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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	
Les Mariner	410-259-6746
Esteemed Leading Knight	
Brian Walsh	410-967-0955
Esteemed Loyal Knight	
Bob Detrow	410-971-8236
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Secretary	
Tom Zane	443-244-0290
Treasurer	
Lane Lee	410-848-2277
Tiler	
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Karen Riesett	443-974-8846
Chaplain	
Amy Anderson	410-785-0606
Presiding Justice	
Hon. Michael Galloway	
Board of Trustees	
Marion Davidson	5 year
Tom Hayes	4 year
Dale Sears	3 year
Norman Anderson	2 year
Tim Eaton	1 year
West District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler	
Tim Eaton	360-509-0899

Committee Chairs:

Americanism	Larry Lamon
Camp Barrett	Diane Davidson (Rep.) Deborah Frank (Rep.)
Communications	Christy Landsman
Drug Awareness	Karen Riesett
ENF	Les Mariner
Golf Committee	Mike Lanahan Tom Osborne
Hoop Shoot	
House	Marion Davidson, Jr PER
Jernick Fund	Dale Sears PER
Membership	Tim Eaton PER
PER Association	Brian Walsh PER
Scholarships	Gary Youngworth
Veterans	Kenny McComas

Greetings,

In the last 18 months our Country has endured many changes caused by the Pandemic, such as shortages of products, inflated cost and shrinking employment. It seems our only constant is change.

Our Lodge struggles with the same issues as our Country. As I have written before we are blessed to have dedicated volunteers keeping the Lodge going. We are now at a point where our Volunteers are tired and cutting back on their service. The Board of Trustees has been working on the problem and is diligently looking for a solution. Many members have voiced their concern that we should hire a cook. That would be great but at this time the Lodge cannot compete with other employers in the area as there is a shortage of qualified cooks. Rest assured the Board hopes to announce a final solution soon. In order to try to let our committed volunteers have some time to rest and for the Lodge to obtain other volunteers the Board has entered into an agreement with a local restaurant, Mollie's, to cater a meal each Friday night. This started Friday September 24, 2021. Mollie's will supply the food and will serve their menu each Friday. Our pub menu will not be available on Fridays. Please see their menu in this newsletter. Their specials will be listed on the calendar for each Friday.

I think it would be great to see more members back at the Lodge, so I propose a monthly gathering. The Holidays will be here soon and this is a great way to get started. What we need are a few members and a Chairman to get this going. Anyone interested please give me a call.

Our Veterans Committee has been hard at work supplying Veterans in Assisted Living and Nursing homes with tablets so they can stay in touch with their families. Thank you so much. Also, the Veterans Committee represented the Lodge at the Carroll County Senior Expo on September 15, 2021.

Please take time to enjoy the colors of the autumn season and the Thanksgiving holiday.

Fraternally,

Les Mariner E.R.



Membership/Lapsation Report

Westminster, MD Lodge 2277

Beginning Membership Total 4/1/2021: 606

Increases

Initiated	4
Affiliated:	0
Reinstated:	2
Subtotal:	6

Decreases

Dropped:	0
Transferred Out:	1
Absolute Dimit:	0
Deaths:	8
Expelled:	0
Subtotal:	9

Calculated Membership Total:	603
CLMS Active Members:	603
Average Age:	64.44
Gain/Loss:	-3

Delinquency

Six Months:	0
One Year:	61
Over One Year:	0
Total:	61
Lapsation Rate:	10.07%

Applications on Hand

Waiting to read at next lodge meeting:	0
In the hands of the investigating committee:	0
Ready for balloting:	0
Ready for Orientation:	0
Ready for Initiation:	0
Ready for Affiliation:	0
Ready for Reinstatement:	0
Other:	0
Total:	0

Life Members

Life Members:	103
Honorary Life Members:	4
Total:	107
Life Percentage:	17.66%

Secretary's Notes



Message from the Secretary

Doesn't time fly? It's hard to believe we are halfway through our term already. With that in mind, those who haven't paid their dues for this year, please get them in. If anyone has a problem with their membership, including address changes, phone number changes, not getting your newsletter, deceased members, or if you wish to be dropped or have any other issues, please contact me. I can be reached by email at thomaszane@comcast.net, by phone at 443-244-0290 or in person at the lodge on Wednesday and Saturday from 6-7:30.

With membership in mind, we have been informed by the Grand Lodge that dues will be going up by \$5.00 next year due to insurance costs.

I encourage all members to get involved in one of our committees. After all, isn't that why we became Elks in the first place? It usually doesn't take much of your time and think of all the good you can do. I also encourage all Elks to consider giving to our charities. ENF, Camp Barrett, and the Jernick Fund all do a lot of good for our causes.

As always thank you!!!

Tom Zane Secretary

OCTOBER 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Hot turkey and gravy on Texas toast with mashed potatoes and green beans	2
3 Football Sunday	4	5	6 Board of Directors Meeting	7	8 Pulled BBQ Pork sandwich with chips and cole slaw	9
10	11	12	13 Lodge Meeting	14	15 Hot Roast Beef with gravy, mashed potatoes and green beans	16 Trivia Night
17 Football Sunday	18	19	20 Board of Directors Meeting	21	22	23
24 Football Sunday	25	26	27 Lodge Meeting	28	29 Halloween Party with Exit Strategy	30/31

The Board has made the decision to partner with Molli's Café to have Friday night dinners catered by them. The menu will be managed by Molli's and will be a bit smaller than what you may be used to on those nights, but it allows us to remain open without kitchen volunteers on Fridays. The menu for Friday Night dinners is as follows:

- Shrimp salad sandwich with chips \$10.95
- Chicken salad sandwich with chips \$8.95
- Italian Coldcut with chips \$8.95
- Turkey Club with chips \$8.95
- Garden Salad \$7.95 (can add chicken for \$2.00 or shrimp for \$3.00)
- Hot Dinner Special

NOVEMBER 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
			Board of Directors Meeting			
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
			Lodge Meeting	Big Ten Drawing!		
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
			Board of Directors Meeting			
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
				Happy Thanksgiving!		
28	29	30				

**We have a Fall Basket of Cheer Raffle at the Lodge! Stop in and make sure to get your tickets:
3 for \$5, 7 for \$10, or an arm's length for \$20**

We are always looking for new members to join our Lodge. If you have a friend or family member who would make a great Elk, please get a Membership application from the Lodge and sponsor them!

Also, as a reminder, in the oath that we all took to become a member of the Elks, we promised not to bring anything of a political or sectarian nature into the Lodge. Please remember that political debates have their place, but not at the Lodge.

Committee Reports

Big Ten is Coming

On November 11th the lodge will be hosting its annual Big Ten Drawing. Tickets were sent in early September, this annual event helps to support the lodge and its operations. Tickets are also available for purchase in person at the Lodge

West District Hoop Shoot

We have planned our Local Hoop Shoot for December 12, 2021 at 11 AM at McDaniel College, but this is a tentative date and time. We have planned our West District Hoop Shoot for either January 23, or 30, at McDaniel College, time TBA.

Veterans Committee

Our Veterans Committee has been hard at work in our Local community. They have been assisting Veterans in Nursing Homes with using new tablets provided by the committee so that they can keep in touch with friends and family and use some of the other fun applications as well! They also had a booth at the Senior Expo last month at the Ag Center and spent the day sharing the benefits of joining the Elks with our Veteran Community.

Activities Committee

We are currently looking for interested members to assist with the creation of an Activities committee to be in charge of planning events for the Lodge once a month. If you are interested please contact Les Mariner.



LET'S GET SPOOKY!

The Westminster Elks Lodge is the place to be to celebrate Halloween. Join us on Friday, October 29, for food, beverages and fun beginning at 7 p.m. There will be live music featuring the popular band *Exit Strategy*. Dress up in your favorite costume and enter the contest and come away with a special prize. Don't be scared of the ghosts and goblins, come join the fun!

VETERANS DAY



HONORING ALL WHO SERVED

This year Veterans Day is on Thursday, November 11th. We want to display your military pictures on the big TV. So if you have pictures of yourself or relatives who served dig them up. If you have pics of yourself at multiple bases, ships or countries we want to post them. Start searching now. We will want names, places, appx. dates and identify you or your relative in a group picture and any interesting notes about the photos. Please email them to Christy Landsman at Christy.landsman@gmail.com or to Chuck Smith at lznathan@comcast.net

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