



Arlington-Fairfax Elks Lodge #2188

The Elks Horn

Supporting our Community Since 1961

June 2014

As the heat of pre-summer begins, so is our Lodge continuing to heat up with activities. The month of May brought members many opportunities for fun and fellowship, including the Bling Thing where our male members were seen proudly sashaying in women's ensembles to raise money in support of our Elks Youth Camp. Guest Bartender Night also started up again with Georgianna & Tim Knotts providing an entertaining evening, while serving tasty drinks. Other enjoyable activities included the annual celebration of Memorial Day, as well as the Lodge Clean-Up to better our facility and come together in fellowship.

As a result of the low number of reservations, it was regrettable that the annual Mother's Day Brunch had to be cancelled. Reservations are essential for our managers to plan for an event, and ensure enough food, adequate number of tables, sufficient support/wait staff, etc. Additionally, there are a minimum number of people required to hold any major event. Please keep this in mind and **always** make reservations if planning to attend these types of events, including dinner dances, brunches, holiday celebrations, etc.

Our Elks Lodge events kick off with a big start in June with our participation in Celebrate Fairfax June 6-8, our major Community Outreach initiative. On Saturday, June 7, a Dinner Dance is scheduled in honor of Americanism/Flag Day. Also, on Sunday, June 8, we will be holding our annual Flag Day Ceremony, with Loudoun Elks Lodge participating in our first joint ceremony; and including a fellowship barbeque for those in attendance. Next on the calendar is the Guest Bartender Night scheduled for Wednesday, June 18; followed by a Margaritaville Party under the tent on Saturday, June 21, to support the Building Fund. On Sunday, June 22, a bus load of our Lodge members can be seen leaving our parking lot on their way to cheer on the Washington Nationals team. Finally, on Sunday, June 29, a Bingo Pot Luck will be held to introduce members, especially new members, to our Bingo program and talk about how they can help out.

All of these events are made possible by the dedication, energy and hard work of our members. Our members are second to none in ensuring our Lodge continues to provide something for everyone. Whether your interest is in fun and fellowship, volunteerism or dancing the night away, our Lodge has it all !! I encourage you to take advantage of your membership and join in some or all of these activities. (Further information on these events can be found in this edition of the Horn or in future e-mail blasts.)

We continue to bring in a few new members each month. However, to continue to keep our membership at its current level and to even grow by +1, we need to sustain our membership drive. It is anticipated that our participation in Celebrate Fairfax will introduce our Lodge to new potential members. Additionally, I challenge each member to bring in one new member this year. We have a wonderful Lodge; let's share its greatness with others and bring them in as new members.

Finally, a big Shout Out and thank you to all our members who "Make a Difference" and give so much to make our Lodge the best place to be. You make me proud to say "I am member of Arlington-Fairfax Lodge #2188".

Patti Graves, Exalted Ruler

June Elk of the Month

This person has only been a member for a short time, but the impact he has made is incredible. He has volunteered to spearhead our first major Community Outreach initiative at Celebrate Fairfax, he is chairing our newly formed Web Committee and taking the lead on redeveloping the Lodge web site, and he has eagerly stepped up to assist with many other Lodge programs and support areas. He has not only made recommendations and suggestions to the Board for new methods and projects to significantly improve our Lodge, but he is eager to fully support those initiatives or chair the committee to ensure their success. A true rarity!! Roy Seabolt, our June Elk of the Month, is a man of vision and action. Thank you Roy! You are a great asset to our Lodge!!

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Newsletter: Please let the secretary know if you are receiving the Horn electronically, either through email, or from our website. We are trying to cut down on the expense of mailing and printing the newsletter. If you are a regular at the Lodge and would be willing to pick up a copy here, we can save \$.56 by not mailing the copy to you.

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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MEMBERSHIP : A huge thank you to all of you have paid your dues. Reminders have been mailed, and many are responding. We are now down to 95 delinquent members. Please get your dues paid as promptly as possible. If you do not have a card that says "Paid to 4/1/2015" and is light blue in color, you are **delinquent**.

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.

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, and I will send you a new card.

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Chimes of Memory

Stephen L. Tidler, March 21, 2014

The Virginia Elks Website is www.virginiaelks.org

If you want Rose T to let members know about something, please send your item to: rthiebaut@orrick.com

Brenda Slingerland is the POC for Sickness and Distress for the Lodge. You can send an e-mail to Brenda at lodge2188@gmail.com or call her at 703-785-9974

Our webmaster is Jessica Hensley. Contact her at jessbh2188web@gmail.com.

From the Board

The financial status of the Lodge appears somewhat stable, and though we will soon be entering the traditionally slower summer months, the Board is cautiously optimistic that we will weather that period well.

In May, by achieving Lodge approval, we took a step forward with the project to upgrade the restroom facilities. Once Grand Lodge approval is achieved, we can start the physical renovation. The plan is to start first with the upstairs ladies' room and then move on to the upstairs men's room. Assuming the contractor is performing well and we are within budget, we can then move on to the downstairs men's room. Be assured, we recognize the dire need for this renovation and are proceeding as quickly as we prudently can.

It goes without saying, a facility such ours is in constant need of maintenance, repair and even renovation. To better plan for, budget and just keep track of the ever changing list of items needing attention, the Board is revising an action item list. This list will contain items needing attention now, in the near future and in the more distant future. Thus priorities will be set, and especially for the very expensive needs such as addressing the aging parking lot or the ballroom, funding needs will be identified. If you see an item needing attention, please bring it to my attention or the attention of any Board member or the Club Manager.

Respectfully,

Jerry Boyer

Board Chairman



Notes from Knotts

At last spring has sprung and in May the Auxiliary membership grew by three. Linda Gardner, Betty Kuennen, and Marianne Vail joined our ranks.

June is a quiet month for us except for the receipt of our scholarship applications from George Mason University. Fredi Hensley and her committee will be diligently reviewing applications.

If by chance you do your grocery shopping at Giant please consider buying gift cards from Joan Gavin. These cards are one of the sources of income the Auxiliary has to support its charities.

Have a fun filled spring and summer.

Georgianna Knotts, Auxiliary President



Attention Bingo Workers, Past, Present and Future

You are invited to a pot luck on Sunday, June 29 at 3:00. As part of this activity any new members or other members interested in working Bingo can participate in a short training session where you can become familiar with the different components of our Bingo program. We could use some new workers, especially verifying Bingos on the floor, running our Lucky 7 machine. Even if you were a worker in the past, plan on coming out and reconnecting with some of your former fellow workers. It should be a fun time.



TRAVEL OPPORTUNITIES

CONTACT PAUL NEWCOMBE, Chairman, Travel Committee,
FOR TRIP AND RESERVATION INFORMATION: 703 451 2127; paulnewcombe@verizon.net



Virginia Wine Tour and Tastings, Rappahannock Wine Country:

Saturday, September 20, 2014:

Wine tastings at Gray Ghost Vineyards, and Rappahannock Cellars,

lunch at Flint Hill Public House and a self-walking tour of the shops at

Washington, VA. \$120 per person.

Please make reservations by August 1, 2014.



American Music Theater Christmas Show – Lancaster, PA.

Saturday, November 8, 2014:

Visit the Farmer's Market, Amish Lunch at the Good'N Plenty Restaurant, and the American Music Theater Christmas Show. \$140 per person.

Please make reservations by September 1, 2014.

Golf Update

Congratulations to Mack McGlumphy who had both the low gross, 79, and low net, 63, at Osprey's, good for 5 points. There was a three way tie for second and 3 points among Dale Crisp, Bill Timmons and Mike Evers with net 70's. Ed Munn stood alone in third with a net 73 and earned 2 points. Everyone else earned a point; Tim Knotts (77), Ken Hensley (78), Eric Deaton (81) and Fuzzy Collier (87).

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

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

Elks POC is Ron Murphy 703 866-4403 or bettyron.50@gmail.com.

June 2014

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

	Celebrate Fairfax! June 6-8					
	Elks will man a table to let the community know about our programs and the benefits of Elkdom					
1	2 Bingo, 6 PM Golf, Bristow Manor 0900 Mex Train 1100	3 Board Mtg, 7:15	4 Dinner till 8	5 Bingo, 6 PM	6 Tom Saputo Dinner till 8	7 Belmont, 4-7 Dinner/Dance 7 PM
8 Flag Day Ceremony at 2 PM	9 Bingo, 6 PM Mex Train Dominoes, 1100	10 Membership Mtg, 7:30	11 Aux mtg, 7:30 Dinner till 8	12 Bingo, 6 PM VEA convention 6/12-15, Williamsburgh	13 Trailer Kats Dinner till 8	14
15 Father's Day	16 Bingo, 6 PM Golf, So.Rid 9 Knit/Crochet, 1100	17 Board Mtg, 7:15 Aux Day-time, 1130	18 Guest Bartender Dinner till 8	19 Bingo, 6 PM	20 Tom Saputo Dinner till 8	21 Margaritaville Party Fund Raiser
22 2188 Bus trip to the Nats!	23 Bingo, 6 PM	24 Membership Mtg, 7:30	25 Dinner till 8	26 Bingo, 6 PM	27 Terry Lee Ryan Dinner till 8	28
29 Bingo Pot Luck, 3 PM	30 Bingo, 6 PM Golf, Goose Ck 0900 Bunco, 1100				Fourth of July Picnic at the Lodge 	

Coming Soon to the Elks Club Lounge ELKS COMEDY HOUR
Saturday, August 9, 2014, call (703) 849-1282 if you are funny

IN THE LOUNGE

Food & Entertainment

Wednesdays

Prime Rib Night every Wednesday.

Fridays

June 6—Grilled Jumbo Lump Crabcake

June 13—Swordfish

June 20—Chicken and Pineapple Kabob

June 27—Jumbo Spiced Shrimp

Entertainment News June 2014

June 6—Tom Saputo

June 13—Trailer Kats

June 20—Tom Saputo

June 27—Terry Lee
Ryan



4th of July Members Cookout

Lounge and Tent

Food from the Grillmasters

Bring a dish—\$10

No dish—\$20

Children 10 & under—free

Entertainment

Food served at 4

Bring a friend!

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



YOUTH CAMP UPDATE

We are gearing up for another great camping season. Campers are being recruited, and our cabin, as well as the entire camp, is in great shape. There are many to thank who have made all of this possible.

Right now I am looking for people who would be willing to chaperone the kids on the bus to and from camp. If you would be interested please contact me at 571-203-0375 or bmarshall12@verizon.net. This is a great way to see the camp, which is one of our State Association's major projects, and experience first hand the good work our Lodge does in providing these students with a week away from the hustle and bustle of our metropolitan area.

Barbara Marshall, Lodge Camp Director

SPECIAL BINGO WAS A SUCCESS

If you weren't in the ballroom on Sunday afternoon, April 27, you missed a good time. Workers and players alike enjoyed themselves. Through the efforts of this project we were able to raise over \$1800 for the Lodge Improvement Fund. Of that \$1800 is included a donation of winnings back to the Lodge in the amount of \$100 in memory of Peter Marshall by his sister. A thank you to all of the workers who helped with the games, bingo, raffles, pull tabs and food that day. In the interest of space I am not going to name them all. However a huge thank you to **Alberta Ellison** who had the original idea and organized the event.

Barbara Marshall, Lodge Bingo Director

Please join the officers of Arlington/Fairfax Lodge #2188 and our friends, the officers of Loudoun Lodge #2406 for our first ever joint celebration in honor of **Flag Day**. We will begin with an official Flag Retirement Ceremony on **Sunday, June 8th, at 2PM sharp, under the tent on our lodge rear patio**. If you have never attended a flag retirement ceremony, I strongly encourage you to attend and to bring along family and friends. The entire ceremony lasts about an hour and will take place outside so please dress for the weather. If you have an American flag which has served well but is torn, tattered, faded, or otherwise unserviceable, please drop it off at the lodge no later than Noon on June 8th so that it may be prepared for proper retirement. In the event of rain, the ceremony will go on as planned; however, flags (except one ceremonial flag) will be retired at a later date.

–Michael Stevens, Flag Day Chairman



Immediately following the retirement ceremony, those who have attended are invited inside for a fellowship barbeque.

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Americanism/Flag Day Dance

Saturday, June 7 -- Music of Helmut Licht

Dinner @7 -- Dancing 8:15 to 11:00

Business Dress -- \$35 Members, \$40 Non-members

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