

# The Greenfield Elk



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*ELKS CARE - ELKS SHARE*

APRIL 2012

My fellow members: Mary and I had an enjoyable evening, at the St. Jude's Benefit. Jeanie Graveline, in particular, did a magnificent job of coordinating and making the event a huge success. Many other members gave selflessly of their time and effort, including many of the Emblem club gals. A list of those who assisted and the amount of funds raised appears elsewhere in the bulletin. The St. Patrick's Day celebration was well attended, and the corned beef and cabbage dinner was outstanding. Mike Moore and the kitchen crew did a great job, as did Linda Hall and the Emblem Club gals who ably served us. It wouldn't surprise me if 200+ meals were served Sat. March 24th I will officially turn over the gavel to our Exalted Ruler Elect, Sid Jensen. He will do a great job leading the lodge into its 100th year, I am sure. As I leave my post as E.R., I need to acknowledge the help and support of many members, including, Bob Mott, Fred Ulrich, Wes Clark, Jim Sinicki, Tim Herzig, Fran Sirum, Les Chadwick, and of course my Officers. They were all instrumental in making my year a successful one. As my last message, please continue your generous support of all our charitable endeavors, especially our Veterans, who in my estimation are "our finest citizens". And never forget this year's membership Motto "EACH ONE REACH ONE". Membership is the life blood of our Organization. And as always,



KEEP SMILING.

Jim Keegan, ER.



## LODGE OFFICERS 2012-2013

**Sid Jensen, ER**

Linda Gorey PER, Leading Knight  
Scott Greaves, Loyal Knight  
David Sprague, Lecturing Knight  
Fred Ulrich, PER, Secretary  
Timothy Herzig, Treasurer  
James Sanicki, PER, Tiler

-Trustees-

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

Elsie Gilman, Esquire  
Shirley Kennedy, Chaplain  
Michelle Kelleher, Inner Guard  
William Pease Jr., Organist

2012 Austin, TX  
2013 Reno, NV  
2014 New Orleans, LA  
2015 Indianapolis, IN

## In Memoriam

**DONALD SCOTT**

*"... 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  
SCOTTY MACCLEOD**  
at  
**BUCKLEY NURSING**

**AT HOME  
TED TELEGA**

## Installations

April 1, Fitchburg by Gardner  
April 13, Montague by Fitchburg  
April 14, Gardner by Montague  
April 15, Athol/Orange by Worcester

## PROPOSED MEMBERS

Rick Cadran proposes Mark Cadran  
Jared Smith proposes Tim Snow  
Bryan Hobbs proposes Michael Koncal

**Tip of the Antlers.....**

**THANK YOU TO ALL THE LOBSTER RAFFLE VOLUNTEERS FOR MARCH:** Loretta Chatelle & Gordy Hardy, Marsha & Dave Bonnett, Dee & Ed (3 feathers) Fleming, Beth Stetzel & Jen Tywon, Neil Black & Doug Beckwith. You all did a fabulous job, Thanks again!!

**TO: FRAN, LINDA, & BOB:** For the great buffet for our Brattleboro Elks friends, who joined us for lunch, as part of their "Elks Crawl" or as they called it "The Cabin Fever Stomp". there were 45+ visitors who had a great time.

**BOY SCOUT FAMILY NIGHT: 3/20-** Thanks, Fran, Linda, & Bob for preparing the great meal.

**INSTALLATION OF NEW OFFICERS:** Thanks to Fran, Linda, Bob & the rest of the kitchen crew for the meal. Thank you Linda Hall for organizing the Emblem wait staff for the event.

**TO ALL THE MEMBERS:** The Bowling teams thank you for your support and generosity for all the fund raisers we did.

The Greenfield Lodge Of Elks # 1296 Would like to thank the many people that made the ST JUDE'S BENEFIT a great success on Saturday February 25, 2012. We raised \$2,321.00 from the Dinner sales, Raffles and Auction. We had a Great night and with the help from those who donated towards the raffle and auction: Ted Graveline, Jeannie Graveline, Joe Graveline, Helen Pleasant, Dad's Liquors, Travel Kuz, Oak Ridge Golf Course, Fosters Super Market, Elizabeth Moore, Andy's Home Spun, Karma Salon, Scotty's Barber Shop, The Wok Restaurant, Gould's Sugar House, Ninety Nine Restaurant, Kringle Candle, Lefty's Brewing, Miller Lite, Ruggeri's, Mayhew Steel, Sid Jenson, Wanda Kosloski, Village Pizza, Mary Ellen Fuery, Auto Zone. See pictures.

**Irish Night,** Mike Moore and Corey O'Connell would like to thank the following:

Table setup - Donny Pierce, Denny Moore, Al Tirrell, Simon Behilo

Kitchen crew - Louis Kozloski, John O'Connell, Ryan O'Connell, Simon Behilo, Denny Moore, Troy Renaud, James Bozek, and Rick Schatz

Emblem Ladies - Terri O'Connell, Gail Underwood, Linda Hall, Beth Cadran, Linda Merritt, and Liz O'Connell

And Liz Moore for handling tickets.

**Thank you to the following who made the New Officers' Installation a great success:** Fran Sirum, Linda Gorey, Bob Mott, Bernie Schatz, Eric Schatz, Kim Franks, Gail Underwood ( doing double duty, setting tables & wait staff), Connie Thornburg, Sue Briete, Sue Smith, Linda Hall, Nancy Beckwith, Loretta Chatelle, & Gordy Hardy (who painstakingly washed & washed & washed & scrubbed all the pots, pans, and all the other stuff that can't go in the dish washer!) Also to Linda Hall who has coordinated all the wait staff from the Emblem Club for all our big events.

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**GREENFIELD EMBLEM CLUB #43**

Scholarship applications for Emblem family members are due this month. Volunteer hours should be turned in this month so they can be tabulated and ready for the state convention in June. Our annual tag sale is Sat. May 5th.

Please pay your emblem dues this month if possible so we can get our new cards next month. Our next meeting is Mon. April 2nd. We will be initiating new members this month.

Thank you, Connie Thornburg

## The Greenfield Elk

All bulletin information should be given to me, Dee Fleming, by the **15th** of each month, either email me at [ladytipper@comcast.net](mailto:ladytipper@comcast.net) or leave at the Lodge Secretary's office, on the door. The reason for the early date is so that I can type, or cut and paste, the information into the computer. My husband, Ed, proof reads it, (corrections made) and then it is sent to the printer. Depending on how busy he is, it may take two to three or four days, to print, fold and seal the newsletters. After Ed picks them up at the printer, I put all the labels on, count them, fill out the USPS form, and make sure that the mailing is acceptable to the Post Office (all out of town have to be in numerical order by zip code) and then Ed drops them off at the Post Office. So please try to submit your information by the 15th of each month.

**Fish Fry** - the attendance has been dropping since the first of the year. I'm sure much had to do with the weather and other commitments, but hopefully of the 500+ members, we'll have a better showing in the next few months. Our volunteers work very hard to put out the meals, which support our Lodge, so please join us more often. The fish fry will end on May 11.

**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 Cournoyer, John Mackin, Jr.
- 4 Roger S. Crapo, Jr.
- 5 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
- 12 Dan Malloy
- 13 Terry E. Doton
- 14 George E. Herzig
- 15 Laurie Dulude, John F. Sayers, Marilyn R. Wright
- 17 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 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, Walter R. Wandeloski
- 26 Richard W. Burke
- 27 Stephan A. Lovett
- 29 Robert H. Wondoloski
- 30 Robert L. Sanderson, John J. Volpe

### LODGE DUES 2012-2013

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

ARE YOU A VETERAN 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)

### RETURN WITH PAYMENT TO:

**GREENFIELD ELKS #1296**

**3-5 CHURCH ST.**

**GREENFIELD, MA 01301**

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

**PLEASE NOTIFY OF ADDRESS CHANGES—LOCKS CHANGE APRIL 15, 2012**

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

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*Important dates:*

*April 7 Children's Easter Party*

*April 10 Lodge Meeting*

*April 11 100 Year Anniversary Committee Meeting*

*April 21 Vets' Pizza Party*

*April 24 Lodge Meeting*

## HELP OUR MEMBERSHIP BY PROPOSING A NEW PERSON

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**April 2012**

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**ladytipper@comcast.net**

**Sun                      Mon                      Tue                      Wed                      Thu                      Fri                      Sat**

1 Palm Sunday	2	3	4	5	6 Fish Fry	7 Children's Easter Party 1- 3
8 Easter Sunday	9	10 Lodge Meeting 7 p.m.	11 100 Year Anniversary meeting 6 pm	12	13 Fish Fry	14
15	16 Patriot's Day	17 Tax Day	18 Tentative: Golf Starts	19	20 Fish Fry	21 Vet's Pizza Party
22	23	24 Lodge Meeting 7 pm	25 Golf Starts	26	27 Fish Fry	28
29	30					

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**DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS  
Medical Center  
421 North Main St.  
Leeds, MASSACHUSETTS 01053-9764**

February 22, 2012

In Reply Refer To: 631/001-V

**BEN & PROT ORDER OF ELKS Lodge # 1296**  
3-5 Church Street  
Greenfield , MA. 01301


Dear Dennis Moore and the members of the BEN & PROT ORDER OF ELKS Lodge # 1296

On behalf of the Northampton patients and staff, we would like to extend our appreciation to you for your sponsorship of the Pizza Party. Your thoughtfulness reflects the concern that you feel for our veterans and for the service they provided to all of us while in service to our country.

Without your support, we could not provide for activities like this that make hospitalization more bearable. Your thoughtfulness also reflects the concern and compassion that our community feels for our veterans.

Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

  
ANNE M. MURRAY  
Chief, Voluntary Service

*In accordance with VHA Directive 4721, we are required to state "The Department of Veterans Affairs did not provide you, the donor, any goods or services in consideration in whole or part for your contribution."*

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David R. Carr  
Grand Exalted Ruler  
27054 Main Street  
Crown Point NY 12928-2607

James A. Ferland  
LODGE ACTIVITIES/STATE  
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Chairman 2011-2012



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March 1, 2012

Dear Exalted Ruler Keegan:

On behalf of Grand Exalted Ruler, David R. Carr and the other Grand Lodge Officers, I am enclosing the two "Outstanding Service Commendations" you requested. Please extend their congratulations to the two members of your lodge who will be honored for their accomplishments.

I also extend to the two outstanding members my sincere congratulations for a job well done. With warmest regards, I remain –

Fraternally,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jim".

James A. Ferland, Chairman  
Grand Lodge – Lodge Activities/State Associations Committee

- ① Robert Mott, PER-PDD  
② John Cariddi, Lodge Trustee

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Mike Moore and Corey O'Connell would like to thank everyone that helped out with Irish Night. Kitchen crew: Rob Muzzy, Gary Gadreault, Steve O'Connell, Ryan O'Connell, Jon Moore, Tom McDonald, Troy Renaud, Jeff Renaud, James Bozek, Matt Sheridan. Servers from the Emblem Club: Terri Black, Gail Underwood, Sue Smith, Linda Hall, Linda Merrit, Beth Cadran, Wendy Nibs, Bekki Craig. Raffles: Elizabeth Moore, Heather Mahoney, Jeannie Graveline, Scotty Greaves, Matt Parody, Sharon Rawson, Marsha Bonnett. Raffle Donors: Marshall's Country Corner, Avante Garde Salon, Helen Pleasant, Ted Graveline, Jeannie Graveline, Elizabeth O'Connell, Kathy Coughlin, Karen Moore, Juice Moore, Jon Moore, Elizabeth Moore, Mary Lou Moore, Sid Jensen. Special thanks to Chopper for crafting and donating the Adirondack chairs, winner Neil Black, and our 50/50 raffle winner, Doug Brown, who donated his half back to the proceeds. And finally thanks to all club members and guests who attended and participated in Irish Night. With the proceeds we were able to start a new scholarship fund in memoriam to our departed brother Henry Burns.

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In the heyday of sailing ships, all war ships and many freighters carried iron cannons. Those cannons fired round iron cannon balls. It was necessary to keep a good supply near the cannon. However, how to prevent them from rolling about the deck? The best storage method devised was a square-based pyramid with one ball on top, resting on four resting on nine, which rested on sixteen. Thus, a supply of 30 cannon balls could be stacked in a small area right next to the cannon. There was only one problem...how to prevent the bottom layer from sliding or rolling from under the others. The solution was a metal plate called a 'Monkey' with 16 round indentations.

However, if this plate were made of iron, the iron balls would quickly rust to it. The solution to the rusting problem was to make 'Brass Monkeys.' Few landlubbers realize that brass contracts much more and much faster than iron when chilled.

Consequently, when the temperature dropped too far, the brass indentations would shrink so much that the iron cannonballs would come right off the monkey. Thus, it was quite literally, 'Cold enough to freeze the balls off a brass monkey.' (All this time, you thought that was an improper expression, didn't you.)

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**A little girl was diligently pounding away on her grandfather's word processor. She told him she was writing a story.**

**"What's it about?" he asked.**

**"I don't know," she replied. "I can't read."**

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**My Grandparents are funny, when they bend over, you hear gas leaks and they blame their dog.**

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You are such a good friend that if we were on a sinking ship together and there was only one life jacket... I'd miss you heaps and think of you often.

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I always take life with a grain of salt, ...plus a slice of lemon, ...and a shot of tequila.

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Only the Irish have Jokes Like These:

Into a Belfast pub comes Paddy Murphy, looking like he'd just been run over by a train. His arm is in a sling, his nose is broken, his face is cut and bruised and he's walking with a limp "What happened to you?" asks Sean, the bartender.

"Jamie O'Conner and me had a fight," says Paddy. "That little shit, O'Conner," says Sean, "He couldn't do that to you, he must have had something in his hand." "That he did," says Paddy, "a shovel is what he had, and a terrible lickin' he gave me with it." "Well," says Sean, "you should have defended yourself, didn't you have something in your hand?"

That I did," said Paddy. "Mrs. O'Conner's breast, and a thing of beauty it was, but useless in a fight."

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Mary Clancy goes up to Father O'Grady after his Sunday morning service, and she's in tears. He says, "So what's bothering you, Mary my dear?" She says, "Oh, Father, I've got terrible news. My husband passed away last night."

The priest says, "Oh, Mary, that's terrible. Tell me, Mary, did he have any last requests?" She says, "That he did, Father." The priest says, "What did he ask, Mary?" She says, He said, 'Please Mary, put down that damn gun...'

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### AND THE BEST FOR LAST

A drunk staggers into a Catholic Church, enters a confessional booth, sits down, but says nothing. The Priest coughs a few times to get his attention but the drunk continues to sit there. Finally, the Priest pounds three times on the wall.

The drunk mumbles, "ain't no use knockin, there's no paper on this side either!"

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There comes a time when a woman just has to trust her husband. For example, a wife comes home late at night and quietly opens the door to her bedroom. From under the blanket she sees four legs instead of two. She reaches for a baseball bat and starts hitting the blanket as hard as she can. Once she's done, she goes to the kitchen to have a drink. As she enters the kitchen, she sees her husband there reading a magazine. "Hi Darling", he said, "Your parents came to visit, so I let them stay in our bedroom."

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Two elderly men were sunning themselves in Palm Springs when they started a conversation. "I was able to move here to retire in Palm Springs after my business burned to the ground" the one man said. "The insurance payments sure came in handy."

The other replied, "I'm here living on an insurance payment from when my factory was flooded out". The first man pondered for a few seconds and then asked "How do you start a flood?"

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A man in his 80s got up and put on his coat. His wife asked, "Where are you going?" He said, "I'm going to the doctors." "Are you sick?" she asked. "No" he said, "I'm going to get me some of those new Viagra pills." So his wife got out of her rocker and put on *her* coat, as well. He said, "And where are you going?" "I'm going to the doctor, too." she said. "Why?" he asked. She said, "If you're going to start using that rusty old thing, I'm going to get me a tetanus shot."

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Grandma had to talk fast to get out of a speeding ticket the other day. She explained to the officer that if she didn't drive fast, she'd forget where she was going before she got there.

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There were two lines leading into heaven. Over one was a sign that read, "Henpecked Husbands" and there was no end in sight for that line. The other line had a sign that read "Real He-Men", but only one little old man was standing there. St. Peter walked over to the little gent and asked him why he was standing there. The little old man answered meekly, "Because my wife told me to."

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