

September 2019

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LODGE MEETINGS

2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 7pm*

BOARD OF DIRECTOR MEETINGS

1st & 3rd Thursdays 7pm*

*August Lodge meeting is on the 4th Wednesday of the month only; November and December Lodge meetings are the 2nd Wednesdays of the month only. See calendar for exceptions. Lodge and Board meetings are open to all Elk members.

Hilltop Hospitality Newsletter—Lodge 2277

Lodge Officers

Exalted Ruler:		
Sharon Hinton PER (Gordon)		443-986-0489
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Joe Pulkowski (Carol)		908-500-3084
Esteemed Loyal Knight		
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Board of Trustees		
Dale Sears PER, PDD	5 year	443-789-4676
Greg Ackerman	4 year	443-821-8114
Jim Aumiller	3 year	410-948-4282
Les Mariner	2 year	410-259-6746
Tom Hayes	1 year	410-984-0231
Committee Chairs:		
Americanism	Junior Davidson	410-857-8085
Antlers Club	Betty Ketterman	443-279-8189
Bingo	John Shuey	410-984-0040
Camp Barrett	Tim Eaton	360-509-0899
Catering	Joyce Slaughter	443-438-0728
Drug Awareness	Mike Meltzer	443-285-9501
ENF	Barbara Harden	410-967-5182
Events	Christy Landsman	443-375-7129
Jernick Fund	Dale Sears	443-789-4676
Golf Committee	Mike Lanahan	717-359-0744
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House	R. Gordon Hinton	410-916-5408
Hoop Shoot	Phil Popielski	410-599-1319
Membership	Tim Eaton	360-509-0899
Newsletter	Barbara Harden	410-967-5182
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PR Specialist	Brad Eichhorst	443-618-1858
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Veterans	Don Culbertson	443-789-0925

EXALTED RULER'S LETTER

WOW! What happened to summer. It's hard to believe September is here and the kids are back in school. September is the start of some great events that have been planned. We will have a Veterans Bingo, Crab Feed, Cigar Night, Casino Bus Trip, Wine Tasting Night, Designer Bag Bingo, Paint Night and Eggnog Festival. This is the time of year we will also be enjoying the evenings on the back patio--perhaps with a fire in the pit. This is the best time to enjoy those evenings as they start to cool down. So, please check the bulletin and website because we do add things if we are able.

I'd like to thank **Lane Lee & Kevin Rill** for not only chairing the Crab Feed on September 21st, but for having a "SOLD OUT" event. For those who were lucky enough to get tickets, I know you will totally enjoy the awesome crabs along with the great music and camaraderie with your fellow Elks. Let's keep this up with the other events. The key is signing up early.

If you have noticed how nice the garden looks out front around the lodge, please thank **Dan and Lorraine Stoner** when you see them. This is another fine example of our members volunteering their time. This is what we do best!

Football Sunday's are back. We have a new menu being offered and look forward to watching some exciting games at the lodge. Stop up and bring a friend. Perhaps they will enjoy the lodge and get to know what the Elks are all about and want to become a member. Let's get the word out about what we do for the youth, veterans and different charity's in our community. As we increase our membership, our lodge can make a stronger and bigger difference in someone else's life. Just something to ponder.....

I just want to take this time to thank every member for supporting our lodge. I know I don't always get to see everyone when you are at the lodge, but I do want you to know this Lodge is not sustainable without you. Please take the time to think about volunteering for a position whether it is as an Officer, Secretary, or Committee Chair. Many of us "old timers" are being recycled and need fresh ideas and help. If you are not sure about certain positions, there are many of us around to ask. I'm always available so feel free to give me a call. With any of these positions, I cannot express how rewarding it is to be part of the bigger picture.

Fraternally,
 Sharon Hinton, PER

"I've learned that you shouldn't go through life with a catcher's mitt on both hands. You need to be able to throw something back"—Maya Angelou

Secretary's News & Notice

Membership /Lapsation

726 Beginning Membership 4/1/2019

Increases

- 8 Initiated
- 1 Affiliated
- 1 Reinstated

Decreases

- 1 Dropped
- 3 Deaths
- 0 Absolute Dimit
- 2 Transferred out

Calculated Membership Tot

- 730 CLMS Active Members
- 63.15 Average Age
- 4 Gain (Loss)

Delinquency

- 0 6 mo.
- 80 1 year
- 0 Over one year
- 80 Total
- 11.02% Lapsation Rate

Applications on Hand

- 6 To be read at next mtg
- 1 Investigating committee
- 0 Ready for Balloting
- 0 Ready for Orientation
- 1 Ready for Initiation
- 0 Ready for Affiliation
- 0 Ready for Reinstatement
- 8 Total

Life Members

- 115 Life Members
- 1 Honorary Life Members
- 116 Total
- 15.98% Life Percentage

Prefer reading the newsletter online? No problem. Our calendar and complete newsletter are available on both of our websites each month.

As posted on page 1, see:
www.elks.org::Lodge#2277
www.elks2277.org

Text "Elks2277" to 313 313

Join to get the latest information
and reminders to stay "in the know"



Get timely notices about specials and events!

Veterans Committee

The Veteran's committee has **lunch with 15-20 veterans** that live at the Atrium Assisted Living in Owings Mills the third Wednesday of every month from 12:30-1:30. If you would like to attend and simply have lunch and hear the stories of our veteran's please contact :

Don Culbertson
443-789-0925 Cell
don@dandjculbertsonins.com

Lastly we are looking for **donations for local vets in need**. Please help our veterans in the form of gift cards to Walmart or Aldi's grocery stores. Any amount will be taken with great thanks.

Don Culbertson
910 Lorraine Dr.
Finksburg, Md. 21048
443-789-0925



MVP & LEGACY!

It is back-to-school time! The 2019 - 2020 Most Valuable Student and Legacy Awards contests have begun. To begin the application process, if you are a high school senior and a US citizen, go to <https://enf.elks.org/mvs> to create an account using your email address and chosen password. The entire application process will be completed electronically. Applicants do not need to be related to a member of the Elks.

The ENF Legacy scholarship is available to high school seniors who are the children or grandchildren of dues-paying Elk members. To begin the Legacy application process go to <https://enf.elks.org/leg>.

The deadline for MVS applications is November 15, 2019 and for Legacy applications is January 31, 2020.

Gary Youngworth
Scholarship Chairman

Lodge Hours

Monday	Closed
Tuesday & Thursday	11:00am—9:30pm
Wednesday	11:00am—10:30pm
Friday	11:00am—midnight
Saturday	3:00pm—midnight
Sunday	See calendar

Westminster Elks Memorial Walkway

I hope everyone has had the opportunity to see the beautiful brick walkway that was recently laid around the Elks statue by the flagpole. Since this project has finally come to fruition, many members have asked how to purchase a brick or paver. You can dedicate a brick or paver in memory of a loved one or have your name inscribed. *We will be taking orders through the end of September.* These make great gifts for birthdays or Christmas!

If you would like to purchase a brick or paver, please fill out the following information and send the form, along with a check made payable to the Westminster Elks #2277. You can either drop it off at the lodge or mail to:

Westminster Elks #2277
Attn: Sharon Hinton
538 Gorsuch Rd.
Westminster, MD 21157



\$50 Brick (4 x 8)—Total of 3 lines, up to 18 characters per line.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

\$75 Paver (8 x 8)—Total of 6 lines, up to 18 characters per line.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.

Our lodge was approved for a **\$1500.00** William Jernick Memorial fund grant to assist the Clark family from Manchester, Maryland. Their youngest son, Micah, suffers from a rare degenerative disorder requiring 24 hour in-home care. To accomplish this, major revocations are needed to their home. Our donation will go towards this purpose. We were honored to have the family as our guests to the lodge on 7/19/19 where we presented them with the grant funds. These parents were truly amazing and so dedicated! They were extremely grateful for our help in their journey to raise their beautiful son in their family environment. This truly is Elkdom at its "best"!



Pictured with the recipient family are Brad and Lisa Eichhorst, Sharon Hinton and Dale Sears.

SEPTEMBER 2019

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
<p>NOTE—ARTICLES for the Newsletter are due in by the 12th of the month!</p>				<p>Special Shout Out MEMBERS: we NEED players for 9/14 bingo!</p> 		
1 CLOSED	2 CLOSED Happy Labor Day!	3 \$5 Burgers	4 Invest/Orient 7pm SEAFOOD NIGHT	5 Throwback Thursday Wings & Nat. Light bottles \$1.25 Trustees 7pm	6	7
8 Open noon-6pm	9 CLOSED	10 \$5 Burgers Membership Mtg 6:30 - all are welcome	11 LODGE Mtg 7pm *last food orders 6pm Veterans 5:30 pm Events Mtg 6pm	12 Throwback Thursday Wings & Nat. Light bottles \$1.25 Golf 6pm	13 Fried Chicken Buffet—see ad	14 Bingo—see ad pg 8 Senior Moments Band 
15 Open noon-6pm	16 CLOSED	17 \$5 Burgers Drug Awareness 6pm	18 Invest/Orient 7pm PASTA NIGHT	19 Throwback Thursday Wings & Nat. Light bottles \$1.25 Trustees 7pm	20	21 CRAB FEAST
22 Open noon-6pm	23 CLOSED	24 \$5 Burgers	25 LODGE Mtg 7pm *last food orders 6pm	26 Throwback Thursday Wings & Nat. Light bottles \$1.25	27	28 Smoke on the Hill
29 Open noon-6pm	30 CLOSED					

SAVE THESE DATES

Sat	Sep 14	Veterans Bingo (1pm-4pm)
Sat	Sep 14	Senior Moments Band
Sat	Sep 21	Crab Feast
Sat	Sep 28	Bourbon & Cigar Night
Fri	Oct 04	Denim & Pearls Wine Night
Sat	Oct 26	Casino Bus Trip
Sat	Oct 26	Wine Night
Sat	Nov 02	Bag Bingo
Thu	Nov 07	Big Ten Drawing
Sat	Nov 16	Chili Cook Off
Sat	Nov 30	Paint Night

Kitchen Hours:

Tues – Fri	Lunch 11am – 2pm
Tues – Thurs	Dinner 5pm – 8pm*
Fri – Sat	Dinner 5pm – 8pm
	Pub Menu avail until 10pm
Sun	See calendar



PASTA NIGHT

Wednesday, Sept. 18

5pm – 8pm



SEAFOOD NIGHT

Wednesday, Sept. 4

5pm – 8pm

Featuring many of your seafood favorites, plus a special:



Fresh bacon wrapped scallops pan seared- market price.

FRIED CHICKEN BUFFET

Friday, September 13th

5 – 8 p.m.

\$12.99

Fried Chicken
Mashed Potatoes
Baked Beans
Baked Apples
Green Beans
Mac-n-Cheese
Biscuits
Gravy



Please call for Reservations--410-848-2277



Join us for "Smoke on The Hill"

**Cigar Event September 28th from 6 to 9 PM
at the Elks Lodge on the Patio.**

Cigar Smokers bring your favorite Cigars along
or choose from our house cigar selection!

The Smashed Bourbon Burgers were a great hit
and will be returning to the menu!!

Keep up with us on our Web Site Page!

Web: <https://elks2277.org/events>

* Lodge is a Members and Guest Facility *

CRAB FEED



Saturday Sept. 21st

Thank you for all who bought
tickets to this **SOLD OUT**
event!

SOLD OUT

Events Corner

Did you know that Cindy makes amazing decorative and festive bottles, or that Brad sells Tastefully Simple? Do you have a hidden talent or goods to sell? Please email or call Christy about an upcoming opportunity exclusively for our members. We have so much going on this fall and we look forward to seeing you at the Lodge for food and fun!

BIG TEN IS BACK!!!

Hi everyone, one of the major fund raisers for the lodge to keep our dues from increasing is the annual **Big Ten Drawing.**

In September each member will be receiving raffle tickets for a chance to win various cash prizes. There will be multiple chances to win. **The drawings will be held at the lodge on November 7, 2019,** but you do not need to be present to win. Thank you for your support of the lodge and we looking forward to your participation. Questions? Please contact Jim Aumiller, "Board of Directors"



Designer Bag Bingo

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2019

JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF FUN,
GAMES, FOOD & RAFFLES

FEATURING: MICHAEL KORS,
COACH, DOONEY & BOURKE, LONDON FOG, NINE
WEST, THE SAC AND MORE!

DOORS OPEN 4 p.m.
GAMES BEGIN 6 p.m.

\$25 PER PERSON--ONLY 130 TICKETS TO BE SOLD
CALL EARLY FOR TICKETS—WE WILL SELL OUT
CONTACT LORRAINE STONER (410-259-6020)
OR
SHARON HINTON (443-986-0489)

A TUSCAN WINE TASTING

OCT 26, 2019 AT 6 PM

PLEASE JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF
LEARNING ABOUT DIFFERENT WINES,
GOOD FOOD AND FUN.

EACH TICKET INCLUDES THE
FOLLOWING:
WINE TASTING (3 REDS & 3 WHITES)
SOUVENIR WINE GLASS
CHARCUTERIE TRAYS
BREADS & OLIVE OIL
RAFFLES
DOOR PRIZES
\$25 PER PERSON
(RESERVATIONS REQUIRED)

**Lots of things are happening
at the ELKS!**



The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks
has joined forces with

Donate Life America

*to increase donations of
organs, eyes and life-saving tissue*

Is your Lodge promoting the program?
We Elks Members can help close the gap!



Spread the Word

Inspire others!

"Elks Give From The Heart"



Stories of HOPE: Meet Priscilla

Stories of HOPE: Meet Priscilla and other donor recipients at
www.donatelife.net

You Have the Power to Donate Life. Register as an Organ, Eye and Tissue Donor Today.

Read the Jernick article on page 3 to see ENF grant money in action!

Grant money for our community

Non-Profit Org.
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21158
Permit number 274

“TOGETHER WE CAN”

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538 Gorsuch Road
Westminster, Maryland 21157*

ELKS BINGO

Saturday, September 14, 2019

Sponsored by Elks Veterans Committee

Elks Hall opens at Noon; games begin 1 PM

MEMBERS & PUBLIC WELCOME, 18+ event

SAMPLE GAMES: L, X, block of 9

- FULL CARD JACKPOT—\$ based on attendance numbers
 - SINGLE EVENT TABS
 - 50/50 RAFFLE



Lunch available at noon to 1 PM

For further information call John Shuey 410-984-0040

CASINO BUS TRIP

The Veteran's Committee will be having a bus trip to **Charlestown Casino**



October 26th

Bus departs 3pm and returns around 10pm

Tickets - \$50.00

Beer and refreshments will be provided on the bus.

Please contact Don Culbertson to **reserve your spot ASAP** so we can determine if we will need one bus or two.



Please send your check to:
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