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2 Year: Dolores Branco
1 Year: Judy Dacyczyn



Exalted Ruler's Message

2014 - 2015



Dear Members,

It certainly feels like this winter is never going to end but that is not the case for the 2014-2015 Elk year. The installation of officers here in Montague for the 2015-2016 Elk year and awards night is Saturday April 4th.

Please join me in welcoming the newest members to our lodge initiated on Feb 19th.

I want to thank the members for the opportunity to represent this lodge as Exalted Ruler; it has been a year full of many great experiences that my wife and I will always remember. I also want to extend my sincere appreciation to the members, officers, committee chairs and committee members that volunteered countless hours and truly put their hearts as well as their hard work into the events of this past year. I look forward to working with you all in the years to come as we continue the 40 year tradition of being a great lodge, a great family, and a pillar in the community.

Fraternally,
Jacob Rose
Exalted Ruler

“From the Secretary’s Desk”

LIFE MEMBERSHIP ELIGIBILITY

The following Members are eligible for Life Membership and will be read at the March 5, 2015 Meeting and Voted at the March 19, 2015 Meeting.

Randall O Bernard
Frederick H Darwell
William C Gaida
Alfred P Haskins
James B Koldis
Arthur B Lewis
Bruce M Reipold
Andrew P Rewa Jr
Herbert W Voudren Jr
Leon J Woznakewicz

Minimum Requirements: Age 65, Years as an Elk 30, Consecutive years as a member of this Lodge 10.

OFFICIAL FINAL NOTICE

The following members may be dropped for non-payment of dues if the dues are not paid by March 31, 2015

C. Anderson	M. Flemming	G. Leblanc	R. Richardson Jr.
D. Argy	J. Gallagher	D. Letourneau	J. Sinclair
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T. Demers	J. Kenney	T. Prentice	
T. Dodge	J. Laczynski	P. Reipold	
G. Emery	T. Laczynski	T. Remillard	



VETERANS CORNER



For MA Veteran's Information:

www.mass.gov/veterans

savemassveterans@gmail.com

The Elks year will soon draw to an end and the Veterans Committee wanted to inform everyone that supported our fund raisers throughout the year how we spent our funds.

We were able to participate in "Wreaths Across America" which is a program to purchase wreaths to honor and remember our fallen hero soldiers.

With your help we purchased ten tickets to the Worcester Sharks vs. Norfolk Admirals hockey game and were able to send ten Veterans from Leeds to the game in Worcester on Veterans Appreciation Night,

We also donated to the Thomas Memorial Country Club flags and wreaths to be placed on graves in cemeteries in the Town of Montague.

"Salute to our Veterans" on WHAI and Bear Country which ran June 30th thru July 4th

The VA in Leeds has bowling lanes that vets were unable to use because they were in need of repair and no money for that, we were able to have the lanes repaired for them.

They were in need of a 100 cup coffee pot, we purchased that and coffee.

We go every month for Bingo where we purchase and serve soda and ice cream along with a cash Bingo. Because some of these Veterans are handicapped they use special bingo cards that have large print with pull down tabs. They are very expensive to buy. We were able to purchase two cases of these. Bingo at Leeds is done once a month ten months of the year which cost \$150.00 per month.

Large print playing cards were purchased thru out the year for them as well.

Christmas gift bags are done for 300 Veterans. Everyone gets a gift bag filled with hats, combs, playing cards, dice, socks, Elks veterans pins, fruit cup, canteen bucks, chap stick, hand lotion and Christmas cards. We purchased an extra \$200.00 in "canteen bucks" used to purchase items at the canteen or the retail store

Just wanted to let you all know that your support helps a lot and we assure you the Veterans greatly appreciate it, you are not there to hear the thanks and the claps we get when we are there, so we as the committee are giving you thanks from them. We have a very supportive lodge!

That being said when you see us with yet another raffle stop and remember all that we were able to do for our Veterans who fought for our freedom.

Next Bingo March 9th

Next Meeting March 18th



Lounge News & Events!



- ♦ Board of Directors Meeting is the first and third Thursday of each month at 6:30pm
- ♦ Lodge Meeting is the first and third Thursday of each month at 7:30pm, all members are encouraged to attend!
- ♦ The House Committee meets the first Tuesday of every month at 6pm
- ♦ Wii Bowling is every Monday night at 6:00, come down and try it out!
- ♦ There are Ballroom dancing lessons in the upstairs hall every Wednesday night
- ♦ Friday night is meat raffle night! Starts at 4pm and ends at 7pm
- ♦ Upcoming Budget meetings: March 4th and 12th
- ♦ Installation of Officers on Saturday, April 4, 2015

- ♦ Relay for Life meetings - March 3rd and 24th
- ♦ Bingo in Leeds March 9th
- ♦ Veterans Meeting March 18th

St. Patty's Day Party Saturday March 14th!!!

Everyone can be Irish this day! Music starts at 8pm, munchies will be provided. Get your green on and come celebrate with us!

Corn hole tournament Sunday March 1st and 22nd. Registration 12:00 noon, play starts at 1:00. Entry fee is \$5.00 per person and partners will be decided by luck of the draw.

Sunday Morning Breakfast at the Montague Elks Charity fundraiser to benefit:

February Breakfast 2-22-14 Benefit Edge Basketball Team

March Breakfast 3-29-14 Benefit Montague Police and Fire

Comedy Night Fundraiser to benefit the Turners Falls Girls Community Basketball program ~ March 28th, doors open at 7 & show starts at 7:30. Tickets are \$15 in advance \$20 at the door. See Karen Cooke for tickets.

Mass Elks Association Events

March 1 & 8 - Candlepin Bowling Tournament, Norwood Sport Center, Norwood

March 7 - Pool Tournament, Jillian's Billiards, Worcester

March 28 - Regional Hoop Shoot Contest, Portland, ME

March 2015						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				



The Montague Elks Lodge # 2521
Cordially invites you to attend our
Installation of Officers
on Saturday, April 4, 2015

3:30 PM ~ Cocktail hour with hors d'oeuvres

5:00 PM ~ Installation

Dinner and Entertainment to follow

RSVP by
March 21, 2015

Judy L. Hastings
Exalted Ruler - Elect
34 Randall Rd.
Montague, MA 01351



Please respond on or before
March 21, 2015

Name: _____

No. attending: _____

Chicken: _____ Fish: _____

Sunday Morning Charity Fundraiser Breakfast At the Montague Elks

February 22 will benefit Edge Basketball Team

March 29 will benefit Montague Police and Fire



7:30am -10:30am

\$5.00 Single Plate

Eggs, Bacon, Sausage, Homefries

MONTAGUE ELKS MENS TUESDAY NIGHT GOLF LEAGUE

SIGN-UPS IN THE LOUNGE
DURING THE MONTH OF MARCH
(check the bulletin board)

LEAGUE WILL START @ MIDDLE OF APRIL
(weather permitting)

LEAGUE INFORMATIONAL MEETING
TUESDAY - March 24, 2015
7:00 pm
IN THE LOUNGE

DISCUSSION OF RULES AND FORMAT

DUES COLLECTED AT THIS TIME





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Sickness & Distress

Home

Bob Jarvis, Edmond Demers, Dean Letourneau,
Kathy Rimby
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Please contact Judy Hastings at 413-863-8527 if you know of any member who is sick or in the hospital.

They will receive a fruit basket from the Lodge.

FACEBOOK:

Become a Friend of "Montague Elks" on Facebook!

We welcome your thoughts and ideas.

Bulletin

Anyone wanting articles or events listed in the bulletin please e-mail your poster or article information to:

kcooke007@gmail.com

By the **10th** of the month to get in the next bulletin.

Montague Elks Lodge #2521 Lounge Hours

Monday - Wednesday	3pm - 11pm
Thursday & Friday	3pm - 1am
Saturday	12pm - 1am
Sunday	12pm - 10pm



Members, please remember to sign your guests in when you bring them down to the lounge. We love seeing and meeting new people, maybe get them to join us by becoming an Elk!

Don't forget if you are having an event, see Michelle Cloutier for a request form to use the hall. It's a great place to host all kinds of parties for the young and not so young!

Use of the hall is only \$100, if you need the kitchen to cook for your crowd that is available for an additional \$100 and we will even provide a bartender for no extra charge. Not a bad deal for such a big space!


There is a required deposit of \$150 which will be returned to you after your event. So please keep us in mind if you need a place for your next event or party!

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