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THE ELKS HORN

Arlington-Fairfax Elks Lodge 2188

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From the Exalted Ruler



One of the flyers that we receive when we become new members is entitled "Why Become A Member of the Arlington-Fairfax Elks." I hope all new members take the time to read it and I would like to refresh the memories of current members. The list starting at "BECAUSE" is 13 paragraphs long, and I would like to address paragraph #5:

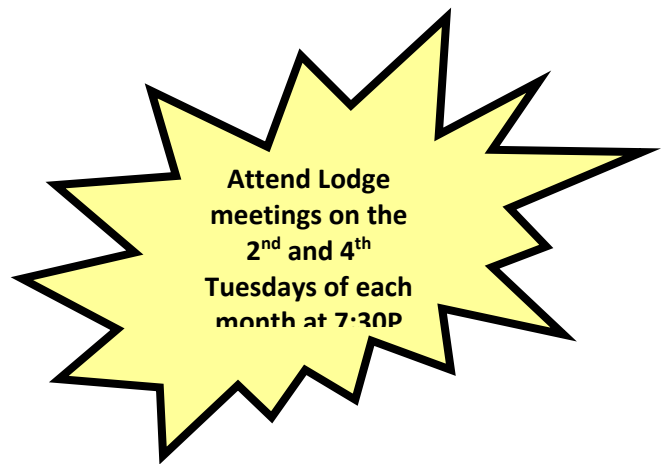
"BECAUSE you can join with the millions of fine and noble American citizens who have helped better the destiny and way of life for countless thousands in our country for over 135 years. The generosity is without fanfare and often even without the recipient's knowledge. You may even have been helped at some point along the way. We have always been there, quietly providing help and encouragement. Now it's your turn to get involved, to join America's quiet humanitarians, and begin giving your life new purpose and fulfillment. You'll never have to stand alone in an uncaring world around. Now you'll have a nation-wide family of women and men."

This flyer is a bit outdated - actually the Elks have an interesting history that started on February 16, 1868 (147 years ago). The first Elks Lodge is located in New York and opened on March 12, 1871. What a long and tremendous history of serving others! Arlington-Fairfax #2188 was established in 1963 -- we have served our communities for 52 years. You can read more about our history on our Lodge website at www.elks2188.org.

We are all a part of the "BECAUSE" -- we have many programs in this Lodge for our veterans, our children, our community, our families -- and ourselves. These programs can all be so much more successful with more members participating in them. Look throughout this issue and read the reports of the committees. Note the names and contact info of the chairpersons. Contact them and ask how you can be a part of what they do. Your volunteerism will reflect on the entire Lodge and our missions to serve our communities. Members are an integral part of our successful fulfillment of the BPOE mission statement -- "To inculcate the principles of Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love, and Fidelity." Our Lodge also needs member participation in social activities as the funds generated by having

fun helps to "keep the lights on." We raise money to give it, but we must also maintain our physical plant. Become more involved and use your membership privileges to make new friends, reconnect with old friends, and introduce friends to us. Attend the monthly meetings and be a voice in what we do. **BE LOUD -- BE PROUD! You are a member of Arlington-Fairfax Elks Lodge # 2188 and that means a lot. Share your talents and your time. Thank you.**

Fraternally, **BRENDA SLINGERLAND** -- er@bpoe2188.org



ELK OF THE MONTH (September 2015): Jerry Sall

My selection for Elk of the Month for September 2015 is Jerry Sall. Jerry has been a member for 13 years and has been instrumental in numerous improvements to the Lodge's structure and its grounds. He quietly works around the Lodge, and you must get up early in the morning to observe him in action. He improved the parking signs, made repairs to the bathrooms, assisted in developing the Lodge's budget, and conducted studies to improve the automated billing system in the club. Jerry is currently a member of the Board and has been for several years. He assists in Bingo and, with his wife Kathy, attends every Lodge function that they can to support #2188. I have only mentioned a few things that Jerry has been involved in, and believe me there are many, many more. Thank you, Jerry, for all that you do -- and enjoy your parking space for the month!

Who We Are

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VIRGINIA ELKS ASSOCIATION

Sunday, September 20, 2015

North District DD Clinic (in Front Royal)- -- 8:15 a.m.

Thursday, OCT 8 to Sunday, OCT 11, 2015

VEA Fall Convention (in Virginia Beach)

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) 307-7960 if you haven't already paid your dues.

News from the Leading Knight (Adam “Sammy” Roth) sammy@asroth.com



THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS! Without the hard work of our volunteers, the Elks would not be able to accomplish what it does to help the students and veterans that we seek to assist. **Please consider coming to the Lodge to volunteer with Bingo, with packing backpack lunches, or any of the many programs that we are involved in.**

News from the Secretary (Jan Sullivan) jsullivan@bpoe2188.org



CHARITABLE DONATIONS

Dictionary Project: Bingo Player's Jar, Grace Kayatta, Sharon Dunfrund

USO (Reagan National Airport): Gary Indre, Betty Kuennen, Sharon Dunfrund

Youth Camp (Jerry Gavin, Jerry Gavin in memory of Barbara Parris and Bob Federico)

Backpack Lunches (Sharon Dunfrund)

To Our Absent Brothers



“ 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”

- ***Robert Federico, July 13, 2015***
- ***Daniel McGrath, August 14, 2015***

MEMBERSHIP: Reminder notices were sent to members who have still not paid their dues. Pursuant to our bylaws and Grand Lodge requirements, the names of unpaid members will be published in the October newsletter, so please let me hear from you right away. You may also be receiving a call from our new **Membership Committee Chair Don Weber and his team**, who are being very diligent and helpful in getting our unpaid dues collected. Thanks to the committee for doing such a fine job in contacting everyone on the unpaid list.

Proposed Members:

- Joseph Tippet (proposed by Tom Thiebaut)
- Joe Quattrone (proposed by Tom Lotfabadi)

To be initiated August 23, 2015:

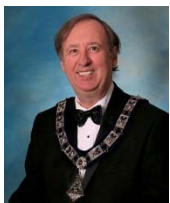
- Mark Grapin (proposed by Lisa Stevens)
- Tamara Teele (proposed by Kathy Showker)
- Teresa Lim Wee (proposed by Dick Langley)

To be voted on August 25, 2015:

- Renee Chandler (proposed by Laurie Fearis)
- Shirley Stalnaker (proposed by Art Wyman)

PLEASE NOTE: If a candidate questions you about their initiation date, please ask them to contact the Secretary directly for confirmation. Unfortunately, confusion and disappointment occurs when candidates receive incorrect information from others, so I ask that members please direct them to the Secretary. Many thanks.

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



Did you know that the price of the Friday Night Dinner's New Your Strip Steak has remained the same for the past 4 years? The same is true for the Friday Night alternate dinner special. Anyone who goes to the grocery store knows that food prices have risen significantly in the past four years. In the past year alone, food prices have increased an average of 3.5 percent, while some items, including meat, have increased quite significantly. These increases have been passed on to the Club by our vendors, but we have these practices – it is impractical to continue losing money on food operations. As such, the

Trustees met with the Club Manager and began a review of our food costs and food operation to ensure that food prices are in line with the Grand Lodge club operational guidelines. In the next few months, you may see some price increases on some of your favorite items as we make adjustments to offset our increased cost of food. There are two price increases on the **Friday Night Dinner** that will become effective on September 15, 2015, as follows: **NY Strip Steak**

Dinner: \$17.95 -- Alternate Dinner Special: \$14.95

OTHER BOARD NEWS: Since the last newsletter, the Board has been kept very busy. We have addressed several facility maintenance issues, including repairing two broken windows, two broken water pipes, a broken ice machine, and several other necessary repairs. Our facility is aging, and we are maintaining a list of other repairs that need to be completed as funds become available. To meet the cost of maintaining the Lodge, we will be conducting several new fundraisers. So, if you have an idea for a fundraiser, please address them to either ER Brenda Slingerland or Board Chair Roy Seabolt.

Finally, please mark **Saturday September 12, 2015** on your calendar when we will be conducting a long overdue **LODGE CLEANUP DAY** from 8:00 a.m. until early afternoon. Members are encouraged to join us in cleaning up both the interior and exterior areas of the Lodge. We hope that you can participate, even for an hour or just a few minutes – the more hands working together, the more we can accomplish to make our Lodge look good for its members and all visitors. Coffee, juice and doughnuts will be provided to all volunteers. PLEASE HELP US OUT!

News from the Elks Auxiliary (Barbara Marshall, President) bmarshall12@verizon.net



ELKS AUXILIARY: Wow, where has the summer gone?! The **Auxiliary Patio Party** was held on **August 14, 2015** and that usually is a sign that summer is drawing to a close. Besides the wonderful array of homemade foods, we also collected gift cards for our 2 adopted families. This is an annual drive to help the families get the necessary items as the children return to school. Thanks to Social Activities Chairman Rose Thiebaut for organizing this event, and to everyone who came out and enjoyed the evening with us. Kudos also goes to Tom Lotfabadi and Jay Singer for setting up and preparing the hot dogs and hamburgers to accompany the meat items.

In July our **Scholarships Chairperson, Fredi Hensley**, and her committee reviewed applications from nine rising seniors at George Mason University. The Auxiliary will give \$1,000 scholarships to two very deserving young women to help with their college expenses. This is a project that has been going on for many years.

They are here! The **2015 White House Ornaments** have arrived. Once again this year they are **\$20**. You can purchase them at different Lodge functions or call me or Joan Gavin (703-938-7283). This is our major fundraiser each year which allows us to give our scholarships and support our many charities.

Mark your calendars now for **October 3**, which is the **Annual Elks Auxiliary Anniversary Dance**. I hope many of you will come out and help us celebrate. [Barbara Marshall]



Another Successful Camping Season: Again this year I want to thank the membership of our Lodge for supporting the Virginia Elks Youth Camp, our major State project, by helping to send deserving youth to camp. Arlington-Fairfax #2188 continues to be one of the leading Lodges in the State with our attendance. We recruited 42 campers from area schools. Since our quota is 28 youths, 14 of these campers were paid for by the Winchester Lodge. It is heartwarming

to hear the stories these campers tell when they return home. Many are from very difficult family situations and a week away is a welcome relief. A huge "thank you" to Joan Gavin and Gail Stansberry who took charge of the check-in for the girls while I was in Indianapolis attending the National Elks Convention. They had several glitches due to circumstances beyond our control, but all turned out fine in the end. I would like to thank the volunteers who chaperoned the kids on the bus trips (Gail Stansberry, Joan Gavin, and Tim Knotts), and also Georgianna Knotts who met the boys upon their return from camp. Thanks to Jay Singer for setting up everything on the mornings the campers departed, and for the bagged lunches. I would like to make special mention of DC Trails Bus Company, whom we have used for many years now for the safe transportation of our campers; they have always been very helpful and accommodating. Thanks again to everyone for your help and support. **Barbara Marshall, Lodge Camp Director**



BINGO NEEDS YOU: Our BINGO program is one of the main sources of revenue for our Lodge and its programs, and it is very important that BINGO be supported by our members. BINGO is held twice a week on Monday and Thursday evenings. The list of dedicated volunteers remains very limited at this time, and they each work every week, while some work both nights. This does not need to happen when we have so many members in our Lodge! If we could add more

names to the volunteer list, current members would only have to volunteer one evening a month, which would be so ideal! We especially need Bingo callers and cashiers -- if we had at least 3 volunteers for each session, those volunteers would only have to be present for 2 hours. Bingo requires that 7 volunteers "work the line" selling cards to the Bingo players, while others "sell pull tabs." This is an important way to support your Lodge and the call for new volunteers is an immediate and urgent need. Please contact Karen Bender at (703) 451-4626 to volunteer a minimum of at least 1 session a month. Let's all make this work by volunteering because BINGO is a very important and major source of income for our Lodge. Once you get into volunteering, you will find that it is fun and rewarding!

GOLF NEWS -- "Par for the Course" (Ron Murphy) bettyron.50@gmail.com



We have five (5) events to report on since the last Horn. Our low net winners were Tim Knotts (Goose Creek), Jerry Sall (South Riding), Fuzzy Collier (Pleasant Valley), Jerry Kwiatkowski (Virginia Oaks), and Fuzzy again at Penderbrook. Mack McGlumphy had the low gross scores at Goose Creek, South Riding and Pleasant Valley; Fuzzy Collier had the gross at Penderbrook; and Jerry Kwiatkowski at Virginia Oaks. Jerry had the low gross, low net, lowest and highest scores that day. In fact, he had the only reported score. There was a rather severe storm that day that only Jerry waited out. **There are two (2) events scheduled for September: the Gauntlet on the 14th and Reston National on the 21st.** And two more events are scheduled

for October: Forest Greens on the 5th and South Riding on the 19th. The 2015 Masters Tournament will be contested at Forest Greens on October 5th. Golf Association members are reminded by email a week before each event with pertinent information. When they want to play, they must respond by the Thursday preceding the event either by email or phone. To play with a particular person or group, that information should be included in their response. Elks that want to play but are not Association members can play as guests. They should contact **Ron Murphy at bettyron.50@gmail.com or at (703) 866-5503**. 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 \$3.00 fee, get hole assignment, buy 50/50 tickets (optional) and receive pertinent instructions regarding that day's play. Everyone should report to their golf carts and be ready to play fifteen minutes prior to the tee time to receive instructions from the course representative and/or tournament director and witness the 50/50 drawing. Through the first ten events the race for the Chairman's Trophy is very close. Tim Knotts is in the lead with 24 points; Jerry Kwiatkowski is right behind with 22; and Fuzzy Collier (19), Dale Crisp (14) and Mike Evers (14) fill out the top five.



Veterans Committee Update

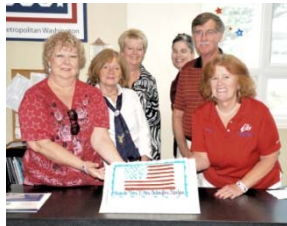
Co-Chairs Ken Hensley (ken.hensley@cox.net) & Linda Gardner (lgardner9@cox.net)

The #2188 Veterans Committee plans and coordinates a variety of activities for veterans service members. Most recently, we hosted a Special Cookout at the Lodge for wounded service members and their families. We partner with the Aleethia Foundation to host the Friday Night Dinners, but I must say that the success of the dinners is due in large part to the support we receive from Lodge volunteers. MANY THANKS to all Lodge volunteers

who help the Veterans Committee make these events so successful for our guests.

The Committee is now busy planning the Lodge's participation in the **Annual Fall Carnival** for patients at the VA Hospital in Martinsburg, West Virginia, on **September 19, 2015**, with a **Bingo Night** at the same facility on **October 30, 2015**, as well as the **Annual Veterans Day Program on November 1, 2015**. In addition, Committee members deliver frozen sandwiches to the USO facility at Reagan National Airport on a bi-weekly schedule. USO deliveries will be made on September 4, 11 and 25, 2015.

If you are interested in being a part of any (or all) of the activities supported by the Lodge Veterans Committee, please contact one of the co-chairs of this Committee – either Ken Hensley (ken.hensley@cox.net) or Linda Gardner (lgardner9@cox.net). We sure could use your help!



The **USO Frozen Food Deliveries** are funded through a Freedom Grant from the Elks National Foundation, from generous donations by Lodge members, and from various fundraising activities. Contributions to the Lodge Charities and those designated for the USO Frozen Food Deliveries ensure the continuity of this important program.



HOLIDAY FOOD BASKETS

It is now September and we're approaching autumn again, and that means it's time to start thinking about the holiday giving season. Our Lodge's Annual Holiday Food Baskets and Coat Donations team will be helping local needy families on Tuesday, November 24, 2015.

If you want to sponsor a family's food, it is \$50 per family, per holiday – so that's \$100 to sponsor a family for both Thanksgiving and Christmas. Please mail a check to the Lodge in September or October, adding a notation on your check that it is for the "Holiday Food Fund."

Club Manager Tom Lotfabadi has requested that all material donations be brought to his office (downstairs level) so that he can safely secure them. Please do not bring your donations until after the 1st of November (we have so many room rentals during the holiday season that there is very little room to store the donations before that time). Stay tuned for more details in the October Horn and news flashes. **[The #2188 Food Baskets Team]**

"Definiteness of purpose is the starting point of all achievement."

[W. Clement Stone]

MARK YOUR CALENDARS



SUNDAY, AUGUST 30, 2015 – 10-YEAR CELEBRATION PARTY FOR TERRY LEE & JENNIFER RYAN!

Yes, it's been 10 years since Katrina hit New Orleans and blew Terry Lee & Jennifer Ryan to Virginia! How lucky we all are that they came to our wonderful state! And how we have reaped the benefits of Terry Lee's great talents of song and music since then. Please join us in celebrating this special time in their lives as we gather in the #2188 Ballroom for a party that is going to be a fun time for all. Tickets are \$20 to enjoy great food, great music and dancing.



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2015 – LABOR DAY PICNIC at #2188

2:00P to 6:00P (Dinner begins at 4:00P)

BRING-A-DISH -- \$8.00 at the door with a dish, or \$15.00 without a dish

Entertainment by Eddie Pockey and his band



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2015 – LODGE CLEANUP DAY

It's that time again -- time to perform a little landscaping and a little cleanup of our Lodge. So, put on your old jeans, grab the gloves (rubber or garden, your choice), dust mops, rakes, and whatever other tools you may have that we can use to spruce up our Lodge. This year's **Lodge Cleanup Day** is scheduled for **Saturday, September 12**, starting at 8:00 a.m., and we could really use everyone's help in getting this work done. Coffee, juice, and doughnuts will be provided to all volunteers. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Roy Seabolt at roy.seabolt@gmail.com or at (703) 880-6692.



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13 2015 – CABARET SUNDAY

6:00P to 9:00P in the #2188 Ballroom

\$20.00 (AT THE DOOR) -- HORS D'OEUVRES /CASH BAR

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT BY TOM SAPUTO

Reservations Recommended – Call Sandy Mueller at (703) 849-1282

Spend the evening dining, dancing, socializing, networking, and making new friends

SEE YOU THERE!



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2015 – SPAGHETTI DINNER AT #2188

Join us for a homemade Italian spaghetti dinner on Saturday, September 26th in the Lounge, from 5:00P to 8:00P. Entertainment by **Lou Neeley** (back by popular demand). \$10 at the door. All you can eat buffet. Proceeds will go to the Lodge Building Fund.

Reservations Recommended – Call Sandy Mueller at (703) 849-1282



OCTOBER 3, 2015 – ELKS AUXILIARY ANNIVERSARY DINNER DANCE

In the #2188 Ballroom, starting at 7:00 p.m. Please consider becoming a PATRON and be listed in the program by sending in your patron donation at your earliest possible convenience to Elks Auxiliary Treasurer Sharon Dunfrund. Also be on the lookout for Elks Auxiliary volunteers who will be selling raffle tickets for chances to win one of the 10 beautiful gourmet baskets that will be given out during the dinner dance. Tickets are \$1.00 each, or \$5.00 for 8 tickets -- please buy as many as you can for more chances to win. Make your reservations to attend this year's annual dance.



SATURDAY



OCTOBER 31st

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FOOD SERVED AT 5PM * MUSIC STARTS AT 4PM



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Doors Open at Noon
HARRY K. THIEBAUT
— MEMORIAL —
HORSESHOE TOURNAMENT
1:30 pm Sign-Up @ 2 pm Start Time

JULY-AUGUST EVENTS HELD AT #2188

SATURDAY, JULY 4, 2015 – 4TH OF JULY PICNIC AT #2188

Held from 2:00P to 6:00P with delicious food and live music. Everyone had a great time!



SUNDAY, JULY 19, 2015 -- The 3rd Annual Children's Summer Fair

Held on **Sunday, July 19, 2015** from 1:00P to 4:00P to benefit our local needy youth. **ER Brenda Slingerland** coordinated the effort with the help of many volunteers who participated in making this year's summer fair a big success. Great job everyone!



SATURDAY, JULY 25, 2015 – THE BEL AIRS at #2188

IT WAS INDEED A SUPER TURNOUT AND GUESTS ENJOYED THE HORS D'OEUVRES, MUSIC, AND LOTS OF DANCING THROUGHOUT THE NIGHT. IT IS TRUE THAT MANY OF US "DANCED OUR SOCKS OFF!" KUDOS TO **ER BRENDA SLINGERLAND** FOR ORGANIZING THIS EVENT, AND TO CLUB MANAGER TOM LOTFABADI AND HIS STAFF, SANDY MUELLER & KAREN BENDER FOR ALL OF THEIR EFFORTS IN HELPING MAKE THIS A SUCCESSFUL NIGHT FOR THE LODGE. IT REALLY WAS A FUN NIGHT.



AUGUST 1, 2015 – “GILLIGAN’S ISLAND” THEME PARTY



Another fun and successful event was the “Gilligan’s Island” theme party held in the #2188 Lounge/Bar on **Saturday, August 1, 2015** from 4:30P to 7:30P. Summer casual was the appropriate attire, however, costumes were encouraged, and boy did we get several members and guests who came dressed as characters from Gilligan’s Island. Michael Perry provided live entertainment for this event, along with interesting tidbits from the Gilligan’s Island show. A delicious buffet and desserts were provided, and the featured drink (the “Elks Rum Relaxer”; recipe courtesy of Joyce Loftis) was sold at the bar. Fuzzy & Nancy Collier donated a mason jar full of “pickled cherries in vodka” which brought in extra \$\$\$ to the bar sales. All proceeds went into the

Lodge Building Fund. Thanks to all for joining in the fun and helping make the event a successful one. Special thanks to Marilyn Lyles for donating her time and efforts to helping us decorate the Lounge for the event. Karen Bender/Rose Thiebaut/Joyce Loftis.

AUGUST 15, 2015 – SEAFOOD DINNER & LIVE MUSIC



A delicious **SEAFOOD DINNER** (steamed shrimp and crab legs) was provided by Club Manager Tom Lotfabadi and served by his staff. The **live entertainment by newcomer LOU NEELEY** (from 7:00P to 10:00P) was so much fun to listen and dance to (it was his first performance at #2188 and everyone loved his music; he will definitely return for future engagements). Organized by **Sandy Mueller** (703) 597-1339, smmueller@cox.net. What a great evening!

AUGUST 21, 2015 – WOUNDED VETERANS DINNER

Our Lodge’s Veterans Committee was very proud to host and provide **A SPECIAL COOKOUT on Friday, August 21, 2015**, for severely wounded service members and their families to show our appreciation for their sacrifices and service to our country. The Lodge provided the main course, and members brought in homemade side dishes and desserts for all to enjoy. **Linda Gardner (703) 636-6392; email lgardner9@cox.net.**

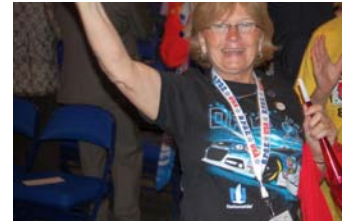


AUGUST 22, 2015 – Annual Hawaiian Luau Dance at #2188

Everyone enjoyed the Annual Hawaiian Luau Dance in the #2188 Ballroom on Saturday, August 22, 2015 -- Hawaiian Luau Buffet – Live Entertainment by Mike Surratt – Dancing until 11:00P -- Casual/Hawaiian Attire – Great Party!



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE NEW GRAND EXALTED RULER RONALD L. HICKS



#2188 TEAM COMPETED AT CONVENTION

Arlington-Fairfax #2188 represented the State of Virginia at the Grand Lodge Ritual Contest in Indianapolis. The team finished tenth out of fifteen teams competing in the East competition. Pictured from left to right: Laurie Fearis (Esquire), Deborah Wilkes (Candidate), Sammy Roth (Lecturing Knight), Georgianna Knotts (Chaplain), Patti Graves (Exalted Ruler), Brenda Slingerland (Leading Knight), Vernon Gardener (Loyal Knight), Michael Stevens (Inner Guard), and Tim Knotts (Team Coach).



CONGRATULATIONS LINDA GARDNER!

Please join me in congratulating our very own Linda Gardner as the **"Female Veteran Volunteer of the Year for the Commonwealth of Virginia."** Linda has demonstrated selfless dedication to our Lodge, active duty service members, and our beloved veterans. Linda is seated in the center of this picture. (See the News Flash of June 17th.)

JOB
AVAILABLE



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The position of **ESQUIRE** is still open.
If you can devote the time and are
interested in joining the Officers Team,
please contact **ER BRENDA SLINGERLAND**
at er@bpoe2188.org.

Support
Lodge
Dinners on
Wednesday
8:00-9:00

SEPTEMBER 2015 CALENDAR

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>DART GAMES: Played on Thursday nights in the Lounge, starting at 7:00P</p> <p>QUEEN OF HEARTS: Drawings held on Thursday nights</p>		<p>1</p> <p>BOARD MEETING 7:00P</p>	<p>2</p>  <p>Wednesday Night Dinner 5:30P to 8:00P (Italian Buffet)</p>	<p>3</p>  <p>DART GAMES In Lounge 7:00P</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Delivery to USO</p> <p>FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER 5:30P to 8:00P (NY Strip Steak or Grilled Crab Cake) (Terry Lee Ryan)</p>	<p>5</p>
<p>6</p>  <p>LABOR DAY PINIC 2:00P to 6:00P Bring-A-Dish \$8.00 w/dish (or \$15 w/o dish) (Eddie Pockey)</p>	<p>7</p> 	<p>8</p> <p>LODGE MEETING 7:30P</p>	<p>9</p>  <p>Wednesday Night Dinner 5:30P to 8:00P (Prime Rib)</p> <p>Elks Auxiliary Business Meeting 7:30P</p>	<p>10</p>  <p>DART GAMES In Lounge 7:00P</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Delivery to USO</p> <p>FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER 5:30P to 8:00P (NY Strip Steak or Grilled Crab Cake) (Tom Saputo)</p>	<p>12</p>  <p>LODGE CLEANUP DAY (8:00A)</p>
<p>13</p>	<p>14</p>  <p>GOLF (The Gauntlet)</p> 	<p>15</p> <p>Elks Auxiliary Daytime Activity (Potluck Luncheon) 11:30A</p> <p>BOARD MEETING 7:00P</p>	<p>16</p>  <p>Wednesday Night Dinner 5:30P to 8:00P (Mexican Buffet)</p>	<p>17</p>  <p>DART GAMES In Lounge 7:00P</p>	<p>18</p> <p>FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER 5:30P to 8:00P (NY Strip Steak or Grilled Crab Cake) (Terry Lee Ryan)</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Carnival at Martinsburg VA Hospital</p>
<p>20</p>	<p>21</p> 	<p>22</p> <p>LODGE MEETING 7:30P</p>	<p>23</p>  <p>Wednesday Night Dinner 5:30P to 8:00P (Rotisserie Chicken)</p>	<p>24</p>  <p>DART GAMES In Lounge 7:00P</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Delivery to USO</p> <p>FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER 5:30P to 8:00P (NY Strip Steak or Grilled Crab Cake) (Tom Saputo)</p>	<p>26</p>  <p>SPAGHETTI DINNER All-You-Can-Eat \$10 per person (Lou Neeley)</p>
<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>  <p>GOLF (Reston National)</p> 	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>  <p>Wednesday Night Dinner 5:30P to 8:00P (Pot Roast)</p>	<p><u>LODGE HOURS</u> LOUNGE: Mon-Thur 12:00N-9:00P / Fri 11:30A-10:00P / Saturday 2:00P-8:00P / Sunday 1:00P-7:00P KITCHEN: Mon-Thur 12:00N-7:00P / Fri 11:30A-8:00P / Saturday 2:00P-6:00P / Sunday 1:00P-6:00P</p>		

BINGO: MON & THUR Nights in the #2188 Ballroom – Early Birds Begin 6:30P – Regular Games 7:30P

FRIDAY NIGHT DINNERS: New York Strip Steak every Friday (alternate meal is Grilled Crab Cake)