

The Greenfield Elk



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ELKS CARE - ELKS SHARE

SEPTEMBER 2009

Dear Members,

By the time you read this, all of July & August, will have gone by, and some of September. I hope everyone was able to enjoy the summer. Fran & I spent some time in York, ME, with our friends from the York, ME Elks.

We had a very successful trip to the National Elks' Convention in Portland, OR. Thanks to all of you for making it possible for Fran & I to attend. This part of the Northwest is absolutely gorgeous, our hotel was right on the Columbia River, with Mt. Adams & Mt. Hood which has spectacular views on a clear day. It was wonderful to see old friends and make new ones from across the country.

The new Grand Exalted Ruler, Jim Nichelsen of Ohio, emphasized the importance of strengthening our Lodges in membership, not only in new members but active members, to continue supporting our Vets, and the ENF. A Lodge is only as good as its officers, PERs, and active members, who truly care and share their time and energy.

As you may be aware, we sadly lose members through their demise, most of whom were very active, now we need to fill their shoes with like members. I remind you again that we are looking for members to fill some of the chairs next year, it's not too early to consider one of these positions. Each position is important and need to be filled to maintain the success and integrity of our Lodge.

Be sure to attend meetings so that you are informed on the current issues and be part of the decision process. Remember we are a great asset to our community in the charitable works we do, we need everyone's help to make these continue to be so successful. Also any ideas or suggestions are always welcome.

Elks Care-Elks Share Fraternally yours, Linda Gorey, ER fsirum@comcast.net

During my uncle's wake, I saw two of his friends peer into the open casket. "Doesn't Stanley look good?" said one. "He should," said the other. "he just got out of the hospital." SICKNESS &
DISTRESS
DAVE PHILLIPS
BILL DUFFY
BUCKLEY NURSING
DON GIBSON
HOLYOKE SOLDIERS

LODGE OFFICERS 2009-2010 Robert Mott DDGER

Robert Mott DDGER Linda Gorev, 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-

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

2010 Orlando, FL 2011 Phoenix, AZ 2012 Austin, TX

In Memoriam

HENRY BURNS LOU WYSK MAURICE BEAUSOLEIL

"... a while ago we gathered, friendship beaming in each eye,

now the golden cord is severed, he has passed to realms on high." Page 2 The Greenfield Elk

Tip of the Antlers

Membership Appreciation Day:

Once again a very successful and enjoyable event and WITHOUT RAIN! Special thanks to all that made it possible Fran Sirum, Wes Clark, Peter Broughan, Dave Norman, Bob Mott, Kevin Taylor, Jim Mackenzie, Jen (Murphy) Chernak, Adam Reed, Linda Gorey, Butch Denofrio, Cheryl Broughan, Dottie Glidden, John Gillman, & Dick Podlenski. Stan Maynard for doing the Lobster Raffle. Also, to the bartenders, who kept track of the sign-up book and the money.

Congratulations to: Dee Fleming-50/50 Raffle Winner

Membership Winners: Ted Graveline, Joanne Kosuda

ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Thanks to Bob Provost Jr. & his crew. Bob had a lot on his "golf" plate this year with his co-chair Henry Burns passing so suddenly. Thanks to everyone who stepped up to make this event so successful.

Bob and his planning crew: Lou Kozloski, John O'Connell and the kitchen crew. All the guys at the "Half-way Tent", All those businesses and individuals who sponsored tees and greens, longest drive, closest to the pin. Bob's family for putting together all the raffle prizes. The players for coming out to raise money for our scholarships. The Emblem Club for serving the meal.

<u>FYI</u>

*100th Anniversary (2013); still looking for a few volunteers to start the process of getting ideas together, to be a steering committee of how to celebrate the momentous event.

*License plate- yes, still looking for a couple of people to run this raffle, run a 6 week raffle, it'll be done and over!!

*I have left at the Lodge copies of the daily bulletins from the National Convention, also a copy of the resolutions that we voted on, for you to peruse at your leisure.

*District Deputy Clinics-Chuck Cowburn,DD January 11, 2010-Worcester Lodge #243 April 19, 2010- Athol-Orange #1837

Up-Coming Events:

Friday night meals- starting late October
November- Turkey Shoot, Thanksgiving Buffet
December—Salvation Army stand out
December- Christmas basket deliveries, Children's Christmas party

GREENFIELD EMBLEM CLUB #43

A reminder to all Emblem Club #43 members, we will start having our monthly meeting's on Monday September 14th at 7:00 p.m. Then they will be on the first Monday of every month. We will be bringing in 8 new members this month. The Greenfield Emblem club would also like to thank everyone who supports their \$5.00 Deli on Wednesdays. It has been a great success. The deli will continue until the golf league is done, September 23rd. Thanks again.

Nancy Beckwith

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Thanks to Pat Tynan for making a generous donation toward the Children's Christmas party, any of the profits from Pat's snack tray is donated to one of our charitable events.

Soccer/Hoop Shoot-see Bob Mott so you can volunteer to help

Thanks, Butch Denofirio for helping prepare lunch for the DD Pre-visit on Sept. 12

The 2008-2009 Pitch League Awards Banquet was Wednesday April 1st.

Winners: 1st Paul Luippold, 2nd Ron Duclos 3rd Tony Breciano, Tie Hal Emery

Thanks to Linda Gorey, Fran Sirum, David Craig, and Mary Ellen Feury for the outstanding

prime rib dinner.

Pitch League starts the first Wednesday in October.

New players are always welcome. Sign up at the Club in September or call Stan Maynard at 628-9223.

VA Pizza party: 9/19 and 10/17. Volunteer by signing up with Denny Moore.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Charles Bontempi, Stephen Bresciano
- 4 Wallace Hilliard, John Williams
- 5 Corey Greene, George Hall, Kenneth Kurtyka, Roger Smith, Bruce Zimmerman
- 6 John Jenest
- 7 Michael Duclos
- 9 Michael Begos, James Price, Leonard Roberts
- **10** Ronald Duclos, Kenneth O'Brien, David Phillips, Sharon Rawson
- 12 Kathleen Rowe-Clapp
- 13 Martin Powers, Robert Sunderland
- 15 Robert Ferris, Jon Widdison
- **16** Luke Gorey
- 17 Russ Bardwell, Isaac Mass
- 18 James Baker
- 19 Harry Ruddock, Kenneth Slattery, Barbara Walko
- 20 Richard Thomas
- 22 Craig George, Douglas Pratt, John Strakose, Paul Vivier
- 24 Stephen Gibowicz
- 26 Thomas Bergeron, Elsie Gilman, James Pachalis
- **27** Mary Ellen Fuery
- 28 James Byrne, Francis Sirum
- 29 Edwin Lamontagne, Jr. Lynn Rogers
- 30 Robert Dash, Richard Lopriore

Candidates for membership:

Josh Billiel — proposer B.J. Burns Trevor Clarke — proposer Greg Jurek

Roger S. Crapo, Jr. — proposer Alan Jurek Kyle Gaines — proposer Dan Killay

Michael J. Hickey — proposer Doug Beckwith Tyler Higley — proposer Dan Killay

Nicholas P. Jurek — proposer Greg Jurek — Robert Vallandingham — proposer Bill Pease

News from other lodges:

Brattleboro Lodge: 10/3 pig roast

Worcester Lodge: 9/7 Labor Day cookout Auburn/Webster Lodge: 9/20 Clambake Athol-Orange Lodge: 9/12 Motorcycle Run

9/25 Comedy Night Montague: 9/9 Pirates day

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> 10/17 Bull Riding 10/30 Halloween Party

For more information see Bulletins in the Lodge

National Dignitaries' schedule:

9/10 Worcester Lodge #243

9/17 Auburn Lodge #2118

9/23 Fitchburg Lodge #847

10/1 Montague Lodge #2521

10/6 Gardner Lodge #1426

1013 Greenfield Lodge #1296

10/21 Leominster Lodge #1237

11/7 Athol-Orange #1837

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9/8 LODGE MEETING 7:00
9/19 VA PIZZA PARTY
9/22 LODGE MEETING 7:00
9/10—9/13 Fair volunteers (See insert)

HELP OUR MEMBERSHIP BY PROPOSING A NEW PERSON

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7 LABOR DAY	8 LODGE MEETING 7:00	9	10 FAIR PA- RADE 5:30	11	12
13	14 EMBLEM MEETING	15	16	17	18	19 VA PIZZA PARTY
20	21	22 LODGE MEETING 7:00	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

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A MESSAGE FROM GRAND EXALTED RULER JAMES L. NICHELSON

Mary Carolyn and I are very excited that I have been elected your National President. We cannot wait to visit you and to see all the good work you are doing in your Lodges and in your states. We feel we are all in this together and we will be two voices singing your praises to anyone who will listen.

My goal for the Elks National Foundation (ENF) this year remains at \$4.50 per Member. We know you believe in the importance of the ENF to your Lodge, to your state's charitable efforts and to the programs of the Order. Please make ENF a high priority. I am sure I will see good progress when we make our visit.

In addition to the Elks National Foundation, I am emphasizing Veterans Programs in my travels. The all-volunteer armed services, the families of soldiers, seamen and airmen, and all Veterans need our support as much as ever. It is our solemn Elks' vow we will never forget our Veterans.

Thank you for this wonderful opportunity to serve as Grand Exalted Rule. We look forward to seeing you down the road. Remember, "Elks Make A Difference"!

MEMBERS WHO HAVE NOT PAID THEIR DUES

Member Numbers: 1678; 1840; 2749; 2785; 2879; 2916; 2970; 3046; 3073; 3180; 3198; 3238; 3260; 3281; 3336; 3349; 3355; 3373; 3408; 3411 Dues were owed by April 1, 2009

Word Power Reader's Digest: common words have these secondary meanings: Poke — sack or bag; panic — kind of grass; ounce — snow leopard; pen — female swan; fetch — ghost; rote — sound of the surf; lore — space between a bird's eye and bill.

What's the difference between a pigeon and an investment banker? The pigeon can still make a deposit on a BMW.

STATE HAPPENINGS:

September 12, 2009	MA Elks Annual September 11th Remembrance Ceremony Randolph Lodge #2130
September 13, 2009	MA Elks Association 1st Regional Meeting Maynard Lodge #1568
September 14, 2009	MA Elks Annual Golf Tournament New England Country Club, Bellingham, MA Franklin Lodge #2136 Hosting
September 20, 2009	MA Elks Annual "Walk Around the Lake" for the ENF Wakefield, MA (all lodges are invited to participate)
September 20, 2009	Area 1 Ritual Roulette Contest (Connecticut)
October 3, 2009	Grand Exalted Ruler's Reception & Dinner Holiday Inn, Mansfield, MA
October 18, 2009	MA Elks Ten Pin Tournament 10:00 AM Auburn, MA

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