

# 1770 News

BENEVOLENT & PROTECTIVE ORDER OF ELKS #1770

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# "MESSAGE FROM YOUR ER"



\* \*Teamwork! \* \*

Teamwork is the collaborative effort of a group of individuals working together to achieve a common goal.

The Exalted Ruler of a lodge is akin to a head coach on a sports team, always striving to bring out the best in both players and staff. I feel fortunate to work alongside dedicated Elks who

understand that our most important task is to collaborate in pursuit of our common objectives.

Many of you have heard me express that I welcome all ideas, and I have tried to uphold that promise. To date, we have organized some fantastic events, and I am excited to announce that even more are planned. All our upcoming events are guided by our Elks principles.

On September 11th and 13th, we will honor our fallen first responders and raise funds to support first responders around the world. On October 28th, we will welcome the Brotherhood Ride as they travel through Florida to raise money for the families of fallen heroes. Additionally, the Activities Committee has events scheduled for August and September. Our Golf committee has set the date of October 12th for our next tournament. You can find information about these events in our newsletter, as well as through the email and SMS messages we send.

To my coaches and players, thank you for all your hard work. If anyone is interested in joining this wonderful team of dedicated volunteers, please reach out to any of your lodge officers.

See you on the field!

Fraternally yours,

Cecil Broderick

Exalted Ruler

## **ELK OF THE MONTH**

This month's Elk of the Month is a dedicated member of our lodge who tirelessly ensures that everyone is served and greeted with a smile. Whether you are a local member or a visitor from another lodge, she always welcomes you warmly and makes you feel at home.

Working behind the bar at an Elks Lodge is no easy task; you are not just serving customers, but also the owners. In addition to her work at the bar, she also assists our rental customers in the Pineapple Ballroom, often putting in late hours.

Our Elk of the Month is a 16-year member of our lodge, known to many as Mom, Grandmother, and Friend. But I prefer to call her Lillyann.

Congratulations, Lillyann Rosetta Desantis, on being named Elk of the Month! Mom would be proud!!.



## **1770 NEWS**

**Published Monthly** 

Dues of \$148 are due April 1st every year

## Pay your dues online at DelrayElks.org

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## 2025-2026 OFFICERS

Exalted Ruler - Cecil Broderick PER Esteemed Leading Knight - Joseph

Civitano, Jr. PDDGER

Esteemed Loyal Knight - Marilynn DePalma 2 Yr - Jeff Aubrey Esteemed Lecturing Knight - William 1 Yr - Victor Hewitt

(Bill) Rogers

Tiler - Charlie Winter Esquire - Paul Byrne Secretary - Patti Lydon Treasurer - Les Nelson Chaplain - Lori Stoffer

Inner Guard - Vacant

## **TRUSTEES**

5 Yr – Mike Sinneck PDDGER

4 Yr – Laurie Rogers

3 Yr - Ken Goatley

## **HOUSE COMMITTEE**

Chairperson - Vacant

Christine Smith Matthew Deak Linda Dezic

## **DUES AND FEES** 2025-2026

Application\$	50
Member Dues\$1	48
Life Member Dues\$	81
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	

## 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** Tim Gorrito Auditing & Accounting Mike Borsos

**Building & Grounds** Victor Hewitt & Tim Gorrito

**Government Relations** Community Activities

Blood Bank Jim Stanton Local Scholarships Laurie Rogers Student & Teachers Award Ted Hoskinson

Lodge Activities Chair

Americanism Annual Awards Elk/Officer/Citizen

Army of Hope Elks Memorial Day Service Elks National Foundation Support Elks National Foundation Scholarships Vacant

Elks National Foundation Grants

Flaa 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

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Bingo

Softball

(Bulletin) Newsletter Kitchen Manager **Golf Tournaments** Queen of Hearts

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Janelle Antoine Pat Raalin Kathleen Glvnn **Butch Aubrey** 

Linda Dezic & Charlie Winter

"Spike" Goddard Les Nelson

Atlantic High Football Mentoring Program Dave Beaumont & Chris Edwards

Suzy Sims

## **IMPORTANT CONTACTS**

Elks USA: elks.org

Florida State Elks Assoc (FSEA): floridaelks.org

South South East District (SSE District): elksdistrict2000.org



**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 - 8 PM

Times may change at the discretion of the bartender.







# AUGUST BIRTHDAYS









Thomas Jensen	01	George Morrissey	12	Eric West	21
Allison Sjaardema	01	Judie Tippett	12	Michael Lynch	22
James Kochersperger	02	Matthew Wolf	12	Timothy Kennedy	23
Lindsey Mattioli	02	Stephen Alexander	13	Jamie Laughlin	23
Karen Salamon	02	Holli Brisson	13	Donald Quinty	23
Karen Malyakas	03	Aaron Stevens	13	Billy Black	24
Edward Nassan	04	Thomas Gallagher	14	Steven Brill	25
Peter Ream	04	Richard Bruno	15	Robert Dodson	25
Linda Fried	06	S Byard	15	Brian Murray	25
Carol Mennuti	06	Chuck Mc Donald	15	James Norelius	26
Kevin Rickard	06	Christy Bruder	16	Lee Berkowitz	27
George Roth	06	Jacquelyn DeWaal	16	Susan Ervasti	27
David Gwynn	07	Barbara Donnelly	17	Douglas Hart	27
Alfred Kennemer	07	David Henninger	17	Francis Altomare	28
Joseph Anselmo	80	Courtney Lucas	17	John Backer	28
Michael Davison	80	John McInerney	17	Morgan Hennessey-Housman	28
Kevin Smith	80	Charles Nail	17	John Van Sant	28
Tyler Adams	09	Patricia Wilson	17	Dorothy DeFalco	29
Theodore Hoskinson	10	Linda Cavasini	18	Mark Hajduch	29
Mark Lipper	10	Lynda Gillespie	18	Daniel O'Sullivan	29
Linda DiNoto	11	Dorothy Tome	18	Mary Ellen Wazorko	29
Joseph Grillo	11	Everett Eaton	19	Jerry Guthrie	30
Thomas Panik	11	Joseph Griffin	19	Christopher Little	30
Steven Hober	12	Zachary Ellison	20	Kathy Barker	31
William Mason	12	Shane Glazer	21		

# SHARK Week!

By Shelle England, Activities Coordinator

Shark Week was new to our Lodge this year. We are very happy for the support shown by everyone.

We try to provide new and different activities for our members. We never know if we're on the "right track", so to speak, until we see how our members support the event. The special Monday night seafood dinner was a good indication that members like "special dinners". We will try to do more.

The Sunday Goodbye to "Shark Week" was also a good time. The DJ was very entertaining. Bar trivia and Jell-O shots added to the fun! The Nacho Bar was a main attraction as well.

Thanks to the Kitchen Committee crew!

The "Shark Basket" was a favorite of the week, and winner Mary Hall was very excited. Janelle Antoine won the second draw for the shark candy.

Thanks to all the volunteers and to those who supported us by attending!





















## Join Us in Honoring Our Heroes: Two Inspiring Events at Delray Beach Lodge #1770

Delray Beach Lodge #1770 invites you to join us this September for two heartfelt events dedicated to honoring and supporting our first responders, both at home and around the world. These evenings of remembrance, community, and giving are opportunities for all of us to come together in support of those who selflessly serve.

## 911 REMEMBRANCE

## Thursday, September 11th -- 6:30-8:30 pm

Paying tribute and remembering our first responders, join us for this special evening as we join with our supporting partner, the Brotherhood Riders, in honoring our new 2025 Palm Beach County honorees.

Delray Lodge #1770 will welcome locally our Riders on Tuesday, Oct. 28th from 3 to 4 p.m.

The 9/11 evening will include:

- A ceremony in remembrance of 9/11 First Responders
- Honor donation dinner with hamburgers, hot dogs, and more
- 50/50 raffle & raffle baskets

We'll also honor the 2025 Palm Beach County honorees:

- Police Officer Jeremy Boykins West Palm Beach PD
- Deputy Sheriff Ignacio "Dan" Diaz PBSO
- Corporal Luis Paez PBSO
- Deputy Sheriff Ralph "Butch" Walter, Jr. PBSO



Learn more about the Brotherhood Ride at www.brotherhoodride.com.

## First In Last Out Fundraiser Saturday, September 13 I 6:00-9:00 PM

Come out for an evening of music, food, and fundraising to benefit **First In Last Out**, a non-profit providing life-saving equipment to under-resourced fire departments around the world.

- Live music
- Honor donation dinner featuring BBQ pulled pork, chicken & fixin's
- Autographed sports memorabilia & silent auction
- 50/50 raffle & raffle baskets
- Guns and Hoses Corn Hole Tournament

Founded by Elks Member Thomas DiBucci, "First In Last Out" is a 501(c)(3) and 509(a)(2) public charity making a global difference. Learn more at <a href="https://www.FirstInLastOut.Partners">www.FirstInLastOut.Partners</a>.

Let's come together to honor, remember, and support those who are first in and last out. We look forward to seeing you there!



## Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America A Fraternal Organization

# Stuart Howitt South Southeast District Vice President

4015 West Palm Aire Drive, Apt 1003 • Pompano Beach, FL 33069-4178 (954)658-8198 (c) • stuhowitt@gmail.com

July 8, 2025

To:

Members of the South-South East District

From:

Stuart Howitt, District Vice President

Subject:

President's Visit

During the weekend of August 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> 2025, our District will have the honor of entertaining our State President Michael Chandler, his wife Caroline, along with our State Vice President at Large, Jeff Muehlfeld, and his lady, Francisca.

Their expected arrival is at 4PM on Friday the 8th, and they will be staying at the Residence Inn by Marriott located at 2880 Center Port Circle, Pompano Beach FL. 33064. It is hoped that many of you will be there to greet them during their arrival. That evening, a dinner is planned at Hollywood West Lodge beginning at 6PM for cocktails and dinner.

On Saturday, breakfast will be served at Oakland Park Lodge at 9AM for his party and members. Following breakfast, they will visit the newly purchased Boca Raton Lodge beginning at 10:30AM. Lunch will be served by Boca Raton Lodge at 12 noon. Afterwards, their party will return to the hotel to rest for dinner. Dinner is planned for 6PM at Pompano Beach Lodge where cocktails and dinner will be served.

It is hoped that many of you will attend these functions to show your support for our State Officers, and our District. Saturday night dinner is the highlight of his visit, and we can expect to hear him speak and present awards to our District Lodges.

Dress for Friday dinner and Saturday breakfast and lunch is business casual. Saturday night dress is business attire, with men wearing jackets.

Attached you will find a reservation form for each meal, and it is expected that you will return it with payment prior to August 4<sup>th</sup> so that each Lodge may properly prepare enough food for everyone. My goal is to have at least 20 or more members from each Lodge at the 2 dinners as we want to make a good impression of our District to him.

I look forward to seeing you during this weekend.

Stuart Howitt

"Helping Hands"



"Changing Lives"



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MEALS RESERVATIONS FOR THE PRESIDENTS VISIT OF AUGUST 8 AND 9 20250

Dinner will be at Hollywood West Lodge	-	oer person.
The meal will feature Honey Garlic Chic Number of people to attend #Name		Cost
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Please mail this form and payment for the total of the weekend to Stuart Howitt at the address above. Make checks payable to Donna Powers



"Helping Hands"



"Changing Lives"

Lodge #1770 Delray Elks August 2025

# August 2025

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Delray Elks Lodge #1770

Sunday

## Fundraiser for Fire Depts Patio Grill 1 - 3 pm 6 to 9 pm Special Dinner First In Last Out starts at 2 pm Patio Grill 1 - 3 pm starts at 2 pm Patio Grill 1 - 3 pm Patio Grill 1 - 3 pm Bingo Saturday starts at 2 pm Bingo Bingo September 2025 13 Kitchen open! **Drawing 7pm Drawing 7pm** Drawing 7pm Kitchen open! Drawing 7pm Kitchen open! Kitchen open! Ticket Sales 5:30 - 7 pm Friday 12 **Honor Donation Dinner** Patriot Day **Brotherhood Ride** 6:30 - 8:30 pm IN BUSIN Thursday Fundraiser I RUSIA I BUSIN 4 17 Constitution Day DO N DO Wednesday Rosh Hashanah Everyone welome! Everyone welome! Lodge Meeting Lodge Meeting Delray Elks **Delray Elks** 7:30 PM 7:30 PM 16 23 ~ Q Texas Hold 'Em 7 pm Texas Hold 'Em 7 pm Texas Hold 'Em 7 pm Labor Day

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Football? We have the NFL Sunday Ticket!

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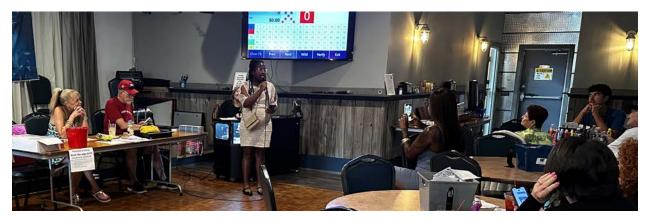
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# **Antler Bingo Provides School Supplies as Prizes**

Thank you to all Elks who supported the Antler Bingo school supply event on Saturday, July 26. The money collected from selling bingo balls and a generous donation from Brian and Mary Murray, as well as special chocolate chip cookies made by Elaine O'Shea! Thanks also to those who donated special "lighted" backpacks and supplies – which were donated to a local Delray Beach school...Shelle England, Patti Lydon, and Joe Civitano Jr.

Nadine, the current President of the Lodge #1770 Antler group, is an 8th grader who has been in the program for several years under the coordination of C. Ron Allen. Nadine prepared a nice speech about the program and the things they have done.













# Gigi returns to the Ballroom!

By: Suzy Sims

Event planner Sylvana "Gigi" Dominguez isn't performing on **Dancing with the Stars**, but she's bringing her time and talents to our Pineapple Ballroom. After a brief time away, she's back with more creativity, passion and excitement than ever before.

As owner of her own company, "Gigi Party Rental" for 13 years, this event planner extraordinaire is off and running by booking special events for Elks Lodge #1770.

To kick things off, she'll be displaying her company and the Pineapple Ballroom with a slideshow at the Wedding Expo Aug. 24, at the South Florida Fairgrounds with 500 visitors expected to visit. And there's more. Much more.

Next up "Gigi Party Rental & Pineapple Ballroom" presents A Labor Day Bash here at the Lodge Saturday, Aug. 30th from 9 pm to 1 am. We'll be celebrating the beauty, rhythm and flavors of Hispanic culture with a live 6-piece band. A cash bar and finger food will be available for purchase plus raffles throughout the night. For reservations, call Gigi at 754-245-0571.

A former mobile stress technician as a medical radiology assistant, she and her husband, Ivan, who have been married for 33 years, are the parents of four grown daughters who now have two grandchildren. Ivan, who is a software engineer with Ford, often assists her with the business. They are team players and are known for giving back to this community we call Delray Beach. This is what Elkdom is all about.

"I'm passionate about this Ballroom with its endless possibilities," Gigi said.

The Pineapple Ballroom is already booked for the month of December with only one open day. She's looking forward to scheduling wedding showers and receptions, class reunions, engagement and bachelorette parties, retirement celebrations along with baby showers too. A Halloween Bash is in the works, along with a New Year's Eve celebration.

Welcome back to the family Ivan and Gigi. The rest of our year and next are so promising for our Pineapple Ballroom with your company at the helm.

We're sure to win the Mirror Ball trophy.



FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO APPLY, PLEASE VISIT

FLORIDAELKS.ORG/HOPE-SCHOLARSHIP

# **Next Resin Class**

# Tuesday, August 5 at 6:30PM

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## **APRIL 2025**

"Moon" & Sue

## **AUGUST 2025**

Mary Wilson

In memory of Elk Harry Drager

## **OCTOBER 2025**

Donald & Linda Widell

## **NOVEMBER 2025**

Doug & Shelle England

## **APRIL 2027**

Patrick J. Connolly USMC Korea

## **JANUARY 2028**

Donald & Elizabeth Marra

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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.

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THANK YOU	
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Thank you for participating in the blood drive at Elks Lodge 1770 Delray on Thursday, June 26, 2025	
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## PINEAPPLE BALLROOM RENTALS

Call Sylvana "Gigi" Dominguez at 561-287-3512 or 754-245-0571 pineappleballroom@delrayelks.org



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