April & May 2010

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	Lodge Steak Raffle - 6:15 PM	Attleboro and Marshfield Lodges - 3:30
4 Easter	5 Lodge Meeting	6	7	8 PER Meeting - 7:00	9 Lodge Steak Raffle - 6:15 PM	Installation of 10 Weymouth Lodge - 3:30 News Articles due!
11 Installation of Mansfield Lodge - 1:30	12	13	14	15 Tax Day	16 Lodge Steak Raffle - 6:15 PM	Lodge clean up -17 10:00 am Lodge Meat Raffle: 4 - 7 PM
18	19 Patriots Day! (no lodge meeting)	20 Lodge Meeting	21 Secretaries Day!	22	23 Lodge Steak Raffle - 6:15 PM	24 DD Meat Raffle - 4:00
25	26	27	28	29	30 Lodge Steak Raffle - 6:15 PM	Kentucky Derby - ¹ 4:00 pm
State Regional ² Meeting Taunton	Lodge Meeting 7PM	4	Cinco 5 DeMayo Day	6	7 Lodge Steak Raffle - 6:15 PM	8
9 Mothers Day!	10 News Articles due!	11	12	13	14 Lodge Steak Raffle - 6:15 PM	15 State President's Testimonial - Swansea
16	Lodge Meeting 7PM	18	19	20	Lodge Steak 21 Raffle - 6:15 PM Spring Raffle	22
23	24	25	26	27	28 Lodge Steak Raffle - 6:15 PM	29
30	31 Memorial Day!					



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MEETINGS 7:00 P.M. (New Time)

The dest way to predict the future is to create it.

Tom Eggers - FY 10-11 Dan Felock - FY 11-12 Michael Smallcomb, PER - FY 12-13 Dana Kemp - FY 13-14 Paul Spyridonides, PER, Chair - FY 14-15 **LKUSTEES**

Club Manager Russ Neary John Bilotas Patty McKeon **Dave Duffy** Keith Newell John Finn Patty Cull Ed Belyea, Chairman HOUSE COMMITTEE:

Esquire Scott Breska Chaplain Deb Spyridonides Inner Guard Brian Graziano Tiler Ed Devin Ireasurer John Doogan Secretary Jay Calter, PER, EDDGER Est. Lecturing Knight William Singler Est. Loyal Knight John Cull Est. Leading Knight Sue Singler Exalted Ruler George P. Perkins **OEEICERS:**

Braintree, MA 02184 205 Elm Street B.P.O.E. #2622



Braintree Lodge of Elks #2622

April 2010 NEWSLETTER

GREETING FROM OUR EXALTED RULER:

My Members All - First of all I would like to thank the members for the nomination to be your Exalted Ruler. When I accepted the nomination, I was overwhelmed with the response by the entire membership present.

Being a Trustee for four years and the chairperson for three, I learned a great deal of the inner works of the Lodge; budget, cash flow, insurance, maintenance, and the list goes on and on.

I would like to see other members get involved with their lodge. Start with a committee that may interest you and possibly go on maybe as an Officer? Start Small!

In closing, I will do the best that I can with the time on my hands to do the best job as YOUR Exalted Ruler. Remember, we are ALL human, I will make mistakes, and I WILL learn from them.

Fraternally Yours,

George P. Perkins, Exalted Ruler

Members and Friends of Braintree Lodge:

Spring is here! Congratulations Exalted Ruler George Perkins (pictured to the right)! Don't forget our Kentucky Derby Day on May 1st. Post time is 4 o'clock pm. Please come down and have some fun all while benefiting the lodge. We have a busy year ahead and we have a great group of officers and members who are ready to work very hard to make Braintree Lodge successful. Won't you join us?

Fraternally,

Sue Singler, Est. Leading Knight

Thank You...

We would like to thank the following members for their generous donations to the Lodge Scholarship Fund; Richard Murray, Brad Cartwright, Brian MacDonald, Ray Dicicco, Jr., John Nolan, and Mark Carey.

ELK OF THE MONTH: "ALL OF YOU"

All those members who advised me, encouraged me and helped me while being a Trustee of our Lodge. There are way too many of you to mention, and I would have to pay for a full page addition. You all are my Elk of the Month. Thank you.



I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE MEMBERS FOR GIVING ME THE CHANCE TO BE YOUR LOYAL KNIGHT. I ASK ALL MEMBERS AND OFFICERS PAST AND PRESENT FOR THEIR ASSISTANCE, GUIDANCE, STRENGTH AND SUPPORT IN THE UPCOMING YEAR AND IN THE FUTURE.

AND FINALLY AND I KNOW YOU HAVE ALL HEARD THIS BEFORE, BUT PLEASE GET INVOLVED IN THE ACTIVITIES AND FUNCTIONS AT YOUR LODGE. I THINK THE LODGE NEEDS THIS IN ORDER TO BE A SUCCESSFUL LODGE.IF YOU HAVE ANY IDEAS OR COMMENTS PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CONTACT ME. FRATERNALLY,

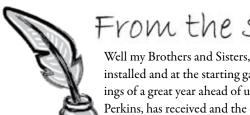
JOHN CULL, EST. LOYAL KNIGHT



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From the Secretary's Desk

Well my Brothers and Sisters, the Lodge is complete with all of our Officers installed and at the starting gate waiting for the bell. It certainly has all the makings of a great year ahead of us, with the support that our Exalted Ruler, George Perkins, has received and the outpouring of help and ideas that all of our future leaders of the lodge are also accepting. Plans are starting to develop and our future is looking better and better. There is only one thing missing that would make it a

full circle. The "U" in "US". Us as a Lodge. It doesn't take one, or two, or even three officers to make it happen; it takes the entire lodge. Get behind the officers. Some of you haven't been seen for quite awhile, come on down, you've been missed.

We still have alot of you that have not sent in your dues! You asked for notices, you got them. Reminders in the bulletin, you got them. Please make the effort to send them in because as of April 1 you will be delinquent. Also a reminder: the door card has changed and so have the locks.

Thank you also to the many members who have donated with their dues to ENF, the Lodge Scholarship, the State Association Scholarship, and the Bulletin Boosters. All of it is very well appreciated and again thank you for making that big difference in a little way. Many are grateful.

A special thanks go out to all of you who helped out with the installation. Especially to our head chef, Butchie McLain for preparing such a delicious meal

Now let's get down to business and making this lodge stronger!

Fraternally,

Jay Calter, PER/Lodge Secretary

District Deputy Meat Raffle Fundraiser

To help our DD Designate Jay defer some of the expenses of his DD appointment, on **SATURDAY, APRIL 24** a Different Kind of Meat Raffle will take place starting at 4 pm. featuring "**Dave the CHICKEN MAN**" from Halfway Cafe. Bring a friend, bring your neighbor, bring your neighbor, bring an in-law (whether you like them or not). Get the point....come on down and join the fun!!

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April 2011

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- 19 Daniel Wilson
- Thomas E. Eggers John W. Nolan
- 23 John T. Downey
- 28 Stephen B. Greeley
- 30 Edward G. Sisk

PER Meeting

Thursday April 8th 7 pm Election of officers, plans for the year

TEXAS HOLD 'EM

North Attleboro Lodge May 1, 2010 - 6:00 registration \$50.00

Congratulations to our winner of the

"Pot of Gold"!!

Frank Barone

2nd VP. of the State Assoc.
Thank you to all who participated!,
Sue Singler

Mint Juleps and Roses... Braintree Lodge "Kentucky Derby Day"

May 1, 2010 - Post time is 4:00 PM

Come cheer on your favorites! Ladies wear your loveliest hats...

We will have a "LOVELY" prize for the best of the best..

Monies to benefit our Veteran's Summer Cookout

See Will or Sue Singler for details

ANNUAL LODGE CLEAN-UP

SATURDAY April 17th, 10am.

Please bring your brooms.

Hopkins "Hoppie"

shovels, rakes and energy

Help is greatly needed!!

Burgers and dogs <u>after</u> we work!!

HELD: SATURDAY MARCH 6, 2010

Dick Singler, and many more winners!

Thanks to all who participated.

Mike Hopkins and Kellie Boudreau

Liquor Basket #1 w/ gifts inside - Marilyn Nelson

Liquor Basket #2 w/ gifts inside - Mark Sherman

DUES ARE DUE
Dues are due
And we know who
And so do you
The year is new

SO PLEASE...
pay your dues!

The PER Association would like to congratulate and wish Exalted Ruler- **George Perkins** and all the Officers a successful year.

PERS, remember you are vital to the lodge and any assistance you can the Officers I am sure will be welcomed.

PER-Michelle Smallcomb

WINNERS OF THE BRAINTREE ELKS #2622 RAFFLE

Golf for 4 at the Braintree Municipal Golf Course - Bill Hayes "Wild Bill"

Quincy Athletic Club gift certificate (\$169.00 value) - Ed Belyea "Binkie"

Authentic uncut dollar bills (4) with documentation (Silver dollar collection) -

ANNUAL AWARDS

Hands on Health Massage (\$85.00 value) - John "The Sandman"

Golf for 2 at the Chemawa Golf Course in North Attleboro, MA - Steve

Congratulations to PER David Shaw

for being honored by members of the Lodge as an Honorary Life Member.

Well deserved David!

Hope to see you at the April 17th Meat Raffle!

Bring friends, win some meat or maybe the 50/50!

Please bring a non-perishable food item for the food pantry! Fraternally,

Will Singler, Est. Lecturing Knight

Motion to be voted on at the May 3, 2010 Lodge meeting:

To apply for a line of equity with the Braintree Cooperative Bank for the amount of, and not to exceed, \$60,000. The purpose of this request is to retain professional consultants, surveyors, and legal counsel towards the possibility and feasibility, of a new complex.

This was so ordered, voted and approved by the body at the May 4, 2009 meeting.

To clarify the above, by passing this motion it is merely giving the Building Committee the availability to fund the appropriate professional services necessary to continue the exploration of the feasibly of a new building (eg. lawyer, surveyor). Once we, as a body, approve our means of financing, we must then fill out the application to Grand Lodge for their approval of our financing and feasibility. After that, the Building Committee will report to the body their suggested professionals along with their contracts to be decided on by the body. Only then will any contracts be signed and mones be spent. All notifications and voting dates will be placed in the Lodge Bulletin as per Grand Statutes.

Respectfully,

Your Building Committee

Sickness and Distress

PER Frank Dutton is home resting after a heart attack.

GREAT to see **Dennis McColgan** getting some GREAT NEWS! Elk prayers do help.

SPRING RAFFLE

To Help OUR DD Designate
One deck of cards, \$20.00 a piece MAY 21st 7:30 pm -- 30-40 prizes.
Grills, spring clean-up tools, lawn
decor, whatever......

YOU MUST BE THERE TO PICK YOUR PRIZE!!!

OTHERWIZE the **people** pick it for you! If you dare to trust them. See Jay 4 ur card !!!



ELK OF THE YEAR:

WILLY SINGLER

HANK JOYCE

PER ELK AWARD: SUE SINGLER

OFFICER OF THE YEAR:

JOHN CULL



