



The Greenfield Elk



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DECEMBER 2011

My fellow members: Thanks to all of my officers and members who participated in the Veterans' Day parade. I was disappointed that my work schedule precluded me from being with you all, but I was able to glad hand and thank several Veterans' and others afterward at the Lodge as we enjoyed donuts and coffee. Mary and I attended the Turkey Trot event. Bill and Jason Kilgour and Bob Mott worked hard to make it a success, and it was. Please be mindful of all the important dates this month and next. All of the events are listed in this newsletter. Please support all of the Lodge events, including the purchase of the T-shirts that are on sale regarding our 100th anniversary in 2013.

I want to welcome the new members, Jared Smith, Ryan Gauthier and Robert Killay, and a special welcome to Stanley Ambo, PER who has demitted to our Lodge from Montague #2521.

Mary and I hope everyone enjoyed your Thanksgiving holidays and will enjoy your Christmas and New Years holidays in peace and good health.

The Maynard Lodge #1568 will be celebrating their 100th anniversary on December 10th. \$20.00 per person in advance and \$25.00 at the door. December 4th is the cut off date. The event is sponsored by the Past State Presidents.

In closing, again, let me remind all of our membership motto "EACH ONE REACH ONE". The resulting numbers could be staggering and everyone would benefit equally. And as always, "Keep Smiling"

Jim Keegan, ER



2011-2012
James Keegan, ER
Sid Jensen, Leading Knight
Linda Gorey, Loyal Knight
Scott Greaves, Lecturing Knight
Fred Ulrich, PER, Secretary
Timothy Herzig, Treasurer
James Sanicki, PER, Tiler

-Trustees-
Wes Clark PDD, PER, 1 yrs.
Dennis Moore, 2 yrs.
Francis Sirum, 3 yrs.
L. Kim Franks, 4 years
John Cariddi, 5 years

Elsie Gilman, Esquire
Terri Miner, Chaplain
David Sprague, Inner Guard
William Pease Jr., Organist

2012 Austin, TX
2013 Reno, NV

MEMORIAL SERVICE

December 4, 2009 1:00 P.M. Officers in Formal Attire. The following Elk members will be remembered. Please join us

- Edwin LaMontagne 12-1-2010*
- Clifford J. Akey, Jr. 1/1/2011*
- Robert F. Grant 1/10/11*
- Frank L. Marshall, Jr. 1/24/2011*
- William C. Duffy, Jr., 1/31/2011*
- John F. Griffin, Jr., 2/7/2011*
- Chester J. Lesneski, 2/27/2011*
- Albert B. Adamski, 4/2/2011*
- John H. Mers, 6/9/2011*
- William C. Spat, 7/26/2011*
- Thomas A. Dillon, 7/30/2011*
- Malachi F. Sheehan, Sr., 8/6/2011*
- Robert C. Howe, 9/14/2011*
- Michael D. O'Connell, 9/25/2011*
- Richard L. Barber, 10/9/2011*
- Alfred D. Kuzmeskus, 10/25/2011*
- James C. Capen, 10/25/2011*

SICKNESS & DISTRESS

DAVE PHILLIPS
BUCKLEY NURSING
DR. RUSSELL BONTEMPI,
PER, Poet's Seat Nursing

NICK SALUSTRI
MICHAEL BLANCHARD
AL DRESSER

Propositions for Membership

Fred Ulrich proposes William Valvo
Bill Peloskey proposes Eben Sumner
Bill Peloskey proposes Amanda Sumner

Special Initiation on
December 27, 2011

Tip of the Antlers

District Deputy Visitation: Oct. 25-Kitchen: Fran Sirum, Linda Gorey, Bob Mott, Butch DeNofrio, Ken Kurtyka. Wait staff: Linda Hall, Linda Baker, Eva Carrier, Elsie Gilman.

FYI:

We still need more volunteers for Friday nights to help cook, plate, and clean up. 30 weeks of volunteering continuously creates some burn out, especially if you've had to work all day. One Friday a month would certainly help so. Hop into the kitchen, it's a friendly crew!!

SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

MOST VALUABLE STUDENT(MVS): APPLICATIONS ARE AT THE LODGE OR YOU CAN DOWNLOAD THEM AT www.elks.org/enf/scholars Eligibility: High School Senior and US Citizen, filing deadline: Dec. 1, 2011

Legacy Scholarship Awards: Eligible students should apply in the following manner: 1. Visit the Elks website to complete an application, after Sept.1, 2011. 2. The student must complete the Application and return it on line to the Elks National Foundation no later than Feb. 1, 2012. 3. Upon receipt of the Application, the applicant will receive an email noting that the application was received and the winners will be announced-May 1 2012. Eligibility: Any child, grandchild, (or step children, step-grandchildren, or legal ward) of an Elk. Must be a high school senior. Must take the SAT or American College Test no later than Dec. 31, 2011 www.elks.org/enf/scholars/legacy.efm

EMERGENCY EDUCATION FUND GRANTS: Available only to children of Elks, one year educational grants to children of Elks who are deceased or totally incapacitated.

Applications available: MA State Chairman: Linda Pratt-Webber, 23 Lynn St. Peabody MA 01960 or David Keyes Shaw, Norwood Lodge #11244, Woodlawn Drive, Millis, MA (508-376-1096) or Elks National Foundation Scholarship Dept. 773-755-4732 or sase to 2750 N. Lakeview, Chicago, IL 60614

Filing Deadline: July 1-Oct.31 This is an assistance program, full time students, unmarried under 23 yrs, attending a US institution.

"VOCATIONAL" GRANT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM: Full time students in a 2 yr, vocational technical course, leading to a Terminal Associate Degree, Certificate, or Diploma, but less than a Bachelor's, not for part time or night school students. Applications available November 1, available at the Lodge, original form, no copies accepted, return to the Lodge by March 1.

MA Elks Scholarship: Available Oct. 1. All forms submitted on original application by Feb 1 to GFLD Lodge. Renewal applications must be filed, they are not automatic.

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS, NEED AN APPLICATION, AND THERE AREN'T ANY AT THE LODGE OR LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL, PLEASE CONTACT ME, LINDA GOREY, fsirum@comcast.net

GREENFIELD EMBLEM #43

Contact Linda Hall for the dates she has open to bring desserts for the Friday night fish fry. She needs 2 people each Friday. We have 2 fund raisers going on. A basket of alcohol and the drawing is just before Christmas, Nancy Beckwith is chair. We also have a lottery scratch ticket tree to be drawn on Super Bowl Sunday and Sandy Herzig is chair.

Anyone wanting to help wrap gifts for the Elks' children's Christmas party, come down Wed. Dec.14th at 6:00 p.m.

Our next meeting is Dec.5th at 7:15. **NO MEETINGS IN JAN. AND FEB.** Our next meeting will be in March, and we will initiate 2 new members.

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The \$10,000.00 raffle will be held on December 3. There will be a buffet and dancing. The drawing will be at 10:30. The 100 gallons of oil raffle tickets will also be held on December 3. Please sell at least a book, but two would be better. All proceeds benefit our many programs. Have you bought your tickets?

Turkey Trot night was November 17th. The lodge was packed. We raffled off 50 turkeys and 2 door prizes, and a big thank you goes out to the cooks/helpers in the kitchen; the raffle workers and to all who participated in making it another successful fund raiser. They are: Robert C. Mott, Jr. PPD, ER, Jason Kilgour, Bill Kilgour, Stan Maynard, Ed Reagey, Linda Gorey PER, Fran Sirum, Audrey LaBonte, Rick Schatz, Jim Sanicki PER, Kim Franks, Jim Keegan, PER, Joe LaChance, Tony Bresciano, John Carridi, Butch Denofrio, David Sprague, Matt Sheridan, Wes Clark PDD, Elsie Gilman, Sid and Colleen Jenson, Charles Kestyn PER. Sorry if I missed anyone. No one gave me the list of helpers, so I'm trying to do this from memory.

Please check with George Herzig, who is in charge of delivering the Christmas dinners to those in need, if he needs help. And if you know of a family, please sign them up as soon as possible. The sign up list should be at the bar. Delivery and assembly is December 17, in the early morning.

The Children's Christmas Party is fast approaching. Be sure to sign up by December 7, 2010.

I thank everyone who has donated funds to this event!! I will be shopping on December 10th.

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Thomas J. Hurley; Julian J. Leh
- 2 Harold G. Emery; Kevin R. Taylor
- 3 Joseph A. Gochinski; Michael R. Skibiski, Jr.
- 4 Darlene "Dee" Fleming
- 5 Michael W. Blanchard; Harold R. Breite, PDD PER
- 6 Timothy Farrell; Raymond E. Hanks; Daniel J. Lawrey
- 7 Christopher A. Carme
- 8 Richard A. Melnik
- 9 Jim Jason; Albert W. Russ
- 10 Timothy F. Gochinski; Robert W. Koch; James J. Sanicki, PER; Edward A. Underwood
- 11 Wiles, Norman V.
- 12 Vincent Melendez; Jared Smith
- 13 Jean Rewa; Jean Rewa; Robert L. Tyler
- 14 William H. O'Connell
- 15 Jeffrey Richardson
- 17 Arnold J. Egloff, Jr.
- 19 Lauren Franks; Edward H. Glabach; Michael F. Ruggeri, PER; John M. Zilch
- 20 George F. Kane;
- 21 F. Peter Clarke; Michael I. Kelton
- 22 Brandon J. Burns
- 24 Ryan E. Gauthier; Ernest H. Patnode
- 25 Jerome M. Kells; Nicholas J. Salustri; Edward Warchol
- 26 Elwin F. Deveneau, Jr.
- 27 Steven D. Beckwith
- 28 Donald S. Gardner
- 29 John F. Barnett; James M. Elwell; Jay B. Gilbert; James J. Steiner
- 30 Killay, Robert William

Thank you to all who joined us for the trip to Mohegan Sun on Sunday, November 6, 2011. Unfortunately, we only were able to raise \$135.00 for the children's Christmas Party this year. Only 37 signed up and it takes 35 passengers to pay for the bus that holds 56. Therefore, I will not be organizing a bus trip to Mohegan next year.

Saturday, February 11, 2012, Peter Pan will pick us up at the Elks and take us Foxwoods. Tickets are \$15.00 and a sign up sheet will be posted after the holidays. The bus will leave the lodge at 8am and depart Foxwoods at 5pm. There will be vouchers for the buffet and two keno tries.

Upcoming events:

- 12/3/11 Oil and \$10,000.00 raffle
- 12/4/11 Memorial Service at 1:00
- 12/10/11 Hoop Shoot at 3:00 p.m.
- 12/11/11 Arc Christmas Party
- 12/17/11 Christmas Basket delivery
- 12/17/11 Children's Christmas Party
- 12/20/11 Salvation Army ringing of the bells
- 12/24/11 Christmas Eve Buffet 1:00 LODGE CLOSSES AT 6:00
- 12/25/11 Lodge Re-opens 6:00 pm.

Ted Telega has a white jacket tuxedo for sale, size 42-44. Please call him at 773-7996 if interested.

When my grandson asked me how old I was, I teasingly replied, "I'm not sure."

"Look in your underwear, Grandpa," he advised "Mine says I'm 4 to 6."

The Greenfield Elk, Jan 7 1913

Greenfield Lodge of Elks No. 1296
3 - 5 Church St.
Greenfield, MA 01301
RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

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- 12/11 ARC CHRISTMAS PARTY
- 12/13 LODGE MEETING 7:00
- 12/17 CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY
- 12/27 LODGE MEETING 7:00 *Initiation*
- 12/24 *Christmas Buffet* 12-5 LODGE CLOSES AT 6:00
- 12/25 *Lodge opens at 6:00*

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 FISH FRY	3 \$10,000.00 drawing, buffet and dance
4	5	6	7 Pitch - Last day to sign up kids for Christmas Party	8	9 FISH FRY	10 Hoop Shoot 3:00 p.m.
11 ARC CHRISTMAS PARTY	12	13 7:00 LODGE MEETING	14 Pitch	15	16 FISH FRY	17 Christmas Baskets 8:00 Kids Christmas PARTY 1:00—4:00
18	19	20	21 Pitch	22	23 NO FISH FRI	24 CHRISTMAS EVE LODGE CLOSES AT 6:00 Buffet 1 to close
25 Christmas lodge opens at 6:00 p.m.	26	27 7:00 LODGE MEETING Initiation	28 Pitch	29	30 NO FISH FRI	31 NEW YEARS EVE No party

!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! **IMPORTANT** !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

100th ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE MEETING

DEC. 7 @ 6:00PM

Please attend with ideas, etc.

FREE FOR BOYS AND GIRLS

The Greenfield Lodge Of Elks #1296, will hold its Hoop Shoot on Saturday, December 10th at the Greenfield Y.M.C.A on Main Street. Registration is at 2:45 p.m. and the shoot starts at 3:00 p.m. The Hoop Shoot is a free Grand Lodge program available to all boys and girls ages 8-13. Winners for each age group goes on to the district and state levels.

The Greenfield Lodge Of Elks #1296 held it's Vets Night on Thursday, 11/4/11. There were 5 Vets and staff from the Northampton V.A. Medical Center were treated to dinner and a casino night.

My fellow members; As a retired police officer, I would feel as though I was dropping the ball if I did not have a Public Safety Appreciation event here at the lodge during the year. It seems like mid-January through mid February would be the best time to continue the tradition and add some names to the Plaque hanging in the Lodge. PER Larry Jubb has been helpful in offering some suggestions, but I need help organizing the event and wish to form a committee ASAP to get it off the ground. So anyone willing to help contact me and let's continue this fine tradition. James Keegan, ER

CONFUCIUS DIDN'T SAY...

- Man who wants pretty nurse, must be patient.
- Passionate kiss, like spider web, leads to undoing of fly.
- Lady who goes camping must beware of evil intent.
- Squirrel who runs up woman's leg will not find nuts.
- Man who leaps off cliff jumps to conclusion.
- Man who runs in front of car gets tired, man who runs behind car gets exhausted.
- Man who eats many prunes get good run for money.
- War does not determine who is right, it determines who is left.
- Man who fight with wife all day get no piece at night.
- It takes many nails to build a crib, but one screw to fill it.
- Man who drives like hell is bound to get there.
- Man who stands on toilet is high on pot.
- Man who live in glass house should change clothes in basement.
- Man who fish in other man's well often catch crabs.

Finally CONFUCIUS DID SAY. . .

"A lion will not cheat on his wife, but a Tiger Wood!"

If you can't afford a doctor, go to an airport - you'll get a free x-ray and a breast exam, and, if you mention Al Qaeda, you'll get a free colonoscopy.
