



THE Eleventh Hour UPDATE

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

JUNE 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 June. It is the perfect time of year for our Lodge; membership has grown and we have a great line-up of events on the calendar. We are in your community, our voices reach far, and we can positively impact our county and state.

We are still in need of a Chairperson for our Drug Awareness Program. This person will be responsible for promoting and seeing through the Drug Take Back with our county Sheriff Department and setting up and handing out our anti-drug literature at the Queen Annes County Fair. We are always looking for help with our events and kitchen help on Friday and Saturday nights from 6 pm to 9 pm. Signup sheets will be in the Lodge, or contact Sharon Toone, kitchen manager to volunteer. As always, any help given is always appreciated.

The Best part of Elldom is our members, who continue to live by the following: Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love, and Fidelity.

Our projects in June include finally completing the hall floor. We will also be getting the outside pavilion up and running for this great Summer Concert Series, which starts Saturday, June 8th, at 7 p.m. As of June 1st, the Pavilion is open Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday from 6 p.m. until closing. Come on out and enjoy some good old-fashioned friendship with old friends and new ones.

Friday night dinners for June will be listed in the weekly email blast.

On Saturday, June 8th, outdoor grilled Smash burgers, hot dogs, and potato chips will return. However, the inside kitchen will be closed on Saturdays throughout the summer.

We will be having our Flag Day Ceremony on June 14th at 6 pm with our local scout troop. It is a very nice ceremony, please try to attend.

I am pleased to announce that June 1st, 2024, Oriole game, we are sold out for this event. Pictures will be in our July Newsletter.

Our 2-shotgun raffle will be drawn on July 6th at 6 p.m. in the lounge. If you are interested in tickets, please purchase them by Friday, July 5th, prior to the Lodge's closing.

Dates to remember in June:

- June 11th Initiation 7 pm: please come out to support our newest members.
- June 14th Flag Day Ceremony is always a moving event with local scout troop.
- June 14th and 28th at 730pm Shot Gun Bingo win some Big Money,
- June 15th Clean up our Lodge. We will have a roll-up dumpster for this event.
- June 16th Father's Day Sunday Breakfast open to the public 8 am until 11 am
- June 7th and 21st, 7 pm until 10 pm karaoke (Eddie Hitt) Always a good time!

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Ray Wilson, Exalted Ruler

ELK(S) OF THE MONTH:

PATRICK KIRK

ELK OF THE YEAR:

JANIE SWIGERT

OFFICER OF THE YEAR:

RAY WILSON, PER

CITIZEN OF THE YEAR:

PETE SLOAN

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Please plan to attend your Lodges' Tuesday meetings starting at 7 pm and open to all Elks in good standing each 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month.

We are looking into (*weather permitting*) extending the Pavilion hours to Wednesday through Saturday July and August hours will be 6 pm until close. We'll keep you posted.

My Elk of the Month for June 2024 will be Patrick Kirk. Through his actions, Patrick has demonstrated what it means to volunteer and support our Lodge activities.

Sincerely

William Ray Wilson, Jr.



Our dedicated Board off Directors and Officers served Strawberry Daiquiris all day long at the Elks Camp Barrett Annual Family Picnic held in May. George Tunnicliff, Rick Frere, Ray Wilson (ER), Kim Rybak, Rich Rybak, Bert Maisel, & Mike Benson



Members of the South East District Past District Deputies Association met at **Kent Island Lodge #2576** for their regular meeting. The Association works to assist the District Lodges and District Leadership. After the meeting, they shared a meal and good fellowship.

KARAOKE FRIDAYS

**JUNE 7
JUNE 21**
PLAYING TILL 10:00 PM

DJ EDDIE THE "HITTMAN"

KENT ISLAND ELKS #2576
Members & Registered Guests

Elks 2576

Driftwood Dogs

Saturday, June 8

KICKING OFF OUR SUMMER BAND SERIES
AT THE PAVILION 7:00 PM

FREE ADMISSION
FOOD AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE
(We move inside if the weather is bad)
Bring a lawn chair and your dancing shoes
Members and their accompanied guests



Elks National Foundation, Inc.

Elks National Foundation

By Connie Frere

Have you heard of people saying, "Kent Island Rocks"? There is a story behind this statement.

Historically, Kent Island has always gone above and beyond in our support of the Elks National Foundation. A few years ago, at our State Convention, ENF State Chair Mary Cardinal Vogt (*who went on to be State President*) presented us with a rock labeled "Kent Island Rocks" after our annual donations proved our motto to be true. The saying has stuck, and the rock currently sits at the Lodge today. Take note when you see this rock at the Lodge, and remember, we would not have it if it hadn't been for your generous donations! Please continue to donate in support of our wonderful programs.



Donating is easy:

- Join the Fidelity Club <http://enf.elks.org/recurring>
- Give a donation to the bartender (with name and member number)
- Give a donation to any officer (with name and member number)
- Place your spare change in the box next to the guest sign in book
- Donate online at <https://www.elks.org/ENF/supportENF.cfm>

KENT ISLAND ELKS LODGE #2576

DONATE TO THE ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION

WHY SHOULD I DONATE?

The Elks National Foundation is the premier charitable arm of the Elks and operates solely on your donations. ENF gives lodges grants to for support of Veterans, Community Programs, Scholarships, Our state project Camp Barrett, Hoop Shoot and the Soccer Shoot.

EASIEST WAY TO DONATE
Join the Fidelity Club

WAYS TO DONATE

Fidelity Club transactions occur automatically every month. You may donate as little as \$5 per month if you wish. Using the Fidelity Club means that your transactions are now more secure, and there are less administration fees, meaning more of your donation goes to our charities than before.

HOW TO SIGN UP

- ★ Scan the QR code with phone or visit the website
- ★ Enter your monthly donation, \$5/minimum
- ★ Select a desired program, or all programs
- ★ Enter your name, lodge and member number
- ★ Enter your billing information, credit / debit or bank account

Scan QR Code to Join:

Or Visit
<http://enf.elks.org/recurring>

Receive a retired ENF pin! Supplies are limited!

ENF Chair - Connie Frere - Connie249@gmail.com

FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

JUNE 16 2024

8:00 TO 11:00 AM BREAKFAST BUFFET
AT KENT ISLAND ELKS #2576

\$10
ADULTS & KIDS OVER 12

&

\$5
CHILDREN 6-12 YEARS

**FATHERS AND KIDS
5 YEARS AND UNDER EAT FREE**

Complete Hot Breakfast Buffet
Waffle Bar & Omelet Station
Eggs, potatoes & various meat selections
Biscuits & Gravy and beverages
Something for everyone!

THIS IS A COMMUNITY EVENT - COME CHECK US OUT!
2525 ROMANCOKE RD. STREVENSVILLE

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

June

2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Lodge is open 7 Days a Week TBD means "To Be Determined" FND means Night Dinner & may sell out early						1 Bus to the Ball Park NO BINGO <i>(Belmont Stakes 5:30)</i>
2	3 Shrimp & Wings 6:30-8:00 Queen of Hearts 7:00 Board Meeting 7:00	4 Lodge Meeting 7:00 PM	5 Kitchen Open 6-8 pm Horseshoes 6 pm	6 Kitchen Open 6-8 pm	7 Karaoke Eddie Hitt Playing till 10:00 Limited Menu State Association Convention-Annapolis	8 Driftwood Dogs Band 7:00pm Burgers, Dogs & Chips
9 Angela Meyer is installed as MDDED State President @the Doubletree Hotel Annapolis at Noon Final Day of the State Convention	10 Shrimp & Wings 6:30-8:00 Queen of Hearts 7:00	11 Taco Tuesday 6-7:30 New Member Initiation 7:00 pm	12 Kitchen Open 6-8 pm Horseshoes 6 pm	13 Kitchen Open 6-8 pm	14 Flag Day Ceremony 6 pm Summer Shotgun Bingo 7:30 Limited Menu	15 Clean Out Your Lodge Day 10:00am to 2:00pm Big Money Band 7:00pm Burgers, Dogs & Chips
16 Father's Day Breakfast 8-11:00 AM (Community Event)	17 Shrimp & Wings 6:30-8:00 Queen of Hearts 7:00 Board Meeting 7:00	18 Lodge Meeting 7:00pm	19 Kitchen Open 6-8 pm Horseshoes 6 pm	20 Kitchen Open 6-8 pm	21 Karaoke Eddie Hitt Playing till 10 Limited Menu	22 Hold My Beer Band 7:00pm Burgers, Dogs & Potato Chips
23 Turkey Shoot Noon sign-up 1:00 shoot	24 Shrimp & Wings 6:30-8:00 Queen of Hearts 7:00	25 Taco Tuesday 6-7:30	26 Kitchen Open 6-8 pm Horseshoes 6 pm	27 Kitchen Open 6-8 pm	28 Summer Shotgun Bingo 7:30 Limited Menu	29 Guilty as Charged 7:00 pm Burgers, Dogs & Potato Chips
30 June 30-July 3 National Convention in Austin TX	1 July Shrimp & Wings 6:30-8:00 Queen of Hearts 7:00 Board Meeting 7:00	3	4 Independence Day			



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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

Upcoming Events *Sickness & Distress*

June 30-July 3—National Convention in Austin, TX

July 6—two Shotgun Drawing 6 pm

October 12—Crab Feast

CHECK YOUR INBOX FOR THE LATEST

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



**KENT ISLAND ELKS
LODGE "ROCKS" THE
STATE ASSOCIATION
WITH THEIR FIRST EVER
MD,DE,DC ELKS STATE
PRESIDENT**

Angela Meyer, PER, has been a steadfast member of our Lodge for nearly 15 years. Her journey within the Lodge is proof of her unwavering dedication and commitment. From serving on various Lodge committees, cooking in the kitchen, to her tenure as Lodge Secretary for over 3 years, Angela's contributions have been invaluable. Her ascent through the Chairs, culminating in her election as our Exalted Ruler for 2017/2018, is a shining example of her leadership and service.

Angela's influence extends far beyond our Lodge. She served as the SE District Chair for Elks National Foundation and the State Chair of the Drug Awareness Program, demonstrating her commitment to important causes. Her leadership roles, including Vice President of the Southeast District, and two terms as District Deputy GER have allowed her to make a significant impact on a larger scale. Her election as President-Elect of the MD, DE, and DC Elks State Association in 2023 is a testament to her leadership and influence.

Angela is the Director of Operations at Elks Camp Barrett and has held that position for over a decade. She is a friend and mentor to many in our organization and upholds Elks' values and mission.

Her installation ceremony begins at 9:30 a.m. on June 9th on the second day of our State Convention at the Doubletree Hotel in Annapolis, MD. All members are encouraged to attend the ceremony which will last approximately two hours. (Check with an officer if you have any questions.)

After her installation, she will represent our Lodge throughout the State along with her husband, John. They will attend various other Elks State Associations as honored guests.

She will be the first female to hold the position from the Southeast District and is the first State President from the Kent Island Lodge #2576.

This is quite an honor, and we are proud to have her represent our Lodge. Please congratulate Angela the next time you see her.

We wish Angela much success in the upcoming year. And Angela, don't forget to have fun!

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**



FLAGS FOR HEROS

The Rotary Club's "Flags for Heroes" fundraiser is an annual event that provides an amazing visual display of American flags throughout the county during Memorial Day weekend. They placed flags at our Lodge to remind the community of the true meaning of Memorial Day—a time to remember, celebrate, and recognize the heroes that have served and sacrificed for our freedom.

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

KENT ISLAND ELKS #2576

JUNE 15



BIG MONEY
Band

DINNER 6-8:00 🎵 **MUSIC 7:00**

FREE ADMISSION
 FOOD AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE
 (We move inside if the weather is bad)
 Bring a lawn chair if you please

MEMBERS & REGISTERED GUESTS

22
JUNE
 STARTS AT 7PM



Country Boogie & Lounge Lizard Music

Hold my Beer Band

LIVE AT KENT ISLAND ELKS #2576

FREE ADMISSION
 FOOD AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE
 (We move inside if the weather is bad)
 Bring a lawn chair if you please

MEMBERS AND REGISTERED GUESTS

Kent Island Elks #2576

29TH JUNE



Live Party

LIVE MUSIC AT THE PAVILION 7:00 - 11:00PM

GUILTY AS CHARGED

FREE ADMISSION
 FOOD AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE
 (We move inside if the weather is bad)
 Bring a lawn chair if you please

MEMBERS AND REGISTERED GUESTS

SALAD

NOW AVAILABLE ON THE MENU

Made Fresh - Limited Quantities

Garden Salad \$6.00

Lettuce, Cherry Tomatoes, Cucumbers and Shredded Cheddar Cheese

Add Grilled or Crispy Chicken Add \$3.00

OPTIONAL ITEMS: Sliced Red Onion, Croutons, Shredded Carrots

DRESSINGS: Ranch, Italian or Blue Cheese

NO
SUBSTITUTIONS



Now Available

FROZEN DRINKS

\$6.50

Strawberry Daiquiri

Mudslide

Margaritas

Creamsicle

Pina Colada



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



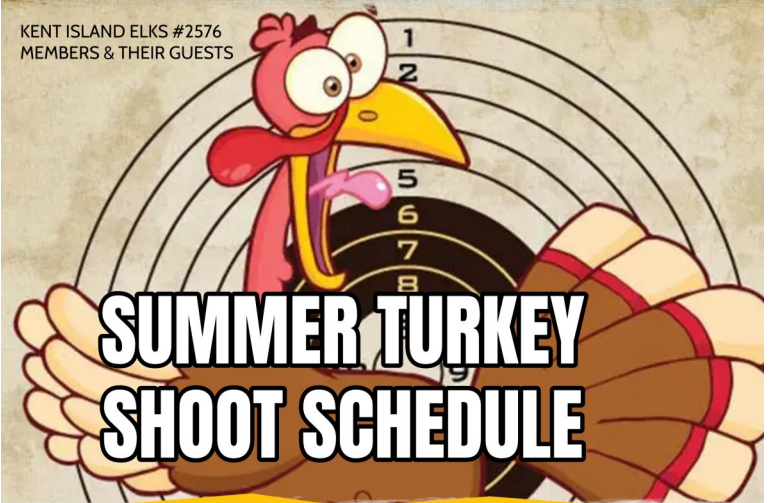
FRYER COOK



GRILL COOK

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

KENT ISLAND ELKS #2576
MEMBERS & THEIR GUESTS



SUMMER TURKEY SHOOT SCHEDULE

APR	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP
28	23	28	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.



Kent Island Elks #2576

CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS



CLEAN YOUR LODGE DAY

Saturday, June 15
10am to 2:00pm

All hands on deck!

We need your help spring cleaning various areas around the Lodge.

Many Hands Make Light Work

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*

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