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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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March 2009

Message from the ER

Dear Members,

Well here it is – my last newsletter. Before I go into my list of year-long Thank You's, let's re-cap what was a short, but busy month of February. We kicked things off with P.E.R. Night in which we initiated several new members into our order. I would like to personally thank and welcome our newest brothers and sisters for joining our lodge, and invite them to come down and meet the rest of the family. We held our nomination of officers on this evening and I would like to congratulate PER Frank Fitzgerald for being nominated, uncontested, to the seat of E.R. – welcome back to the podium, Frank! Next was our wildly successful Derby Night and gigantic kudos and thanks are due to the members of the Watertown Lodge #1513 that helped us make this evening possible. The following Friday we had our Anti-Valentine's Day party, and I had a bitter-sweet time performing the Humpty Dance for the last time as your E.R.. I formally challenge the incoming Exalted Ruler to learn all of the words to this, my favorite song, and with the help of Jimmy Kelley embarrass himself every other month for your viewing and listening pleasure...just as I did. Finally, **big** thanks to Pat Casey for organizing the night of music with Sandy Casey that took place at the end of the month.

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Fraternally Yours,
Anthony Melius, Jr. ER
“(Almost-Past) Exalted Ruler”

The 1825th meeting of The Arlington Lodge will be held on Mar. 4th @7:30
The 1826th meeting of The Arlington Lodge will be held on Feb. 18th @7:30
Trustee's and House Committee meet at 6:30 prior to the first meeting of the month

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

- ❖ Date to be determined –Potential Date of April 4th for the next Saturday Karaoke Night with Dennis Richard. There will definitely be some laughs and lots of fun. A raffle for \$75 worth of scratch tickets will be held.
- ❖ **ER Going Away Party and DD Fund Raiser-** Friday, March 13th at 8:00- Enjoy a 50's themed party. The night is to include dinner music and dancing. On this night the awards for Elk of the Year and Officer of the Year will be given. Tickets will cost \$10.00.
- ❖ The next District Deputy Clinic will be held on Wednesday, April 24th at the Boston Lodge.
- ❖ The Lodge Secretary would like to remind all members that **DUES ARE DUE NOW**
- ❖ **The Arlington Lodge Installation** will take place on March 15th, at 2:00 P.M. Cocktails will begin at 1:00 P.M. Stop by and watch the Installation of Officers. **Donations of Hors d'oeuvres will be greatly appreciated.**

Sickness and Distress

It is with our deepest sympathy to announce Arlington member Edward Graham passed away. A session of sorrow will be held at the first meeting in March.

Your help is needed

The backbone of Elk's Lodges throughout the country is to support its many CHARITIES. The Mass Elk's Association, Inc. supports this effort 100%.

The Association's major fundraiser is our annual raffle. Each Elk member in the State will be receiving a raffle booklet in the mail (you may have already received it). It is proposed that each member buy (or sell) that book of tickets. There are 11 tickets in each book. Sell or buy 11 tickets at \$3.00 and return the stubs with your check for \$25.00 (you keep the rest) to your lodge chairperson or any Lodge Officer. This year's top prize is \$20,000 plus three other prizes of \$5000, \$2000 and \$1,000. Raffle winners will be drawn at the State Convention on June 13, 2009.

The more books that your lodge sells, the more money your lodge receives back from the State Association to benefit your lodge's charitable work. It's YOUR lodge.... Support its charitable endeavors by buying or selling at least ONE raffle book.

2009 Metro-West Installation Schedule ~ UPDATED~

Sunday, March 15 2:00	Arlington by Brookline
Saturday, March 21 5:00	Boston by Brighton
Friday, March 27 7:30	Newton by Waltham
Saturday, March 28 5:00	Brighton by Boston
Friday, April 3 7:00	Brookline by Newton *At Vets Post*
Saturday, April 4 5:00	Waltham by Watertown
Saturday, April 11 5:00	Watertown by Arlington

Cocktail begins 1 hour prior to installation

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

1	Donald Hourihan	14	Andy Puccino, PER	18	Arthur McCollough	26	Bernie Gardner
3	John O'Rourke	15	Anthony Melius, Sr.	19	James Kelly, Jr.	26	Richard Hughes
4	Ronald Kennelly	15	Michael Healy	19	James Hamel	26	Margaret Wright
8	Robert Bowes	17	George Limmerick	19	Robert Smith, Jr.	29	Bill Hubbard
8	Michael Graziano	17	Robert Ross	21	Karen Norton, PER	29	Bruce Warner
9	Frederick Angelou	17	David Taylor	23	Theresa Schanda	30	John Agri
12	Thomas Cooke	18	Robert Emma	24	Donald Lee	31	Stephen Kelly, Jr.

Arlington Lodge Activities

**March 15th
Installation
of Officers
at 2:00**

**A Night at Medieval
Manor**

Sunday, April 19th.
Show begins at 5:00.
Contact Kerry at
member lounge for
more details. Wed-Fri
3:00 – 7:00.

SAVE THE DATE

**SPRING FLING
MAY 26TH
More details to
follow**

Upcoming Lodge Events

**DTB
April 4th
8:00 P.M.
Saturday
Karaoke**

**50's Night
ER Going
Away Party
and DD Fund
Raiser.
Friday, March
13th at 8:00**

Message from the ER ~CONTINUED~

The past year, so many of you did so much for the lodge that it is literally impossible for me to give the necessary credit for each deed. To every person who volunteered even one minute of your time- please know that not one second of it was taken for granted or unnoticed. I have to single out a few of you though, and these are the people who normally will humbly dismiss praise, but deserve to be recognized. Steve Rae – the landscaping now compared to years passed is like night & day. The first impression our lodge makes on people is now one we can all be proud of because of your hard work. Mark Dignan – the upstairs bar looks absolutely amazing and I can't wait for the membership to help christen it on our upcoming 50's night. Bernie Scannell – thank you so much for the hours you spent re-painting the main hall and for everything else that you did. Joe Schanda/George McCarthy – I think you single-handedly doubled our membership over the past couple of years and that coupled with everything else you do deserves every members' appreciation. Kathy St. Croix – thanks for all of those delicious meals! House Committee – you guys are like the Marines; first to show, last to know. I really appreciate all of your hard work throughout the year. Joanne Dempsey – How you've put up with me all year, I'll never know. But, thank you for everything! Steve Santosuosso – I appreciate all of the guidance you gave me throughout the past year and in the years leading up to it. We are all proud that you are our Lodge representative as District Deputy Designate. Billy Copithorne – we would be in a whole lot of trouble without you. Thanks for keeping us above water. I could keep going on and on, but I'd much rather thank the rest of you in person.

It is my hope that you can join us for our 50's Night on Friday, March 13th at 8:00pm in the Main Hall. I will be awarding the Elk of the Year and the Officer of the Year on this evening. This will give us just about enough time to recover for our officer's installation which will be taking place on Sunday, March 15th at 2:00pm.

It has been an honor and a privilege to serve as your Exalted Ruler this past year...not to mention, a whole lot of fun. Thank you so much for all of your support

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