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State President
MD-DE-DC Elks Association

MESSAGE FROM OUR STATE PRESIDENT

Welcome to the Spring Workshop of the Maryland, Delaware and District of Columbia Elks Association. Annapolis Elks Lodge #622 is our host this weekend. We are honored to have with us our guests, Grand Exalted Ruler Michael T. Luhr and First Lady of Elksdom, Barbara, as well as our Sponsor, Past Grand Exalted Ruler Paul D. Helsel, and our lovely First Lady Jane, along with the Grand Lodge Trustee, Warren Johnson and his sweet wife Debbie, and Grand Inner Guard, Richard Burg. Please take time to introduce yourself and show them some of that great MD, DE & DC hospitality.

Thank you to Washington-Rockville #15 for hosting us in January. If you weren't there, you missed the bagpipe escort of our honored guests, dinner serenade by a harpist, and a lot of learning with plenty of fun. It was a wonderful weekend.

Since we last met, I have completed all of my lodge visits and I want to thank the lodges for the warm hospitality shown to Carl and me, as well as the Vice Presidents as they visited you and delivered my message. I can't begin to express how much I have enjoyed visiting the lodges, meeting new Elk family members, and renewing bonds with Elk family from the past.

More recently, I testified at the hearings in Annapolis for the Maryland Gaming Bills, attended the State Soccer Shoot held in Glen Burnie, MD, (where our

Chairman Robert Broom and his crew did a great job), and our State Hoop Shoot in Chestertown, MD. Chairman Basil Wadkovsky, and his crew, also did an outstanding job. Prior to this meeting, Carl and I will also have attended the Regional Soccer Shoot and Hoop Shoot, cheering loudly for our MD-DE-DC winners.

Membership and Retention continue to be an area of major concern in our lodges, and each of us needs to focus on and share in the responsibility of turning this around. As you have heard many times, *"Change does not happen by chance. It happens because we change."* To this, my mentor has added, *"Do not put off until tomorrow, what you should have done today."*

Lodge Secretaries, as your year is quickly drawing to a close, please ensure all eligible candidates have been initiated, your CLMS and Charity Reports are completed and up to date, and get with the committee chairman to make sure they have given you what they have done so it gets reported. On the State Association level, Chairmen, District Chairmen, District Leaders and Vice Presidents, you also need to report to Bonnie Howell for her reports.

I wish to congratulate the newly elected Lodge Officers for the fraternal year 2019-2020. I hope you were able to take advantage of the training classes held earlier this month, as I know PSP Jay Strong and the training committee have

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- April - DD Clinics in all Districts
- April 7- 13 Rivera Maya Mexico Trip for ECB
- April 11 - 14 MVS Leadership Weekend
- April 24th Easter
- May 4, 10:00-2:00 ECB Youth Mission Recognition
- May 26th Camp Barrett Family Picnic @ Noon
- June 7-9 Convention, Memorial Service & Installation of Officers
- June 30 - July 3 Grand Lodge Convention, St. Louis, MO

NOTE: Lodges should refrain from scheduling conflicting events so key officers and members may attend all of

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**MARYLAND, DELAWARE & DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA ELKS ASSOCIATION
SPRING WORKSHOP AGENDA
ANNAPOLIS ELKS LODGE #622—EDGEWATER, MARYLAND**

Friday, March 22, 2018

Noon - 5:00 PM..... Registration
11:00 AM - 2:00 PM Lunch – Lodge #622- Menu
1:00 PM..... Advisory Committee Meeting
5:00 PM..... State Trustees Meeting
5:00 PM – 9:00 PM..... Dinner- Lodge #622- Menu (casual dress)
5:30 PM..... Elks Camp Barrett Executive Committee Meeting
7:00 PM..... Karaoke/DJ in Lounge

Saturday, March 23, 2019

7:00 - 9:00 AM..... Breakfast Buffet
8:00 AM - Noon..... Registration
8:00 - 8:45 AM..... Elks Camp Barrett (Meeting)
9:00 AM..... Workshop Called to Order by State President Mary Cardinal-Vogt
9:00 - 9:30 AM..... Introductions, Invocation, Pledge, Roll Call, etc.
9:30 AM..... Presentations, Committee Reports
9:30 - 9:50 AM..... When Guests Become Family
9:50 - 10:10 AM..... Application – Registration, Camp Barrett, Angela Meyer
10:10 - 10:30 AM..... Drug Awareness, Christopher Butler
10:30 - 10:45 AM..... Elks Veterans Service, Welcome Home, Robert McIntyre & Carl Robinson
10:45 - 10:55 AM..... Elks National Foundation, Marge McIntyre (Donations Accepted)
10:55 - 11:05 AM..... Elks Camp Barrett, George Tunnicliff (Donations Accepted)
11:05 - 11:15 AM..... Lodge Activities, Michael Todd
11:15 - 11:20 AM..... Government Relations, Bonnie Howell
Five Minutes or Less Scholarships, Lynne Evans
Accident Prevention, Stu Burgoon
Auditing and Business Practices, Bill Simonds
By-Laws, William H. Buttrill PSP
Con/Con, Merrilyn Ramsey
Membership, George Tunnicliff
Soccer Shoot, Robert Broom
Youth Activities, Colleen Ford
William J. Jernick Memorial Fund, John Loftus
Announcements, Recess until Sunday 9:00 AM
12:00 Noon..... Lunch Buffet
1:00 - 1:30 PM Warren Johnson GL Trustee (2020 Meeting of Steering Committee)
1:30 - 3:30 PM..... Hon. Paul D. Helsel, PGER Meeting with DDGERS, District Leaders
1:30 - 2:30 PM..... State President & President Elect Meeting with Incoming ER's
2:30 - 3:00 PM..... State President Meeting with VPs
3:00 - 4:30 PM..... Committee Meetings: Called by Committee Chairs with District Chairs
6:00 - 7:00 PM..... Social Hour
7:00 - 8:30 PM..... Dinner –Presentations to GER Michael T. Luhr (*Coat & Tie*)
Live Entertainment

Sunday, March 24, 2019

7:00 - 9:00 AM..... Breakfast Buffet-Lodge #622
8:00 - 9:00 AM..... Registration
9:00 AM..... Meeting Called to Order
9:00 - 9:15 AM..... State Officers' Reports
9:15 - 11:00 AM..... Unfinished Business, New Business, Elections,
Good of the Association
11:00-11:15 AM..... Comments State President, GL Trustee, GL Inner Guard
11:15 - 11:30 AM..... Comments by GL Sponsor Paul Helsel
11:30 - 11:45 AM..... Comments by GER Michael T. Luhr
11:45 - 11:50 AM..... Remembrance of Departed Members
12:00 PM..... Adjournment

NEXT MEETING: June 7, 2019

**MD-DE-DC State Association Convention
Holiday Inn Solomons**

DEADLINE

Next Newsletter Deadline is Thursday, May 23, 2019.
Send info to statenewsletter@outlook.com



MESSAGE FROM OUR GRAND EXALTED RULER

BUDGETS, YEAR-END REPORTS TOP LODGES' TO-DO LISTS

By Michael T. Luhr, GER

Time truly flies, especially when we experience the many joys of our charitable work. It's hard to believe the Lodge year is nearly at an end, but here we are ready to start all over again. To all of the Lodge Officers who have served during the past year, thank you! Your dedication and effort have undoubtedly enhanced the image of the Lodge within your community.

Lodge Secretaries, make sure your attention is focused on completing your year-end report. Also focus on filling out your charitable report to show everyone in your Lodge what you accomplished over the past year. Do you have a group eager to contact those who are at risk of being dropped for nonpayment of dues? Now is your last chance to save them

as Members. Make sure that they know how their dues help fund the programs that benefit your community.

Trustees, have you been working on the coming year's budget? Have Committee Chairs submitted their budget requests? If not, let them know that they won't have any funds available during the coming year unless it's received on time. I guarantee you'll get a rapid response. Update your calendars for the coming year and make certain all Officers understand their duty to attend both District Deputy Clinics. By "Working Together to Make a Difference" we can ensure that 2019- 2020 will be another great year for our Order and your Local Lodge. Thank you for your dedication, hard work, and personal sacrifices on behalf of your community.



MESSAGE FROM OUR STATE SPONSOR

By Paul D. Helsel, PGER & Sponsor

Dear Friends and Members of the MD, DE & DC Elks Association:

Welcome to Annapolis Lodge No. 622 and the Spring Conference of the Maryland, Delaware, and District of Columbia Elks Association. Jane and I both are looking forward to the weekend and the opportunity to visit with all of you, enjoy all the great fellowship, and help set the tone for a successful 2019/2020 lodge year that is about to start on April 1.

Also this weekend we are honored to host our Grand Exalted Ruler Michael T. Luhr and his lovely wife, Barbara. They hail from the "The Last Frontier" State of Alaska where they are members of Petersburg, Alaska Lodge No. 1615. I know they look forward to meeting each of you. Please take a few minutes to greet them personally and explain to them how your lodge, and our Association, are prime examples of **"Working Together to Make a Difference!!!"**

At the end of this conference we will be one (1) week from the end of the 2018/2019 lodge year – seven (7) days to complete your efforts, reach your goals and get the job done. Seven days is not a lot of time, and you certainly can't make up for not doing something for the previous 358 days, but you can make that final push to make your accumulated accomplishment a bit more. During these seven days, you can certainly make sure that all candidates in waiting are initiated and the dues of a few more delinquent members are collected. The current numbers would suggest that we should again show an Association wide gain in membership, however, at least 16 of our 37 lodges will probably show a loss in membership and depending on their actual year end numbers they could cause the Association to have a loss. We can't let up during this last week – we need to get every member we can in every lodge!!!

As we begin the 2019/2020 lodge year, every lodge (all Elks in our Association) must focus on four areas to ensure

long term success of their individual lodge, our Association, and our Order. These areas are Membership Growth, Financial Stability, Community Involvement, and Follow the Rules.

Each of these areas of endeavor is interdependent, and each can, and does, affect the other and the actual condition of the lodge. The successful lodge will be successful in all these areas. However, failure in any one of these areas can ultimately cause the failure of the lodge. Needless to say, as we move forward each of the areas will be receiving a higher level of scrutiny at the lodge level.

Congratulations and thanks to all those Elks and their spouses who have worked so very hard to make this 2018/2019 year a success for their lodge and our Association. Best wishes to all for a most enjoyable weekend and best wishes to our 37 lodges for a most prosperous and successful 2019/2020 lodge year.

Sincerely and fraternally,

Paul D. Helsel

WINTER WORKSHOP

ROCKVILLE-WASHINGTON DC



Thank you to Rockville Lodge #15 for hosting our Winter State Workshop. Front: Mary Cardinal-Vogt Rear: Mary Morgan (National Director of National Veterans Service Dept) Warren Johnson, Frank Kane, Paul D. Hesel, John Loftus, Timothy Eaton, Jackie Phillips, Jim Harbour



Opening Ceremony



Diana Patton, PER



Jim Stewart, PSP & Dannielle McKnight, Social Media



John Loftus (State President Elect), Marty Vandergriff (SE Hoop Shoot Chair), Angela Meyer (SE VP), Bill Buttrill (PSP & ER Seaford Lodge), Debbie Clark (SE Drug Awareness Chair)

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

By Lynn Evans, State Scholarship Chairperson

The MVS Scholarship Program is now complete and we are awaiting the state results. The results should be available before the State Association Meeting in Annapolis on March 23, 2019.

The Skilled Trades Scholarship application period is continuing until the extended deadline of April 15, 2019. This scholarship is open to any high school graduate who graduated between 2015 and 2019.

The program pursued must culminate in a certification, diploma, or associate degree, but not a bachelor's degree. The top male and top female winner will receive \$2,000 per year for two years. The other winners will receive \$1,000 per year for two years. Applications are available online at www.mddedcelks.org/scholarships.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE CONTINUED...

worked very hard making the training program a guide to your success. I wish all of you a very successful year.

In closing, please join me in thanking Annapolis Lodge for hosting this workshop.

Have a great weekend here in the Sailboat Capital and may you return home safely with a renewed enthusiasm and motivation in carrying forth my theme "Stepping Forward Together."

May God bless all of you, your Lodges, our country and all who serve to protect us and maintain our freedom.

Mary Cardinal-Vogt

State President

MD-DE-DC Elks Association

★ WANTED, A FEW GOOD MEMBERS ★

Mary E Cardinal-Vogt, President

At the June Convention, I will announce the recipient of the Maryland, Delaware and District of Columbia Elks Association Elk-of-the-Year award. I need your help in finding this person. The criteria for this award are very much like your Lodge Elk-of-the-Year award. It is someone one who has shown exemplary efforts in furthering the work of Elkdom, but on the State Association level. This is someone who has gone "above and beyond" in performing their duties. To that end, there are a couple of classes of our members who are NOT eligible this year: any currently serving District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler, any currently serving State Association Vice President and any Past State President. The thinking being that in the first two cases, they are basically doing their job and should not get special recognition for that. And in the case of the PSP's, well this is a group of Elks who have "been there, done that" and have already been recognized for their efforts.

Your nomination for Elk-of-the-Year must be sent to me **in writing, to arrive on my desk no later than May 1st**. I would prefer e-mail (marycardinal-vogt@earthlink.net) or snail-mail (895 Leesburg Court, Huntingtown, MD 20639) but NOT by phone. It does not have to be elaborate; not how long they have been an Elk or a list of all their past positions, just a simple "who" and "why."

Thank you for helping me in making this decision, and I look forward to hearing from you.



PRESIDENT ELECT

By John Loftus



Wow! Has it really been a year since I was elected at Glen Burnie Lodge? It doesn't feel like that is possible.

Welcome to our Spring Workshop, at which we host our Grand Exalted Ruler Michael T. Luhr, Petersburg, Alaska Lodge #1615, as he travels throughout our great country. I know he will experience a warm reception here at Annapolis Lodge #622 and depart with fond memories.

Things have been relatively quiet since our Winter Workshop at Washington-Rockville #15. Most of my Elk activity has consisted of working through the various administrative tasks in preparation for assuming the duties of President. I am happy to report that I have successfully assembled a great team of Officers and Committee Chairs to carry out the business of the Association. I have prepared a lapel pin design which has been refined by the artists at C. Sanders and should be in production in time for distribution to our members after my installation in June. Working with our sponsor, Paul Hesel, PGER, I have identified our flag bearers for the Opening Ceremonies at Grand Lodge. Yet, I still have plenty to do! I was able to attend, and serve as a score keeper, at the SE District Hoop Shoot at Seaford Lodge.



John Loftus, Elroy, and Bill Buttrill

In the midst of all this, I took Eileen on a cruise in the Caribbean to express my tremendous gratitude for her love, support, and selfless sacrifice as I went through my health issues. As many of you know, she is a wonderful caretaker and advocate. I would like to thank you once again, our members, for all your prayers, calls, cards, and so much more. Now I am working to put that chapter to rest and get geared up to do the job that you elected me to do!

God Bless. Have a great workshop!



ENF DONATIONS

As the end of our Elk year is quickly approaching, so is the deadline for our ENF contributions. **MARCH 31, 2019** is the deadline. That means Lodges must work rapidly to remit any donations that have not yet been submitted to the ENF office. Remember, Lodges who meet the GER goal of \$4.75 per member by **March 31, 2019**, will automatically qualify for the Gratitude Grant for 2019-2020. Individuals

DEADLINES DRAW NEAR

By Margie McIntyre

can access their annual giving total on the elks.org website at My ENF, and quickly make an individual donation by visiting enf.elks.org/MakeAGift.

CIP GRANTS

MARCH 31, 2019 is also the deadline for all 2018-2019 CIP Grants to be completed. The Grant deadlines have now transitioned to be in line with the Lodge year, which created a shorter grant year for 2018-2019.

APRIL 1, 2019 Grant Applications

open. Going forward, the Grants will open each year on **APRIL 1** and close on **DECEMBER 31**, with your projects being completed by **MARCH 31**.

Another important change is the Final Report Date. This date will be based on the anticipated completion date of your project, and the Final Report will be due 30 days from that date. Both the Grant Applications and Final Reports are now submitted online. These changes do not affect Impact Grants.



ELKS NATIONAL VETERAN SERVICE COMMISSION

By Bob McIntyre, Chairman

On behalf of myself, the ENVSC District Chairmen and VAVS Reps, I would like to welcome Grand Exalted Ruler Michael T. Luhr, and his wife Barbara, to the MD, DE & DC Elks Association's Spring Conference. GER Luhr owns and operates a full-service Shipyard in Petersburg, Alaska. Mike should feel right at home here in Annapolis, located on the Chesapeake Bay, and home to the United States Naval Academy. The Bay with the Port of Baltimore supports the Maryland economy through commercial shipping, crabbing, fishing and pleasure boating which has a lot in common with the economy of Alaska.

I congratulate all the incoming Exalted Rulers and elected officers for the upcoming Lodge year of 2019-2020. Exalted Rulers, you have been elected to the highest position in your Lodge. As Exalted Ruler, you have the responsibility to carry out the programs of the Elks. The program that interests me most is the Elks National Veterans Service Commission and the Army of Hope. Please feel free at anytime to reach out to your District Veterans' Chairman or me, with any questions you may have concerning our Veterans Programs. All of our contact information may be found in the State Directory.

As of January 2019, our VAVS Reps have logged over 1,500 hours of voluntary service this year. With the State Association and ENVSC allotments, they have donated

\$19,478.26 to the VAs, USOs and State Homes they service. I would like to thank all the VAVS Reps and Deputy Reps for their dedication, time, and talents in assisting our Veterans.

The MD, DE & DC Elks Army of Hope is becoming a well known resource for VA Social Workers and other organizations searching for assistance for veterans in need. With the cold winter we have experienced this year, there were many veterans who had difficulty paying their fuel and electric bills, and the Army of Hope received 5 requests from veterans for assistance with their utility bills. The Army of Hope paid \$1,536.24 directly to fuel and electric companies, \$200.00 for a food gift card, and \$339.00 in rental assistance. Thank you District Chairmen for approving these requests.

Without donations from our membership and Lodges, the Army of Hope would not be able to do the fine work it is intended to do. At the Winter Conference, the Army of Hope received donations from Lodges and members. I would like to "Thank" Kent Island Lodge, who has been a major contributor to the Army of Hope from the beginning. I would also like to "Thank" Pocomoke City Lodge and Newark Lodge for their generous donations and members Judy Black, Diana Patton and Larry Sheldrake for thoughtful donations. Through your benevolent donations, we will continue to service our Veterans.

WILLIAM J. JERNICK MEMORIAL FUND

By John Loftus, State Chairman

The William J. Jernick Memorial Fund is alive and well! While February has been quiet, we have received and processed sixteen applications for aid thus far this year. There are still funds available to assist worthy candidates, so don't ignore this tool for reaching out to your communities.

As always, your Jernick Fund Committee is ready to assist you in your efforts to help those in need.

John Loftus, Chair,

- Susan Caldwell, SE
- Michelle Rhoads, NE
- Rob Rephan, W
- Judy Black, SW
- Julie Burgoon, NC

I would also like to thank our Board of Directors for the

successful manner in which they have managed our investment trusts and their expeditious approvals of grants in aid!

- Sandy Brantner, PSP (W), Chair
- Carl Robinson PSP (NC) Treasurer
- Ron Lamot PSP, PGLC (SW), Secretary
- William H. Buttrill Jr. PSP PGLC (SE)
- Bruce Howell PSP, PGLC (NE)

As we make our Lodge budgets for the upcoming year, please consider adding a line item for the Jernick Fund. You can rest assured that donated funds are never spent, they are deposited in our Investment Trust, and the dividends and interest used to fund our grants to those in need. The larger the balance in the Trust, the more earnings we have to answer the call of our Lodges!

ELKS 2ND ANNUAL YOUTH DAY IS MAY 4TH AT CAMP BARRETT

By Colleen Ford

- An old Irish proverb "Praise Youth and it will prosper."
- Have you ever been singled out for doing something outstanding or out of the norm?
- Most people like a pat on the back or a special recognition from peers for a job well done.
- Elks say thank you with individual awards such as Elk of the Year and Officer of the Year....If you were ever involved with any of these awards, you know the feeling of pride in getting such acknowledgment.
- Recognizing youth for outstanding actions goes right along with our Elk's teaching- FIDELITY
- FIDELITY is the act of continuing loyalty and support within our communities.

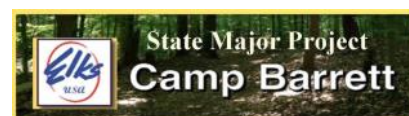
We are not only recognizing the smartest or most athletic, but honoring the ones who are motivated, and a positive influence on others. This same concept works for our youth within our communities.

Please remember the Elks National Youth Week is the first week of May. This week provides an excellent opportunity for our Lodges to educate our youth with positive influences rather than the negative they see through the local media, and to honor them in the communities for their

efforts during the past year. The programs and events that can be incorporated during this week are numerous and should be suited to the individual lodges' community youth activities and programs.

With the conclusion of this week, there will be a day full of fun and activities at Camp Barrett on May 4th from 2pm-6pm. This well-deserved day is a way that we can show recognition to our youth and their families. At Camp Barrett, there will be activities and entertainment for the whole family to enjoy while we show off some of the accomplishments of our future leaders of tomorrow. Please take the time to nominate one or two youth from your community to enjoy just a little recognition. If you would like more information and applications, contact me at Jrelks_2011@yahoo.com or 443-307-7637. Or Angela Meyer: administration@elkscampbarrett.org. Once we finalize ideas, we will forward the information on to the lodges in the Association.

Hope to see everyone down at Camp Barrett on May 4th to help celebrate our leaders of tomorrow!!!!



GOVERNMENT RELATIONS REPORT

By Bonnie Howell, PER, State Government Relations Chairman, Delaware
Corey Bradley, PER, VP, State Government Relations Co-Chairman, Maryland



Robert Gillien, Grand Lodge Government Relations Chairman, had a heart attack on Dec 29th, he passed shortly after.

Robert was a very knowledgeable man, within our Organization and he will be missed by his ELK family.

We as Elks have to continue in our efforts to do all we can for Government Relations, which includes our Charitable Reporting.

Corey Bradley made a presentation to the Secretaries of the Lodges at the last general meeting. I hope all who attended found this to be informative. Corey also had the information posted on the MD, DE & DC website for those who did not attend. For new Secretaries, it will help you get started on the Charitable Reporting for your Lodge; for seasoned Secretaries, it will give you more knowledge of what can be used for charitable reporting. Exalted Rulers this is good for you also: the more you know, the better your Lodge will be.

Please review this information, as the Lodges are our local source of giving. Without the Lodges, there would not be an Association, and what is done at the lodge level is so very important. The happenings in the Lodge need to be reported to the Secretary so that information can be posted to CLMS, which will be submitted to the Grand Lodge in March. Lodge members do all the work and sometimes do not complete the reports for the Secretary to post. As a member, please do that last step of reporting. Some Lodges have wonderful Sec-

retaries, and they know what everyone at the Lodge is doing, so they do the reports themselves, which is great. But if a member does anything outside the Lodge that is charitable, the Secretary would not know so it would be up to YOU as the member to have it recorded. Here is one example: Your next door neighbor is elderly and cannot clean the snow off the sidewalk. You do it out of concern for that nice neighbor. That counts as community service or helping a Veteran. You may do more of these wonderful things for people that you do not know are countable for the ELKS charitable reporting. Here is another example: You give away things to the Goodwill Stores, Thrift Shops, Church or yard sale the Lodge holds. These are things that according to the IRS are worth a non-cash donation, how many times have you done that? The Lodge Secretary would not know about these donations so you could record that information in the charitable workbook on the Secretary's desk and they could post it from the workbook. Yes, all these things count and many more like these examples. Why? Because as an ELK, you are charitable to all mankind.

Lodge Secretaries, please have the Lodge reports posted and submitted to Grand Lodge by March 31, 2019. You have to hit the submit button on CLMS after you are finished posting 2018-2019 charitable donations, time and mileage.

Thank you in advance for another great year for Charitable Reporting.

WELCOME HOME PROGRAM

By Carl Robinson, Lead Coordinator
Elks Welcome Home Program
Washington, DC Metro Area

For the last couple of years, the Welcome Home Program in our Association continues to aid veterans in our area. Our objective continues to be providing support to the veterans who need assistance to help them settle into a stable home-bound environment.

The 2018-2019 Welcome Home Grant "season" will conclude on March 31, 2019. Lodges participating shall file their final report no later than April 30, 2019. The dates are firm, and extensions will NOT be granted.

The lodges in Virginia (which are part of the Washington, DC Welcome Home effort) have been supporting our efforts with veterans in need in DC and MD.

On March 1st, the VA Homeless Veteran Outreach office invited the Elks to attend one of their staff meetings at the CRRC in NE Washington, DC. Our objective is to lay out for the HUD-VASH social workers our goals and objectives for the Welcome Home program. It has been over 2.5 years since we kicked off our program in the DC Metro area. There has been a turnover of counselors, and we wanted to give them an overview of our program.

The State Board of Trustees has allocated \$50,000 to the State Association Welcome Home Program. These funds will be available for lodges outside of the Washington DC Welcome Home program area. But if anyone needs additional funds to assist them in their efforts, contact Bob McIntyre.

If you have any general questions or feedback, please contact Bob McIntyre or me. Our contact info is in the directory.



HOUSE BILL 340

By Government Relations Liaison, Carl F. Vogt, PSP
Advisory Committee

Gaming Update:

On February 13th, a group of dedicated ELKS met at Annapolis Lodge and accompanied me to testify before the House Ways and Means Committee and the Senate Budget and Taxation Committee. We asked the Delegates and Senators for support of HB 340 and Senate Bill 326, and left these hearings confident that our messages were well received.

We are now waiting to see whether these bills will be moved forward; an update will follow at the Spring Conference Meeting. The photo above was taken with Senator Ron Young, sponsor of SB 326.

WEST DISTRICT

By Ruth K. Collins-Shaw, PER VP
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Wow, will Spring ever get it here? I want to Welcome our Grand Exalted Ruler and First Lady to Maryland, District of Columbia, Delaware State Meeting. We are getting ready for a New Year in our lodges with new officers. As we all start to plan for this, please remember to finish the 2018 -2019 year strong. The legacy we leave of a strong foundation for our incoming officers is something that will carry us into the next 150 years. Be proud of what you have accomplished. I encourage each of you to share your experiences with the person who is your successor, by being a mentor. We each have the unique honor of having the chance to help them be better leaders by lending them not only a helping hand by also a listening ear when they need it.

Our DD will be holding his DD clinic on April 28th at the Frederick Lodge. We will have a District Caucus that day as well. We will be electing a District VP, a District State Trustee and West Area Camp Barrett Executive. If anyone would be interested in these positions, please let me know. I want to thank you for the opportunity to serve as your West Area Vice president for the past year. I look forward to the West Area having a very strong finish to the 2018- 2019 Elk Year.

CONVENTION/CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

By Merrillyn & John Ramsey

June 2019 Convention

(Solomon's Island – Holiday Inn): The reservation form is online (mddedcelks.org, under Convention/Conference), and we are getting reservations regularly. There is also a copy on the back page of this newsletter. We have forms with us this weekend. Please get yours in soon. Lodges, please ensure you have funds set aside for 2019-2020 to send the Exalted Ruler. Remember this is when our new State Officers are sworn in and when we recognize fallen members thru our Memorial Service-always a moving tribute.

GL 2019 Convention

(Holiday Inn St Louis Downtown Convention): This form is also online, and we have begun to get reservations. Our alloca-

tion is 55 rooms, and we have 37 Lodges. We are holding rooms for the 5 District Deputies and for each ER, so our allocation is likely to go quickly. We can request more rooms, if needed, but it is unlikely that they will be in the Holiday Inn. (Same as above, Lodges, set funds aside for your ER to attend.) GL will be accepting reservations in April, so get your reservations in as early as possible. NOTE: St. Louis Lambert International Airport is 14 miles from NW downtown. GL schedule is also on the State website.

GL Shirts/Blouses: Any orders taken for merchandise will be delivered at the June Convention. Get your order in as quickly as you can as each shirt/



blouse is custom-embroidered, and we must get the orders to the vendor at least 4 weeks in advance. See the samples we have and get your request form in this weekend.

Merchandise: We have a new item: hoodie sweatshirts in a variety of colors/sizes that are silk-screened and available for purchase.



NORTH CENTRAL DISTRICT

By Corey Bradley, VP
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Hello North Central District,

Wow, the 2018-2019 year has flown by. In less than 5 months we will be celebrating our 151st year in St. Louis, Missouri as we welcome new Exalted Rulers and returning Exalted Rulers alike.

Since my last update North Central has been busier than ever. Here are a few things that happened:

Bowie Elks Lodge #2309 held a Bull & Oyster Roast to benefit a member in distress. The event raised more than \$32K and was attended by more than 300 people, including some notable people in the community. Also in attendance was the former Baltimore City Police Commissioner Kevin Davis.

Exalted Ruler Pat Vest, and members of Glen Burnie Lodge, have been busy supporting their community through the generous donations given to three deserving families from the Jernick Fund. Outstanding!

Severna Park Elks Lodge #2482 did a fantastic job with the Hoop Shoot this year. PER George McDowell spearheaded the event with assistance from the membership. Severna Park's own Maria Bragg placed 3rd for the



Wil Davis Loyal Knight from Bowie Lodge #2309 used their welcome home program Grant and presented Veteran Tania Harris with Furniture and household goods in her new home.

10/11-year-old Girls Championship. Great job Maria!

Exalted Ruler Mike Greaver and the members from Essex Lodge #1866 hosted Frosty Balls, a biker event which was attended by 389 motorcycles and supported 50 veterans.

Towson Elks Lodge #469 continues to be leaders in the community and share exactly what it means to be an Elk. This holiday season, Towson was able to spread cheer throughout the community by providing gifts to 11 families that may not have been able to celebrate without their generous donations.

I am extremely proud of all the things North Central has accomplished this year, and I feel confident we will continue to march forward.

I would like to end by welcoming Grand Exalted Ruler Michael T. Luhr and his wife Barbara, to the Great State of Maryland. North Central District welcomes you both with open arms.



By Robert Broom, PER/PSVP
MD, DE, DC Elks Soccer Shoot Chairman

We held the MD, DE, DC Elks Association State Soccer Shoot on January 12, 2019 at the Soccer Dome in Jessup, MD. We anticipated 20 shooters, but due to inclement weather, we had 9 shooters make the trip to compete. Those shooters represented 4 districts (South West, West, South East, & North East). So many thanks to all our districts for their support! After 3 rounds of competition our State Champions were determined and are as follows:

U8 Girl Champ - McKenzie Melson - Milford Lodge #2401

U8 Boy Champ - Christian Lara - Milford Lodge #2401

U10 Girl Champ - Delaney Rinard - Oakland Lodge #2481

U10 Boy Champ - Wesley Casper - Milford Lodge #2481

U12 Girl Champ - Carly Wilt - Oakland Lodge #2481

U12 Boy Champ - Ryon Holland - Chrisfield Lodge #1044

U14 Girl Champ - Cassidie Bramble - Crisfield Lodge #1044

U14 Boy Champ - Ryan Byrd, Jr. - Crisfield Lodge #1044

These State Champions attended the regional shoot from the 1st - 3rd of March. The region is made up of 6 state associations: MD-DE-DC, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Ohio and Kentucky. Our state association budgets and pays for our shooters to attend this event and it is subsidized by ads sold for the Regional Soccer Shoot event. I encourage each Lodge to plan and budget for this support in the upcoming Elk Year. At the conclusion of the shoot, the shooters and their families were treated to lunch, and dinner by the Frederick Elks Lodge. The food was great. Much appreciation to their lodge for hosting. I am proud to say we had two Regional Champions from our association - Wesley Casper U10 Boys Champion and Ryan Bird, Jr. U14 Boys Champion! Wesley was also the high scoring male and received a trophy about as big as he is! Congratulations to them both.

It was an honor representing our association as State Chairman. I am grateful for the opportunity to serve. I'd like to thank all the Lodges and Districts that participated and I hope next year can be even better. Special thanks to CP King, NE District Chair. He helped out tremendously to the success of the state shoot. I'd also like to thank my wife, Dolly Broom, PER Mike Palmer and his wife Beckie, and PER Kevin Frick for their help with the State shoot. I couldn't have done it without you guys. It is great to have such wonderful people in our Order.





NORTH EAST DISTRICT

By John Opitz, VP
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Since my last report, our district has celebrated a holiday season of giving to our communities. All of our Lodges donated holiday meals or gifts for families in the local areas. North east District continues to show that Elks Care, Elks Share.

ENF grants have been distributed throughout the District; we had all of our Lodges receive multiple grants to improve our communities, and we are having a friendly competition for which Lodge gives the most. Newark has a narrow lead over Abingdon, but there is still some time to make it interesting.

I have completed all seven Lodge visits as of February 5th, I have accompanied President Mary Cardinal-Vogt to both Abingdon and Chestertown, and visited Dover Lodge myself. It is a privilege to see how much all our Lodges do for their communities. Keep up the good work as we approach the end of our Lodge year.

I was able to attend our District and State Hoop Shoot competitions. Congratulations to all the winners. Thank you to Bill Leonard from Wilmington Lodge for all your work for the District Hoop Shoot. Also, thanks to Basil Wadkovsky for all your work for the State Hoop Shoot, and thank you to Chestertown Lodge for hosting the awards ceremony after the shoot.

As you all read this, we are preparing to install new Lodge Officers for the upcoming year. All of you who are stepping up to lead your Lodges in the coming year, please don't hesitate to contact me if there is anything I, or the Association, can help you with. Remember, being a Lodge leader is work, but also a lot of fun.



Wilmington Elks Lodge #307 presented Anniversary Grant Award to Friendship House & Wilmington Code Purple & Winter Sanctuary staff. Pictured: Carey Phillips, Lashea Reams, Kim Eppehimer (Exec. Dir, Friendship House), Stan Stumbers (ER Elks Lodge #307), Patty Gross and Paul Kielar.



SOUTH EAST DISTRICT

By Angela Meyer, VP
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Happy Spring Greetings from the South East.

Since my last report, all my required Lodge visits have been completed, and proper reports turned in. I had the opportunity to attend a wonderful SE District Hoop Shoot that was hosted at Seaford Elks Lodge.

Old man winter dug in his heels refusing to let go, but warm Elk hearts ALWAYS prevail over the South East with the many activities and charitable endeavors to benefit our community.

Ocean City Lodge - Holding true to never forget our veterans, they helped active duty Coast Guard in Ocean City and Crisfield with donations of food and gift cards during the government shutdown. Additionally, they held many veterans' events, including a touching memorial recognition for the 51st Anniversary of the TET Offense.

Pocomoke Lodge – Held a special dinner honoring local veterans and delivered items to the Perry Point Military Hospital.

Kent Island Lodge - distributed their ENF/CIP anniversary and gratitude grants to two worthy charities: Camp New Dawn, a camp for children who are going through the grief process and the Chesterwe Center for adults with developmental and intellectual disabilities.

The South East District continues their tradition of warm hearted dedication to all our Elks programs.

GO South East!



KI Lodge: Mike Benson, Est. Leading Knight, Debra Langseth (representative from Chester Wye Center) Sally Kramer, Secretary and Connie Frere, ENF



Veterans Dinner held at Pocomoke Elks Lodge to honor the 245th



W.L. "Sarge" Garlitz stands with Coast Guard servicemen and women from stations at Crisfield and Ocean City, Maryland





SOUTH WEST DISTRICT

By Larry Sheldrake, VP
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Greetings Fellow Elks,

As our Elk year comes to a close, I would like to thank the South West District's Elks Lodges in welcoming and hosting our State President, Mary Cardinal-Vogt, First Husband, Carl Vogt and myself to their Lodges, including Waldorf Lodge #2421 and Prince George's Lodge #1778. Also this quarter, I traveled to St. Mary's County Lodge #2092 and Camp Springs Lodge #2332. The dedication, service, and support in the local communities by all of the local Lodges' membership is outstanding.

We are active in the volunteerism for veterans and wounded soldiers. We have 4 Hoop Shoot State winners, Soccer Shoot winners, Americanism poster and essay winners, Scholarship Programs, Drug Awareness Programs, and Special Needs Children's Dances. Donations were made to the Jernick Fund, and some of those funds were presented to youngsters in need.

Camp Barrett participation will be on the front burner as we near the summer season. New Exalted Rulers should ensure active participation from their Lodge, including enthusiastic Committee people and encouragement to send our member's children to a great camp.

In addition, all lodges were active with the State Association and Grand Lodge Programs. Most have met or exceeded the Grand Exalter Rulers Elks National Foundation goal of \$4.75 per member.

Four lodges, St. Mary's County, Deale, Camp Springs, and Calvert, are showing a plus in new members for the year. Membership is the lifeblood of our organization. After recruiting new members, make sure you take the time to provide them with a real indoctrination. This is where we make them realize our passion and our dedication for our Order.

The South West District Caucus will be conducted on April 14, 2019, at the Deale Lodge immediately following the District Deputy Clinic. Elections will be held for the positions of District Vice-President, Camp Barrett Executive Committee member, and State Trustee. Letters will be mailed with information pertaining to this caucus.

CALVERT LODGE #2620



We donated to Heart F.E.L.T. which is a non-profit that supplies backpacks of food to local needy children who would not have anything to eat on the weekends. The Antlers help shop and fill the charity bins for delivery. Shown (rear) is Brenda King, Christy Carr, and "Antlers" Jake Stanley, Braden Smith and T.J Stanley

ST. MARY'S LODGE #2092

On February 12th we were honored to host our State Vice President, Larry Sheldrake as he shared our President's message. This was also our Past Exalted Ruler night and our PERs performed the full opening and closing for the meeting. It



On February 8th St. Mary's County Elks Lodge's Youth Activities Chair, Kelly Barefoot, presented Little Flower School with thesauruses as part of the dictionary program. (Pictured left to right Kelly Barefoot, Father Jerry, and 3rd grade teacher Trisha Hancock)



On February 22nd our Lodge presented a check to the Foundation for Heroes for \$5,000. This year long Charity event was spearheaded by our Leading Knight, Waverley Manson.



MD, DE, DC ASSOCIATION HOOP SHOOT REPORT

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The MD, DE, DC Elks Association Hoop Shoot for the year 2018-19 concluded with the State Shoot held at the Washington College Cain Gymnasium on Sunday, February 10, 2019. Following that contest, Chestertown Lodge #2474 hosted the banquet and trophy presentation.

There were 28 contestants reporting from all five districts. The six winners, representing the age/gender categories were as follows:

Boys	Age Group	Girls
Ben Tollett - Cape Henlopen Lodge #2540	8-9	Saige Oliver - Camp Springs Lodge #2352
Sam Yetman - Chestertown Lodge #2474	10-11	Bailey Harris - Deale Lodge #2528
Andre Brooks - Waldorf Lodge #2421	12-13	Carolae Barton - Waldorf Lodge #2421

AMERICANISM

By Linda Vibbert, State Chair Americanism



Hello everyone. I would just like to take a moment to introduce myself to those who may not already know me. My name is Linda Vibbert, and I have been given the honor of being the State Chairman of Americanism and would like to thank Mary Cardinal-Vogt and John Loftus for this opportunity. Also, I want to Thank Margie McIntyre for her guidance while I served as District Chairman for North Central and her support during this time of transition. My home lodge is the Essex Elks Lodge #1866. If anyone has any questions, my email is lindagv12@gmail.com, and I am also listed in the Directory. I am looking forward to a great year working for Our Americanism Program.

I believe that Americanism is in the heart of each and every Elk and that it's our duty to ensure that we do all we can to educate our children about what Americanism means. They need to understand what it means to be an American. And, now more then ever, we need to teach them not just about the present but also about the history of how America came to be " The land of the Free and Home of the Brave"! God Bless America!

These winners advanced to the Regional Contest, which was held in Frederick, Maryland on Saturday, March 9, 2019.

Twenty lodges participated in this program this year, which was an increase of five lodges from last year.

The participation of contestants at the local level increased from 1,879 last year to 2,970 this year. The preliminary shoots from a local school, Girls and Boys Clubs, et cetera, also increased from 1,879 to 2,979 contestants.

Finally, I would like to thank my District Chairman:

- Bill Leonard, North east
- Marty Vandergrift, South east
- Peter Cline, North Central,
- Dewayne Wilcher, South west
- Phil Popielski, West

Thank you all for a job well done.



TERRI LYNN NUT CAMPAIGN

Hilda Davis

I would like to thank the people who purchased nuts this year to profit Elks Camp Barrett. It is a new campaign for the Elks and hopefully will grow through word of mouth.

This year, we sold 273 bags of nuts. Abington Lodge and Judi McKnight both gave me a check instead of purchasing nuts. The profit from the sales of the nuts and two donations give us a nice profit for Elks Camp Barrett.

Hopefully, we will do this again next year.

Thank you one and all for your participation.



ELKS CAMP BARRETT 50/50 RAFFLE

H. LEE DAVIS

The winner of the E.C.B. 50/50 Raffle in Rockville on Sunday, January 20, 2019 was Sandy Brantner from Oakland Elks Lodge #2481.

The Camp wants to thank everyone who purchased tickets to support the Elks Camp Barrett Raffle and once again, asks you to please support your Camp this weekend. Purchase your tickets for the Elks Camp Barrett 50/50 raffle at the Registration Table.

"THE WINNER COULD BE YOU"



U + ME @ ECB = A GR8 Place 2B!

A Quick Buzz from E.C. the Bee...

Pre-registration forms are available on the Elks Camp Barrett website, www.elkscampbarrett.org. Campers will obtain this form either from the camp representative or the website. The Camp family must submit this pre-registration directly to their local Lodge Representative for approval, and the Lodge representative must send the signed form to Elks Camp Barrett. The form will not be accepted from anyone other than the Camp Representative. Send your email to: administration@elkscampbarrett.org or snail mail to 1001 Chesterfield Road Annapolis, MD 21401. Please retain a copy for the Lodges records. Upon receipt of this form, the Camp will contact the Lodge rep and relay the link and password for the online registration system. The camper family can then go online to register their child

for camp.

TAKE NOTE! The ECB schedule has changed for this season as we add our medically oriented camp for children with asthma Camp Breathe Happy at ECB.

Boys Week 1 June 16-21

Girls Week 1 June 23-28

Boys Week 2 June 30-July 5

Girls Week 2 July 7-12

Girls Week 3 July 14-19

Co-ed Week July 21-26*

*Co-ed Camp Breathe Happy is a Camp Barrett Partner. This week of camp ECB welcomes Campers from Camp Breathe Happy, a specialty camp for campers with Asthma. ECB hosts Boys and Girls with and without asthma on this special week.

Angela Meyer



ELKS CAMP BARRETT

By Lou Schmeltzer, PDD,
Chairman

IMPROVEMENT FUND RAFFLE



I would like to let you know the tickets should have been mailed, and received, by the time that you read this. If you have not received your tickets, or would like some additional ones, please contact me. My e-mail address & cell phone number are in the directory.

We are, again this year, offering the tickets for \$10.00 each or 6 for \$50.00. We are asking that every Member purchase at least one ticket

and sell the rest to neighbors, co-workers, friends, family, etc. Of course, if you can buy all 6, then we thank you very much.

We are hoping this year's raffle will be another great one, but it can only happen with your help. Please be as generous as you are able to be to help our wonderful Major Project remain as beautiful and well maintained as it is currently.

I look forward to having a very favorable report for you in the Fall. Unfortunately, the deadline for the June newsletter is prior to the picnic, so there won't be any final figures at that time.

I look forward to opening a lot of envelopes and seeing everyone at the Family Picnic.



ACCIDENT PREVENTION / INSURANCE RISK

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HELPFUL LODGE TIPS

Helpful tips, Bingo:

A Lodge can reduce the likelihood of a claim arising from Bingo operations through proper planning:

CONTROL TRAFFIC: Make sure your parking lot entrances and exits are clearly marked and well lit.

MAKE SURE THERE ARE NO PATHWAY OBSTRUCTIONS: Make sure the Lodge has proper signage for members and Lodge rentals.

FOLDING CHAIRS AND FOLDING TABLES MUST BE PROPERLY SET UP AND FULLY POSITIONED: Double check all folding tables and chairs opened and in locked positions.

FLOORS & TRASH: Be sure floor surfaces are level and free of any debris, and have someone monitor trash cans, possible slip and fall hazards, and spills.

REALIZE THE GROUP MAY INCLUDE THE ELDERLY OR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES. Make sure the Lodge is A D A compliant and tables are easily accessible.

EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES: Every Lodge should establish and follow a personnel policy that provides a means for an employee to register a grievance.

1. Have they signed the Lodge Non-Disclosure and Harassment forms?
2. Have they read and signed Lodge employee hand book?
3. Are their W-2s properly filled out?

SERVICE OF ALCOHOL: Only trained bartenders, employees and volunteers, may serve alcoholic beverages to members and their guests.

1. Are they TIP or TAM trained, and posted in Lounge?
2. Have they been instructed on how to talk with Local Liquor Inspectors?
3. Do they have access to the Emergency call list?
4. Have they been trained in any emergency exit instructions? If they think 911 should be called, DO SO.

FOOD SERVICE: All health department rules must be observed in the Lodge kitchen. A clean kitchen in good repair is vital to a successful Lodge. Keep equipment in good repair. Perform routine preventive maintenance. Assure all pilot lights are lit. Maintain all Carbon Monoxide detectors. Do you have a grease trap? Have it treated with a biocide to relieve possible grease clogs? "A Clean kitchen, is a happy kitchen."

SIGNING DOCUMENTS: Documents must be reviewed by the Lodge attorney before a Lodge officer or anyone signs a document that obligates the Lodge to indemnify or hold another party harmless. At least have your Trustees review and address any unanswered questions.

LODGE FURNITURE: Inspect all chairs, stools, tables and equipment, and remove any damaged or worn items from the premises. Retain all records from the purchase of replacement items. If it is broken, fix it. If it can't be repaired, toss it. Do not give it away or donate to anyone.

DANCE FLOORS: Clean up spills and debris promptly and avoid applying slippery substances on the dance floor since it may contribute to falls. Have floor monitors at Lodge affairs and rentals. If you have A E D's, have they been P M'd and serviced?

PARKING LOTS: Repair any holes and broken pavement promptly. The parking area should be illuminated to permit easy access to and from the lot to the Lodge.

1. Are your Lodge Liability signs in place or do they need to be replaced? Always maintain icy patches, treat, or mark them. Do you have Parking Lot monitors? Or, Security at Lodge Rentals? Help seniors or disabled persons to their car. When leaving late or closing the Lounge, go in pairs. Do not leave the Bartenders alone.

These are just a few helpful safety tips for your Lodge.

Have fun and " Be Safe ".

2019 Elks Camp Barrett Annual Family Picnic

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

Gates Open at Noon \$15.00 per person Children under 12 Free



Sunday, May 26, 2019



Just For Fun	Help Support Camp Barrett	Menu Includes
Strawberry Daiquiri Bar Prize Wheels Kids Games Swimming Pool Horseshoe Tournament Climbing Wall and Amusements Music By DJ Skid Mark Inter-lodge "Just for FUN" Cornhole Tournament Cake Auction		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, Chairman for Information 410-708-5098 or 410-778-6022



Maryland, Delaware & District of Columbia Elks Association

June Convention, Memorial Service
and Installation of Officers

JUNE 7 - 9, 2019

Holiday Inn Solomons, 155 Holiday Drive
Solomons, MD 20688

1. **WEEKEND ACCOMODATIONS PACKAGE:** Includes hotel room for two (2) nights on June 7th & 8th, Saturday Night Dinner Buffet (Honey Ham, Chicken Marsala, Top Round Carving Station) Awards and Breakfast Buffet both Saturday and Sunday:

Single Occupancy _____ \$350.00 (King or Queen
 Double Occupancy _____ \$432.00 (King or 2 Double Beds

TOTAL: \$ _____

HOTEL RESERVATION DEADLINE May 12th (block of rooms to be released after May 12th)

2. **INDIVIDUAL ROOMS ONLY:** 1 Night _____ \$135.00 or 2 Nights _____ \$ 270.00 TOTAL \$ _____

MEALS ONLY DEADLINE MAY 24TH

3. **Breakfast Only \$18.00** per day per person Saturday Sunday TOTAL \$ _____

4. **Saturday night Dinner Only \$45.00** per person TOTAL \$ _____

****Dinner by advanced reservation only - no tickets will be sold at the door**

5. **REGISTRATION FEE:** Per attendee in advance or at the door = # X \$5.00 TOTAL \$ _____

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE BASED UPON CHOSEN OPTIONS 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5 TOTAL \$ _____

THEME FOR THE DINNER *"On to 2020 Baltimore"*

Make payments to MD, DE & DC Elks Association. Print and mail this entire form to:

John & Merrilyn Ramsey, 152 Hickory Ridge Road, Smyrna, DE 19977

****For Special Accommodations and/or Questions:**

Call John C) 302.242.1117 or Merrilyn C) 302.382.0288 or H) 302.659.0659

Name: _____ Lodge: _____

Spouse/Roommate(s): _____

City, State, Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____