

**Exalted Ruler**  
Anthony Melius, Jr.

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**Lecturing Knight**  
Robert Fraser

**Secretary**  
Paul Trischitta

**Treasurer**  
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**Esquire**  
Stephen Santosuosso, PER

**Tiler**  
Osborne Gardner

**Inner Guard**  
Arthur Edgecomb

**Chaplain**  
John O'Connell

**Trustees**  
Madeline McLean  
William Copithorne  
Joanne Dempsey  
Karen Norton, PER

**Presiding Justice**  
Barbara Lynch

**Mediator**  
Bernard Scannell

# Arlington Lodge No. 1435

Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks  
Instituted February 8, 1922  
On the Shores of Spy Pond at 56 Pond Lane  
Arlington, Massachusetts 02474-6527



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**Secretary**

**November 2008**

## Message from the ER

Dear Members,

Let me begin by thanking all of the officers and members that helped with last month's District Deputy Visitation. I am happy to report positive feedback from our District Deputy, Wilbur C. "Ziggy" Davies, which should be seen as a credit to all members of Arlington #1435. A big thank you to Kathy St. Croix for yet another terrific meal that she prepared for the distinguished guests from the Grand Lodge and Mass Elks Association. I would also like to offer a note of welcome to our two newest members, and I know you join me in congratulating them on their initiation into our Order.

I am proud to announce that, thanks to Arthur Edgecomb Jr., every 3rd grader in the town of Arlington now have in their possession a dictionary, courtesy of our Lodge. My heartfelt appreciation goes out to Butch Edgecomb, as well as all of the other members that volunteered their time to individually hand the grade schoolers their dictionaries. In other news, kudos to Barbara Lynch for organizing our local Hoop Shoot, which was held next door at the Boys & Girls Club. And who could forget our Trustee Chairman, Bill Copithorne? Not only did Bill do an amazing job during the District Deputy pre-visit ensuring "all our ducks were in order", he helped pass out dictionaries and still found time to organize a successful Halloween party for all of us to enjoy.

As the holidays are rapidly approaching, please let me remind you of our annual charity appeal. By now, you have received a letter from our Esteemed Leading Knight, Frank Fitzgerald PER. Please do your best to get your donation to him as soon as possible, so we can make sure the less fortunate members of our community know that the Elks truly are the Best People On Earth. In the spirit of holiday giving, let me remind you that on Sunday, December 7th we will be hosting a Christmas Luncheon for the senior citizens of our community and truly need all the help we can get on that day. Our Memorial Service will be held on that morning preceding the luncheon, your attendance is humbly requested to honor our lost members.

Finally, I wish a very happy and healthy Thanksgiving to you and your family...this year, I am most thankful to all of you that have made my year as Exalted Ruler nothing less than outstanding

Fraternally Yours,  
Anthony Melius, Jr. ER

**The 1817th meeting of The Arlington Lodge will be held on Nov. 5th @7:30**  
**The 1818th meeting of The Arlington Lodge will be held on Nov. 19th @7:30**  
**Trustee's and House Committee meet at 6:30 prior to the first meeting of the month**

Hall Rentals  
Joe Schanda – Club Manager  
781-646-1392  
Lounge Phone – 781-648-9868

**Secretary's Message:**  
**Application Fee for Arlington is \$60.00 half of which must accompany the form.**  
**The Remainder is due before initiation.**  
**Secretary Phone # 781-646-7152 from 2pm-4pm daily**

- ❖ Voting will take place to distribute Mass Elks charity funds to the Mass Elks Scholarship, Arlington Food Pantry Autism Speaks, Vetrans Hospital and the Elks House.
- ❖ The Grand Lodge assessment is scheduled to increase \$4.00 per member in our next dues year 2009-2010. Grand Lodge statutes and our own by-laws state that we must collect the entire assessment from every member. We have no control over this and must pay the extra \$4.00.
- ❖ The Ambulatory Teddy Bear drive is still in progress. We are at almost at the half way point. Any type of new stuff animal can be donated. All stuffed animals will be donated to Life Lines and Armstrong Ambulance companies. Look for the donation box in the lodge. We are hoping to meet the goal of 200 teddy bears by November. Thank you to all who have already donated.
- ❖ Don't miss the next Saturday Karaoke Night on November 15<sup>th</sup> with Dennis Richards. Stop by and have a good time with friends. It can be very entertaining evening. A raffle for \$75 worth of scratch tickets will be held.
- ❖ Are you ready for some football? Stop by the members lounge during Sunday afternoon games. Snacks and light appetizers will be served. Feel free to contribute with your own snacks.
- ❖ September through November our lodge will be raffling a Nintendo Wii console to help off-set the cost of the Children's Christmas Party. Tickets will be 1 for \$5.00 and 3 for \$10.00. Please look in the lodge for tickets. Please help support this great event.
- ❖ Are interested in receiving your bulletin via email instead of mail? Please send an email to [williamfcopithornerealtor@att.net](mailto:williamfcopithornerealtor@att.net) with your name and email address. Please allow a month or more before the change to take effect.

Thanks to due to Bill and Elaine Copithorne for throwing a fun filled Halloween party. The night was filled with festive big top decorations and circus themed foods, as well as clever and crazy clowns, ring leaders, three ring circus and many more costumes. Elvis even made an appearance. Great job!

Big thanks to Bettie Fitzgerald from Frank for organizing the charity appeal mailing.

Dictionary delivery day couldn't have been as much of a success without the assistance of Bill Copithorne, Rick Daly, Bettie and Frank Fitzgerald, PER, Bob Frazer, Tony Melius, Jr., ER and Bernie Scannell. Special thanks to Butch Edgecomb who entertained the children with trivia and other fun activities. The Arlington Advocate attended the Stratton school visit and wrote a really nice article. The article can be viewed at <http://www.wickedlocal.com/arlington/news/x398377055/Elks-boost-vocab>

Message from the Grand Lodge

November is Veterans Remembrance Month within the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Our national holiday, Veterans Day, is November 11.

What better time is there to display to your community through local media, the Grand Exalted Ruler's Proclamation declaring November as Veterans Remembrance Month? This would be a good time to join the Army of Hope, to provide wheelchair gloves, to Adopt-A-Veteran, to supply Comfort Care Kits, to provide entertainment or activities for our Veterans - more importantly, just to let the Veterans know we appreciate what they have done to protect our precious freedom that we all enjoy today and to say thank you.

As Elks, we must never forget our pledge, "So long as there are Veterans, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks will never forget them." Please join us in recognizing our Veterans, and we ask that you do your share to show your appreciation to our nation's heroes.

**Happy Thanksgiving to all members and their families**

***Happy Birthday to all those born in November ~ Have a Great Day!***

1	William Trainor	11	Joseph Sacca	14	William Smith	21	John Binkly
2	Richard Gamel	12	Gene Visco	15	Steve Santosuosso, PER	24	Thomas McDonnell
3	Steve Foppiano	12	James Koenig	18	James Reid	24	Karen Pieroni
4	John Valminuto	13	Charles Mic haud	19	Lawrence Letteri	25	Joseph Perna
5	Amanda Estabrook	13	Kenneth Simmons	20	Robert McConnell	27	Robert Blumquist
9	Ralph Verity	14	Kenneth McLaughlin	20	Edward Burns	29	Stephen Rae
						30	Edward Hutchins

## Arlington Lodge Activities

Nintendo Wii  
Raffle  
Proceeds for  
the Children's  
Christmas  
Party.  
Sept. - Nov.

Ambulatory  
Teddy Bear  
Drive  
Donations  
Needed

Tailgate  
Sunday's  
During  
Football  
season

December 7<sup>th</sup>  
Seniors  
Christmas  
Party  
Volunteers  
Needed

December 19<sup>th</sup>  
Members  
Christmas  
Party

Karaoke  
Saturday  
November  
15th 8:00

KID'S CHRISTMAS PARTY SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2008 10 AM				
Child's Name	Age (12 & Under)	Boy Or Girl	ELK Related To	Favorite Character or interest

Believe it or not it's time to get ready for the Kid's Christmas party, held on December 21st. Please complete the attached form and return by mail or leave at member lounge to Beverley Santosuosso by December 8<sup>th</sup>. The party will include crafts, movies and a visit with Santa.

Volunteers are always welcome

Volunteers are needed for the Seniors Christmas party. December 7<sup>th</sup>.

A memorial service for our lost members will be held prior to the luncheon.

**HAPPY HALLOWEEN**



## **NEW- Restaurant review by the Phantom Elks (we all know who they are) ☺**

~ Review is based upon a 7 point scoring system (7 being best) ~

**Francesca's Kitchen** Located 162 Mass Avenue, Arlington

**Dinner: Chicken Sorentino** w/ ziti.- The chicken is fantastic layered with lots of Proscuitto and marsala style sauce, 6  
**Stuffed Shells w/ Chicken Parmesan.** The sauce is very tasty and sweet. The chicken is nicely prepared. 6  
 Overall score is a 6. This restaurant is a great jewel. The meals are fairly priced with the total around \$22, including 2 soft drinks and tip. The place is very clean and Joe provides great service and is extremely personable. If you are in a hurry the Sicilian style pizza slices are exceptional and the rice balls are very good. Always friendly service and they remember your favorites.

*Reviews are performed by members at their own cost*

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***Organization***  
***US Postage Paid***  
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***Permit # 58731***

Dues Invoice – Please remit with payment

( ) April 1, 2008 through March 31 <sup>st</sup> 2009	\$66.00
( ) October 1 through March 31st 2009	\$33.00
( ) Life Member April 2008 through March 31, 2009	\$35.00

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