



# THE GREENFIELD ELK

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November 2014

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## Exalted Ruler's Message:

Dear Members

The Grand Exalted Ruler has proclaimed the month of November as National Veteran's Month and has requested all lodges to observe this month of recollection of the debt we owe to all our Veteran's. We will be having a raffle fundraiser for all our Veteran's which will be given to our Veteran's Chairman Denny Moore. Please check out our bulletin board as the Veteran's Proclamation and National Veteran's Report will be posted there.

Fish Fry begins November 7th and Chicken Wing Night has ended for the season. Thank you to all who participated in the Chicken Wing nights.

On October 19th we had a Texas Hold-em Tournament which I will report on in the next newsletter along with the Halloween Party which was held on October 25th.

Thank you to Leading Knight David Sprague who has assisted me and the lodge so much whether in the kitchen or helping out at all our events. Also thanks to all our officers and members who participated in all our events. Thank you to the Emblem Club for helping our lodge.

Thank you to Stanley Maynard for the outstanding job he did on the Golf Tournament which was held on September 19th and all those who helped him. Fran and his kitchen crew for the prime rib dinner and also cooking prime rib dinner a few days later for the District Deputy visit.

Veteran's Day is on Tuesday, November 11th and we need flag and banner carriers along with marchers. Everyone is welcome to participate. Let's show our support for our Veteran's by having the most marchers ever. Please be at the Elks by 9:15. Children are welcome to march also.

Let's make the most of the next five months and work together and bring in new members, volunteer, and participate.

Remember Brotherly Love. Fraternally yours, Scott Greaves, E.R.

## \$10,000 Holiday Raffle

ATTENTION MEMBERS:

The \$10,000 Raffle tickets are now available at the bar, from last year's sellers, or are always available at Bill's Auto Repair on High St. Buy your ticket early and save the date for the big drawing on Saturday Dec. 6th. "Chicken Wire" will be providing the music from 8:00 till 12:00, and Fran Sirum and crew will be providing a great smorg at 6:30. Drawing will be around 10:30. Remember only 200 tickets are sold, and usually go quick. GOOD LUCK! Thank you, Chairman Bill Kilgour 774-4753 or 834-4305 anytime.

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## **NOVEMBER**

- 11- Veteran's Day Parade - need marchers, please participate
  - 20- Turkey Trot-Dinner at 6:30 - please cut out/print your dinner ticket. (Contact Bob Mott to help)
  - 26- Thanksgiving Buffet - 6:00 pm til?-signs will be posted, help needed to prep.
  - 27-Thanksgiving Day - Lodge opens at 8 am (check w/Kelli Snow), closes @1:00pm
- Veteran's Day is Nov. 11, be sure to honor our men and women who have served our country.**

## **DECEMBER**

- 7- Memorial Sunday is @ 1:00pm w/ collation to follow
- 6-Hoop Shoot (morning)
- 6-\$10,000 Drawing (evening)
- 14-ARC party- Noon-3:00pm (help needed)
- 16- Bell Ringing/Salvation Army-Peter Clarke chair, please sign up.
- 20-Annual Xmas basket delivery-in the morning, contact George Herzig to help
- 24-Christmas Buffet: 1pm. LODGES CLOSES @ 6:00PM, RE-OPENS 12/25 @6:00PM
- 31-New Year's Eve Party; see notice in bulletin.

### **FYI :**

**FISH FRY BEGINS NOV. 7<sup>th</sup> 5:30 - 7:30 STILL LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS TO PLATE THE FOOD, COOK STEAK TIPS, CLEAN UP THE KITCHEN & TO RUN THE LOBSTER/MEAT RAFFLES.** Please contact Linda at [fsirum@comcast.net](mailto:fsirum@comcast.net) or see her at the Lodge. **Fish Fry schedule: Nov. 7, 14: No meal on Fri. 11/21 and 28; Dec. 5, 12, & 9 No meal on 12/26, and 1/2.**

**SCHOLARSHIPS: LINDA GOREY, CHAIR. [fsirum@comcast.net](mailto: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, 2014, Applications available on line: [www.elks.org/enf/scholars](http://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 2015-2016 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, 2015**

**[www.elks.org/enf/legacy.cfm](http://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, 2014 AT LODGE. DUE: FEB. 1, 2015.**

**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, 2014. Due at Lodge: March 1, 2015**

## **THANKSGIVING BUFFET**

**WED., NOV. 26**

**6:00 P.M.**

**Volunteers needed to prep & clean up**

**REMINDER: THE LODGE OPENS 8:00 A.M. ON THANKSGIVING DAY & USUALLY CLOSES @ 1:00PM. LOOK FOR A NOTICE ON THE BULLETIN BOARD.**

On Thursday, December 4, 2014, the Greenfield Lodge of Elks #1296 will hold its Free Hoop Shoot Free Throw Contest for Boys & Girls Ages 8-13 at the Greenfield YMCA. Eligibility for the Elks Hoop Shoot is determined by the age that the contestant will be on April 1, 2015. Boy's registration 4:30 PM Shoot at 5:00 PM; Girl's registration 6:00PM Shoot at 6:30 PM. **All Shooters Must Have a Birth Certificate or will not shoot. Important: Contestants may participate in one Lodge contest only. Contestants who shoot in the incorrect age-group will be disqualified. NO EXCEPTIONS**

### **IT'S COMING!!!!!!!**

It's only a little over a month away...Christmas that is!!! I am starting to think about planning for the Kids Xmas party. I hope to have the great helpers that were on the Easter Party Committee with me this spring; Jeannie Graveline & Jenn Baker Johnson. Also have Ceal & Bill Massey on the list. Do any of you have any ideas to make this year's party great fun? We are looking for some crafts for ages 0-10 (that do not require glue!). Feel free to email me at [hellotherebuzz1@outlook.com](mailto:hellotherebuzz1@outlook.com) with comments or suggestions or to volunteer to help in any way. There will be a sign up sheet on the bulletin board soon. Please note the age restriction of 0 thru 10 years old. Older siblings are more than welcome to attend and have food with us, but will not receive a gift from Santa. Hope that sounds reasonable. Thanks...Marsha Bonnett

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If anyone is interested in going to NYC by bus in the Spring (late April or early May) to see the National 911 Memorial Museum, please sign up on the Bulletin Board by the pool table. This signup will not commit you to the trip. It is to get an estimate of the number of people wishing to go. It is also not limited to members. The estimated cost will be around \$110.00 per person. I need a tentative number of those wishing to go by the end of January so I can make arrangements to secure a bus, etc. Need 55 passengers.

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Women and cats will do as they please, and men and dogs should relax and get used to the idea.

A man goes to a shrink and says, 'Doctor, my wife is unfaithful to me. Every evening, she goes to Larry's bar and picks up men. In fact, she sleeps with anybody who asks her! I'm going crazy. What do you think I should do?'

'Relax,' says the Doctor, 'take a deep breath and calm down. Now, tell me, exactly where is Larry's bar?'

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A little silver-haired lady calls her neighbor and says, "Please come over here and help me. I have a killer jigsaw puzzle, and I can't figure out how to get started."

Her neighbor asks, "What is it supposed to be when it's finished?"

The little silver haired lady says, "According to the picture on the box, it's a rooster."

Her neighbor decides to go over and help with the puzzle. She lets him in and shows him where she has the puzzle spread all over the table. He studies the pieces for a moment, then looks at the box, then turns to her and says,

"First of all, no matter what we do, we're not going to be able to assemble these pieces into anything resembling a rooster." He takes her hand and says, "Secondly, I want you to relax. Let's have a nice cup of tea, and then," he said with a deep sigh .....

**Let's put all the Corn Flakes back in the box."**

# RAFFLE TICKETS BELOW CUT OUT AND TURN IN TO THE LODGE

## **Greenfield Elks Lodge # 1296 Raffle for the Christmas Basket**

1st Prize –100 Gallons Fuel Oil  
Donated by Mackin  
2nd Prize – Fosters \$50.00 Gift Certificate  
3rd Prize – Fosters \$25.00 Gift Certificate  
**Drawing: December 6, 2014**

\$5.00 per Ticket you will have three chances

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Because they had no reservations at a busy restaurant, my elderly neighbor and his wife were told there would be a 45-minute wait for a table. 'Young man, we're both 90 years old, ' the husband said ...'We may not have 45 minutes.' They were seated immediately.

I was in the six item express lane at the store quietly fuming. Completely ignoring the sign, the woman ahead of me had slipped into the check-out line pushing a cart piled high with groceries. Imagine my delight when the cashier beckoned the woman to come forward looked into the cart and asked sweetly, 'So which six items would you like to buy?' Wouldn't it be great if that happened more often?



# **NEW YEAR'S EVE 2014**

**Dancing to**

**D.J. Rodney Herzig**

**8:00 – 12:30**

**\$25.00 Per Couple -- \$15.00 Per Person**

**MUNCHIES PROVIDED**

**Members & Guests**

## NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1 David P. Bougham; Kevin S. Coughlin
- 2 Wesley L. Clark, PER, PDD, Trustee; William Harker; Thomas Herzig, William Zimmerman
- 3 Lance Barton, Craig Underwood
- 4 Robert J. Woloss
- 6 Bradley Baker; Thomas McDonald
- 7 James E. Sturgeon
- 9 Paul R. Keller, PER; Michael Koncal; Edward Marvell
- 11 James Cadran; Peter A. Ruggeri; Ronald J. Zabko, Jr.
- 12 Dale L. Andrews; Josh Billiel; Joseph W. Fistes; Robert P. Wells
- 14 Janet Twyon
- 15 Douglas R. Brown
- 16 Richard L. Mallory; William Massey
- 17 Jeffrey D. Baker; Theophile J. Mailloux, Jr.
- 18 Douglas A. Baker; John W. Gilman, PER
- 19 Lester A. Black
- 21 Mike George; John S. MacLeod
- 25 Douglas A. Turner
- 26 Gordon L. Hardy;
- 29 Robert F. Bitzer; Eileen M. Moore
- 30 Kenneth Miner

I have been doing the newsletter since 2009 and would like to know if anyone is interested in taking this over. Contact Fred Ulrich. In the meantime, 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](mailto:ladytipper@comcast.net) December 2014 will be my last newsletter.

## 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.

You must cut out ticket below and bring with you.

### ***Turkey Trot Night 11-20-2014***

This is your ticket for dinner and door prize

\$3.00 Donation per meal

Ham dinner served at 6:30 PM

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

## Float Committee Update

When all was said and done, we raised \$349 to be donated to the Elks Veterans Committee. We did the float to honor our veterans. We and they are very grateful for all of your support. Committee Co-Chairs: Dave & Marsha Bonnett

**TENTATIVE-BOOK FAIR** at Lodge in conjunction w/ World Eye Bookshop, late Nov. or early Dec. Volunteers needed. First 100 young people will receive a special voucher to use toward a purchase. Contact: Linda Gorey [fsirum@comcast.net](mailto:fsirum@comcast.net)

A new teacher was trying to make use of her psychology courses. She started her class by saying, 'Everyone who thinks they're stupid, stand up!' After a few seconds, Little Wilson stood up. The teacher said, 'Do you think you're stupid, Wilson?' 'No, ma'am, but I hate to see you standing there all by yourself!'

The math teacher saw that Wilson wasn't paying attention in class. She called on him and said, 'Wilson! What are 2 and 4 and 28 and 44?' Wilson quickly replied, 'NBC, FOX, ESPN and the Cartoon Network!'

Wilson's kindergarten class was on a field trip to their local police station where they saw pictures tacked to a bulletin board of the 10 most wanted criminals. One of the youngsters pointed to a picture and asked if it really was the photo of a wanted person. 'Yes,' said the policeman. 'The detectives want very badly to capture him. Wilson asked, "Why didn't you keep him when you took his picture?"'

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### NOVEMBER 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3	4	5	6	7 Fish Fry	8
9	10	11 Veterans' Day Celebrated Lodge Meeting	12 Pitch	13	14 Fish Fry	15
16	17	18	19 Pitch	20 TURKEY TROT 6:30 meal	21 Fish Fry	22
23	24	25 Lodge Meeting	26 Pitch THANKSGIVING BUFFET 6:00	27 	28 NO Fish Fry	29
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