



Arlington-Fairfax Elks Lodge #2188

The Elks Horn

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Dec 2014

Lodge of Sorrow

William W. Wieland	June 26, 2013
Walter J Lander	Nov 12, 2013
Charline G. Walsh	Nov 21, 2013
Thomas O'Dea	Feb 9, 2014
John M. Oleyar, Jr.	Feb 16, 2014
Karl Bergsvik	Feb 23, 2014
Peter J. Gritis	Mar 1, 2014
Stephen I. Tidler	March 21, 2014
Patricia Boros	Mar 23, 2014
James Francis "Jim" Carney	Apr 3, 2014
Roger B. Waller	Apr 17, 2014
George Maglietta	May 23, 2014
Stephen J. Colevas	June 11, 2014
William Leamey	June 26, 2014
Robert "Dex" Armstrong	Jul 8, 2014
Franklin E. Morgan	July 15, 2014
Anthony Tartaro	Sep 26, 2014

Memorial Service

Sunday, Dec 7, 2014

4:00 P.M.

Fairfax Room

Dinner to Follow

**Service performed by Past
Exalted Rulers**

Please come to pay tribute.

Elks are never forgotten, never forsaken.

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



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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.

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NOTICE TO MEMBERS RE EMAIL NOTIFICATIONS

We are in the process of updating our email address list for sending Lodge Notices from Constant Contact. Some of you (or someone in your household) have "unsubscribed" from the notices that were coming from entertainment or jollycorkspub and now wish to begin receiving them again. Due to the strict policy that Constant Contact follows, I am prohibited from adding your name back onto our list once you have unsubscribed. If you wish to receive our notices, you will need to resubscribe. Please email me at dwilkes@cox.net for the link and instructions. I have sent a personal email to all of those who have unsubscribed with the necessary instructions should they choose to receive the notices again. For those of you who would like to be added to the list, please send me an email.

Deborah Wilkes, Trustee

Charitable Donations

Dictionary Project Ken Hensley

Backpack Program Claude Alley

USO Betty Kuenen

C. Kenneth Gorham

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The Horn

Dear Members,

I am so sorry for the late or non-delivery of the Horn in Oct and November. The Nov Horn was mailed on Oct 20 and I understand many have not yet received it. This is because it is not sent first class which means that the Post Office does not have any specific time to deliver it. Of course, if you provide your name and e-mail to Roy Seabolt the new webmaster, (roy.seabolt@gmail.com) he will send you a link to the Horn. Or, you may pick one up at the Lodge while supplies last.

Fredi Hensley. Editor

New Secretary Hours:

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ER's Corner



Don't you love this time of year? It is a time for us to celebrate with family and friends, a time to share with others, and a time to reflect on our blessings. This is a wonderful, magical time of year when anything is possible.

At Arlington-Fairfax 2188, we are blessed with members and friends who continue to give so much of themselves. In November, through the dedication of our members, we continued to make a difference in the lives of others. The Backpack Lunches continued to ensure elementary school children have nutritious food during the weekend. Our Veterans Program was a spectacular event honoring our current and future veterans for their sacrifices; as we hosted veterans and current military from the Martinsburg VA Hospital and Ft. Belvoir. Our annual Food and Coat Drive provided for 40+ families, who otherwise may not have warmth and nourishment this holiday season.

This month, our Lodge continues the good work for which we are known, while throwing in a little fun and fellowship. The Backpack Lunches will continue to provide children weekend lunches (see email blasts and Horn notices on how you can assist). On **December 7**, we will hold our Elks Memorial Service and Lodge of Sorrows for our fellow members who have passed the previous year. Please join us in honoring these members. On **December 14**, the Lodge will hold its annual Spina Bifida and **Children's Christmas parties** to provide those children a day of fun, presents and a visit with Santa. Our **Guest Bartender Night** continues on **December 17**, featuring special drinks and a Holiday theme by Art and Joan Wyman. The Lodge's annual **Holiday party and Open House** to thank our members will be held on **December 20**; come enjoy appetizers and a free drink. The **Ugly Sweater Contest** along with the **Holiday Gift Wrapping** program will be held on **December 21**; wear your ugliest holiday sweater and get your holiday wrapping done at the same time. Finally, two great dances are planned for the ballroom - the **Holiday Dance** on **December 20** and the **New Year's Eve Dance** on **December 31**. Both are wonderful events to share with your "significant other."

Our major Lodge program continues to be held every Monday and Thursday. The Bingo program not only funds many of our charitable initiatives; it is also essential in meeting monthly operational costs and ensures the existence of our Lodge. Please greet and thank our new Bingo Coordinators, who will be taking over responsibilities in 2015. Sharon Dunfrund and Jim Weed will co-coordinate Monday's Bingo operations, with Susan Lyon handling worker schedules. Karen Bender will oversee Thursday's Bingo operation. They will be taking over responsibilities from Barbara Marshall, who has been Bingo Chair for many, many years. Barbara's dedication and support of our Bingo program has been indispensable. Barbara, we cannot thank you enough for your unbelievable tenure as Bingo chair!!

It is only through volunteers like these that our Bingo program will continue to thrive. We need Bingo volunteers; we need you!! Our Bingo volunteers report having a fun evening interacting with the players and knowing they are making a difference in the Lodge. Be one of these volunteers! Whether you only have two hours a month to volunteer or are able to help out for several hours, the Bingo program has a place for you. Whether selling pull tabs, "working the line" to distribute Bingo packets, being a "floor walker" or volunteering as a Bingo caller, the Bingo program desperately needs your support. Please contact me or one of the Bingo Coordinators; we can furnish additional information on what great volunteer opportunities Bingo can provide. This is the season to share and to give back; please share your time and give back to the Lodge as a Bingo volunteer.

And as we share this Christmas and Holiday season with family and friends, may the spirit of the season remind us of God's gifts. Let us continue to share with those less fortunate and not forget why we celebrate this time of year. Wishing continued blessings to you and your family and a Holiday season filled with joy and love. A Merry and Blessed Christmas to all!

Patti Graves, ER

From the Chairman of the Board

Initially, I was planning this month to provide some insight on Lodge finances, particularly our funding streams, their vulnerability and volatility. But, it is the Holiday season, so why not discuss something more in keeping with that - let's call it Good Cheer.

Along the lines of Good Cheer, you may have noticed that things are more upbeat lately. In the social quarters, the Wednesday Guest Bartender nights have certainly been going well, with good attendance and camaraderie; Thursday nights have been holding their own, especially with those enjoying the dart tournament, and Friday nights have been just hopping with standing room only. In the Ballroom, the Lodge Veterans Day dinner was well attended, and though the Halloween dinner dance scheduled for the Ballroom was unfortunately cancelled, that was accepted with grace and the Halloween party in the Lounge was well attended.

The above represents just some of the upbeat social functions; outside of that our charitable activities continue and even the Tuesday night meetings, both Lodge and Board, have been going well with discourse being not just civil but friendly and productive – Good Cheer.

Maybe next month we can get around to that discussion of funding streams, but it's the Holiday season, so for now suffice it to say we are doing okay. With that, I wish you Good Cheer and, of course, a Merry Christmas.

Respectfully

Jerry Boyer, Board Chairman.

Auxiliary President's Corner

The auxiliary keeps on chugging along doing good deeds and having a great time. At our wine and cheese Christmas Party on December 10 gift cards will be collected for our adopted families to insure their holiday is a merry one.

Besides the stimulating conversation, delicious food and wine at the December meeting/party, three new people will be installed into the Auxiliary. Why don't you come and see what's missing in your life!

Thanks and kudos go to the Daytime Activity group who each year wrap the toys for the Elks Children's Party. Desdie Archuleta deserves all the thanks we can muster for revising the Auxiliary By-laws. And last but not least, thanks go to all the members who make the Auxiliary such a vibrant organization.

The White House Ornaments are flying off the shelf so be sure to get yours from Joan Gavin or Tom Lotfabadi in the lodge office. As always, Joan Gavin has Giant Gift Cards for sale.

May your Holiday be filled with family, friends, and good food.

Ho. Ho, Ho,

Georgianna Knotts

Dec 2014

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

	1 Bingo, 6	2	3 Dinner till 8	4 Bingo, 6	5 Terry Lee Ryan, 7 Dinner till 8	6
7 Elks Memorial Service, 4 PM	8 Mexican Train Dom, 11 Bingo, 6	9	10 Aux Christmas Wine & Cheese 7:30 Dinner till 8	11 Bingo, 6	12 Tom Saputo, 7 Dinner till 8	13 Pack Backpack lunches 1 PM
14 Childrens Christmas Parties, 1 PM	15 Knit & Crochet, 11 Bingo, 6	16 Aux Daytime Holiday party, 11	17 Art & Joan Wyman-Guest Bartenders Night 6-??? Dinner till 8	18 Bingo, 6	19 Terry Lee Ryan, 7 Dinner till 8	20 Open House, 5 Holiday Dance 7
21 Ugly Sweater Contest & Gift Wrapping, 1	22 Bunco, 11 Bingo, 6	23	24	25 Christmas, Lodge Closed	26 No dinner or entertainment	27
28	29 Bingo, 6	30	31 New Year's Eve Dance	1 New Year's Day, Lodge Closed	2	3
HOOP SHOOTS IS COMING! CONTACT MARK KAPLON IF YOU WISH TO VOLUNTEER AT mkaplon22@gmail.com						

IN THE LOUNGE

Food & Entertainment



Wednesdays

3rd-Glazed Ham

10th-Prime Rib

17th-Pepper Steak

24th-Christmas Eve-Closed

31st-New Year's Eve-No Buffet

Fridays—Always a great steak or

5th-Grilled Crab cake

12th-Talapia w/ Crabmeat

19th-Rainbow Trout

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 Dec 2014

Dec 5, 2014 Terry Lee Ryan

Dec 12, 2014 Tom Saputo

Dec 19, 2014 Terry Lee Ryan

No dinner or entertainment
on 26 Dec

The 2014 White House Christmas ornaments have arrived. This year's ornament honors the administration of Warren G. Harding, our 29th President. The cost of these two ornaments together is \$20.00.



**Buy Giant Gift Cards
from Joan Gavin
and help the
Auxiliary fund
charitable
enterprises**

Ornaments are available from Barbara Marshall (571-203-0375) and Joan Gavin (703-978-3029) and from Campers Trophies in Fairfax City.

MEMBERSHIP

December Elk of the Month

Since a Lodge officer's responsibility centers on the support and betterment of the Lodge, his/her support is an expected aspect of the position. However, there is one officer that continually goes above and beyond, exceeds all expectations, and deserves recognition. He repeatedly gives of his time, money and expertise to complete lodge building improvements; enthusiastically coordinates annual lodge clean ups; spearheads many projects that others will not; has "volunteered" as an officer for years to provide leadership and support; and uses his enthusiasm to encourage others to volunteer and get involved. It was a surprise to learn that Vernon Gardener has not previously been named Elk of the Month – or at least not since anyone could remember. Vernon, this recognition is long overdue! Thank you for your dedication, your humor, your enthusiasm and your unending support to the Lodge and the office of the Exalted Ruler.

Patti Graves, Exalted Ruler

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**Come one, Come all
To the Annual
Elks Children's Christmas
Party**

Sunday, December 14

At 1 pm

**SANTA will visit and have a gift
for each of the children.**

**Blue Sky Puppet Theater will entertain
and food will be served.**



Annual Holiday Gift Wrapping

Sunday, December 21, 2014, 2 PM – Mark your calendar! The Elks Lodge 2188 Elves will be out in full force to do your holiday gift wrapping! Drop off your gifts, watch a game, relax, and let the elves do their magic! All the elves ask in return is a donation for their efforts. In addition, the elves will be raffling off a “Holiday Spirits” basket. Proceeds from this year's gift wrapping and raffle will go to host the “Thanksgiving in March” dinner for wounded service members and their families (see Veterans Committee article for more information). There will also be home-made egg nog to enhance your wrapping experience!

If you cannot make December 21, 2014, but would still like to have your gifts wrapped, contact Linda Gardner at lgardner9@cox.net or 703-636-6392 and she will try to accommodate your schedule.

All packages will be decorated with a hand-made bow. If you want your friends and family to “ooh and ah” about your gifts, let the Elks Lodge 2188 Elves do the wrapping for you!

Golf Update

We officially closed the 2014 season with our Banquet on Friday, 14 November, at the Lodge. The dinner was excellent, the bar was open, and all had a good time.

Highlights of the evening included recognizing our major event's winners for the season, door prize drawings and of course the 50/50 drawing.

Jerry Kwiatkowski (A Flight) and Tim Knotts (B Flight) were recognized for winning the 2014 Masters Tournament and Mack McGlumphy was awarded the 2014 Chairman's Trophy for his season long efforts. Mack also received the “Ed Munn Attendance Award”. Mack was the only member of our group to play in every 2014 event. Ed donated the award. Ed also donated a great many balls, golf towels, etc. which bolstered the usual door prizes, that is, passes from the courses we played this season, for next season. Frank Burns, Don Saboe and Fuzzy Collier received the first annual Angler's Award. It recognized the ability to add an additional sporting activity to they're round and still be able to complete it in three hours. Frank Burns was recognized again later, but it was late in the evening and it wasn't clear exactly why. Even the Chairman got in the act, receiving a much-appreciated memento from Jerry Sall that had been made by Tim Knotts. Tim, unfortunately, was absent.

Even as we are saying good-bye to the 2014 season, planning for 2015 has begun. A meeting is planned for early December to work on the 2015 schedule.

Remember, if you can't head south this winter to keep your game in shape, there are a number of heated driving ranges in the immediate area. Or you could put the clubs in storage for four months and take a break. That could work too.

Ron Murphy, Golf Guru



HOLIDAY DANCES

Christmas Ball

Saturday, December 20 -- Music of Helmut Licht

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

Formal Dress -- \$50 Members, \$55 Non-members



New Years Eve Ball

Wednesday, December 31 -- Music of Mike Surriatt

Dinner @ 7 -- Dancing through New Year, w/Champagne

Breakfast Afterwards -- Formal Dress

\$75 Members, \$80 Non-members

**NOTE: NO ADVANCE TICKET SALES--PAYMENT AT THE
DOOR!!**

For reservations or info contact Frank at dance2188@gmail.com or
703-591-3616

Halloween 2014



Michael Perry, member and musician extraordinaire



Tini Time, Nov 15, 2014



New Members



Exalted Ruler Patti Graves and guest Jeffery Cox, Virginia State 1st Vice president, DDGER, and Richard Falzone, PSP, Massachusetts Elks Association welcome new members Christian Mirasol, Rebekah Jewell and R. Byron Allison to Arlington-Fairfax Elks Loge 2188

Veteran's Dinner, 9 Nov



Rapt attention listening to band selections.



ER Patti Graves, Veterans Committee and guest speaker Fred Downs, Jr.



FOOD!



Kings Park Concert Band

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2014-2015

Our new Grand Exalted Ruler John Amen has set his ENF goal for each lodge member at \$4.60. Arlington-Fairfax is starting its drive by asking each member to make a contribution in one of five different ways: 1. Fill in the form below and send it to the Arlington-Fairfax Lodge. 2. Mail in a donation to the Elks National Foundation at 2750 North Lakeview Avenue, Chicago, IL 60614-1884. 3. Sign up online at BPO Elks and get a password and then start giving online at the ENF online giving center. (I make a donation yearly on my birthday). 4. **If you are a federal Worker and donate to the Combined Federal Campaign, please look up the Code Number and consider giving all or part of you contribution to the Elks.** Arlington-Fairfax will receive credit. 5. Give a donation to me, Tim Knotts, and I will send it in for you.

Last year we had 87 of our 714 members made a donation. That was only 12.2%. Lets strive for 100% participation this year. **As soon as you finish reading this article, take ten minutes to send in your support.** With everyone's help, we can give 1000 new dictionaries to deserving Arlington and Fairfax County third graders again this year.

Thank for your support.

Tim Knotts, ENF Chairman



ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION DONATION FORM

Please make your check out to the **Elks National Foundation** and mail it to the Lodge Secretary.

Name: _____ Membership Number _____

(Look on your ELKS card)

AMOUNT OF CONTRIBUTION: \$10 \$15 \$25 \$50 \$100 OTHER _____

Please send this form and check to: **Arlington-Fairfax Elks Lodge #2188**

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