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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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December 2008

Message from the ER

Dear Members,

I need to begin this month's letter off with an apology: last month I forgot to thank all of the current and former members of the United States Military for their service to our country in recognition of Veteran's Day. Although I forgot to mention it in my letter, you were not forgotten in my, or any of our members' heart.

I hope everyone had a happy and healthy Thanksgiving! I had deep-fried turkey for the first time and can say with confidence that I will never enjoy regular turkey ever again. Last month, for the second time this year, I was proud to represent our lodge at an Eagle Scout Court of Honor for a bright young man from our community, Galen August. This young man has accomplished a tremendous amount at a young age and exemplifies the many attributes that we as Elks hold most dear; Charity, Justice, and Brotherly Love. I was honored to present Mr. August a certificate and an American flag in recognition of his accomplishment. Big thanks are due to Bev Santosuosso for her hard work in printing and framing the certificate that I presented to Mr. August. Thanks are also due to Billy Hubbard, who got the new exhaust fan wired and working down in our members' lounge.

We're going to hit the ground running this month! Please don't forget that the morning of Sunday, December 7th, will be our Memorial Service in honor of the members whom are no longer with us. Following the memorial service, we will be serving a Christmas luncheon to the senior citizens of our community. If you have the time, please come down to lend a hand. This is the perfect opportunity for us all to work as a team and to get into the holiday spirit!! I also remind you about our members' Christmas Party, Friday, December 19th. Be there, or be square.

Finally, Happy Holidays (Merry Christmas) to all and to all a good month! As we say goodbye to 2008, I say THANK YOU to everyone who has contributed to this being one of the best year's in recent memory for our lodge.

Fraternally Yours,
Anthony Melius, Jr. ER

The 1819th meeting of The Arlington Lodge will be held on Dec. 3rd @7:30
The 1820th meeting of The Arlington Lodge will be held on Dec.17th @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

- ❖ 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 Memorial Service for our departed members will take place on December 7th at 9:30 A.M. All officers should plan on attending in tuxedo attire. On this day we will also hold the Seniors Christmas Party at noon. Volunteers are needed to help. Please plan to arrive by 11:00.
- ❖ The next District Deputy Clinic will be held on January 20th at the Waltham Lodge. Dinner at 6:30 and meeting at 7:00.
- ❖ The Ambulatory Teddy Bear drive is still in progress. We have finally passed the half way point and will be delivering the stuffed animals soon. Any type of new stuff animal can still be donated for a short period of time Thank you to all who have already donated.
- ❖ The Members Christmas party will be held on December 19th. This is open to paid up members only. Stop by see some old and new friends and have a great time.
- ❖ Don't miss the next Saturday Karaoke Night with Dennis Richard on January 3rd. There will definitely be some laughs and lots of fun. A raffle for \$75 worth of scratch tickets will be held.
- ❖ September through December 19th 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.
- ❖ Come by in January (date TBD) to watch some foot ball games; enjoy a roast beef dinner followed by a night of entertainment with Sandy Casey. Dinner will be served at 5:00 P.M. Tickets will be \$12.00. More information to follow in the January bulletin.
- Are interested in receiving your bulletin via email instead of mail? Please send an email
- ❖ to williamfcopithornerealtor@att.net with your name and email address. Please allow a month or more before the change to take effect.
- ❖ Are you ready for some football? Come by the members lounge during Sunday afternoon games. Snacks and light appetizers will be served. Feel free to contribute with your own snacks.
- ❖ Don't forget to fill out the vouchers for the children's Christmas party. This is open to members children and grandchildren. Volunteers are always welcome.
- ❖ Do you not have any plans for New Years? The members lounge will be open for business on New Years Eve.

Sickness and Distress

It is with our deepest sympathy to announce Arlington member Francis Flanagan passed away. A session of sorrow will be held at the second at the first December meeting. Both Dave Taylor and Richard Gilgun were in the hospital for surgery and thankfully are now home recovering. We wish you both a speedy recovery.

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

1	Paul Leary	11	Robert Fraser	19	Joseph Hannsis, Jr.	26	Butch Edgecomb
3	Ralph DePrimio	12	Edward Culhane	19	Mark Mahoney	26	John Perry
5	Kevin Mills	14	Bill Copithorne	20	Joseph McMenimen	26	Walter Cooke
6	Richard Errico	15	Leonard Riley	24	Robert Bongiorno	28	Thomas Sacca
7	Charles Clement	15	Lynn Cabral	26	Wally Stotik PDD, PER	31	Donald Ferry
8	James Ford	16	Joseph Marshall				

Arlington Lodge Activities

Nintendo Wii
Raffle
Proceeds for the
Children's Christmas
Party.
Sept.- Nov.
To be drawn at
Members Party

Ambulatory
Teddy Bear
Drive
Donations
Needed

Tailgate
Sunday's
During
Football
season

Upcoming Lodge Events

January 3rd
8:00 P.M.
Saturday
Karaoke

December 7th
Seniors
Christmas
Party
Volunteers
Needed

December 19th
Members
Christmas
Party

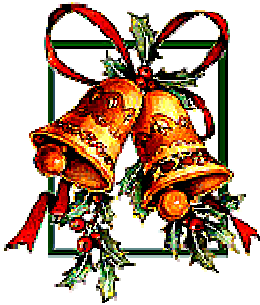
KID'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

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 8th. The party will include crafts, movies and a visit with Santa. Volunteers are always welcome

Volunteers are needed for the Seniors Christmas party. December 7th.. Did you know that this year marks the 30th anniversary of hosting this event? Thank you to all who have participated over the years.



*Merry Christmas and
Happy New Year to all*

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) ~

Dandelion Green Located 90 Burlington Mall Road, Burlington (Extended Review)

Appetizers- Scallops wrapped in Bacon 7, Stuffed Mushrooms 7 Escargot 6

Soups - French Onion and Clam Chowder are both a 6

Dinner: Surf and Turf – Prime Rib with Baked Stuff Shrimp w/potato and veggies. 6 A favorite

Surf and Turf - Sirloin Steak with Broiled Scallops. w/ potato and veggies. 7

Overall score is a 6 if you are seated in the fireplaced room. The Salad Bar is fantastic with lots of choices and could be a meal in itself. With all the selections available it could be considered one of the best around. There is wide variety of desserts offered with an average score of 6 (if you have any room to eat dessert). There is an extensive wine selection and coffee drink selection. The average cost of dinner without a bottle of wine is around \$60. With wine and cocktails around \$100.

Reviews are performed by members at their own cost

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() Life Member April 2008 through March 31, 2009	\$39.00

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