



THE GREENFIELD ELK

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February 2013

2012-2013 LODGE OFFICERS: Sid Jensen, ER; Linda Gorey, PER, Leading Knight; Scott Greaves, Loyal Knight; David Sprague, Lecturing Knight; Fred Ulrich, PER, Secretary; Timothy Herzig, Treasurer; Robert Mott, 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.

Exalted Ruler's Message:

February is an important month for our Lodge. Lodge members will nominate and elect Lodge Officers for the 2013~2014 Elk year. Initiation of new members will be conducted by Past Exalted Rulers of the Lodge. See calendar for dates.

January 7th Greenfield Lodge #1296 reached a milestone: we turned 100 years old. This would not have been possible if not for members who believe in the Elks enough to renew memberships & promote new candidates for membership.

We kicked off the anniversary year with a party January 5th. A great time was had by all dancing to the sounds of Chicken Wire. Thanks to Bill Kilgour and the 100 Year Anniversary Committee for putting this together, also a round of applause to Fran Sirum and the kitchen crew for providing the meal.

Fraternally,

Sid Jensen

GREENFIELD EMBLEM CLUB #43

Please bring your deserts to the Lodge for the St. Jude's Spaghetti supper on February 16. We will still be providing desserts for the Friday meals when they resume in February (see information below). Contact Linda Hall if you can help with this Emblem project. The Emblem Club is selling raffle tickets for \$100.00 of Lottery Tickets. Drawing to be held on Super Bowl Sunday, February 3, 2013. Next meeting will be at March 4th 2013. Connie Thornburg

SICKNESS AND DISTRESS
LARRY VOLPE at Buckley Nursing Home

Tip of the Antlers:

Thanks to Nancy Beckwith, Jeannie Graveline, & Stef Snow for "un" decorating the Lodge's Christmas decor.

CHRISTMAS BUFFET-Fran Sirum, Linda Gorey, Bob Mott, John Richardson, Butch DeNofrio, & Kim Franks.

Winners of Christmas Raffle- 50/50 John Duprey, Allagash Beer Basket Mike Raymond.

100th Anniversary Kick-off Party- Kitchen crew: Fran Sirum, Linda Gorey, Bob Mott, John Richardson, Butch DeNofrio, Kim & Sue Franks, Donna & Bill Kilgour, Audrey LaBonte. Great job everyone!!!!

Pat Tynan has generously donated some of the profit money from the Snack Box to help defray the cost of the plaque being put up on Church St. side of the Lodge acknowledging our Emblem Club #43 which funded the driveway paving there. Thank you, Ladies.

Many, many thanks to Dee & Ed Fleming for the years they have done the Children's Christmas & Easter parties. They deserve a lot of credit and thanks for the many hours of organizing, shopping, and all the attention to the details that bring those happy smiles to the children/grandchildren of our members. Unfortunately, they are retiring, so hopefully others will step up to carry on this great tradition.

Also, thank you to Ed Reagey who has been Santa for all those years and thank you Mike Gauthier who will be our new Santa.

FYI:

Feb. 12 is the PER meeting night, PERs in tuxedos, also a dinner and presentation of scholarships to our local winners from Frontier, Greenfield, Mohawk.

Jan 18th was the last Fish Fry on Friday nights. We've had to make this decision based on the dwindling number of dinners, people participating, and the feasibility of continuing to do it. We'd like to thank all the members who have volunteered over the past years of operation. We've got to "regroup" and perhaps come up with something that's going to be more profitable for the Lodge. Again, thanks to all the volunteers, who spent 4-5 hours each Friday prepping, cooking, serving, & cleaning, and to all those who dined with us. Those of us in the kitchen have enjoyed our experience and hopefully we'll come up with another venture.

Irish Night will be Saturday, March 16, 2013. For more information see the next bulletin, or contact Mike Moore.

SCHOLARSHIPS: LINDA GOREY, CHAIR. fsirum@comcast.net

• **MASS. ELKS-VOCATIONAL GRANT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**-With funds from the ENF, Mass. will award 30 1-yr. scholarships of \$1,000.00 **ELIGIBILITY:** high school seniors intending to attend a 2 yr. 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 part time or night school. No age limit. Applications available @ Franklin Tech School. Oct. 1, 2012. Due at Lodge: March 1, 2013.

THE FOLLOWING MEMBER OF ATHOL/ORANGE LODGE REQUESTS A TRANSFER TO GREENFIELD ELKS #1296 PAUL O. HADSEL

Life Membership Eligibility: Minimum Requirement: Age 65 Years as an Elk 30:

Robert Benedetti; Louis Bresciano, Jr.; John Cariddi; Paul Doran; Stephen Garanin; Paul Luippold; Dennis Moore; Gary Stetson; and Russell Woods, Sr.

Q. What do bulletproof vests, fire escapes, windshield wipers and laser printers have in common?

A. All were invented by women.

It was the accepted practice in Babylon 4,000 years ago that for a month after the wedding, the bride's father would supply his son-in-law with all the mead he could drink. Mead is a honey beer and because their calendar was lunar based, this period was called the honey month, which we know today as the honeymoon.

Many years ago in England, pub frequenters had a whistle baked into the rim, or handle, of their ceramic cups. When they needed a refill, they used the whistle to get some service. 'Wet your whistle' is the phrase inspired by this practice.

A second grader came home from school and said to her grandmother, "Grandma, guess what? We learned how to make babies today." The grandmother, more than a little surprised, tried to keep her cool. "That's interesting," she said. "How do you make babies?"

"It's simple," replied the girl. "You just change 'y' to 'i' and add 'es'."

I'm a walking file cabinet of fascinating facts. The only problem, the cabinet is locked and I seemed to have misplaced the key.

A pair of old friends met up at the senior center for their computer class. Fred noticed that his friend was exceptionally chipper. "Hey, Joe, you're in a great mood today."

"I sure am. I got lucky this morning."

"That's really saying something at our age!"

"It sure is – I can barely remember the last time I found the car in the mall parking lot on the first try!"

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January 7, 1913 to January 7, 2013

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Greenfield Lodge of Elks No. 1296
3-5 Church Street
Greenfield, MA 01301
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Inside This Issue:

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Initiation, Nomination of Officers
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2/26 Lodge Meeting, Election of Officers

HELP OUR MEMBERSHIP BY PROPOSING A NEW MEMBER

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Fax: 413-376-4240

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FEBRUARY 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3 Chili Cook Off Super Bowl Sunday	4	5	6 Pitch	7	8	9
10	11	12 Lodge Meeting	13 Pitch	14	15	16 VA Pizza Party St. Jude's Spaghetti Supper
17	18 PRESIDENTS' DAY	19	20 Pitch	21	22 Fri. Night Meals re-start w/new menu	23 Foxwood Bus trip 8:00
24	25	26 Lodge Meeting Election of Officers	27 Pitch	28		

"Due to Postal Regulations", third class mail, (Lodge Bulletin), will "NOT" be forwarded. Therefore, if we do not have a current address, it will be returned at the first class rate of 45 cents. We would deeply appreciate you forwarding your winter address either by email at elks1296@comcast.net or by mail. Also, please state when you will be returning.
Fred Ulrich

A REMINDER THAT IF YOU WANT ANYTHING IN THE BULLETIN, IT MUST BE SUBMITTED NO LATER THAN THE 20TH OF EACH MONTH (PREFERABLY BY THE 15TH OF EACH MONTH) TO DARLENE FLEMING AT ladytipper@comast.net OR LEAVE THE INFORMATION ON THE SECRETARY'S DOOR.

Golf News: Although it is only February, the Golf Committee has been meeting to prepare for this year. Once again we will be playing on Wednesdays afternoons at the Country Club of Greenfield. This coming golf season, however, will feature a new format which we feel our members will enjoy. We will be playing ten holes each week – five holes of two person scramble and five of best ball of two players. The following week the format will reverse. Committee members will be calling players in the spring and a sign-up sheet will be posted in the Lodge. If you have not played in the league in the past, but would like to join, please call the Lodge (774-4909), leave your name and number and someone will call you. Golf Committee

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 choice and the reason behind your nomination. 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.

FRIDAY MEALS
STARTING FEB. 22
5:30-7:30

NEW MENU

HADDOCK-FRIED OR BAKED STUFFED
STEAK TIPS, RICE, SAUCE, ONIONS & PEPPERS
STEAMERS (MARKET PRICE)
ALL SERVED W/ FRENCH FRIES OR RICE, COLE SLAW
CHOWDER
BAKER'S DOZEN SHRIMP COCKTAIL
LOBSTER/MEAT RAFFLE
FEB. 29; MAR. 1; MAR. 8 (MAR. 15 OUT) MAR. 22; MAR. 29

Bob Mott is putting together a bus trip to Foxwoods for February 23, 2013. Please sign up at the Lodge by February 17th. It is important that you complete the sign-up sheet with your birth date and Foxwood's number. It is \$17.00 per person, which includes the bus driver's tip. Travel Kuz will leave the Lodge at 8:00 sharp and will leave Foxwoods at 5:00 sharp. There will also be a 50/5 raffle on the bus.

Mike Moore and Jeannie Graveline are organizing the St. Jude's Spaghetti Supper which will be on February 16, 2013. Please see the flyer insert for more information. Only 150 tickets will be sold.

Proposed for Membership: Elwin Barton proposes Donald & James Chabot

**THE ANNUAL CHILI COOK-OFF IS SUPER BOWL SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2013.
CHILI ENTRY HAS TO BE IN THE KITCHEN BY 1:30 PM. TASTING IS AT 2:00**

ST. JUDE'S SPAGHETTI SUPPER



**GREENFIELD ELK'S LODGE 1296
(413) 774-4909**

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2013

5:00 – 9:00 P.M.

\$10.00 PER PERSON

**Members and guests (see bartender for tickets)
Only 150 tickets being sold!**

RAFFLES/LOTTERY TREE/AUCTION

Anyone wishing to donate raffle items please contact Jeannie Graveline (413) 522-7704

**ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT ST. JUDE'S CHILDREN'S
HOSPITAL**

LODGE DUES 2013-2014

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

ARE YOU A VETEREAN YES _____ NO _____

Regular Dues \$60.00 Grand Lodge Assessments \$16.00

LIFE DUES \$30.00 Grand Lodge Assessments \$16.00

PLEASE ADD \$2.00 FOR MASS STATE ELKS SCHOLARSHIP

PLEASE NOTIFY OF ADDRESS CHANGES

RETURN WITH PAYMENT TO:

GREENFIELD ELKS #1296

3-5 CHURCH ST.

GREENFIELD, MA 01301

DATE: _____

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LOCKS CHANGE APRIL 15, 2013

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Donald M. Mann; Michael J. Swain; Patrick Tynan
- 2 Beverly Strakose
- 5 Brian Hobbs; Janet Kellogg
- 6 Raymond G. Perry, PER; Arnold Schmidt; Steven Snow
- 7 Paul M. Luippold
- 8 George D. Gagrís
- 9 Alfred Kuzmeskus
- 11 Frederic S. Budar; 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;
- 23 Jessica Jensen; 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

Does your license expire this year? DMV doesn't send reminders.

If you have news, an announcement or want something put in the monthly newsletter, please leave the information at the Lodge, either on the door of the office or give to the bartender. Of course, you can always email me at ladytipper@comcast.net.

National Convention Locations

2013 Reno, NV
2014 New Orleans, LA
2015 Indianapolis, IN

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.

Did you know: If a statue in the park of a person on a horse has both front legs in the air, the person died in battle.

If the horse has one front leg in the air, the person died because of wounds received in battle.

If the horse has all four legs on the ground, the person died of natural causes

2013 INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS SCHEDULE

West Central District

Lodge	Day/Date	Installing Lodge
Athol/Orange	Sunday, 3/17	Auburn/Webster
Leominster	Friday, 3/29	Greenfield
Auburn/Webster	Saturday, 3/30	Fitchburg
Easter Sunday, March 31, 2013		
Montague	Saturday, 4/6	Gardner
Greenfield	Sunday, 4/7	Leominster
Worcester	Friday, 4/12	Athol/Orange
Gardner	Saturday, 4/13	Montague
Fitchburg	Sunday, 4/14	Worcester

Friday Installation @ 7:00 Meal to follow- 8:30pm
Saturday Installation @ 5:00 Meal to follow 6:30pm
Sunday Installations @ 12:00 Meal to follow 1:30pm

PROFESSIONAL OFFICE SPACE AVAILABLE

Approximately 3,000 sq. ft.; central reception area, handicapped accessible, parking and more, located a block from Main Street. Inquire at the Greenfield Elks or call 413-773-7453. Members: If you know of anyone looking for office space please let them know about this.

Dear Lodge Secretary:

Having read the enclosed memorandum from the Grand Lodge Insurance Director, following is the breakdown of the total Grand Lodge Per Capita fees for the 2013-2014 fraternal year.

Grand Lodge Expenses and Operation (includes \$1.00 National Home Assessment)	\$7.50
Elks Magazine Subscription	\$5.50
General Liability Insurance	\$3.00
Total	\$16.00

The above figures, as well as your State Association dues, have been added to your CLMS2Web program and will be included in the combined total on your Lodge Dues Statements. The Grand Lodge fees of \$16.00 per member will be calculated by multiplying this amount by the ending membership figure (Line 12) submitted on your Annual Membership Report. Your State Association fees must be paid separately and sent directly to your State Secretary.

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. The total Per-Capita for Grand Lodge, Elks Magazine and Insurance is \$16.00 per member.