

# **From: Andrew J.**

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**To: All Members of the Maine Elks Association**

**Re: Qualified Candidates for District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler**

One of the more important responsibilities I have as the SDGER for Maine is to recommend to the State Sponsor, members to serve as District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler (DDGER). Up to this point, the process has been a rather informal one. Names had been submitted and they were conferred with Past DDGERs (PDDGERs) and others to come up with recommendations each year. As some of you may have noticed, We no longer rotate the selection process from lodge to lodge in each district. Rather, We try to find the best person available for the position at that time. We are constantly looking for leaders who have a genuine interest in Elkdom and want to serve beyond the lodge level.

We starting with the 2011-2012 Lodge year, to use a more formal approach to selecting candidates for this position. First, the functions being performed by the DDGERs are critical to the ongoing success of our lodges and therefore to the success of our Order. Second, because of changes in operation, anyone wanting to be considered for a DDGER position must be “computer literate” so they can be as effective and efficient as possible in their interaction with the lodges and Grand Lodge.

To assist in the selection process, We have developed a Personal Resumé/Questionnaire to be used by those members wishing to be considered for the position of DDGER. This document is available for downloading on the Maine Elks Association website.

Once you have completed the document forward it to the District Representative in your district. (Hon. Andy Constantine in the North, Hon. Jim Ferland, in the Central and the Hon. Roger Sicard in the Coastal.) We will review the submissions and then forward them to our State Sponsor. The deadline for submitting the paperwork to the District Representatives, in any lodge year will be December, 1.

If you have any questions about this procedure, please, contact your District Representative:

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