



1770 News

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“MESSAGE FROM YOUR ER”



Members all,

I would like to thank everyone who has donated to the Building Repair Fund. At the time of this writing, donations totaling \$18,724.10 have been received. These donations ranged from \$10 to \$1,000. The funds have been deposited in a new bank account that was opened specifically for building repairs. The members will be

notified whenever any money is withdrawn from this account. Donations can still be made at the bar, by mail, or online at <https://delrayelks.org/building-repair-fund-1>.

The financial results for the first half of the Lodge’s fiscal year that began on April 1 are in. The numbers are not good. There are 3 revenue centers that fund the operation of the Lodge – the bar, the kitchen, and the lodge. Each center is supposed to stand on its own and show a profit. In other words, the kitchen cannot run at a loss to boost bar sales. For the first half of the year the bar and the kitchen both essentially broke even. The lodge showed a slight profit.

The problem is that these results were achieved by spending most of the membership dues that were received for the 2023-24 Elk year. A lodge can only spend dues during the fiscal year that covered by those dues. All of the dues received in February and March were kept in a special account until April 1. On April 1, they were transferred to our operating account where they could be used to pay bills (including some that had been deferred from February and March, when we were low on cash).

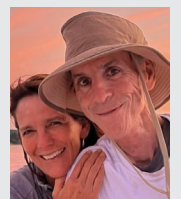
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ELK OF THE MONTH

The Elk of the Month for November is Rick “Wreckly J” Jankee. For the past 6 months Rick and his wife Kerri have been our Lodge’s unofficial goodwill ambassadors. They visited 28 Elks Lodges during their motor home trip up and down the eastern seaboard. Rick wrote a monthly travel column for this newsletter while they were on the road.

When Rick returned to Delray Beach a few weeks ago, he wasted no time once again getting involved with Lodge activities. One of the Lodges he had visited held a weekly cornhole tournament. He thought that was a good idea, so he set about organizing a cornhole tournament for our Lodge (although ours will be held on a biweekly basis, not weekly). He even went so far as to make some of the cornhole equipment himself in his workshop.

That wasn’t enough for Rick. He then volunteered to cook chicken piccata dinners (featuring his famous red roasted pepper sauce) for the Atlantic High School football team. He made plenty of extra meals for the Lodge to sell for Monday Night Dinner. This one meal helped boost the Lodge’s reputation in the community while at the same time filling a gap in the Monday Night Dinner schedule. Next up on his calendar – his 11th Annual White Elephant Christmas Party to be held at the Lodge on December 2. (Mark your calendars!) Thank you and congratulations, Rick!



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**Dues of \$140 are due
April 1st every year**

Pay your dues online at DelrayElks.org
Replacement Membership Cards Now \$5

2023-2024 OFFICERS

Exalted Ruler - Les Nelson
Leading Knight - Danielle Smith
Loyal Knight - Paula Slavinski
Lecturing Knight - Bruce Richard
Tiler - Charlie Winter
Esquire - Laurie Rogers
Secretary - Patti Lydon
Treasurer - Maureen Gour
Chaplain - Lori Stoffer
Inner Guard - Peter Morales

TRUSTEES

5 Yr - Mitch Katz
4 Yr - Eddie Sisko
3 Yr - Vacant
2 Yr - Doug England
1 Yr - Victor Hewitt

HOUSE COMMITTEE

Co-Chairperson - Shelle England
Co-Chairperson - Barb Slavinski
Secretary - Linda Richard
Member - Joe Altomare, PER
Member - Ron Voss

**DUES AND FEES
2023-2024**

Application.....\$50
* Member Dues\$140
Life Member Dues\$68
Associate Member Fees\$15
Transfer Dimit (good standing) \$50
Absolute Dimit (not in good standing) . \$50
plus pro-rated dues
Reinstatement\$50
plus pro-rated dues

*** DUES BREAKDOWN**

\$32 Grand Lodge Annual Fees
\$107 Delray Elks
\$1 Regular Prepaid Annual Fee (includes approx \$19 per-capita donation goals for Florida State Elks Harry-Anna Trust for Major State Projects and Elks National Foundation Community Investments and Scholarship)

LODGE MEETINGS at 7:30 pm

2nd & 4th Tuesday, January thru October
2nd Tuesday in Nov. & Dec.

LODGE COMMITTEES

Accident & Prevention	Eddie Sisko
Auditing & Accounting	Mike Borsos
Building & Grounds	Tim Garito & Eddie Sisko
Government Relations	Diane Evans
Community Activities	
Blood Bank	Jim Stanton
Local Scholarships	Janet Meeks
Student & Teachers Award	Ted Hoskinson
Lodge Activities Chair	
Americanism	Matt Pietrini
Annual Awards Elk/Officer/Citizen	ER
Army of Hope	Charlie Winter
Elks Memorial Day Service	Mitch Katz
Elks National Foundation Support	Cecil Broderick, PER
Elks National Foundation Scholarships	Mary Wilson
Elks National Foundation Grants	Cecil Broderick, PER
Flag Day Service	Mitch Katz
Harry-Anna Trust Fund (FSEA)	Mike Sinneck, PER, PDDGER
Membership	Cindy Howard
Indoctrination	Cindy Howard & Maureen Gour
Investigation	Maureen Gour
National Veterans Service	Charlie Winter
Other Activities	Laurie Rodriguez
Public Relations	Danielle Smith
Relief Committee	All Chair Officers
Youth Activities	
Antlers Program	C. Ron Allen
Drug Awareness	C. Ron Allen
Hoop/Soccer Shoot	Dick Schmitt, PER
Other Committees	
Banquet Hall Rental	Viola Treacy
Bar Manager	Gina Lambert
Bingo	Janelle Antoine
(Bulletin) Newsletter	Bruce Richard / exec44@optimum.net
Kitchen Manager	Viola Treacy
Golf Tournaments	Brian Murray
Queen of Hearts	Paula Slavinski
Softball	"Spike" Goddard
Webmaster	Bruce Richard / exec44@optimum.net
Atlantic High Football Mentoring Program	Dave Beaumont & Chris Edwards
Merchandise	Matt Pietrini

IMPORTANT CONTACTS

Elks USA: elks.org
Florida State Elks Assoc (FSEA): floridaelks.org
South South East District (SSE District): elksdistrict2000.org

To get your bulletin and event reminders by email, contact Patti Lydon at secretary@delrayelks.org



Elks Care - Elks Share

VETERANS: If you served in the armed forces of the U.S., email exaltedruler@delrayelks.org with your branch of service.

HOURS OF OPERATION

Monday - Friday **3 PM - 9 PM**
Saturday & Sunday **Noon - 9 PM**
Times may change at the discretion of the bartender.

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“MESSAGE FROM YOUR ER”

While we will continue to collect a little money for dues from delinquent members and new initiates, it will not be enough to support the Lodge’s operation. The return of our seasonal members should offset some of the shortfall. However, we need all members to patronize the Lodge to ensure that it survives and thrives. Stop by for Happy Hour on your way home from work. Come watch a football game or take part in one of the events put on by the Activities Committee. Back in May I said in this column that we would achieve our revenue target if every member spent at least \$540 by the end of the fiscal year (March 31). That statement is still true. So please come out and support your Lodge – especially if you haven’t been by in a while.

Fraternally yours,

Les Nelson

Exalted Ruler

exaltedruler@delrayelks.org

404-822-1194

SAVE THESE DATES

November 4, 7 p.m. – 9 p.m.	Wine Tasting
November 7, 6 p.m. – 9 p.m.	Quarter Auction
November 11, 9 a.m.	Hoop Shoot Delray Beach Community Center
November 11, 2:30 p.m.	Special Veteran’s Bingo
November 14, 7:30 p.m.	Elk’s General Meeting
November 23	Thanksgiving – Lodge Closed
November 30, 4:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	Blood Drive

SICKNESS AND DISTRESS

Please let the Secretary know of any member or their family member who is in distress, is in sickness or needs a helping hand.

Elks Care – Elks Share

Patti Lydon
secretary@delrayelks.org
(561) 278-1770



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS



Edward B McCarthy	01	Ray Heller	11	Raymond F Wiede	22
Alexander Vanderweert	01	Roger C Hull Jr	11	Mary Aperavich	23
Fiona Barone	02	Rhonda Lee Lang	11	Clement Dziedzic	23
Randy A Chavoor	02	Allen Carpenter	12	Joan I Davis	24
Christine Davies	02	Lanny Carter	13	John Mark Stifel	24
Rene Torriente	02	Michael Joseph Raglin	13	Ann Leone	25
Kathleen Drew	04	Richard Schmitt	13	Jaime Veccia	25
Kerri Jankee	04	Peter Dusinberre	14	Laura Carpenter	26
Thomas P Judge	04	Janet Meeks	15	Erik Eastham	26
Bernard Kohout	04	Patricia L Baker	16	Joan Fiumara	26
Jeff Costello	05	Peter Fitzpatrick	16	Timothy Knapp	26
Vera Palumbo	05	Joseph Petrillo	16	Chantele McLymont	26
Joseph Ramsey	05	Thomas Watson	16	Lesley Nygaard	26
Nora Hoover	06	Nicholas Garito	17	Jon Woertz	26
Michael Devoter	07	Ryan Tran	17	Eugenia Deponte	27
Nathan Gates	07	John Dicasimirro	18	Kim Dunbar	27
Carol Buerkert	08	Mario Fuentes	18	Robert Hayes	27
Sara S DeMuth	08	Terry Bernhardt	19	Jeff Cirminiello	28
Mary Alice Gwynn	08	Raymond Collins	20	Louis DiCarmine	29
Daryl Pregibon	08	Thomas C Koenig	20	Alex Berry	30
Robbie Stansifer	08	Susan Vidulich	20	Michael Butler	30
Frank Barbieri	09	Joanie Lingmerth	21	Gary Eliopoulos	30
David Johnson	10	Stephanie Winters	21	Michael Lamb	30
Shawn Lago	10	Jeffrey Young	21	Frank W Reis	30
Paul Schlater	10	Barb Ginn	22		

OUR LODGE OFFICERS



Exalted Ruler
Les Nelson



Esteemed Leading Knight
Danielle Smith



Esteemed Loyal Knight
Paula Slavinski



Esteemed Lecturing Knight
Bruce Richard



Secretary
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Chaplain
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Mitch Katz
5 Year Trustee



Eddie Sisko
4 Year Trustee



Doug England
2 Year Trustee



Victor Hewitt
1 Year Trustee

Not Pictured: Esquire Laurie Rogers

PAST EXALTED RULERS

1949-50	Rev. John L. Kellaghan	1968-69	Robert E. Brenner	1986-87	Warren Gidner	2004-05	Michael Rodriguez
1950-51	Chas. F. Lundsford	1969-70	Eugene Boggs PDDGER	1987-88	William Latour	2005-06	Howard Greenstein PDDGER
1951-52	Neil E. MacMillian	1970-71	Dennis W. McKessy	1988-89	George Debish	2006-07	George Fitzgerald
1952-53	Al C. Avery	1971-72	Gerald Rogne PDDGER	1989-90	Steve Tanella	2007-08	Rene Torriente
1953-54	N.G. Dean	1972-73	Seth Hawkinslebrity	1990-91	Wally Gies PDDGER	2008-09	Burt Morrison
1954-55	Jack E. Carver PDDGER	1973-74	Eugene Boggs PDDGER	1991-92	Frank C. Hills	2009-10	Richard Schmitt
1955-56	Geo. J. Stanton	1974-75	Dennis W. McKessy	1992-93	George Schmierer	2010-11	Jim Eaton
1956-57	N.G. Dean	1975-76	Jack Decker	1993-94	George Debish	2011-12	Jack Bazar
1957-58	Gene Mahlmeister	1976-77	Robert T. Jenson	1994-95	Fred Schick	2012-13	Wendy Huff
1958-59	Wm. H. Hall	1977-78	Alan Hart PDDGER	1995-96	Rick Bame	2013-14	Rick Bame
1959-60	Charlie A. Glenn	1978-79	Cliff Chapman	1996-97	Kenneth McCombs	2014-15	Michael Rodriguez
1960-61	A. Paul Young	1979-80	John S. Hager	1997-98	George E. Smith	2015-16	Michael Rodriguez
1961-62	H. Ed Pendergraft	1980-81	Wally Gies PDDGER	1998-99	Bud Shaffer	2016-17	F. Joe Altomare
1962-63	James Murphy PDDGER	1981-82	Roger Morse PDDGER	1999-00	Anthony Capparelli	2017-18	Michael Sinneck PDDGER
1963-64	George C. Davis	1982-83	Ben Dooley	2000-01	Michael Rodriguez	2018-19	Richard Snyder
1964-65	Edmund H. Putnam	1983-84	Ben Dooley	2001-02	Doug Moore	2019-20	Cecil Broderick
1965-66	Werner A. Rother	1984-85	George Gangler	2002-03	Peter Cattabriga	2020-21	Cecil Broderick
1966-67	R.G. Culhan	1985-86	Fred Schick	2003-04	Fred Schick	2022-23	Kathi Giordano
1967-68	Charles J. Rooney						

CHARITY SPOTLIGHT

OPERATION GRATITUDE

The West Palm Beach Veterans Administration Healthcare System will be collecting non-perishable food items from October 20th to December 20th to assist Veterans this holiday season.

Our Elks Lodge will be assisting Frank N. Sellers of Elks Veterans Service in the collection of non-perishable foods for the VA Pantry located at the West Palm Beach VA Hospital.

The needed non-perishable items are as follows:

Beef Jerky	Canned Soup
Peanut Butter	Spaghetti Sauce
Mustard	Multi-Vitamins
Ketchup	Bottled Water
Snack Bars	Sport Drinks
Mac & Cheese	

A collection box is located at the Lodge to accept your donations.

The Fisher House will also accept non-perishable food items as well as all home cooked meals. Fisher House located at the West Palm Beach VA Medical Center provides a place for military or veteran families to stay free of charge while a loved one is in the hospital. For additional information concerning this worthwhile case, please contact shelley.prickett2@va.gov.

WHAT'S NEW AND WHAT'S NOT WITH THE WEST PALM BEACH VETERANS ADMINISTRATION MEDICAL CENTER

If you have not gone to the Delray Beach CBOC on Linton Avenue, Delray Beach, you are missing a first-rate clinic. They have their own lab, they have a full Audiology Department, and they have three full time Check In staff members and two full time Check Out staff members. All your records at the West Palm Beach VA Medical Center or wherever your health care records are located are totally transferable. Any questions on this endeavor, feel free to contact Franks N. Sellers, WPB Representative at (714) 277-9456 or fchance708@yahoo.com.

OUR NEW MEMBERS – WELCOME



Pictured (left to right): Inner Guard Peter Morales, Esteemed Loyal Knight Paula Slavinski, Exalted Ruler Les Nelson, **New Member Daniel Rose**, District Deputy Mike Sinneck, **New Member Daniel Bleakley**, Esteemed Leading Night Danielle Smith, Trustee Eddie Sisko, and Esteemed Lecturing Knight Bruce Richard

DID YOU KNOW

A picture of the current Florida State President is on display in the Lodge lobby?

The FSEA (Florida State Elks Association) awards a plaque each year to the Lodge that has the highest percentage of membership gain in its membership division?

The FSEA awards a plaque each year to the top membership recruiter?

The FSEA holds an Americanism Essay Contest each year?

The Association (FSEA) has a Harry Anna Trust fund matching grant program?

The Lodge used its ten camperships to send kids to the Florida Elks Youth Camp last year?

Our Lodge officers make a firm commitment to attend all Lodge meetings?

The Lodge entered the Lodge Bulletin Contest sponsored by the FSEA Lodge Activities Committee?

That every lady of an Elk who is not an Elk is automatically a member of the Florida Ladies of Elks (FLOE)?

NOVEMBER 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 BOCA RATON GENERAL MEETING 7:30 PM BINGO 7:30 PM <i>Kitchen Open 6 PM-8PM</i>	2 LEFT RIGHT CENTER 6:00 PM	3 QUEEN OF HEARTS Tickets 5:30 PM-7 PM 7 PM Drawing <i>Kitchen Open 6 PM-8PM</i>	4 LODGE CLEAN UP - 9 AM BINGO 2:30 PM WINE TASTING 7:00 PM
5 Daylight Saving NFL FOOTBALL Starting at 1:00 PM 50/50 Raffle - 3:30 PM	6 MONDAY NIGHT DINNER 5:30 PM Texas Hold 'Em 7:00 PM	7 QUARTER AUCTION 6:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M.	8 BINGO 7:30 PM <i>Kitchen Open 6 PM-8PM</i>	9 LEFT RIGHT CENTER 6:00 PM	10 QUEEN OF HEARTS Tickets 5:30 PM-7 PM 7 PM Drawing <i>Kitchen Open 6 PM-8PM</i>	11 Veterans Day Special Veterans BINGO 2:30 PM <i>Patio Grill 1 PM-4 PM</i>
12 NFL FOOTBALL Starting at 1:00 PM 50/50 Raffle - 3:30 PM	13 MONDAY NIGHT DINNER 5:30 PM Texas Hold 'Em 7:00 PM	14 ELKS GENERAL MEETING <i>All Members Welcome!</i> 7:30 PM	15 BOCA RATON GENERAL MEETING 7:30 PM BINGO 7:30 PM <i>Kitchen Open 6 PM-8PM</i>	16 LEFT RIGHT CENTER 6:00 PM	17 QUEEN OF HEARTS Tickets 5:30 PM-7 PM 7 PM Drawing <i>Kitchen Open 6 PM-8PM</i>	18 HOOP SHOOT 9 :00 a.m. BINGO 2:30 PM <i>Patio Grill 1 PM-4 PM</i>
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ALL ELKS ARE BROTHERS AND SISTERS!

The Elks exist to inculcate the principles of Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity; to recognize a belief in God; to promote the welfare and enhance the happiness of its Members; to quicken the spirit of American patriotism; to cultivate good fellowship; to perpetuate itself as a fraternal organization, and to provide for its government, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America will serve the people and communities through benevolent programs, demonstrating that *Elks Care and Elks Share*.

We are a fraternal organization. The definition of fraternal is “or like a brother or brothers”. Every Elks member is our brother or sister. As such, when our brothers or sisters need assistance, we are always there to provide that assistance.

Boca Raton Lodge sold their Lodge building and needed a “place to stay” until they found another location to purchase. As our brothers and sisters, we accepted them with open arms. As our brothers and sisters, we do not expect anything in return for this help. To expect or require anything in return would be against everything the Elks stand for.

We are thankful that we have a “place to stay” for them during their transition. Anyone who has ever been an Elks officer, trustee or a member of the Board of Directors knows all of the responsibilities and problems that occur while running a Lodge. Having to worry where you will be able to house your Lodge during this transition is another burden that does not have to be carried by the Boca Raton Lodge.

If the “shoe was on the other foot”, rest assured that the Boca Raton Lodge would have reached out their hand as we had reached out ours. We are all in this together and we have to remember, especially in these trying times, that goodwill toward our fellow man is especially important. After all *Elks Care Elks Share...* both of which we are doing while taking care of our Boca Raton brothers and sisters.

REASON TO ATTEND LODGE MEETING REGULARLY!

To provide a forum for open discussion, planning and allocation of responsibilities, the Elks long ago found that regular meetings with an agenda are ideal for furthering Lodge goals. Meetings are set by each Lodge to accommodate the needs of its membership. Mark these days down on your calendar, and don't let minor distractions prevent you from attending. This practice will earn you the respect of your Lodge's true-blue Elks, its works and leaders.

Unlike meetings in the outside world, however, those held at your Lodge are firmly tied to the character of our Order. First and foremost, discussions are always conducted in an atmosphere of friendliness and tolerance, with concern for the self-esteem of colleagues, even those whom you may disagree on a particular subject. (Reprinted from “What It Means to Be An Elk.”)

It's apparent from the number of members that attend the Delray Beach Elks Lodge #1770 general meetings that the importance of the meetings has been lost to many members. To find out what is actually occurring in our Lodge, it is important that you attend the general meeting, if only occasionally. The members vote on important issues at every meeting. It is important that your vote be heard. It is the responsibility of every member to know the inner workings of the Lodge. Along with your vote, it is important that your voice is heard. Please attend our Lodge's next general meeting and learn what is going on.

ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS – WE NEED YOU!

Although the Covid pandemic is over, many of our members have not returned to the Lodge or participated in any of the many activities or events held at the Lodge.

Even though the Delray Beach Elks Lodge #1770 is a non-profit organization, the Lodge has expenses and overhead like any other business. The operation of the Lodge costs money...more money than what is received in dues.

The Lodge offsets these costs (mortgage, electric, payroll, building maintenance, cleaning supplies, etc.) by having various fundraising events. Bingo, raffles, bar receipts and meals (Patio Grill, the kitchen, and Monday Night Dinner), and the Pineapple Ballroom rentals are many of the ways the Lodge makes money to “pay the bills”.

Unfortunately, since Covid, the Lodge’s revenue stream has not recovered. Fewer people are attending our activities and events compared to pre-Covid. This causes a shortfall in revenues. These shortfalls are adversely affecting the operation and viability of the Lodge.

There is no other source of income for the Lodge. The Grand Lodge will not bail us out nor will the Florida State Elks Association. It’s up to the members of Delray Beach Elks Lodge #1770 to turn things around and make it possible for the Lodge to survive.

It is well known that, as members, you are constantly asked to donate to various foundations or causes within the Elks organization. Every donation to these outside entities is greatly appreciated. Unfortunately, sometimes charity must start at home. Although outright donations to our Lodge would be wholeheartedly accepted, your frequent attendance at the Lodge’s various events and/or activities at the Lodge goes a long way in providing the necessary revenue for the successful operation of the Lodge.

All of the events and activities are a win-win situation for the member. Whether it’s having a drink, playing Bingo, buying tickets to a raffle, or participating in any of the other events or activities, you receive the pleasure of the event or activity and the Lodge receives the needed revenue. Your very participation is a donation to the Lodge.

There are over 900 members of Delray Beach Elks Lodge #1770. If every member visited the Lodge once a week and spent a few dollars, it would provide all the financial resources that are so sorely needed.

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