



WMI Fund Chairman, c/o MD, DE and DC Elks Assn, PO Box 258, Crownsville, MD 21032

Donations are greatly appreciated for the benefit of the Jernick Fund

Check should be payable to the "William Jernick Memorial Fund" and mailed to:

Name: _____

Address: _____ Email Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Yes, I want to help local children with serious medical, physical and mental challenges through this tax-deductible donation:

\$10.00 \$15.00 \$20.00 \$25.00 Other \$ _____

Please bill me annually In memory of _____

EXAMPLES OF THE TYPES OF ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE TO CHILDREN 21 AND UNDER

- ◆ Eye glasses
- ◆ Specialized computers
- ◆ Hearing aids
- ◆ Medical treatments and medications
- ◆ Wheelchairs
- ◆ Hospital beds
- ◆ Prosthetics
- ◆ Transportation expenses
- ◆ Remodeling cost to accommodate physical needs
- ◆ Various other medical needs

To apply, please contact your local Elks Lodge. To find your local Lodge, visit www.elks.org.



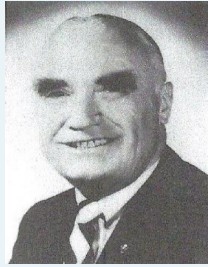
WILLIAM J. JERNICK MEMORIAL FUND

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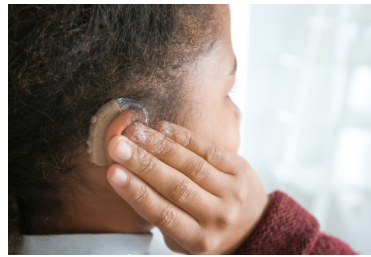
**WILLIAM J. JERNICK
PAST GRAND EXALTED RULER
1954 –1955**

Bill Jernick was born in Newark, NJ, in 1901, was initiated into the Nutley, NJ Lodge #1920 in 1929 at the age of 28, and served as Exalted Ruler in 1935 and President of the New Jersey Elks Association in 1939.

He was appointed chairman of the Grand Lodge State Association Committee in 1940. He proceeded to hold Grand Lodge office until 1953, at which time his term of office as Grand Trustee was interrupted to become Grand Exalted Ruler in 1954. His slogan was "As Elkdom Sows, America Reaps." His objective was to broaden the Order's youth and community service program and strengthen the Nation spiritually and physically for its role as leader of the free world.

He became the Grand Lodge Sponsor to the Maryland, Delaware, and District of Columbia Elks Association in 1956 until he died in 1982.

A trust fund was established that same year by the MD, DE, and DC Elks to honor his legacy of willingness to lend his time, talents, and generous spirit for the benefit of others.



PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- The fund was established in 1982 to honor our deceased Grand Lodge Sponsor.
- Deserving children 21 years old and under who face medical illness, injury, or disease are eligible to receive a one-time monetary grant upon application and approval by the Board of Directors.
- Deserving families may apply to one of the local Elks Lodges within the MD, DE, DC State Elks Association for consideration and sponsorship.
- Grants are given freely and without obligation for repayment at any time. Special consideration is given to applicants without insurance or other means to help themselves financially.
- Each year the Board of Directors allocates the previous year's earnings for distribution among the five districts within the State Association. It supports one week of camping for children with special needs at Elks Camp Barrett in Crownsville, MD. The Trust's corpus is never allocated and grows as tax-deductible donations are received year after year.
- Through your generous donations, we have helped many children and their families over the past 40 years.
- Please help us continue this legacy by making a tax-deductible contribution in your name or by honoring the memory of a loved one.

Examples of requests answered through your generous donations:

- A family with three children ranging in age from 16 to 5, asked for assistance when the youngest was diagnosed with Leukemia and had to drop out of kindergarten. The father overcame his own battle with testicular cancer about ten years earlier.
- A family with an 8-year-old has a rare form of Anemia that causes bone marrow failure returned home from the University of Minnesota Children's Hospital after a bone marrow transplant just in time to celebrate Christmas with his family. He couldn't wait to see if Santa Claus had been to his house yet.
- A family with a 16-year-old who, while sledding, was thrown from her sled and suffered an accident that shattered her skull, leaving her comatose with little hope of recovery and the need for lifelong medical care.
- A family of premature infant wrote to say there is no preparation of any type to deal with a child that is not "whole." We are managing as best we can with the roller coaster ride of financial, emotional, and spiritual hardships that relates to our child. Your generosity is truly appreciated.