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October 2013

2013-2014 LODGE OFFICERS: Linda Gorey, ER, Scott Greaves, Leading Knight; David Sprague, Loyal Knight; Sid Jensen, PER, Lecturing Knight; Fred Ulrich, PER, Secretary; Timothy Herzig, Treasurer; Robert Mott, PER, Tiler
TRUSTEES:, Francis Sirum Chair, 1 yrs.; L. Kim Franks, 2 yrs.; John Cariddi, 3 years; Wes Clark PDD, PER, 4 years; Dennis Moore, 5 yrs.; Elsie Gilman, Esquire; Shirley Kennedy, Chaplain; Michelle Kelleher, Inner Guard; William Pease Jr., Organist.

Exalted Ruler's Message:

Dear Members,

Now that we are into October, we have a busy season ahead of us all. All those holidays will be upon us before we know it!

The membership of our Lodge is a very diverse one, representing just about all occupations, trades, and professions. All of us bring all sort of skills, expertise, experience and a treasure trove of talent. Just take a look at those around you when you're enjoying the Members' Lounge. We need to tap into our membership to continually improve our committees and programs as more challenges arise, whether it is creating or improving programs, boosting the financial status of the Lodge. Volunteers are a vital part of our success, but we need to expand our base and tap into more members and encourage new members, so we don't exhaust that resource.

Unlike in our jobs, where raises/perks are or were an incentive to work harder and more diligently, our Lodge can't offer anything but "Thank you, a job well done". So be sure, if you're a committee chair, all your workers need to be recognized in our bulletin so others can also appreciate their hard work. When you've decided that it's time to pass the "Committee Baton" to someone else, be sure to guide them with your experience, knowledge, and give them those helpful hints, whether it be working with them for a while or passing in any written information or guidelines. It's kind of like being a classroom teacher and leaving lesson plans, materials, etc., to the substitute or next person taking your position. Remember negativism only creates dissension, which we, as a Lodge, can't afford. It breaks apart a group rather than making it more cohesive, which is our goal. A new committee chair shouldn't have to re-invent the wheel when success has already been attained. All of this only has to with conduct becoming an Elk. Remember:

Elks Care-Elks Share.

Fraternally yours,

Linda Gorey, ER, PER

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TIP OF THE ANTLERS

John Williams, the "Elk of the Year", for securing the machine to the wall.

Peter Clarke & Bob Ferris for power washing the Member's entrance walls.

Franklin Lodge Visit- Linda Gorey, Phil Stevens, Buddy Derry, Sid Jensen. Everyone enjoyed the lunch.

100th Anniversary Buffet- Fran Sirum, Linda Gorey, Phil Stevens, Buddy Derry, John Richardson, Bob Mott, Butch DeNofrio, Donna Kilgour, and Audrey LaBonte.

Charity Golf Tournament Dinner: "the cooks" -Fran Sirum, Linda Gorey, Phil Steven, David Sprague, Jeannie Graveline, Butch DeNofrio. Set up: John Williams, Corey O'Connor, Steph Snow, Bob Bassett. Setting the tables- Irene Baker, Cam Hodges. The Emblem waitstaff: Terry Black, Linda Baker, Donna Kilgour, Donna Sheridan. The following who saw that we needed more help for clean-up- Marsha Bonnett, Beth Cadran.

Bob Mott for representing our Lodge at the Eagle Scout ceremony & making a presentation.

Golf League Banquet: Kitchen crew-Fran Sirum, Linda Gorey, Dennis Moore, & Butch DeNofrio, clean-up crew: Sue Ann Jason, Jennifer Jason, Zach Guy, Buddy Derry, and Scott Greaves.

Doug Baker for supplying the Lodge with hanging plants all summer and now with mums at both entrances to the Lodge.

100th Anniversary- Bill Kilgour who was the driving force behind the raffle and his committee. When you see Bill, please thank him for all his hard work over the past year.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU to all the golfers, members & guest who supported the Lodge's Wed. Nite Grille. To Fran Sirum, Linda Gorey, & Denny Moore who faithfully cooked & cleaned, each & every Wed. for the duration of the Golf League season.

FYI :

Once again just a reminder that all committee members should receive duly noted recognition, not only in our bulletin, but in our community as well. Whenever possible be sure to publish contributor's names and thank them. We depend upon their generosity. We can't assume or garner their support if people in our community are not aware of our charitable efforts.

Also, as a committee chair, it's part of your responsibility to coordinate sub-committees for set up, clean up, cooking, and waitstaff. Our Emblem Club is very generous with their time in serving and Linda Hall does a superb job in coordinating the Emblem members to help out. Don't forget these women are a valuable resource to us. Do check with Kelli Snow for available dates on the calendar, putting two costly events close to each other, only makes people pick and choose where they're going to spend their hard earned money, then one event or the other or both lose out.

Of course, we're still looking for some members to take on the "Kid's Easter Party". Again I mention that our young families have very busy schedules and less and less needed family time. Like the Christmas party, it is another time we can give them a fun few hours together. If you talk to grown children of members, they have fond memories of coming with their parents to these kinds of events. We shouldn't let that fall by the wayside. The Easter party really doesn't involve as much as Christmas. I'm sure Dee Fleming will be more than willing to share information with whoever takes it on.

FISH FRY BEGINS NOV.1 Help needed in the kitchen to plate, cook steak tips, clean up and for the lobster& steak raffles. Please contact Linda at fsirum@comcast.net or see her at the Lodge

The Greenfield Lodge will again this year give every third grade student a Dictionary and this year we have over 152 third grades in the Greenfield system.

The Hoop shoot program this year will be coming up in December T/A.

The Greenfield Lodge of Elks and other Lodges from the West Central District walked around the lake in Wakefield MA on Sunday, September 15th and 27 other Lodges from MA. We raised over \$19,000.00 for the Elks National Foundation. The Greenfield Lodge raised \$577.00 for the Elks National Foundation. What great day with so many Elks from all over Massachusetts.

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

• **MVS-Most Valuable Student:** 500 4-yr. National Scholarships; \$1,000-\$15,000/year. Massachusetts will award 19 MVS scholarships and 72 1-year \$800.00 awards. **Eligibility**-must be a high school senior. **Due at Lodge-Dec. 7, 2013, Applications available on line:** www.elks.org/enf/scholars (may be duplicated).

• **LEGACY AWARDS: ENF (Elks National Foundation)** will award 250 \$4,000 scholarships. Massachusetts will award 9 for 2014-2015 academic years. **Eligibility:** child, grandchild, stepchild, step-grandchild, or legal ward) of an Elk who has been a member in good standing. Great-grandchildren are not eligible. Must be a high school senior. Must apply through a related Lodge member. Only applies to accredited US American schools, college, universities. **STUDENT MUST COMPLETE APPLICATION & RETURN IT ONLINE NO LATER THAN FEB.1, 2014** www.elks.org/enf/legacy.cfm

• **MASS ELKS SCHOLARSHIP, INC. ---Applications available at Lodge and guidance offices of Frontier Regional, Mohawk Regional, and Greenfield High School. Those seeking renewal must also fill out an application in order to be considered. Available: Oct. 1, 2013 AT LODGE. DUE: FEB. 1, 2014.**

• **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 Bachelors Degree, not part time or night school. No age limit. **Applications available @ Franklin Tech School. Oct. 1, 2013. Due at Lodge: March 1, 2014**

The Turkey Trot night will be coming up soon and we need help with the setting up, cleaning up, ticket sellers and people to work in the kitchen. This a big night so let's jump in. Contact Bob Mott.

GREENFIELD EMBLEM CLUB #43

Our next meeting is Monday, October 7, 2013 at 7:15 p.m.

ATTENTION MEMBERS

Due to the lack of ticket sales for the 100th Anniversary \$100.00 Raffle, the Committee has dropped the original format of the prizes and it will now take the place of the annual \$10,000.00 Christmas Raffle with modified prizes. The drawing will now be December 7, 2013 with a smorgasbord and band as always. The drawing will be around 11:00 p.m. More info will be in coming bulletins. There will be a minimum of 200 tickets sold, with a 250 maximum. First prize will be \$12,000.00, Second \$1,500.00, Third \$1,000.00, Fourth \$500.00 and Fifth \$250.00. Tickets should go fast with these increased prizes. Tickets are available at the bar or from Committee members. Any member that has already bought a ticket for the Anniversary Raffle can either roll that ticket over, or ask for a refund. Please contact me at 774-4753 or 834-4305 if you want a refund, otherwise it will automatically go into the new raffle. Sorry for the inconvenience and confusion, but we did not want to cancel this important event for our 100th Anniversary. The Christmas \$10,000.00 Raffle will resume as always next year. Thank you, Committee Chair, Billy Kilgour

October is Elks National Foundation month. This year the Grand Lodge has three grants that are available and if we meet the GER'S per member-giving goal for 2013-2014. Last year was \$4.60 and your lodge got back from the ENF for Scholarship over \$6,000.00 and the West Central District

Worcester Lodge # 243 received the most Valuable student Scholarship \$60,000. And the Elks National Foundation awarded \$2.44 million in MVS Scholarships in 2013-2014. So would you like to be a part of this great part of Elkdom, please make a donation, it cost pennies a day let's make it a banner year for are Lodge. Please see Bob Mott ENF Lodge Chairman for more info.

The families of Lois and Chris Barton wish to extend their sincere thanks for your kindness, and for the condolences and support that we received during this difficult time. Thank you to those who attended the Celebration of Life and shared countless memories of happy times spent with them. Special thanks to the Elks for the use of the hall of the Emblem Club for the wonderful desserts. Lois and Chris will be sadly missed by their family and friends, but memories of these very special people will live on forever in our hearts. The Bartons.

The next 1296 20/20 club will start October 14th. If you want to play please pay Sharon or leave money at the bar. Thank you, Sharon.

DATES TO KEEP IN MIND:

NOVEMBER

2- DD MIKE BLANCHARD'S HOMECOMING - all are invited, please rsvp, cocktails @ 3:30pm, meeting @ 5:30pm, Dinner to follow.

11- Veteran's Day Parade, marchers needed, please participate.

Turkey Trot- Thurs. before Thanksgiving- see Bob Mott to volunteer.

27- Thanksgiving Buffet- 5:30pm til ? (more info at the Lodge)

28 Thanksgiving Day; Lodge opens early, check bulletin board for info, closes @ 1:00pm
DECEMBER (dates yet to be determined)

- ARC PARTY
- \$12,000 DRAWING; ONLY 250 TICKETS WILL BE SOLD. See Bill Kilgour
- Elks Memorial Sunday ceremony & light buffet
- Hoop Shoot
- Ringing the Bell for Salvation Army- see Peter Clarke
- Annual Christmas Basket Delivery- see George Herzig
- Kids Christmas Party- contact Shirley Kennedy to help
- 24th Christmas Buffet: 1pm. Lodge Closes @ 6:00pm, Reopens Christmas Day @ 6:00pm
- 31 – New Year's Eve Party – see elsewhere in Bulletin

You don't see many senior citizens at those two-hour comedy club shows. We don't mind laughing until we wet our pants, but what are we going to do for the other hour and 59 minutes?

I'm always relieved when someone is delivering a eulogy and I realize I'm listening to it.

Caller (enquiring about legal requirements while traveling in Europe)

'If I register my car in France, and then take it to England, I have to change the steering wheel to the other side of the car?'

Tips from the Redneck Book of Manners

Dining Out

1. If drinking directly from the bottle, always hold it with your fingers covering the label.
2. Avoid throwing bones and food scraps on the floor as the restaurant may not have dogs.

Entertaining In Your Home

1. A centerpiece for the table should never be anything prepared by a taxidermist.
2. Do not allow the dog to eat at the table no matter how good his manners are.

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Daniel Majewski,; Bernard Rosewarne
- 2 Stephen A. Garanin; Richard Golosh, Linda A. Gorey PER; Jason M. Kelton
- 3 Helen O'Gorman
- 5 Audrey M. Labonte; John P. O'Connell, PER,
- 6 Armand R. Clavette
- 8 Robert Bagdon
- 9 Timothy Markowski; Paul E. McDonald
- 10 Greg Jurek; Mclver, Peter
- 12 John J. Kaczinski; Richard A. Rowell
- 13 Edwin E. Czuj; Shirley White
- 14 Duane A. Nelson
- 15 Linda Baker
- 16 William J. Peloskey; David R. Sprague
- 17 Corey P. O'Connell; Debra Rosenlund
- 18 Gregory F. Call
- 19 Kevin Gladu
- 20 Jacqueline M. Boyden; Robert T. Killay, PER; Donald A. Roy; Tim M. Snow
- 22 Robert Chernick
- 23 Shaun Coughlin; Eric Schatz
- 25 Roger D. Kennedy, Jr.
- 26 Stephen D. Jurek; Matthew Poston
- 27 William W. Melnik
- 28 Alan S. Bolton; Edward M. Fleming; Gary M. Gadreault; Kyle Gaines; John Stacy
- 29 David Simanski
- 30 Matthew R. Zraunig
- 31 Douglas F. Houle

VA Pizza party: 10/19

Pitch League: The Pitch League starts Wednesday, October 2nd at 7:00 p.m. There will be a signup sheet at the club shortly. New players are always welcome. Questions? See or call Stan Maynard at 648-9223.

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I would like to take this time to let everyone know that I'm not running the \$10,000.00 drawing this year. It has nothing to do with the 100TH ANNIVERSARY DRAWING. I'm not happy with the way some things are being run at the lodge. I don't feel right raising money for the lodge knowing this.

With that said, I would like to thank everyone that has helped me over the past few years. The ticket sellers, ticket buyers, kitchen help and everyone else. I would also like to thank both bands. My first year was Shakin All Over. My second and third year was Ruby's Complaint. Both bands were great. Thank you, Mark Lavin

Home Depot supports our Veterans and their families. If anyone knows of a Veteran, spouse of a Veteran, in Franklin County, who needs some repairs to their home or for instance, a handicap ramp built, please contact Andy Harto at the Greenfield Home Depot. There is money available to provide such help for those in need.

Golf news:

The 2013 Elks Golf League ended Sept. 4th, 2013. The Elks Golf banquet was Wed. September 4th. Another great prime rib dinner was done by Linda Gorey and Fran Sirum. Also helping was Henry Sirum, Dennis Moore, Phil Stevens, John Richardson, and Mike Hisz. Cleanup was done by Sues'ane Jason, Jennifer Jason, Zach Guy, Brian Derry, Jim Jason and Scott Greaves. First place went to Tom Herzig and Ed Reagey, second place to Gary Noga and Ed Underwood and third place to David Snow and Dave Bonnett. First prize in the scramble went to Vinnie Melendez, Bob Ferris, Jim Jason and Chris Carme. The Golf League Committee.

I apologize for the lateness of this bulletin for October. However, if I do not receive the information between the 15th and 20th of the month, this is what can happen. So if you have information to go into the bulletin, I need the information **NO LATER THAN THE 20TH OF THE MONTH!!!** For the November bulletin, please give me all information that is going into it no later than the 20TH of OCTOBER. I will have the bulletin at the printers shortly afterward. However, I will **not** be available to pick up the November bulletin from Locust Press, put the labels on, complete the form for the post office and bring them to the PO for mailing. If you would like to volunteer, please advise me as soon as possible so that I can explain the process and give you the required form for the PO.
ladytipper@comcast.net Thank you Darlene Fleming

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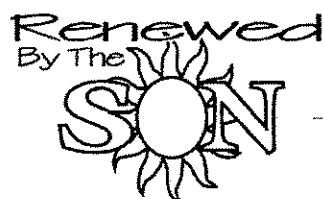
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OCTOBER 2013

Sunday		Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 Pitch	3	4	5
6	7	8 Lodge Meeting	9 Pitch	10	11	12
13	14 COLUMBUS DAY	15	16 Pitch	17	18	19 VA Pizza
20	21	22 Lodge Meeting	23 Pitch	24	25	26
27	28	29	30 Pitch	31 HALLOWEEN	November 1 <i>Fish Fry begins</i>	2