

# Virginia Elks Association News

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## Arlington-Fairfax 2188 Aids Martinsburg VAMC Annual Carnival



PER Ken Hensley, ER Laurie Fearis, PER Tim Knotts, Dottie Hough (VA Medical Center), and Linda Gardner



PER Tim Knotts, Dale & Donna Crisp



Maria Jordan, PER Tim Knotts, Betty Kuennen, Patti Graves, and Linda Gardner



PER Tim Knotts and ER Laurie Fearis

Pictured are Arlington-Fairfax 2188 volunteers at the VA Medical Center, Martinsburg, West Virginia, annual carnival held September 21, 2013. Each year, 2188 provides pork barbecue, cole slaw, and baked beans to carnival participants. Snacks and beverages are also served. The food is prepared at the Lodge and transported to the VA Medical Center by volunteers. The food is heated on an outdoor grill and served to the veteran participants and their families. The homemade barbecue is always a big hit with carnival participants. This year, approximately 140 veterans, family members, VA staff, and 1 Great Dane, a service dog named Abigail, enjoyed the food provided by the Lodge.