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Lodge Mtg: first and third Thursday of each month at 7:30pm, all members are encouraged to attend!

House Committee Mtg: first Tuesday of every month at

6pm



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Exalted Ruler's Message 2015 - 2016



Hi Everyone,

Well we are finally in summer mode. Thanks to everyone who went to the Memorial Day Parade. We sure made Montague Elks proud with our participation. Thanks to Linda Ball for her special prayer.

Watch for our Summer Party on August 8th with Ruby's Complaint. It will be lots of fun for all.

Flag Day held on June 9th was a great success with the exception of the weather. The ceremony went well even with it all being held indoors. The Scouts did a great job with the flag display and flag folding. Thanks to Les Chadwick for arranging the Florence VFW8006 Color Guard. They did an excellent job. A special thanks to Holly Brown for your wonderful vocal performance.

Have a great month and hope to see you at the Lodge.

Fraternally,

Judy Hastings, Exalted Ruler

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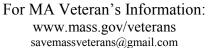
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There will be no bingo or Veterans Committee meeting during the summer months of July and August.

There are still raffle tickets available for the big drawing that raises money for the Steamship Round dinner the 6 Lodge Veterans committees have been providing for our Veterans at The VA Hospital. As you may recall this a once a year event on the first Sunday of August. This year it will be August 2nd. 1st prize is \$1,500.00, 2nd prize \$1,000, 3rd and 4th prize \$500.00, 5th – 8th prize \$100.00.

Please remember our returning Veterans. The cans on the bar raise money for Veterans returning from present conflicts and help toward medical expenses, relocating expenses and overall housing needs especially for those that have physical and/or mental issues as a result of their service for our country. Any lose change helps!

We have anew "Wish List" that will be attached to the blue plastic bin in the Lounge past the island. The Veterans Committee thought long and hard about this month's newsletter. There are so many things we can put down on paper but it would take many pages and we are limited to pages. Remember to hug a Veteran or at least thank them for their service.

"Some gave all, all gave some"

There are plenty of our members who have loved ones, friends or acquaintances that were affected by the war they fought in, WW II, Korea, Vietnam, Operation Desert Storm and the present conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Here are some statistics to ponder:

American deaths through history from the American Revolutionary War to the present Iraq and Afghanistan conflicts. 1,319,943 (MilitaryFactory.com)

WW I 116,516 WW II 405,399 Korea 36,576 Vietnam 58,202 Afghanistan 2,356 Iraq 4,489

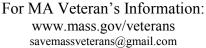
According to "The Wounded Warrior Project" which was founded in 2003, for every soldier killed there are 7 wounded.

6,854 deaths 52,339 wounded 320,000 TBI (traumatic brain injury) 400,000 (PTSD)

Please hug a Veteran and thank him for his service. And when you see the American Flag stand up and salute our "Stars and Stripes" it represents the freedoms we have today and to the future.











"Who will ever forget the sight of firefighters raising our Flag over the ruins of the World Trade Center, the military personnel draping our Flag on the side of the Pentagon, or the citizens of Somerset County, Pennsylvania placing our Flag near the site where brave Americans died fighting the hijackers of flight No. 93? No other symbol could have offered such comfort, as we still, today, endure the horrors of that day.

Today American Armed Forces carry our Flag in the villages of Iraq, the mountains of Afghanistan and the jungles of the Philippines and wherever terrorism may reside. Their struggle against the sponsors of terrorism is the hardest battle yet, and this threat to our nation, and to our way of life, is certainly as great a challenge as our Flag has ever seen.

The resurgence of Patriotism since September 11, 2001, has rekindled respect for our Flag. Today, we see the Star Spangles banner wherever we turn, on home, businesses, automobiles and billboards. Such displays stimulate our love for our nation and for what it stands; they remind us of the sacrifices being made by the men and women of our Armed Forces around the world; and, they are a tribute to the heroes of the Police and Fire Departments the Nation over".

Above was excerpts from our Flag Day Ceremony June 9th provided by Cheri Rose, Leading Knight.

Honor our service men and women this July 4th, and every other day of the year, so that we can celebrate "Independence Day" forever.

From the Secretary's Desk

Another reminder for those who need to get those dues paid. It can be an oversight but we don't want to lose you, it's vacation time and you might want to stop into another lodge while you're on vacation.

A date has been set for our next Initiation, Thursday, July 2, 2015.

Dinner at 6:30 followed by Initiation at 7:30. Indoctrination will be June 25, 2015 at 7:00 PM.

We also have members who have been dropped for whatever reason, do you know someone who might be interested in reinstating.

If you have questions regarding reinstatement please feel free to contact me.

Have a great summer.

Ernest L. Brown, PGLC Lodge Secretary

Elks National Foundation

As this year's ENF Chairman, I have been going through the "giving history" for the Members of this Lodge. I was quite surprised to find that in the past Elk year 2014-2015, out of a Lodge with more than 500 Members, only 49 Members had made any contribution to the ENF. I know that we can do much better than this.

Perhaps some of you don't realize that the ENF exists, or even what it does for our Lodge and the communities that we serve.

Here are a few examples of what the ENF does;

<u>Veterans Services</u>: The ENF offers many programs dedicated to veterans, both Nationally and State supported, most of these funds end up helping our local VA facilities and programs for veterans.

<u>Hoop Shoot</u>: The ENF sponsors Hoop Shoots as part of a program for youth activities, not only at the National Hoop Shoot, but also it helps at all levels from the individual Lodges to the District, State and Regional meets.

<u>Community Services</u>: The ENF provides Grants to Local Lodges to assist in projects in the local communities. Montague Lodge has received several of the Grants, and will certainly apply for more. This year, so far, we have received a Grant to provide helmets to children at the Montague PD Bike Safety Day.

Drug Awareness: The ENF promotes and supports the programs dedicated to making members of the community aware of the problems associated with drug use and preventing our youth from getting involved with drugs.

<u>Scholarships</u>: The ENF provides educational support for students looking to pursue a higher education by offering three different types of awards; Most Valuable Student, Legacy (for children and grandchildren of Elks) and Emergency (to children of deceased or disabled Members). In addition to aiding in support to State level scholarships, both academic and vocational.

As you can see, the ENF not only is a National Foundation, a great deal of money is distributed to our Local Lodge.

Without your help, this cannot happen. Please give what you can. To ensure you get proper credit for your donation, be sure to inform me so I can follow up and be sure you get proper credit for your donation.

Thank you,

Steve Dacyczyn, PER; ENF Chairman



Lounge News & Events!



- 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 raffle night! Starts at 4pm and ends at 7pm

<u>ATTENTION</u>: Starting July 1st, all beer & drink prices will be increasing by 25 cents. There is no increase for soda. Thank you all in advance for your understanding.

REMINDER: From the House Committee—Just a friendly reminder that all drink chips that are still out there have to be used by July 4th. After this date they will no longer be accepted.

- June 25th ~ Indoctrination of new members at 7pm with light refreshments to follow.
- July 2nd ~ Initiation of new members, meal at 6:30pm followed by the meeting at 7:30pm.
- August 8th ~ Luau party with specialty drinks, ice luge, limbo contest and other fun activities! Watch for more information in upcoming bulletins and in the lounge.

RELAY FOR LIFE

A big thank you to all those people who donated items for our many raffles, for those of you who purchased tickets for our many raffles and for all the support you have showed our Relay for Life team.

We really loved the support that was shown us this year.

When the Relay weekend is over, I will let you know exactly how much we made for this wonderful cause. I would like to thank my team:

Linda & Keith Ball, Gary Clough, Jeanne Raymond, Stevie Saharceski, Gary Parker, Penny & Bob Martineau, Jessie White, Judy & Kevin Hastings and my husband Paul.

If anyone would like to join our team just call the Elks and leave your name and I will call you back.

Again, thank you all for everything!

Sincerely,

Michelle Cloutier

Michelle Cloutier is the winner of the grill that was donated by Les & Mickey Chadwick. Thank you everyone for helping us raise \$335 for our Relay for Life team!

On June 6, 2015 at the Massachusetts Elks Association Convention, Stephen J Dacyczyn, PER from the Montague Lodge, number 2521, was installed as a Trustee for the Ma Elks Association representing the West-Central District!

Mass Elks Association Events

July 5-9, 2015 ~ Grand Lodge Convention, Indianapolis, IN

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August 19, 2015 ~ Elks Night @ Fenway Park, Red Sox vs. Cleveland Indians

August TBD ~ Elks Day at the Races, Plainfield

September 5 ~ Veterans Motorcycle Run Quincy Elks Fenton-Densmore Football game

September 12 Horseshoe Tournament, Southern N.E. Fall River Elks

September 13 Regional Meeting Athol/Orange Elks

September 15 Annual Golf Tournament Marlboro CC & Hudson/Concord Elks

September 19 Walk for ENF Area 2, Cape Cod Canal & Veterans Motorcycle Run Billerica Elks

September 20 Walk for ENF Area 3, Wakefield Walk for ENF Area 1, Gardner



July 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			Ballroom dancing lessons	Board of Directors mtg 6:30pm Lodge mtg 7:30pm Initiation of new members	3 Raffles 4 -7pm	The lodge will be open with normal hours of operation
5	6 Wii Bowling 6pm	7 House Committee mtg 6pm	8 Ballroom dancing lessons	9	10 Raffles 4 -7pm	11
July 5 th - 9 th , Grand Lodge Convention, Indianapolis, IN						
12	13 Wii Bowling 6pm	14	Ballroom dancing lessons	16	17 Raffles 4 -7pm	18
19	20 Wii Bowling 6pm	21	22 Ballroom dancing lessons	23	24 Raffles 4 -7pm	25
26 Family Day Picnic, Saugus/Everett Elks	27 Wii Bowling 6pm	28	29 Ballroom dancing lessons	30	31 Raffles 4 -7pm	1



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Sickness & Distress

<u>Home</u>

Bob Jarvis, Edmond Demers, Dean Letourneau, Mike Saharceski

Please contact Cheri Rose at 413-824-0121 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 \$150, if you need the kitchen to cook for your crowd that is available for an additional \$150 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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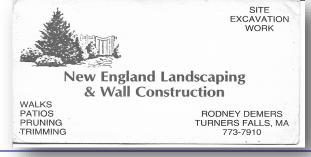
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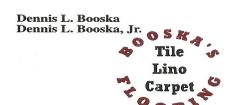
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