



The Greenfield Elk



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ELKS CARE - ELKS SHARE

APRIL 2010

Dear Members,

As we start a new Elk year, let me start out saying what an honor to serve as your Exalted Ruler.

I would like to thank the PERs, Officers and the members for their confidence in my ability to serve as your leader for the 2010-2011 Elk Year. To my newly installed Leading Knight Linda Gorey, PER, Inner Guard David Sprague, Chaplain Lynn Rogers and 5 year Trustee L. Kim Franks — Congratulation, and I look forward to working with you and the other Officers that moved up this year.

My goals this year are working hard on all the Grand Lodge Programs and working with the Community to show that **ELKS REALLY DO CARE AND REALLY DO SHARE!** The Grand Exalted Ruler, James L Nichelson's slogan this year "You be the Elk that makes the difference." With your help we really can make a difference in this Lodge and in Elk-dom this year.

We are still in search of a Loyal Knight Officer, so if you have been thinking about going through the Chairs, I would be happy to do my best to give an overview. I would like to talk to the younger membership about getting active. **It is your Lodge.**

Fraternally yours,

Robert C. Mott HLM, PDD, Exalted Ruler

LODGE OFFICERS

2010-2011

Robert Mott PDD,ER

James Keegan, PER, Leading Knight

, Loyal Knight

Linda Gorey, PER, Lecturing Knight

Fred Ulrich, PER, Secretary

Timothy Herzig, Treasurer

James Sanicki, PER, Tiler

-Trustees-

John O'Connell PER, 1 yrs.

Wes Clark PDD, PER, 2 yrs.

Dennis Moore, 3 yrs.

Francis Sirum, 4 years

L. Kim Franks, 5 years

Adam Reed PER, Esquire

Lynn Rogers, Chaplain

David Sprague, Inner Guard

William Pease Jr., Organist

2011 Phoenix, AZ

2012 Austin, TX

In Memoriam

HOWARD SPAT

1940 — 2010

Our oldest member #905

"... 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

DAVE PHILLIPS

BILL DUFFY

BUCKLEY NURSING

DON GIBSON

HOLYOKE SOLDIERS

AL DRESSER

FL NURSING HOME

DR. RUSSELL BONTEMPI

POET SEAT NURSING

HOME

AT HOME

JAMES GAMLIN, PER

WILLIAM SWININGTON

ELWIN BARTON

Schedule of Installation of Officers

West Central District

#4160 2010-2011

- ⇒ March 27, 2010 Worcester #243 Installed by Fitchburg #847
- ⇒ April 3, 2010 Leominster #1237 Installed by Auburn/Webster#2118
- ⇒ April 9, 2010 Gardner#1426 Installed by Greenfield #1296
- ⇒ April 10, 2010 Athol-Orange #1837 Installed by Montague #2521
- ⇒ April 11, 2010 Fitchburg #847 Installed by Worcester #243

Tip of the Antlers.....

I would like to thank Francis Sirum, members of the Emblem Club and the Elks members that helped make my installation a great success. THANK YOU SO MUCH!!!
Robert C. Mott ER

FYI

I would like to invite all the officers, appointed committee member, and members that would like to attend the third District Deputy Clinic at the Athol/Orange Lodge #1837 on April 19, 2010 at 7:30 pm with Dinner at 6:30. John J. White Ma State Association will speak about importance of the complete cooperation of the Officers of the Lodge. John will be able to shed light on the specifics of their responsibilities, as members of this committee, so that they may fulfill and complete, their reports to the Lodge. By the way, these reports are mandatory and should be on a regular basis as outlined in the Grand Lodge Auditing and Accounting Manual.

REMINDER — LOCKS CHANGE APRIL 15, 2010!!

GREENFIELD EMBLEM CLUB #43

- ⇒ The next Emblem Club meeting will be held on **Monday, APRIL 12TH** at 7:15. There will not be a meeting on Monday April 5th.
- ⇒ Kathy Doton will be in charge of the \$5.00 deli on Wednesday nights for the Elk's Golf League. Please see Kathy if you are interested in helping. Donations of non-perishable items will be needed.
- ⇒ The Emblem Club tag sale will be held on Saturday, April 24th. Items for the tag sale can be dropped off on Friday, April 23 or early Saturday morning. Volunteers are need to help out. Terri O'Connell will have a sign up sheet at the April meeting for both Friday night and Saturday.

Thank you, Linda Hall

MA Elks Day At Suffolk Downs Has Been Canceled

State Chairman for Elks Day at Suffolk Downs Frank Staffier has informed me that he has received notice that Suffolk Downs has canceled all activities at their facility until sometime in June 2010, due to their anticipation of remodeling of their facility in anticipation of the legalization of Slot Machines and a possible Casino there. So our MA Elks Day at Suffolk Downs scheduled for May 22, 2010 has been canceled until sometime after they re-open.

News from Linda Gorey, PER

***Boy Scout Family Night:** Thanks to Fran Sirum, Linda Gorey, Butch DeNofrio, Ed Reagey for putting on the dinner for this group.

***Mass. Elks Bowling Tournament:** Thank you bowlers!..."The Best from the West"- Team A: "The Celtic Men": James Bozek, Ryan O'Connell, Matt Sheridan, Troy Renaud, Rob Muzzy; Team B: Matt Sirum, Bob Wondo, Al Wondo, Nancy Beckwith, Linda Gorey & scorekeeper-Fran Sirum (alternate). We weren't the best nor the worst!! Great fun!! Special thanks to our drivers-Fran S. & Bob W (the worst weather in which to drive) and also to Jennifer Beckwith, Nancy's daughter, who drove down from Boston to cheer us on. We'll be back next year!!

1296 club starts on April 5, 2010. See Sharon at the Lodge to join and/or pay your \$20.00.

GOLF BALLS FOR IRAQ

As of February 1st we have sent about 3200 golf balls to Iraq. We will be sending golf balls until October 2010. We still need.

Container is at the Lodge or call Stan Maynard at 648-9223. Thanks everyone — Special thanks to Bob Ferris for donating more than 400 golf balls. Stan Maynard

Elk's Golf League

There will be a meeting of the Golf Committee on April 14th at 6:00 p.m. Teams for the 2010 season have been selected and are posted at the Lodge. Our tentative start date for League Play will be April 21st, barring flooding or inclement weather. League dues of \$40.00 must be paid prior to the start of play on April 21st.

Ask about the Joker Poker. Funds to benefit our 100 year anniversary celebration in 2013.

FISH FRY UNTIL MAY 14TH

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!!!

April Birthdays

- 1 Alan R. Ball, Richard Gunn Podlenski
- 2 Thaddeus T. Yeglinski
- 3 Todd Courmoyer
- 4 Roger S.Crapo, Jr.
- 5 Daniel T. Dupras, Alexander F. Sirum
- 6 Michael K. Perreault
- 7 John E. Duprey, William H. Michel
- 8 P. James Kane
- 9 Susan Breite, Carl Newton
- 10 Adam Reed PER
- 13 Terry E. Doton
- 14 George E. Herzig, Jr.
- 15 John F. Sayers, Marilyn R. Wright
- 17 Thomas A. Dillon, Robert J. Fistes, David M. Tetreault
- 18 Paul D. Orszulak PER, William H. Pease, Jr., Robert W. Widdison
- 19 Edwin W. Fronckus, Stanley Kaczinski
- 21 Roman A. Nowak
- 22 Eugene C. Denofrio
- 23 Tyler Beckwith, Susan Deangelis, Daniel W. Finn
- 24 Donald R. Jordan, Alan T. Jurek, Robert D. Murphy, Gary B. Noga PER, William C. Terounzo
- 25 William Fulton, Walther R. Wandeloski
- 26 Richard W. Burke
- 27 Stephan A. Lovett
- 29 Robert H. Wondoloski
- 30 Robert L. Sanderson, John J. Volpe

LODGE DUES 2010-2011

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

ARE YOU A VETERAN YES _____ **NO** _____

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

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HELP OUR MEMBERSHIP BY PROPOSING A NEW PERSON

Fax: 413-376-4240

April 2010

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 Fish Fry	3 Kids Easter Party Leominster Installation
4 Easter	5 1296 Starts	6	7	8	9 Fish Fry Gardner installation	10 Athol/Orange installation Adam Reed PER
11 Worcester Installation	12	13 7:00 Lodge Meeting	14 6:00 Golf Meeting	15 LOCKS CHANGE	16 Fish Fry	17
18 Paul Orszu- lak, PER	19	20	21 Golf Starts	22	23 Fish Fry	24 Gary Noga, PER
25	26	27 7:00 Lodge Meeting	28 Golf	29	30 Fish Fry	

The bus trip to Mohegan Sun was great fun!! Unfortunately the bus wasn't full, but it was the same day that the State Bowling Tournament took place. If there is interest in going again in a couple of months, please let me know. Darlene Fleming 774-5750

The Las Vegas trip that I was trying to plan for April has been canceled due to lack of interest. If anyone is interested, I will check into a 7 day 6 night trip to Vegas in early October. I would need a definite commitment of at least 10 people before I investigated. Dee Fleming 774-5750.

This cop pulled a guy over and said, "Sir, I need you to breathe into this Breathalyzer for me."

"I can't do that. I'm asthmatic. If I do that, I'll have a really big asthma attack."

"Okay. Then I need you to come down to the station with me and we'll have to do some blood work."

"I can't do that either. I'm a Hemophiliac. If I do that, I'll bleed to death."

"Okay. Then I need a urine sample from you."

"I can't do that either. I'm a diabetic. If I do that, my blood sugar will get really low."

Okay. Then I need you to step out of the car and walk this white line."

"I can't do that either."

The cop said "Why not?" The guy said, "Because I'm drunk."

A pig walked into a bar, ordered fifteen beers, and drank them. The bartender asked, "Would you like to know where the bathroom is?" No said the little pig. "I'm the little pig that goes wee-wee-wee all the way home."

APRIL FOOL'S DAY

Until 1564, it was tradition to begin the New Year with a week of celebration, ending with a big party. But the calendar was different then, and the New Year started on March 25 — which meant the party was held on April 1. In 1564 a new calendar was instituted, making January 1 the New Year. People who forgot — or didn't realize—what had happened and still showed up to celebrate on April 1, were called "April fools."

Fig Newtons: In 1895, a new machine was installed at a Massachusetts cookie company called the Kennedy Biscuit Works. Among the machine's capabilities: it could wrap cookie dough around jam. The first jam the company tried it with just happened to be "made from figs". And since their policy was to name their products after neighboring towns, Newton, MA was honored with the title. Hence *Fig Newtons*.

Tipping — Some people think it began in the 17th century, when restaurants had boxes labeled T.I.P. — To Insure Promptness — on the wall beside their entrances. Patrons who wanted their food in a hurry deposited a few coins in the box before they sat down.

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- ⇒ The zipper was invented in 1893, for use in shoes.
 - ⇒ Around 200 people die while watching football games every year.
 - ⇒ The geographical center of North American continent: Rugby, North Dakota.
 - ⇒ The first known brothel opened its doors in 550 B.C. in Athens, Greece.
 - ⇒ The Teddy Bears' 1958 #1 song, "**To Know Him Is to Love Him**" was inspired by the epitaph on group-member Phil Spector's father's tombstone.
 - ⇒ The first city in America with a paved street was New York in 1647.
 - ⇒ **To Peter Out** Possibly comes from France, where peter means "fart". According to one expert: "Peter out" would then be equivalent to "fizzle out", since the original "fizzle" was a noiseless fart".
 - ⇒ Doctors in ancient China were paid when patients were healthy, not sick. (Sounds good to me!)
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