

# THE ELKS HOOFPRINT

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## ER Message: To all Members and Families,

This is my last message to you as your Exalter Ruler. It is hard to believe my term as your ER is coming to an end. I appreciate the opportunity to have served this Lodge and I hope my term as your ER will be remembered by the members in a positive way. A sign of a good Lodge is exactly what we accomplished. We paid all our bills and still met our commitments to both the Grand Lodge and our community. In these economic times, that's a fact that deserves recognition.

Any Exalted Ruler can only be as effective as those willing to volunteer and help during his term. I was fortunate to have so many who were willing to help out when the need arose. I cannot say enough for those of you who did come forward and helped thru out the year. Space would not allow me to list all of your names in this message, but I did try to recognize your contributions during the past year in my monthly messages of the "Elks Hoofprint".

I would like to thank the Lady Elk's for all that they do for this Lodge. Not only do they support many charitable and worthwhile causes throughout the year, they also donate many hours as volunteers for this organization. They are probably this Lodge's greatest ambassadors. The work they do and the causes they support have always contributed to enhancing the image of the Elks in this community.

I also have to thank the officers of this Lodge. If we did not have individuals willing to commit their time as officers, there would not (could not) be a Greenfield Elks Lodge No. 1720. Until you have served as an officer, you cannot appreciate the time these individuals donate to this great organization. And whenever I had to be away for whatever reason, they always stepped in and filled in during my absence. I could not have asked for a greater team than the one that supported me during this past year.

This has been a very rewarding year for me. It has given me the opportunity to personally get to know so many of our members. You, the members, are what makes this Lodge so special. I know you will give our new ER, Steve Hinds the same support that you have given me.

Thanks for making this a very special year for me.

*Ed Dennis*

### **Current ENF Standings for Lodge #1720**

- Amount Raised: **\$1055.00**
- Per-Capita: **\$4.65**

## Trustee Notes:

The Trustee's would like to thank Jace Grinstead and Perry Gilsapy for their help in completing some task in the lodge over the last month. In March, we will start to do some outdoor projects as weather permits.



### **Friday Night Meals for March:**

- Mar 6<sup>th</sup>** – Fresh Lake Perch
- Mar 13<sup>th</sup>** – Filet Night
- Mar 17<sup>th</sup>** – Corn Beef & Cabbage Dinner
- Mar 20<sup>th</sup>** – Stuffed Pork Chop
- Mar 27<sup>th</sup>** – Rib Night & Trivia

## Leading Knight's Corner:

The officers and I would like to thank all of you for your generous support to all the projects during the Elks Calendar year 2008. Many events come to my mind as I reflect on 2008. One of the major events was the first Annual Golf Outing in September. What a success it was, because of the effort of the leaders and participation of the membership. A number of benefit events during 2008 proved very successful and it's moments like that prove what Elkdom is all about. As we move to the new Elks calendar year, let's keep in mind what we are all about here at Greenfield Lodge #1720

Nominations for the following positions were made at the February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2009 Lodge Session:

Exalted Ruler: Steve Hinds  
Esteemed Leading Knight: Missy Cross  
Esteemed Loyal Knight: Ed Dennis  
Esteemed Lecturing Knight: Jeff Willoughby  
Champlain: Beth Willoughby  
Secretary: John Bodell  
Treasurer: Dick Cross  
Tiler: Open  
Trustee: Mike Jack  
Trustee: Cory Johnson  
Trustee: Dee Carmichael  
Trustee: Dave Renn  
Trustee: Jace Grinstead

Election of officers will be held at the March 25th, 2009 Lodge Session. The voting hours will be from 7:30 to 9:00 PM.

## Installation of Officers for Lodge 1720

Greenfield Lodge # 1720 will install our newly elected officers on Saturday, April 4, 2009 at 6:00 PM. The social gathering will begin at 4:00 PM. Appetizers are needed. Our members always make this a special time. Please help us out again. Thank you.

## *ELKS Care and Elks Share*

*Steve Hinds – Leading Knight*

## Kid's Corner:



**March Activities:** HEY KIDS!!!! Come down for a pizza party on Tuesday April 7 at 6:30 p.m. Please bring at least 1 non-perishable food item for the food pantry donation box that evening. At this meeting, we will be preparing the Veteran's donation boxes for delivery. There are a couple surprises planned.

Hope to see you there, *Heather Huber*

## Hello Ladies:

Hi Ladies, Hope this finds you all well. Wed. Mar. 11Th we'll be going to El Nepal (where Bonnie and Clyde's used to be). Meet at the club at about 6:30. Please plan to attend as we are trying to plan a trip to Indiana Downs and some fund raising events and your input is always appreciated. Don't forget, we're going to The Melting Pot on April 8Th.

Hope to see you soon, **Barri**

**Sickness & Distress:** Please keep all those who have illness, injury or other distress in your thoughts and prayers. Send information of anyone who needs to be mentioned here to Steve Hinds at [rshinds0123@yahoo.com](mailto:rshinds0123@yahoo.com) for inclusion into next month's newsletter.

Tip Of The Antlers



**Thank You** to all the volunteers that served bar, worked in the kitchen, participated in the Benefit, cleaned or repaired things at the Lodge and anyone else that stepped up to help in February. Thanks goes to Jace Grinstead and Perry Gilsapy for helping out with building issues. Folks please... send notes of thanks to Steve Hinds at [rshinds0123@yahoo.com](mailto:rshinds0123@yahoo.com) that can be included in our next newsletter for all those folks that help out in any way. They need to be recognized.

## Notes from the Lecturing Knight:

Is everyone ready for spring yet? I know everyone hates to hear this, but dues are due at the end of the month. Please try to get them in ASAP. We have to pay our national, state, and district dues by May. The ER Ball will be held on April 4th or 5th, look for flyers and emails. The Ritual team has been practicing very hard. We are trying to win the State competition as the last team from the Great Central District. We need your help at the meetings; input from the members is the only way the officers know what the members want. Come and let us know what you would like to see done at the lodge, (parties, outings, dinners, etc....).

*Thanks and see you at the lodge.  
Jeff Willoughby, PER*

### The Rental of the Banquet Hall

For weddings, showers, family parties, birthdays, etc. Why not use the Lodge? All members are invited to rent our banquet hall for Family functions at a discounted rate. Non-members are also invited to use our facilities at reasonable rates. For details, please call the Lodge at 317 462-5301 and speak to Club Manager, Shelly Gilaspy.

**Monthly Draw:** Will you be the one to take home the money!

March 5th

7:30 pm

\$20.00 per ticket

TOP PRIZE = \$1,000 (50 total players)

See Steve Hinds for tickets – there's a waiting list if no slots are available



# The Secretary's Report:

Some of the items discussed and/or voted on at the last month's Lodge meetings included:

- The Scholarship Dinner was somewhat of success, we could have had a little better turnout, but still monies were raised for a great cause.
- The last Central District meeting will be in Franklin on March 7th starting at 3pm with a dinner and a party afterwards. If you wish to attend, be sure to get with one of the Lodge officers as soon as possible.
- The Lodge By-Laws are being revised for the Grand Lodge. Be sure to come to the meetings for further information.
- Life membership was granted to our Treasurer Dick Cross. Congratulations, Dick!
- Poker Night March 12th has been moved to March 14th for a special Hold'em fundraiser.

**John Bodell**  
Secretary

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Tiler – Becky Young, Esquire - Perry Gilaspy, Chaplain - Shelly Gilaspy.

**TRUSTEES:** Mike Jack, Dee Carmichael, Cory Johnson, David Renn

**CLUB MANAGER:** – Shelly Gilaspy

**CLUB OPEN:** Monday through Thursday 4 - 7 pm / Friday Dinner 6 – 8 pm

# Greenfield Elks Lodge # 1720 Calendar March/April

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Euchre Night Sponsored by Harvey Reeves	3 Sandwiches	4 Lodge Meeting	5 Texas Hold'em 7pm  Monthly Draw 7:30pm	6 Fresh Lake Perch	7 Central District Meeting at Franklin
8	9 Euchre Night Sponsored by Harvey Reeves	10 Sandwiches	11 Lady's Night/Meeting	12 Texas Hold'em 	13 Filets	14 Texas Hold'em
15	16 Euchre Night Sponsored by Harvey Reeves	17 Corn Beef & Cabbage Dinner 	18 Lodge Meeting	19 Texas Hold'em 	20 Stuffed Pork Chop	21
22	23 Euchre Night Sponsored by Harvey Reeves	24 Sandwiches	25	26 Texas Hold'em 	27 Rib Night Trivia / Music	28 Ritual Contest Anderson, In
29	30 Euchre Night Sponsored by Harvey Reeves	31 Sandwiches	1 Lodge Meeting	2 Texas Hold'em 	3 Menu	4 ER Ball 6pm
5	6 Euchre Night Sponsored by Harvey Reeves	7 Sandwiches	8 Ladies Night / Meeting	9 Texas Hold'em 	10 Filet Night	11
12	13 Euchre Night Sponsored by Harvey Reeves	14 Sandwiches	15 Lodge Meeting	16 Texas Hold'em 	17 Menu	18