

1770 News

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"MESSAGE FROM YOUR ER"



Members all.

Time for updates on some items which were discussed in previous newsletters:
Financial records and reports – Lodge Treasurer Maureen Gour has completed the reconciliation of over two years' worth of monthly bank statements and ensured that all income and expense entries are charged to their proper budget item.

Having this information available means that our accountant can now file our past 2 years of IRS forms 990 and 990-T, bringing us current with our tax obligations. We are engaging the services of a new accounting firm – DiRocco and Moss – to file these forms and to handle our future accounting needs. Not only is DiRocco and Moss much cheaper than our previous accounting firm, but they are also familiar with the finances of Elks Lodges since they have several other Lodges as their clients.

Maureen has also uploaded our budget into the Grand Lodge Financial Reporting System, bringing us into compliance with that item.

Our guests from Boca Raton Lodge 2166 – the camaraderie between our two Lodges continues to grow. Several Delray members have become regular players of the Monday Night Texas Hold-em games. And the Boca Lodge has graciously offered to give Chef Dick Schmitt a break by preparing upcoming Monday Night Dinners.

The House Committee – the new House Committee is up and running, having met twice during August. The committee co-continued on page 3

ELK OF THE MONTH

The Elk of the Month for September is not a single Elk, but rather an Elk family. Gary and Sandy Kerchner and their daughter Michele LaRocca are to be commended for their unwavering support of the Lodge's two weekly bingo games. Gary is the money man for both Wednesday and Saturday games. He counts the cash, determines the amounts of the jackpots, and handles all of the required financial recordkeeping. Sandy sells tickets on both Wednesdays and Saturdays. Michele sells tickets on Wednesdays and is the caller on Saturdays. Janelle Antoine, the Bingo Committee chairperson said, "They are incredibly dedicated. I could not do it without them!"

Thank you and congratulations Gary, Sandy, and Michele!



1770 **NEWS**

Published Monthly

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

Pay your dues online at DelrayElks.org

Replacement Membership Cards Now \$5

2023-2024 OFFICERS

TRUSTEES

Exalted Ruler - Les Nelson 5 Yr – Mitch Katz Loyal Knight - Danielle Smith 4 Yr - Eddie Sisko **Lecturing Knight -** Paula Slavinski 3 Yr – Vacant Tiler - Charlie Winter 2 Yr - Doug England Esquire - Laurie Rogers 1 Yr - Victor Hewitt

Secretary - Patti Lydon, secretary@delrayelks.org Treasurer - Maureen Gour, treasurer@delrayelks.org

Chaplain - Lori Stoffer Inner Guard - Peter Morales

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 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.

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



LODGE COMMITTEES

Accident & Prevention Eddie Sisko **Auditing & Accounting** Mike Borsos

Building & Grounds Tim Garito & Eddie Sisko Diane Evans

Government Relations 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 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

Harry-Anna Trust Fund (FSEA)

Membership Indoctrination Investigation

National Veterans Service

Other Activities **Public Relations** Relief Committee **Youth Activities**

> **Antlers Program Drug Awareness** Hoop/Soccer Shoot

Other Committees

Banquet Hall Rental Bar Manager Bingo

(Bulletin) Newsletter Kitchen Manager

Golf Tournaments Queen of Hearts Softball

Webmaster Atlantic High Football Mentoring Program Dave Beaumont & Chris Edwards

Merchandise

Charlie Winter

Mitch Katz

Mike Sinneck, PER, PDDGER

Cindy Howard

Cindy Howard & Maureen Gour

Maureen Gour Charlie Winter Laurie Rodriguez Danielle Smith All Chair Officers

C. Ron Allen C. Ron Allen Dick Schmitt, PER

Viola Treacy Gina Lambert Janelle Antoine

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Matt Pietrini

IMPORTANT CONTACTS

Elks USA: elks.org

Florida State Elks Assoc (FSEA): floridaelks.org

South South East District (SSE District): elksdistrict2000.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 Saturday & Sunday 3 PM - 9 PM Noon - 9 PM

Times may change at the discretion of the bartender.

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"MESSAGE FROM YOUR ER"

chairs are Shelle England and Barb Slavinsky. Linda Richard is the committee secretary. The remaining two members are Joe Altomare PER and Ron Voss.

Building repairs – the Board of Directors has tentatively selected a contractor to complete the roof repairs at a cost of \$115,650. The focus now is to raise the funds to pay for these repairs. To that end, a letter has been sent to all members asking for donations. A new bank account has been opened specifically for easily tracking the income and expenditures related to this effort. Monthly statements will be posted on the Lodge bulletin board every month that itemize all of this account's activity.

Finally, I would like to thank our Special Reps Jerry Miller and Denise May-Carter and Trustee Doug England for donating the food for the Labor Day picnic to be held September 4, allowing all members to eat for free. So when you see the representatives, thank them not only for their efforts on behalf of our Lodge, but also for their contribution to our end-of-summer celebration. I hope everyone has a safe and happy Labor Day holiday!

Fraternally yours,

Les Nelson

Exalted Ruler exaltedruler@delrayelks.org 404-822-1194

THE HOUSE COMMITTEE

Shelle England Co-Chairperson
Barb Slavinsky Co-Chairperson

Joe Altomare PER

Member

Ron Voss Member

DATES TO REMEMBER

September 4, Noon - 4 p.m. Membership Appreciation Picnic

September 7, 5 p.m. – 8 p.m. NFL Kick Off Party

September 11, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. Veterans Brunch

September 23, 7:00 p.m. Country Western Night

October 12, 5 p.m. – 7 p.m. Sip and Shop

Stay Current on All Lodge Activities on our website – delrayelks.org!







SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS







Donald Daugherty Jr	01	James C Nolan	09	Mariagnes Murray	24
John Kennedy	01	William Black	11	Michael R Hockton	25
Andrew Meller	01	Paula Slavinski	11	Robert Enos Jr	26
Peter Grosso	02	Matthew Vanden Bosch	11	Dale Hall	26
Carrie Jane Miller	02	Patricia Young	11	Josephine Krokus	26
Patricia Tozzi	02	Jaime Lesane	12	Barbara Ann Slavinski	26
Kelli Freeman	03	Mayank Patel	12	Peggy Cooper	27
Joesph McCleneghen	03	Richard A Petti	12	Matthew Kessler	27
SandraOsterloh	03	Michael Caruso	14	Johnny Nilsen	27
Marci Culpepper Todd	03	Paul Charles	14	Theresa Bowman	28
Deborah Totten	03	Viola Treacy	14	Charles Carey	28
James A Merman	04	Sara Boyce	16	Suzanne Champagne	28
Andrew Moschetto	04	David Hoover	16	Taylor Lang	28
Amelia R Price	04	Scott Miller	18	Laurie Osborne	28
Paul Brick	05	Susan Toth	18	Mark Chiarolanzio	29
Lawrence Vocatura	05	Michael Frohman	19	Joseph DeSantis III	29
William Branning	06	Brian Dunn	20	Timothy Hennessy	29
Terry Creasman	06	Margaret Hughes	20	Jennifer Johnson	29
Julie Jacobson	06	Jeanne Johnston	21	Michael J Sinneck	29
Edward Riggin	06	Amanda Rose	22	Lori Stoffer	29
Kelly Tilles	07	Robert Carson Bohunucky	23	Julie Caler	30
Rodrigo Vera	07	Mark Caulfield	23	Jeffrey Siehien	30
Dana Roberts	08	James McGuire	23		
Shan Hussain	09	Phyllis A Baxter	24		
Rachel Meyung	09	Ronald E Getschow	24		

OUR LODGE OFFICERS



Exalted Ruler Les Nelson



Esteemed Loyal Knight Danielle Smith



Esteemed Lecturing Knight Paula Slavinski



Patti Lydon



Treasurer Maureen Gour



Charlie Winter



Inner Guard Peter Morales

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						

LODGE OF SORROW

A Noble Elk has fallen...Pierced by the arrow of Death. His faults forgotten. His virtues cherished.

Ken Fried Jack Wright

"We shall meet, but we shall miss Him, there will be the vacant chair. But though we no more possess him, still our Hearts His memory bear."



To Our Elks Friends,

We deeply appreciate and wish to thank you for all the kind thoughts and expressions of sympathy extended during our recent loss.

> The Family of Kenny Fried

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 <u>secretary@delrayelks.org</u> (561) 278-1770

COUNTRY WESTERN NIGHT FOR CYSTIC FIBROSIS



Hope y'all are rounding up your cowboy hats and boots and getting ready for the Country Western Night Fundraiser for Cystic Fibrosis. This event is a Lodge favorite and has been happening for nearly five decades. It's back, for the first time since COVID, on September 23rd and the committee has been working to make it as memorable as years past.

Crew. Ticket price is \$60 per person and can only be purchased by Elk members. This includes all you can eat and drink, games and raffles.

There will be a limited number of tickets sold this year (up to 250) and each member will be limited to a maximum of 10. Tickets can be purchased at the bar. Hurry, tickets are going fast for this fantastic event.

We can't make this happen without you, so join the fun and volunteer. Contact Paula Slavinski (pslavinski444@aol.com), Shelle England (shellengland@yahoo.com) or Cindy Howard (cindy_howard14@yahoo.com) to sign-up or catch us at the Lodge.

Don't forget about the Big Boot 50/50 Raffle. Tickets are \$20 with the chance to win up to \$5,000, if all tickets are sold. It's a win/win for you and the Cystic Fibrosis charities supported by this raffle.



SEPTEMBER 2023

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CHARITY SPOTLIGHT

Harry Anna Investment Fund, Inc.

Of everything that the Florida Elks do, perhaps nothing is more important than our work with the state's youth. Sowing the accomplishment and commitment through our Florida Elks Children's Therapy Services and Florida Elks Youth Camp programs, children are given the opportunity to grow and learn beyond their dreams.

The trust fund - started in 1951 - was named after Harry and Anna Miller who donated land and a building to establish the original Florida Elks Hospital for Crippled Children. Its purpose



was, and continues to be, the collection of donations and the acceptance of endowed gifts.

The trust fund is restricted, which means that only the income derived from it may be used to support our major projects: the Florida Elks Children's Therapy Services and Florida Elks Youth Camp programs.

An online donation is the quickest and easiest way to support our trust fund efforts.

A contribution to the trust fund is a tax deductible donation to a U.S. tax code 501(c)(3) organization.

Delray Beach Elks Lodge #1770 has a long history of contributing to the trust fund. Our Lodge supports this trust fund through donations collected with our annual dues.

Only recently, the Lodge voted to become a sustaining donor and you can too. floridaelks.org and click on the Harry-Anna Trust Fund box in the middle of the page. Only \$19 a month allows you to become a sustaining donor. As a sustaining donor, you will be recognized by the Florida Elks by having your name listed in the Florida Elks magazine.

Thanks to an anonymous benefactor, every member who establishes a sustaining donation to the Harry-Anna Trust Fund during the months of September and October will receive a \$4 drink card good at our Lodge. Simply present the email acknowledgement from the Harry-Anna Trust Fund to the bartender to receive your drink card.





DID I FORGET TO PAY MY ELKS DUES?

NOT TO WORRY...THERE ARE THREE EASY WAYS TO PAY YOUR DUES:

- 1. ONLINE AT delrayelks.org.
- 2. TO THE BARTENDER AT THE LODGE.
- 3. MAIL A CHECK TO THE LODGE SECRETARY AT 265 N.E. 4th AVENUE, DELRAY BEACH, FL 33483.

RENEW TODAY!!

NOTE: If you have paid your dues, you can pick up your membership card at the Lodge from the bartender.

THE WANDERING ELKS

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Hey 1770!

Another busy Month of August for Herri and I as we finally turn south after heading into our 6th month on the road and it has been bittersweet. We had to bid farewell to our traveling "Neighbors" JL and Michele Snowden. We can't tell you how valuable a compatible couple is for enhancing the quality of your camping experience. The laughs, preparing meals, side trips, campfires, and games played have all been memorable. I kept a running total of all games played (138) and we squeaked out 3 game victories in our "CAMPETITION '23". Wherever we went with them, the

local Lodges said we were the most fun visiting Elks they ever had! They are True Ambassadors for the Elks and "can't thank them enough".

We headed back to Vermont for my family reunion and were lucky enough to have Bennington, VT Elks #567 – one block from downtown and only a mile from my event. As usual we parked in the back of the parking lot next to a regal old event space that had one water/electric hook up. The closest we could have camped was miles away and this lodge was a blessing. We only spent a couple of nights (and a few cocktails in the lounge) there and headed to Saratoga NY, only an hour or so away. We met another distinguished Delray Elk, Karl Alterman and his great friends at the famous Saratoga Thoroughbred Raceway, a beautiful wooden grandstand racetrack and the oldest in the U.S. Elks Lodge #161 hosted us and we were able to park the Airstream 1.8 miles from the track during the peak of the race season was unbelievable. The downtown Best Western was charging \$500 a night and the Elks \$25! That's a lot of extra to spend at the track and the cool downtown. I got a full tour of the facilities and met some very nice people, (who like all the lodges we visited) have members come down south for the winter. I hope they stop by and visit us so I can reciprocate the kindness. The Lodge has, besides its nice wooded back of lot parking area (2 hook ups for RV's), but also a 4 lane bowling alley in their basement. They have their own leagues there...Pretty Cool!

As we at last got on the southern route, we popped in at the Hanover PA Elks Lodge #763, established in 1902, because it was near my favorite place...ALDUS Brewery...Home of the Pretzel Beer... great German beer with a buttery pretzel taste (bought three cases)!! Like a lot of Lodges, Covid hurt them bad with people not coming out as much but they were slowly making a comeback. Super friendly and welcoming members who we wish the best in recovering. It's a shame what the pandemic scare did to our Lodges and small business but only the Strong Survive. I sure hope everyone pitches in to make our Lodge one of those that survive. One more month or so and we will be back. Hope it cools down or I'm headed back to the mountains!!



Que Sera Sera, RIP and Herri Jankee Only \$15 for members \$25 for non-members per line puts your name on the list for a FULL YEAR

BOOSTERS

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NOVEMBER 2023

Marilyn King

MARCH 2024

John "Jack" Wright

MARCH 2024

Mary Wilson In memory of Elk Harry Drager

Bruce and Linda Richard

MAY 2024

Mary Wilson Thank you to Elk R.B. Kent, Lodge #2163

JUNE 2024

Les Nelson In memory of Bobbie Nelson (Lodge 1526)

NOVEMBER 2024

Chris & Kathleen Aiello In memory of Richie Lewis

DECEMBER 2024

Doug & Shelle England In memory of Absent Members

APRIL 2025

"Moon" & Sue

APRIL 2027

Patrick J. Connolly USMC Korea

JANUARY 2028

Donald & Elizabeth Marra

Booster Form

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*The USPS prohibits the inclusion of financial, insurance and travel businesses in order for us to continue our non-profit mailing rates. Also, ELKs Grand Lodge prohibits including insignia or mention of Elks.

We would like to encourage all Elks members who own a small business (or large business for that matter) to advertise in our newsletter. With over 900 members, your advertising dollars will go a long way.

It's easy...follow the instructions in the application next to this article and the membership will begin seeing your advertisement in the next newsletter. Your advertisement definitely helps the Lodge fulfill its mission.

NEW ELK MEMBERS

Congratulation to our new Elk members.



(Pictured left to right - new members in bold)
Dick Schmitt PER, Trustee Doug England, Esquire Laurie Rogers, Tiler Charlie
Winter, **Sharon Reilly, Judith Martin-Hume,** Lecturing Knight Paula Slavinski and ER
Les Nelson.









NFL SUNDAY TICKET RETURNS THIS SEASON TO OUR LODGE.

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