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Dear Members,

The 2010 Massachusetts Elks State Convention will be a memorable event for the Hudson Lodge of Elks. Our Elk of the Year, Vinny Carter, was named the Massachusetts Subordinate Lodge Elk of the Year. Considering there are 71 lodges in the state and only one Subordinate Lodge Elk of the year is chosen, this is a great honor. I had the honor and privilege of accepting the plaque for Vinny at the convention. The award was presented to Vinny prior to Bingo on Thursday June 17th.

Donald Dewar of the Wakefield Lodge was sworn in as President of the Mass Elks Association along with his suite of officers. Included in the suite was Joseph Hickey of the Winthrop Lodge, whom was elected 2nd Vice President of the Mass Elks Association. Thanks to all that attended the convention.

I will be attending the Grand Lodge Convention from July 4 – 8 in Orlando, FL. Thank you for once again allowing me the privilege of representing the Hudson Lodge at the convention. I will report back next month regarding any events at the convention which may impact the lodge.

The Mass Elks Family picnic will be held at the Pavilion on Saturday July 24th. Tickets are \$6 for children 6 – 12, \$12 for all 13 and older. Please see me if you want tickets. There will only be one regular lodge meeting during July and August. It will be held on the 3rd Tuesday of the month. The Balloon Festival is right around the corner. Please check the bulletin board for the volunteer sign-up sheet.

As always, I ask you to remember our veterans and all active members of our armed forces, especially those in harm's way. Please keep them in your prayers and when you have a chance, say "Thank You for your Service". And don't forget our local police officers and firefighters. They are working every day to keep our communities safe.

Fraternally,

Mike King

Exalted Ruler

ENF Corner

Mary Dube – ENF Chair

TAKE IT TO THE FOOD BANKS: LODGES FIGHT HUNGER

One in eight Americans does not have enough food to eat to sustain a healthy lifestyle. This means that for almost four million people across the nation, hunger is a reality, and with the current economic climate, things are only getting worse.

FOOD BANKS ARE RUNNING DRY

According to a recent survey conducted by Feeding America, the nation's largest hunger relief organization, food banks have seen a 30 percent increase in requests for assistance during the current economic downturn.

ELKS TO THE RESCUE

Many Lodges have stepped up to help solve this problem in the communities. By building on existing relationships and creating new ones, Lodges have become a great source for donations and volunteers for their local food pantries.

Maybe our own Lodge can get a collection together of non perishable goods and donate it our food pantry.



FROM THE MANAGER:

Save the date: Friday, September 24th – Hudson Elk's Golf Tournament / Butternut Golf Course

Our driving range is open to our members out back in the pavilion field. Shag bags are available at the bar. It's FREE!

The Hudson Elks 959 is pleased to announce their 6th Annual Balloon Festival August 14 & 15, 2010

Please send your Elk's News to the Bulletin Editor:

terri.lacouture@verizon.net By the 15th of the month for the upcoming month's bulletin.

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FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK:

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LODGE OF SORROW WAS HELD FOR;

GEORGE TAYLOR

NEW MEMBERS INITIATED INTO OUR LODGE:

JOANNE MCNALLY
RAY KIRBY
DEBBY KRONK
PAUL KRONK

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

DICK TUCKER FOR ACHIEVING HONORY LIFE MEMBERSHIP

JAMES BOUVIER ACHIEVING LIFE MEMBERSHIP

CONGRATUALIONS ALSO GOING TO OUR ELK OF THE YEAR VINNY CARTER, WHO RECEIVED A VERY WELL DESERVED HONOR AT THE ANNUAL MASS ELKS STATE CONVENTION, UPON RECEIVING THE MASS ELKS ASSOCIATION SUBORDINATE LODGE ELK OF THE YEAR.

Fraternally,
Bill Hopkins, PDD, PSP, GLC
Secretary

Next Regular Meetings:

#2215 Tues – July 20 — 7PM (3rd Tuesday only)

#2216 – Tues-Aug. 17 – 7PM (3rd Tuesday only)

EMBLEM CLUB: "The winners for June drawing for the 150 Club \$50.00 each are: Maria Rocha—John Woodman—Pat Charbonneau—Donna Erlandson—Maureen Mulkern—Elsie Lamson—Mike King --B. Kelly—Paul Donahue & Tommy Longtime. The Hudson Emblem Club thanks you for all your support."

Membership Dues – PAST DUE

\$65 Regular Members

\$25 Honorary Life & Life Members

Please make check payable to Hudson Lodge of Elks and mail to P.O. Box 306, Hudson, MA 01759
Include your Name, Membership # and Home Address. Any questions, please contact the secretary.

Activities Committee Corner

July 31 – Pawtucket Red Sox Game – Only 40 tickets available

\$30 / person includes ticket for the game and the bus ride

Tickets are located in Section Red #6 – Behind Home Plate

Everyone is welcome to bring their own cooler on the bus with beverages and snacks

Sign-up sheet is on the board in the members lounge

BALLOON FESTIVAL COMMITTEE UPDATE

The next Balloon Festival meeting will be June 28th at 7pm. At the last meeting we chose the winning drawing for the library's tee shirt contest. It was suggested that I look into lapel pins shaped like a hot air balloon with no date on it. These colorful pins could be sold at the festival. Exchanging pins has become quite popular among adults and kids as well.

Don't forget to get sponsors for the signs around the field. Forms are on board in lounge. Some great new things have been added this year. A TUMBLEBUS for younger children and a PETTING ZOO for all to enjoy.

Hope to see all of you at the next meeting and more IMPORTANTLY when the signup sheets go up in the lounge PLEASE come forward and place your name on the dotted line. Even if you can only spare 1 hour we would really appreciate it.

Anyone who needs a staff shirt please contact me with size asap.

Happy Fourth of July to all,
Cathy Erickson
978-562-2947 night
978-568-9770 day

4th Annual MA Elks Family Picnic

Saturday July 24, 2010

10:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Hudson Lodge of Elks

Don't forget to get your tickets for the **4th Annual Mass Elks Family Picnic**. Bring your kids, grandchildren, friends and neighbors. Let them see what a great family Elkdom is.

Print, fill out and mail the form at this link:

<http://www.masselks.org/2010%20Family%20Pic.htm>
with your check to the State Chairman and we'll send you your tickets. We have something for everyone of all ages. So don't miss out.

Dot Balestrieri - State Chairman MA Elks Family Picnic

A "PITCH" POEM response by Mike King, PER

Thank you Nancy for playing pitch!

And I promise "I'll" never call you a B_ _ _ _!

Think about all that are now in the league including you,

There's Aline, Barbara, Bella, Bev, Dana,

Janet, Mary Ellen, Pat, Robin and Terri

And last but not least my partner Mary,

Without ALL of whom we'd have just too few!!

P.S. – If I missed someone – SORRY!!!

1st Place Trophy for Elk's Senior Golf Tournament Comes Back to the Hudson Elk's

Congratulations to the 1st Place Team:

**Dan Connor, Dick Kelleher, Dennis Zilembo and
Ricky Woods – 11 under Par**

SPONSORS NEEDED

The Hudson Elks 959 is pleased to announce their 6th Annual Balloon Festival August 14 & 15, 2010

We are looking for area businesses to support this event by purchasing an **18" x 24" sign for \$50**

All signs will be displayed on the field both days.



Over 5,000 people attend this balloon festival and will see your company's sponsorship sign on the field



All proceeds from these sponsorships will go to the Hudson Elks Scholarship Fund



Please Print:

Name of Company for Sign

Name of Contact Person

Contact # (in case we have a question)

Please mail checks to:

Hudson Elks 959
91 Brigham Street
Hudson, MA 01749
Attn: Cathy Ericsson
Please call 617-543-5951 (if any questions)

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