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EXALTED RULER MESSAGE



To My Fellow Members of DeLand Lodge 1463,

Welcome to October. October is in full swing. Although the leaves are not turning colors here, you can tell everyone is “fall ready”. I know that I am! It's hard to believe that the year for Lodge Offices is already half over.

A couple of quick mentions. A big shout out to Trish Figueredo for her Line Dancing Lessons. If you haven't been to one yet, it is an amazing time. Bingo started last month. Thank you to Bob Sari and Dean Yeager for making Bingo successful. Please come out to join the next Bingo night. It will be held the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month. The Shuffleboard Tournament is in full swing. Come out and support the teams every Thursday starting at 6:30pm. Let’s see which Team will be crowned Deland Elks Shuffleboard Champions.

The next District Vice President visits from Wayne Becraft are on October 3rd in Parm Coast, October 17th in Port Orange, and October 31st in Ormond Beach. All members are encouraged to attend. Please do not hesitate to reach out to me or our lodge secretary with any questions you may have. Please email the Lodge Secretary @ elksclub1@gmail.com to RSVP if you would like to attend.

I would like to take a moment to talk about the Elks National Foundation (ENF). ENF is a huge part of how we as an Elks Lodge can provide support to the community such as Love Like Lindsey Love, Elementary Schools, House of Hope etc. ENF provides Lodges Grant Money so that we can help those in need in the community. These Grants are all possible because of donors to ENF. Please take a second to see if you would like to be a part of the Deland ENF Sustaining Donor Team. You can donate as little as $5 a month. The donation is taken directly out of your checking monthly. Please reach out to Frank Scalia or me if you have any questions about ENF or if you would like to sign up.

Members, come on down to PER Wednesdays. Each Wednesday the PER's will be serving up a home cooked meal with each PER taking turns serving their favorite dish. Come down and have a great meal, take advantage of all the Lodge has to offer on PER Wednesdays. Activities down at the Lodge are happening. Every other Friday is music or karaoke and of course the Queen of Hearts.

The next 3 months are busy for the lodge. We have:
- Deland Homecoming on October 16th
- People Loving People Cornhole Tournament on October 24th
- Our lodge Halloween party on October 30th (cost is $10 per person). Come dressed in your best Halloween costume and enjoy the night with DJ Craig. Food is included.

- Love Like Lindsey Loved Cornhole Tournament - November 7th during the day. (We will need Volunteers for this event)
- Our 2nd Annual CASINO NIGHT will be on November 7th at 6pm.

- The Lodge's Annual Friendsgiving (Thanksgiving) Event on November 22nd.
- Deland Christmas Parade on December 5th.







I always like to revisit our Elk principles, Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love, and Fidelity. Things that make us who we are as a fraternal organization and individual members of society. It may have been a while since we have taken our obligation but nonetheless, we as members of the BPOE are held to a standard to follow the obligation whether in or outside of the Lodge. On August 20th we will be having an initiation for new members. I encourage members to come support the new candidates and listen again to the obligation as these new candidates begin their journey into Elkdom.

In closing I am thankful to be a Deland Elk. Our focus together as a Lodge will still be to help the community in every way we can, including assisting our veterans and children. I want to encourage each of you to find something at the Lodge that inspires you, moves you or sparks your interest. Please don't hesitate to raise your hand, we have so much to do. There is something for everyone.

Please refer to the Weekly Blast, the Lodge Calendar (https://calendar.google.com/calendar/u/0/r?cid=NTI2NzFmZjRiODFjOTU3Mjk1MGJhNTdlNjZiMDY2OWU3ZGM2YTQxN2I3NjcxNjQwZGMyMzkzNDM0MGYxMGQyNEBncm91cC5jYWxlbmRhci5nb29nbGUuY29t&es=3&pli=1), and our website at www.delandelks.com for more info on the happens at the lodge.

Fraternally Yours,

Keith Klimas
Exalted Ruler
Deland Lodge 1463

DELAND ELKS LODGE #1463 OFFICERS 2026-2027

Exaulted Ruler	Keith Klimas
Leading Knight	Bob Sari
Loyal Knight	Jennifer Hopson
Lecturing Knight	Scott Browning
Secretary	Alicia VanOpdorp
Treasurer	Barbara Thompson
Tiler	Sam Kirkland
Esquire	Robert Dick
Chaplain	Anita Nixon
Inner Guard	Larry Drumb
Organist	Frank Scalia
Lodge Advisor	Dean Yeager, DDGER
1st Year Trustee	Dave McCCranie, PER
2nd Year Trustee	Dean Yeager, DDGER
3rd Year Trustee	Scott Sandersfield, PER
4th Year Trustee	Mark Thompson, PDDGER
5th Year Trustee	Glen Fanning, PER
Committee	Chairman Name
Accident Prevention Sub	Dave McCranie, PER
Americanism	Glen Fannin, PER
Auditing & Accounting	Dave McCranie, PER
Bar Manager	Bob Sari, PER
Christmas Parade	Bob Sari, PER
Community Projects & Activities	Caroline Fannin
Drug Awareness Education	Keith Klimas, ER
Elks National Foundation Fundraising	Frank Scalia
Elks Training	Glen Fannin, PER
ENF Grants Coordinator	Glen Fannin, PER
ENF Scholarships	Dean Yeager, PER
Government Relations	Scott Sanderfield ,PER
Harry-Anna Trust Fund	Glen Fannin, PER
Hoop Shoot	Glen Fannin, PER
Kitchen Manager	Donna Knott
Lodge Activities	Caroline Fannin
Lodge Rentals	Lisa Browning
Membership	Dave McCranie, PER
Orientation	Keith Klimas, ER
PER Association	Glen Fannin, PER
Public Relations	Jennifer Hopson
Ritual	Scott Browning
Soccer Shoot	Scott Browning
Standing Relief	Bob Sari
Veterans Services	Glen Fannin, PER
Youth Activities	Caroline Fannin

During the 2025-26 Lodge year, the Elks of Florida donated $471,823.98 to the Elks National Foundation. This year, the Foundation will give back the following:

These grants support Florida's major charitable project, as well as other philanthropic projects. Portions of these grants will also support your state's Drug Awareness Program, Hoop Shoot, Soccer Shoot and educational programs.

State Charities Grant: **$329,900.00**
Special Projects Grant: **$263,860.00**
Bonus Grant: **$67,610.00**

We will award a total of 33 Most Valuable Student scholarships to high school seniors from Florida. In addition, we will award up to 10 Legacy scholarships to children, grandchildren and stepchildren of Elks.

Most Valuable Student: **$132,000.00**
Legacy Award: **$60,000.00**

We also provide the Elks National Veterans Service Commission with funding to support its volunteers working in veterans hospitals and medical centers.

Funding for VAVS Volunteers:
$29,100.00

Grand Total: $882,470.00

That's a ratio of **1.870** for every dollar the Foundation received from Florida last year. And that doesn't even include the money Lodges in your state will get back through our **Community Investments Program**.

For the 2025-26 fiscal year, for example, we awarded a total of **$1,165,000.00** to 87 Florida Lodges.

For more information about the Elks National Foundation, contact your local chairman or write us at Elks National Foundation, 2750 N. Lakeview Ave., Chicago, IL 60614, **enf@elks.org**.





Club Honor Roll

The following members of the ENF Fidelity Club support the ENF on a regular basis via direct debit or recurring credit card donations. Not only are these members supporting an important cause, they're also helping the ENF reduce administrative expenses. We thank them for their ongoing commitment! You can join this list for as little as $5 a month

Mr. Mark Burger	**Mr. David B. McCranie**
Mr. Donald Callison	**Mr. John McLoughlin**
Mr. Bob Dick	**Mr. Brian Mears**
Mr. Dan Dragonetti	**Mr. Micheal Nadeau**
Mr. Lawrence Drumb	**Ms. Anita C. Nixon**
Ms. Caroline Fannin	**Mr. William Nixon**
Mr. Glen Fannin	**Ms. Donna Nott**
Mr. G. M. Fannin	**Ms. Sheila Parsons**
Mrs. Elizabeth Grumhaus	**Mr. Scott Sandersfield**
Mr. William Grumhaus	**Mr. Robert Sari**
Ms. Jennifer Hopson	**Mr. Frank V. Scalia**
Mr. Matthew Hopson	**Mrs. Lynn Smith**
Mr. Robert Kirkland	**Mr. Mark F. Thompson**
Ms. Gina Klimas	**Mrs. Barbara Thompson**
Mr. Keith Klimas	**Mrs. Alicia M. VanOpdorp**
Mrs. Kathleen Long	**Mr. Dean R. Yeager**

Birthday Celebration

Jess	Parker	03		Frank	Brunacci	14
Tammi	Collins	05		Harper	Hill	14
Carolyn	Denton	05		Gregory	Goulding	15
William	McCorvey	06		Jerry	Coffey	16
Lionel	Hector	07		Roger	Baugher	17
Craig	Clifton	08		Frank	Dunn	18
Christopher	Folsom	08		Jill	Sather	18
Joseph	Hennessy	10		Gary	Aalbregtse	19
Chip	Haverty III, PER	11		Laura	Trentham	19
Kerry	Hines	11		Christopher	Carroll	20
Mark	Rapone	11		Dawne	Ranken	20
Pat	Patterson Jr	12		Frank	Frakl	23
Alonda	Potts	12		Paul	Hollinger	25
C Mark	Kincaid	13		Steven	Nealon	29

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DELAND ELKS CALENDAR Holidays in United States

Oct 2026 (Eastern Time - New York)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27 LODGE CLOSED	28 LODGE CLOSED 7pm - SCOUTS	29 LODGE CLOSED	30 5pm - LODGE OPEN 6pm - PER NIGHT: Scott-Cheesesteaks 6:30pm - CUB SCOUTS	1 5pm - LODGE OPEN 6pm - DINNER 6:30pm - SHUFFLEBOARD	2 5pm - LODGE OPEN 6pm - DINNER 8pm - QUEEN OF HEARTS	3 LODGE RENTAL-BINGO FOR JSL-NEED 12pm - LODGE OPEN-STETSON HOME 5pm - VICE PRESIDENT VISIT TO PALM
4 LODGE CLOSED 10am - HALLOWEEN DECORATING AT	5 6:30pm - HOUSE COMMITTEE MEETING 7pm - SCOUTS	6 LODGE CLOSED	7 5pm - LODGE OPEN 6pm - PER NIGHT: BOB & DONNA 6:30pm - CUB SCOUTS 6:30pm - PER MEETING	8 5pm - LODGE OPEN 6pm - DINNER 6:30pm - MEET & GREET/ORIENTATION 6:30pm - SHUFFLEBOARD 7pm - BEGINNER LINE DANCE LESSON!	9 5pm - LODGE OPEN 6pm - DINNER 8pm - QUEEN OF HEARTS	10 9am - LODGE SOCCER SHOOT 5pm - PER STEAK NIGHT
11 LODGE CLOSED	12 Columbus Day 6pm - TRUSTEE MEETING 6:30pm - LODGE MEETING 7pm - SCOUTS	13 LODGE CLOSED	14 5pm - LODGE OPEN 6pm - PER NIGHT: SCOTT 6:30pm - CUB SCOUTS 6:30pm - PER BINGO NIGHT 7pm - BEGINING LINE DANCING WITH	15 8:30am - LODGE RENTAL-FIRST CHOICI 5pm - 5 PM: LODGE OPEN 6pm - DINNER 6:30pm - SHUFFLEBOARD	16 4pm - LODGE RENTAL-CLASS OF 2006 4pm - LODGE RENTAL-PAVILION : need 5pm - LODGE OPEN 6pm - DINNER: KEITH'S PULLED PORK 8pm - NO QUEEN OF HEARTS	17 LODGE RENTAL-FOOTBALL 12pm - LODGE OPEN-STETSON HOME 5pm - VICE PRESIDENT VISIT TO PORT
18 LODGE CLOSED 12pm - LODGE RENTAL (1 BARTENDER	19 LODGE CLOSED 7pm - SCOUTS	20 LODGE CLOSED	21 5pm - LODGE OPEN 5pm - LODGE RENTAL-REPUBLICAN CL 6pm - PER NIGHT: GLEN 6:30pm - CUB SCOUTS	22 5pm - LODGE OPEN 6pm - Lisa - Birthday Dinner -TBD 6:30pm - INITIATION 6:30pm - SHUFFLEBOARD 7pm - BEGINNER LINE DANCING WITH	23 5pm - LODGE OPEN 6pm - DINNER 8pm - QUEEN OF HEARTS	24 PEOPLE LOVING PEOPLE CORNHOLE
25 LODGE CLOSED	26 LODGE CLOSED 7pm - SCOUTS	27 LODGE CLOSED	28 5pm - LODGE OPEN 6pm - PER NIGHT: DAVE 6:30pm - CUB SCOUTS 6:30pm - PER BINGO NIGHT	29 5pm - LODGE OPEN 6pm - DINNER 6:30pm - SHUFFLEBOARD	30 Halloween Party 5pm - LODGE OPEN 6pm - DINNER 8pm - NO QUEEN OF HEARTS	31 Halloween 12pm - LODGE OPEN-STETSON HOME 5pm - VICE PRESIDENT VISIT TO

PER STEAK NIGHT

★ GREAT FOOD. GREAT PEOPLE. GREAT CAUSE. ★

Join us at

DELAND ELKS LODGE #1463

for a fun evening of great food!

Your **PAST EXALTED RULERS ASSOCIATION** will be serving up a delicious dinner featuring a **JUICY STEAK**, **BAKED POTATO**, and **SALAD**.



DATE: Saturday, October 10, 2026

LOUNGE OPENS: 4:00 PM

DINNER SERVED: 6:00 PM

ONLY **$30** PER STEAK DINNER

$35 AT THE DOOR IF THERE ARE ANY UNSOLD STEAKS THE DAY OF THE DINNER.

Don't Miss Out! PRE-PAY TODAY TO RESERVE YOUR STEAK DINNER!

PLEASE PRE PAY FOR YOUR TICKETS ON THE WEBSITE, THE QR CODE ON THE RIGHT, OR BARTENDER.

DEADLINE IS OCTOBER 5TH.

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Thank you for supporting the Elks and our community!

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Want to stay up-to-date on *everything happening* at the lodge?

Don't miss out on events, dinners, raffles, and special announcements!

CHECK OUT OUR **FACEBOOK PAGE!**

VISIT OUR WEBSITE: **DELANDELKS.COM**

Make it a habit to stay **INFORMED AND INVOLVED—** *there's always something happening!*

Your Lodge is more than a place... **IT'S A COMMUNITY.** *Stay Connected!*

★ ★ ★ DELAND ELKS LODGE – *Bringing Members Together* ★ ★ ★ ★