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MESSAGE FROM THE **EXALTED RULER**

I hope this Fall has everyone doing well.

Your Lodge has been doing a fantastic job so far this year due to the outstanding volunteers on the House Committee and our awesome paid staff under the direction of Bill Grimsley and Jim McNally. I thank you

For those of you who attend the Lodge frequently and on a regular basis, you will notice that we have finally replaced all the dining room window glass which looks great again. My thanks go out to our hardworking Board of Directors. And thank you to Gary Aisquith for the awesome monetary donation. After all these years it has finally been done!

We have accomplished so many improvements throughout the inside and out of the Lodge for the past two years under Libby's year of Exalted Ruler and myself this year. For example, new roof, removal of fireplace to expand the bar area as one unit, driveway resealed and lined, new back door into kitchen, new stove, new char broiler, pool table, shuffle board, new tables in dining room, new blue tooth sound system for bingo and music, landscaping around the flag area, and all new windows in the dining room. This could only be done by you as a member patronizing your Lodge and Jim McNally and his staff doing catering events.

We will continue to serve great food and drinks, and entertain you with music, Friday night bingo's, knockout pool, and Show me the Money. Also, continue our many themed nights like our Halloween party, Chili Cookoff, and the Children's Christmas party on December 10th. Another sell out was to the great sound of The No Where Men Band on October 7th. By the time you read this, we will have donated 100% of bingo proceeds we raised so far this year to various local charities and Veterans in need. All donations will be posted on Facebook and our website. On Friday, December 22, we will be having our annual Egg Nog Party; see House Committee calendar for times and all upcoming events in December and January.



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To all, remember we are a volunteer Lodge so please help the paid staff and volunteers and clean your tables before leaving. The Elk of the Month for December is **Lisa Lutz** and the Elk of the Month for January is **Tammy Ferguson**.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM SANDY AND I.



SECRETARY'S SAY December 2023/January 2024

January not only means a change in the number on the top of the calendar but also the changing of the guard at your Lodge. We are about to elect the Members who will lead our Lodge in the upcoming Lodge year which starts in April every year. The election of the four Chair Officers, Secretary, Treasurer & a 5-year Trustee will start with nominations on the first meeting of the month (there are two meetings in February, March & April) on February 7th and the elections of any contested positions will at the second meeting on February 21st.

Please consider volunteering for one of these rewarding positions and help in guiding your Lodge for the next year. If you do decide to run for one of the offices, please come to the meeting on February 7th with a member to nominate you. I would be remiss if I did not remind you of the 20 Members (as of this writing) that have yet to pay their dues and that will be dropped from our rolls on March 31st, if that does not occur. As always, you will find a list of these folks posted on the bulletin board in the hallway by the offices.

I must also pass along some monetary news; that being that the amount to maintain Membership in our Lodge, lodge year 2024-2025, will increase for the upcoming year. This increase is not a dues increase but an increase in the fees that each of us pays to Grand Lodge & the State Assn. The dues remain at \$100 for regular Members & \$50 for Life Members. The fees have increased to \$36.25 (\$34.00 for Grand Lodge & \$2.25 for the State Assn.) these fees are not optional per Grand Lodge Statutes. Therefore, the dues payment this next Lodge year will be: \$136.25 & \$86.25, respectively. Additionally, if you choose to pay your dues for 2024-2025 at the Lodge with a credit card, there will be a 3.5% surcharge added to the payment. Therefore, the regular dues will be \$141.18 & life will be \$89.27, if using this method. The reason for this is simple; your Lodge simply cannot afford to absorb the fee associated with credit card usage for dues. he reason for this is simple; your Lodge simply cannot afford to absorb the fee associated with credit card usage for dues. The Board of Directors apologize for any inconvenience, but it is simply a financial decision.

You may still pay your dues by using either a check or cash at the Lodge without a surcharge by simply dropping the payment through the mail slot in the Secretary's office door. Please ensure that you accompany the credit card payment, check or cash with either the coupon in this publication or the one mailed to you. The same applies if you use the credit card option, please drop the payment coupon in the mail slot in the Secretary's door to ensure that your address & contact info is correct. After receiving payment, I will create the new Membership cards, which will be blue, and mail them to you in early March. If you would like to save the Lodge a little postage, please indicate that your card should be held for pick up at the Lodge & I will leave it in a box on the shelf between the Lounge & the Heritage Room. Any widows wishing to receive ID cards, please send (or drop in the same mail slot in the Secretary's office door) a request, \$5.00 and a stamped self-addressed envelope.

All Members & Widows; please do not discard your current tan card until April 1st, as that is the day that the new blue key card will start working the reader and the tan/beige one will not. Also, that is when the new blue Membership card will begin to be honored. After April 1st, please be prepared to show your new Membership (BLUE) card to show that your dues are current.

Please try to attend the annual **Memorial Service** which honors all our members that have passed away in the last year. It is a beautiful Service that all are welcome to attend. It will be **December 3rd at 1PM** in the Lodge Room. Please RSVP so we can have an adequate amount of food prepared.

I would also like to remind you of the annual Toys for Tots collection. The box can currently be found in the Lodge and the collection will end on or about December 15th.

Kathy & I want to wish you all a Merry Christmas or Happy Hanukkah! I look forward to seeing you all soon at your Lodge,

Lou Schmeltzer, PDD Secrétary

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☐ Spouse Key Card (enclose \$5)		Please complete this form and return it with a check (\$136.25 Regular Member) (\$86.25 Elected to Life Member)
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Mail to: Annapolis Elks Lodge #622 Attn Lou Schmeltzer, Secretary 2 Pythian Drive, Edgewater,MD 21037		I have included a tax deductible donation for the Elk's National Foundation in the amount of \$ and/or donation for our lodge building improvement fund in the amount of \$

For your latest news, events and menus, go to......ELKS622.com or 🖪 facebook.com/AnnapolisBPOELODGE #622

Ladies of the Elks

Dear Ladies,

A big "THANK YOU" goes out to all those who made our October luncheon a success. We had a little over 70 ladies in attendance. I will report our profit from K & J in the next issue of the Horn.

Our Holiday luncheon will be held **December 12th** featuring the South County Showstoppers. Tickets are \$20 per person.

Time: 12:00 pm. Doors open at 11:30 am. The menu includes fresh carved roasted turkey, mashed potatoes with turkey gravy, fresh stuffing, green beans, cranberry sauce, warm rolls and butter, pecan pie, iced tea, coffee, and water station. Invite your friends, family and husbands to join you for a delightful afternoon. Call Marian Knode for reservations: 410-266-6897 or email knode28@hotmail.com . Deadline for reservations is **December 3rd.** Payment is due prior to the date of the luncheon. Mail to LOE #622, 2 Pythian Drive, Edgewater, MD 21037. Just a reminder that we will not be meeting during the winter months (Dec. – Feb). We will resume our meetings in March.

Merry Christmas! Happy Hanukkah! Happy New Year!

Fondly, Marian

In Memoriam

Jacqueline Calabrese September 22, 1933 – October 10, 2023

December Birthdays

Adele Berger 6 Marian Knode 22 Lorraine Crouch 27 Donna Shuman 31

January Birthdays

Nancy Claffy 10 Audrey Mae MacWilliams 17 Ruth White 22 Anne Miller 22 Martha Eugenia Greenwell 25 JoAnn Katski 31

Dates to Remember

December 12th South County Showstoppers/Holiday Luncheon @ 12pm

Sick / Bereavement Thinking Of You Cards

Please remember to notify **Pam Williams, 410-757-5822,** of any member who would enjoy a card from the LOE.

Membership

Interested in joining the Ladies of the Elks? Ladies of the Elks membership is open to wives, widows, unmarried daughters, unmarried granddaughters and unmarried mothers over 21 years of age of a member of Annapolis Lodge #622 who are in good standing. A woman who is a "Member" of the Annapolis Elks #622 is NOW eligible for membership in the LOE.

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Thank you all who have sent in your dues for 2023-2024. We appreciate all who used the membership form. If you have not sent in your dues please do so as soon as possible and use the Membership Form. Thank you.

LOE Membership	o Form 2023-2	024		
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Current Lodge Hours

Mon: 4 to 9pm - Food Served 5-8pm
Tues: 5 to 9pm - Food Served 5-8pm
Wed: 4 to 9pm - Food Served 5-8pm
Thurs: 4 to 9pm - Food Served 5-8pm
Fri: 4 to 10:00pm - Food Served 5-8pm
Sat and Sun: see calendar for dates open
Lodge Meetings are Third Wednesday of
each Month @ 7pm.

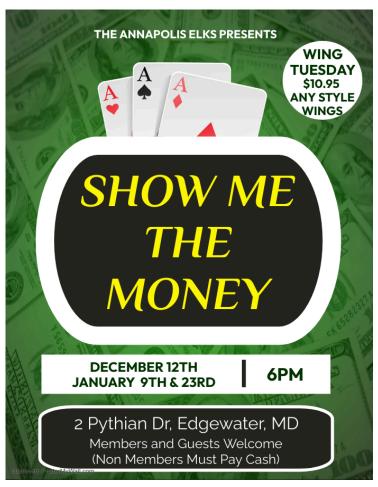


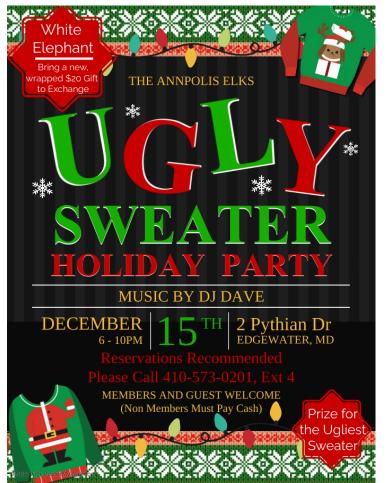
















The Toys for Tots box is in the Heritage Room or Lounge and ready to accept your donation of toys. We ask that the toys be new and that if you choose to give a stuffed animal, please put it in a plastic bag for cleanliness.

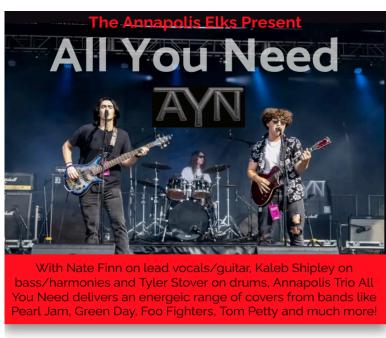
So, while you are shopping, pick up a gift for a less fortunate child or two. Your generosity will go a long way toward putting a smile on a little face. I thank you on their behalf.

Lou Schmeltzer





RESERVATIONS REQUIRED



FRIDAY JANUARY 19th 6 - 10PM

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Reservations Recommended

Members and Guests Welcome

(Non Members Must Pay Cash)

ECEMBER 2023

FRIDAY

THURSDAY

Lisa Lutz Thanks for persevering!

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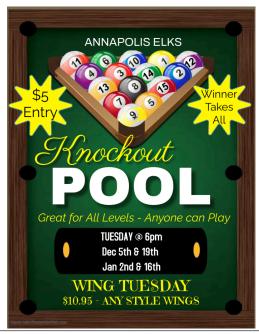
SATURDAY

410-573-020**1** Email: 622elks@gmail.com

SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY **Please try to call ahead on Thursday's

if you want ribs and on Friday's for dinners. This helps us prepare enough so we don't run short. Thank you!					Mixed Emotions Meatloaf	Lodge Closed
Elks Memorial Service 1 pm	Prime Rib 5-8pm	Knockout Pool 6pm *WINGS* 5-8pm	6 Elk Burger Night 5-8pm	7 Baby Back Ribs 5-8pm	Bar Bingo 8 7-9pm Blackened Chicken Diablo	Lodge Closed
Children's Christmas Party 12-3	Prime Rib 5-8pm	Show Me the Money 6pm *WINGS* 5-8pm	Elk Burger Night 5-8pm Birthday dinner Baked Chicken 6pm	14 Baby Back Ribs 5-8pm	Ugly 15 Sweater Night Frield Oysters 5 to 8pm	Lodge Closed
Lodge Closed	Prime Rib 5-8pm	Knockout Pool 6pm *WINGS* 5-8pm	20 Meeting Night 7pm Lodge Closed	21 Baby Back Ribs 5-8pm	Egg Nog Party see Flyer 1 to 8pm	Lodge Closed
Lodge Closed	MERRY 25 CHR STMAS	CLOSED	CLOSED 27	CLOSED 28	CLOSED 29	Lodge Closed

*Monday thru Thursday 1/2 LB steamed shrimp is \$11.95



DECEMBER BIRTHDAY'S

01	Michael Berry	18	William Mac McCloskey
02	Lawrence A Taylor Jr	18	Barry D Skolnick
03	William K Grimsley	19	Stanley Erik Hajkowski
03	Frank F Rawson	19	Patricia Rawlings
03	Donald S Wolkoff	19	Robert T Thomas
04	Blanche Pfarr	20	Davey L Cook Sr
04	Charles R Wheeler Jr	20	Noel Meeksins
05	Robert J Campbell, PER	21	Lamela H Battley
06	Owen Pat Curran	21	Glenn D Tingle
07	Daniel Anderson	22	John A Lamon III
07	David M Foxwell	23	Aurelia Hamel
07	Robert L Knode	23	Herbert L Jones Jr
07	Shelia Rene Lagana	23	Tarell Spriggs
07	J Gary Sheckells	23	Antonio Tripodi
08	Robert A Sabin	24	Dennis W Guard
08	Robert L Tucker	24	Ralph K Hahn
09	Melvin E Meekins Jr	25	Richard S Cassard
09	Thomas K Neal	25	Robin Lanham
10	Harry M Heidler	26	Dorothy Holly Every
11	Robert L Bain	26	John M Straub
13	Kathie Bray	27	Allysa Kropp
13	John A McMickle, PER	27	William Saul
13	Terry L Williams Sr	27	Kenneth M Stewart
14	Mary Beth Chipkevich, Treasurer	28	Chris Colley
15	Wayne Courtland Beall Jr	28	Thomas A Mayo
15	Louis Hyatt	29	Vera Torrence
16	Wayne Bubba Beall Sr	30	Bob R Freeland
16	John F Stader	30	Thomas M Harrison
16	Tammy Switzer	31	Kenneth M Brown
17	Massie Gene Dickinson Jr	31	Vernon Joe Dorr

Lodge of Sorrow

Donald S. Taylor

Born: August 13, 1930 Died:

October 20, 2023 Initiated:

December 6, 1961

Richard W. Walker

Born: March 29, 1933

Died: October 8, 2023

Initiated: February 21, 1968 Born: June 22, 1930

Died: October 22, 2023

Herbert W. Catterton

Initiated: November 4, 1964

Thomas M. DiViccaro Born: April 12, 1953

Robert J. Kolscher II

Died: April 21, 2023 Born: June 27, 1946

Initiated: January 8, 1976 Died: September 6, 2023

Initiated: February 6, 1972

Edward P. Mansfield

Born: October 29, 1947 Died: September 24, 2023 Initiated:

September 24, 1974

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Lodge Closed	ilappy New Jean	Knockout Pool 6pm *WINGS* 5-8pm	3 Elk Burger Night 5-8pm	4 Baby Back Ribs 5-8pm	Memorial Bingo-see flyer Fried Haddock	6 Lodge Closed
Lodge Closed	8 Baked Chicken 5-8pm	Show Me the Money 6pm *WINGS* 5-8pm	Elk Burger 10 Night 5-8pm Birthday dinner Meatloaf 6pm	Baby Back Ribs 5- 8pm	Bar Bingo Stuffed Pork Chop 5-8pm	Lodge Closed
Lodge Closed	15 Baked Chicken 5-8pm	Knockout Pool 6pm *WINGS* 5-8pm	Meeting Night 7pm Lodge Closed	18 Baby Back Ribs 5-8pm	All You Need Band Crabcake	Lodge Closed
Lodge Closed	22 Baked Chicken 5-8pm	Show Me the Money 6pm *WINGS* 5-8pm	24 Elk Burger Night 5-8pm	25 Baby Back Ribs 5-8pm	26 <i>Bar Bingo</i> Baked Chicken 5-8pm	Lodge Closed
Lodge Closed	29 Baked Chicken 5-8pm	30 *WINGS* 5-8pm	31 Elk Burger Night 5-8pm	want ribs a	call ahead on Thu and on Friday's fo prepare enough s short.	or dinners.

*Monday thru Thursday 1/2 LB steamed shrimp is \$11.95



JANUARY BIRTHDAY'S

- 01 Rick Baity
- 01 Chrles Don Sadler
- 01 Ray Schummer
- 02 Gary J Basinski
- 02 Spiro G Lewnes
- 02 Steven E Robertson
- 02 Margaret Peggy Singleton
- 02 J Bert Taylor
- 04 David W Morsberger
- 07 Carol Carr
- 07 Calvin Erroll Crowner
- 08 Mary E Lamb
- 08 Joseph Lupinek
- 08 Ralph E Robertson
- 08 Richard S Templeton II
- 09 John Vogtman Jr
- 10 Glenn Highsmith
- 10 John E Wells
- 11 Eugene C Humphrey
- 12 Jonathan N Shurtleff
- 12 Gidget G Trott
- 13 Wallace H Lowe Jr
- 14 David R Gibson
- 14 James W Thomas
- 15 Eric Crane
- 15 Steven J Masciarelli
- 16 Gerald P Crouch
- 17 Stanley P Stawas Jr
- 18 Ralph Bud Bassford
- 18 William E Myers

- 20 Kenneth L Blackwell
- 20 Timothy W Dobson
- 21 Wayne N Beckett
- 21 Christine M Catterton
- 21 Russell O Sears Sr, PER
- 22 David Juppe
- 24 Mathew Jones
- 24 Steven C Vukovan
- 24 Mary Zevely
- 25 John Chris Buschman
- 25 Jeanne W Scott
- 25 Irene Simpkins
- 25 Joan M Welch
- 26 William T Ciancaglini
- 26 Frederick Fred Plitt
- 27 Mary Blackborow
- 27 Delores Duncan-White
- 29 Benjamin A Lee
- 29 Alexander Rusty Sloan
- 30 Robert E Lee
- 30 Bolton H Rankin
- 31 Peter M Gaviorno
- 31 Lee R Heath

Celebration of Life Gatherings

The Lodge is an ideal place for family and friends to meet for a celebration of life gathering.

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Informal, family-style luncheons are provided. Memorial tables, easels and AV equipment

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For all details, go to the Lodge's website, turn to the Facilities and Hall Rental page and click on the "Celebration of Life Gatherings" button at www.Elks622.com



Message Below For Charitable Contributions from Bill Grimsley, House Committee Chairman

Charitable Contributions

April 2023 to Oct 2023

\$255	SPCA
\$500	Blue Ribbon Project
\$500	Bethany Air
\$500	Arundel Lodge Behavioral Health
\$250	Army of Hope
\$500	Pickin-4-Troops
\$400	St. Vincent de Paul Church
\$450	Believe in Tomorrow House by the Sea
\$377	Individual in Need
\$500	Charlotte Hall Veterans Home
\$400	Spay Spa and Neuter Nook
\$300	Hope House
\$250	Eagle Scout Project
\$650	Stuart Gammage
\$500	Nolan Robison Foundation
\$500	Wellness House of Annapolis
\$500	St Jude Children's Research Hospital
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2246	Veterans Fishing Trip

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