

Arlington-Fairfax Elks Lodge #2188

THE ELKS HORN

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Message from the Exalted Ruler



February marks an important time on our Elks calendar. We have just two months remaining this year until we start anew on April 1st with a new slate of Lodge Officers. In our first meeting on February 14th we will be nominating our new leaders, and voting on the nominations at our second meeting on February 28th. I would like to see more members attend the business meetings to listen, learn, voice opinions, and lend support. Our Lodge is only as good as its members. Your ideas, leadership, and volunteer hours are needed to propel us into the future. This could be the year to get started serving with the Elks team.

Annual dues notices will be coming out in the mail this month, along with an opportunity to donate extra

dollars to our ongoing charities, building fund, and programs which will provide a much-needed monetary boost. Please plan to pay your dues early and to help out monetarily as much as you can.



Don Weber will be our Guest Bartender for February. Please come out and sample his surprise drinks from 5:00P until 8:00P on Wednesday, February 15th. Plan to come and have fun, and bring friends to also enjoy the event and the Wednesday Night Dinner, or something from our daily Lounge/Bar menu.

Grace Kayatta, Maria Jordan and Rose Thiebaut started a new lunch group (a/k/a "Lunch with Friends") at the Lodge on Mondays (every Monday, except when the Lodge is officially closed), starting between 11:30A-12:00N until whenever. The purpose of these gatherings is to meet with fellow Elks members for lunch and a good time together -- and it's yet another way to support the Lodge. Come on out, have lunch, make new friends, and certainly bring friends, if you wish – the more, the merrier. You will be happy you did.

For the month of February I have selected Roy Seabolt as the ELK OF THE MONTH. His dedication as Board of Directors Chairman and his determination to keep the Lodge moving in a positive direction are admirable. For the past two years he has also devoted his Saturdays to our ever-growing "Tavern Poker" game. We are having a Texas Hold'em poker game at no cost to the players, and two separate games start at 5:00P and 7:00P. This is your chance to learn, develop, and practice your Poker skills. Why not give it a try while supporting your Lodge! Thank you, Roy, for your great work at the Lodge!

So until next time, I hope to see you around the Lodge. [Exalted Ruler Tim Knotts]

Who We Are

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WiFi is available at the Lodge. Please see the bartender on duty for the Access Code.

Membership

The Order is a non-political, non-sectarian and strictly American fraternity. Proposal for membership in the Order is only by invitation of a member in good standing. To be accepted as a member, one must be an American citizen, believe in God, be of good moral character, and be at least 21 years old.

ATTENTION UNPAID MEMBERS: Please contact **Membership Chair Don Weber** at (703) 241-8309 or (703) 307-9605 (cell) to either renew or terminate your membership.

****MARK YOUR CALENDARS****

ANNUAL CHILI COOK-OFF & TURKEY FRY AT #2188 – Sunday, February 5, 2017

\$20 Cover Charge – Proceeds to Benefit "Aleethia Foundation"

Live Entertainment by "Honky Tonk Confidential"

Food Served at 4:30P

SUPER BOWL Game Begins 6:30P (ET)









LODGE MEETINGS: Held on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month – please attend.

BOARD MEETINGS: Held on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month.

MONDAY "LUNCH WITH FRIENDS"

Every Monday – starts between 11:30A-12:00N – members and guests are invited to have lunch in the Lounge dining area to get to know each other, to enjoy good conversation and have a good time – each person pays for his/her own meal – if you want to have a good lunch and enjoy the company of others, please join us!



KNIT & CROCHET CIRCLE

Meets the third Monday of each month – 11:00A to 2:00P – please join the group! Afterwards, the group enjoys lunch ordered from the Lounge/Bar menu.

Back Pack Lunch Program: Lodge volunteers pack lunches once a month for the Back Pack Lunch Program. Please contact **Chairman Lisa Gallimore** (<u>lagallimore@hotmail.com</u>) if you have an interest in joining the team. It's truly fun and rewarding.

Darts & Queen of Hearts – Held on Thursday Nights



Come out and join the fun at the Lodge on THURSDAY NIGHTS! A friendly game of DARTS begins at 7:00P, and everyone is welcome to play. If you don't know how to play, don't worry! Our DART leader (PER Vernon Gardener), or any of the other players, will be happy to teach you. Then at 7:30P, the weekly drawing for the QUEEN OF HEARTS game will be held. This game is open to all Elks members/spouses, and you do not have to be present to win. Tickets can be purchased at any time from the Bartender-on-duty or PER Patti Graves. 6 tickets for \$5. This game pays out as follows: 60%

to the winner, 30% to Lodge Charities, and 10% to VEA Charities. Be sure to buy your weekly tickets and check the Board in the Lounge entrance for the jackpot totals.



Poker Schedule at #2188

2 games every Saturday in February -- Games are at 5:00P and 7:00P

Valentine's Breakfast at #2188 -- Saturday, February 11, 2017





Everyone is invited to attend the Valentine's Breakfast (hosted by the Elks Auxiliary) on Saturday, February 11th, from 9:30A to 11:30A. Chef Jay Singer will provide a delicious meal consisting of pancakes, eggs, bacon, sausage, hash brown potatoes, toast, coffee/tea, at \$10 per person. Bring family and friends. Support the Lodge and enjoy a wonderful meal. To reserve a table for your group, contact (703) 560-2188 (Press 1).

Valentines/ENF Dance at #2188 -- Saturday. February 11, 2017



Dinner will be served 7:00P, followed at 8:15P by dancing to the music of Helmut Licht. \$35 per person for members, and \$40 for non-members. Men should wear a jacket and tie for the dance. An additional \$10 donation will be requested for the Elks National Foundation, which supports many of the Lodge's charities. Please email Dinner Dance Chairman Frank Burns at dance2188@gmail.com, or leave a message for Frank at (703) 591-3616. (Do not call the Lodge numbers, as the old reservation system is no longer in service.")

DINNER DANCE SCHEDULE at #2188 (2017)

In the #2188 Ballroom -- Dinner at 7:00P -- Dancing from 8:15P to 11:05P -- Cash Bar -- Members @\$35, Non-Members @\$40 Balls are formal events, with dark suits allowed; dances are business dress; and parties are casual events.

DATE (2017)	EVENT	BAND
February 11	Valentine's/ENF Dance	Helmut Licht
April 1	Installation Ball	Frank Napoli
June 10	Flag Day Dance	Mike Surratt
August 19	Luau Party	Mike Surratt
September 30	Auxiliary Dance	Helmut Licht
December 16	Christmas Ball	Frank Napoli
December 31	New Year's Eve Ball	Mike Surratt

<u>Please Note</u>: (1) Attendees must be a guest of an Elks members or an affiliated group; (2) If a non-member wishes to attend, the reservation must be made through a member or by contacting Chairman Frank Burns; (3) Please make reservations by the Wednesday prior to the dance; (2) Guests may choose an alternate entrée of chicken or vegetarian, as appropriate; (3) Please indicate seating preference when making reservation; and (4) To make reservations, email <u>dance2188@gmail.com</u> or call Frank Burns (703) 591-3616.

WINE TASTING AT #2188

Saturday, February 18, 2017
2:00p to 5:00p – in the Lounge Area
\$10.00 per person – Enjoy the Wine Tasting & Light Hors d'oeuvres
All members and guests are invited!

WASHINGTON SAENGERBUND'S MASQUERADE BALL at #2188



Saturday, February 27, 2017 – 7:00P to Midnight \$30 in advance (or \$40 at the door) Dance to Mike Surratt & The Continentals Cash Bar – German Specialties for sale Door Prizes Call Eva Brandt at (703) 280-1772 for tickets (or you can order online using PayPal at www.saengerbund.org) Everyone is invited to attend this FUN event at #2188



SAVE THE DATE ALEETHIA FOUNDATION FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER - March 17, 2017

Our next Friday Night Dinner, in partnership with the **Aleethia Foundation**, will be held at #2188 on **Friday, March 17**th. At these dinners, our Lodge serves dinner to our guests who are recovering service men/women from the Walter Reed facility,

along with their families. We provide a warm reception, a great meal, and the welcoming hospitality that our Elks Lodge is known for. Members are encouraged to attend and support this most important event. As it will also be St. Patrick's Day, GREEN will be involved. More information will be provided in the March issue of The Horn.



SAVE THE DATE THE FABULOUS HUBCAPS at #2188

Saturday, May 27, 2017 – 7:30P to 11:00P \$45 in advance (or \$50 at the door) – Cash Bar – Heavy Hors d'oeuvres

Call (703) 560-2188 (Club Manager Tom Lotfabadi, or Press 1) for more information and/or reservations – this is such a popular event that we recommend purchasing your tickets early! The band has such a big fan club throughout the metropolitan area, that we fill up the Ballroom with their fan base and tickets sell FAST!

FROM THE LODGE SECRETARY

Dear Members: We write to ask you to support the Lodge this year with a donation to our fundraising campaign. Each year, our Lodge supports several Elks programs and charitable organizations in our community. and without donations from individuals like you, this would not be possible. Donations help sustain our Lodge facility and benefit the community which we serve. Now in existence for over 56 years, Arlington-Fairfax Elks Lodge #2188 continues to strive to maintain and improve our Lodge and its charitable offerings to the community. It is hoped that you will be able to take part in one or more of the many exciting events this year and experience first-hand the pride we take in our Lodge and in supporting the many great programs and giving back to the community. Please make a commitment to support our appeal by making a cash donation. We thank you in advance for your support! Your donation is greatly appreciated and will make a difference to our Lodge and our community by allowing us to continue in our great works. Remember that every donation makes a difference, regardless of size. Again, thank you in advance for your support! [Secretary Jan Sullivan]

RECENT EVENTS HELD at #2188

MONDAY LUNCH WITH "FRIENDS"





The very successful startup lunch for the new "Lunch with Friends" began on Monday, December 19th, and has continued every Monday since then, where members meet for lunch around 11:30A-12:00N until "whenever" in the Lounge area. You can order lunch from the Lounge/Bar menu (each person has a separate tab), and enjoy fun conversation and laughter with others. It's a nice way to join fellow Lodge members and for new members to meet us – plus, you will be supporting the Lodge. We are very happy to report that

we have been averaging 6-10 attendees at each luncheon. The invitation is open to all members and guests who are interested, and it sure beats eating alone at home or elsewhere. [Grace Kayatta, Maria Jordan, and Rose Thiebaut]

KNIT & CROCHET GROUP



The group meets on the 3rd Monday of each month, and held a session at 11:00A on Monday, January 23rd. There were at least 14 attendees at this session. If you wish to join them, contact **Sharon Dunfrund at (703) 719-7644** for information and/or to sign up. They have fun creating items, and enjoy lunch from the Lounge/Bar menu afterwards.

GUEST BARTENDER NIGHT - Held on Wednesday, JAN 18, 2017











PATTI GRAVES was the Guest Bartender on January 18th, assisted by Ashley Stead and Laurie Fearis, and dressed in railroad overalls and caps in keeping with the theme "Jump on the Fireball Express." The featured drinks were the "Fireball Express" and "Train Wreck" – both very tasty. It was such a fun time and enjoyed by all who attended. On the 3rd Wednesday of each month, #2188 will feature a Guest Bartender who will serve a special concoction of choice. Make plans to attend and enjoy a future Guest Bartender Night event. Your support is appreciated.

RECEPTION HELD AT #2188 – A MEMORIAL TRIBUTE TO MEMBER SAL GUARDINO















MESSAGE FROM THE CLUB

The Club has purchased new wine glasses for the Lounge that have markings for a 6-oz. pour and 8-oz. pour. The cost for a 6-oz. glass of wine will remain the same as before (with the exception of the Carlo Rossi wines, which will actually be reduced in price), while the 8-oz. glass of wine will cost just a bit more.

News from Lodge Secretary Jan Sullivan jsullivan@bpoe2188.org



CHARITABLE DONATIONS:

USO: PER Patti Graves / Trustee Sharon Dunfrund **Back Pack Lunches:** Trustee Sharon Dunfrund

MEMBERSHIP

In the future, pursuant to a Board decision from 2011, the names of new applicants to our Lodge membership will be posted on the Members Bulletin Board in the Lounge/Social Quarters.

January 21, 2017

Arlington-Fairfax 2188 Welcomes Two Initiation Classes

Arlington-Fairfax 2188 ends 2016 and starts 2017 with new member initiations. We are very optimistic about our two new member classes. The new year brings new promise.



Arlington-Fairfax 2188 Exalted Ruler Tim Knotts welcomes new members Donna Fujiwara, Patrick Sequi, Jonna S. Wooten and Chris Hedge.



Exalted Ruler Tim Knotts with new members Salvatore Guardino, Amy Long, Richard Calio, Marlo Cooper, Dawn Damschen, Sheryl Roth and Darren Young

Initiated Dec 19, 2016

Initiated JAN 16, 2017

Life Membership Requests:

- ✓ Allen Stonebruner (Member #3332)
- ✓ Donald Robeston (Member #6068)

IN MEMORIAM



George L. Moore (passed away January 24, 2017)

"We shall meet, but we shall miss him. There will be the vacant chair. But though we no more possess him, still our hearts his memory bear. But a while ago we gathered, friendship beaming in each eye. Now the golden cord is severed. He has passed to realms on high."

SICKNESS & DISTRESS

Please report any sickness or distress names to Lodge Secretary Jan Sullivan.

MEMBERSHIP PRIMER:

I have received many comments from prospective members and candidates concerning the process of becoming a member of our Lodge. I thought it might be helpful to remind everyone of the steps we each have taken to become a member. If you have any questions, please contact Lodge Secretary Jan Sullivan.

- An application blank must be completely filled out and given to the Lodge Secretary, with the application fee of \$40. If the candidate is under the age of 26, their application fee is only \$20.
- The Application blank has confused some of our members. The member proposing (i.e., sponsoring) the new candidate must fill in the top portion of the blank, where it says "Proposer." The candidate fills in the remainder starting with "Proposes."
- 3. The Secretary will send the candidate a letter enclosing a Receipt showing they have paid the application fees, and entitling them admission to the lodge during their candidacy.
- 4. The application will be read at the next meeting after it is received. The second meeting after receipt, the candidate will be voted on.
- 5. After the ballots have been cast, and the candidates elected, the Secretary will send a letter setting forth the date for their orientation and initiation, and telling them the amount of their pro rata dues for the remainder of the year. Until they get that letter, or an email, they are not to show up for initiation. We may have one while they are in process, but it does not mean all new candidates are ready for initiation. All members are encouraged to attend the initiation.

DELINQUENT MEMBERS

We have whittled down the Delinquent Members list greatly, but there are still several members who have not yet paid. Thank you to all who have responded. A final list appears below, and is a final opportunity to pay before being removed from our membership rolls. If you do not have a light green card that shows the "expiration date" of 4/1/2017, you are delinquent.

Mirza Baig Erik Milman

Peter Barrett Michael James Perry (NOTE: not the singer)

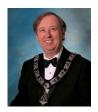
Patricia Brasseur **Donald Puskar** Ted Farran John Scombordi Chris Fialkovich Cynthia Tallia Alice Fontana Victor Weedn PER Mark Harford Tanya Wiertalla Linda Wilson Jay Hern

William Lee Yarborough

Joseph Holland Richmond Miller

If you know of any member who is delinquent, please have them contact me as to whether they wish to continue or not. Remember: if you propose someone for membership, you should continue to keep in touch with them and encourage them to renew their dues if they are on this list. If you do not know whether you have sponsored someone, please give me a call.

News from the Trustees (Roy Seabolt, Chairman) roy.seabolt@gmail.com



There are a couple of items that need to be brought to your attention. **Item 1:** It is that time of year again where elections for the new Elks Year are fast-approaching. Trustee Sharon Dunfrund is leaving the Board and we will need someone to take her place. A Trustee on the Board of Directors is responsible for all the financial and business decisions that are made regarding Arlington-Fairfax Elks Lodge #2188 operations. As a Trustee, you are also responsible for overseeing the Club operations. A term on the Board is for five years. You will be required to attend meetings every Tuesday night, with Board Meetings on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays, and Lodge Meetings on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays. If you are interested in finding out more, or are seriously interested in

serving in this position, please let me or any Board Officer know. We would be more than happy to talk to you. Item 2: I have been told on numerous occasions that the membership does not care about the finances of our Lodge. I find that difficult to believe. If you care about this Lodge as much as I do, the financial health of the Lodge should be of utmost importance to you. As I write this article, we have an upcoming vote on a dues increase requested to help us meet our financial commitments and increased operational costs. By the time you read this, that vote will have already taken place. Regardless of the outcome of the vote on the dues increase, I want the membership to understand that this is not the only action that the Board is taking to improve our finances. We are constantly looking for new revenue streams and ways to reduce costs. Recently, because of an indepth review of one of our biggest suppliers, it was determined that there were actions that we could take to reduce our inventory costs. We will continue to scrutinize our other vendors to see where we can reduce our costs. Finally, we are conducting a review of our Hall Rentals operation to ensure that we are competitive with the market on hall rentals and catering. As always, if you have any suggestions for fundraisers, feel free to contact me or any Board Officer with your ideas.

[Board Chairman Roy Seabolt] HELP WANTED: If anyone has public relations experience or grant-writing experience, please contact me directly.

News from the Veterans Committee (Co-Chairs Patti Graves & Rose Thiebaut)



#2188 Supports Bingo at Martinsburg VA Hospital

Arlington-Fairfax Elks #2188 ended the 2016 calendar year by hosting a great program that supports patients/veterans at the Martinsburg VA Hospital. On December 30, accompanied by members of the Annandale Knights of Columbus, our Lodge hosted Bingo for approximately 65 patients at the hospital. Our Lodge's Veterans Committee is proud to host these Bingo games 4 times each year (whenever there is a fifth Friday in any one month). The veterans tell us how much they especially enjoy these Bingo games. Not only do they enjoy the fun of the Bingo game, but they are thoroughly

surprised by the "free" store that is provided. Elks #2188 members and the Knights of Columbus members donate an array of items that make up the "store" which the Martinsburg veterans can choose from (including paperback books, puzzles, back-scratchers, t-shirts and polos, knitted and crotched hats/scarves/afghans, games, etc.) No realizing he could select multiple items from the "store," one patient wasn't sure he wanted a back-scratcher. Once he realized he could choose as many items as he wanted, he gladly accepted the back-scratcher. What fun it was to see him using that back-scratcher throughout the evening; apparently an item he really needed. Another veteran kept his back-scratcher down the back of his shirt to be able to get to it quickly. Good thinking! Along with the chance of winning several Canteen Coupon books during the Bingo games, another highlight for the patient/veteran is finding out that everyone receives 2 free coupon books at the end of the evening as a small way for #2188 to say "Thank You" for their service. Volunteers pictured above (from #2188) ER Tim Knotts, Georgianna Knotts, Kathy Showker, Maria Jordan, PER Patti Graves; and (from the Knights of Columbus) Dick Owen, Leo Weston and Bob Bubniack.





#2188 Continues Food Deliveries to Reagan National Airport USO

The Arlington-Fairfax Elks #2188 Veterans Committee continues to support the USO facility at the Reagan National Airport with bi-weekly frozen food deliveries to fill their freezer and provide a hearty meal for our traveling military and veterans. This is one of our Lodge's premier

programs. Our members and volunteers are proud of the difference we make, which is evidenced by the thanks we receive from the USO volunteers and the stories of the grateful traveling soldiers. On December 29, 2016, Reagan USO also featured Elks #2188 on their Facebook page with a special "Thanks" and "Feeling Grateful" message (https://www.facebook.com/reaganuso). It is also rewarding to see the total numbers from the 2016 calendar year what #2188 volunteers have provided to make this program such a success (miles driven: over 1,500 miles / volunteer time: approximately 90 hours / cost of food: approximately \$3,000+). Thanks to our members and volunteers whose continued donations of money and time make this program happen. Pictured here are Francie Graese (the new USO Facility Manager) and USO Volunteer Allen, accepting our food delivery.

The USO Food Dellivery Program is only one of #2188's significant programs in which the Veterans Committee continues its support to make a difference for our active military and veterans. If you are interested in assisting in a future USO food delivery, please contact Patti Graves at gpgraves@msn.com. If interested in making a monetary donation to help our Lodge support this exceptional program, please mail or deliver a check to Lodge Secretary Jan Sullivan, payable to "Elks #2188 Charities" with the notation on the check "USO Food Delivery." We rely on the generous donations from our members to keep this program alive.

News from the Elks Auxiliary (President Tim Knotts) elktim@gmail.com



The Elks Auxiliary calendar is in line with the Lodge year and its calendar. We will be voting on new Officers, the budget, and the list of charities, and loose ends will be tied up by March 31st. **Our annual Valentine's Breakfast will be held on Saturday, February 11th from 9:30A to 11:30A.** I would like to invite all Elks and guests to attend and enjoy Chef Jay Singer's wonderful feast. This is one event that you do not want to miss – let's all support it by attending and bringing family and friends. The cost is \$10.00 per person. At our January meeting, **Sharon Dunfrund indicated that she would like to organize a new Book Club at the Lodge.** If interested, give her a call at 703-7626-8956 for more details. We are always looking for new members. Let me or any other Auxiliary member know and we will be very happy to provide you with an application form. "Happy trails to you, until we meet again!" **[President Tim Knotts]**

BINGO VOLUNTEER CORNER (Bingo Chairman Susan Lyon)

This month's recognition goes to our eternally optimistic and always smiling volunteer Anne St. Jacques. Anne is an outstanding Bingo caller, and is always reliable, kind and professional. She is generous with her time, completing many tasks outside of Bingo, to improve the physical appearance of the Lodge, including spending several hours one day cleaning the downstairs ladies room. That job was long overdue and since no one was jumping up and down to say "I'll do it!" Anne donned an apron, grabbed a mop and went to town. Cleaning a bathroom can be considered over-and-above the call of duty, but Anne saw a need and filled it. She pared Elk of the Month for that effort. Lodge #2188 is proud to have you on our Bingo team at thank you for all you do and keep



earned Elk of the Month for that effort. Lodge #2188 is proud to have you on our Bingo team -- thank you for all you do and keep up the good work! Call Chairman Susan Lyon at (703) 241-8309 if you can help out at Bingo – we need you!

GOLF NEWS – "Par for the Course" (Chairman Ron Murphy)



Work continues on the 2017 golf schedule. Currently, everything is tentative, but we will be playing at most of the same places as previous seasons with a few exceptions. For example, you will see courses like Old Hickory, South Riding, Forest Greens, Bristow Manor, Raspberry Falls, (including Herndon). One new course will be Hidden Creek. Hopefully, the new schedule will be complete and ready for inclusion in next month's Horn. The same sign-up procedures as last year will be used in 2017. A reminder email will be sent to Golf Association members a week before the event, with appropriate instructions. Sign-up can be

completed either by email or by phone. All Elks Lodge #2188 members are invited to join the Golf Association. Lodge members who choose not to join may play as guests. Again, we hope to have the schedule and membership application ready for inclusion in the March Horn. [Ron Murphy, Golf Chairman]

Calling All Elks (Message from PER Jim Weed)

Now that Christmas and New Year's Eve have come and gone, we are embarking on the last Quarter of the 2016–2017 Elks Year. Most importantly, the Election of Officers is just around the corner. Officers will be nominated at the first meeting in February (FEB 14) and elected at the second meeting (FEB 28). I have agreed to serve as the Exalted Ruler for the 2017–2018 Elks Year. We have other Past Exalted Rulers who can be the other officers. Although the existing officers and PERs have done a very good job of leading our Lodge in the past, we need new ideas, enthusiasm, and new leadership to continue to move our Lodge forward. Do you have new ideas for projects or activities for the Lodge? Would you like to become a part of the Lodge leadership team and learn more about the Elks organization and Ritual? Would you like an opportunity to develop and practice leadership skills? If so, I encourage you to consider being one of our officers next year. There are 8 Lodge Officers: the Exalted Ruler Leading Knight, Loyal Knight, Lecturing Knight, Esquire, Chaplin, Inner Guard, and Tiler. The only requirement to run for office is to be a Lodge member in good standing. Alicia Pomé has stated a desire to be Lecturing Knight, and Pamela McCarthy would like to be Chaplin. I ask all members (new and old) who have not ever served as an Officer to consider becoming an Officer of the Lodge. If you would like to discuss these possibilities, please call me directly or see me at the Lodge. [Jim Weed (703) 860-4894 -- Jweed123@comcast.net]

FEBRUARY 2017							
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	
HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL MEMBERS WITH BIRTHDAYS IN FEBRUARY!		WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER (5:30P to 8:00P) (Roast Pork Loin)	1/2 Price Burgers (5:00P-9:00P) DARTS @ 7:00P Queen of Hearts 7:30P	FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER (5:30P to 8:00P) (NY Strip Steak or Grilled Crab Cake) [Tom Saputo]	POKER 1st Session 5:00P 2nd Session: 7:00P		
Chili Cookoff & Turkey Fry "Honky Tonk Confidential" Food Served at 4:30P SuperBowl (6:30P)	6 MONDAY LUNCH WITH FRIENDS (11:30A)	BOARD MEETING (7:15P)	WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER (5:30P to 8:00P) (Prime Rib) Elks Auxiliary Business Meeting (7:30P)	USO DELIVERY 1/2 Price Burgers (5:00P-9:00P) DARTS @ 7:00P Queen of Hearts 7:30P	FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER (5:30P to 8:00P) (NY Strip Steak or Salmon) [Terry Lee Ryan]	VALENTINE'S BREAKFAST (9:30A-11:30A) POKER 1st Session 5:00P 2nd Session: 7:00P VALENTINE/ENF DINNER DANCE (7:00P)	
12	MONDAY LUNCH WITH FRIENDS (11:30A)	14 valentine's Day Elks Auxiliary Potluck Lunch (11:30A) LODGE MEETING (7:30P)	Guest Bartender Night (Don Weber) (5:00P-8:00P) WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER (5:30P to 8:00P) (Chicken Parmigiana)	1/2 Price Burgers (5:00P-9:00P) DARTS @ 7:00P Queen of Hearts 7:30P	FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER (5:30P to 8:00P) (NY Strip Steak or Shrimp & Pasta) [Tom Saputo]	WINE TASTING (2:00P-5:00P) POKER 1st Session 5:00P 2nd Session: 7:00P	
19	20 Presidents Day Knit & Crochet (11:00A) MONDAY LUNCH WITH FRIENDS (11:30A)	BOARD MEETING (7:15P)	WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER (5:30P to 8:00P) (Pepper Steak)	USO DELIVERY 1/2 Price Burgers (5:00P-9:00P) DARTS @ 7:00P Queen of Hearts 7:30P	FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER (5:30P to 8:00P) (NY Strip Steak or Orange Roughy) [Terry Lee Ryan]	POKER 1st Session 5:00P 2nd Session: 7:00P	
26	MONDAY LUNCH WITH FRIENDS (11:30A)	LODGE MEETING (7:30P)	LOUNGE & KITCHEN HOURS OF OPERATION: LOUNGE KITCHEN MON-THU: 12:00N-9:00P 12:00N-7:00P FRI: 11:30A-10:00P 11:30A-8:00P SAT: 2:00P-8:00P 2:00P-6:00P SUN: 1:00P-8:00P 1:00-6:00P BINGO: MON & THUR Early Birds Games 6:30P - Regular Games 7:30P KNIT & CROCHET: 3 rd Monday of each month at 11:00A LODGE MEETINGS: 2 nd and 4 th Tuesdays of each month at 7:30P BOARD MEETINGS: 1 st and 3 rd Tuesdays of each month at 7:15P				



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