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Hello to March, to all members of Kent Island Lodge 2576 Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Old man winter is all but gone and the sweet smells of spring are just around the corner. March is a month of change like so many wonderful things in life we come from winter into spring with a renewed hope that all will be well.

A special message for the members of Lodge 2576 and its officers, it has been my pleasure for the last year to be your Exalted Ruler, we have the Greatest Lodge in the State and of this country, that we all so love. You should be proud of your Lodge and its Officers and Staff and its members who volunteer. They have worked hard to make it seem like it all was stress free and seamless to the eye of the member. But behind the scenes allot of effort and countless hours make your lodge an efficient machine that provides entertainment from our outside pavilion and our live events to our Horseshoel eague to our shuffleboard and pool league to our cornhole league and Turkey shoot. Then the Big Events, Cash Bash, our Annual Crab Feast from Kent Island Crab Company Sindorf family, Gun Bingo, Friday night special dinners.

We have made great strides forward with our membership and our New members being involved at the Lodge, I look forward to continuing what we started and seeing it through this coming year. Along the way I have meet a many of folks from all over the Great Elks Nation, who in some way or another have touched my heart. We cannot do this alone, it takes a village to make this work and with our efforts in the community and the county, we can keep this going for years to come. Though I am no longer your Exalted Ruler, I am here for you if you need a voice or a ear to bend. I would like also to Thank our Treasurer Leo Sincavage, for his Devotion to Lodge 2576 for always sticking to his beliefs on the good for our lodge. I've learned a great deal from him and saw his commitment to the members and the Lodge.

To, Mike Benson, you have shown through example the meaning of giving one self for the greater good of this Lodge, your devotion and commitment has never wavered or has gone unnoticed, by your actions for always being on call, or I am right down the street if you need a hand. The officers and I and staff say Thank you, for your efforts in 2022-2023 making this a great year at the Lodge.

It is my Honor to wish our Lodge Secretary Donna Haggerty whom this lodge owes a Big Thankyou for the past 3 years of her life to keeping us straight and making sure we were always ready. Donna is not only a friend to this Lodge. But a fixture whom I am proud to call friend. We wish you and your family Good Health and peace this coming year.

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**Exalted Ruler** 

Ray Wilson

Elk of the Month

Skip Morgan

Elk of the Year

**Bobby Nayak** 

Officer of the Year

Mike Benson

Citizen of the Year

Linda Austin

Check out the Friday Night dinners by calling the Lodge or by your weekly email blast from Rick. February 4 th was our first ever Gun Bingo was held a nice turn out. Allot of Happy Gun winners, looking forward to the next Big Gun Event so stay posted. Saturday Night Shot Gun Bingo It's where the Cool people go and hangout for a goodtime. Big Money paid out for Jackpot buy your ticket while you are playing shot gun Bingo Saturday Night to have your chance at some serious cash. Friday is The Night to Find the Queen of Hearts take a chance buy a ticket throughout the week or every Friday until 9pm when we draw a ticket for a chance at the Queen don't be afraid she's hiding somewhere on the board.

Friday March 3 rd and 24 th we have (The Hittman ) Eddie Hitt, for Friday night Karaoke 8pm until 11pm this is always a big hit at the lodge show us your hidden inner self who loves to sing loud and proud. Sunday Turkey shoot which starts at 1pm cash prizes every round so try your luck and win some cold hard cash, meet new friends, and see old ones you haven't seen in a while. March 17 th , 2023, Saint Patty's Day Dinner, and DJ brought to you by Rachel and Morgan Whiting so come out to support this lovely event, eat some great corned beef and sides. Sit back enjoy and rewind a little.

To our incoming Officers, Exalted Ruler Jimmy Cox, Esteemed Leading Knight Ray Wilson, Esteemed Loyal Knight Morgan Whiting, Esteemed Lecturing Knight Bert Maisel, Lodge Secretary Michael Benson, Lodge Treasurer Leo Sincavage, our Trustee's we need to continue to grow our Lodge and continue to support our community in what ever way is needed, remember it is our responsibility to pick up where others have left off. To succeed beyond expectations. I leave you this Lodge in Great Hands to our next Exalted Ruler may you be fair but firm, may you lead by our principles of our Order, Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity. For these alone are not enough but as a whole they are strong and steadfast may your year be filled with accomplishment and strength in numbers. May God Bless this Lodge and it's Officers this 2023-2024 year. Amen.

This month for Elk of the month, I want to Say this Loud and Proud and give it the recognition it deserves, Skip Morgan has demonstrated by his actions and commitment to the Loyal Order of Elks by volunteering countless hours this past year, Skip has worked in the kitchen as well has given his time to the bartenders taking out trash and other functions around the lodge he is a valuable member to our lodge. He has shown what it means to be a Good Elk, he has represented The Kent Island Elks Lodge 2576 in a positive manner we look forward to the future.

May God Bless you and your families this coming year with Good Health and may you prosper in all that you do in 2023-2024.

Sincerely

William Ray Wilson Jr Exalted Ruler 2022-2023



#### MARCH CALENDAR

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 -Kitchen Open -Shuffleboard	2 -Kitchen Open -Shuffleboard	3 -Italian Night Dinner 6pm -Karaoke 8pm -Queen of Hearts 9pm	4 -Kitchen Open -Shotgun Bingo 7:30pm
5 -Turkey Shoot 12pm -Meat Raffle 2pm	6 *Board Mtg 7pm -Oyster night 6pm	7 *Lodge Mtg 7pm	8 -Kitchen Open -Shuffleboard	9 -Kitchen Open -Shuffleboard	10 -Kitchen Open -Queen of Hearts 9pm	11 -Kitchen Open -Shotgun Bingo 7:30pm
12 -Turkey Shoot 12pm	13 -Oyster night 6pm	14 -Taco Tuesday 6pm	15 -Kitchen Open -Shuffleboard	16 -Kitchen Open -Shuffleboard	17 -St Patrick's Day Dinner -Queen of Hearts 9pm	18 -Kitchen Open -Shotgun Bingo 7:30pm
19 -Breakfast 8-11 -Turkey Shoot 12pm	20 *Board Mtg 7pm -Oyster night 6pm	21 *Lodge Mtg 7pm	22 -Kitchen Open -Shuffleboard	23 -Kitchen Open -Shuffleboard	24 -Kitchen Open -Karaoke 8pm -Queen of Hearts 9pm -State Assoc. Mtg (Milford, DE)	25 -Kitchen Open -Shotgun Bingo 7:30pm -State Assoc. Mtg (Milford, DE)
26 -Turkey Shoot 12pm -State Assoc. Mtg (Milford, DE)	27 -FINAL Oyster night 6pm	28 -Taco Tuesday 6pm	29	30	31	

Skilled Trades Scholarship Deadline March 15<sup>th</sup> DD Clinic April 1<sup>st</sup> (Salisbury, MD)

Installation of Officers April 2<sup>nd</sup>

Cash Bash April 15<sup>th</sup>

High Voltage Concert – Scholarship Fund Benefit - August 4th



Lounge hours		
Sunday	12pm-9pm	
Monday - Thursday	3pm-10pm	
Friday	3pm-12am	
Saturday	12pm-12am	
No children 15 and under after 10pm		



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# Donate With Dues

Thank you!





Arise Acadamy

Sudlersville Middle School

Centreville Middle School

Stevensville Middle School

# KENTISLAND ELKS Meat Raffle

#### SUNDAY MARCH 5 2-5 PM

#### Bring Your Cooler!

Come to the Elks Lodge and fill your freezer with meats and more!

#### Special Prizes

In addition to the tables with meat packages, we will have special raffles featuring coolers, athletic equipment, and even items from Snapon. We will also have 50-50's, a lottery tree, liquor baskets, and tons of other prizes just waiting for you to win them!

#### Get Your Tickets

Tickets are just S5 in advance, or S10 at the door.

Buy your tickets at the Lodge or online at KentlslandElks.com.

Doors will open at 1:30 and drawings will begin at 2.

Your ticket includes a sandwich or hot dog, a bag of chips, and a non-alcoholic drink.

A cash bar will be available during the event.

Proceeds to benefit QAC Christmas Angels, KI Elks Scholarship Fund, and Veteran's Service Animal League.

#### CONTACT INFO

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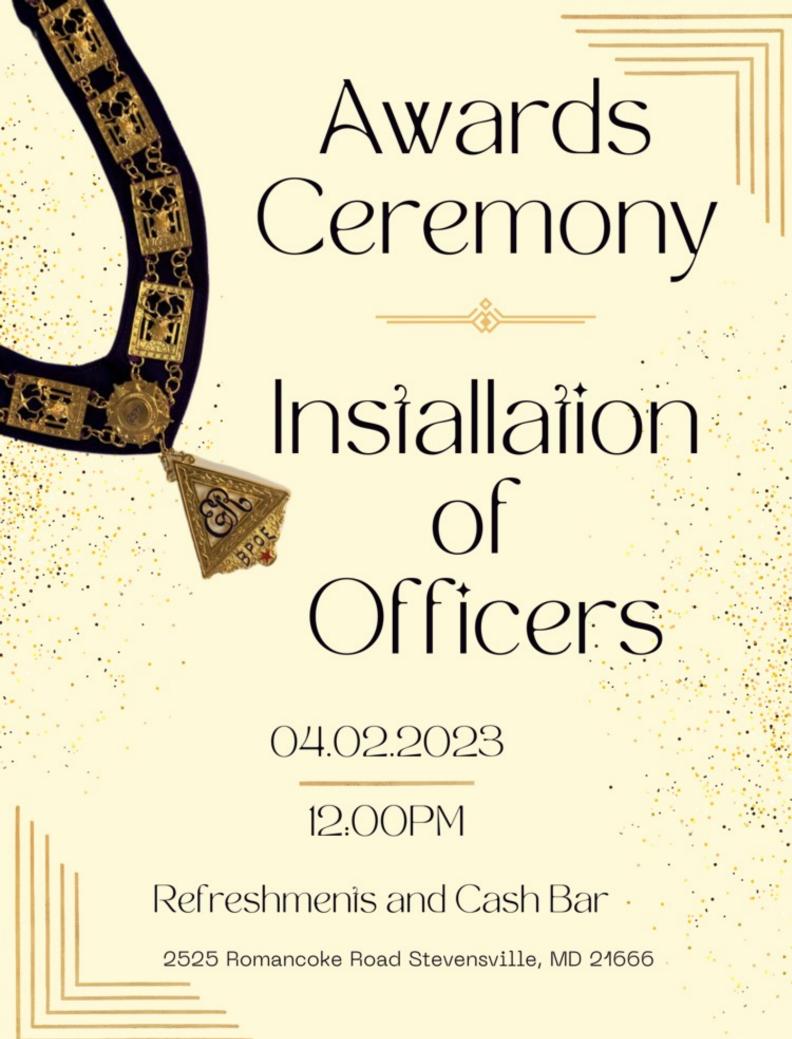
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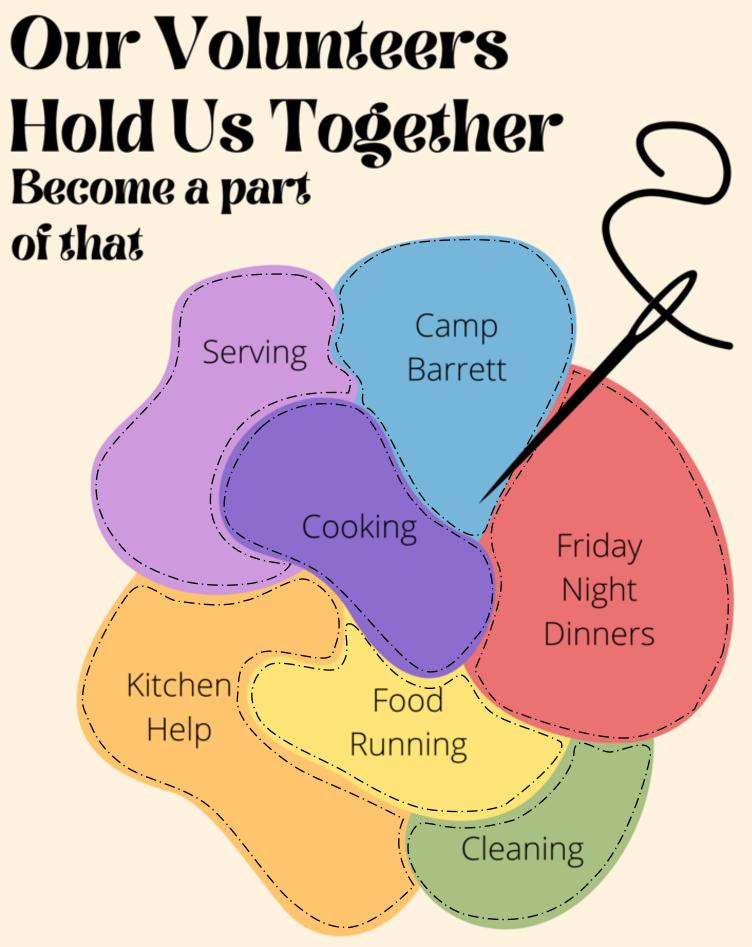




\* Northly Sunday Breakfast

Every Third Sunday

8-8-11 am Spen to our wonderful community \$10 for adults \$5 for children 12 and under (Ikg Kent Island Elks Lodge # 2576 (Ikg 2525 Romancoke Road Stevensville, MD 21666



### Volunteer Today





# LET'S KEEP OUR LODGE CLEAN

Please dispose of your trash in the trashcans inside, rather than on the ground outside.



#### **STOP LITTERING**







#### **ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION**

As of February 28th, our Lodge has donated a total of \$16,305.00, Per-Member of \$19.74.

In the state we are 3rd per member and 3rd in total donations. Nationally we are 10<sup>th</sup> for total donations in lodges of our size.

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 label "ENF Donation," then give it to the bartender, any officer, or to Rachael Whiting.
- Join the Fidelity Club http://enf.elks.org/recurring
- Go online at https://www.elks.org/enf/

FIDELITY CLUB	LOYALTY CLUB	
Brian K. Cummings	Mark A. Anderson	John J. Meyer
Nance Dominick	John A. Buzgierski	Angela Meyer
Donna Hagerty	Robin Calloway	Bill J. Simmonds
Angela Meyer	Thomas C. Gulledge	Leo A Sincavage Jr.
Mr. John Meyer	Ronald J. Kunz	Barbara J. Tomardy
Barbara Obert	Laura Mattes	Carl D Williams
Barbara J. Tomardy	Edward N McCullough	
Janie Swigert	Mark A. Anderson	

#### Help your Friend Become an Elk Online

If you have family and or friends that would like to join the Protective Order of Elks, they may easily apply online.

http://www.elks.org/membership



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#### PAST EXALTED RULERS (PER)

1978-80	George M. Homberg Jr*	2001-02	Frank Stamm, Jr*
1980-82	Francis R. Hauer*	2002-03	David D MacDonald*
1982-82	William O'Neal*	2003-04	Raymond L. Stokes Jr.
1983-84	Arthur Goehring	2004-05	Edward G Cox Jr.
1984-85	William E. Kelly Jr*	2005-06	Raymond L Stokes Jr.
1985-86	Robert D. Eakle*	2006-07	Bernard Tomardy*
1986-87	Francis R. Hauer*	2007-09	Benjamin Stone
1987-88	Craig Packard*	2009-10	S Darlene Woodhurst
1988-89	Putt Willett	2010-11	Stephen Woodhurst
1989-90	Gerald Laird	2011-12	George Tunnicliff
1990-91	Joseph P. Vitek	2012-13	Ron Kunz
1991-92	L. David Grant	2013-14	Lynn Evans
1992-93	John Wisniewski*	2014-15	Jim Cox
1993-94	T. Lee Ross*	2015-16	Bill Simonds
1994-95	Charles H Kroll	2016-17	Lloyd Barron
1995-96	Joseph McGeeney	2017-18	Angela Meyer
1996-97	Howard Roskosky*	2018-19	Mike Kelly
1997-98	E. Paul Wilson*	2019-20	Mike Benson
1998-99	Edward G Cox Jr.	2020-21	Jim Cox
1999-00	Arnold Slagle	2021-22	Richard J. Frere
2000-01	Raymond L Stokes, Jr		

\*Denotes deceased