



# THE Eleventh Hour UPDATE

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

**JULY 2024**

## EXALTED RULER'S MESSAGE

By Ray Wilson

Hello, Elk members of Kent Island Lodge 2576 of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks.

Hello to the month of July. It is the perfect time of year for Elks. We all must reflect on the meaning of July 4th, 1776 (the Declaration of Independence), The Birth of the United States of America, the greatest country in the world. Americans shall never take our freedoms for granted; our four fathers ensured this. We put the Love of God and Country high on our virtues.

Summer is heating up this time of year. Not only do we have a lot going on with the Lodge's summer concerts, but you, our members, need to take notice of the heat. Drink plenty of fluids and try to spend limited time in direct heat while you and your family are enjoying the Fourth. When the sun starts to set, come down and enjoy your Lodge in July.

We are still looking for a Chairperson for our Drug Awareness Program. If you are interested, please get in touch with me or any Lodge officer.

The best part of Elkdom is that our members live by the following: charity, justice, brotherly love, and fidelity.

In June, we had a great clean-up day. Thanks to all the Volunteers.

Our project in July is to finally complete the hall floor. Upcoming Friday night dinners will be listed in the weekly email blast.

We had our Flag Day Ceremony on June 14th at 6 pm with our local scout troop, which was outstanding.

Our 2-shotgun raffle will be drawn in the lounge on Saturday, July 6th at 6 pm. If you want tickets, please purchase them by Friday, July 5th, before the Lounge closes for business.

Dates to remember in July:

On July 16th at 7:00 pm, during the regular Lodge meeting, we will hear an appeal from a Lodge member regarding his one-year suspension given by the Board of Kent Island Elks Lodge # 2576. Kent Island Elks Lodge members are welcome to attend, but as with all Lodge meetings, spouses and guests cannot attend.

July 5th and July 19th Shot Gun Bingo and 52 card starts at 7:30 pm

July 6th Drawing for "2-Shot Gun Raffle" will be drawn at 6:00 pm

July 6th 7:00 pm Drivetrain Band

July 11th Solo act under the pavilion

July 12th, 8:00 pm until 11:00 pm: Eddie Hitt Live (Karaoke). Come watch me, and others try singing.

July 13th Kick Back Classic

July 20th is Our Big Luau, and you don't want to miss this great event. One of our Best Events (Come early for the best seating.)



Ray Wilson, Exalted Ruler



### ELK(S) OF THE MONTH:

**KEVIN GEOGHEGAN**

**ELK OF THE YEAR:**

**JANIE SWIGERT**

**OFFICER OF THE YEAR:**

**RAY WILSON, PER**

**CITIZEN OF THE YEAR:**

**PETE SLOAN**

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July 26th 8:00 pm until 11:00 pm Eddie Hitt Karaoke returns

July 27th Vice Squad Band will be playing from 7:00 pm until 10:00 pm

Please plan to attend your Lodges' Tuesday meetings starting at 7:00 pm and open to all Elks in good standing; in July and August, we meet on the 3rd Tuesday.

We open the pavilion Wednesdays through Saturdays from 6 pm until close unless the weather dictates otherwise.

My Elk of the Month for July 2024 is Kevin Geoghegan. He has demonstrated through his actions what it means to volunteer and support our lodge activities. He has been volunteering in your kitchen on Wednesdays and has now been named "Bacon King" for jumping in for the Monthly Sunday Breakfast. *(If you attended the Father's Day breakfast, you would know what I am referring to. The perfectly cooked bacon had people talking for weeks.)*

Sincerely

*William Ray Wilson, Jr.*

## BUS TRIP TO BALTIMORE

One hundred members, united in their love for the Orioles and the Elks, boarded a bus to Baltimore and set out to watch their team win. But not before stopping for a warm welcome from members of Broadneck Lodge #2608. The Orioles won, and back on the bus they climbed, headed for another stop, this time at Glen Burnie Lodge #2266.

The bus returned to Kent Island about 10:00 pm. People were smiling and shared stories about what a wonderful day it was.



Photos by Kathy Barron



**KARAOKE FRIDAYS**

**FRIDAY, JULY 12**  
**FRIDAY, JULY 26**

PLAYING 8:00 - 11:00 PM

**DJ EDDIE THE "HITTMAN"**  
*At the pavilion, weather permitting*

KENT ISLAND ELKS #2576  
*Members & Registered Guests*







Elks National Foundation, Inc.

# Elks National Foundation

By Connie Frere

I have been talking for the past couple of months about the Fidelity Club, where you can easily and quickly set up an automatic monthly donation as low as \$5 per month. It is important and worth restating. When you join, ENF will send you a letter containing a sticker for your membership card. You get the ease of donations, a sticker, a retired pin (while supplies last), and recognitions at certain levels. If enough of our members join, our Lodge will be eligible for an additional \$500 in the gratitude grant, which will be used to support our local students through our Giving Closet program. All current and incoming Fidelity club members will have a pin waiting for them at the bar; just ask the bartender for your pin. Go to <http://enf.elks.org/recurring> to join. Thank you to our current Fidelity club members!

Thanks to your incredible support, we've now taken the lead in the state association for both per-member giving (\$7.34) and total donations (\$6,845.43). These figures are based on Lodges with 700 or more members. Your contributions are making a real difference in our local community.

Donating is easy:

- Join the Fidelity Club <http://enf.elks.org/recurring>
- Give a donation to the bartender (with name and member #)
- Place spare change in the box at the front door
- Donate online at <https://www.elks.org/ENF/supportENF.cfm>

KENT ISLAND ELKS #2576

## SUMMER SHOTGUN Bingo

7:30PM FRIDAYS SCHEDULE

JUNE 14 | JUNE 28 | JULY 5 | JULY 19

AUGUST 2 | AUGUST 16 | AUGUST 30

MEMBERS AND ACCOMPANIED GUESTS

KENT ISLAND ELKS #2576

# Third Sunday BREAKFAST

## JULY 21<sup>ST</sup>

8:00 AM TO 11:00 AM

ADULTS \$10

KIDS AGES 6-12 \$5.00  
KIDS UNDER 6 YEARS FREE

COMPLETE BUFFET WITH OMELET STATION - COFFEE & DRINKS

COMMUNITY EVENT • 2525 ROMANCOKE RD • 410.643.2221





**JULY 6 7PM** Kent Island Elks #2576 Presents



**The DRIVETRAIN Band**

PLAYING AT THE PAVILION BEGINNING AT 7 PM  
BURGERS AND DOGS ON THE MENU BEGINNING AT 6PM  
BRING A CHAIR, IF YOU PLEASE, AND ENJOY!  
A variety Dance Band playing the tunes that get you movin' from the 70's, 80's, 90s to current day!

MEMBERS & ACCOMPANIED GUESTS

**7:00 PM** KENT ISLAND ELKS #2576 PRESENTS **13 JULY**



**KICK BACK CLASSIC**

Playing Classic Rock and all the familiar songs we like to sing along to  
Come for the burgers & dogs 6-8:00  
Stay for the music beginning at 7:00  
At our pavilion so bring a chair

Members & accompanied guests

KENT ISLAND ELKS LODGE #2576

**SATURDAY JULY 20TH**

ESTABLISHED 1969  
**MEKI'S TAMURE**  
Polynesian Arts Group




**LUAU**

GENERAL ADMISSION \$10.00 EA WITHOUT MEAL  
OR \$20.00 EA INCLUDES MEAL  
SERVING 6--8:00 PM ENTERTAINMENT BEGINS AT 7:00PM

Catered by Eddie Cadle, serving Pulled Pork, Baked Beans, Scalloped Potatoes, Mixed Veggies, Macaroni Salad, Coleslaw, Charcuterie & Fruit with dips & Cookies

WEAR YOUR BEST LUAU CLOTHING AND BRING A CHAIR FOR BEST SEATS PARTY AT THE PAVILION

MEMBERS AND ACCOMPANIED GUESTS

**JULY 27** KENT ISLAND ELKS 2576 PRESENTS **SATURDAY 7 PM**



**VICE SQUAD Band**

BRING A CHAIR AND YOUR DANCING SHOES  
COME FOR THE BEST BURGERS AND DOGS IN TOWN AND STAY FOR THE SHOW!

SERVING FROM 6-8 PM - MUSIC 7-10 PM

RAIN OR SHINE WE HAVE YOU COVERED

Members and Accompanied Guests



Lodge is open 7 Days a Week  
 TBD means "To Be Determined"  
 FND means Night Dinner & may sell out

# July

# 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
6/30-7/3 National Convention in Austin, TX	1 Shrimp & Wings 6:30-8:00 Queen of Hearts 7:00	2	3 Kitchen Open 6-8 pm Horseshoes 6 pm	4 Independence Day Lodge open Noon to 6:00 pm 	5 Summer Shotgun Bingo 7:30 pm Limited Menu	6 Drawing for the 2 Shotguns 6 pm Drivetrain Band 7:00 pm Burgers, Dogs & Chips
7	8 Shrimp & Wings 6:30-8:00 Queen of Hearts 7:00	9 Taco Tuesday 6-7:30	10 Kitchen Open 6-8 pm Horseshoes 6 pm	11 Solo Act under the pavilion Kitchen Open 6-8 pm	12 Menu TBD Karaoke with DJ Eddie Hitt 8-11:00 pm	13 Kick Back Classic 7:00pm Burgers, Dogs & Chips
14	15 Shrimp & Wings 6:30-8:00 Queen of Hearts 7:00 Board Meeting 7:00	16 Lodge Meeting 7:00pm	17 Kitchen Open 6-8 pm Horseshoes 6 pm	18 Kitchen Open 6-8 pm	19 Summer Shotgun Bingo 7:30 pm Limited Menu	20 Luau 7:00pm Burgers, Dogs & Potato Chips
21 Third Sunday Breakfast 8:00—11:00 am (Community Event)	22 Shrimp & Wings 6:30-8:00 Queen of Hearts 7:00	23 Taco Tuesday 6-7:30	24 Kitchen Open 6-8 pm Horseshoes 6 pm	25 Kitchen Open 6-8 pm	26 Menu TBD Karaoke with DJ Eddie Hitt 8-11:00 pm	27 Vice Squad 7:00 pm Burgers, Dogs & Potato Chips
28 Turkey Shoot Noon sign-up 1:00 shoot	29 Shrimp & Wings 6:30-8:00 Queen of Hearts 7:00	30	31 Kitchen Open 6-8 pm Horseshoes 6 pm	1 AUGUST	2 Shotgun Bingo 7:30 pm	3 Chris Sacks playing Solo

## Upcoming Events

- August 3—Chris Sacks Solo
- August 10—Jerry & the Heartaches
- August 17—Wye River Band
- August 24—The Paulverizer Band
- August 31—Kick Back Classic
- September 7—Fuzzbox Piranha
- October 12—Crab Feast

## Sickness & Distress

Contact "Weezie" about any Lodge member and/or family who might need a card, visit, phone call, etc., so the Lodge may respond appropriately.

Contact Weezie Ephraim with Information. 443-249-0679 or louisewezeiephraim@verizon.net



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### 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—10:00 pm
- Friday: Lounge 3:00—Midnight
- Saturday: Lounge 12 noon—Midnight

**PAVILION OPEN WED-FRI-SAT @6:00 PM**

Phone 410.643.2221

No one under 15 years of age allowed after 10:00 pm



ER Ray Wilson, with two of our fantastic bartenders, Marisa and Brittany, at the Pavilion

# 2 Gun Raffle

**DRAWING**  
**JULY 6th**  
**AT 6:00 pm**

**WINNER GETS BOTH GUNS**

**12 Gauge Weatherby and a Browning Shotgun**

**\$50.00 PER TICKET**

**ONLY 200 TICKETS WILL BE SOLD**

**Drawing when tickets are sold out!**

**Winner must be 21 years of age and obtain a background check at Chesapeake Outdoors to win**

**Rotary**  
Club of Kent Island

## MEN'S SUIT DRIVE

DONATIONS OF DRY-CLEANED

- SUITS
- SPORTS COATS
- SLACKS
- TIES
- LAUNDERED DRESS SHIRTS
- DRESS SHOES
- BELTS

**JUNE 1 - JULY 31**

Drop Off Locations:

- Lundberg Builders 314 Main St., Stevensville
- Edward Jones - 102 St. Claire Pl, Suite 1B, Stevensville
- Kent Island Branch Library 200 Library Circle, Stevensville
- Centreville Branch Library 121 S. Commerce St, Centreville

**SHARPDRESSED MAN**

KENT ISLAND ELKS #2576  
MEMBERS & THEIR GUESTS

## SUMMER TURKEY SHOOT SCHEDULE

APR	JUN	<b>JUL</b>	AUG	SEP
28	23	<b>28</b>	25	22

**NOON SIGN UP**  
**1:00 PM SHOOT STARTS**

WIN PRIZES!!!

4TH SUNDAY OF THE MONTH APRIL THRU SEPTEMBER

*No real turkeys are harmed in this event. We shoot targets.*



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KENT ISLAND ELKS #2576



# VOLUNTEERS WE NEED YOU



## HELP KEEP THE KITCHEN OPEN

**FRIDAY &  
SATURDAY NIGHT  
KITCHEN HELP**

We need your help to keep the kitchen open during our bi-weekly Friday Summer Shotgun Bingo and Saturday night bands. (We will teach you, no experience needed!)



PIZZA COOK



FRYER COOK



GRILL COOK

CALL OR TEXT SHARON TO VOLUNTEER (410) 793-7478

KENT ISLAND ELKS #2576

# 2024 SUMMER BANDS AT THE PAVILION

- JUNE 8 DRIFTWOOD DOG
- JUNE 15 BIG MONEY BAND
- JUNE 22 HOLD MY BEER (New update)
- JUNE 29 GUILTY AS CHARGED
- JULY 6 DRIVETRAIN BAND
- JULY 13 KICK BACK CLASSIC
- JULY 20 LUAU
- JULY 27 VICE SQUAD BAND
- AUG 3 CHRIS SACKS SOLO
- AUG 10 JERRY & THE HEARTACHES
- AUG 17 WYE RIVER BAND
- AUG 24 THE PAULVERIZER BAND
- AUG 31 KICK BACK CLASSIC
- SEPT 7 FUZZBOX PIRANHA

Music starts at 7:00 pm - Bring a lawn chair - Food available for purchase  
If it rains, we will move the music inside  
Schedule subject to change  
Open to Members & Accompanied Guests

SURF & TURF

## SHRIMP & WINGS

*Mondays*

6-8:00 pm

MEMBERS & GUESTS



*See ya at the Elks*

Kent Island Elks #2576 MEMBERS AND THEIR GUESTS

# TACO TUESDAY

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

## WE HONOR OUR

1978-79	*GEORGE M. HOMBERG, JR.	1994-95	CHARLES H. KROLL	2010-11	STEPHEN L. WOODHURST
1979-80	*GEORGE M. HOMBERG, JR.	1995-96	JOSEPH McGEENEY	2011-12	GEORGE TUNNICLIFF
1980-81	*FRANCIS R. HAUER	1996-97	*HOWARD ROSKOSKY	2012-13	RON KUNZ
1981-82	*FRANCIS R. HAUER	1997-98	*E. PAUL WILSON	2013-14	LYNN EVANS
1982-83	*WILLIAM O'NEAL	1998-99	EDWARD G. COX. JR.	2014-15	JIM COX
1983-84	*ARTHUR GOEHRING	1999-00	ARNOLD SLAGLE	2015-16	BILL SIMONDS
1984-85	*WILLIAM E. KELLY JR.	2000-01	RAYMOND L. STOKES, JR.	2016-17	LLOYD BARRON
1985-86	*ROBERT D. EAKLE	2001-02	*FRANK STAMM, JR.	2017-18	ANGELA MEYER
1986-87	*FRANCIS R. HAUER	2002-03	*DAVID D. MACDONALD	2018-19	MIKE KELLY
1987-88	*CRAIG PACKARD	2003-04	RAYMOND L. STOKES, JR.	2019-20	MIKE BENSON
1988-89	PUTT WILLETT	2004-05	EDWARD G. COX. JR.	2020-21	JIMMY COX
1989-90	GERALD LAIRD	2005-06	RAYMOND L STOKES, JR	2021-22	RICHARD J. FRERE
1990-91	JOSEPH P. VITEK	2006-07	*BERNARD TOMARDY	2022-23	RAY WILSON
1991-92	L. DAVID GRANT	2007-08	BENJAMIN STONE	2023-24	JIMMY COX
1992-93	*JOHN WISNIEWSKI	2008-09	BENJAMIN STONE		
1993-94	*T. LEE ROSS	2009-10	S. DARLENE WOODHURST		

*\* Denotes Deceased*