



THE Eleventh Hour UPDATE

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

MAY 2023

EXALTED RULER'S MESSAGE

BY JIMMY COX

April began by leading us in a good direction. Our Cash Bash was a huge success, and good times were had by all (*especially the winners*). The Cash Bash continues to be the Lodge's biggest fundraiser, and we could not have done it without all of you who planned, participated and volunteered. So many of you helped, which is why it went so smoothly.

The pavilion will reopen in May with an expanded outdoor bar and a new concrete pad for the bands. Finally, we can use our grill and brick pizza oven.

May 14th is Mother's Day and all Mothers will eat free at our giant breakfast buffet. Bring your family and celebrate Mom with a bountiful breakfast. (*Details on page 3.*)

Speaking of bands, have you seen our scheduled lineup, beginning with Driftwood Dogs on June 3rd? Other bands on the schedule are The Chris Sacks Band, Miller Brothers, Bird Dog & the Road Kings, and an entire list of others that will be sure to please! And remember, Elvis will be alive and well right here at the KI Elks on August 26th.

Our activities around the Lodge seem to be growing all the time. Kevin Harns started a pool league that is going well on Monday nights. They

are doing pick-up games and will start the league again in the fall.

The Wednesday night Horseshoe league has over 40 players, and our Shuffleboard league just finished its mini-season.

Remember Queen of Hearts on Friday nights (drawing moved to 8:00 pm) and Shotgun Bingo on Saturday nights which runs through May 20th. New at the Lodge is a Post It Board fundraiser. Buy a number(s) to get your chance at \$500.00. You will find the board on the back wall of the Lounge.

In choosing May's Elk(s) of the month, one couple quickly comes to mind, Angie and Chuck Robertson. They have always jumped in whenever called upon, and recently they managed the Wednesday & Thursday night Shuffleboard teams, along with helping in a million other ways during the Cash Bash. Thank you Both!

"Yesterday is history, and tomorrow is a mystery."

Jimmy



Jimmy Cox
Exalted Ruler



Elk of The Month:
Angie & Chuck Robertson

Elk of the Year:

Jerry Maisel

Officer of the Year:

Donna Hagerty

Citizen of the Year:

Sharon Sweeney

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See ya at the Elks

KENT ISLAND ELKS

Join us as we open the Pavilion

CINCO

-DE MAYO-

May 5th 6-8:00

QUESADILLAS, CHILE, BEANS & RICE

KENT ISLAND ELKS

SURF & TURF

SHRIMP & WINGS

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MONDAYS
6-8:00 pm

2023 Elks Camp Barrett Annual Family Picnic

Come Join Your Fellow Elks Family & Friends
For A Day of Fun, Food and Friendship

Sunday, May 28, 2023 12 noon



Gates Open at Noon \$20.00 per person
Children under 12 Free



Just For Fun

- Frozen Strawberry Daiquiri Bar
- Prize Wheels
- Kids Games
- Swimming Pool
- Horseshoe Tournament
- Moon Bounce and Amusements
- Music By Local DJ
- Inter-Lodge Fun and Games
- Cake Auction
- Corn Hole Games

Help Support
Camp Barrett



Menu Includes

- Pit Beef
- Hamburgers
- Hotdogs
- Fried Chicken
- Corn on the Cob
- Pulled Pork
- Salads
- Draft Beer & Soda
- Lot's of delicious picnic food

Elks Camp Barrett, 1001 Chesterfield Road, Annapolis, Maryland

Contact: Robert Raleigh 410-708-5098

KENT ISLAND ELKS #2576

\$20 a block - winner gets \$500

1	2	5	6	7	9
10	12	14			
19		22	23		
28	29	30	31	32	36
37	38	39	40	41	42
	46	47		49	50

- Proceeds towards Lodge Improvements

Bring a \$20 bill to the Lodge for a chance to win \$500.00

Pay any officer



Elks National Foundation

By Rachael Whiting, Committee Chair

As of May, the Kent Island Elks has donated a total of \$18,505.00. Per-Member giving is \$22.40.

In our State Association, we are 4th per member and 3rd in total donations.

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/>

ENF SCHOLARSHIPS ANNOUNCED

Recently, Grand Lodge announced the winners of the Legacy Scholarship, which awards a \$4,000 scholarship to children and grandchildren of Elks members. Our State Association had a total of 6 winners throughout MD, DE, & DC.

Kyra Obert is a **2023 Legacy Scholarship** recipient, and the only winner from Kent Island Lodge. She is the daughter of Barbara and David Obert of Kent Island.



A senior at St. Mary's High School, she will attend the University of Denver in the fall, where she will be a Nationally ranked #3 Lacrosse team member.

She is always eager to volunteer at Elks Camp Barrett. Among her many accomplishments, Kyra is a leading straight-A student, executive vice president of the student government, co-President of the National English Honor Society, and a silver medal winner in the National Spanish Exam.

On the field, she was named All-Conference in Volleyball and Indoor Track & Field, where she was team MVP, holding three school records. Congratulations, Kyra, from everyone at the Kent Island Elks.

More than 22,000 students applied for the Elks National Foundation's **Most Valuable Student scholarship**, but only 20 interviewed for the six top awards of up to \$50,000. On April 13-16, the 2023 Top 20 Elks National Foundation Most Valuable Student National Finalist met in Chicago at the first in-person Leadership Weekend since 2019.

Our State Association had 3 of the top 20 Scholarship Winners. According to ENF, this is the **FIRST** time both first place winners came from the same State Association.

1st place male was Agam Igwe from Towson Lodge, \$50,000, 1st place female Diya Jha from Frederick Lodge, \$50,000, and 4th place male, Joseph Balto from Havre de Grace Lodge \$20,000

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. Gullledge
Angela Meyer	Laura Mattes
Mr. John Meyer	Edward N. McCullough
Jane Swigert	John L. Meyer
Barbara J. Tomardy	Angela Meyer
	Bill J. Simmonds
	Leo A Sincavage Jr.
	Barbara J. Tomardy
	Carl D. Williams



Danielle Bouchal had a very Happy Birthday as she celebrated with friends at the Cash Bash

GOT QUESTIONS?

For Elks Lodge related business, please contact our Secretary, Mike Benson at the Lodge Office 410.643.2221 or email mdbenson1@verizon.net



2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
April 30 Last Turkey Shoot of the season	1 Shrimp & Wings 6-8 Board Meeting 7:00	2 Lodge Meeting 7:00	3 Kitchen Open Shuffleboard	4 Kitchen Open Shuffleboard	5 Cinco de Mayo *Friday Dinner Quesadillas, chili, beans & rice 6-8 Queen of Hearts 8:00	6 Camp Barrett Sneak Peek 11:00 Shotgun Bingo 7:30 Kitchen Open Kentucky Derby
7	8 Shrimp & Wings 6-8	9 New Member Initiation 7:00 Taco Tuesday 6-7:30 PM	10 Kitchen Open Shuffleboard	11 Kitchen Open Shuffleboard	12 *Friday Dinner TBD 6-8 Queen of Hearts 8:00	13 Shotgun Bingo 7:30 Kitchen Open
14	15 Shrimp & Wings 6-8 Board Meeting 7:00	16 Lodge Meeting 7:00	17 Kitchen Open Shuffleboard	18 Kitchen Open Shuffleboard	19 *Friday Dinner TBD 6-8 Queen of Hearts 8:00	20 Kitchen Open Last Shotgun Bingo of the season 7:30 Preakness
21 Mother's Day Breakfast 8—11:00	22 Shrimp & Wings 6-8	23 Taco Tuesday 6-7:30 PM	24 Kitchen Open Shuffleboard	25 Kitchen Open Shuffleboard	26 *Friday Dinner TBD 6-8 Queen of Hearts 8:00	27 Kitchen Open
28 Elks Camp Barrett Family Picnic Noon	29 MEMORIAL DAY Lodge Open	30 Taco Tuesday 6 7:30 PM	31 Kitchen Open Shuffleboard	1 June Kitchen Open Shuffleboard	2 *Friday Dinner TBD 6-8 Queen of Hearts 8:00	3 Kitchen Open Live Music by Driftwood Dogs

*FND = Friday Night Dinners and Taco Tuesdays subject to change and may sell out early
 Kitchen Open, always pending volunteers
 TBD means "To Be Determined"

Upcoming Events

CHECK YOUR INBOX FOR THE LATEST

- June 2-4 MD-DE-DC Annual Convention in WISP, McHenry, MD
- June 3 Driftwood Dogs at the Pavilion
- June 10 Kick Back at Pavilion
- June 18 Father's Day
- June 24 Bird Dog & The Road Kings



SICKNESS & DISTRESS

Contact Weezie Ephraim with Information
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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—10:00pm
- Friday: Lounge 3:00—Midnight
- Saturday: Lounge 12 noon—Midnight

PAVILION HOURS:

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

Hours to be extended in June
Phone 410.643.2221

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

🎵 **SUMMER BANDS AT THE PAVILION** 🎵

We have an exciting list of bands scheduled almost weekly, June through October, at the Pavilion. The Pavilion officially opens May 5th in time to celebrate Cinco de Mayo. The first of our Summer Music Series is June 3rd, when "Driftwood Dogs" take the stage at about 7:00 pm.

- ♪ The events will be outside at the Pavilion/Patio/Fire Pit area.
- ♪ Food will be available for purchase.
- ♪ All members and their accompanied guests are welcome.
- ♪ Bands are scheduled to begin at 7:00 and may vary slightly.
- ♪ If rain is in the forecast, we will move inside as needed.
- ♪ The schedule is subject to change.
- ♪ Dancing shoes are optional.

Keep an eye out for flyers throughout the Lodge, weekly email blasts, and your Eleventh-Hour Update to see who

Elks
2576

Driftwood Dogs

Saturday, June 3

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)
MEMBERS AND THEIR ACCOMPANIED GUESTS

KENT ISLAND ELKS #2576 PROUDLY PRESENTS

KICK BACK

SATURDAY, JUNE 10TH
STARTS AT 7:00

Kick Back

Kick Back is a modern Country / Southern rock cover band playing throughout the Delmarva area. We are always adding new music as we follow the top 100 songs on the country charts.

OPEN TO MEMBERS AND ACCOMPANIED GUESTS

KENT ISLAND ELKS #2566 PRESENTS

BIRD DOG AND THE ROAD KINGS

SATURDAY, JUNE 24 7:00 PM

Members and accompanied guests

PAID YOUR DUES?

The only key card that will work is the Tan one.

Your 2023-2024 dues were due March 31st. If you haven't paid, contact Mike Benson, mbbenson1@verizon.net, respond to your invoice, or pay a bartender. You won't want to miss a thing!



CHARITABLE DONATIONS FEBRUARY AND MARCH 2023

- ▶ Kent Island High School Clay Target Team
- ▶ QAC Sheriff Office National Child safety Council For Drug Awareness
- ▶ Polynesian Arts Group For Luau on July 22nd
- ▶ Eagle Scout Project (Miles Tate) at KIHS for Bee Houses and Flower Beds
- ▶ Friends of Queen Anne's County Library
- ▶ Lighthouse Christian Academy Fund Raiser
- ▶ KIHS Students of the Year Program
- ▶ Supporting Leukemia & Lymphoma Society
- ▶ Eagle Scout project Harley Williams Garden Shed for Galilee Lutheran Church
- ▶ 4H Eastern Shore Spring Show Fundraiser
- ▶ Haven Ministries Food Panties
- ▶ Haven Ministries Art Auction
- ▶ QAC Fraternal Order of Police Fundraiser
- ▶ KIFA Fundraiser for the Annual Student Showcase
- ▶ Julianne Rosela Foundation Memorial Golf Tournament
- ▶ Leukemia & Lymphoma Society
- ▶ Angels at a Distance
- ▶ Girl Scout Troop #320 Cookies for deployed troops
- ▶ Elks National Foundation
- ▶ Elks Camp Barrett
- ▶ Elks Jernick Fund
- ▶ Elks Welcome Home
- ▶ Elks Army of Hope
- ▶ Haven Ministries Art Auction
- ▶ Queen Anne's County High School Softball, Upgrading Field, Team Apparel, and Sound System
- ▶ KI High School Special Olympics Unified Baseball Equipment and Uniforms
- ▶ KI High School Student Art Scene
- ▶ Sudlersville Memorial Library Fund Raiser
- ▶ Faces of Valor Fund Raiser
- ▶ KI High School PTSA Fund Raiser
- ▶ Red Devils PJ 5K Run Supporting Breast Cancer

DRUMROLL PLEASE....

TOTAL TWO MONTH DONATIONS \$28,750

This is a significant amount of money your Elks Lodge donated back to our Community. A portion of every dollar you spend at the Lodge goes towards these worthwhile charities.

Kent Island Rocks!



Food Prep, Serving, Elks Camp Barrett, Friday Night Dinners, Clean-up, Kitchen Help, Cooks, and other things

Tell a bartender or any Officer if you are available to lend a hand.


Elks Care - Elks Share

YOU ARE INVITED TO KENT ISLAND ELKS LODGE #2576
2525 ROMANCOKE ROAD, STEVENSVILLE

Mother's Day BREAKFAST

SUNDAY 14th 8:00-11:00 AM
May 2023

Mothers & children under 6 eat free
Children 6 to 12 years \$5.00
Adults and children over 12 years \$10.00

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

2023-24 COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS & COORDINATORS

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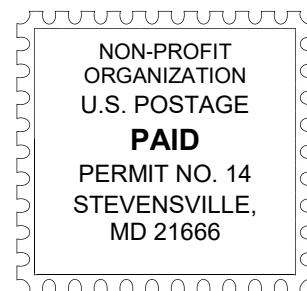
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Elks Care - Elks Share

Kent Island Elks Lodge #2576

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Elks Camp Barrett

Annual Cake AUCTION

DONATIONS NEEDED

ECB Annual Cake & Goodies Auction will be held at the Elks Annual Family Picnic on May 28th. Please bake or buy your donations and bring them with you to the Picnic.

PAST EXALTED RULERS

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
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** Denotes Deceased*

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