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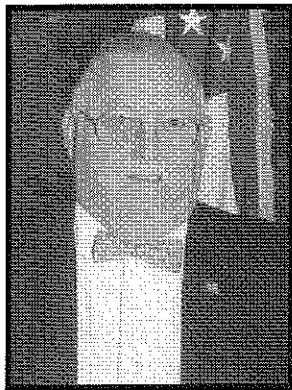
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A MESSAGE FROM THE STATE PRESIDENT



Ed Willis
President 2006-2007

Members and Guests,

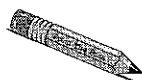
As this year comes to an end, I have taken time to reflect on the many great experiences that Nancy and I have enjoyed in our travels throughout our Association. It is hard to say which one was the best, but I think representing our great Association at the Grand Lodge Convention in Orlando is right near the top and that had to be right along side of the Grand Exalted Ruler's visit hosted by the Washington-Rockville Lodge. It was also very rewarding to visit the Lodges and learn of the many good works taking place in the communities. I truly believe that the Maryland, Delaware and District of Columbia Elks Association have lived up to my motto this year. "ELKS- MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN THE COMMUNITY".

The members who attend this convention at the WISP will hear of the many accomplishments achieved when the various committee chairpersons give their final reports. I would like to mention a few of these for those members who could not attend this event. The Association finished up number 5 in the nation for Elks National Foundation with an all time high of \$8.74 per capita. There were 16 Lodges that exceeded my goal of \$9.00 per capita and a total of 35 of the 40 Lodges reaching the Grand Exalted Ruler's goal. Thanks for your continued support of this program. We were 1 of only 13 State Association that had 100% of the Lodges participate in the Elks Training Program. We received 3 stars for our State Association web site. We will receive several awards at the Grand Lodge Convention in Charlotte. A 5-star award for the State Association newsletter contest and Calvert Lodge #2620 will be awarded 2nd place, Division 3 in the All-American Lodge contest. Congratulations to all who made this possible. Easton Lodge #1622 will proudly represent Maryland, Delaware and the District of Columbia in the Grand Lodge Ritual competition. We all wish you the best in this endeavor. GOOD LUCK!

The State Association major project, Elks Camp Barrett, had a very successful year and it was topped off by the Boy Scout Camporee and Navy Football game in November. The volunteers that supported this program at the camp and the stadium are truly appreciated. It was an outstanding event for over 800 scouts and leaders. Our Association was honored to host both the Regional Soccer Shoot and for the first time a Regional Hoop Shoot. Our Veteran's programs are extremely important to the soldiers in the hospitals, nursing homes and even combat. Please remember our motto - AS LONG AS THERE ARE VETERANS, THE ELKS WILL NEVER FORGET THEM.

I thank all the State Officers, Committee Members, Advisory, our Sponsor, our Special Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler, and my wife Nancy for making this year something to remember. Please extend your appreciation to our very own Grand Esteemed Loyal Knight, Reginald A. Maguire, Jr. for his service to the Order.

Congratulations to incoming State President Warren Johnson and First Lady Debbie



Fraternally,
Ed Willis, President

Coming Events

June 8-10, 2007
87th State Convention
WISP, McHenry, MD

June 14, 2007
Flag Day

June 23, 2007
Steak & Ale at ECB

July 8-12, 2007
Grand Lodge Convention
Charlotte, NC

August, 2007
DD Clinics

September 22, 2007
ECB Crab & Shrimp Feast
See details inside

October 5-7, 2007
Fall Workshop
The Grand Hotel, Ocean City, MD

December 2, 2007
Subordinate Lodges
Memorial Service

January, 2008
DD Clinics

January 18-20, 2008
Winter Workshop
Easton Lodge No. 1622

March 28-30, 2008
Spring Conference
GER VISIT
Frederick Lodge No. 684

March 2008
State Ritual Competition
Date/Location to be announced

May 25, 2008
Elks Camp Barrett
Family Bull Roast

ECB CAMPING 2007 SEASON

WEEK SCHEDULED

June 24 - Boys week #1

July 01 - Boys week #2

July 08 - Boys week #3

July 15 - Girls week #1

July 22 - Girls week #2

July 29 - Girls week #3

Aug 05 - Special Olympics week

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*Next Newsletter  
Deadline...  
September 6, 2007*

**MARYLAND, DELAWARE, & DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
ELKS ASSOCIATION  
87th ANNUAL CONVENTION  
JUNE 8, 9 & 10, 2007  
THE "WISP", McHENRY, MARYLAND**

**AGENDA**

**FRIDAY, JUNE 8TH, 2007**

12:00 - 5:00 PM ..... Registration  
2:00 PM ..... Advisory  
4:00 PM ..... Trustees  
5:00 PM ..... Elks Camp Barrett

**\*\*Other committee meetings by request of Committee Chairpersons\*\***

**SATURDAY, JUNE 9TH, 2007**

7:00 - 9:30 AM ..... Breakfast  
8:00 - 12:00 Noon ..... Registration  
8:30 - 12:00 Noon ..... General Meeting  
Committees have 4 minutes to  
deliver their Reports.  
Use this time to summarize your year.  
11:30 AM - 1:00 PM ..... Lunch  
1:30 PM ..... Flag Day Presentation  
6:00 - 6:45 PM ..... Cocktail Reception  
6:45 - 8:00 PM ..... Dinner (Business Suits/Coat & Tie)  
8:00 PM ..... Scholarship Presentations and  
Special Awards

**SUNDAY, JUNE 10TH, 2007**

7:00 - 9:30 AM ..... Breakfast  
8:00 - 9:30 AM ..... Registration  
9:30 AM ..... Memorial Service  
(**Summer Tux for all participants**)  
10:15 AM ..... Installation of Officers  
(**Summer Tux for all participants**)

*From the State Secretary:*  
*Thank-You for allowing me to serve as your state secretary for the  
past five years. I appreciated the cooperation that you have afforded me,  
it made the job much easier.*  
*I know that you all will work with my successor,  
Jim Harbour, in the same way.*  
*Fraternally, Bob Hearn*

**NEXT MEETING -FALL CONFERENCE  
OCTOBER 5-7, 2007, THE GRAND HOTEL, OCEAN CITY, MD**

## Northeast District VP Report June 2007

Since the Spring Workshop, things have slowed down a little. Time to reflect on a great Northeast District year. All 8 lodges exceeded the Grand Exalted Ruler's ENF goal of \$4.00 per member. 3 lodges ended the year above the State President's ENF goal of \$9.00 per member. All 8 lodges participated in the Elks Training Test. GO NORTHEAST!!

I attended the Camp Barrett and Executive Board meetings in April.

I attended the District Deputy clinic in April at Milford lodge.

The Delaware Veteran's Home is now open and local lodges are already assisting in whatever capacity is needed.

Since the Spring meeting, I've traveled 850 miles and have put in 24 hours in my final days as NEVP. It has been a very rewarding year and I have been proud to represent my district at all gatherings.

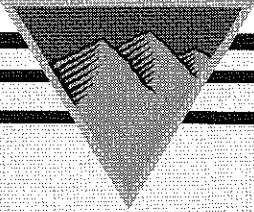
I would like to express sincere "Best Wishes" to the incoming Northeast Vice-President, Connie DeYoung of Dover lodge 1903. I know she'll do a wonderful job and will have as great a year as I had. Thanks.

Fraternally,  
Edward H. Pettit  
Northeast Vice-President

### PRESIDENTS PIN CRITERIA 2007-2008

1. **Membership**  
Propose 3 (or more) new members.  
Reinstate 3 (or more) members.  
Combination of 3 (or more) new or reinstate members.
2. **Charity**  
Donation of \$100 (or more) to any of the following:  
Elks National Foundation  
William J. Jernick Memorial Fund  
Elks Camp Barrett  
State Veterans Program
3. Complete the Elks Training Course.
4. Serve our major project as a volunteer at one of its functions.
5. Support our major project, by serving on its board.
6. Serve your association as a State Officer or State Chairman.
7. Be nominated by your Exalted Ruler or District Vice President, for your contributions to "ELKDOM".

**COMMITTED TO THE COMMUNITY**

  
**Oakland Elks Lodge #2481**  
**Welcomes You to The Wisp Resort**  
**for the 87th Annual Convention of the**  
**MD, DE & DC Elks State Association!!**

#### Planned Events:

Shuttle to and from  
the Wisp to the Lodge  
Beginning Friday afternoon  
till late Saturday night.

A dinner at the Lodge on  
Friday night  
with Karoke in the Lounge.

### Quarterly Report - Southeast VP

Greetings from the Southeast District.

This is the time I would usually be telling you of my work and travel for the last three months. Instead, I want to stress the work of the best District in the State Association, Southeast.

The District finished first in membership gain, with over 225 new members. It had the Number One Ritual Team. We had 100 percent participation in ENF, with eight of the ten Lodges exceeding the GER's goal.

The District had Number One winners in the Hoop Shoot, Soccer Shoot, Americanism and Scholarships. We were 100 percent backers of the Jernick Fund. Our support of our veterans is second to none.

The District Lodges donated thousands of dollars and hundreds of man-hours to local charities and people in need in their home areas.

Put all these things together, you have a look at the Super Southeast.

I want to thank all the District Lodges for electing me Vice President for 2006-2007. It has been a great ride.

In closing, let me remind you that when accomplishments are read on the floor of this great Association, you will continue to hear the shout, "SOUTHEAST!"

Fraternally,  
Arthur V. League, VP, S.E.

**PRESIDENT'S GOALS  
2007-2008**

1. Elks National Foundation  
Increase in the number of Lodges that reach the goal of \$9.00 per member.
2. William J. Jernick Fund  
Goal of each Lodge reaching \$1.50 per member and an increase in the number of children we help.
3. Membership  
A gain in every Lodge of new members, along with a reduction in lapsation.
4. Drug Awareness  
Increase participation in the DAP, within the Lodges and the community.
5. Youth Programs  
Increased participation in the Hoop Shoot and Soccer Shoot programs.
6. Every Lodge adds 1 new Youth Activity Program.
7. Communications  
Improved communications between Officers, Chairmen and the Lodges. Remember, communications is 2 ways.
8. Elks Camp Barrett  
Increased support from the Lodges through campers, donations, and attendance at Camp fundraisers.

**COMMITTED TO THE COMMUNITY**

**2008 ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS  
WILL SOON BE AVAILABLE**

The 2008 Baltimore Entertainment Books will soon be available and can be used as soon as they are purchased. The cost of the Entertainment Book is not available at this time. **Remember**, the profit from the sale of the books goes to **ELKS CAMP BARRETT**.

The 2007 Entertainment Books expires November 30, 2007, so please get your new book as soon as they are available, so you do not incur any unnecessary expenditures, due to not having a 2008 Entertainment Book when you go out to dine.

If you wish to purchase a 2008 Entertainment Book, contact Lee Davis at 410-256-9691 or Larry Mathers at 410-760-2634.

**Vice President - West Quarterly Report**

Greeting from the West District

This being a very slow time of the year there isn't that much to report. During my year I have traveled a total of 4790 miles beginning with the Grand Lodge session in Orlando, FL. I have attended the State Association Workshops, attended the Camp Barrett meetings, traveled with President Willis on his official visits in the West District and completed my official visits.

I would like to thank all the Lodges and members of the West District for the hospitality given me in all my visits whether they were official or social. During these visits I have found that all the Lodges in the District are very active in community projects showing "ELKS - MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN THE COMMUNITY". They are also working diligently to bring new members into our Order. I must congratulate Oakland Lodge #2481 for showing a plus nine in membership this year. The other Lodges are bringing in new members but still need to work on the lapsation.

I would also like to congratulate all of the new officers for this Lodge year. I know that all of you will do a good job.

I have enjoyed my year serving as Vice President of the West District and appreciate the members for giving me such a great opportunity. I look forward to serving all of you again in the upcoming year.

Bill Collison,  
Vice President, West District

**ELKS CAMP BARRETT EXECUTIVE  
COMMITTEE PRESENT  
STEAK AND ALE EVENING**

*Steak cooked to perfection (because you cook it)*

**Includes: 10 oz. Strip Steak • Baked Potato  
Bean Salad • Salad • Beer • Sodas • Cash Bar  
Food: 3-5 Music: 4-8**

**Pool Open (Weather Permitting) Till 7:00 P.M.**

**Advance Tickets Only \$12.00 per Person**

**SATURDAY, JUNE 23, 2007**

**For information, call: Dick Fleck at 302-436-5315**

**MD, DE, DC ELKS  
RESIDENTS OF ELKS NATIONAL HOME**

Name	Lodge
Maxine Besosa	Cape Henlopen, DE #2540
Sheridan Besosa	Cape Henlopen, DE #2540
Charles Blumenauer	Frederick, MD #684
Robert Davidson	Kent Island #2576
Virginia Davidson	Kent Island #2576
George Worst	Cape Henlopen #2540

## WOLFGANG CANDY CAMPAIGN

Our Easter Wolfgang Candy Campaign is over. Easter was not high in candy book sales. We sold \$3,461.00 worth of candy. The candy bar sales were exceptional. Everyone ordered over and above their normal amount to help us meet our goal. We sold 203 cases of bars, which are 7,308 candy bars.

The profit from Christmas was \$4,025.00; Easter profit was \$1,990.60 and the Candy Bar profit was \$4,019.40. We also had Lodges that donate money in lieu of selling candy. This brings our donation for last Christmas, Easter and Candy Bars to \$10,035.00.

Listed are the Easter's participating Lodges and the Chair people for Easter and the candy bar sales.

Abingdon Lodge #2354  
Annapolis Lodge #622

Bowie Lodge #2309  
Calvert Lodge #2620  
Camp Springs #2332  
Cape Henlopen #2540  
Crisfield Lodge #1044  
Cumberland # 63

Dover Lodge #1903  
Easton Lodge #1622  
Essex Lodge #1866

Frederick Lodge # 684  
Glen Burnie Lodge #2266  
Hagerstown Lodge # 378  
HavreDeGrace Lodge #1564  
Laurel Lodge #2283  
Milford Lodge #2401

Newark Lodge #2481  
Oakland Lodge #2481  
Ocean City Lodge # 2645  
Prince Georges Lodge #1778  
St. Mary's Lodge #2092  
Salisbury Lodge # 814  
Seaford Lodge # 2458  
Selbyville Lodge #2173  
Severna Park Lodge #2482  
Towson Lodge #469  
Waldorf Lodge #2421  
Washington/Rockville #15  
Westminster Lodge #2277

Bonnie Bussard  
Pat Ericson, Robert Riggins,  
The Ladies of the Elks  
John Istvan, Doris Wonotnick  
Mary Cardinal Vogt, John Curran  
Charlie Spadone, Kelly Randolph  
Joseph & Dorothy Vicere  
Cindy Taylor  
Dana Gourlay  
Nancy Willis  
Dave & Connie Wolcott  
Hilda Davis  
Sharon Rinta, Gordon Alexander  
Larry & Pat Mathers  
Barbara Burroughs  
Patti Gray  
Carl Robinson, George Larkins  
Ed Pettit, Greg Adams, Myron Morgan  
The Ladies of the Elks  
Sheila Burg, Jane Helsel  
Sandy Brentner  
Toni and Carroll Wagner  
Kathie Morris  
Marilyn Leatherman  
Gerald Hersch  
Joan League  
Mae Fleck  
The Membership  
Mike Perry, The Membership  
Claudia Bryant  
Priscilla Schwab  
Bob Comer



A special "Thank You" to Darwin and Marilyn Leatherman who provided the transportation and manpower in checking the orders and delivering of candy. Another special "Thank You" to Mike and Elaine Hewitt from St. Mary's Lodge for donating the trailer to pick up the candy. By picking up our order, we get an addition 3% profit. Thank you for your donation Mike and Elaine.

Another special "Thank You" is to Stu Kerr who delivered the candy to the Eastern Shore. Thank you Stu for your help.

All profits from the sales of the Wolfgang Candy campaign goes to Elks Camp Barrett general fund. This program has been a success only because of those who sold, brought or donated. Thank you for your help and remember it is never too early to start getting ready for our Christmas campaign, which will start in September. Just contact Lee or Hilda Davis if you are interested.

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Bill Collison,  
Vice President, West District

## Grand Lodge Activities/State Association Committee 2006 - 2007 Program

### All American Lodge Contest "A" Winners

Congratulations to the winners of the All American Lodge Contest from the MD DE DC Elks Association. Your entries have also been submitted to the Grand Lodge for further competition at that level. The State Awards will be presented at the June Convention Banquet Dinner at the WISP.

<u>Division</u>	<u>Lodge Name</u>	<u>Number of Members</u>	<u>Total Points</u>
1	Newark DE Lodge No. 2281	under 300	335
2	Waldorf, MD Lodge No. 2421	301 - 500	540
3	Calvert Lodge, MD Lodge No. 2620	501 - 700	594
4	Dover Lodge, DE Lodge No. 1903	701 - 1100	446
5	Ocean City Lodge, MD Lodge No. 2645	1101 - 1500	300
6	Frederick, MD Lodge No 684	over 1500	327

The following Lodges also submitted entries: Seaford, DE Lodge No 2458, Camp Springs, MD Lodge No. 2332, Salisbury, MD Lodge No 817, Havre de Grace, MD Lodge No 1564, Selbyville, DE Lodge No 2173, and Oakland, MD Lodge No 2481.

This year, twelve out of forty lodges participated in the contest, which was the same as last year and gave us thirty percent participation. At this time I whole-heartedly thank all the Lodges that did participate and also commend the District Deputies that gave their support and insured continued success in this program.

In closing I thank all of you for your dedication to this program and wish you success in the year ahead. I look forward to increasing the participation for next year and encourage every lodge to take pride in participating in the various GL Programs and associated contests. The time to start your programs is now, so that you will be prepared to make your submission for this year.

It should be every Exalted Ruler's Goal to make their lodge an "ALL AMERICAN LODGE".

Sincerely and fraternally

Carl F. Vogt, PDD, PSVP, PER

State Lodge Activities Chairman

## ELKS CAMP BARRETT CRAB & SHRIMP FEAST

Saturday, September 22, 2007

**Food: 2:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.**

### **MENU:**

**Music: 4:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.**

**\$30 - Adults**  
**\$15 - 13-16**  
**\$10 - 6-12 Years**  
**Under 6 Years - FREE**

Steamed Crabs  
Steamed Shrimp  
Fried Chicken  
Corn on the Cob  
Potato Salad  
Cole Slaw  
Tropical Fruit Dessert

**For Information:**  
**George Larkins 301-725-3121 or**  
**Ben Stone 240-882-7149**

## RITUAL REPORT

We will be giving out a lot of awards at this convention. In addition to the District Champion Team awards, we have many individual award winners. These are:

### State All Star Officers

Exalted Ruler, Dave Wolcott from Easton  
 Leading Knight, Robert Riggins from Annapolis  
 Loyal Knight, Noel Werking from Frederick  
 Lecturing Knight, William Rasin from Easton  
 Esquire, Robert Coleman from Easton  
 Chaplain, Connie Wolcott from Easton  
 Inner Guard, Kay Womax from Dover  
 Candidate, Kaye Dutrow from Easton

The highest over all officer in the State Contest was Robert Riggins of Annapolis with a score of 92.001%.

### Eleventh Hour Contest:

#### Leading Knights:

1. Francis Clauser

#### Exalted Rulers

1. Jim Burroughs
2. Renee' Rivituro
3. Jeff Spatz

#### PER's

1. Bill Redmond
2. Joe Sartori
3. David Wolcott

Overall 11<sup>th</sup> Hour Winner: Bill Redmond Easton 97.151

Of course, our State Champion, Easton, will get the traveling trophy in addition to their plaque. It has been many years since this trophy has come to the Southeast District. We are very proud of Easton. I am sure they will represent us well at Grand Lodge.

Our last Ritual Clinic was at Easton on June 3. The next one will be at Prince George's County on Sunday, August 19. The instructional portion starts at 10 A.M. After lunch the lodge's officers will do their rendition of the Ritual. Any PER who wants to be a judge can take the test. Current ERs who would like to be a judge can also take the test.

Dick Fleck,  
 Ritual Chairman

## INTER-LODGE ACTIVITIES

The spring Horseshoe Tournament was held Saturday, May 5 at Laurel Lodge #2283 and I thank everyone for their patience, as it was quite a learning experience for me. We had seventeen teams compete, representing five lodges from three districts. The winning team, once again, was from Broadneck #2608, and we congratulate the team of Lewis Adkins and Paul Persinger for bringing the trophy back to their lodge for a second time in a row. One more time and Broadneck will retire yet another trophy; as they say in the PGA ads, these guys are good! We also congratulate all the other teams that competed and gave these guys an honest run for their money (which, by the way, will be donated to a charity of their choice in the name of their lodge). I also want to thank Laurel for hosting this event; the hospitality, as expected, was outstanding, the facilities were in great shape and there was plenty of good food. The next tournament is scheduled for October, to be (tentatively) hosted by Chestertown #2474, and more information will be sent to the lodges as to specific date and time as it is firmed up.

We are still hoping to have both Bowling and Golf tournaments for the members of our association this summer, and I am hoping a lodge, or district, will step up and host one of these events. I will be talking to the district chairmen for their input, but if a lodge has an interest or suggestion don't be shy: give me a call and we'll try and work it out. I will also have information for the Elk Karaoke Idol contest available at the State Convention, and we'll see if we can't have some fun with that. I have also received some information from a member of the Southwest district for an activity that can be held within a district that sounds like it could be fun; I will be getting that out to the district chairmen and the lodges very soon also.

If anyone is still feeling young and healthy enough, and would like to play some softball, please let me or your district chairman know. If we have enough interest we will see about scheduling some sort of competition. Again, if there is an idea or request for an activity that we can support between the lodges, give me a call or send me an e-mail and we'll see what we can do. Thanks: let's have some fun this year and raise some funds for charity also.

Fraternally,  
 Dave Wolcott, Chairman  
 Inter-Lodge Activities

**Elks National Foundation Final Report**  
**June 2007**  
**Lodge Year April 1, 2006- March 31, 2007**

I am very pleased to announce that Our State Association came in 5<sup>th</sup> in the nation at \$8.738 per capita with total donations of \$218,504.17. This is an increase of \$.332 per capita and an increase of \$8,958.19 in total contributions from last year. This is an increase of over \$18,000.00 in the last 2 years. We should be very proud of our continued support to ENF. Below are the results of our lodges' donations. 16 of our lodges exceeded the State President's goal of \$9.00 per member. A total of 35 lodges exceeded the Grand Exalted Ruler's goal of \$4.00 per member. This is an increase of 2 lodges meeting the GER goal from last year. I would like to congratulate Prince George's County Lodge No. 1778 for being our top per capita winner at \$24.29 per capita. I would also like to congratulate Salisbury Lodge No. 817 for winning the Chairman's Challenge with a score of 54.094 and Annapolis Lodge No. 622 for having the highest amount of money contributed with a total amount of \$19,642.00. I would like to congratulate the following lodges for being first in their District: NC: Laurel Lodge No. 2283; NE: Milford Lodge No. 2401; SE: Seaford Lodge No. 2458; SW: Prince George's County; and W: Cumberland Lodge No. 63.

<b>Lodge Name and Number</b>	<b>Membership</b>	<b>District</b>	<b>Total Amount</b>	<b>Per Capita</b>
Prince Georges County #1778	423	SW	\$10,273.00	\$24.29
Laurel #2283	291	NC	\$6,617.00	\$22.74
Seaford #2458	224	SE	\$3,996.00	\$17.84
Waldorf #2421	489	SW	\$8,464.75	\$17.31
Cape Henlopen #2540	634	SE	\$10,010.25	\$15.79
Washington-Rockville #15	568	SW	\$8,361.00	\$14.72
Calvert #2620	590	SW	\$8,666.00	\$14.69
Milford #2401	460	NE	\$6,495.15	\$14.12
Salisbury #817	1018	SE	\$13,995.00	\$13.75
St. Mary's County #2092	372	SW	\$4,789.41	\$12.87
Annapolis #622	1579	NC	\$19,642.00	\$12.44
Elkton #2618	100	NE	\$1,200.00	\$12.00
Ocean City #2645	1340	SE	\$15,978.00	\$11.92
Newark #2281	284	NE	\$3,336.00	\$11.75
Easton #1622	979	SE	\$11,410.00	\$11.65
Kent Island #2576	582	SE	\$5,242.00	\$9.01
Dover #1903	826	NE	\$7,335.51	\$8.88
Cumberland #63	216	W	\$1,910.00	\$8.84
Essex #1866	612	NC	\$5,149.00	\$8.41
Crisfield #1044	470	SE	\$3,858.50	\$8.21
Chestertown #2474	267	NE	\$2,147.00	\$8.04
Burtonsville #2465	90	NC	\$710.00	\$7.89
Cambridge #1272	398	SE	\$2,948.00	\$7.41
Selbyville #2173	348	SE	\$2,575.00	\$7.40
Oakland #2481	828	W	\$5,439.00	\$6.57
Westminster #2277	643	W	\$4,094.00	\$6.37
Abingdon #2354	184	NE	\$1,140.00	\$6.20
Towson #469	1176	NC	\$7,159.00	\$6.09
Havre De Grace #1564	320	NE	\$1,940.00	\$6.06
Frederick #684	2072	W	\$11,815.00	\$5.70
Glen Burnie #2266	872	NC	\$4,786.00	\$5.49
Camp Springs #2332	421	SW	\$2,290.00	\$5.44
Severna Park #2482	416	NC	\$2,145.00	\$5.16
Wilmington #307	675	NE	\$3,353.00	\$4.97
Pocomoke City #1624	380	SE	\$1,584.50	\$4.17
Deale #2528	600	SW	\$1,565.00	\$2.61
Frostburg #470	345	W	\$780.00	\$2.26
Broadneck #2608	245	NC	\$475.00	\$1.94
Hagerstown #378	2078	W	\$3,550.10	\$1.71
Bowie #2309	590	NC	\$795.00	\$1.35

I look forward to serving the Association next year as your ENF Chairman.

Fraternally,  
 Claudia Finley-Bryant, ENF Chairman



**ELKS NATIONAL VETERANS  
SERVICE COMMISSION**

**PLAYING CARDS FOR VETERANS**

Playing cards for Veterans is a program that goes hand in hand with our "Adopt-A-Veteran" Program. This activity will give a hospitalized veteran something to do rather than just passively sitting and watching television. These cards can also be distributed with your comfort care kits. They also can be a part of any activity for our veterans.

Through the dedicated and hard work of Brother Tom Jamison of Beardstown, Illinois Lodge No. 1007, who has made arrangements with several riverboats and Casinos, we are now able to offer playing cards for our hospitalized veterans to use. In 2006 we distributed 35,000 decks of playing cards to our veterans. Each deck of cards is checked to make sure all cards are in good condition and the deck is complete. After the decks are checked, a "Playing Cards for Veterans" sticker with the logo of the Elks National Veterans Service Commission is placed on each deck of cards.

These cards are free of charge!

You can call our director in Chicago. He can put you in touch with the person who sends out the playing cards. He will also be happy to answer any questions you may have about this program.

Fraternally,  
Roger R. True, PGER  
Vice Chairman

**ASSOCIATION FLAG DAY CEREMONIES**

**WHEN: SATURDAY, JUNE 9, 2007  
IMMEDIATELY AFTER LUNCH**

**WHERE: ASSOCIATION STATE CONVENTION  
WISP MOUNTAIN RESORT AND  
CONFERENCE CENTER MS HENRY,  
MARYLAND**

**WATCH IN THE LOBBY FOR POSTED DETAILS**

**THIS YEAR'S EVENT PROMISES TO BE THE  
BIGGEST AND MOST EXCITING  
ASSOCIATION FLAG DAY EVENT YET!!!**

**DON'T MISS IT**

**SEE DAVE SMITH FOR ADDITIONAL  
INFORMATION**



**DID YOU KNOW??**

As the years pass we get older so does our Elks Camp Barrett. July of this year it will be 53 years old. Over a period of years I have learned many interesting things, some are below:

- There is a strip of land East of our front gate that goes to the creek that was left over from road construction that does not belong to the camp.
- From early 1960 to 1970 a small group of Elks would walk the property line of the camp to be certain no one was encroaching on our property.
- In the 70's during construction of homes East of the camp people complained about the dump. During the 20/30's people used a 60 foot deep ravine for dumping. The county notified us to clean it up. Joe Dorr, Joe Campbell, Teddy Herrell, and I used our equipment to clean the dump. We removed 4 truck loads of junk/trash.
- In August of 1990 President Frank Weber and Building Committee Chairman Don Chaney approached me and asked if they could hire me to supervise the construction of the new Bathhouse. I agreed to supervise the construction on a volunteer basis only, no financial payment would be accepted by me. They accepted my terms. Upon completion April 1991 the keys to our new Bathhouse were turned over to Frank and Don.

To be continued in October...  
Submitted by PSP Kenny Largent

*"Remember to sponsor a child"*

**ELKS CAMP BARRETT  
50/50 RAFFLE**

The Winner of the Elks Camp Barrett 50/50 Raffle at the Washington - Rockville Lodge No. 15 on March 25, 2007 was John Wald from Annapolis Lodge No. 622. John donated \$100 back to Elks Camp Barrett. Thanks to everyone that sold and bought tickets for that raffle.  
Buy your Raffle Tickets for Sunday's Drawing.  
Lee Davis, PSP

**GRAND LODGE and  
MARYLAND, DELAWARE & DISTRICT OF  
COLUMBIA ELKS ASSOCIATION  
AMERICAN CONTESTS  
2007-2008**

**ESSAY: "WHAT IS AN AMERICAN"**

**RULES:**

1. Participants must be enrolled in 5th, 6th,  
7th or 8th Grade.

Entries will be judged in two groups:

- 5th & 6th Grades  
7th & 8th Grades

2. Length not to exceed **250 words**
3. Must be legibly **printed in ink or typed.**
4. Entrant must be identified on essay by child's Name, Home Address, Phone Number, Social Security Number, Grade, Name of School, Name of Sponsoring Elks Lodge
5. State Winners will be presented with Savings Bonds at a special Ceremony

**POSTER: Drawing of**

**"MY FAVORITE SYMBOL OF AMERICA"**

**RULES:**

1. Artists must be from 0 to 9 years of age  
Will be judged in categories of 0-3 years old  
4-5 years old  
6-7 years old  
8-9 years old
2. Art must be **no larger than 8 1/2" by 11" paper.**
3. Must include child's Name, Address, Phone Number, Age, Name of School if enrolled Name of Sponsoring Elks Lodge
4. State Winners will be presented with awards at a special Ceremony.

**TIME DEADLINES:**

- All entries must be in to the **Lodge Chairman's hands by December 15, 2007**
- Lodge winners must be into **District Chairman's hands by January 15, 2008**
- District winners must be into **State Chairman's hands by February 15, 2008.**

**REMEMBER:**

Send only your 1st place winners on for further judging, but we need to know the total number of entries you received for the report to Grand Lodge.

**Let's make 2007-2008 our best year yet for participation in this important contest!**

**AMERICANISM**

Dave Smith  
State Americanism Chairman

It is hard to believe that another Americanism year is coming to a close. I wonder if your Lodge has taken advantage of all of the Americanism related programs we have promoted this year. Is your Lodge going to be the one awarded with the "Crystal Eagle" at the State dinner? Does it deserve it? These are questions only you can answer. Regardless of whether the answers are positive or negative, it is very important that you start right now in preparing for an exceptional 2007-2008 Americanism Year for your Lodge.

This year I will be recognizing the District Americanism Chairperson who has done the most outstanding job in promoting the Americanism Program to his/her District at the State Dinner as well as awarding the Crystal Eagle Award to the Lodge that has done the best job in Americanism, so be sure to be on hand to offer appropriate congratulations.

Starting a new Americanism Year begins right now! Attend the Association Flag Day Ceremonies on Saturday right after lunch. The Hospitality Rooms will be closed anyway, so take advantage of what we have to share with you by attending. Bring your cameras and take some pictures, to begin your Lodge Brochure Book for 2007-2008. You can say, as an example, "Our Lodge begins the year by participating in our Association Flag Day Ceremonies for Maryland at our State Convention". Remember, a brochure book is really just a glorified scrapbook, and these pictures, a copy of the written Flag Day Program which will be given to you when you arrive, and some notes would be a great start! Later, attend the Flag Day Ceremonies at Dover Lodge, to include Delaware as one of the Flag Day events your Lodge participated in. Remember, if you are there, and if you stand, salute, sing, and recite at the proper times, **YOU ARE A PARTICIPANT.**

Don't forget that the theme for the 2007-2008 Grand Lodge Essay Contest is "WHAT IS AN AMERICAN". Also, as usual, our Association Patriotic Poster Contest theme will be "MY FAVORITE SYMBOL OF AMERICA". Get this information out NOW ... don't wait! Take advantage of the participants you had last year in your Lodge and get this information to them as well as into the schools. Your participants from 2006-2007 can certainly participate again in 2007-2008 as long as they are still in an eligible age or class grouping!

It has been my extreme pleasure to be the State Chairman of Americanism again this year, and I thank President Willis for the appointment. I wish him loads of successes at the Grand Lodge Convention. Congratulations to all District Chairpersons and all Lodge Americanism Chairpersons for another stellar Americanism year. God bless us all and **GOD BLESS AMERICA!**





*Congratulations to Broadneck Lodge #2608, winners of the Spring Horseshoe Tournament held a Laurel Lodge #2283. The winning team of Lewis Adkins and Paul Persinger retired undefeated, and the runners-up were from Frederick Lodge #684.*

Pictured below, from left to right, are "Pants" Blank, Frederick #684, Lewis Adkind and Paul Persinger, Broadneck #2608, and Michael Blank, Frederick #684.



DDGER West Sandra Brantner, Oakland Lodge #2481 conducted a very successfully DD Clinic on April 28, 2007 at her home lodge. The Clinic was attended by 45 Elks representing all six lodges in the West District. In addition to the Auditing & Business Practices Program presented by Committee State Chairman Maurice DiPoli, PDDGER SW (Waldorf Lodge #2421), PSP Frank Clopper (Hagerstown Lodge #378) spoke about "Leadership" by the Exalted Ruler and other Lodge officers. Shown from left: President-Elect Warren Johnson (Frederick Lodge #684), President Ed Willis (Dover Lodge #1903), DDGER Brantner, PSP Clopper and PSP George Hamilton (Hagerstown Lodge #378).

#### Grand Exalted Ruler Establishes Tornado Relief Fund

On Friday evening, May 4th, 2007, a massive category F-5 enhanced tornado, with winds estimated at 205 mph, cut a 1.7 mile wide, 22 mile long path through Greensburg, Kansas, destroying about 95 percent of this farming town of 1,500. The homes and businesses of the small community have been obliterated.

Beginning with the Chicago Fire of 1871 and continuing to the present the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks has been there as a beacon of help and hope for the victims of disaster. Once again, the Elks are being called on and must answer the cry for help.

I am asking local Lodges and State Associations for help and support so we might lighten the burden and lend our support to those families who are the victims of this terrible disaster.

I have been asked and have directed the Grand Lodge to establish a relief fund so that we may aid these victims. I encourage each of you to raise and donate whatever you can for this fund so that we may continue to live up to our motto "Elks Care - Elks Share."

**Tax deductible contributions should be addressed as follows:**

**Greensburg, Kansas Emergency Relief Fund**  
5441 N. Porter Avenue  
Wichita, KS 67204-1801

Sincerely and fraternally,  
Arthur H. Frost III  
Grand Exalted Ruler



Maurice DiPoli, PDDGER SW (Waldorf Lodge #2421), and State Chairman of Auditing & Business Practices Committee was the featured speaker at the West District Deputy Clinic held April 28, 2007 at Oakland Lodge #2481. DiPoli's presentation included detailed guidelines illustrated with examples describing how a lodge should operate to be successful. Shown from left: DiPoli, President Ed Willis (Dover Lodge #1903), Oakland Lodge ER Tracy Harvey and President-Elect Warren Johnson (Frederick Lodge #684).

**Elks-Care Elks-Share**

# ELKS CAMP BARRETT

## OUR STATE ASSOCIATION MAJOR PROJECT

### The Camp

#### LODGES ARE ASKED TO PARTICIPATE

We are asking for your help to make our state project the best that it can be. As Elks you are aware that the raffle held each year is for the Elks Camp Barrett Improvement Fund and is not used for the running of the daily operations of the camp. It seems to me that donations from the lodges would really help. I am asking each lodge to bring a donation to our Fall Conference, we will have a parade of donations. Let's get all the lodges to show we are here to march in this parade for our state major project.



**Remember your donations  
will help with**

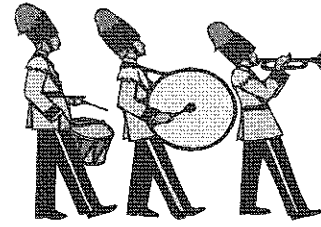
**All the various programs at Elks Camp Barrett**

**Summer  
Youth  
Camping  
AGE 9 TO 13  
GIRLS & BOYS  
WEEKS**

We would like to see each lodge send two representatives to the camp meeting, which are usually held the first Saturday of each month. Unless we meet at a State Association workshop or convention.

**JOIN THE PARADE!**

Thanking you in advance  
Mary Cardinal-Vogt  
Camp Publicity Chairman



## Parade at the Fall Conference In Ocean City

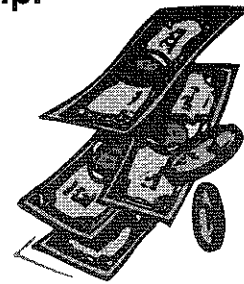
#### Plan Ahead

**You could have a Fund Raiser  
or**

**Hold a 50/50 raffle at a Dinner  
or a Breakfast with 1/2 the  
proceeds going to the Camp  
and 1/2 going to the winner.**

**or**

**Get an item of interest and  
raffle it off with the proceeds  
to the Camp.**



## WILLIAM J. JERNICK MEMORIAL FUND DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS & SELECTION CRITERIA

### FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR DISTRIBUTION

- The earnings from the FUND for a fiscal year (June 1 through May 31) are available for distribution in the next fiscal year. All earnings are to be distributed or assigned for distribution during that year.

### ALLOCATION OF FUNDS FOR DISTRIBUTION

- The earnings of the FUND are to be allocated equally between the five (5) districts of the Maryland, Delaware, and District of Columbia Elks Association and Elks Camp Barrett, six (6) equal parts. Each part is available for distribution in the respective districts based on applications, for aid processed from and through the Lodges of the districts. The part (1/6 th of the total earnings) for Elks Camp Barrett shall be distributed to the Camp to help fund the handicapped Camping Week. A district, with the consent of the Board of Directors, may forfeit its share or a portion of its share in any given year with the funds then being available for distribution in the other districts.

### CRITERIA FOR SELECTION OF BENEFICIARIES OF FUND GRANTS

- Only deserving youth under the age of 21 are eligible to receive a grant from the earnings of the FUND.  
"Deserving" for the purposes of this criterion is defined as simply needing financial assistance to provide for treatment of a debilitating condition, to provide equipment, apparatus, and/or tools to assist with their physical and/ or mental treatment or functioning, and/ or to provide financial assistance for other necessities not within the financial means of the family because of the recipient's condition or family circumstances.
- The WILLIAM J. JERNICK MEMORIAL FUND shall not discriminate against any applicant that meets the above eligibility requirement, nor do they have to be the relation of a member of the Order.
- Grants are intended to be a onetime grant to help those that have a specific and defined need at a specific time and not as a subsidy to an individual on a year after year basis.
- Grants shall be given freely and without obligation for repayment at any time.
- Special consideration should be given to applicants that have no insurance and/ or means to help themselves financially.

### APPLICATION AND DISTRIBUTION PROCESS

- Requests for aid shall be directed to the Elks Lodge in the area of the designated recipient's residence,
- The Lodge shall insure that the designated recipient meets the eligibility criteria. The Lodge shall then prepare the Aid Request Form, providing all required information and any other supporting documentation, as well as the nature of any Lodge assistance being provided to the designated recipient.
- The Lodge shall approve the request for aid by a vote of the Lodge at a regular Lodge meeting.
- The Lodge shall then forward the approved Aid Request Form and any other supporting documentation to the District Chairperson of the William J. Jernick Memorial Fund Committee.
- The District Chairperson shall review all Aid Request Forms and documentation from the Lodges of that district and with his/her recommendation, forwards them to the State Chairperson of the William J. Jernick Memorial Fund Committee.
- The State Chairperson shall review all Aid Request Forms and documentation for completeness and merit and with his recommendations forwards them on to the Treasurer of the WILLIAM J. JERNICK MEMORIAL FUND.
- The Treasurer shall review all Aid Request Forms and accompanying documentation for completeness and merit. If all documentation is not in order, the Treasurer shall return the request and associated documentation to the State Chairperson to obtain the necessary information to complete the request properly. If all documentation is in order, the Treasurer shall then poll the Board of Directors for approval (3 of 5 required). Multiple recipients from any district shall be selected on a first come basis, but the grant totals for any district can not exceed their 1/6th share (except when a district forfeits their share or a portion of their share). If appropriate, requests for aid may be held for application against the next year's funding, when released for distribution.
- The Treasurer shall prepare the grant (check) for each approved request and return it to the State Chairperson.
- The State Chairperson shall coordinate the distribution of the grant (check) with the District Chairpersons and any other individuals from the Lodge or otherwise that should be involved in the presentation of the grant.
- Appropriate publicity and/ or news coverage should be coordinated with each presentation of a grant.

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## WILLIAM J. JERNICK MEMORIAL FUND AID REQUEST FORM

Submitting Lodge Name & Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Lodge Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved by Lodge: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Aid Recipient: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Explain any relationship of Recipient to an Elk or our Elks Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Explain nature of the situation and the aid requested: \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_

What aid is the Lodge providing? \_\_\_\_\_

If the funds provided by the Lodge and the WJJMF do not meet the total aid requirement, how and by whom are the additional funds being raised?

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Who will hold the donated funds and insure that the donated funds are used for the purpose stated?

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**Approvals:**

Lodge Exalted Ruler: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

District Chairperson: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

State Chairperson: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

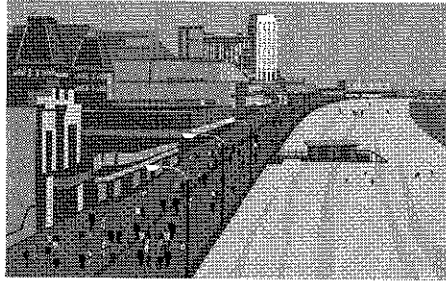
Board Director: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Dollar amount approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Check No.: \_\_\_\_\_

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# Maryland, Delaware and District of Columbia Elks Association October Conference Reservations



**Grand Hotel, 2100 Baltimore Avenue, Ocean City, MD 21842  
October 5-7, 2007**

**RESERVATION DEADLINE: SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 1ST**

**1. Weekend Package**

Includes two nights accommodations on October 5 and October 6; Saturday Evening's State Association Dinner and Breakfast on Saturday and Sunday mornings

Double Occupancy:  \$330.00

Single Occupancy:  \$280.00

**2. Individual Room Rates**

One Night  \$115.00

Two Nights  \$230.00

**3. Dinner Only (Advanced Reservations Only - No tickets will be sold at the door)**

One person  \$30.00

Two persons  \$60.00

Total amount due this reservation based upon above selections: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Non-Smoking  Smoking    One Bed  Two Beds

Enclose payment with reservation and check payable to MD, DE and DC Elks Association:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Lodge: \_\_\_\_\_

**MAIL TO:**  
Gregory A. Wilkes, PSP  
6134 W. Denney's RD  
Dover, DE 19901  
302-674-4157

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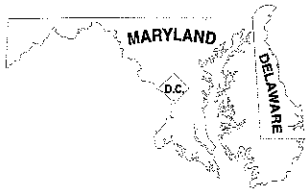
## Westminster Elks & Ladies Donate \$5,000.



**Westminster Elks and Ladies of the Elks (LOTE) generously donated \$5000.00 to the Capital Campaign of the Carroll County Youth Service Bureau for its new facility to be located at Rt. 32 and Kate Wagner Rd. Pictured left to right: Lynn Davis, Executive Director of CCYSB, Sharon Mech and Henry Lewis, both from the Westminster Elks Lodge #2277.**

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MARYLAND, DELAWARE and  
DISTRICT of COLUMBIA  
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George W. Hamilton, PSP  
14172 Shelby Circle  
Hagerstown, MD 21740

*A Fraternal Organization*

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