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

MARCH 2021

EXALTED RULER'S MESSAGE

By Jimmy Cox

The year went fast, and as my 2nd term as your ER draws to a close, I would like to thank all the many volunteers who helped us through this challenging year.

We started outside painting and staining everything in the Pavilion and clearing the front lot and RV park from brush and debris. We moved into the lounge and painted walls, refinished the bar, painted murals, and added our 11th-hour toast mural. We purchased and installed a new walk-in box (cooler) and a new beer refrigerator. All of this could not have been accomplished without our army of volunteers.

The new year brings a new ER. Richard Frere will be installed on March 27th along with all of your officers, and a new face on the board will be Nancy Dominick as your Lecturing Knight. I would also like to thank our outgoing Trustee, Mr. Ronald Martin, who has served your Lodge for many years as a kitchen helper, cook, and chair of the Veterans Committee. Thank you, Marty and Vicki, for all you have done for our Lodge; you will be missed. Enjoy your life in Florida.

We are sorry we were unable to publish our February Newsletter. COVID-19 disrupted the production and mailing last month. We recognized Bobby Nayak and John Nethven as our Elks of the Month for February. Bobby and John have been frequent workers in the kitchen and helping around the Lodge. With that said, we "CROWN" you Elks of the Month.

My last month looks to be a busy one. March 17th is our horseshoe meeting; the sign-up sheet is in the lounge. Wednesday night Social Cornhole, "Luck of the Draw," has begun for dropin fun. We will also have a couple of Friday night dinners. Jane is making her famous Beef Brisket, and Jordyn will be whipping up a Mexican Crunch Wrap Supreme. Don't forget Monday nights with Darin and his assistant Mike shucking oysters.

This month we have our installation of officers on March 27th and initiation on March 30th. We will be hosting the BPOE State Horseshoe Tournament on May 15th. Also, keep an eye out for an outdoor Cornhole tournament.

We have three on-going projects: An air conditioner for the kitchen, a new outside smoking area away from the front door, and an outdoor patio between the Pavilion and the Turkey Shoot building (see back cover). I'm looking forward to enjoying the expanded space and new fire pit with all of you.

I'm going to step outside the box and name the "10 Pack" group Elk(s) of the Month. Angie, Debbie, Jane, Lisa, Chuck, Billy, Mike, Rick, and Shelly for all of their help and support all year long, jumping in where ever I needed them. They sold Post-it Boards, served food, worked events, and jumped into every duty during Shotgun Bingo nights. They are going to have to fight over that parking spot.

"I alone cannot change the world, but I can cast a stone across the water to create many ripples."

Proud to be your Exalted Ruler,

Jimmy Cox



Jimmy Cox, Exalted Ruler

Elk(s) of The Month February:

Bobby Nayak and John Nethven

March:

"10-Pack" Angie, Debbie, Jane, Lisa, Chuck, Billy, Mike, Rick, and Shelly

Citizen of the Year:

Mike Link

Elk of the Year:

Barbara Span-Obert

Officer of the Year:

Cleveland Sweeney

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A big thank you to Advance Business Solutions for the donation of the sign, and thank you Billy Frew and Chuck Robertson for the installation. It looks great and is a nice addition to our Lodge.



A BIG SHOUT OUT AND SPECIAL THANKS

Eric Stowe, thanks for organizing the Winter Cornhole League, and thanks to all the participants who supported our Lodge.

Calvin Martin, thanks for splitting tons of wood for the Turkey Shoot and campers.

Janie Swigert, "The Best Newsletter editor of all time" Thanks for all the countless hours you work, not only on our Newsletter, but with the State Newsletter as well!!!

By Jimmy Cox





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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	Buck-A-Shuck 6:30-8:00 Board Meeting 7:00 PM	2 General Membership Meeting 7:00 \$2 Hot Dogs	Cornhole \$5 Luck of the Draw Kitchen Open	4 Kitchen Open	5 Kitchen Open	6 Shotgun Bingo 7:30 Queen of ♥8:00 Kitchen Open
7 Turkey Shoot Noon sign-in Shoot @1:00	8 Buck-A-Shuck 6:30-8:00	9	Cornhole \$5 Luck of the Draw Kitchen Open	11 Kitchen Open	12 Kitchen Open	13 Shotgun Bingo 7:30 Queen of ♥8:00 Kitchen Open
Turkey Shoot Noon sign-in Shoot @1:00	Buck-A-Shuck 6:30-8:00 Board Meeting 7:00 PM	16 General Membership Meeting 7:00 \$2 Hot Dogs	17 St Patrick's Day Horseshoe Sign Up Meeting 6:00 Cornhole \$5 Luck of the Draw Kitchen Open	18 Kitchen Open	19 Friday Night Dinner Brisket by Jane 6:-00-8:00 Annual State Spring C March 19	
21 Turkey Shoot Noon sign-in Shoot @1:00	22 Buck-A-Shuck 6:30-8:00	23	24 Cornhole \$5 Luck of the Draw Kitchen Open	25 Maryland Day Kitchen Open	26 Friday Night Dinner Jordyn's Mexican Crunch Wrap Supreme 6:00-8:00	27 Awards & Installation of Officers 12 Noon Shotgun Bingo 7:30 Queen of ♥8:00 Kitchen Open
28 Palm Sunday Turkey Shoot Noon sign-in Shoot @1:00	29 Buck-A-Shuck 6:30-8:00	30 New Member Initiation 7:00 pm	31 Cornhole \$5 Luck of the Draw Kitchen Open	April 1 Kitchen Open	April 2 Kitchen Open	April 3 Ladies Turkey Shoot Shotgun Bingo 7:30 Queen of ♥8:00 Kitchen Open

Open Kitchen, provided we have volunteers. Schedule is subject to change.



April 3 Ladies Only Turkey Shoot April 7 Horseshoe League begins April 10 Battle of Rt. 8 Turkey Shoot 1:00 May 1 Spring Bazaar 8:00 pm-2:00 pm May 15 BPOE State Horseshoe Tournament

Board meets each 1st & 3rd Monday @7:00 General meeting each 1st & 3rd Tuesday @7:00

SICKNESS & DISTRESS

Contact Weezie Ephraim with information 443.249.0679 or louiseweezieephraim@verizon.net

NEW LODGE HOURS:

Sunday: Lounge 12 noon-9:00 pm

Monday: Lounge 3-10:00 pm

Tuesday: Lounge 3-10 :00 pm

Wednesday: Lounge 3-10:00 pm

Thursday: Lounge 3-10:00 pm Friday: Lounge 3-12:00 pm

Saturday: Lounge 12 Noon-12:00 am

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Pavilion closed for the winter

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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.		
1989-90	GERALD LAIRD	2005-06	RAYMOND L STOKES, JR	* De	enotes Deceased
1990-91	JOSEPH P. VITEK	2006-07	*BERNARD TOMARDY		

2007-08 BENJAMIN STONE

2008-09 BENJAMIN STONE

2009-10 S. DARLENE WOODHURST



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Currently, our total donations are \$16,739.63 and \$22.44 per member. We are ranked at #1 in the state for both categories. We are ranked #5 for both categories nationally among Lodges of our size.

Join the Fidelity Club, the Elks monthly giving program. Join this club and donate automatically as little as \$5 per month. Receive a sticker the first month, a pin after the 12th recurring donation, and pin attachments after the 25th recurring donation. Go to enf.elks.org/recurring to join the fidelity club.

How to Donate:

- Loose bills and change in the donation box at the front door.
- Place your donation in a sealed envelope, labeled with your name, member #, and "ENF Donation," then give it to the bartender, any officer, or Connie Frere.
- Go online at elks.org/ENF/supportENF.cfm
- Join Fidelity Club enf.elks.org/recurring

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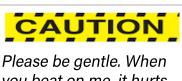
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Ms. Janie Swigert



you beat on me, it hurts and costs a lot of money (and down time) to repair!



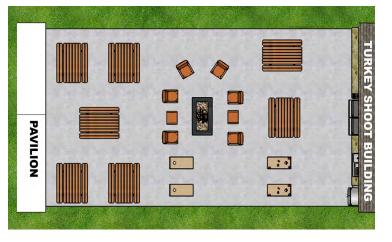






BELOW: We have approval for an extension of our outdoor area with fire pit and additional seating. It will be between the existing pavilion and the Turkey Shoot shed as shown below:







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Help Us Stay Safe & Stay Open

Two other Lodges in our district have been forced to close due to COVID-19 outbreaks, and we do not want that to happen to us.

Our seats have been positioned to ensure proper spacing, per Maryland's guidelines, and we require that everyone must be seated at all times in accordance with the Governor's orders.

So, unless you want our dues to increase from paying fines to the state, or to be shutdown due to a COVID-19 outbreak, help us by doing the following:

- Do not move a table or chair, and remind your fellow Members when they start to do it
- Remain seated at all times.
- Stick to the maximum of 6 people at any table

We cannot restate this enough, please do what you can to keep everyone safe, and the Lodge open!



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