



# The Greenfield Elk



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**ELKS CARE - ELKS SHARE**

FEBRUARY 2011

## My Brothers and Sisters

I hope you all had a nice Holiday and New Year. We had a great New Year's Eve party here at the Lodge. If you weren't here you missed a great time.

As we start a new year let me say that it very important that all members realize that the ELKS is more than just a "Club". It is a fraternal organization dedicated to NOBLE principles as well. As other officers and members of this Lodge, we are concerned that our Lodge is wavering from the true sprit of Elkdom. It is my opinion that the problem is that members are not getting involved with the fraternal part of their membership obligation. The Greenfield Lodge needs good officers who believe in the principles of our order, Charity, Justice and Brotherly Love. Nominations for officers for next year 2011-2012 will be in February and I **URGE** you to seriously consider becoming an officer. All elected/chair officers as well as one trustee position are open. **PLEASE** help us keep up the proud tradition of the Greenfield Lodge of Elks by becoming involved. **PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CONTACT ME OR JAMES J KEEGAN PER IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT BECOMING AN OFFICER. THE STRENGTH OF ANY ORGANIZATION IS MEMBERSHIP INVOLVEMENT AND THE RIGHT TO CHOOSE ITS LEADERS.**

I would like to thank the NEW YEAR'S EVE COMMITTEE FOR A GREAT NIGHT!

Fraternally,

Robert C. Mott, Jr., PDD, ER

## LODGE OFFICERS

2010-2011

Robert Mott Jr. PDD,ER  
James Keegan, PER, Leading Knight

Shirley Kennedy, 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

2013 Reno, NV

## "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

CLIFFORD J. AKEY, JR.

'... 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

DR. RUSSELL BONTEMPI, PER,  
Poet's Seat Nursing

AL DRESSER

HOME

**Tip of the Antlers**

Thanks to our Bell Ringers for the Salvation Army....Stan Maynard, Jerry Gamairi, Wes Clark PDD, PER, Vinnie Melendez, Bill Devino, Sharon Rawson, Ed Fleming, Dee Fleming, Pete Clarke, Mark Lavin, Ed Reagey, Bill Luippold, David Snow, John O'Connell PER, Bob Mott PDD, ER, and Jim Sinicki. A job well done by all. Thank You. Peter Clarke

Christmas Buffet: Linda Gorey, Fran Sirum, Bob Mott

New Members Dinner: Linda Gorey, Matt Sirum, Fran Sirum (son & father team), Ted Graveline, Sue Deangelis, Nancy Beckwith, Linda Merritt, Sally LaBrun

NEWS FROM THE DISTRICT HOOP SHOOT IN ORANGE ON SATUDAY, JANUARY 8, 2011. WE HAVE A FRIST PLACE 8 YEAR OLD BOY WHO WILL BE REPRESENTATING THE GREENFIELD LODGE IN THE STATE HOOP SHOOT FREE THROW CONTEST IN MAYNARD, MA ON FEBRUARY 5, 2011. WE WISH XAVIER SANTIAGO GOOD LUCK.

**Thank you to all who have donated to the children's Christmas Party through out the year. It is really appreciated!**

**SCHOLARSHIP INFO:**

**MASS ELKS ASSOC. "VOCATIONAL: GRANT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM-** intended for full time students enrolled in a two year vocational technical course in a school or college leading to a Terminal Associates Degree, Certificate, or Diploma, but less than a Bachelor's Degree, not for part time or night students. Application must be on the original form, filing deadline March 1, 2011.

**VOCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS** — To all Elk Members

Please be advised that Vocational Scholarship Applications are now available for students graduating in 2011 or others who plan on receiving vocational training for up to two years in any vocational or technical area in 2011-2012. These scholarships are renewable and can be used for retraining or certification. Scholarships are for \$1,000.00, and are renewable. You can obtain an application at the Lodge. Dennis Solomon, Elks Vocational Scholarship Chairman

**Up coming events:**

St. Jude's Benefit Spaghetti & Meatball Dinner February 5<sup>th</sup> (See Insert)

Foxwoods Bus trip February 19<sup>th</sup> (See Insert)

Mass Elks Regional Meeting February 13<sup>th</sup> Randolph # 2130

March 12th, Irish night (look for more info in March bulletin)

We will be sending 2 teams to participate, once again, in the MA State Elks Candlepin Bowling Tournament in Norwood, Ma, on March 6, 2011. The proceeds from the entry fee goes to Ma Elks charities. Thank you for your support! "The Bowlers"

My fellow members, as most of you are now aware, the Greenfield Lodge of ELKS will be celebrating its 100th anniversary on January 07 2013. The date may seem far off to some, but let me assure you, it will be here sooner than you think, and the expenses involved will be substantial. That's why we are fund raising at what some would think is rather early on. The year long celebration will include many events, not the least of which will most likely be a visit from the Grand Exalted Ruler. In an effort to fund all such events, the lodge is selling t-shirts. I will be selling the t-shirts at the lodge on Fridays, during the fish fry suppers, however anyone may purchase as many as you like, at the Lodge. There are order forms on the bulletin board, and the stewards (bartenders) have a box under the bar, for t-shirt funds. Don't forget to leave contact information, i.e., home or cell. #'s so I can get your shirts to you. Jim Keegan PER/Leading Knight

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**FYI**

Here's an **OOPS!** Unfortunately, once again, and probably for the umpteenth time, we have forgotten to list Willy Fistes' birthday, which was on January 8...sorry Willy, thought we corrected that last year...Happy Belated Birthday!

**Friday Night Fish Fry**-desperately seeking someone or some ones to help with grilling the steak entree. Peter Broughan faithfully works at least 2 times a month, John Richardson has moved to Whitefield, NH and doesn't get to Greenfield as often, so we need to fill in a couple of Fridays a month, please volunteer. Also, our table set up man, Mike Hisz, is spending the winter months in Hilton Head, we need to replace him for a while. Not a too difficult job...put out silverware, napkins, condiments, takes about 20-30 minutes. So if you can be at the Lodge around 4 or 4:30 on a Friday, please volunteer. Of course, we can always use help with clean up starting at 7:30. Bob Mott, Dennis Moore, Eric Schatz, and Jim Sanicki have been doing an outstanding job, please help them out. Special thanks to Eric who is a phenomenal worker, does a little bit of everything, set up, clean up, dishes, etc. Thanks so much Eric!

**FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS**

- 1 Donald M. Mann; Michael J. Swain; Patrick Tynan
- 2 Louis M. Kozloski, PER; Beverly Strakose
- 5 Janet Kellogg; John H. Merz
- 6 Patrick J. Johnson; Raymond G. Perry, PER; Arnold Schmidt; Steven Snow
- 7 Paul M. Luippold
- 8 George D. Gagris; Frank L. Marshall, Jr.
- 9 Alfred Kuzmeskus
- 11 Frederic S. Budarz; Joseph P. George; Patrick Jubb; James Olszewski; William C. Zimmerman
- 12 Jon Galenski, William J. Luippold
- 13 Norman A. Carne Sr.; Leonard F. Haggerty; Michael D. O'Connell
- 15 William Jarvis; Audrey Reum
- 17 Kurt W. Seaman
- 20 Jerry A. Gaimari
- 21 Michael Hickey; William Sandri
- 22 Donald E. Scott
- 23 Richard F. Nicoll
- 25 Elwin D. Barton; Donald G. Perreault; David G. Quinn
- 26 Jennifer Twyon; Alan J. Wondoloski
- 27 Michael Heiden; Peter Murphy; Michael Raymond;
- 28 Timothy E. Herzig, Treasurer
- 29 Edward C. Brzezinski

GOLF LEAGUE COMMITTEE MEETING—  
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16TH, 6:00 P.M.  
ELKS' LODGE

**LODGE DUES 2011-2012**

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

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

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

**REGULAR DUES \$76.00 HONORARY & LIFE DUES \$46.00**

**PLEASE ADD \$2.00 FOR MASS STATE ELKS SCHOLARSHIP**

email [elks1296@comcast.net](mailto:elks1296@comcast.net)

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**GREENFIELD ELKS #1296  
3-5 CHURCH ST.**

**GREENFIELD, MA 01301**

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**MEMBER #** \_\_\_\_\_

**PHONE #** \_\_\_\_\_

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

**AMOUNT PAID** \_\_\_\_\_

***PLEASE NOTIFY OF ADDRESS CHANGES***

***LOCKS CHANGE APRIL 15, 2011***

## The Greenfield Elk, Jan 7 1913

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**Greenfield, MA 01301**  
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*Inside This Issue:*

*2/5 ST. JUDE BENEFIT*  
*2/8 LODGE MEETING 7:00*  
*2/16 GOLF LEAGUE 6:00*  
*2/19 VA PIZZA PARTY*  
*2/19 FOXWOODS*  
*2/22 LODGE MEETING 7:00*

### HELP OUR MEMBERSHIP BY PROPOSING A NEW PERSON

Fax: 413-376-4240

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 Pitch	3	4 Fish Fry	5 ST. JUDE DIN- NER 6:30 P.M.
6 Super Bowl Sunday—Chili cook off/ 1296	7	8 Lodge Meet- ing 7:00 p.m.	9 Pitch	10	11 Fish Fry	12
13	14	15	16 Pitch Golf League Mtg. 6:00 p.m.	17	18 Fish Fry	19 VA Pizza party  Foxwoods bus
20	21 President's day	22 Lodge Meeting 7:00 p.m.	23 Pitch	25	25 Fish Fry	26
27	28					

COMPUTATION OF GRAND LODGE DUES 2011

Grand Lodge Expenses and Operation (includes \$1.00 National Home Assessment)	\$7.50
Elks Magazine Subscription	\$3.50
General Liability Insurance	\$3.00
Mass. State Elks Association	<u>\$2.00</u>
Total	\$16.00

Under Sections 4.231 and 14.150, Laws of the Order, in addition to their dues, IT IS NOW MANDATORY for the collection of these per-capita assessments from each member as well as per capita from a life member.

Life members dues      \$30.00 plus \$16.00 = \$46.00  
Regular members        \$60.00 plus \$16.00 = \$76.00

DUES FOR APRIL 1, 2011

NOTICE TO ALL SNOWBIRDS

If you are heading to warmer weather for the winter and leaving your summer habitat, please notify the secretary of your forwarding address and when you will be leaving and returning. As mentioned in the past, all mail not forwarded will be returned to the Lodge with a full first class postage due.

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LIFE MEMBERSHIP ELIGIBILITY  
AGE 65, 30 YEARS AN ELK

RONALD DUCLOS; STEPHEN GIBOWICZ; GEORGE HERZIG; JOHN JENEST; DAVID MCDONALD; JOSEPH MITCHELL, JR; RICHARD NICOLL; RICHARD PEEL; DONALD ROY; JOHN SAYERS; DAVID TETREAUULT.  
Will be balloted on February 8, 2011.

**Tip of the Antlers:**

Thank you to the following people who made this years New Years' Eve Party a success. Pete Clarke; Beth Cadran; Jeanne Graveline; Barb Laczynski; Gail Underwood; Fran Sirum; Linda Gorey, PER; Bob Mott; PDD, ER; Linda Hall; Donna Roy; Tina Hickey; and Beth Stetzel. As a result of everyone's hard work the club made a profit of \$817.94. Great job!

**MA Elks Association 100th Anniversary Cocktail Receptions Update**

As many of you are aware, the MA Elks Past State President's Association was appointed to come up with a plan to celebrate our Association's 100th Anniversary, during the 2010-2011 State Association Year. As a reminder, the cost of the tickets are \$25.00 each. The Area 1 Reception will be held at the Maynard Lodge on Saturday, February 26, 2011. The Area 2 Reception will be held at the Boston Lodge on Saturday, February 19, 2011. The Area 3 Reception will be held at the Wakefield Lodge on Friday, March 4, 2011.

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As you already know, David R. Carr from New York has been selected as the endorsed candidate for Grand Exalted Ruler this coming July. The Massachusetts Elks have been asked to support David by helping him and the New York Elks Association by sponsoring a series of three cocktail parties in honor of David. The first Reception will be hosted by Area 2 to be held at the Weymouth Lodge on Saturday April 16, 2011 at 7 PM. The second Reception will be hosted by Area 3 at the Saugus-Everett Lodge on Saturday May 28, 2011 at 7 PM. **The final Reception will be hosted by Area 1 at the Springfield Lodge on Sunday May 29, 2011 at 2 PM.**