**  
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## HELP OUR MEMBERSHIP BY PROPOSING A NEW PERSON

**Fax: 413-376-4240**

**May 2009**

**elks1296@comcast.net**  
**ladytipper@comcast.net**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Fish Fry	2
3	4 EMBLEM MEETING	5	6 GOLF	7	8 Fish Fry Ted Telega, PER	9
10	11	12 LODGE MEETING	13 GOLF	14	15 Fish Fry	16 VA Pizza Party
17	18	19	20 GOLF	21 INDOCTRINATION Fred Ulrich PER	22 LAST Fish Fry	23
24 _____	25 MEMORIAL DAY PARADE	26 LODGE MEETING In-doctrination	27 GOLF	28	29	30
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## 2009 "ELK ON THE TRAIL" ANNUAL MEMORIAL SERVICE

Dear Exalted Ruler and Members,

The 86<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the "Elk on the Trail" Ceremony will be held on Saturday, June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at 12:00pm. It will be held at the Elk Memorial on Whitcomb Summit, Route 2, in Florida, Massachusetts.

This is the only State Association sponsored Veteran's Memorial Program. Please help us honor our deceased Veterans by attending this very important service. All members, families, and guests are invited to attend.

As in past years, we are asking that each Lodge send a representative to the service, and participate in honoring our deceased Veterans by bringing a small wreath (preferably artificial as it will be there all year) representing their lodge. Upon arrival please register so that you will be included in the Ceremony.

The Greenfield Lodge # 1296 will again be serving breakfast at their lodge on Saturday morning for those who wish to arrive early and relax before "climbing the mountain".

The dress of the day will be jacket and tie.

Dinner will be served at the North Adams Lodge #487 immediately following the ceremony.

Since the weather can sometimes be on the cool (or wet) side, please bring a jacket or sweater along with a lawn chair if you wish to sit.

In case of rain, the service will be held at the North Adams Lodge.

### "20,000.00"

"Elk's Care — Elk's Share" . . . Elk's **Care** about the less fortunate and Elk's **Share** the fruits of their success with others. How do we do this? We do this by supporting all Elk's sponsored charities, in addition to our own in-house charitable raffles and programs. Time is running out to purchase and turn in the raffle books that you received in the mail. Today, at every turn someone is asking for donations, buying tickets for a specific fundraiser or purchasing tickets to a fundraising event. All worthy causes. Your purchase of a raffle book will support the many charities and programs that your lodge sponsors. This is the only State Association raffle. Please support it. If you have misplaced your raffle book, see your lodge chairperson or Secretary for another book.

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Grand Exalted Ruler Paul D. Hesel has requested that all Subordinate Lodges set aside the **FIRST WEEK IN MAY** as **Elks National Youth Week**. All Lodges are urged to sponsor programs throughout this week dedicated to the youth of our country. (See flier for more information.)

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**Suggestion:** for Fish Fry nights next year could you offer a toss salad once in a while? Willing to pay extra for it.

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**POSTAGE IS GOING UP. YOU MAY HAVE NOTICED THAT LAST MONTH I SENT ONE NEWSLETTER TO ELK MEMBERS AT THE SAME ADDRESS. I WILL BE CONTINUING TO DO THIS. IF ANYONE DOES NOT WANT ONLY ONE NEWSLETTER PER HOUSEHOLD PLEASE NOTIFY ME AT ladytipper@comcast.net.**

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