



“The Greenfield Elk”

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Exalted Rulers Message;

The month of February will be the most important month of the Lodge Year. The nominations and then the election of Officers for the next twelve months will take place. Also, we will be initiating new candidates on Tuesday, February 9 by the Past Exalted Rulers.

The nomination process will be at the February 9 meeting with the election of Officers at the February 23 meeting. This process is important to the continuation of our Order. Please, I urge one and all to cast your intentions. We must continue to further the Call of Elkdom and to demonstrate our commitment to our Lodge programs.

Fraternally, Dave Sprague



E.R. Dave Sprague
E.L.K. Mark Lavin
E.L.K. Chet Saharceski
E.L.K. Elsie Gilman
Sec. Fred Ulrich PER
Treas. Timothy Herzig
Tiler Robert Mott PER,PDD
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1 yr. John Cariddi, chair.
2.yr. Wes Clark PER, PDD
3 yr. Dennis Moore
4 yr. Francis Sirum
5 yr. L.Kim Franks
Esq. Sid Jensen PER
Chaplain Gary Gadreault
Inner Guard Neal Jennison

The “Chaplain “ reports

The following:

**—George Herzig
Fran Sirum Home
Larry Volpe
Charlene Manor
Pat Tynan
Home**

Upcoming Events

February & March

**Feb 5 fish Fry
Feb. 9 Lodge Meeting & Initiation
and Nomination of Officers
Feb. 6 fish Fry
Feb. 23 Election of Officers
Lodge Meeting,
Feb. 26 Fish Fry
Mar. 8 Meeting
Mar. 18 Athol Installation
Mar. 20 Worcester Installation
Matr. 22 Meeting
Mar. 26 Auburn Inbstation**

ELK OF THE YEAR

All Members are asked to submit a ballot for their choice of ELK OF YEAR.

Forms are available at the Lodge and should be placed in the ballot box at the end of the bar. Please state your name and reason behind your choice.

This is a prestigious award that is bestowed upon a worthy candidate for their support of the Lodge.

Two basic rules, they cannot be an Officer and only one is selected.

Please submit that name by
February 15, 2016

February Birthdays

1-1 Art Baker, Mike Larabee, Donald Mann, Mike Swain, Pat Tynan
1-2 Bev Strakose
1-5 Bryan Hobbs
1-6 Ray Perry PER, Arnie Schmidt, Steven Snow
1-7 Paul Luippold
1-8 George Gagaris
1-11 Fred Budarz, Joe George, Patrick Jubb, Jim Olszewski
1-12 Jon Galenski, Bill Luippold
1-13 Norm Carme, Lenny Haggerty
1-15 Bill Jarvis, Audrey Reum
1-17 Teresa Miner PER, Kurt Seaman
1-20 Jerry Gaimari
1-21 Mike hickey
1-23 Jessica Jensen, Rich Nicoll
1-25 Mike Perreault, David Quinn
1-26 Jennifer Twyon, alan wondoloski
1-27 Mike Heiden, Mike Raymond
1-28 Tim Herzig Treasurer, Eric Page
1-29 Edward Brzezinski
Come on down for a taste on us and enjoy your friends.

LODGE FLASHBACK.....

April 1925...The ladies of the 1296 Club will hold another of their "Good Time Parties" at Grinnell Hall on the evening of April 15, 1925. All members & guests invited.

August 25, 1925... Greenfield Elks #1296 voted to withdraw membership in the Mass. State Elks Association.

Sept. 8, 1925...Mass. Elks Assoc. Sec. Jeremiah Hourin deeply regret this action to withdraw membership. He is at a loss to understand just what prompted this action and feel that there must be a misunderstanding somewhere.

May 11, 1948... Elks Softball Team started with \$200 awarded for equipment.

**Aug. 1979...Red Sox-Angles game \$15.00
Sept. 14, 1979 E.R. Wes Clark announces the Golf Tournament at country club, \$17.00 with food & refreshments on course, dinner at Lodge following....**

Sept. 30, 2006...G.E.R. Arthur Frost & his entourage visited for a light lunch by Fan Sirum, Linda Gorey, John O'Connell & Henry Burns. He was extremely impressed with the Lodge after touring the Ritual & Heritage Room.

MEMBERS ELIGIBLE FOR LIFE MEMBERSHIP

February 9, 2016

Section 14.260 Statutes Annotated. By an affirmative secret ballot of two-thirds of those present at a regular Lodge meeting, a member in good standing may be elected to a Life membership when he has: (a) Paid to the lodge or lodges required annual dues for a period of not less than thirty (30) years pending his election, and he has attained the age of not less than sixty-five (65).

**James J. Byrne, Gregory F. Call, Christopher A. Carme, Terry E. Doton, Robert J. Fistes, P. James Kane, Richard A. Melnik, Thomas J. Peobody, Arnie Schmidt, Patrick Tynan, Robert S. Zaikowski.
Honorary Life Membership; Michael W. Blanchard**

The 2015 Children's Christmas Party is another fond memory.

Many thanks to Bill Massey for again getting our invite through to Santa! Elf Sarah Turner (gr'dau of Doug Turner) helped Santa hand out gifts with the help of elf Janelle Massey (gr'dau of Bill Massey). Bob Mott worked the kitchen with crew Eric Schatz & Peter Sprague. Great job guys! Bob Killay and Kasey Snow were super beverage servers to both the young and young at heart!

Many others shopped, wrapped gifts, set up, prepared crafts, bought food supplies, cleaned up or gave special donations: Dave Bonnett, Ceal Massey, Stef Snow, Leigh & Ellen Jenks, Pat Tynan, Fran Sirum, Linda Gorey, Janice Smith, Deb Duprey, Terry Black & Mary Lou Molongoski.

Jean Martin supervised "stick the nose on Frosty or Santa". Jen Baker-Johnson did weaving Santa hats. Joyce Wilder-Oakes & Madalyn Phillips assisted children in creating hand print "reindeer" on canvas. All the kids loved this addition to our party and I'm guessing there were a lot of happy grandparents who now have reindeer prints hanging on their walls!

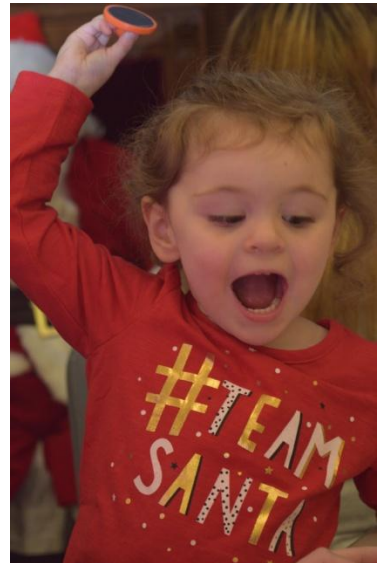
Thanks to Bill O'Connell for cookies that were an instant hit!

Last but surely not least, our thanks to Kelli Snow, Tim Herzig, Bob Mott, Fran Sirum & Linda Gorey for their technical assistance and patience!

Not to be forgotten are all of you who generously drop change into the donation jugs and buy squares on the "kids activities" 50/50 board throughout the year. Winners of 3 board drawings of \$50 each were John Williams, Gail Underwood & Dave McDonald.

Thank you to all & to all a good year!

Party Chairpersons: Marsha Bonnett & Jen Baker-Johnson



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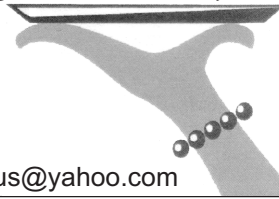
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Calendar of Events

Prev	February 2016						Next
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
	1 Emblem club Meeting	2	3 Pitch	4 Indoctrination Indoctrination	5 Fish Fry	6 Ray Perry PER birthday	
7 Super Bowl Chili cook off	8	9 Lodge Meeting Nomination Officers, Initiation, Scholarship	10 Pitch	11 Fred Budarz Birthday	12 Fish Fry	13	
14	15	16	17 Pitch	18	19	20	
21	22	23 - Election Officers	24 Pitch	25	26 Fish Fry	27	
28 Tim Herzig Treasurer Birthday	29						