

May 2015



# The Elks Horn

Arlington-Fairfax Elks Lodge #2188

**Really? Is it really finally Spring?** It is not only time to enjoy the warm sunny days, your gardens, our beautiful surroundings, but also time to **SPRING** into action by getting out and supporting your lodge in our many programs and activities. Don't know many other members? Stretch out your hand and introduce yourself and you soon will!

Looking forward, there are many things going on throughout the month of May and beyond. Kentucky Derby Day, Mother's Day, Armed Forces Day, Viva Vienna, Memorial Day, Celebrate Fairfax, Flag Day, Father's Day, Independence Day, our 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Children's Fair July 19th, an Aleethia dinner with wounded warriors and their families August 21<sup>st</sup>, Veterans Day,.... the list goes on & on. Even clean-up day here at the lodge is an important – and believe it or not – fun time for members while addressing lodge needs. They will all be celebrated here at your lodge. Read about them throughout this issue & in the email "Blasts" that Deborah Wilkes sends out. We have a great communication system in place – if you are not receiving the newsletter or "Blasts" contact Secretary Jan.

***Members are the lifeblood of our lodge!*** Membership has great rewards – not only for the lodge but for yourself. Tell your family, friends, neighbors and coworkers about your pride in being a member of *Arlington-Fairfax Elks Lodge No. 2188*! Tell them about all of the great things our lodge does – for our Veterans, children, our charities, communities, and for each other. We can do all these things because of our members. Attend the lodge meetings! Consider joining one of our many committees, both established and those created for specific events and fundraisers. Contact me at [er@bpoe2188.org](mailto:er@bpoe2188.org) or the secretary for a point of contact for any event if you do not see it listed in the Horn. Come to your lodge on Wednesday & Friday nights for dinner and enjoy the dances each Friday.

Do you have an idea for a lodge event or outreach project? Please speak to any Officer of the lodge and share it! We are not an exclusive club – we are a lodge with active members with pride for what we do **AND WHAT WE CAN DO!**

Participate - Be Involved – and - Share Your Talents!

## Elk of the Month

With a very strong recommendation by Barbara Marshall, I am awarding Elk of the Month for May to Joe Monachino who has been a member for 23 years!

Joe works the Bingo line every Thursday selling the extra Bingo games. He knows most of the regular players by name and always greets each one with a smile. Joe has been known to come into Bingo a little late following a doctor appointment or other commitment even when offered the "night off". Even though Thursday is his night to work, Joe always offers to fill in on Monday if he needed.

His dedication is part of what keeps our Bingo program working!

***Brenda Slingerland, Exalted Ruler***

**"We need you" - The officer position of Esquire is open. Please consider joining the Officer team. Contact any officer for information.**

**The Lodge website is at [bpoe2188.org](http://bpoe2188.org)**

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#### **CHARITABLE DONATIONS**

**USO Food Deliveries:** Sharon Dunfrund

**Youth Camp, in memory of Donovan Beachley** (Barbara Marshall's Father) : Sharon Dunfrund; Georgianna Knotts

**Youth Camp:** Cheryl Furst

**In Memory of Al D'Epiro:** Sharon Dunfrund for the USO; Margaret Martin

**Backpack Lunches:** Sharon Dunfrund

**Dictionary Project:** Paul Newcombe

#### **PROPOSED MEMBERS:**

**Bryan Baldwin**

**Edward A. Baroody**

**Joseph Regotti**

**Richard Rowley, Member #4915, has applied for Life Membership**

#### **Notes from Jan**

**Membership: Thank you to all who have sent in your dues so promptly! We are off to a very good start. I will be sending out reminder notices shortly to those who have not yet paid.**

**Remember when: remember when you first joined the Lodge? Were you working? Did you have email? Have you moved since then? If you have changed any of your contact information (address, email, phone) please contact Jan Sullivan, Lodge secretary, at secretary@bpoe2188.org or by phone at 703-560-2213. Thank you!**

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# May 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					<b>1</b> Dinner 5-8	<b>2</b> Derby Day 3-7
<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> Bingo 6 Osprey, 9	<b>5</b> BOD 7	<b>6</b> Dinner 5-8	<b>7</b> Bingo 6	<b>8</b> Dinner 5-8	<b>9</b> Backpack lunch 1; Dance 7
<b>10</b> Mom's Day Brunch 10-2	<b>11</b> Bingo 6	<b>12</b> Lodge Mtg 7:30	<b>13</b> Aux mtg 7:30 Dinner 5-8	<b>14</b> Bingo 6	<b>15</b> Dinner 5-8	<b>16</b>
<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> Bingo 6 K&C 11-2 Initiation 7 Prince Wm 9	<b>19</b> BOD 7 Aux Day- time 1130	<b>20</b> Dinner 5-8	<b>21</b> Bingo 6	<b>22</b> Dinner 5-8	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b> Mem'l Day Picnic 2-6	<b>25</b> Bingo 6	<b>26</b> Lodge Mtg 7:30	<b>27</b> Dinner 5-8	<b>28</b> Bingo 6	<b>29</b> Dinner 5-8	<b>30</b>
<b>31</b>						

## Wednesdays

## Fridays

## Entertainment



**6** Stuffed Pork Chop

**13** Prime Rib

**20** Chicken Cacciatore

**27** Teriyaki Flank Steak

**1** Grilled Crab Cake

**8** Parmesan Crusted Tilapia

**15** Shrimp Diavolo

**22** Grilled Swordfish

**29** Rainbow Trout stuffed  
with crabmeat

**1** Terry Lee Ryan

**8** Tom Saputo

**15** Terry Lee Ryan

**22** Tom Saputo

**29** Michael Perry

## May Specials



### *Mother's Day Dinner Dance*

**May 9, 2015**

**7-11:30 PM**

Dance to the music of Helmut Licht

Enjoy the delicious food of Chef Jay

Business Suits and dresses are the preferred attire.

Members: \$35

Non-members: \$40

For reservations, please contact Dance Chair  
Frank Burns at [dance2188@gmail.com](mailto:dance2188@gmail.com) or  
703-591-3616

### **Flag Day Memorial and Retirement Ceremony**



Please join me and the officers of Arlington/Fairfax Lodge #2188 at our annual celebration in honor of **Flag Day**. We will begin with an official Flag Retirement Ceremony on **Sunday, June 14<sup>th</sup>, 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 14<sup>th</sup>** 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.

**Immediately following the retirement ceremony, those who have attended are invited inside for a fellowship barbeque. —Michael Stevens, Flag Day Chairman**

## **Save the Date**

### *Mother's Day Brunch Buffet*

**Sunday, May 10**

**10-2**

**Adults—\$16.95**

**Children—\$12.95**

**Under 5—free**



Reservations are required for all parties even for groups as low as 1. If we don't have at least 50 reservations by Thursday, May 7 we will have to cancel the Brunch. Please call 703-560-2188 x 2. Thank You

### **Children's Fair**

The 3rd Annual Children's Summer Fair (previously known as Children's Carnival) will be held on Sunday, July 19th from 1-4 pm to support local needy youth.

We have won ENF grant money to buy each child a new lunchbox and a \$20 Payless Shoe Source gift card to purchase new shoes for school.

What do we need from you? We are looking to both entertain and educate and are seeking volunteers with a talent: Do you know how to face paint? Make balloon animals? Juggle? Something else which may interest the children (or their parents, while the children play)? **We need you!!**

Please contact Brenda Slingerland 703-785-9974 or [sophiesgma98@aol.com](mailto:sophiesgma98@aol.com) or Lisa Stevens 703-503-5262 as soon as possible if you can donate your talents.

We will also need volunteers to keep the event flowing smoothly so the children get from room to room to take advantage of all the event will offer.



## **From the Chair of the Board of Directors Desk**

Thank you to our previous Chairman Gerry Boyer and to Art Wyman for their dedication and hard work on the Board, and welcome to our new members –

Gary Indre - 1<sup>st</sup> Year Trustee and our Accident Prevention Manager  
Roy Seabolt – 5<sup>th</sup> Year Trustee and Secretary of the Board  
Doug Tayrien – Loyal Knight  
Jim Weed, PER – Lecturing Knight

Recently some members came to the Board of Directors with a concern about the structural integrity of the Lodge building. The members noticed that the ballroom floor/ceiling of the lounge was moving up and down in such a way that seemed unsafe. Acting upon the concern of the members, the Board commissioned a thorough inspection be conducted by Fernandez and Associates Structural Engineers, p.c. to assess the structural integrity of the Lodge building. The report of the inspection by Fernandez and Associates stated that it complies with the Codes of the County of Fairfax. It further states that, "This floor will vibrate even by any one walking on it, much less being used as a dance floor; however, it is "safe." The Board hopes that this will assure all members of the Lodge that our building is structurally sound.

We encourage you to attend our meetings held at 7:00 p.m. on the first and third Tuesday of the month, and welcome your recommendations. Only with your help and support will our Lodge continue to be successful.

Deborah Wilkes

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## **From the Auxiliary President's Desk**

Spring has finally "sprung" and we are being treated to some gorgeous weather and beautiful flowers. How nice after our long winter!

The Auxiliary year has begun. At our April meeting Exalted Ruler (and Past Auxiliary President) Brenda Slingerland spoke to our group detailing her plans for the coming year and pledging her support for the Auxiliary. We in turn let her know that we are here to support the Lodge whenever needed.

The Auxiliary is helping to fund the election of Ron Hicks, a member of the Fredericksburg Lodge, as Grand Exalted Ruler for the 2015-16 year. We have purchased one of Ron's pins, which we in turn will be raffling off, along with a bottle of Makers Mark Kentucky Bourbon Whiskey. The proceeds of the raffle will go to the EAGER (Elect A Grand Exalted Ruler) fund. Tim Knotts is running this project so please see Tim to purchase tickets. The winner and a guest will also be able to attend the Grand Exalted Ruler's reception at the Grand Lodge Convention in July. Having the National President from Virginia is quite an honor for our state.

Finally, I would like to wish all of the mothers a very Happy Mothers Day.

Barbara Marshall

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## **From the Leading Knight**

All of us know about the charitable work that the Elks do in the community, but some are still not aware. Please help me educate the community on what the Elks do! Our Lodge will have a booth at Viva Vienna! on Sunday, May 24<sup>th</sup> and Monday, May 25<sup>th</sup> (Memorial Day weekend). The Lodge needs volunteers to assist us in staffing the booth. Do you have an hour to spare during one of those days? All volunteers will receive a free Elks t-shirt. If you are available to spread the word about how great the Elks are, please contact me via email at [elks@asroth.com](mailto:elks@asroth.com) or call me at 703.966.3643.

Adam Samuel Roth "Sammy"  
Leading Knight"

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**Love the music of Terry Lee, Tom and Michael? Check out the entertainment on Page 3!**

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## Traveling with Peggy

Peggy Pape, Travel Coordinator for the Lodge has finalized two trips. Brochures are available at the lodge or you may contact Peggy for information, reservations, and travel arrangement per your interests. E-mail her at [peggypape@verizon.net](mailto:peggypape@verizon.net) or call her at [703 642 5496](tel:7036425496)

**FINGER LAKES, NEW YORK:** Wine and dine in the Finger Lakes, August 17-19, 2015. Please make reservations ASAP as this trip requires a lot planning and vendor commitments.

**CANADA & NEW ENGLAND Cruise** out of Baltimore, September 3-11, 2015 on RCCL The Grandeur of The Seas. Final balance payment is due June 5, 2015. Peggy can provide Registration Form, Credit card authorization Form, and insurance forms. Bus transportation to and from Baltimore will be considered once the number of reservations are known.

Travelers should consider taking out travel interruption insurance.

Peggy, Lodge Travel Coordinator

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## Par for the Course with Ron Murphy

We successfully opened the 2015 Golf Season last month on the 7<sup>th</sup> at Westpark. Tim Knotts had the low net score with a 65 and Bill Timmons shot an 86 for low gross honors. This month we will be playing at Osprey Landing on the 4<sup>th</sup> and Prince William on the 18<sup>th</sup>. There are three events scheduled for June; Forest Greens on the 1<sup>st</sup>, South Riding on the 15<sup>th</sup> and Goose Creek the 29<sup>th</sup>. All will have a 0900 shotgun start.

Currently, Golf Association members are contacted by email a week before with instructions for each event. When they want to play, they must respond by the Thursday preceding the event either by email or phone. If they want to play with a particular person or group, they should provide that information in their response. Elks who want to play, but are not Association members, can play as guests. They can contact Ron Murphy at [bettyron.50@gmail.com](mailto:bettyron.50@gmail.com) or 703 866-4403, by that Thursday.

Players should report to the golf course at least 30 minutes prior to the tee time and pay their green fee in the pro shop. Next, they should report to the golf committee desk, pay a \$3 fee, get their hole assignment, buy 50/50 tickets (optional) and receive any pertinent instructions for that day's play. Then everyone should report to their golf carts and be ready to play fifteen minutes before the tee time to receive instructions from the golf course representative and/or the tournament director and witness the 50/50 drawing.

All Lodge 2188 members are invited to join the Golf Association. However, as stated above, they do not have to join to play.

Any questions regarding the Golf Association, schedule, etc. should be directed to Ron Murphy at [bettyron.50@gmail.com](mailto:bettyron.50@gmail.com) or 703 866-4403.

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**Watch the horses run on Derby Day, May 2. Details being worked, so watch for the Lodge announcements.**

**We love the Preakness and Belmont too so look for more from the horsey set soon!**





## Membership



Exalted Ruler Brenda Slingerland with new members (far right).  
Back Row L-R: Geoffrey Lyster, Lance Beeman, Bruce Myers  
Front Row L-R: Daniel J. Mullane, Tanya Wiertella, Jennifer Morris, Brian Baker

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As outgoing Exalted Ruler, it was my privilege to recognize and present awards at the Installation Ball on March 28 to those members who individually did so much for our Lodge. This was a difficult task as there were so many members who made this such an incredible year for our Lodge. However, the following stood out for their hard work, dedication and unbelievable support to our Lodge and for me as Exalted Ruler:

### **Grand Exalted Ruler Special Commendation and Citation** Sandy Mueller and Karen Bender



**Officer of the Year**  
Frank Burns, Treasurer



**Elk of the Year** Linda Gardner

Also recognized was the manager of the Reagan National Airport USO for her support of our military and her partnership with our Lodge. This was a bittersweet award as we had learned that Linda Vine was retiring from the USO at the end of March: **2188's Elks Citizen of the Year** Linda Vine, Manager Reagan USO

Thank you to all for your support this past year.  
Patti Graves, PER (2014-2015 ER)



## Installation 2015



Our new ER Brenda Slingerland surrounded by her officers and staff and honored guests.

**Back Row:** Robert Goolrick, Ray Slingerland, Geoff Cox, Frank Burns, Ken Hensley

**Frontish row:** Tom Lotfabadi, Jan Sullivan, Georgianna Knotts, Jim Weed, Adam "Sammy" Roth, Brenda Slingerland, Doug Tayrien, Gary Indre and Roy Seabolt



Exalted Ruler Brenda Slingerland being installed by her brother, Ray Slingerland, PER , PSVP and PDDGER of Rotterdam NY Lodge 2157. Outgoing ER Pat Graves looks on.



Auxiliary Officers Georgianna Knotts, Louise Christie, Grace Kayatta, Fredi Hensley, Rose Thiebaut and Brenda Slinger-

Outgoing Auxiliary President Georgianna Knotts presents the president's pin to incoming Auxiliary President Barbara Marshall.





## Easter 2015—Brunch Buffet by Chef Jay



Over 120 Elks and friends enjoyed omelets and more by Chef Jay and Manager Tom Lotfabadi.

## Youth Appreciation Night—The Lodge Scholarship Committee recognizes local scholars.





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## #2188 ANNUAL MEMORIAL DAY PICNIC

SUNDAY, MAY 24, 2015

(Tent, Fairfax Room & Lounge)

BRING-A-DISH - \$8.00

WITHOUT A DISH - \$15.00

HOURS 2:00-6:00 P. M.

DINNER – 4:00 P.M.

ENTERTAINMENT - JOSIE & TERRY DUO

Classic Rock - Traditional Country

3:00-6:00 P.M.

SEE YOU THERE!!!!!!

