ELKS #2188 ARLINGTONFAIRFAX

Arlington-Fairfax Elks Lodge #2188

The Elks Horn

Supporting our Community Since 1961

July-August 2014

ER's Corner

A giant "Shout Out" to Roy Seabolt and the volunteers who made our first Community Outreach initiative at Celebrate Fairfax (CF) a great success!! Through Roy's untiring dedication, hard work, & leadership and our volunteers' amazing outreach efforts, we met several potential members and acquired contact info for additional outreach to many others. Also check out the new brochure that several members developed for CF, outlining our Lodge and what it has to offer.



It is a wonderful marketing tool presenting the many, many benefits our Lodge offers members. It lists the opportunities, events, programs and fun available to all of us. Copies will be available in the Lounge. Please share one with a potential member with the Lodge membership application form.

This year's Flag Day was an especially moving program with our first joint ceremony with Loudoun Lodge #2406, and the presentation of flags by our esteemed North District Honor Guard. Approximately 80 members and guests attended, watching the retirement of flags; followed by a wonderful fellowship of food, friendship and patriotism. Thank you to Michael & Lisa Stevens for coordinating the event as co-chairs of this annual program.

Other events in June included the State Convention in Willliamsburg; an inspiring presentation of Americanism Awards at Lake Braddock by Ken Hensley; the fun-filled members' bus trip to a Nat's baseball game hosted by Paul Newcombe & Karen Bender; a fun Guest Bartender Night; a night of dancing at the Americanism Ball; and a warm & friendly Bingo Pot Luck get-together hosted by Barbara Marshall to introduce members (new and old) to our Lodge's wonderful Bingo program.

As is our Lodge's tradition, this edition of the Horn will cover both July and August. This gives our Horn editor, writers and newsletter volunteers a chance to enjoy the summer and hopefully, even get in a memorable vacation or two. We are fortunate to have all our members who help to get our Horn to publication; especially Fredi Hensley, our Horn editor, who makes sure we have our articles ready on time and skillfully assembles the articles month after month.

The Lodge meetings and Initiation will also follow the usual summer schedule for July and August. Lodge meetings will only be held on the 4th Tuesdays – July 22 and August 26. There will also only be one Initiation during those months; which will be conducted Monday, August 18. Mark your calendars and plan to attend and support your Lodge. In September, we resume our normal Lodge meeting schedule of 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, with Initiations conducted the 3rd Monday of each month.

Also mark your calendars for the many upcoming fun Lodge events scheduled in July and August, including the July 4th Cookout; Guest Bartender Night, July 23 & August 20; the 2nd Annual Children's Carnival, Sunday July 27; Lodge Clean-Up, Saturday, August 2; Comedy Night in the Lounge Saturday, August 9; and the Shoot & Shooters Tasting Saturday, August 16. See this Horn edition and future email blasts for additional information.

The Lodge is also hosting a dinner at our Lodge on Friday, July 25, in a joint event with the Aleethia Foundation for injured service members from Walter Reed National Military Medical Center and their families. See article on opportunities to assist with this fabulous new event and program.

Finally, wish our Ritual Team good luck and great success as they represent our Lodge and State when they compete at the Grand Lodge Convention July 12-17. Go Team!!!

Enjoy your summer, have fun, stay safe and don't forget the sun screen!

Patti Graves, Exalted Ruler

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



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

Note: If you know of a member who has passed away, please contact Jan Sullivan, 703-560-2213, so that the Lodge can be informed in a timely manner. Thank you.

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MEMBERSHIP: A huge thank you to all of you have paid your dues. Reminders have been mailed, and many are responding. We are now down to 66 delinquent members. Please get your dues paid as promptly as possible. If you do not have a card that says "Paid to 4/1/2015" and is light blue in color, you are **delinquent**.

Please submit your dues payment of \$99.50 (\$29.25 for Life Members) to the Lodge Secretary immediately. Checks should be made payable to Arlington-Fairfax Lodge #2188, or BPOE 2188.

PLEASE NOTE: If you are a service member on active duty, please notify the secretary. You are not required to pay dues to Lodge 2188 while serving our country, and I will send you a new card.

Charitable Donations

Marianne Werth Gary Indre – USO Support

Youth Carnival:

50/50 on May 20 Bar Change, \$69.50 Beach Party Basket Raffle, \$350

Youth Camp:

Marie Anderson Bingo Players, \$150 Barbara Parris

The Virginia Elks Website is www.virginiaelks.org

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

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

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Chimes of Memory

George Maglietta, May 23, 2014

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From the Board

Good news, we have received approval from the Grand Lodge to move forward with the restroom renovation project. As this is written, the schedule for the renovation is not yet determined but it will be sooner rather than later. In the interim, you may have noticed some other areas being spruced up. These include landscaping and removal of the deteriorating brick wall/planter around the downstairs patio area, renovation of the workings of the outside grill and replacement of numerous concrete stops around the parking lot. Okay, not exactly exciting stuff, but necessary.

As the Lodge moves into summer mode, the Board will continue to meet every first and third Tuesday at 7:15. Current Lodge members are welcome to attend. I also encourage you to attend the July Lodge meeting where there will be an important vote concerning the future of the traditional opening and closing ritual.

Respectfully,

Jerry Boyer

Board Chairman



Notes from Knotts

Summer has arrived bringing the heat and humidity. Never to be deterred by the weather the Auxiliary has forged ahead with Fredi receiving and reviewing scholarship applications from George Mason University. Letters thanking us for our charitable contributions to their organization have started to arrive.

Lola Byers has joined our ranks and we would welcome anyone else who would like to be a part of our vibrant organization.

The White House Ornaments are on their way. This year President Harding and the Alaskan Railroad will be honored. These and the Giant Script are our main fundraisers. Please help us by buying one or the other or both, so that our charitable giving may continue.

Keep smiling until we meet again.



Georgianna Knotts



80 people from our Lodge, Alexandria Lodge and Loudon Lodge paid their respects to our flag on Sunday, 9 Jun. The North District Color Guard presented the colors and the officers of our Lodge and Loudon's read our flag's history. Thanks to Michael Stevens for another fine ceremony.

TRAVEL OPPORTUNTIES

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

JOIN THE ARLINGTON-FAIRFAX ELKS LODGE #2188 MEMBERS AND GUESTS ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 23, 2014 AT THE HOLLYWOOD CASINO.

<u>DAY TRIP COST IS \$35 PER PERSON.</u> COST INCLUDES BUS, BUS DRIVER GRATUITY, AND \$10 FREE SLOT PLAY.

Bus will leave the Lodge, 8421 Arlington Blvd., Fairfax, VA at 8:00 AM to Casino. Bus will return to the Lodge at 5:00 PM. Cars may be parked at the Lodge.

Questions? - Call Paul Newcombe, 703 451 2127 or Karen Bender 703 608 6627. line at the Lodge website and fill in questionnaire to get \$10 free slot play.



American Music Theater Christmas Show - Lancaster, PA.

Saturday, November 8, 2014:

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

Please make reservations by September 1, 2014.



Golf Update

Congratulations to our net score winners so far: Tim Knotts (Old Hickory), Mack McGlumphy (Osprey's), Dale Crisp and Jerry Kwiatkowski (Prince William) and Frank Burns (Bristow Manor). Gross scores deserving recognition at these venues were Don Saboe, 81 at Old Hickory, Mack McGlumphy, 79 at Osprey's, Mack and Dale Crisp 86's at Prince William and Don Saboe 81 and Frank Burns 83 at Bristow Manor.

We have six events scheduled for the July/August timeframe; Penderbrook, Pleasant Valley and Virginia Oaks on 7, 14 and 28 July and Westpark, Medal of Honor and Herndon on 4, 18 and 25 August. All will have 0900 shotgun starts. If you are a Golf Association member you will receive an email from the tournament director about a week prior with sign up instructions. The easiest way to sign up is to respond to the email. If you want to sign up as a group, you can do that also. Please coordinate with the other player(s). You can also sign up by phone, the applicable number will be included in the instructions. If you are an Elk but not an Association member, and want to play, contact Ron Murphy at 703 866-4403 or bettyron.50@gmail.com. In any case sign up must be accomplished by the Thursday preceding the Monday event. Any questions regarding these procedures, the golf schedule, etc. should be directed to Ron Murphy.

When you play, you should report to the golf course at least 30 minutes prior to the tee time (usually 9:00 am) and pay your green fee in the pro shop. Next report to the golf committee desk, pay a \$3 fee, get your hole assignment, buy 50/50 tickets (optional) and receive any pertinent instructions for that day's play. You should be at your cart and ready to play fifteen minutes before the tee time to receive instructions from the course representative and/or tournament director, witness the 50/50 drawing (collect winnings??) and be ready to attack the course.

When you complete play, you need to get your score to Ron Murphy, either in person at the course or by email or phone. If you play with fellow Elks, one of you can take responsibility. If you play with non-Elks, you must do it. There are only two people who really care what your score was, you and Ron Murphy. If you want to get credit for playing and have your score included in the recap, you have to get it to--- you know who.

July 2014

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		1 Board Mtg, 7:15	2 Dinner till 8	3 Bingo, 6	4 Cookout 2-7 Lodge closes at 8	5
6	7 Mex Dom 11 Penderbrook 9 Bingo, 6	8	9 Dinner till 8	10 Bingo, 6	11 Dinner till 8	12
13	14 Mex Dom 11 Pleasant Val, 9 Bingo, 6	15 Board Mtg, 7:15 Aux Daytime 1130	16 Dinner till 8	17 Bingo, 6	18 Dinner till 8	19
20	21 Crochet Circle 11 Bingo, 6	Lodge mtg, 7:30	23 Guest Barkeep Dinner till 8	24 Bingo, 6	25 Aleethia Dinner 5-7 Dinner till 8	26
27 Childrens Carnival 1-5	28 Bunco, 11 VA Oaks, 9 Bingo, 6	29	30	31 Bingo, 6	What does this man want???	

Saturday, August 9, 2014, call (703) 849-1282 if you are funny

Aug 2014

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10	Mex Dom 11 Bingo, 6	12	13	14 Bingo, 6	15	Shoot & Shooters Tasting, 4
17	18 Crochet 11 Med of Honor 9 Initiation, 7 Bingo, 6	Board Mtg, 7:15 Aux Daytime 1130	20 Guest Barkeep	21 Bingo, 6	22	Hollywood Casino Trip, 8 -5, \$35 Call Paul
24	25 Bunco 11 Herndon 9 Bingo, 6	26 Lodge Mtg, 7:30	27	28 Bingo, 6	29	30
31 Labor Day Picnic 2-7						

IN THE LOUNGE

Food & Entertainment

Wednesdays in July and August

Prime Rib Night every Wednesday.

Fridays in July

4th-No Dinner Buffet-4th of July Lodge picnic and closing at 8:00 11th-Grilled Crab cake 18th-B.B.Q. Ribs 25th-Stuffed Flank Steak

Fridays in August

1st-Grilled Crab cake 8th-Stuffed Pork Chops 15th-Chicken Cacciatore 22nd-Rainbow Trout Stuffed w/ Crabmeat 29th-Jambalaya

Entertainment News Jul-Aug 2014

July

11th-Tom Saputo 18th-Terry Lee Ryan 25th-Tom Saputo

August

1st-Terry Lee Ryan 8th-Tom Saputo 15th-Trailer Kats 22nd-Tom Saputo 29th-Terry Lee Ryan

4th of July Members Cookout

Lounge and Tent

Food from the Grillmasters

Bring a dish-\$8

No dish-\$15

Children 10 & under-free

Horseshoes 2

Entertainment 3:30

Food served at 4

Bring a friend!

New Lounge and Kitchen Hours

Lounge M-TH 12-9 Fri-11:30-10 Sat 2-8 Sun 1-7



Shots and Shooters

August 16, 2014, 4 PM in the Lounge

Don't miss this opportunity for a taste of "Shots" and "Shooters." The fun begins at 4 PM on August 16 in the Lodge Lounge. Hostesses Laurie Fearis, Patti Graves, and Linda Gardner will be serving up some exotic, and maybe even some erotic, drinks for everyone's delight! The small cost of \$10 (at the door) is all it takes. If you have a sense of adventure and are looking for a fun time, this is for you! Light refreshments will be served and a "Shots" and "Shooters" Basket filled with some of the ingredients from the tastings and accessories will be raffled at this event. All proceeds from the event will be donated to the Lodge Building Fund. This is another great way to support our Lodge improvements and socialize with fellow Elk members. Reservations are recommended for this event. Please contact Linda Gardner via e-mail at lgardner9@cox.net or at 703/636-6392 to get your name on the reservation list. See you there!!

Elks Ironman Contest September 13, 2014

The Building Fundraising Committee members have put their heads together and come up with an idea for a new and exciting event to raise money for the Lodge Building Fund: an Elks Ironman Contest. This is going to be a one of a kind event and you don't want to miss it! All Lodge members are invited, and encouraged, to participate in the contest activities. The Committee is planning 10 competitive activities for the contestants. Contestants will be limited to 40 Lodge members on a first come, first serve basis. Look for more detailed information in upcoming blasts and flyers and be one of the first to sign up! Contact Linda Gardner at lgardner9@cox.net.

Youth Carnival

The Arlington-Fairfax Elks Lodge 2188 2nd Annual Youth Carnival is scheduled for Sunday, July 27th from 1 - 5 p.m. (Rain or Shine).

The theme of this year's carnival is "Shirts, Shoes, and Shopping". Many plans are underway. Children and families are being invited from many agencies throughout the area including Fisher House, Aleethia, Food for Others, NOVOCO, SHARE, and others. As with last year, also attending will be the Fairfax County Fire Department, The Fairfax County Sheriff's Department, Kena Klowns and our very own ELROY.

How you can help ---- With funds awarded from the Grand Lodge BEACON GRANT, each child will receive a pre-paid gift card from PAYLESS Shoes to use toward new school shoes. We will turn the Fairfax Room into a MARKETPLACE. We ask that members donate school appropriate T-shirts or polo shirts which will be hung for the children to pick their favorite and/or small items for children to shop for such as small gifts and school supplies. We have already received several Beanie Babies for the wee ones. There will be opportunities for you to participate in raffles. These funds, as well as donations toward the event, will be used for the buffet dinner all attending will enjoy.

Watch for more details to come out in E-blasts and remember that ELKS CARE - ELKS SHARE. This is a wonderful opportunity to serve our community through our generosity and time. Many volunteers are needed the day of the event. Please put this date on your calendar!! THANK YOU.

Contact Brenda Slingerland at brenda.slingerland@rsgpc.com if you would like to volunteer or contribute.

Lodge Veterans Committee to Host Dinner for Wounded Warriors

The Lodge Veterans Committee is partnering with the Aleethia Foundation to host quarterly Friday Night dinners for severely wounded service members and their families. The first dinner is scheduled on July 25, 2014. The Aleethia Foundation was founded to support newly injured service members recovering at the Walter Reed National Military Medical Center. Aleethia provides "Friday Night Dinners" as an integral part of the healing process. The Friday Night dinners provides a "hands on" opportunity for our members to interact on a personal basis with the wounded service members and their families. Our Lodge sees this effort as a way of introducing the Elks to injured servicepeople who may report back to active duty or return to their homes across the country at the conclusion of their medical treatment. This is an avenue for our Lodge to create awareness of the benevolence of the Elks. Our Lodge is fortunate to have many members who are veterans of past wars, and this provides an opportunity to share our story with active service members. If you're interested in being a part of this activity, please contact either of the Veterans Committee Co-Chairs, Ken Hensley at ken.hensley@cox.net, or Linda Gardner at lgardner9@cox.net.

The ER Honors:

Our Lodge is losing two wonderfully active members with the relocation of **Al and Joan D'Epiro** to Richmond, Virginia. This consummate couple, have been actively supportive of many events and programs over the years. For many years, they could be seen decorating the ballroom in preparation for one of the many formal dances they supported. Al would welcome all to the dances later that evening. As a Past Auxiliary President, Joan provided leadership and support wherever she could. Al and Joan, although you will be greatly missed, we wish you the best in this new adventure.

July Elk of the Month

With cleaning supplies at the ready and scrub brushes in hand, she came in to "tackle" the dirt and grime in the Ladies room. Knowing she couldn't make it to the Lodge Clean-Up Day in May and knowing the newly renovated Ladies room could use a deep cleaning, she eagerly volunteered to come in a day early to get the job done. This is only one instance of her support for our Lodge. This Lodge member can be seen Monday nights in our ballroom calling out those Bingo numbers loud and clear; and she has volunteered her time to support many other Lodge events. When you see her, congratulate Anne St. Jacques on being July's Elk of the Month and thank her for her continuing support.

August Elk of the Month

From his many years serving as an officer of our Lodge to his volunteering his time at major Lodge events, this member continually gives his time and energy to make our lodge better and our events a success. His volunteerism stretches across all aspects of our lodge. He has assisted the Grill Masters in preparing food at various events, joins in at every Lodge clean-up possible, volunteers his time to prepare the Youth Camp cabin for the season and is willing to get in the sand to ready the horse shoe pit for the players. These are only a few examples of the many hours he has spent supporting our Lodge. Most of us just call him "G2". Congratulations Gary Indre for this well-deserved recognition, and thank you for your service to our Lodge!!

Proposed By-Law Change

This change will be voted on at the Lodge Membership Meeting on 22 July at 7:30. Please attend to make your voice heard.

In accordance with a change at the Grand Lodge Convention in 2012, the Ritual Team is proposing a change to our Lodge By-Laws to allow flexibility in the use of the shortened version of the Opening and Closing. The intent is to use the shortened versions at Lodge Initiations.

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PROPOSAL TO AMEND BY-LAWS, ARTICLE IV, BY ADDING A NEW SUBSECTION AS FOLLOWS:

Sec. 5. The Lodge may use the alternative rituals approved by the Grand Lodge for the opening and closing of the Lodge and initiation of candidates. The decision to use or not use

Lodge Tiler

Kathy Showker has submitted her resignation as Lodge Tiler. I have accepted her resignation and have temporarily appointed Lisa Stevens to the position. This is the formal announcement that nominations for Lodge Tiler will be accepted at the Members' Meeting on Tuesday, July 22, followed by the formal voting process to fill the Lodge Tiler Officer position. Thank you Kathy for your years supporting the Lodge as Tiler. Patti

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## **Luau Dance Party!**

Saturday, August 2 -- Music of Mike Surratt!!

Hawaiian Luau Buffet

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

Casual | Hawaiian -- \$35 Members, \$40 Non-members

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