

WHATS THE SCOOP
MEDFORD ELKS #915
OF THE B.P.O.E. OF THE USA
MARCH 2009

Exalted Ruler	JOHN LEETCH
Esteemed Leading Knight	WARREN COSTA
Esteemed Loyal Knight	BILL HANLEY
Esteemed Lecturing Knight	TOM POWERS
Trustee One Year	PHIL TOWNE, HLM
Trustee Two Years	JOHN MEAGHER
Trustee Three Years	JACK CAMPBELL, PER
Trustee Four Years	JOHN RINEER, PER
Trustee five years	JAMES DERVISHIAN PER
Secretary	IVANA JACOBS PER
Treasurer	LARRY MURPHY HLM PDDGER
Tiler	DEB MOULTON
Esquire	LOU MARTELLI
Chaplain	EILEEN TAYLOR SILVERSTONE
Inner Guard	WILL ZACCAGNINI

Groovy 70's Party	Mar 7
Regular Meeting	Mar 12
Installation of Officers	Mar 21
Regular Meeting	Mar 26
Regular Meeting	April 9
Regular Meeting	April 23

MARCH 2009 MEETINGS: Thursday March 12th & Thursday March 26 @ 7:30PM



My Fellow Members; This is my last bulletin and this year has been a good one for the Medford Elks. I want to thank all the people who have been there for me: My wife Anne, PER; my suite of Officers (couldn't ask for a harder working group), all my committee Chair-people, and the Members who are always generous to a fault. I believe we have made a difference and I am confident that Warren

and his officers will continue to strengthen the Medford Lodge of Elks. Thank you for this opportunity to be of service to this great organization.
Fraternally Yours John Leetch, ER

The Medford Lodge Annual Installation of Officers will be held on Saturday March 21
Cocktails-5:00 to 6:00 PM Installation Ceremony – 6:00 Dinner & Dancing to Follow
Any member who wishes to attend will need to make a reservation by notifying
Tony Piccolo 781-438-0218 e-mail: tonypiccolo@comcast.net
All seating will be assigned.

Dues News: FROM THE SECRETARY- The 2009-10 membership dues become due as of April 1st, 2009. Members should not wait until April 1st to pay as the key reader gets changed on the 1st. Dues are as follows: Regular members-\$61.50 and Life members \$31.50. Please contact the Lodge Secretary with any questions

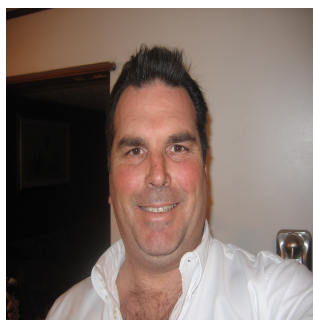
KEEP IN YOUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS



Shawn Winters with the recent passing of his Mother Virginia Winters.
Bill Carr and family with the passing of his beloved wife, Janet Carr.
John and Cindy Rineer and family with the passing of John's Grandmother, Edna Koenig.
Keep Kathy Skerry and family in your thoughts and Prayers
Bobby Bigley is recovering at Harry's home with a broken leg. Best wishes for a speedy recovery

Announcement for ballot
Charles Zuccola of 22
Hume Ave in Medford for
Reinstatement. The vote
to take place the 2nd
meeting in March.

DELINQUENT MEMBERS- All members in arrears for dues will be dropped from the members list effective APRIL 1ST. 2009. If you have not paid your dues or have questions regarding payment please contact the lodge secretary, Ivana Jacobs at Secretary@MedfordElks915.comcastbiz.net or call the office at 781-391-9915. Dues can be dropped of at the lodge or mailed to Medford Lodge of Elks 19 Washington Street Medford Ma 02155



ELK OF THE MONTH - MARCH 2009
TOM POWERS

Tom Powers has been a huge support this year in all we've done. Tom has served on the house committee along with attending all the district and regional meetings and helping out at the lodge when ever needed. This past month he took on the job of running the first big event Medford has hosted in a number of years. The Gong Show was an enormous success, well attended and everyone involved had fun. To top it off we raised money to add to our scholarship fund and the general fund.
Congratulations Tom!



**BREAK OUT YOUR BELLBOTTOMS AND PLATFORMS...
 THE MEDFORD ELKS IS HAVING A GROOVY 70'S NIGHT!!!
 SATURDAY MARCH 7TH @ 8 P.M. MEMBERS LOUNGE
 DIG OUT YOUR BEST 70'S OUTFIT AND COME OUT AND
 SHAKE YOUR GROOVE THING!
 BEST COSTUME PRIZE! DJ, DANCING AND SNACKS
 \$10 P/P (TO COVER THE COST OF FOOD AND DJ)
 BE THERE OR BE SQUARE!!!**



It's time to think green- Once again it's the time of year when everyone is Irish. Come on down to the Medford Elks members lounge and enjoy a day of good friends, good music and Irish food. Johnny Meagher Sr. Cordially invites all members and their guests to celebrate the day of the Leprechaun. Sandwiches and entertainment will be in full swing with lots of good friends and good cheer. Visit the Members lounge on Friday Afternoon March 13th for some festivities.

"OLD TIMERS NIGHT"

A special thank you and congratulations to our PER's who performed their initiatory ritual on February 12th. As always this was a night to remember. A new class of five was welcomed to our lodge. If you see them please make them feel at home. The suite of officers were lead by Gil Anderson our Exalted Ruler of the Evening, Great job Gil!
 Anne Leetch did a great job as Leading Knight, Jack Campbell in the Loyal Knight role, Tony Piccolo was our Lecturing Knight for the evening. Paul Kavanaugh in the Esquire position, Larry Murphy was our Secretary, Jim Dervishian as the Treasurer, Kevin O'Connell stepped in as the Inner Guard, and our own Eileen Silverstrone and Debbie Moulton doing their jobs as Chaplin and Tyler. It is always a pleasure to see our PER's in Action.



HOOP SHOOT NEWS Congratulations to the Medford Kids who attended the recent Mass State Hoop shoot hosted by the Maynard Lodge # 1568. Katie Napier (Pictured) captured first place for the Girls Division 12-13 year olds. Along with this accomplishment she was also the GIRLS HIGH SCORER of the day for the entire competition and was awarded the William J. Ferrick Trophy shown with Katie in the photo. Katie will be competing at the New England Regional Hoop Shoot March 27, 28, 29 in Portland Maine. We all wish her the BEST OF LUCK! A strong showing was also made by Alexandra Ball who placed 2nd in the 8-9 year old girls and Shawn Mahoney placed 3rd in the boys 8-9 division. The Medford Elks is proud of all your Hoop Shoot accomplishments. Great job again this year to our hoop shoot chairman Paul "Hoppy" Hopkins!

SUPERBOWL SUNDAY

Another successful Superbowl party was enjoyed by many members. So many people put a lot of effort into this event and it just gets better every year. Phil Towne and John Meagher, Sr. did a great job getting all of the food together. Phil cooked the chicken parm and pasta which was a big hit. Warren Costa and Danny Burke threw the first annual "MOOSEBOWL" which was a huge success. Larry and Kevin Avenell were in charge of the remaining pools which took a lot of organizing and were much enjoyed. Thank you to all that attended. The day went great and everyone enjoyed the game and the company. Hope to see you all again at Superbowl 2010. Fraternaly Brighid Towne

ELKS CARE ELKS SHARE....With the winter weather strong upon us, this is a great time to reach out to those less fortunate. If you know of an elderly or handicapped neighbor, please reach out a helping hand. This can be a tough time of year for the elderly and handicapped to get out shopping, to the post office or other errands. Shoveling snow is a great way to show that Elks Care Elks Share!

BREAST CANCER FUNDRAISER

On March 28th from noon to 4 we are proud to throw our 2nd annual Breast Cancer Fundraiser. Last year, on this one day, we raised over \$3,000. Overall, between donations, the ribbons on the wall and the fantastic television raffle, the Medford Elks Team raised over \$9,000 to fight breast cancer. Ivana Jacobs, PER will be donating her legs to the cause once again, and walking 39.3 miles over the weekend of May 16-17. This year, we will again have food, drinks fun and lots of fundraising. We are expecting a musical guest to perform again this year and hopefully will have a special appearance by our bodacious breast cancer babe spokesperson, Warren Costa. Please come down and enjoy the day and help fight against this horrible disease and again show how the Medford Elks Care and Share If you are unable to come to the fundraiser and wish to donate to her walk or have a service or item to donate to be raffled, please contact Ivana at ivytrump@hotmail.com or in the Secretary's office. Thank you again for your continued support and let's show 'em the generosity of the Medford Elks. Ivana Jacobs, PER

THE MEDFORD ELKS FIRST ANNUAL GONG SHOW!

On Saturday February 14th, the Medford Elks was a buzz of talent and entertainment. Our first Gong Show was a huge success and the crowd was great. We had a number of fellow Elks from across our district and from the State. Our State President, Bill Riley enjoyed the show along with Gerry Bagley, DDGER and his wife Dottie with many of our own Medford Members. A special thanks goes out to so many people for helping making the evening so enjoyable. The Judges Panel, Tony Piccolo, Mark Cronin and Danny DeGregorio had a great time entertaining the crowd. Larry Avenell was the perfect host. His antics and style of entertainment through out the show as a huge hit. Brighid Towne was impressive as the hostess and kept the production running smoothly. Our very own members provided the audience with a variety of talent. Congratulations to George Leetch for being crowned our first Annual Gong Show Winner. George's rendition of Wonder Wall was unbelievable. Paul Kavanaugh, PER, HLM entertained with the very first playing of our National Anthem on a harmonica and started the evening off with a bang. Anne, PER and John Leetch, ER, gave us an amazing presentation of "Who's our This was a unique and original rendition of "Who's on First" customized by Miss Anne. PER as an Elks Officers comedic duet. Alice McNeil wrote and sang an original Medford Elks Drinking Song. Will Zaccagnini brought Elvis "The King" Presley to our stage and Warren Costa as the "Unknown Comic and Matty Sheehan as "Gene, Gene the Dancing Machine" kept the crowd entertained. The Shows final performance by Tom Powers, Bill Hanley and Kevin Avenell was without a doubt the highlight of the evening. The night was organized by Tom Powers with a huge group of help from so many people. Anne Leetch, PER and Cindy Rineer decorated the hall and it has never looked better! Cindy also provided the meal and it was a big hit. Marie Leetch kept things running smoothly "back stage". Paul DiPanfilo was our DJ for the night and he did a great job entertaining the audience and providing music for the evening. Special thanks to Gil Anderson and Mike "preacher" Tarallo for taping the show. As much fun as everyone had the evening was put together as a fund raiser and it did not disappoint. The Scholarship fund will be enhanced from donations through out the show and ticket sales generated funds which will be used towards the general fund for the lodge. This night was so much fun and thanks to our members and many fellow Elks from across the district and state for attending and supporting the Medford Elks. We hope to see you all again next year at the 2nd Annual Gong Show. Thank you to all that participated and to all that made the night a success.













ATTENTION MEMBERS MEDFORD LODGE #915 WILL BE OFFERING ALL MEMBERS A CHANCE TO PURCHASE MEDFORD ELKS ITEMS. GOLF SHIRTS AND JACKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE SOON. ALL MEMBERS INTERESTED IN PURCHASING ONE OR BOTH OF THESE ITEMS SHOULD SIGN UP IN THE MEMBERS LOUNGE. SIGN UP SHEET IS AVAILABLE NOW. ORDERS WILL BE PLACED ACCORDING TO THE SIGN UP SHEET. DEADLINE FOR ORDERING IS APRIL. SEE WARREN COSTA FOR MORE INFO.

FEBRUARY BULLETIN- As most of you know there was a major issue with the delivery of the February 2009 bulletin. After an inquiry to the post office, the following information has been provided. The bulletin was dropped off at the Merrimack NH post office on January 31 and on the same day was delivered by postal service to Nashua NH distribution center. From there the bulk of bulletins after being sorted by zip code were delivered to Boston Distribution center on Feb 1. At this point there is no further trail of the bulletin. According to the Post Office there is no guarantee of delivery on mail that is not certified or insured. The post office will provide a letter of explanation to this effect which will be provided for any one who wishes to review. I apologize for the inconvenience and will make every effort to prevent this from happening in the future.

MARCH HAPPY BIRTHDAYS

ANTHONY MATARAZZO, LAWRENCE NARGI, ALBERT P. SHEA, WILLIAM P. SHINE, MICHAEL J. CALLAHAN, JOSEPH A. CAPRARO, WILLIAM J. SPADAFORA, LARRY BROGAN, DAVID E. FORD, MICHELLE J. GLAVIN, RICHARD M. PETERSON, WILLIAM R. HILL, RICHARD F. MAGLIOZZI, LEO A. GIDARE, JAMES F. HUTCHINSON, ELLEN M. SILVA, JAMES BYRNES, PENNY LYNCH, GERALD M. SIMONELLI, JOSEPH A. ROSSETTI, ALAN P. SOSNOWSKI, MICHAEL H. BYRNES, PETER J. SANDBERG, DAVID L. WHITAKER, JOHN D. WILLIAMS, ROBERT FOUBERT, GERALD J. GALANTI, ANNE LEETCH, GILBERT E. ANDERSON, EDMUND DELLICOLLI, JOSEPH PONZO, JACLYN WHITE, DAVID DI BLASI, JOHN J. MORRISSEY, RICHARD NILO, MICHAEL J. PIWINSKI, DAVID M. TERRY, PHILIP M. TOWNE, LUCIANO DI PIETRANTONIO, HUBERT M. HANLON, MICHELLE O'CONNELL, JOSEPH D. UMANZIO, FRANCIS CARDONE, MARIE CASSIDY, MICHAEL G. MUSCARELLA, RICHARD PHILPOT, ENRICO SCIMEMI, BARRY DONOVAN



SUN 12pm – 12 am	MON 3pm – 2 am	TUE 3pm – 2 am	WED 11am – 2 am	THU 11am – 2 am	FRI 11am – 2 am	SAT 11am – 2 am
1 Share A Smile Day 	2 Happy Bday Dr Seuss 	3 Star Spangled Banner officially named National Anthem in 1931 Written by Frances Scott Key	4 COME ON DOWN FOR SOME MARCH MADNESS AT THE MEDFORD ELKS MEMBERS LOUNGE	5 KENO SCRATCH TICKETS AND LOTTERY INFORMATION AVAILABLE IN THE MEMBERS LOUNGE	6 Oreo Cookie hit the shelves 1912 	7  8:00pm Members Lounge \$10.00 Per Person Donation Please
8 Daylight Savings Clocks forward 1 hour 	9 Happy Birthday Barbie 1939 	10 Believe in your dreams day 	11 Johnny Appleseed day	12 REGULAR MEETING 7:30PM 	13 St. Patty;' day at the Medford Elks. Come on down and enjoy a great day of Good food good friends and good, old Irish Comradery!	14
15 Attend a meeting have a great meal and enjoy An evening with your Elk Friends	16	17 	18 National Forgiveness day	19 First day of Spring 	20 2009 – 2010 members dues Due by April 1st	21 Installation of Officers Cocktail Hour 5:00 Installation 6:00
22 National Goof Off day 	23	24 Help your neighbors. If you know of an elderly or handicapped neighbor Reach out a helping hand!	25	26 REGULAR MEETING 7:30PM 	27	28 Scholarship Applications available in members lounge
29	30	31 BULLETIN Elks915bulletin@aol.com 603-424-0429	MEMBERS LOUNGE 781 – 396 - 0723	LODGE OFFICE 781 – 391-9915	HALL RENTAL 781- 391 -	

LODGE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS. The deadline for Scholarship applications is March 2nd. All interested applicants must have their application into the lodge by this date. Please see the Lodge Secretary, Inquire at the member lounge or Contact Ed Nolan for More Information. Members lounge phone number 781-396-0723. The Lodge Secretary can be reached at Secretary@MedfordElks915.comcastbiz.net . Ed Nolan can be reached at nolan05@comcast.net