



Arlington-Fairfax Elks Lodge #2188

The Elks Horn

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Mar 2014

ER's Corner

Patti Graves has been spearheading our involvement with the USO at National Airport. She has continually gotten more people involved in arranging the purchasing of the foods and delivery to the airport. While reading your Horn you may notice that you can now make donations to a specific fund to help offset the costs of the food. This winter has been quite a challenge for the USO with so many service men and women trying to travel with the severe weather. This is one way to continue getting our Elks Lodge noticed in the community.

By the time that you read this our Tiler, Kathy Showker will have shown us true Brotherly Love on February 19th with a Valentine's Day theme. Our very own Vernon Gardener, Esquire Extraordinaire will be hosting us on March 19th with none other than a St. Patrick's Day theme. No I WON'T be wearing a kilt – though Vern just might. Thank you to everyone who has supported this endeavor. Keep your eyes peeled as a rumor has started that Patti may continue this and expand it.

Our Officer Nominations for the 2014-2015 Elk year were held at the Regular Lodge Meeting on Tuesday, February 11th. I would like to congratulate Patti Graves who is running unopposed for the office of Exalted Ruler and the leadership team that will be installed on Saturday, March 29th. I wish them all a very successful year! It is our job as members to support our Officers.

We should all be proud of the accomplishments made by our lodge during this rewarding and difficult year. We have begun to correct our financial issues and at the same time instituted some new initiatives that have and should continue to increase our exposure to the community.

As I started to think about my last Horn article, I reminded myself of my motto for the year, "It takes the Membership to make a good Exalted Ruler". I cannot Thank YOU enough for being involved, volunteering and exhibiting what it means to be an Elk!

I would like to take a minute to say Thank You to a few deserving members. I wish to thank the employees and management; the entire Board; all of my Officers for their dedication to our lodge and our team; our Ritual coach, Tim Knotts, PER; the Committee Chairs and their teams; the PER's for their support and guidance, and a HUGE thanks to the Auxiliary for working with me and the lodge in so many ways!

As I look back on the lodge year, I remember thinking how long a year that this was going to be. I am surprised at how quickly it went by. I will never forget a comment made to me by a friend from another local lodge at the State Spring Convention in June of 2013. She said that it was obvious that I was an Exalted Ruler. When I questioned why, she said "all of the new gray hair". Though there are now a LOT of new gray hairs and stress wrinkles, this has been an overwhelmingly rewarding year for me and I cannot thank YOU enough!!! It has been honor serving the Members of Arlington/Fairfax Elks Lodge #2188!

Laurie Fearis, Exalted Ruler

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Note: If you know of a member who has passed away, please contact Jan Sullivan, 703-560-2213, so that the Lodge can be informed in a timely manner. Thank you.

CHARITABLE DONATIONS

Bingo Players

Phyllis Wise for the Youth Camp

For the USO Food Pantry:

Bob Goolrick

Betty Kuennen

Sharon Dunfrund

George and Louise Moore

**The Virginia Elks Website is
www.virginiaelks.org**

**If you want Rose T to let members know
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MEMBERSHIP PAGE

CHIMES OF MEMORY

PLEASE NOTE: If you know of a member who has passed away, and see his/her name on any of the delinquent lists, please let the secretary know. I do not read the obituaries daily, so sometimes miss the passing of a member.

Jan Sullivan

PROPOSITIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

Kirk Mee III, proposed by Laurie Fearis

Mark Sanford Grovitz, proposed by Carmen Sullivan

Phyllis Bradley, proposed by Tom Lotfabadi

Victor Weeden, proposed by Tom Lotfabadi

MEMBERSHIP : The Dues statements are being mailed out I apologize to those Past Exalted Rulers whose titles were not on the statements, due to a glitch in the CLMS system that made a change in the records necessary. It has now been corrected, and your card will reflect your proper Elk title.

PLEASE NOTE: If you are a service member on active duty, please notify the secretary. You are not required to pay dues to Lodge 2188 while serving our country.

NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICE (to be voted on February 25, 2014):

Exalted Ruler: Patricia Graves

Esteemed Leading Knight: Brenda Slingerland

Esteemed Lecturing Knight: Adam Samuel Roth

Esteemed Loyal Knight: Vernon Gardener, PER

Secretary: Jan Sullivan

Treasurer: Frank Burns, PER, and Carmen Sullivan

Tiler: Kathy S howker

Organist: Position Open

Fifth Year Trustee: Jerry Sall and Roy Seabolt

Alternate to Grand Lodge: Laurie Fearis

From the Chairman of the Board

The Board approved and subsequently had installed a new TV for the game room. A member donated the funds for a new security camera and a new fryer in the kitchen. We not only thank this member but others who have, in many ways and on many occasions, donated and contributed to the Lodge.

March is the transition month for the Board. Elections will have taken place. The new members will have this grace period, if they have not already done so, to observe and get acquainted with the Board's modus operandi before they assume their duties in April. We not only welcome our new members but give much thanks to members that have served the Board and membership through some may say "a most trying year".

Art Wyman
Chairman

From the Auxiliary President's Desk

Although we have not had a meeting for several months due to inclement weather, both real and imaginary, that has not stopped the Auxiliary from persevering with our requirements as an organization. The Nominating Committee under the direction of our stalwart parliamentarian, Grace Kayatta, has contacted and confirmed nominees for all offices; our charity list was scrubbed and authorized by the members under the watchful eyes of Barbara Marshall, our charity guru; our financial standing was presented by Sharon Dunfrund, Treasurer. Lastly, back in September, the members approved an increase in dues from \$15 to \$20 per year. Article IV, Sect 1 of our bi-laws has been amended to read:

Dues of the Auxiliary shall be Twenty Dollars (\$20) per fiscal year (1 April to 31 Mar) effective 1 Apr 2014. (The balance of this section remains unchanged.)

We are looking forward to a brighter 2014-15 year. We would love to have you join us for fellowship and good times as well as charitable undertakings. If you are an Elk or married to one, you are welcome to join. For a taste of the Auxiliary, please join us on the third Tuesday of any month at 1130 for our monthly potluck luncheon in the Arlington Room. Please bring something to share.

Be well and be safe everyone.

Fredi Hensley, Auxiliary President

Elk of the Month

Last month I chose to recognize an Elk that is not seen regularly. This Elk has become a true constant at the lodge. Upstairs/downstairs it doesn't matter. She helps where needed. I would like to thank and congratulate the Elk of the Month for March, **Kathy Showker**.

Mar 2014

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

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	Installation Day, Mar 29					
	4 PM—Auxiliary Officers					
	5 PM—Lodge Officers					
	7 PM—Installation Ball					
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	Bingo, 6 PM Mex Dom 11 Dinner till 7	Bd mtg, 7:15 Dinner till 7	Dinner till 8	Bingo, 6 PM Dinner till 7	Terry Lee Ryan, 7:30 Dinner till 8	
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Ed Sullivan Show, dinner 6:30-7:30 show-7:45	Bingo, 6 PM Mex Dom 11 Dinner till 7	Lodge mtg, 7:30 Dinner till 7	Aux Mtg 7:30 Dinner till 8	Bingo, 6 PM Dinner till 7	Tom Saputo, 7:30, St Patrick Party Dinner till 8	
16	17 K&C 11	18	19	20	21	22
	Bingo, 6 PM Initiation, 7 Dinner till 7	Bd mtg, 7:15 Aux Daytime, 1130 Dinner till 7	Vernon tends Bar, 7 PM Dinner till 8	Bingo, 6 PM Dinner till 7	Terry Lee Ryan, 7:30 Dinner till 8	
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
	Bingo, 6 PM Dinner till 7	Lodge mtg, 7:30 Dinner till 7	Dinner till 8	Bingo, 6 PM Dinner till 7	Mike Surratt, 7:30 Dinner till 8	Installation Day
30	31		Save the Date			
	Bingo, 6 PM Bunco 11 Dinner till 7		April 27, 2014—Bingo Carnival			
			1-5 PM			

IN THE LOUNGE

Food & Entertainment

Wednesdays

- 5th-Chicken Cacciatore
- 12th-Corned Beef and Cabbage
- 19th-Grilled Pork Chops
- 26th-Beef Burgundy

Fridays

- 7th-Grilled Crab cake
- 14th-B.B.Q. Ribs and Chicken
- 21st-Grilled Salmon
- 28th-Jambalaya

NEW Daily Dinner Specials

Only \$7.95

- Monday-Chicken Parmigiana
- Tuesday-Beef Stew
- Thursday-Fried Shrimp



Entertainment News for March 2014

Mar 7—Terry Lee Ryan

Mar 14—Tom Saputo—
St Patrick's Day party

Mar 21—Terry Lee Ryan

Mar 28—Mike Surratt



They're Back

Don Weber & Mark Richards are
stepping back in time and presenting

THE ED SULLIVAN SHOW

March 9, 2014

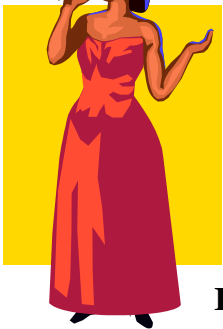
Elks Lodge Ballroom
Dinner - 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Show: 7:45 p.m.

Featuring Terry Lee Ryan

\$25.00 (at the door)

Reservation: (703) 849-1282 or
smmueller@cox.net



For the Love of Ritual

Guest Bartender

19 March 2014

Vernon Gardener paints the bar
plaid!



GOLF UPDATE

Ron Murphy, Golf Guru

bettyron.50@gmail.com –New e-mail address

The 2014 Golf Association Schedule is complete and included elsewhere in this edition of the Horn. Our Membership application is also here. All events will have 9:00 AM shotgun starts except the last one, South Riding, on 20 October which will start at 10:00 AM.

This season, the sign-up procedures have changed. Players will need to sign up by the Thursday preceding the event with the appropriate tournament director. The responsible club is indicated on the schedule. Normally, the directors will be; Elks: Ron Murphy, 703 866-4403 or bettyron.50@gmail.com; American Legion: Joe Cappello, 703 534-4818 or joecappello@cs.com; Knights of Columbus: Warren Kaufman 703 532-4810 or kaufmanwarren@msn.com. Members will be contacted before each event with instructions for that event.

Out-of-town trips have been pre-scheduled by the Knights of Columbus (Lou Lane 202 255- 1218 or loulane@att.net). If interested, each person or twosome should contact the golf course to leave a deposit for their reservation. Lou and Warren Kaufman should also be alerted by email that they intend to make the trip and whether they have a partner. Contacts are Shenvalee Resort: Kim at 888 339-3181 or shenvalee@shentel.net; Carroll Valley Resort: Gavin, 800 548-8504, or ggreen@skiliberty.com.

All Lodge 2188 members are invited to join the Association. Guests are also welcome. Lodge members who choose not to join, may play as guests as often as they like. When you do play, you should report to the golf course at least thirty minutes prior to the tee time and pay your green fee in the pro shop. Next, report to the golf committee desk, pay a \$3 fee, get your hole assignment, buy 50/50 tickets (optional) and receive any pertinent instructions for that day's play. You should be at your cart and ready to play fifteen minutes before the tee time to receive instructions from the course professional and/or tournament director, witness the 50/50 drawing (collect your winnings?) and be ready to attack the course!

We have two events scheduled for April, opening day at Westpark on the 7th and Old Hickory on the 21st.

2014 Golf Association Membership Application

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Make your check for \$40 payable to BPOE 2188 Golf Association, and mail to Ron Murphy, 7418 Spring Village Dr. Apt 117, Springfield VA 22150.

Lodge 2188
2014 Golf
Association

2/15/2014

Schedule

Date	Course	Resp. Club	Cost (\$)	
7-Apr	Westpark 703 777-7023	Elks	\$27 range balls	
21-Apr	Old Hickory 703 580-9000	Legion	\$45 range balls	
5-May	Osprey's 703 497-1384	KofC	\$25	
19-May	Prince William 703 754-7111	KofC	\$35	
2-Jun	Bristow Manor 703 368-3558	Elks	\$29	
16-Jun	South Riding 703 327-6660	Legion	\$39	
30-Jun	Goose Creek 703 729-2500	Elks	\$30	
7-Jul	Penderbrook 703 385-3700	Legion	\$32	
14-Jul	Pleasant Valley 703 222-7900	KofC	\$39	
28-Jul	Virginia Oaks 703 754-7977	KofC	\$37 range balls	
18-Aug	Medal of Honor 703 784-2424	Legion	\$38	
25-Aug	Herndon 703 471-5769	Legion	\$39	
8-Sep	Gauntlet 540 752-0963	Elks	\$27 range balls	Knights of Columbus Trips by Shenvalee 10-12 June
22-Sep	Reston 540 635-2883	KofC	\$39 range balls	15-May Carroll Valley 12-14 August
6-Oct	Forest Greens 703 221-0123	Elks	\$36 range balls	8-Jun Shenvalee 9-11 Sep
20-Oct	South Riding 703 327-6660	Legion	\$39	15-Aug

Travel Update

Paul Newcombe, paulnewcombe@verizon.net

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MOSES

Featuring Sight & Sound's "MOSES"

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25, 2014

\$125 per person



MOSES



One of the Bible's most epic sagas comes to life in this all-new adventurous production. Travel with Moses on his quest for personal identity that changes the course of history. Journey back in time as you witness the moment God first speaks to Moses at the Burning Bush. Experience God's awe-inspiring power as you sail in the midst of the stormy Red Sea. Discover God's unique plan as this action-packed story is chronicled for the very first time on the Sight & Sound stage.

8:00 a.m. departure
11:30 a.m. Smorgasbord meal at Shady Maple
12:30 p.m. Time to shop in Shady's large gift shop
1:30 p.m. Bus departs for the Millennium Theatre
2:10 p.m. Arrive at the Millennium Theatre
2:45 p.m. "Moses" at the Millennium Theatre
5:30 p.m. Bus departs for home
8:45 p.m. Approximate time of return

FOR RESERVATIONS AND INFORMATION CONTACT:

ARLINGTON-FAIRFAX ELKS LODGE #2188
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Springfield, VA 22150
(703) 451-2127
e-mail: paulnewcombe@verizon.net

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Application on next page

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REGISTRATION FORM

**SIGHT & SOUND'S "MOSES" DAY TRIP, WEDNESDAY,
JUNE 25, 2014**

Name(s):

_____.

Address:

_____.

Telephone: (H) _____ (C)

_____.

E-Mail Address:

_____.

Rooming With:

_____.

Special Needs:

_____.

Make Trip Checks Payable to Paul Newcombe.

Mail Registration Form(s) and Check(s) to:

Paul Newcombe, Chairman, Travel Committee, 7412 Spring Village Drive, Apt. To8,
Springfield, VA 22150

**PLEASE MAKE RESERVATIONS BY MAY 1, 2014 WITH
FULL PAYMENT. NO REFUNDS AFTER MAY 1, 2014.**

Disclaimer: The Arlington-Fairfax Elks Lodge #2188, its officers, employees, and members, herein referred to as the Tour Manger make tour and travel arrangements with independent contractors and vendors solely for the convenience of Tour Members. By making this reservation the Tour Member exempts and releases the Tour Manager from any and all claims for loss or damage to property, or for personal injury or death, caused by any actions of any contractor or vendor. Further the Tour Manager reserves the right to change trip arrangements, itinerary, or cancel the trip if the minimum number of reservations is not received by the reservation date.

GENERAL INFORMATION:

The trip price of \$125 per person includes bus driver and Shady Maple Waite staff gratuity.

Meet at the Arlington-Fairfax Elks Lodge #2188, 8421 Arlington Blvd, Fairfax, VA by 7:45 AM on June 25, 2014 to park cars and board the bus for an 8:00 AM departure.

We will plan to take a short stop break going to Lancaster and upon returning depending on our route and what rest stops are available.

Patti's Page

**Bingo! Bingo! It's where the fun begins!
Volunteer now and everyone wins!
We can't give a dime
If you don't take the time.**

Bingo is the largest sources of income for our Lodge charities. In addition, bingo helps fund monthly utility costs for the lodge including electricity, water, gas, etc

We are looking for some very special volunteers to coordinate the Lodge bingo activities. Even though Barbara Marshall is retiring as our Bingo Coordinator, she still plans to be a bingo volunteer and be available to provide advice and guidance. We would like at least 4 people (more is better!) to establish a team of coordinators. The team members will not have to commit to being at Bingo every Monday and Thursday. They can coordinate the schedule amongst themselves.

This is a great chance to give a little bit of your time not just for the Lodge, but to all of the charities supported by the bingo activities. Don't worry if you are not familiar with Bingo activities; we'll provide complete training and support. Bingo volunteers are some of the happiest Elks! Don't miss this opportunity to be a part of something great - Please contact Patti Graves at gpgraves@msn.com to sign up.

Update from Ladies of the Loo

The Ladies of the Loo was formed to determine colors and styles for the refurbishing of the lounge ladies room. The Ladies of the Loo are: Patti Graves, Georgianna Knotts, Sandy Mueller, Linda Gardner, Barbara Marshall, and Sharon Dunfrund. The refurbishing is almost complete except for a few final touches. Thanks to the hard work of the contractor, Vernon Gardener, who worked closely with the Ladies, the lounge ladies room has a completely new look.

We want to give special thanks to the following Lodge members for their contributions to the new look of the Loo: Tom Lotfabadi for donating the matching trash can and the rug for the Loo. He donated the current, temporary rug and a more permanent rug that is on order for late spring/early summer delivery; Deborah Wilkes for the donation of the beautiful wall art. They tie in all the colors of the room; and the Daytime Activities Group for donating the new furniture, including 3 chairs, an ottoman and an accent table.

Thanks to everyone who participated in this upgrade project. It takes all of us working together to keep our Lodge well maintained and a place we can be proud to share with our family and friends.

Veterans Committee Update

The Lodge Veterans Committee held a meeting on January 25, 2014, to kick off the New Year. Guests at the meeting included Jim Mayer and Hal Koster from the Aleethia Foundation. The Aleethia Foundation supports newly injured service members and their families recovering at Walter Reed National Military Center. Aleethia operates on an all volunteer basis and has no paid staff or administrative costs and provides “Friday Night Dinners” as an integral part of the service members’ healing process. They bring the injured service members to a safe and accepting environment and show them that life is still good, that they do not need to stay in their hospital rooms agonizing over what they have lost or how their lives have changed.

The Veterans Committee members discussed various ways the Elks Lodge can support the Aleethia Foundation and play a role in supporting injured service members and their families through the early phases of the healing process. The Committee agreed to host one or more Friday night dinners for the Aleethia Foundation. The Committee is applying for an Impact Grant to fund future Friday night dinners.

The Committee discussed other activities including the Friday night bingo games at the Martinsburg VA Hospital on the fifth Fridays of the month, the Carnival at the Martinsburg VA Hospital for veterans and family members, and the 2014 Veterans Day program. Following is the Veterans Committee Schedule for the year:

This is going to be a busy and exciting year for the Lodge Veterans Committee. If you are interested in joining this Committee or just volunteering to support one or more of the activities, please contact either of the Co-Chairs: Ken Hensley at ken.hensley@cox.net or Linda Gardner at lgardner9@cox.net.

Date	Activity
May 30, 2014	Bingo at Martinsburg VA Hospital
July 25, 2014	Friday Night Dinner with Aleethia Foundation at the Lodge
August 29, 2014	Bingo at Martinsburg VA Hospital
September 20, 2014	Carnival at Martinsburg VA Hospital
October 31, 2014	Bingo at Martinsburg VA Hospital
November 9, 2014	Veterans Day Program at the Lodge



2188 INSTALLATION

*Says Patti Graves:
"Let's Paint the Lodge Red!"*

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*Saturday, March 29 -- Music of Mike Surratt's ECB  
Dinner @ 7 -- Dancing until 11:30  
\$35 Members, \$40 Non-members*

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Menu

*Shrimp Cocktail -- Fresh Salad -- Bacon-Wrapped Filet Mignon
-- Twice-Baked Potato with Cheese and Bacon -- Snap Peas --
Chocolate Lava Cake*

For reservations email: dance2188@gmail.com or call: 703-560-1770

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VIRGINIA ELKS YOUTH CAMP

It's hard to believe that as I am watching snowflakes flying around, we are getting ready for yet another camping season at the Virginia Elks Youth Camp. For our newer members this is one of our major state projects and each year we send approximately 40 deserving youth to camp for a week. This year the girls go July 6 to July 12 and the boys go July 20 to July 26. If you know of any child, ages 8-13 who would benefit from this week of camp, please contact me at 571-203-0375 for more information or an application packet. I will begin contacting the schools the middle of April so it will be helpful to know of any campers that Lodge members may have before that. The Lodge provides transportation on a chartered bus to and from camp and there is no cost to the child or their family.

If you would like to sponsor all or part of the tuition for a camper to help the Lodge, the cost to the Lodge per camper is \$150. At a later time I will be looking for chaperones to accompany to kids to and from camp. This is a nice way to see the camp that is about a 4 hour drive and located near Clifton Forge in southwest Virginia.

Our Lodge has always been one of the biggest supporters of the camp. Let's keep it up this year and surpass our own performance! We want to make an especially good showing this year in honor of our own Georgianna Knotts who is President of the camp this year.

Barbara Marshall, Lodge Youth Camp Director

