



Arlington-Fairfax Elks Lodge #2188

The Elks Horn

Supporting our Community Since 1961

Apr 2015

Exalted Ruler's Corner

Is it finally Spring?? I sure hope so and it is time for the lodge to Spring into action for the new lodge year 2015-2016. Your new lodge officers have been installed and we all look forward to working together as a team to accomplish much while carrying on many of the established programs we are proud of and known for. The theme for this year will encompass letting the surrounding communities know we exist, know more of what we are about and our programs, and invite them to come and see us in action!

I recently saw this post on the Virginia Elks site; it has a powerful message that I would like to share.

Let's all plant a fellowship Garden in our Lodge:

In our garden first plant five rows of peas:

Preparedness, Promptness, Perseverance, Politeness, and Prayer

Next to them plant four rows of squash:

Squash gossip, Squash prejudice, Squash criticism, and Squash indifference.

Then put in three rows of lettuce:

Let us be faithful, Let us be loyal, and Let us love one another.

No garden is complete without Turnips:

Turn up for meetings, Turn up with a smile, Turn up with a new idea, Turn up with determination, and Turn up to work!

Inspired by Richard Spickler, PER Fremont California Lodge 2121

Arlington-Fairfax 2188 has a very proud standing among Elks lodges and is an integral part of the many programs we sponsor due to the members and volunteers who are at the ready to participate and lead. Attending the Tuesday night meetings helps to keep this enthusiasm up, the knowledge of lodge business flowing, and the support of the Officers – including the Board of Directors, Secretary and Treasurer. Consider being a part of a committee that speaks to your passion and/or abilities, and – most of all – continue what you do now as that is what has made our lodge great and we will continue that trend. I am excited about being your Exalted Ruler and I know the rest of the Officers feel the same about their positions. Thank you for supporting us and always feel free to talk to any Officer about your ideas for how we can serve each other and our communities, how we can let our communities know about what we do, and any lodge event you think the members would enjoy. Read through this newsletter and note the activities already planned for the month and come and support them and your lodge. God Bless.

BRENDA

Exalted Ruler

The Lodge website is at bpoe2188.org

Arlington-Fairfax Lodge No. 2188, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks



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.

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Charitable Donations

Brenda Slingerland – Backpack Lunches

Anne St. Jacques – Wounded Warrior Aleethia Dinner

Frank Burns – Wounded Warrior Aleethia Dinner

Robert Goolrick – USO

Loveda Galgocy in memory of Al D'Epiro

Jim and Mary Ann Shepherd – in memory of Al D'Epiro

New Secretary Hours:

Mon 2-4

Tues 3-5

Thurs 1-3

CHIMES OF MEMORY:

Charles M. O'Brien, February 5, 2016

David L. Wilson, February 15, 2015

Albert D'Epiro, February 27, 2015

Henry L. Merkli, March 10, 2015

Robert Foley, a member of Southampton Lodge #1574 passed. Robert was a frequent visitor to our Lounge for lunch, and was planning to demit to our Lodge, since he had moved into the area several years ago.

In the Horn

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From the Board Chairman's Desk

The chairman had not been elected at the time of this printing. This column will resume next month.

From the Auxiliary President's Desk

As I write this it appears that spring may actually be coming! After the month of February I know everyone is ready!! With spring comes the beginning of the new Elk year. I am honored to be the president of the Auxiliary this year. I am proud to be a member of this organization that does so much good in our community and works hard to support the Lodge.

A special note of appreciation goes to Georgianna Knotts, the outgoing president of the Auxiliary. Under her outstanding leadership our membership has continued to grow and be a vibrant force in the Lodge.

Thank you to everyone who made Installation a marvelous affair. A special thank you to Laurie Fearis for installing the Auxiliary officers. I would like to congratulate Exalted Ruler Brenda Slingerland and her officers. The Lodge is in good hands with this able team. Brenda, the Auxiliary is ready to assist you when needed.

Once again this year the Auxiliary is providing Easter baskets for the mothers and children at Bethany House. This is always one of the highlights of our year.

Barbara Marshall, Auxiliary president

IT IS ALMOST TIME FOR CAMPING SEASON

It's hard to believe that we are getting ready for another camping season at the Virginia Elks Youth Camp. For our newer members this is our major state project and each year we send deserving youth from our community to camp for a week. This year the girls go July 5 to July 11 and the boys go July 19 to July 25. 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 be contacting the schools the middle of April. The Lodge provides transportation to and from camp and there is no cost to the child or their family.

As our Lodge membership has dropped so has the quota of campers we are asked to send. While we sent close to 50 campers about 10 years ago, this year our quota is only 28. Believe it or not, I have already been approached by parents and counselors from the schools asking for spots so I know those 28 slots are going to be used up quickly. I would like to see us send more than our quota. The camp has the space but doing so increases the cost to the Lodge. If you would like to sponsor all or part of the tuition for a camper, the cost is per camper is \$150. This would allow us to serve more children in the community.

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 which 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!

Barbara Marshall

Youth Camp Lodge Director

Golf Update

We kick off the golf season this month on the 6th at Westpark. Also, this month we will play at Old Hickory on the 20th, Osprey Landing on the 4th and Prince William on the 18th are scheduled for May. All will have 0900 shotgun starts.

We will continue to use the sign up procedures introduced last year. Under these procedures players will be contacted, by email, a week before with instructions for that event. The easiest way to sign up is just respond to that email: hit reply, add your information, and send. If you don't do email, you can sign up by phone. When you want to play with a particular person or group, include that information in your response/phone call. You should coordinate with them first. Sign up must be accomplished by the Thursday preceding the day of the event.

When you play, you should report to the golf course at least 30 minutes prior to the tee time (usually 9:00) 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 representative and/or the tournament director, witness the 50/50 drawing (collect winnings??) and be ready to go.

All Lodge 2188 members are invited to join the Golf Association. Lodge members who choose not to join may play as guests.

Any questions regarding the Golf Association, schedule, etc. should be addressed to Ron Murphy at bettyron.50@gmail.com or 703 866-4403.

Ron Murphy, Golfer

From the Travel Desk

Fabulous Finger Lakes New York Tour, August 17-19, 2015

Visit the beautiful Finger Lakes region of New York with new travel director Peggy Pape. Package includes 2 nights lodging, 2 breakfasts and 2 dinners, wonderful sights to see including the Corning Glass Museum, Belhurst Castle and Sonnenberg Gardens, a winery tour and tasting, lake cruise, and gaming and racetrack. All taxes and meal gratuities and luggage handling are included as well as luxury motorcoach transportation.

Sign up must be accomplished no later than 28 May 2015 with a \$100 deposit per person. Balance is due no later than 15 June 2015.

Price per person is \$399 double occupancy

Or \$499 single occupancy

Cancellation insurance is available for a fee upon request.

For information and reservations contact: Peggy Pape

Brochures available at the Lodge in
the bar and lounge!

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Editor's note: I have been to the Finger Lakes and it is a beautiful area. If you are looking for a wonderful getaway, this is it!

Apr 2015

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

			1 April Fool's Day—Enjoy it! Dinner till 8	2 Bingo 6 PM	3	4
5 <i>Happy Easter Brunch 10-2</i>	6 Bingo 6 PM Golf at Westpark 9 am	7 Board Mtg 7:15	8 Aux Mtg 7:30 Dinner till 8	9 Bingo 6 PM	10 Dinner till 8	11
12	13 Bingo 6 PM	14 Lodge Mtg 7:30	15 Dinner till 8	16 Bingo 6 PM	17 Dinner till 8	18
19	20 Old Hickory 9 Bingo 6 PM Knit & Crochet 11 am Initiation 7 pm	21 Board Mtg 7:15 Aux Daytime 1130	22 Dinner till 8	23 Bingo 6 PM	24 Dinner till 8	25
26	27 Bingo 6 PM	28 Lodge Mtg 7:30	29 Dinner till 8	30 Bingo 6 PM	 Dinner till 8	
The next scheduled dance is May 9. Flyer will be in the next issue of the Horn. Dance to the music of Hans Licht and celebrate Mother's Day.						

IN THE LOUNGE

Food & Entertainment



Wednesdays Prime Rib is the second Wednesday every month!

4/1--Fajitas

4/8--Prime Rib

4/15--Chicken Marsala

4/22--Beef and Broccoli

4/29--Chicken Parmigiana

Fridays Great Steak or

4/3--Grilled Crab Cake

4/10--Teriyaki-Ginger Salmon

4/17--Talapia

4/24--Chicken Cacciatore

New Lounge and Kitchen Hours

Lounge M-TH 12-9 Fri-11:30-10 Sat 2-8 Sun 1-7

Kitchen M-TH 12-7 Fri-11:30-8 Sat 2-6 Sun 1-6

Entertainment News

Apr 3 Terry Lee Ryan

Apr 10 Tom Saputo

Apr 17 Terry Lee Ryan

Apr 24 Tom Saputo

Easter Brunch, Sunday, April 5, 2015

10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Adults--\$16.95

Children--\$12.95

Kids under 5--Free



Mr Bunny at 12 Noon!

Featuring Omelette Bar, Carving Station and many more delectable items

Reservations are helpful especially for parties of 5 or more

Please call Club Manger's office at 703 560-2188, extension #1 or #2 and leave info and we will call back to confirm.

MEMBERS

April Elk of the Month

My selection for *ELK OF THE MONTH* is Jonathan C. Crews. Jonathan gives his time to our lodge "behind the scenes" and with no expectation of reward for his volunteerism. When the snow and ice covered our steps and walkways, Jonathan would just come to the lodge and shovel and put down salt and sand on the walks and stairs. He was not asked to do this - he just did! Additionally, Jonathan has been providing security services when outside events are held in the lodge that may need just that. All Club Manager Tom has to do is call Jonathan and say he might have a need and Jonathan is there - often until the late hours of the evening when the event ends and the attendees leave. Again, no hesitation or expectations - he just serves our lodge. Jonathan is - to quote Secretary Jan Sullivan "a nice guy" all around. He also runs the monthly DEA training at our lodge - training all types of police and security personnel. Thank you Jonathan; we are proud to have you as a member of Arlington-Fairfax 2188!

Brenda Slingerland, ER

MEMBERSHIP : We are down to 13 delinquent members. Official Notice has been sent to all those delinquent members, stating they will be dropped from the rolls if their dues are not paid by March 31, 2015. If you wish to drop your membership in good standing, you must first pay these dues and then ask for a Dimit, but this must be done **before March 24, 2015**.

Please submit your dues payment of \$99.50 (\$29.25 for Life Members) to the Lodge Secretary immediately. Checks should be made payable to Arlington-Fairfax Lodge #2188, or BPOE 2188.

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, and I will send you a new card.

Proposed Members:

Brian K. Baker
Chris Falkovich
David J. Mullane
Bruce Myers
Tamara Teele

Elected on February 24, 2015:

Lance A. Beeman
Geoffrey Lyster
John Schneider
Tanya Wiertalla
Irene Sarakinis

Elected on March 10, 2015:

Jennifer Morris
William Wagner

Arlington-Fairfax Elks Lodge 2188 initiates 5 new members 3/16/2015 Exalted Ruler Patricia Graves with (L-R) Fred Denny, Luis G. Cisneros, Irene Sarakinis, William Wagner, and John Schneider



Thanksgiving in March

13 Mar 2015

***Dinner to thank wounded servicepeople and
their families in conjunction with the
Aleethia Foundation and Walter Reed***



The Fabulous Hubcaps

7 Mar 2015



Some of the more than 300 guests who enjoyed the 50s and 60s and even some 70s with the Fabulous Hubcaps

Photos by Wyman



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Vodka Tasting Fundraiser with Russkie Musicanti



Russkie Musicanti balalaika ensemble with hostess Linda Gardner (third from left) and Vodka Goody Basket winner Sue Lyon (center)



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