

Arlington-Fairfax 2188 Holds Benefit for Veterans



On Sunday, October 21, 2012 Arlington Fairfax Lodge #2188 held a fabulous benefit for our community's Wounded Warrior and Homeless Veterans programs and raised over \$7500.

The event was highlighted by GREAT FOOD from the grill prepared by our very own GRILLMASTERS, sides donated by members and guests, and served by members of the Lounge staff. The Elks Auxiliary "sweetened" up the day by serving ICE CREAM SUNDAES for the crowd.

FABULOUS MUSIC was enjoyed throughout the event was provided and donated "Free of Charge" by the one and only TOM SAPUTO and included a wonderful patriotic musical tribute to all our veterans. Dedicated VOLUNTEERS manned the ACTIVITIES AND GAMES (for all ages) and sold tickets for several excellent RAFFLE BASKETS throughout the afternoon and evening, helping to add to the funds raised. The SILENT AUCTION, which included many fantastic items donated and obtained by Lodge and Committee members, was a HUGE SUCCESS, as always, and brought in lots of additional dollars for the event.

WITH DEEPEST APPRECIATION to the Planning Committee and everyone who donated items, money, their precious time and efforts to make this a GREAT DAY for not only our VETERANS (who deserve so much appreciation), but also for OUR LODGE, showing once again that ELKS CARE -- ELKS SHARE!

*With grateful appreciation to everyone,
Event Organizers Sandy Mueller & Mark Richards*