



The Greenfield Elk



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ELKS CARE - ELKS SHARE

JANUARY 2010

Dear Members,

With the holidays behind us, it's now getting down to "CRUNCH" time regarding new officers, nominations are in Feb. Please consider taking one of the offices/chairs, it is vital to keep our Lodge going. Please don't feel shy, reticent, or uncomfortable because this will be new. There are many experienced members that are active that will help and guide you in this endeavor. Please step forward.

Once again, I'm reminding all of our member to be responsible in your words and deeds in the Lodge, in the community, and wherever else you may be. We are, and I reiterate, the first impression of our Lodge, we make the difference, whether we are just members, officers, or employees of the Lodge.

We have had a successful year thus far, with members stepping up to help out and make our programs work well. Thanks to all our members for your support. It's so nice to hear- "I'll help." or "Tell me what/where I can help." Many of you have stepped forward to help out. Thanks again.

Also, remember that constructive criticism and suggestions are always welcome. As I have quoted our GER Jim Nichelson before, "we shouldn't be afraid of change, it only makes our Lodge better and stronger." One person can make difference. again, we need to keep an open mind, appreciate the individuality of our members and guest, our visiting members and guests. we need to work together to continue to build a better Lodge.

With only three months remaining until our new Lodge year begins, please think about our goals for the next year, for active membership, involving our current members more, utilizing their talents and skills more effectively, how we can improve our Lodge by becoming a more cohesive group, making our mission to move forward and to expand our charitable works in the new year.

In closing, please keep our veterans and those who serve our country in mind. Also, remember, it's the members that make the Lodge, not the Lodge that makes the members.

Fraternally yours,
Linda Gorey,

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LODGE OFFICERS

2009-2010

Linda Gorey, ER

John Gilman PER, Leading Knight

Ed Reagey, Loyal Knight

Les Chadwick, Lecturing Knight

Fred Ulrich, PER, Secretary

Timothy Herzig, Treasurer

James Sanicki, PER, Tiler

-Trustees-

Steve O'Connell, 1 yr.

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

"ELK OF THE YEAR"

All members are asked to submit a ballot for their choice of "Elk of the Year". Forms are available at the Lodge. Please state your name and reason behind your choice. This is a prestigious award that is bestowed upon a worthy candidate. Ballots will be reviewed by Past Elk of the Year Members. Two basic rules. They cannot be an Officer and only one person is selected.

IN MEMORIAM

... a while ago we gathered, friendship beaming in each eye, now the golden cord is severed, he has passed

to realms on high"

SICKNESS & DISTRESS

JAMES GAMLIN

HOME

DAVE PHILLIPS

BILL DUFFY

BUCKLEY NURSING

DON GIBSON

HOLYOKE SOLDIERS

AL DRESSER

FLORIDA NURSING

HOME

Tip of the Antlers

Dennis Moore & his Veteran's Committee for their monthly pizza parties at the VA Hospital in Leeds and the end of the year spaghetti dinner for the Vets at the Lodge.

Hoop Shoot: David Sprague, John Richardson - burger & dog guys for the kids.

Thanksgiving Buffet: Fran Sirum, Linda Gorey ER, Lynn Rogers, Jim Mackenzie, Bob Mott, John Richardson, Butch DeNofrio.

\$10,000 drawing: Fran Sirum, Linda Gorey ER, Jim Mackenzie, Bob Mott, John Richardson, David Sprague, Lori Wegiel, Denny Moore, Steve O'Connell.

Elks Memorial Service: Linda Gorey ER, Fran Sirum, Jeannie Graveline, Lori Wegiel, Butch DeNofrio.

Bell Ringers for the Salvation Army @ Stop & Shop. Walgreens, Family Dollar, Foster's Market:

Peter Clarke (chairman), Mark Lavin, Stan Maynard, Jerry Gaimari, Ed & Dee Fleming, Dick Mallory, Bob Mott, Wes Clark, Sandy Seaman, Sharon Mallory, Bill Finn, Lori Wegiel, Scott Greaves, Brian Dery.

New Members' Initiation Dinner: Fran Sirum, Linda Gorey ER, Doug Baker & others, Emblem Club waitstaff.

Christmas Buffet: Linda Gorey ER, Fran Sirum & crew.

Thanks to Mike Hisz for all his help each Friday, setting up the serving table. We wish Mike and his wife Pat, a happy and healthy time in Hilton Head for the next few months.

United ARC Christmas Party ... Charlie Kestyn and Fred Ulrich sincerely appreciate the response of Elk and Emblem Members donating their time in supporting this program that was held Sunday, December 13. A wonderful meal was prepared by Fran Sirum and Linda Gorey, ER, and with the support of Jeannie Graveline, Tim Herzig, Matt Sheridan, Pete Clarke, Wes Clark, Kevin Taylor, Adam Reed, Corey O'Connell, Kathy Doton, Dee Fleming, Nancy Beckwith, Terry Black, Sue Breite, Kay Fiorey, Eva Carrier, Gail Underwood, Linda Merritt. Around 130 meals were served and without their support, these people would not have been able to enjoy the day.

"THANKS AGAIN SO MUCH FOR YOUR SUPPORT FOR THESE PEOPLE."

CHRISTMAS BASKETS . . . The people who donated their time to deliver 50 Christmas Food Baskets, a complete dinner to the needy this year was outstanding. After three loads of food from BJ's and four bushels of apples from Clarkdale's, delivery was made on a rather cool Saturday, December 19th, 2009. Many, many "THANKS" to all that participated. Tim and George Herzig, Fred Ulrich, Den Moore, Bill Heiden, Ed Reagey, did the chores on Friday pick-up, and also participated on Saturday. Also delivering was: Lynn Rogers, Dave Bonnett, Jean Rewa, Doug Turner, Simon Behilo, Jim Green, Bob Mott, Jerry Gaimari, Bob Wood, Sr., Leigh Jenks, John Williams, Wes Clark, Adam Reed, John O'Connell, Jen Czernik, Sharon Rawson, Dave Baker and Joey Tomaus.

FYI* Don't forget our hall is available to rent for your functions. Also, we now have "in-house" catering available at the Lodge for functions with the hall rentals. Contact Tina Woods for details and scheduling. Call the Lodge before 9:00AM, Mon-Fri.

* Horseradish-we all loved Ray Caouette's horseradish and now Lodge member Doug Baker has taken over making it. Please bring in small jars for him to use.

*Lodge Library Book Exchange- we have many, many books, come down, bring some - take some. Also, some have been there for quite a while, perhaps a volunteer could take some of them to a hospital (paper backs), hard covers to the local library. Many nursing homes could use them also.

*Veteran's pins- Hopefully we'll have these pins available to purchase at our Lodge soon.

*44th Mass. Elks Candlepin Bowling Tournament. March 7 & 14. If you're interested in putting a team together, we need to get it done soon. Please contact me (Linda Gorey) at fsirum@comcast.net or see me at the Lodge.

Dates to Remember:

- * **Jan. 10-Court of Honor for Eagle Scout Ceremony**
- * **Jan. 11- District Deputy Clinic Worcester Lodge**
- * **February 7 — Super Bowl Sunday- Chili Cook-Off and buffet to follow**
- * **February 7 — final drawing for 1296 club**

GREENFIELD EMBLEM CLUB #43

The next meeting will be at 7:15 on Monday, January 4th.

GREENFIELD LODGE #1296

RAFFLE FOR THE X-MAS BASKETS

FIRST PRIZE 100 GALLONS FUEL OIL

WINNER---- CLYD BECKWITH

2ND PRIZE \$50.00 FOSTER'S GIFT CERTIFICATE

WINNER----RICHARD POCLLENSKI

THIRD PRIZE \$25.00 FOSTER'S GIFT CERTIFICATE

WINNER----JOHN LASKOSKI

Hoop Shoot winners 12/5/09

Girls 8-9 Samantha Smith 10 out of 25, Greenfield

Boys 8-9 Jake Suhl 14 out of 25, Greenfield

Boys 10-11 Matt Finck 16 out of 25, Shelburne Falls

Boys 12-13 Kevin Luippold 17 out of 25, Greenfield

The Golf League met on December 16th in the Lodge at 6 p.m. Bill Heiden informed those present that he is resigning from the committee as soon as a replacement can be found. Bill has done most of the computer work for the past ten years and will be greatly missed. Modifications were made to Rules #28 and 30 with a change to Rule #2 tabled until the next meeting which will be on Wednesday, February 10th 6p.m. at the Lodge.

I want to thank everyone who helped me to deliver a very wonderful Children's Christmas Party for the children on December 19.

Look for the Easter Party sign up sheet the end of February. Party will be the Saturday before Easter, which is 4/3/10.

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

- 2 Geoffrey E. Coughlin
- 3 Maurice Chamberland; Arnold Egloff
- 4 Lesley, Chadwick
- 5 Richard Lacross
- 7 William Lewis; Richard Wickline, Jr.
- 9 Joann Cehura; Lavin Dresser
- 11 Charles Murdock
- 12 Scott George
- 13 Kathleen Doton, Richard Herzig
- 14 Robert Benedetti
- 16 Peter Weis
- 17 Carroll Bowen; Edward Wykowski
- 20 Michael Morawski
- 21 Jeffrey Baker
- 22 Mark Lavin; Matthew Sirum; Michael Smith
- 24 Charles Bohonowicz; Dennis Moore
- 25 David Lewandowski; Donald Pierce, Robert Wood
- 26 Todd Berger, William Martin, PER
- 27 Sean Mason; Sharon Powers
- 29 Gary Selanis
- 30 William Clark
- 31 Paul Doran; David Norman; Robert Richardson

IT CAME FROM WHERE:

- 1. First cup of coffee savored: b) Yemen; 2. Limes in our flavored seltzer: c) Indonesia; 3. Country dealt the first poker hand: a) United States; 4. Country who sported slip-on shoes: c) Norwegian; 5. Priests in this country denounced the fork as godless: b) Italy; 6. Distilled spirits made cocktails possible: a) Iraq; 7. Country harvested first carrot: b) Afghanistan; 8. Country started our obsession with chocolate: c) Honduras; 9. Processed sugar stimulated our taste buds: c) India; 10. Donned the Panama hat first: a) Ecuador

Put the number of Ls in parenthesis in the following words to make the original word

- 1. aisle (1) 2. label (2) 3. lilac (2) 4. llama (2) 5. idyll (2) 6. lollipop (3) 7. illegal (3) 8. loyally (3) 9. cellular (3) 10. hill-billy (4) 11. loblolly (4) and 12. volleyball (4).

Northampton Lodge — Bingo every Wednesday
 Every Friday evening — prime rib or fried scallops
 \$10.00 each
 German meal — January 12, 2010

State Happenings:

- 1/31/10 MA Elks 3rd Regional Meeting
- 2/6/10 MA Elks State Hoop Shoot
- 3/6/10 MA Elks State Pool Tournament
- 3/7/10 MA Elks State Candlepin Bowling Tournament
- 3/14/10 MA Elks State Candlepin Bowling Tournament
- 3/27/10 NE Regional Hoop Shoot

The Greenfield Elk, Jan 7 1913

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- 1/11 DD Clinic*
- 1/12 LODGE MEETING 7:00*
- 1/16 VA Pizza party*
- 1/21 Past ER dinner/meeting*
- 1/26 LODGE MEETING 7:00*

HELP OUR MEMBERSHIP BY PROPOSING A NEW PERSON

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 NO FISH FRY NEW YEARS DAY	2
3	4	5	6 Pitch	7	8 Fish Fry	9
10	11	12 Lodge meet- ing 7:00 p.m.	13 Pitch	14	15 Fish Fry	16 VA Pizza party
17	18 Martin Luther King b'day	19	20 Pitch	21 Past ER Din- ner and Meeting	22 Fish Fry	23
24 — 31	25	26 Lodge meet- ing 7:00 p.m. William Mar- tin, PER	27 Pitch	28	29 Fish Fry	30

Northampton Lodge — every Friday Prime Rib or Fried Scallops for \$10.00 each.

West Springfield/Agawam Elks — Ludlow — Friday Night Dinners — Steak on the Grill — \$9.95 Mastercard/Visa accepted.

