



THE Eleventh Hour UPDATE

Kent Island Elks Lodge #2576 of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks

JULY 2023

EXALTED RULER'S MESSAGE

BY JIMMY COX

Dear Fellow Elks Members,

Happy July! I hope this newsletter finds you in good health and high spirits. As we dive into the summer season, I am writing to express my gratitude for your continued support and dedication to our Lodge. It's through your involvement and enthusiasm that we can make a positive impact on our community.

We were pleased to welcome 5 new members into the Lodge at our last June meeting. When you see them, introduce yourselves and say hello.

Our outdoor entertainment continues into July and beyond with a full schedule. This month's Saturday night, "Bands & Burgers," kicks off with a special guest, Alison Thoms, on July 1st.

Each week we have a different band scheduled. Returning to the Pavilion in July is Pulverizer on the 8th, Jim Cochran Band on the 15th, and Chris Sacks Band closes out the month on the 29th. Our Annual Island Luau returns on July 22nd with Eddie's Carolina Cooking and the Meki's Tamure dancers. Dust off your brightest Hawaiian clothing and join in the fun.

Moving into August, we will have the AC/DC tribute band, High Voltage, on Friday, August 4th, and back again by popular demand on August 12th is Kick Back Classic.

Tickets are now available for Saturday, August 26th, to hear Johnny Seaton and Bad Behavior (Elvis Tribute Show). Tickets are \$20.00. If you have not seen him before, he is quite an entertainer. You will be sure to enjoy the show!

Please purchase your tickets early for the Annual Crab Feast October 14th. Tickets are on sale now and we always sell out.

Get them now!

October will be here before we know it and our Annual Scholarship Golf Tournament is on Monday, October 23rd. Please sign-up and help to give back to our community and support local students heading to college. Let's make a difference and contribute to the bright future of our youth. Last year alone, we awarded \$20,000 to local students. Information is available at the Lodge and on our website www.kentislandelks.com where you may register.

We shine a spotlight on one of our outstanding Elks members who embodies the spirit of service and fellowship. Britany Steele, thank you for helping in the kitchen, bartending and around the Lodge. For this, you are my choice for Elk of the Month. Enjoy your parking space.

Now, I'm off to the Grand Lodge Convention from July 1st through the 5th in Minneapolis, Minnesota, with a few fellow officers and our spouses. We will learn about any changes in the organization as well as receive accolades for our accomplishments in the past year.

Fraternally,

Jimmy Cox, Exalted Ruler



Jimmy Cox
Exalted Ruler



Elk of The Month:

BRITTANY STEELE

Elk of the Year:

JERRY MAISEL

Officer of the Year:

DONNA HAGERTY

Citizen of the Year:

SHARON SWEENEY

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Welcome New Members



SPECIAL PERFORMANCE BY

ALISON THOMS MUSIC

SATURDAY, JULY 1st
7:00-10:00 PM

Part of the Pavilion Lineup
Come for Burgers & Dogs starting at 6:00 PM
Stay for the music - bring a lawn chair

● KENT ISLAND ELKS #2576 ●





!!! VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY FAIR AUGUST 7-12, 2023 !!!

We need volunteers to help work the Drug Awareness trailer.

Monday, August 7th through Friday, August 11th, 4:00 -10:00 PM and Saturday, August 12th, 11:00-10:00 PM. Each day is split into two-hour shifts. Please help!

If you are interested in volunteering, sign up at the Lodge or contact Morgan Whiting by calling 410-829-1602, or email morganlwhiting1602@gmail.com.



Thank you, Lorraine Sincavage, for preparing your delicious "Make Your Own" Tacos week after week. We appreciate you!



KENT ISLAND ELKS
SURF & TURF

SHRIMP & WINGS

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MONDAYS
6-8:00 pm




KENT ISLAND ELKS #2576

TACO TUESDAY

Monthly 2nd & 4th Tuesdays
6-7:30 pm

Make it your way at the Taco Bar!



Hard or Soft Tacos \$4.00 EA
or 3 Tacos \$8.00
Taco Salad \$9.00
Dine in Only

PAY THE BARTENDER

KENT ISLAND ELKS #2576 PRESENTS

THE PAULVERIZERS



SATURDAY
JULY 8 7:00PM

Playing their unique brand of rockin' blues for over 25 years

Grab your lawn chair, come for the food, stay for the band
Playing live at the Pavilion

Members and accompanied guests welcome
In the event of rain, we will move the party inside

KENT ISLAND ELKS #2576 PRESENTS



JIM COCHRAN BAND

JULY 15 - 7:00PM

LIVE AT THE PAVILION

IF IT RAINS WE MOVE INSIDE

COME FOR THE FOOD, STAY FOR THE SHOW - BRING A LAWN CHAIR
MEMBERS & THEIR GUESTS WELCOME

KENT ISLAND ELKS #2576 PRESENTS



ISLAND LUAAU

ESTABLISHED 1969
MEKI'S TAMURE
Polynesian Arts Group

JULY 22 7:00-11:00

WEAR YOUR HAWAIIAN SHIRTS & GRAB A CHAIR
COME FOR THE FOOD & STAY FOR THE SHOW
FREE ADMISSION
MEMBERS AND GUESTS WELCOME

KENT ISLAND ELKS #2576 PRESENTS



CHRIS SACKS Band


JULY 29 @ 7:00 PM

At the Pavilion, Bring a lawn chair
Come for dinner beginning at 6:00pm
Stay for the show
Members & Their Guests Welcome



JULY

2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Kitchen Open 6:00-8:00 pending volunteers TBD means "To Be Determined"						1 Kitchen Open Live Music by Alison Thoms 7-10
2	3 Chicken & Wings 6-8:00 Board Meeting 7pm	4 Independence Day Lodge Open 10-6ish	5 Horseshoes Kitchen Open	6 Kitchen Open	7 Kitchen Open Queen of Hearts 8:00	8 Kitchen Open Live Music by The Paulverizers 7:00
ELKS NATIONAL CONVENTION JULY 2-5 MINNEAPOLIS, MN						
9	10 Chicken & Wings 6-8:00	11 Taco Tuesday 6-7:30 PM	12 Horseshoes Kitchen Open	13 Kitchen Open	14 Kitchen Open Queen of Hearts 8:00	15 Kitchen Open Live Music by Jim Cochran Band 7:00
16 Sunday Breakfast 8—11:00	17 Chicken & Wings 6-8:00 Board Meeting 7pm	18 Lodge Meeting 7:00	19 Horseshoes Kitchen Open	20 Kitchen Open	21 Kitchen Open Queen of Hearts 8:00	22 Kitchen Open Hawaiian Luau
23 Turkey Shoot Noon sign up 1:00 shoot 	24 Chicken & Wings 6-8:00	25 Taco Tuesday 6-7:30 PM	26 Horseshoes Kitchen Open	27 Kitchen Open	28 Kitchen Open Queen of Hearts 8:00	29 Kitchen Open Live Music by Chris Sacks Band 7:00 pm
30	31 Chicken & Wings 6-8:00	1 AUGUST Lodge Meeting 7:00 PM	2 Kitchen Open Horseshoes	3 Kitchen Open	4 Kitchen Open Queen of Hearts 8:00	5 Kitchen Open Music by High Voltage (AD/DC Tribute)

Upcoming Events

CHECK YOUR INBOX FOR THE LATEST

- Aug 19 Jerry & the Heartaches
- Sept 9 Elks Camp Barrett Poker Run
- Sept 23 Elk-a-Rita-Ville (*Chris Sacks Band*)
- Oct 7 J.J. McDuck
- **Oct 14 Crab Feast**
- **Oct 23 Scholarship Golf Tournament**



SICKNESS & DISTRESS

Please let "Weezie" know about any Lodge member and/or family who might need a card, visit, phone call, etc. so someone from the Lodge may respond appropriately.
Contact Weezie Ephraim with Information
443-249-0679

LODGE HOURS:

- Sunday: Lounge 12 noon—9:00 pm
- Monday: Lounge 3:00—10:00 pm
- Tuesday: Lounge 3:00—10 :00 pm
- Wednesday: Lounge 3:00—10:00 pm
- Thursday: Lounge 3:00—10:00pm
- Friday: Lounge 3:00—Midnight
- Saturday: Lounge 12 noon—Midnight

PAVILION HOURS:

- Wednesday: 6:00—9:00 pm
- Friday: 6:00—11:00 pm

No one under 15 years of age permitted after 10:00



Elks National Foundation

By Rachael Whiting, Committee Chair

As of June, the Kent Island Elks has donated a total of \$6,912.18 = Per-Member of \$7.62. In our State Association, we rank 2nd per member and 2nd in total donations. Well done; thank you all!

Support your local Lodge and join the Fidelity Club to help us meet our goal!

How to Donate:

- Loose bills and change in the donation box at front door (Lodge donation)
- Place your donation in a sealed envelope, labeled with your name, member #, and write on it, "ENF Donation," and give it to a bartender, any officer, or to Rachael Whiting.
- Join the Fidelity Club <http://enf.elks.org/recurring>
- Go online at <https://www.elks.org/enf/>

The mission of the Elks National Foundation is to help Elks build stronger communities. We fulfill this pledge by investing in communities where Elks live and work. We provide tomorrow's leaders, our youth, with lifelong skills; meet the needs of today's veterans; help the state Elks associations accomplish their charitable objectives; and fund projects that improve the quality of life in local Elks communities.

The Foundation's budget for program services in the 2023-2024 fiscal year totals \$39.9 million.

Community Investments Program is \$15.9 million

State Elks Association Grants is \$10.6 million

Scholarship Programs is \$4.6 million

Elks National Veterans Service Program is \$5 million

Elks Hoop Shoot Free Throw Contest is \$1.4 million

Elks Drug Awareness Program is \$890,450

Elks Memorial Building Maintenance is \$720,030

Your generous donations matter!



FIDELITY CLUB (Regular Scheduled Donations)	LOYALTY CLUB (5+ years of consecutive donations)
Brian K. Cummings	Mark A. Anderson
Nance Dominick	John A. Buzgierski
Donna M. Hagerty	Thomas C. Gulledge
Angela Meyer	Laura Mattes
Mr. John Meyer	Edward N. McCullough
Jane Swigert	John L. Meyer
Barbara J. Tomardy	Angela Meyer
Your Name Goes Here!	Bill J. Simmonds
	Leo A Sincavage Jr.
	Barbara J. Tomardy
	Carl D. Williams





On June 11th, friends, family, and fellow members from around the state joined a group of past state presidents to install Angel Meyer, PER into her position as the 2023-2024 MD, DE, DC State President Elect.

She will shadow our State President, Renee Rivituso for a year and then move into the position of 2024-2025 State President. She is the first member of Kent Island Elks to be elected into this position.

John Meyer, KI Lodge 2-Year Trustee and husband of Angela, proudly places her new jewels around her neck during the June 11th ceremony.



Enjoying the tunes of Bird Dog & the Road Kings under our Pavilion; Marie & Walter never cease to amaze with their dancing.



MD,DE,DC Elks Association State President Renee' Rivituso stands with Ron Kunz, KI Elks PER, current Tiler, and 57-year Lodge member.

B.J. Tomardy sits with friends at a table on the Pavilion patio.



Dancing to the music of Kick Back Classic. They are returning for an encore performance August 12th.



We love when Burt Jamison joins Chris Sacks on the guitar!



Laverne Sherwood enjoys the music of Bird Dog & the Road Kings and relaxing at our recently expanded Pavilion.



Keeping us fed with their delicious burgers & dogs on the grill are Cleveland Sweeney, Kim Wingo & Mark Torre, thank you!

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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED



ANY CHANGES?

Our Lodge Secretary, Mike Benson keeps track of all members addresses, phone numbers, and email addresses. If you need to change any information, email mbbenson1@verizon.net.

This will change the lists that everyone uses to send emails and notices to the membership.

If you have not paid your dues, please do so today!



Trish Chew & Lynn Evans, PER with friends on our Pavilion patio

PAST EXALTED RULERS

1978-79 *GEORGE M. HOMBERG, JR.
1979-80 *GEORGE M. HOMBERG, JR.
1980-81 *FRANCIS R. HAUER
1981-82 *FRANCIS R. HAUER
1982-83 *WILLIAM O'NEAL
1983-84 ARTHUR GOEHRING
1984-85 *WILLIAM E. KELLY JR.
1985-86 *ROBERT D. EAKLE
1986-87 *FRANCIS R. HAUER
1987-88 *CRAIG PACKARD
1988-89 PUTT WILLETT
1989-90 GERALD LAIRD
1990-91 JOSEPH P. VITEK
1991-92 L. DAVID GRANT
1992-93 *JOHN WISNIEWSKI
1993-94 T. LEE ROSS

1994-95 CHARLES H. KROLL
1995-96 JOSEPH McGEENEY
1996-97 *HOWARD ROSKOSKY
1997-98 *E. PAUL WILSON
1998-99 EDWARD G. COX. JR.
1999-00 ARNOLD SLAGLE
2000-01 RAYMOND L. STOKES, JR.
2001-02 *FRANK STAMM, JR.
2002-03 DAVID D. MACDONALD
2003-04 RAYMOND L. STOKES, JR.
2004-05 EDWARD G. COX. JR.
2005-06 RAYMOND L STOKES, JR
2006-07 *BERNARD TOMARDY
2007-08 BENJAMIN STONE
2008-09 BENJAMIN STONE
2009-10 S. DARLENE WOODHURST

2010-11 STEPHEN L. WOODHURST
2011-12 GEORGE TUNNICLIFF
2012-13 RON KUNZ
2013-14 LYNN EVANS
2014-15 JIM COX
2015-16 BILL SIMONDS
2016-17 LLOYD BARRON
2017-18 ANGELA MEYER
2018-19 MIKE KELLY
2019-20 MIKE BENSON
2020-21 JIMMY COX
2021-22 RICHARD J. FRERE
2022-23 RAY WILSON

* Denotes Deceased