



"The Greenfield Elk"

ELKS CARE – ELKS SHARE



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Exalted Rulers Message;

I would like to thank the outgoing officers for their service to the Lodge. Under ER Mark the house has been removed, our tax status was changed, new events were started, a new TV installed and bar stools ordered. These are just a few of the highlights of the year. There is not enough space here to acknowledge all that Wes Clark, PDD-PETR has done for our Lodge and its members over his many years of service. While he has stepped away from his role as a Trustee, we still look forward to continuing to work with him and as well as for him to share his thoughts and guidance with us.

Chester Saharceski



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1986 - 2017

..." A while ago we gathered,
 Friendship beaming in each eye, Now
 the golden cord is severed,
 They have passed to realms on high"

Upcoming Events

April

1. Greenfield Installation
 8. Gardner Installation
 9. Athol-Orange Installation
 11. Lodge Meeting
 14. Leominster-Fitchburg Install.
 15. Montague Installation
 23. Crib. Tour. Leominster/Fitch.
 25. Lodge Meeting
 29. St. Jude's Dinner
- THURSDAY FREE VETS LUNCH**
"BUILDING BRIDGES"
12:00 TO 1:30

"Congratulations"

"Elk of the Year"

Eric Schatz

"Officer of Year"

Gary Gadreault

"Citizen of Year"

Isaac Mass

Hello all,

As I am writing this I am still the ER Elect, as the installation of Officers for 2017 – 2018 will not take place until April 1. The early numbers on members that have signed up for the installation dinner indicate that many of you are planning on attending. If you didn't make the dinner, hope you had the opportunity to stop down and enjoy the music and dancing to Bactrak. Thank you to Mark Lavin for scheduling a Saturday night installation and music.

You may be wondering who I am and what I am planning for the coming year. I have been an Elk for 16 years, but only the last 4 have been spent in Greenfield. Prior to joining the Greenfield Lodge I spent 5 years as a Trustee, 2 years as Chairman of the House Committee and a member or chairman of various lodge committees. Since joining Greenfield I have been "going through the chairs" and learning more about Elkdom and the Greenfield Lodge.

Since joining Greenfield I have been very impressed by the warm welcome I received and the work that is done by so many members to make our Lodge events and charitable activities such a success. I am looking forward to working with all members to continue and build on this great tradition.

In the coming year I would like us all to focus on continuing the work that has been done to invest in our Lodge. Over the past months we have seen painting to improve the appearance of the Lodge and the addition of a TV. In the coming year I would like to see us invest in the equipment of the Lodge as well as activities that bring more members in more often. Investing in our Lodge is my goal for the year. That goal has started with ER Mark with the new bar stools and approved plan to replace the damaged cushions on the banquet hall chairs. The oldy wed game, corn hole and shuffleboard games were very successful. Hopefully, these will become annual events. I would like to hear from you what are the physical improvements you would like to see and ideas for activities that will bring members together at the Lodge. Together we can build on the foundation that has been laid to make our Lodge stronger and more active.

Chester Saharceski ER elect



Tip of the Antlers...

Friday Night Fish Fry Volunteers: David Sprague, Bob Mott, Eric Schatz, Loretta Chappelle, Karen shepherd, Linda Gorey, Fran sirum, Janine Greaves, Dottie Niemic, Jan McMahon, Brian Deery.

Raffle Volunteers (Feb-March): Maryanne Wells, Sue Lafond, Marsha & Dave Bonnett, Jan McMahon, Nancy & Doug Beckwith, Jeannie Graveline.

Note of Apology: I inadvertently, omitted Brian Deery in the last couple of bulletins, as a volunteer for Fridays, Super bowl and probably a few others. So, Brian, my apologies to you, we all appreciate the hours you put in as a volunteer. Linda G.

Kitchen Cleaners: Thanks to Fran, Linda, Loretta & Gordy, Karen Shepard for the kitchen a "deep clean" for the board of health inspection.

Congratulations to the following who have been members for fifty (50) years.. Wesley Clark, Edmund Kamansky, William Martin, Andrew Musacchio, Bernard Schatz, Eugene Borkowski, Carroll Bowen and Neal Graves.

What is informative, intense, hilarious & very entertaining?? The Elks "OLDY-WED GAME", of course! Our own "Steph Eubanks" did a great job as the emcee! So sorry if you missed it! There were some great laughs and we learned a few things about our couples we may not have known before! Marriages were between 15 & 48 years. Neil & Terry black, Doug & Nancy Beckwith, Leigh & Ellen Jenks, Dave & Marsha bonnet, George & Linda Hall, Snowy & Kelli snow, Scott & Janine Greaves, Mumsy & Madeline Phillips, tim & sue Herzig, Ed & Gail Underwood, Andy & Linda Baker and Artie & Pam Baker. After a final round, Tim & sue Herzig walked away the ultimate "Oldy-Weds"!! Beef stew, chicken stew, homemade bread, cookies & cupcakes were prepared by Ceal Massey (wife of Bill Massey) and sold throughout the day. A very special meal and ohhh soooo tasty!! 50/50 won by Bob Killay, Jr.

ULTIMATE WINNING COUPLE: TIM & SUE HERZIG!!!!

Raffle tickets were sold all day for the photo on metal of Main Street, Soputh Deerfield which was donated by Mumsy Phillips. There are still some squares left for purchase...hint, hint. Check out this beautiful picture hanging on the board. As a service to the contestants (and anyone else) Mumsy took photos of the "Oldy-Wed" event which he will be displaying in a folder at the club. These photos will be free for the taking but we ask that you PLEASE BE GENEROUS with a donation for Mumsy since he does donate his services and materials to make these memories for us. We really appreciate you doing this, Mumsy!

All proceeds of the day along with special donations given by Terry Black (kisses), Bob Killay, Sr. & Tim & Sue Herzig are going toward the kids parties.

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!! TO ALL OUR HELPERS FOR MAKING THIS EVENT A SUCCESS!

Dave & Marsha Bonnett, Jean Martin, Bkill & Ceal Massey, Jeannie Graveline, Janice smith, Buzzy Blanchard, Doug Turner, Doug & Pat Baker, Mark Lavin, Deb Duprey, Kelli Snow, Fred Ulrich and of course our awesome bartenders!!!

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

1. Alan Ball
 3. Mark Cadran, John Mackin Jr.
 5. Alexander Sirum
 6. Michael Perreault
 7. John Duprey
 8. P. James Kane
 9. Susan Breite
 12. Dan Malloy
 13. n Terry doton
 15. Todd Cromack
 17. Robert Fistes, Dave Tetreault
 18. Paul Orszulak PER, Bill Pease
 19. Edwin Fronckus, Stanley Kaczinski
 22. Eugene (Butch) Denofrio
 23. Susan ?Deangelis
 24. Gary Noga PER, Alan Jurek, Bob Murphy
 25. Bill Fulton, Mik Muller, Walt Wandeloski
 27. Steve Lovett
 29. Robert Wondoloski
- Come on down on your birthday and
Enjoy a beverage on us.

"Bar Stool Dedication"

**The Lodge will be holding
The New Stool Plaque
Dedications**

**Sunday
April 9th**

5:00pm

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will be provided.

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You must be at least 18 years of age to participate. Winners are responsible for all taxes/fees.

FOR ADDITIONAL BOOKS, EMAIL WAYBET71@VERIZON.NET

St. Jude's
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Raffle
Prizes



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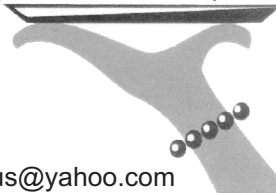
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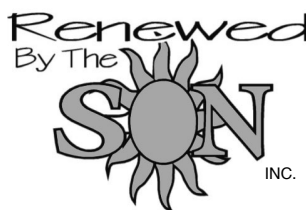
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Calendar of Events

◀ April 2017 ▶ 						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Greenfield Elks Installation Leominster/Fitchburg Installing
2	3	4	5	6 Vets "Building Bridges" Free Lunch	7 Fish Fry	8 Gardner Elks Installation
9 Athol/Orange Installation Worcester Installing	10	11 Lodge Meeting, Trustees Meeting	12	13 Vets "Building Bridges" Free Lunch	14 Fish Fry	15 Montague Installation Gardner Installing
16	17	18	19	20 Vets "Building Bridges" Free Lunch	21 Last Fish Fry	22
23	24	25 Lodge, Terustee & Gov. Body Meeting	26	27 Vets "Building Bridges" Free Lunch	28	29
30						