

"The Greenfield Elk"

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As we are setting into autumn and post summer schedules, there are some volunteer opportunities I would like to make you aware of. Please see attached brochure on the Build a Bed workshop that will be held at the Gardner Lodge on 10/4. This is a West Central District event and not just Gardner.

Building Bridges Veterans initiative is a program to provide free luncheons to Veterans and provide a space for them to gather. The mission statement for BB's includes the following:

"The mission of Building Bridges is to address veteran depression, social isolation, and suicide risk. According to a recent survey cited by the VA, over half of U.S. veterans confessed 'feeling lonely some of the time or often.' As important as physical nutrition may be in fulfilling Building Bridges' mission, it is the nourishment of the soul—the camaraderie, support, and listening that happens around the table—which is the magical heart and soul of Building Bridges, and for those yet to join, can promise untold fulfillment."

As you are aware, part of the Elks' mission is to support Veterans. BB is currently our Lodge's only support activity. BB provides the meal and we donate the space and support for serving the meals. Luncheons at our Lodge are currently held on the second Thursday of the month. They are looking to soon be able to resume twice per month. Volunteers are needed to set up, serve and clean up for these meals. The process for these meals runs from 10:00 to 2:00. If you can assist, for even a portion of this time period it would be appreciated, and I think you would find it rewarding. Desserts are also always welcomed and can be dropped off in the morning of the luncheon. The October lunch is scheduled for 10/9.

ER Shelley Kelleher



E.R. Michele Kelleher

E.L.K. Jake Hagen

E.L.K. Harry Breite PDD PER

Sec. Fred Ulrich, PER

Treas. Timothy Herzig

Tiler Robert Mott PER, PDD

Trustees:

1 yr. Dave Sprague PER

2 yr. Mike Blanchard PDD PER

3 yr. John Williams

4 yr. Gary Gadreault PER

5yr. Scott Greaves PER

Esq. Neal Jennison PER

Chaplain Sue Breite

Inner Guard Chet Saharceski PER

"HALL RENTAL"

If you are interested
In renting the hall or
Know someone that
is,

Please phone Kelli
Snow

413-774-4909

Or email her at

ksnowgreenfieldelks
@gmail.com

West Central Pre Visit

10/11: Gardner @ 9:00 AM

Visitations:

10/1 Leominster-Fitchburg:

Dinner 6 Pm Meeting 7 PM

10/16 Montague

Dinner 6:30 PM Meeting 7:30

10/21 Gardner

Dinner 6 PM Meeting 7 PM

10/26 Greenfield

Cocktails @ 12:30

Meeting 1:30

Dinner to follow

Chaplain Informs Us

Francis Lemay LM

Charlene Manor

Building Bridges Luncheon

Thursday

Oct. 9

October Birthdays

- 10-2 Steve Garanin, Richard Golosh
PER Linda Gorey, Jason Kelton
Steve Kennedy, Helen O'Gorman
4. Greg Bergeron
5. Audrey Labonte, **PER John O'Connell**
6. James K. Burke, James Girard
Don Parda, Laurie Paul
7. Autumn Flagg
8. Tim Markowski
9. Kathryn Patterson
10. Greg Jurek, Peter Mciver
11. Glenn Silva
12. John Kaczinski, Richie Rowell
13. Linda Hall
15. Linda Baker
16. **PER Dave Sprague**
17. Corey O'Connell
18. Greg Call
20. Jackie Boyden, **PER Robert T. Killay**, Don Roy
23. Shaun Coughlin, Eric Schatz
25. Roger Kennedy
26. Steve Jurek
28. **PER Gary Gadreault**, Kyle Gaines, John Stacey
30. Richard Card, Matt Zraunig
31. William Childs, Doug Houle

Come on down and enjoy a libation on us.
And meet your friends and members.

Computation of Grand Lodge Dues: 2025-2026

Under Sections 4.231, 14.150 & 14.300 *Laws of The Order*, in addition to their annual dues, it is Now mandatory for the collection of the Grand Lodge Per Capita and assessments from each Member, including Life Members. *The total Per Capita for Grand Lodge, Elks Magazine and Insurance is \$34.00 per Member.* The Breakdown of the total Grand Lodge Per Capita And Assessments for the 2025-2026 fraternal Year is as follows:

For Grand Lodge expenses & operations	\$6.50
For subscription to Elks Magazine	\$5.50
For General Liability Insurance Assess.	\$25.00
	\$37.00
Mass. State Association	\$2.25

Regular Lodge Dues	\$60.00 + \$39.25	\$99.25
Life Members	\$30.00 + \$39.25	\$69.25

LODGE BYLAWS

Greenfield Lodge Bylaws are available on line at

<http://www.elks.org/loдges/bylaws.cfm?lodgeNumber=1296>

A user name and password are required, and access through this link is restricted to Lodge members only. Members who don't have a password may register by giving their membership number and name to Grand Lodge online at:

<http://www.elks.org/members/registration.cfm>

LODGE DUES 2025-2026

NAME: _____ Greenfield Elks #1296
ADDRESS:- _____ 3 Church St.
_____ Greenfield, Ma 01301
_____ Date:

Are you a Veteran? Yes No E-Mail

Regular Dues \$60.00 Grand Lodge assessments \$39.25 Due **\$99.25**

Life Member \$30.00 Grand Lodge assessments \$39.25 Due **\$69.25**

Phone #

Cell #

E-Mail

Door Access has been installed. FOB or Card available at Lodge

Tip of the Antlers:

Annual Scholarship Tournament

The 2025 Annual Scholarship Golf Tournament held on September 12th at the Country Club of Greenfield was a very fun and successful day.

Many thanks to all who made this happen. Gary Gadreault and Fred Ulrich, who checked all the golfers in and sold Mulligan's. Marsha Bonnet, Thea Leh, Pam Robinson, Deb Barton-Duprey and Jan McMahon who sold raffle tickets at check-in on the course and at the club. The great crew at the hot dog stand, John Williams, Leigh Jenks, Bill O'Connell, John Richardson, Mike Moore, Corey O'Connell and Buzz Blanchard, who set the tent on Thursday and served hamburgers, hot dogs, sausage grinders and chili to all the golfers on Friday. The kitchen crew, who put out a delicious buffet, that included local potatoes donated by Simon Behilo, Ceal Massey, Madalyn and Mumsey Phillips, Ray and Rindy LaVallee, Candy White and Sue DeAngelis. Jean Wilder, Doug Turner and Bill O'Connell who helped with clean up in the kitchen. And of course, Shelley Nicholson and Erin Gendreau who were our Bartenders for the evening.

We also want to thank the many members who donated items for the prize table. Without your support we could not have had such a wonderful raffle this year.

Thank you,

Co-Chairs

Kelli Snow and David Bonnett

Fair Parade

Special thank you from Scott Greaves:

“It was a success.

Thanks to all our members who came down to buy food. Was a lot of fun.”

Scott Greaves

Ray Lavallee

Rindy Lavallee

Mike Moore

Building Bridges

Bob Mott

Pete Broughan

Jerry Letourneau (Montyague)

Scholarships are now available online!

All applications must use official Massachusetts Elks Scholarship Inc. forms

Visit maelks.org/scholarships or scan the QR code

The Directors will consider the following criteria when awarding scholarship awards:

- Academic Standing
- Demonstrated family financial need
- Evidence of leadership and citizenship

Applicants should note that MA Elks Scholarship, Inc. awards are made to students across the state, and that every effort is made to achieve geographic balance in the offering of these awards. Before preparing this application, students should read carefully the procedures outlined and follow completely. No requests for assistance will be considered until a complete application, including all attachments are on file. Deadline for receipt of application and supporting documents to the local lodge is January 15th.



Delinquent Members as of 10/1/2025

3750 Matthew Abbey
3716 Shawn Atamaniuk
3263 Lance Barton
2564 Tom Bergeron
3391 Joe Bysiewski
2990 Christopher Clark
3421 Richard Golosh
3722 Jedadiah Henry
3799 Stephen Hussey
3050 Jason Kelton
3781 Jillian Lizotte
3505 Peter Mciver
3769 Julio Mendez
2804 Michael Morawski
3789 Jolynn Novak
3596 John Passiglia
3729 Glen Pasterczyk
3783 Andrew Phillips
3745 Michael Scroggin
3793 Richard Stevens
3630 PER Chad Wright
3320 Alan Zraunig

Greenfield Lodge of Elks #1296 \$10,000. Holiday Drawing

**Tickets will be available the first week of
October at the bar and from ticket sellers.**

**If you would like to sell tickets or have any
questions, Please contact
Mark Lavin
413-829-1041**



Greenfield Lodge of Elks #1296

\$10,000. Holiday Drawing

You Could Win

1st Prize \$10,000.

2nd Prize \$1,000.

3rd Prize \$500.

4th & 5th Prizes \$250.

Only 200 Tickets

Being Sold

\$100. Donation Per Ticket

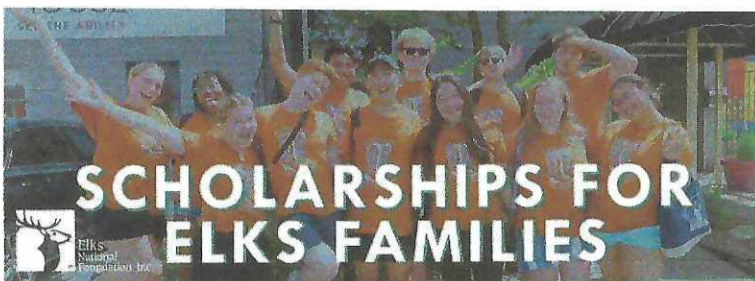
December 6, 2025

Free Smorgasbord 2PM - Band 3PM - 7PM

Drawing at 6PM

**Elks Lodge #1296 reserves the right to cancel drawing and
return fee if less than 150 tickets are sold**





SCHOLARSHIPS FOR ELKS FAMILIES

LEGACY AWARDS

The Elks National Foundation awards **\$1.4 million** in college scholarships worth **\$4,000** each to a total of 350 children and grandchildren of Elks members.

ELIGIBILITY

College-bound high school seniors who are the children or grandchildren of dues-paying Elks are encouraged to apply. Visit enf.elks.org/leg for full eligibility details.

JUDGING CRITERIA

Applications are evaluated based on their commitment to the core values of the ENF:

- ← Knowledge
- ← Community Service
- ← Charity
- ← Integrity

SERVICE

Legacy scholars are required to serve with the Elks throughout college to receive their scholarship funds. Visit enf.elks.org/LegVolunteer to learn more.

APPLICATIONS

Available online starting **September 2, 2025** at enf.elks.org/leg.

DEADLINE

On or before **February 2, 2026**.

Elks National Foundation, Inc.
2750 N. Lakeview Avenue | Chicago, IL 60614
elks.org/scholars | scholarship@elks.org



EMERGENCY EDUCATIONAL GRANTS

Undergraduate financial assistance for children of deceased or totally disabled Elks in the form of renewable, one-year grants of up to **\$5,000**. This grant is for educational assistance only and is not intended to cover the entire cost of a college education.

ELIGIBILITY

- ← Attend an accredited United States college or university as a full-time (12 semester hours) undergraduate student.
- ← Demonstrate financial need
- ← Be unmarried and under the age of 24 during the academic year for which assistance is desired.

APPLICATIONS

Available by request between **May 1** and **December 31** of the academic year for which assistance is desired.

To request an application, contact the ENF Scholarship Office at 773/755-4732 or scholarship@elks.org.

LEARN MORE

For more information about Emergency Educational Grants, visit enf.elks.org/EEG.

Elks National Foundation, Inc.
2750 N. Lakeview Avenue | Chicago, IL 60614
elks.org/scholars | scholarship@elks.org

Area 1 Build A Bed

Join us for a special charity event dedicated to making a positive impact on our community. Let's create meaningful change together and give support to those in need.



Event Highlights

- 15 beds to be built!
- Help children in our communities!
- Several ways to help!

How to Participate

- **Attend the Event**
 - Bring a team of 3-5 people to build
 - Volunteer to be part of the kitchen crew, registration table, etc.
- **Donate**
 - Twin size sheets
 - Blankets
 - Pillows



EVENT DETAILS

OCTOBER 4, 2025 ↙

GARDNER LODGE #1426
31 PARK ST.
GARDNER MA 01440
9:00AM



Greenfield Elks

Fall Pitch League 2025

To Sign up

**Call or Text Mike Larabee
413-626-1038**

**10 Weeks Pitch Plus
50/50 Raffle**

**October 8, 2025
to**

December 17, 2025

Fee: \$60. Cash Only

**Payment Collected First
Week**

October 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm DD Visitation	2 12:00 pm - 12:30 pm PER Linda Gorey Birthday	3	4 9:00 am - 3:00 pm Build A Bed 3:30 pm - 6:30 pm Notre Dame vs Boise State
5 12:00 pm - 12:30 pm PER John O'Connell Birthday 8:00 pm - 11:30 pm Patriots vs Buffalo Bills	6	7	8 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm Pitch League	9	10	11 3:30 pm - 6:30 pm Notre Dame vs N.C. state
12 3:15 pm - 8:00 pm Patriots vs New Orleans	13	14 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm Board directors-Lodge Meeting 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm Board directors-Lodge Meeting	15 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm Pitch League	16 12:00 pm - 12:30 pm PER Dave Sprague Birthday 6:30 pm - 9:30 pm DD Visitation Montague	17	18 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm Notre Dame vs USC 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm Notre Dame vs USC
19 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm Patriots vs Titans	20 12:00 pm - 12:30 pm PER Robert T. Killay Birthday	21	22 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm Pitch League	23	24	25
26 12:30 pm - 6:00 pm DD Neal Jennison Visitation 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm Patriots vs Cleveland Browns	27	28 12:00 pm - 12:30 pm PER Gary Gadreault Birthday 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm BOD and Lodge Meeting	29 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm Pitch League	30	31	