

"The Greenfield Elk"

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Lodge Hoop Shoot will be on Saturday December 19th at 9am. This year will bring us back to the YMCA. The Hoop Shoot is for boys and girls ages 8-13 as of April 1st, 2027. Help is needed to make this event work. Please see Mike Blanchard if interested in helping.



E.R. Jake Hagen
E.L.K. Mark Lavin Per
E.L.K. Harold Breite PDD LM
E.L.K. James Bozek
Esquire Neal Jennison PDD
Sec. Michael Blanchard PDD LM
Treas. Timothy Herzig LM
Tiler Robert Mott PDD LM
Inner Guard Robert Killay JR.
Chaplain Sue Breite
Trustees:
1 yr. Michael Moore
2 yr. John Williams
3 yr. Penny Ricketts
4 yr. Scott Greaves PER
5yr. David Sprague 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

Coming Events

Pitch League Starts
October 7th

± "IN MEMORIUM"

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

"To our absent member"

Happy Fall everyone,

September was quite the month for our lodge. We had a great turnout for the night of the fair parade. It was great to see everyone enjoying their time. The annual golf tournament scholarship fundraiser was another huge success and the turnout for the banquet packed the lodge. It's great to see everyone who is involved with events such as this one. The volunteers are just as impressive as the ones who participate. There is so much that goes into making everything happen for just this event alone. We are looking for more volunteers next year, with an emphasis on helping out at the tent on the course. Please, if you or someone you know has any interest in helping with this or any other event come forward.

We also had our District Deputy pre-visit, and I am proud to say that the District Deputy Chris Melanson was very impressed with the workings of our lodge. I want to thank our members and our officers who continue their hard work. This month we will be having our District Deputy visitation on Tuesday October 27th, in which new members will be initiated. I encourage anyone who would like to watch the ritual and support our incoming members to join.

As always, spread the word of membership and encourage others to join the great Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. If you know anyone looking for ways to volunteer for their community, this could be a great avenue for them. Thank you everyone.

Jake Hagen

Exalted Ruler

October Birthday's

02 Stephen A. Garanin
02 Linda A. Gorey
02 Jason M. Kelton
02 Stephen L. Kennedy
03 Helen M. O'Gorman
04 Greg David Bergeron
05 John P. O'Connell PER
06 James K. Burke
06 James Giard
08 Timothy Markowski
09 Kathryn R. Patterson
10 Greg Jurek
10 Peter McIver
11 Glenn Silva
12 John J. Kaczinski
12 Richard A. Rowell
13 Linda Hall
15 Linda Baker
16 David R. Sprague PER
17 Corey P. O'Connell
18 Gregory F. Call
20 Jacquelyn M. Boyden
20 Robert T. Killay
20 Donald A. Roy
23 Shaun Coughlin
23 Eric Schatz
26 Stephen D. Jurek
28 Kyle Gaines
28 John Stacy
30 Matthew R. Zraunig
31 William R. Childs
31 Douglas F. Houle

Sickness and Distress

AT HOME:

Chet Saharaceski PER
Scott DiGeorge
David McCarthy

At Regal Care:

John O'Connell PER

At Northampton Nursing Home:

John P. Jenest

Computation of Grand Lodge Dues: 2026-2027

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 \$37.00 per Member.* The Breakdown of the total Grand Lodge Per Capita And Assessments for the 2026-2027 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 online 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>

Upcoming Events

October 3rd Grand Exalted Ruler Ball

October 13th Lodge Meeting

October 24th LRC Fundraiser Chicopee Lodge

October 27th District Deputy Visitation

LODGE DUES 2026-2027

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 #

From Lodge Secretary

Members All,

On Tuesday October 13th we will be discussing the purchase of new Bar stools at our Lodge Meeting. We invite you all to attend and give us your feedback. Your input will go a long way in deciding which chairs we will purchase. It is imperative that we get your input or the lodge officers will then be making the final decision on this matter.

Fraternally,

Michael W. Blanchard PDD

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Lodge Secretary

Hi all,

Tickets for the \$10,000 Drawing. The tickets have been printed and will be distributed in the first week of October. Tickets will also be placed behind the bar by October 8. If you want to sell tickets, please note the time of the smorgasbord, band, and drawing. There are a lot more people selling tickets this year. I believe tickets will go fast. You don't want to wait and miss out. Ray and Rindy have offered to cook again this year for the drawing. I will be going into the kitchen after the drawing to help with cleanup. I am also looking for others to help with cleanup. The band this year will be Chicken Wire.

Mark Lavin

PER x2

Leading Knight

**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

Drawing

December 5, 2026 at 5:30PM

Free Smorgasbord 2PM - Band 4PM-7PM

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

November 8th

1PM

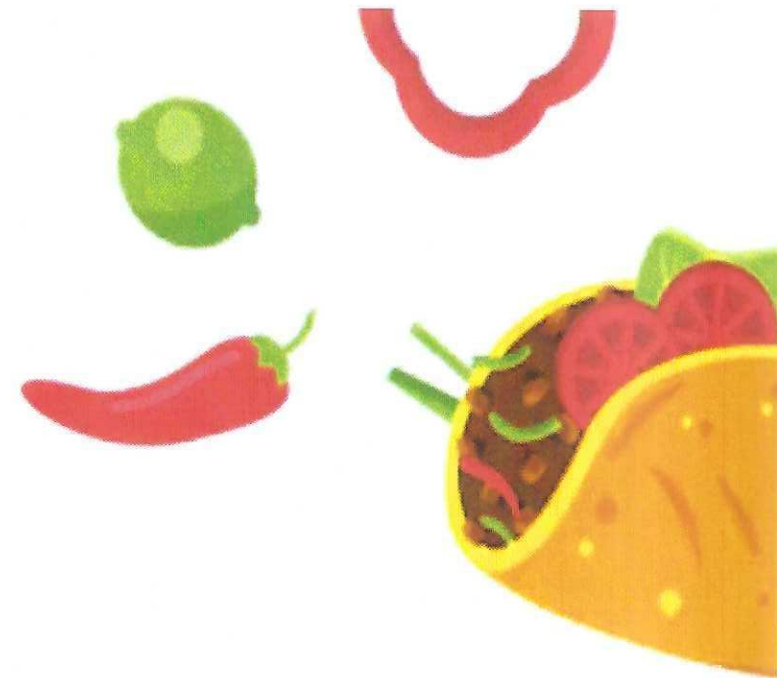
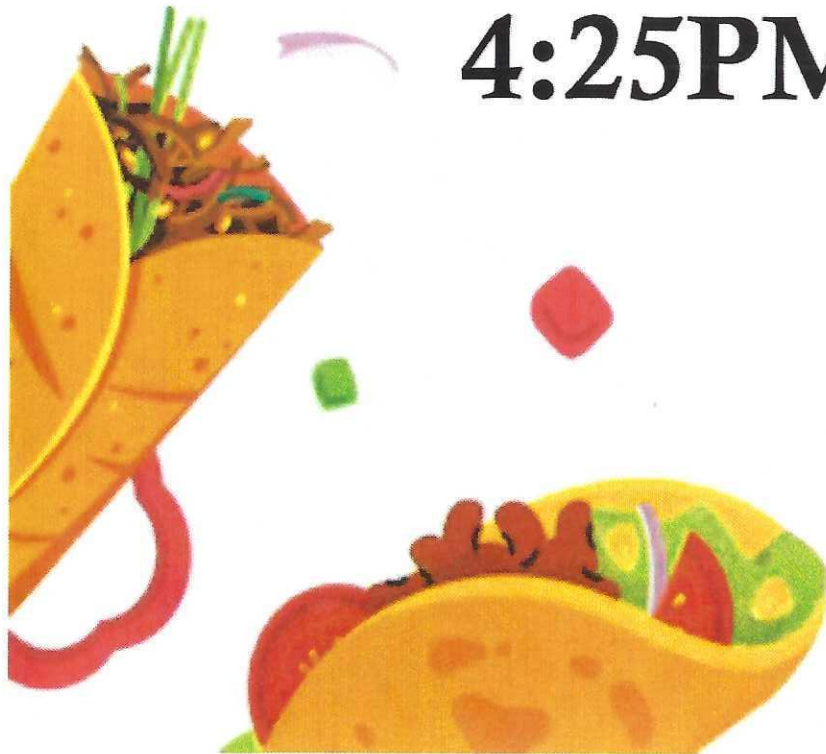
Taco Bar

\$3.00 Each

**Patriots Start at
4:25PM**

**Wear Your Favorite Team
Shirt!**

**Proceeds Benefit the
Christmas Party Kids**



ELKS HOOP SHOOT FREE THROW CONTEST



**UNLEASH GRIT AND HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY
TO PUT YOUR NAME IN THE NAISMITH
MEMORIAL BASKETBALL HALL OF FAME**

CONTEST LOCATION: Greenfield YMCA

HOSTED BY: Greenfield Elks LODGE NO. 1296

DATE: 12/19/26 TIME: 9AM

DIRECTOR: Michael Blanchard CONTACT: 413-824-1931

The Elks Hoop Shoot, funded by the Elks National Foundation, is a free throw contest for children ages 8 to 13. Age group is determined by contestant's age as of April 1, 2027. For more information, contact the Lodge Elks Hoop Shoot Director listed above or visit elks.org/hoopshoot.



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Foundation, Inc.

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October 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 2:30 pm - 6:00 pm GER BALL
4	5	6 6:30 pm - 7:15 pm Orientation of new Members	7	8	9	10
11	12	13 6:00 pm - 7:45 pm Lodge Meeting	14	15 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm Building Bridges Luncheon	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24 9:00 pm - 11:00 am PRE Visit Auburn
25	26	27 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm Diostrict Deputy Visitation	28	29 12:00 pm - 1:15 pm Building Bridges Luncheon	30	31