

The Greenfield Elk



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ELKS CARE - ELKS SHARE

FEBRUARY 2012

Members: It's the time of year to consider candidates for ELK of the Year, Citizen of the Year, and Lodge Officer of the year. I would like to hear the opinions of as many members as possible.

Even though the Lodge has lost a good friend and dear member, Louis M. Kosloski, whose selfless efforts made for several successful St Jude's dinners, I am pleased to report his widow, Wanda, and their daughter, Suzanne, wish to assist in continuing the annual event. Please see the insert and a message inside this newsletter for more information.

On Superbowl Sunday, Feb 5th, the annual Chili cook-off will be held. On Tues. Feb.14th at our regular lodge meeting, in addition to Initiating new members, we will be hosting the Scholarship Awards Dinner at 6:00 pm. Nominations will be heard, for the coming year for Lodge Officers

At the next regular lodge meeting, Feb.28th, we will conduct the official election of next years lodge officers. All members are encouraged to attend, and participate.

In closing, I would like to thank all my friends and fellow members, for all your help and support this year, and your generous support of all our charitable endeavors. It has truly been an honor to serve as your Exalted Ruler, and I will never forget the experience. Please remember this year's lodge motto! "EACH ONE REACH ONE", think of the numbers we could generate.

And as always, KEEP SMILING. Jim Keegan, ER



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

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IN MEMORIAM

LOUIS KOSLOSKI

 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

"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.

Tip of the Antlers

Christmas Buffet: Thanks to Fran Sirum, Linda Gorey, Bob Mott, John Richardson.

50/50 Winner- Ed Fleming, Christmas Basket- Rich Rowell-Thank you all for supporting Bowlers!

New Members Dinner 12/27/11: Fran Sirum, Linda Gorey, Bob Mott, Ted Graveline, Nancy Beckwith & Emblem Club members: Sue Briete, Linda Hall, Gail Underwood, & Eva Currier.

Thank you to Al Wondo & Butch DeNofrio for making pizzas on "PIZZA SUNDAY", Jan. 15. Everyone there enjoyed it very much. Winner of the 50/50 raffle was Bill O'Connell. Look for a notice to be posted at the Lodge for the next pizza event.

Thanks to the following members for stepping up to do the Friday Lobster/meat raffles, while our guy Stan is basking and playing golf in the Florida sunshine for the next few months: Scott Greaves, Loretta Chattelle, Gordy Hardy, Jeannie Rewa, Doug Beckwith, Neal Black, Jeannie Graveline, Deb& Rick Cadran, Beth Stetzel, Nancy Beckwith.

PER Dinner-Jan. 26: Fran Sirum, Linda Gorey, Bob Mott, Ted Graveline, Kenny Kurtyka.

FYI- The Lodge received a very nice Thank You note from Ms. Brenda Bennett, Third grade teacher, and her third grade students at the Federal St. School. The Lodge treated them with popcorn for their Movie and Pajama Day. They were very appreciative and sent a great card to us, which is posted on the bulletin board. Look for the card which says "EWE ROCK". Each student signed and commented so if you have a chance, give it a look.

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 2012 or others who plan on receiving vocational training for up to two years in any vocational or technical area in 2012-2013. 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.

It is that time of year again to gather together for our annual Saint Jude's Dinner. It is with great sadness that our fellow member and PER the late Louis Kosloski will no longer be hosting this event. However, on February 25th, the Saint Jude's dinner will go on in his memory with Steve O'Connell, Mike Moore and "Chopper" taking over the kitchen duties. The Emblem club will be serving and Ted Graveline, Bob Mott, and myself running the raffles. Wanda Kosloski continues to be very involved with the raffles as well.

Wanda and her daughter, Suzanne, shop all year for these raffle prizes. This year has been very challenging for the Kosloski family so I am reaching out to my fellow Elk members and asking for any donations for the raffle table to help make this a successful event! Thank you in advance to those who have come forward offering their help! Tickets are being sold at the bar and they are going fast so please get your tickets early! See our Flyer for more information on this event. I hope to see a huge turnout this year. Let's make this a memorable event in honor of our dear friend! Sincerely, Jeannie Graveline

EMBLEM #43

GOAL POST SCRATCH TICKET DRAWING ON SUPER BOWL SUNDAY!!!

ST. JUDES DINNER ON FEB.25TH. WE ALWAYS MAKE DESSERTS FOR THIS ELKS' EVENT. PLEASE BRING YOUR DESSERTS DOWN IN THE AFTERNOON IF YOU CAN.

REMINDER: WE WILL BE HAVING YOU ANNUAL TAG SALE IN APRIL. NO MEETING IN FEB. OUR NEXT MEETING WILL BE MONDAY, MARCH 5TH AT 7:15.

The following transfer candidates from Montague #2521 are:

Bryon Hobbs & Karen Griffin.

They will be balloted on January 24, 2012 Lodge Sec. Fred Ulrich, PER

The following candidates have been proposed for membership:

James Capen III proposed by James sanicki David Simanski proposed by Francis McDonald These candidates will be processed and if favorable Initiation Feb. 14, 2012 Fraternally, Fred Ulrich Secretary

We eventually will be setting up the Bulletin to email to members. It is imperative that your current email address be correct. If there is a change in your email or address or telephone number, please notify the Lodge Secretary. If an address is incorrect, the bulletin is returned and the Lodge is charged for a full first class mail fee. This is becoming costly as on average ten plus bulletins are returned monthly, more so in winter as many of you travel to other areas.

For Sale: Reliant 450 Power Lift with Opening Low Base Power lift. If anyone is interested, please contact Shirley Kennedy or Jim Keegan.

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

- I Donald M. Mann; Michael J. Swain; Patrick Tynan
- 2 Beverly Strakose
- 5 Janet Kellogg
- Raymond G. Perry, PER; Arnold Schmidt; Steven Snow
- 7 Paul M. Luippold
- 8 George D. Gagris
- 9 Alfred Kuzmeskus
- 11 Frederic S. Budarz; Joseph P. George; Patrick Jubb; James Olszewski
- 12 Jon Galenski, William J. Luippold
- 13 Norman A. Carme Sr.; Leonard F. Haggerty
- **15** William Jarvis; Audrey Reum
- 17 Teresa A. Miner; 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

LODGE MEMBERSHIP

Sec. 14.010 OPINION 07: Notice of balloting on candidates may be by Lodge Bulletin or other mail.

LODGE DUES 2012-2013	RETURN WITH PAYMENT TO:
NAME	GREENFIELD ELKS #1296
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email elks1296@comcast.net	AMOUNT PAID
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The Greenfield Elk, Jan 7 1913

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Inside This Issue:
2/5 CHILI COOKOFF
2/11 FOXWOODS
2/7 LODGE MEETING 7:00
2/18 VA PIZZA PARTY
2/25 ST. JUDE BENEFIT
2/28 LODGE MEETING 7:00

HELP OUR MEMBERSHIP BY PROPOSING A NEW PERSON

Fax: 413-376-4240 FEBRUARY 2012 elks1296@comcast.net ladytipper@comcast.net

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Pitch	2	3 Fish Fry	4
5 Super Bowl Sunday—Chili cook off/ 1296	6	7	8 Pitch	9	10 Fish Fry	11 Foxwoods bus
12	13	14 Lodge Meeting 7:00 p.m.	15 Pitch	16	17 Fish Fry	18 VA Pizza party
19	20 President's day	21	22 Pitch	23	24 Fish Fry	25 ST. JUDE DINNER 6:30 P.M.
26	27	28 Lodge Meeting 7:00 p.m.	29			

SNOW BIRDS

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.

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 TETREAULT.

Will be balloted on February 8, 2011.

Up coming events:

St. Jude's Benefit Spaghetti & Meatball Dinner February 25th (See Insert) Foxwoods Bus trip February 11th (See Insert) Irish night (look for more info in March bulletin)

We will be sending 3 teams to participate, once again, in the MA State Elks Candlepin Bowling Tournament in Norwood, Ma, on March 5, 2011. The proceeds from the entry fee goes to Ma Elks charities. Thank you for your support! "The Bowlers"





Bryan R. Klatt Grand Secretary

January, 2012

ATTN: Lodge Secretaries

REG: USBank Visa Credit Card Applications

As in previous years and a continued effort to recruit new participants, I have enclosed a packet of credit card applications for your Lodge. The applications are to be made available for members to complete and return to USBank. Many Members have been approved and continue to use the USBank card.

If your Lodge did not participate during the prior recruitment period, why not give this program some thought. There are no costs associated to the Lodge, but a dividend is available. As in the past, the Lodge incentive program will be continued. For each new approved credit card application, Grand Lodge will reimburse your Lodge \$10.00.

The more cards approved the more your Lodge can benefit.

Fraternally yours,

Bryan κ. κιαπ Grand Secretary

Elks Care - Elks Share

ST Judes Childrens Hospital Benefit



Spaghetti Dinner served at 6:30 PM \$8.00 Donation per meal

Greenfield Elks #1296 5 Year By-Law Review Jan. 24, 2012

In review of the By-Laws & Rules of Order, some wording has changed by the Grand Lodge. The following article will show this change. Also, it is "NOT" necessary to have a revision of this article.

Article IX: Home, Club or other facility..

Section 1. The operation, management and control of the Home, Club or other facility owned and/or occupied by this Lodge shall be supervised and conducted by:

- (a) The Exalted Ruler, Esteemed Leading Knight, Esteemed Loyal Knight, Esteemed Lecturing Knight, and the Trustees of the Lodge; or
- (b) The Trustees of the Lodge; or
- (c) A House Committee
- (d) The Board of Directors of the Home (Club, etc.) Corporation, incorporated under Section 16.030, of the Laws of the Order, consisting of nine members.

NOTE: Employment of the Board of Directors method of management under (d) is MANDATORY for, and limited to, a Lodge operation its Home, Club or other facility as a separate corporation inder the provisions of Sec. 16.030, Statutes of the Order, as amended in 1967.

Lodge #1296 filed for Corporation and was granted on July 16, `1913.

Since we are a Corporation we therefore Managed by the Board of Directors. Five Trustees and four sitting Officers.

Also note that some wording in our Rules of Order will now conform to this Change.

2012 West Central District Installation Schedule

Date	Day	Lodge	Installed by:
March 23, 2012	Friday	Leominster	Auburn/Webster
*March 24, 2012	Saturday	Greenfield	Athol-Orange
March 30, 2012	Friday	Worcester	Greenfield
March 31, 2012	Saturday	Auburn/Webster	Leominster
April 1, 2012	Sunday	Fitchburg	Gardner
April 13, 2012	Friday	Montague	Fitchburg
April 14, 2012	Saturday	Gardner	Montague
*April 15, 2012	Sunday	Athol/Orange	Worcester

Friday Installations: Installation @ 7:00pm Meal to follow
Saturday Installations: Installation @ 5:00pm Meal to follow
Sunday Installations: Installation @12:00noon Meal @1:30pm

^{*}revised on January 25, 2012