



# 1770 News

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## "MESSAGE FROM YOUR ER"



### Greetings everyone.

June has arrived, bringing with it our first Golf Tournament. I hope you have already signed up to play or have sponsored a hole. The funds we raise will support our NFL sports programming. Thank you!

June brings back fond memories for me, especially from my childhood spent summers in Sag Harbor, NY, at my parents' summer home. I can still recall the smell of the ocean, the warm summer breezes, and riding my bicycle with friends

into town for ice cream. There was a profound sense of freedom that little Cecil couldn't quite grasp. Freedom, as defined in the dictionary, is "the quality or state of being free: the absence of necessity, coercion, or constraint in choice or action." This concept allowed us to grow up carefree, unless of course, we did something wrong, leading Mom and Dad to curtail that freedom. (LOL, that's a conversation for another newsletter.)

However, ironically, freedom does not come free. I want to take a moment to honor our members and families who have worn the uniform of our great nation and made sacrifices—some even with their lives—so that little Cecil could dream, play, and have the opportunities to pursue those dreams. My inner child and I express our heartfelt gratitude for your service and sacrifices, which enable us to truly understand the meaning of freedom.

On Saturday, June 21st, we will hold a breakfast in your honor from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. All members and their families are encouraged to attend as we pay tribute to those who have given us this opportunity.

**"May we think of freedom, not as the right to do as we please but as the opportunity to do what is right."**

*Fraternally yours,*

**Cecil Broderick**

Exalted Ruler

## ELK OF THE MONTH

**Susan (Suzi) Simms.** Suzi is responsible for our merchandise at the Lodge. She took over an area that needed improvement and, as a result, has increased our sales to well over \$4,000 during her time here.

Suzi dedicates her efforts to finding and stocking our inventory with new and exciting products. Be sure to stop by the display case in the lounge to check out the latest Delray Beach Elks merchandise. If you're at the lodge on Friday evenings during Queen of Hearts, please swing by the pool table and thank Suzi for her hard work.

Thank you, Suzi, for all that you do!



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

**Pay your dues online at [DelrayElks.org](http://DelrayElks.org)**

**Replacement Membership Cards Now \$5**

### 2025-2026 OFFICERS

**Exalted Ruler** - Cecil Broderick PER  
**Esteemed Leading Knight** - Joseph Civitano, Jr. PDDGER  
**Esteemed Loyal Knight** - Marilyn DePalma  
**Esteemed Lecturing Knight** - William (Bill) Rogers  
**Tiler** - Charlie Winter  
**Esquire** - Paul Byrne  
**Secretary** - Patti Lydon  
**Treasurer** - Laurie Rogers  
**Chaplain** - Lori Stoffer  
**Inner Guard** - Vacant

### TRUSTEES

5 Yr - Mike Sinneck PDDGER  
 4 Yr - Laurie Rogers  
 3 Yr - Ken Goatley  
 2 Yr - Jeff Aubrey  
 1 Yr - Victor Hewitt

### HOUSE COMMITTEE

**Chairperson** - Vacant  
 Christine Smith  
 Matthew Deak  
 Linda Dezic

### DUES AND FEES 2025-2026

Application.....\$50  
 \* Member Dues .....\$148  
 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.

## LODGE COMMITTEES

<b>Accident &amp; Prevention</b>	Tim Gorrito
<b>Auditing &amp; Accounting</b>	Mike Borsos
<b>Building &amp; Grounds</b>	Victor Hewitt & Tim Gorrito
<b>Government Relations</b>	Diane Evans
<b>Community Activities</b>	
Blood Bank	Jim Stanton
Local Scholarships	Vacant
Student & Teachers Award	Ted Hoskinson
<b>Lodge Activities Chair</b>	
Americanism	ER
Annual Awards Elk/Officer/Citizen	ER
Army of Hope	Charlie Winter
Elks Memorial Day Service	Michael Sinneck
Elks National Foundation Support	Paul Byrne
Elks National Foundation Scholarships	Vacant
Elks National Foundation Grants	Janet Meeks & Mitch Katz
Flag Day Service	Mitch Katz & DJ Lee
Harry-Anna Trust Fund (FSEA)	Mike Sinneck, PER, PDDGER
Membership	ER & Patti Lydon
Indoctrination	ER & Patti Lydon
Investigation	Patti Lydon
National Veterans Service	Charlie Winter
<b>Other Activities</b>	Shelle England
<b>Public Relations</b>	Vacant
<b>Relief Committee</b>	All Chair Officers
<b>Youth Activities</b>	
Antlers Program	C. Ron Allen
Drug Awareness	C. Ron Allen
Hoop/Soccer Shoot	Vacant
<b>Other Committees</b>	
Banquet Hall Rental	Helen Gagliardi
Bar Manager	Gina Lambert
Bingo	Janelle Antoine
(Bulletin) Newsletter	Pat Raglin
Kitchen Manager	Kathleen Glynn
Golf Tournaments	Butch Aubrey
Queen of Hearts	Linda Dezic & Charlie Winter
Softball	"Spike" Goddard
Webmaster	Les Nelson
Atlantic High Football Mentoring Program	Dave Beaumont & Chris Edwards
Merchandise	Suzy Sims

### IMPORTANT CONTACTS

**Elks USA:** [elks.org](http://elks.org)  
**Florida State Elks Assoc (FSEA):** [floridaelks.org](http://floridaelks.org)  
**South South East District (SSE District):** [elksdistrict2000.org](http://elksdistrict2000.org)

To get your bulletin and event reminders by email, contact Patti Lydon at [secretary@delrayelks.org](mailto:secretary@delrayelks.org)



**Elks Care - Elks Share**

**VETERANS:** If you served in the armed forces of the U.S., email [exaltedruler@delrayelks.org](mailto:exaltedruler@delrayelks.org) with your branch of service.

### HOURS OF OPERATION

**Monday - Friday**      **3 PM - 9 PM**  
**Saturday & Sunday**      **Noon - 8 PM**  
*Times may change at the discretion of the bartender.*



**JOIN YOUR FELLOW ELKS AND GUESTS  
ON SUNDAY, JUNE 8, 2025**

for the Delray Beach Elks Memorial Golf Tournament at  
**INDIAN SPRINGS COUNTRY CLUB**  
11501 El Clair Ranch Rd, Boynton Beach, FL 33437

Enjoy Breakfast Burritos and Bloodies  
starting at 7:00 AM, with a shotgun start at 8:30 AM.  
Lunch will be served at the lodge following the tournament.



Registration is \$90.00 and can be done at the lodge or by scanning this QR code.

**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

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

THERE SHOULD BE NO DISCUSSION OF LODGE BUSINESS IN THE SOCIAL QUARTERS.  
PLEASE BRING YOUR CONCERNS TO A LODGE BOARD MEMBER AND  
ATTEND THE LODGE MEETINGS ON THE 2ND AND 4TH TUESDAY OF THE MONTH.

**PLEASE OPEN YOUR EMAIL**

Currently, only 51% of our members take the time to open the emails sent to them by the Lodge. These emails are sent in the form of an email blasts via Constant Contact. They contain useful, up to date information concerning events and activities at the Lodge. Last minute schedule changes or cancellation are sent out via these email blast. Efforts are made to minimize the number of emails that are sent out. Please open these mails when you receive them.



# JUNE BIRTHDAYS



Mary Odell	1	Jose Lopes DeAlmeida	13	Kenneth Golden	23
Richard Tobey	1	Peggy Kelleher	14	Helen Gagliardi	24
Henry Abadia	2	BJ McCormick	14	Charles Lewis	24
Donald Terrence Ball	2	Howard Spencer	14	John Campanola	25
Ralph Browning	4	Cathy Gibson	15	Melissa Garito	25
George Stanton	4	Doris Wildrick	15	Kenneth McCombs	25
Melissa McCormick	5	Mary Ellen Winters	15	Paul Kessler	26
Edward Siska	6	Josephine Conte	16	Cliff Malings	27
Peter Salato	7	Diane Valmer Heibert	16	Laura Schraeder	27
Wendy Huff	8	Franklin Rodriguez	16	Jamie Tozzi	27
Nick Sadowsky	8	Tina Bellina Cornelius	17	Michael Kilbourne	28
Judith Martin-Hume	9	Renee Dixon	17	John Pape	28
Peter Troup	9	Elena Colombo	18	Stephanie Walsh	28
Kelly Alexander	10	Lisa Lutton	18	Connie Zanoni	28
Roger DeCapito	10	Sherri Scholz	18	John Zanoni	28
Robert Hancock	10	Michael Maggio	19	Allen Glass	29
Lisa Adair	11	Billy Greenberg	20	Lee Payne	30
Raymond Robert Link	11	Patricia Keim	20	Michael Provenzano	30
Michael Crabb	12	Lynne Lavanco	20	Charles Winter	30
Mark Hendrickson	12	Russell Coats	21		
Karen Walker	12	Elise Marie Nail	22		

## PER Association Updates

April 21, 2025





















- The Association welcomes PDD Joe Civitano, from Delray Beach and Brenda Moskowitz from Boca Raton
- \$15 annual member dues should be paid by the May meeting. Fourteen members have paid thus far.
- 2025-26 Officers
  - ♦ President – Open
  - ♦ Vice President – Gina Albright
  - ♦ Secretary – Open
  - ♦ Treasurer – Donna Powers
  - ♦ Chaplain – Larry Kessler
  - ♦ Sergeant at Arms – Marty Truss
- South Autism Gala meeting will be held on Sunday, May 4th at Pompano. The Gala is scheduled for October 17, 2026, at the Embassy Suites on Belvedere Road in West Palm Beach. Lunch (reservations) at noon and meeting at 1 pm. This is our kickoff meeting. Volunteers are needed. Sponsors – those who can afford big donations – are needed.
- District project will be discussed more at the next meeting.
- Endorsed DVP Stu Howitt reported:
  - ♦ He will visit lodges to recruit help and donations. His theme is hockey – he is raffling hockey jerseys.
  - ♦ State President's visit is on August 9th and 10th.
    - Hollywood West will host Friday night dinner.
    - Oakland Park will host Saturday breakfast.
    - Boca Raton will host Saturday lunch at Pompano.
    - Pompano Beach will host Saturday night's dinner.
- It was moved and seconded that the PER Association and the PDD Advisory Council each purchase a \$100 Reverse Draw ticket for Convention.
- PDD Joe Civitano is planning an event for veterans on June 21st at Delray Beach. Details to follow.
- Jim Blanchard encouraged all to look into Office Depot discount cards.
- Vinny Como was pleased that all lodges were represented at the clinic. District Membership Chair Gloria Hamze will be putting out a monthly membership report. Secretaries will gather the information and get it to her.
- The District Calendar is set, has been approved by all ERs, and has been sent to all lodges.
- The District Social, scheduled for May 17th, has been cancelled due to lack of response.
- Next year's District Dinner will be a District Awards Night. Possible awards could be for HATF donations, Sustaining Donors, ENF donations, scholarships, membership, etc. It is scheduled for March 7, 2026 – tentatively at Boca Raton's new home (if completed)
- Jerry Carter, District Esquire, reported that the district averaged 63-64 members per installation.
- Reminder that all ERs are invited to come to our meetings.
- Grand Lodge focus is on membership and orientation. Our district lost about 43 members – we have 1700+ members now. We are small, but we are most generous with our giving to charity.
- The next PER Association meeting will be held on May 19, 2025, hosted by Boca Raton – location to be determined.

# June 2025



Delray Elks



















Lodge #1770

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Texas Hold 'Em 7 pm	3	4	5 L-C-R Game 	6  Tickets 5:30 - 7 pm Drawing 7 pm Kitchen Open!	7  Patio Grill 1 - 3 p.m. 2:00 PM
8 Elks Memorial Golf at Indian Springs CC Breakfast 7 am Shotgun Start 8:30am	9 Texas Hold 'Em 7 pm	10	11  7:30 PM Kitchen Opens 6 pm	12 L-C-R Game 	13  Tickets 5:30 - 7 pm Drawing 7 pm Kitchen Open!	14  Patio Grill 1 - 3 p.m.
15 	16 Texas Hold 'Em 7 pm	17 Delray Elks Lodge Meeting 7:30 PM Everyone welcome!	18  7:30 PM Kitchen Opens 6 pm	19 L-C-R Game 	20  Tickets 5:30 - 7 pm Drawing 7 pm Kitchen Open! First day of summer	21 Veteran's Brunch 11am  Patio Grill 1 - 3 p.m. 2:00 PM
22	23 Texas Hold 'Em 7 pm	24	25  7:30 PM Kitchen Opens 6 pm	26 L-C-R Game 	27  Tickets 5:30 - 7 pm Drawing 7 pm Kitchen Open!	28  Patio Grill 1 - 3 p.m. 2:00 PM
29	30 Texas Hold 'Em 7 pm	1 Delray Elks Lodge Mtg 7:30 pm Please join us!	2  7:30 PM Kitchen Opens 6 pm	3 L-C-R Game 	4  Tickets 5:30 - 7 pm Drawing 7 pm Kitchen Open!	5  Patio Grill 1 - 3 p.m. 2:00 PM
6	7					

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## Delray Elks July 2025



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2  Starts at 7:30 pm Kitchen Opens at 6 pm	3  <b>L-C-R Game</b>	4 	5  starts at 2 pm Patio Grill 1 - 3 pm
6	7 Texas Hold 'Em 7 pm	8 Delray Elks Lodge Meeting 7:30 PM Everyone welcome!	9  Starts at 7:30 pm Kitchen Opens at 6 pm	10  <b>L-C-R Game</b>	11 Ticket sales - 5:30 - 7 pm Drawing 7pm Kitchen open! 	12  starts at 2 pm Patio Grill 1 - 3 pm
13	14 Texas Hold 'Em 7 pm	15	16  Starts at 7:30 pm Kitchen Opens at 6 pm	17  <b>L-C-R Game</b>	18 Ticket sales - 5:30 - 7 pm Drawing 7pm Kitchen open! 	19  starts at 2 pm Patio Grill 1 - 3 pm
20	21 Texas Hold 'Em 7 pm	22 Delray Elks Lodge Meeting 7:30 PM Please Join Us!	23  Starts at 7:30 pm Kitchen Opens at 6 pm	24  <b>L-C-R Game</b>	25 Ticket sales - 5:30 - 7 pm Drawing 7pm Kitchen open! 	26  starts at 2 pm Patio Grill 1 - 3 pm
27 Parents' Day	28 Texas Hold 'Em 7 pm	29	30  Starts at 7:30 pm Kitchen Opens at 6 pm	31  <b>L-C-R Game</b>		

## Committee Corner from Shelle England

The Activities Committee thanks everyone who helped make the Derby Day Party a success, including those who attended. There were winners all around: Hat Contest winners -- Kerri Jankee & Marilyn dePalma for the ladies and Joe Civitano Jr for the men. There were table races winners, and anyone who enjoyed the fun and food were winners! Be sure to keep checking your Newsletter, Constant Contact emails, flyers in the lounge and any other media outlets that will make you aware of events at the Lodge. Your fellow Elks are happy to see you at the Lodge.



# Elk Leaders Attend Local Convention

## HELP NEEDED AT LODGE #1770

Our Lodge is looking for a Treasurer (CFO) who has experience with QuickBooks and general accounting knowledge. The chosen candidate will collaborate closely with our Secretary (COO) to maintain the lodge's financial records.

If you or someone you know possesses these skills, please send an email to [exaltedruler@delrayelks.org](mailto:exaltedruler@delrayelks.org).



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Doug & Shelle England

### APRIL 2027

Patrick J. Connolly

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### JANUARY 2028

Donald & Elizabeth Marra

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## Blood Donor HONOR ROLL

Thank you for participating in the blood drive at  
Elks Lodge 1770 Delray on Thursday, May 1, 2025

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