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Honored to be the Home Lodge of Past Grand Exalted Ruler Michael F. Zellen (2016-2017)

Meetings 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of the Month-3rd Tuesday only in July & Aug.-1st Tuesday only in Dec. The 2564th regular session will be held on Tuesday, December 3rd. Deadline for submissions to next month's bulletin is December 10th. Board of Directors meet immediately after the first regular lodge meeting of the month. House Committee meets 2nd Monday of the month at 6:30 pm
 Entertainment Committee meets the 1st Monday of the month at 6:30 pm
 Veterans Committee meets the 4th Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm

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Birthday Boys & Girls



Happy Birthday to those celebrating the following dates in December:

1st: Gia Finocchiaro, John Flinkfelt, William Mulloy, Barbara Noonan & Matthew Olivero
2nd: Domenico Calascibetta & Karen Manning **3rd:** Louis Gianatassio, Mark Kerrigan, Angelo Russo & Maryellen Spinney **4th:** Leonard Colometo, John Manganaro, Karen McCollem & Deborah Ragucci
5th: Jamie Grenham, Thomas Melanson & Alexander Renfrew **6th:** Maria Bussell **7th:** William Pothier
8th: Heather Garrity, Brian George, John Nelson & Anthony Speziale **9th:** Brian Doherty & Jose Rodriguez
10th: Donna Lake & Roy Templeton **12th:** Thomas Lapham & John Solomons **13th:** Brenda Ellsworth & Patricia Follis **15th:** Frederick Balboni & Michael Pino **16th:** Thomas Golden & Manuel Veiga
17th: James Fuller, Robert Joseph, Elaine Panico & Rachel Scudder **18th:** Richard Brooks, William Brown, Nancy Davan, Carl Sanders & James Stead **19th:** Suzanne Grubis, Gerald Imbergamo, Francis Reppucci, Glen Rich, Anthony Stott & Michael Surette **20th:** Ralph Sacramone **21st:** Pat Frangolini, Brenda Perry & Josephine Strazzullo **26th:** Nelson Chang & Louis Miller **30th:** David Maillet, Susan Reppucci, Donny Rodriguez & Joseph Valinch **31st:** Erin Bradley & Russell Donovan



And Happy Birthday to PGERs **Malcolm J. McPherson Jr.** on the **7th** & **Louis J. Grillo** on the **26th**.

If we missed your Birthday, please notify the Secretary so we can correct our records.

And as a Special Happy Birthday from the House Committee, members are invited to stop by the lounge for a complimentary beverage of their choice on their Birthday. If your name's listed above just stop by the Lodge on your special day and present your membership card to the bartender to claim it.

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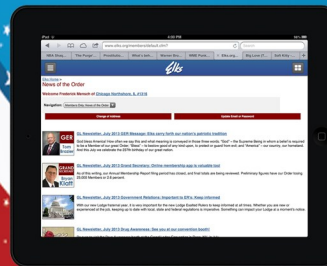
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Please Note: The Dues for the 2025-2026 Lodge Year, beginning April 1, 2025, will increase to \$109.25 for regular members and \$74.25 for Life Members. This was not a Lodge increase but an increase in our Grand Lodge Insurance Assessment due to a national increase in claims filed against the order.

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Sickness & Distress



Our thoughts and well wishes go out to

PER Ray Dugan, CarolAnn Meagher & PER Patricia MacGibbon


who are in rehab and **Elaine LaFratta** who is recovering at home.

If you know of a member who is injured or ill, notify the Lecturing Knight or any officer so we can get them out a card.

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A Lodge of Sorrow will be held at our December 3rd meeting for Edgar Veno # 4520 & Ronald Morrow #5305

Their faults are written on the sand, their virtues on the tablets of Love and Memory



Funeral Homes or Family wanting Elks Services for a deceased Lodge member should contact Lodge Secretary Steve Doherty at (617) 956-2560 as soon as possible to determine the appropriate arrangements.

Congratulations to our Newest Members

Paolo Bersan & Timothy January

Recently Elected to Membership

Mathew Cahill, Denise Larkin, Gregory Larkin & Geno Giangregorio

Balloting on Candidates – Upcoming (pending interview)

Patricia Bonito proposed by Gilfroia Giugliamo

Reinstatement for John Teal & Leo Ciulla

Donna Tournas-Blaney proposed by Jillian Perry

Jazz Martin & Todd Nichols proposed by Brian Doherty

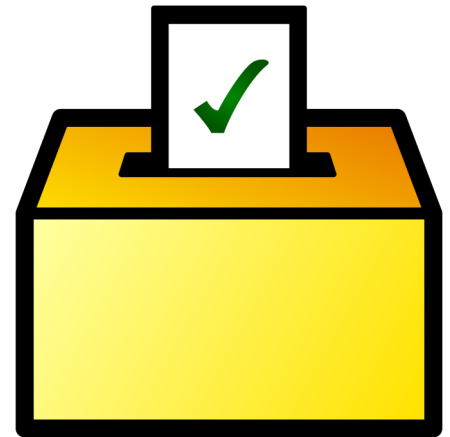
Rose Oliveri, Linda Panzini, Rosemarie Zondiros & Sheila Moretti

proposed by Carl Oliveri

Steven Mazzie proposed by George Perry

Michelle Delucia proposed by Deborah Raso

Virginia Roach proposed by Steve Doherty



Our Drug Awareness Committee recently co-hosted a Health & Wellness Fair at the Saugus Senior Center. Pictured are committee members Ron Visconti, Bill Pothier, Janine Breau, Beverly Marra & Eileen Bova. More than 300 people took part in this very successful event.



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A Message from your Exalted Ruler

I want to thank Lisa, Bob, Dan, Frank ,Leon and Trish for preparing the Veterans Day Meal on Veterans Day. I'd also like to thank the Veterans Committee for putting together a fantastic day for our Veterans. They enjoyed it immensely . Thank you Jillian for your great singing AGAIN!!!!

Initiation will take place at our regular meeting on Tuesday, December 3rd, at 7:30 pm

The First Sunday in December is set aside as Memorial Sunday for Elks

On December 1st our officers will offer a tribute to the following members who have passed in recent months: Stephenie Dunklee, PER, Raymond Lepore, Edgar Veno, Wayne Swanstrom, Ronald J. Morrow, Richard Copeland, Christina Bingham, James McGahey, PDD, HLM, Nelson C. Harris, Roland Roger Michaud, John J. O'Connor, Nicholas Fabrizio & Frank Pantalone

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We have reached the Grand Lodge goal of \$5.00 per member and are currently at \$5.38 per Member. We will qualify for next year's ENF Gratitude Grant. Thanks to all who have donated so far this year. Please continue to send in ENF donations with your dues payments. You can donate at www.elks.org or send your check to the Lodge. Thank You, Jim Fuller, ENF Chairman

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Lodge Events

Weekly QUEEN of HEARTS Drawing

Takes place every Thursday at 7:30 pm (ticket sales stop at 7:15pm)

You can purchase tickets all week

but come by for a bite to eat and watch the drawing on
December 5th, 12th, 19th & 26th

Our last Jackpot Winner took home over \$131,000.

But a new game has begun and the jackpot is already over 30 Grand
and continues to grow until someone finds the elusive Queen of Hearts.

The drawing is open to paid up Lodge Members only
and you're reminded to make sure your last name,

membership number and card choice are legibly written on your ticket.



REMINDER: Your dues must be paid current (through 4/1/2025) to win in the Queen of Hearts or Lodge Daily or Weekly Attendance Pools. Also, tickets that are folded or otherwise altered will be disqualified.

Mark your Calendar now for January



Saturdays, January 11 & 25 - Karaoke

Saturday, January 18 - Music Bingo

Wednesday, January 29 - Trivia Night

And Plan to join us in February for the Best Superbowl Party in Town

JANUARY 2025

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- GIFT CARDS
- SEARCH TICKETS

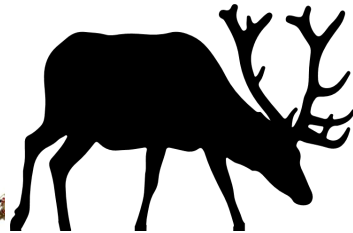
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FUNDRAISER - Additional Tickets available at the event!

Our Special Needs Christmas Party will be held on Wednesday, December 18, at 5 p.m. and will include a pasta dinner, music, dancing, gifts and a visit from Santa.

Calendars for Sale at the Lodge

Our Christmas Raffle Basket Calendars are on sale for \$10
And our State Association Calendars, with prizes throughout 2025, for \$20 each



A Tip of the Antlers
To our weekly kitchen crews keeping our Football Dinners and Queen of Hearts Collations going strong. It takes a village, and we've got a good one.

If you have an email address and are still getting your newsletter by mail, please let the Secretary know. You'll get your newsletter earlier, save paper and save the Lodge some money. Send an email to the Secretary at sauguseverettelks@comcast.net to make the change over. And thanks for helping our lodge stay green.

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Around the District & State

Saturday, January 4, 2025-State Dart Tournament at Maynard/Clinton Lodge
Sunday, January 12-19, 2025-State President's Mid-Winter Cruise to Eastern Caribbean
Saturday, February 1, 2025-State Hoop Shoot in Maynard
Sunday, February 2, 2025-State Regional Meeting at the Auburn Lodge
Saturday, February 8, 2025-State Cornhole Tournament in Ludlow
Saturday, February 22, 2025-State Miniature Golf Tournament (Location TBD)
Saturday, March 1, 2025-State Pool Tournament in Worcester
Sundays, March 2 & 9, 2025-State Candlepin Bowling Tournament in Peabody
Saturday, March 8, 2025-Regional Hoop Shoot in Portland, ME
Saturday, April 26, 2025-National Hoop Shoot in Chicago
Saturday, April 26, 2025-State Cribbage Tournament at Leominster/Fitchburg Lodge
Sunday, April 27, 2025-11 O'Clock Toast /Flag Tribute Contest at Maynard/Clinton Lodge
Sunday, April 27, 2025-State Ten Pin Bowling Tournament in Attleborough
Sunday, May 4, 2025-State Regional Meeting in Lexington

Join us on Saturday, December 7th, for a Holiday Lodge Crawl

A Luxury Coach will take members from our parking lot at 11:45 a.m. to visit the Gloucester, Beverly/Peabody and Wakefield Lodges for a day of Fun and Fellowship. We'll return to the Lodge around 6-6:30. Only \$35 (you can drop your payment at the bar) per person but seats are limited, so reserve yours early. See the flier in the member's lounge or Lecturing Knight Jillian Perry for details.



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Your Fellow Members At Work

Whether hosting a Veterans Day Dinner and Bingo for our hospitalized vets (left) or presenting checks to local food pantries to support our neighbors in need (right), there's just no end to the good works our members do to benefit our local community.





Joke of the Month



When our lawn mower broke and wouldn't run, my wife kept hinting to me that I should get it fixed. But, somehow I always had something else to take care of first, the shed, the boat, making beer.. Always something more important to me. Finally she thought of a clever way to make her point. When I arrived home one day, I found her seated in the tall grass, busily snipping away with a tiny pair of sewing scissors. I watched silently for a short time and then went into the house. I was gone only a minute, and when I came out again I handed her a toothbrush. I said, "When you finish cutting the grass, you might as well sweep the driveway." The Doctors say I will walk again, but I will always have a limp.

This month's Joke submitted by PDD Jim Fuller.

Heard a good one? Send it to the Secretary and your joke could be published in next month's bulletin.

Our Drug Awareness Committee is hosting an Essay and Poster Contest



Say No To Drugs



3rd, 4th & 5th grade students can enter a Poster
6th, 7th and 8th grade students can enter an Essay

Entries should express why drugs are dangerous or a similar Drug Awareness theme and will be accepted through December 10th.

Winners will get an Amazon Gift Card

See Chairman Ron Visconti or any member of the committee for details.

During a recent review of our Lodge By-Laws a committee, consisting of current officers, members, PERs and PDDs recommended the following changes: Proposed, that the Saugus-Everett Lodge By-Laws be amended as follows: (these changes will be voted on at our regular meeting on December 3, 2024).

Under Article V: Elective Officers and Duties—Sec.4 Of The Secretary—change”...compensation \$12.00 per member per annum...” to “...compensation **\$14.00** per member per annum...” and change “...as of March 31.” to “...as of April 1.” Under Article V: Elective Officers and Duties—Sec.5 Of the Treasurer—change “...sum of \$6,000.00 per annum, payable monthly.” to “...sum of **\$9,000.00** per annum, payable monthly.” Under Article IX: Sec. 2—Change “...regular First Class mail.” to “...**Certified** Mail.” Under House Rules—Sec.10—change “Profanity and belligerent behavior...” to “Profanity or Belligerent behavior...” Under House Rules—Sec. 11—change “Fighting of any kind...” to “Threats or physical altercations...”

Members are reminded that our 100 Point Superbowl Pool is now posted in the Lodge. Points must be committed at the time of Sign Up.



Committee Chairs-Please be sure to complete the necessary charitable and events reports within 2 weeks so that we have an accurate accounting of all charitable dollars, miles and hours spent to enter into CLMS. Just email, call or text the Lodge Secretary if you need forms. Thanks!


Stop By and Warm Up with our Drink of the Month



Peppermint White Russian



December 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>1 Lodge Memorial Service & Breakfast @ 9 a.m. Pat's vs Colts @ 1:00</p>	<p>2 <u>Cyber Monday Entertainment Committee Meeting at 6:30 pm</u> </p>	<p>3 <u>Lodge Meeting Initiation</u> Board of Directors Meeting </p>	<p>4 National Sock Day </p>	<p>5 Queen of Hearts <u>Drawing Card Night</u> </p>	<p>6 National Miners Day </p>	<p>7 Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day Holiday Lodge Crawl @11:45 a.m.</p>
<p>8 National Brownie Day </p>	<p>9 House Committee Meeting </p>	<p>10 Drug Awareness Poster & Essay Contest Deadline </p>	<p>11 National Stretching Day </p>	<p>12 Queen of Hearts <u>Drawing Card Night</u> </p>	<p>13 Holiday Raffle-A-Rama @ 7 pm </p>	<p>14 Monkey Day </p>
<p>15 Pat's vs Cardinals @ 4:25 pm </p>	<p>16 National Chocolate Covered Anything Day </p>	<p>17 National Maple Syrup Day </p>	<p>18 Special Needs Christmas Party @ 5 pm Trivia Night </p>	<p>19 Queen of Hearts <u>Drawing Card Night</u> </p>	<p>20 National Sangria Day </p>	<p>21 <u>Winter Solstice</u> Lodge Member's Christmas Party </p>
<p>22 Lodge Kid's Christmas Party Pat's vs Bills @ 1:00 </p>	<p>23 Only ONE more shopping day until Christmas </p>	<p>24 Christmas Eve at the Lodge Stop by for some holiday cheer. Lodge Closes at 6 pm </p>	<p>25 MERRY <u>CHRISTMAS</u> Lodge Closed </p>	<p>26 Queen of Hearts <u>Drawing Card Night</u> </p>	<p>27 Music Bingo at the Lodge </p>	<p>28 National Card Playing Day </p>
<p>29 Pat's vs Chargers </p>	<p>30 Bacon Day </p>	<p>31 Deadline to finalize & lock in your big Superbowl Square New Year's Eve </p>	<p>January 1 HAPPY NEW YEAR </p>	<p>2 Queen of Hearts <u>Drawing Card Night</u> </p>	<p>3 National Drinking Straw Day </p>	<p>4 National Spaghetti Day </p>