



THE CHRONICLE

MAY 2026

EXALTED RULER MESSAGE



To My Fellow Members of DeLand Lodge 1463,

May is upon us and so is the Summer Months. The new year brings the renewal of our Membership Dues. If you have not remitted your dues, please do so ASAP. This can be done in the Social Quarters or online at DeLandElks.com.

A couple of quick mentions for April. Thank you to the members who joined in to our second visit to the First Step Shelter. We prepared lunch for the residents, served lunch and then visited with them after. What a great feeling to see these residents enjoy a good meal, company and a conversation. Our next visit will be May 30th. Please reach out to Caroline Fannin if you would like to get on the volunteer calendar.

I would like to take a moment to talk about the Elks National Foundation (ENF). ENF is a huge part 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 if you have any questions about ENF or if you would like to sign up.

Members, we are now in our 2nd year using a bulk texter program that will provide lodge happenings, special events or urgent communication to our member base by text. This form of communication is optional and if you wish to opt out, just reply with "STOP". Just a reminder that if you text back, you will not receive a response. Please direct all questions to Facebook, email, or the lodge. If you have recently changed your cell phone number or if you are not sure we have the most up to date information, please do not hesitate to email Alicia at Elksclub1@gmail.com with any updates you would like to provide. We will always continue to look at ways we can better keep members informed about all the great happenings here at your Elks Lodge.

The District Vice President visits will be starting in June, with the first being on June 27th, here at our own lodge. Please check the monthly calendar to see the date of the visit for each of the Lodges. All members are encouraged to attend. Please do not hesitate to reach out to me with any questions you may have.

The New Year brings us a chance 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 none the less, we as members of the BPOE are held to a standard to follow the obligation whether in or outside of the Lodge. On May 14th we will be having initiation for the 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.

April 29th kicked off of the next Shuffleboard Tournament. 8 Teams have signed up to see who will take home the title of the Deland Elks Champions. The tournament will be every Wednesday. During Wednesday evenings we will be bringing great drink and food specials for the members to enjoy as you cheer on your favorite Shuffleboard Team.

The Florida State Elk's Convention is May 21st- 23rd. If you have never been there, it is a great experience to meet other Elks from across the state. Information can be found at floridaelks.org.

Members, come 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.

Just a quick reminder about Elkdom. Let us all make sure we treat each other with respect and Brotherly Love. We are all brothers and sisters under the Benevolent and Protective Order of the Elks. Be it in the Social Quarters, the Lodge Room or wherever it may be, let us be good to one another.

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 and raise your hand to help. 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, 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



EXALTER RULER

KEITH KLIMAS



LEADING KNIGHT

BOB SARI, PER



LOYAL KNIGHT

JENNIFER HOPSON



LECTURING KNIGHT

SCOTT BROWNING



SECRETARY

ALICIA VANOPDORP



TREASURER

BARBARA THOMPSON



TILER

SAM KIRKLAND



ESQUIRE

ROBERT DICK



CHAPLIN

ANITA NIXON



INNER GUARD

LARRY DRUMB



ORGANIST

FRANK SCALIA



LODGE ADVISOR

MARK THOMPSON, PDDGER



1 YEAR TRUSTEE

DAVE McCranie, PER



2 YEAR TRUSTEE

DEAN YEAGER, PER



3 YEAR TRUSTEE

SCOTT SANDERSFIELD, PER



4 YEAR TRUSTEE

MARK THOMPSON, PDDGER



5 YEAR TRUSTEE

GLEN FANNIN, PER

COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

ACCIDENT PREVENTION	BOB SARI, PER
AMERICANISM	KEITH KLIMAS, ER
AUDIT & ACCOUNTING	DAVE McCRANIE, PER
BAR MANAGER	BOB SARI, PER
CHRISTMAS PARADE	BOB SARI, PER
COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES	CAROLINE FANNIN
DRUG AWARENESS	KEITH KLIMAS, ER
ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION	FRANK SCALIA
ELKS TRAINING	KEITH KLIMAS, ER
ENF GRANTS COORDINATOR	KEITH KLIMAS, ER
ENF SCHOLARSHIPS	DEAN YEAGER, PER
GOVERNMENT AWARENESS	SCOTT SANDERSFIELD, PER
HARRY ANN TRUST	KEITH KLIMAS, ER
HOOP SHOOT	GLEN FANNIN, PER
HOUSE COMMITTEE	KEITH KLIMAS, ER
KITCHEN MANAGER	DONNA KNOT
LODGE ACTIVITIES	CAROLINE FANNIN
LODGE BULLENTIN	DEAN YEAGER, PER
LODGE RENTAL	LISA BROWNING
MEMBERSHIP	DAVE McCRANIE, PER
ORIENTATION	KEITH KLIMAS, ER
PER ASSOCIATION	DEAN YEAGER, PER
PUBLIC RELATIONS	JENNIFER HOPSON
RITUAL	SCOTT BROWNING
SOCCER SHOOT	SCOTT BROWNING
STANDING RELIEF	BOB SARI, PER
VETERAN SERVICE	SCOTT SANDERSFIELD, PER
YOUTH ACTIVITIES	CAROLINE FANNIN

Birthday Celebration

Collin	Nadeau	01		Gary	Hand	18
Patti	Palmer	01		Brian	Zipse	18
Tracy	Wilham	02		Patti	Clem	19
Scott	Sandersfield, PER	03		Randy	Dye	19
Jeff	Caruso	04		Christopher	Cartin	20
Lynn	Smith	04		Kathleen	Sage	21
Kristen	Binning	05		Randy	Dean	22
Ken	Franklin	05		Walter	Quick, Sr.	22
Gary	Felton	06		A	Keller	25
Sandra	Kessinger-Hand	09		Rodney	Opperman	25
Matthew	McLoughlin	13		Leslie	Scull	25
Charles	Williams, Jr.	13		Donald	Williams	26
Scott	Eames	14		John	Patterson	28
John	Clifton	15		Tom	Seefried	28
Kenneth	Zagers	17		Naomi	Curry	29
Guy	Caruthers	18		James	Viers	29

DELAND ELKS LODGE 1463

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26 LODGE CLOSED	27 LODGE CLOSED 7pm - SCOUTS	28 LODGE CLOSED	29 8am - LODGE RENTAL- 5pm - LODGE OPEN-RENAE 6pm - PER NIGHT-DAVE'S 6:30pm - CUB SCOUTS	30 5pm - LODGE OPEN-RENAE 6pm - STAVROS FOOD TRUC	1 5pm - LODGE OPEN 6pm - QUEEN OF HEARTS 6pm - STAVROS FOOD TRUC	2 LODGE CLOSED 3pm - PER STEAK
3 LODGE CLOSED 8am - POP WARNER	4 6:30pm - HOUSE COMMITTE 7pm - SCOUTS	5 Cinco de Mayo LODGE CLOSED	6 5pm - LODGE OPEN 6pm - PER NIGHT-BOB AND 6:30pm - CUB SCOUTS 6:30pm - PER MEETING 7pm - BUNCO	7 5pm - LODGE OPEN 6pm - DINNER-BAR MENU 6:30pm - MEET &	8 5pm - LODGE OPEN 6pm - DINNER 6pm - QUEEN OF HEARTS 6:30pm - KARAOKE WITH	9 LODGE CLOSED
10 LODGE CLOSED Mother's Day	11 6pm - TRUSTEE MEETING 6:30pm - LODGE MEETING 7pm - SCOUTS	12 LODGE CLOSED	13 5pm - LODGE OPEN 6pm - PER NIGHT 6:30pm - CUB SCOUTS	14 5pm - LODGE OPEN 6pm - DINNER-ANN LEWIS'S 6:30pm - INITIATION	15 5pm - LODGE OPEN 6pm - DINNER 6pm - QUEEN OF HEARTS	16 EAST CENTRAL DISTRICT LODGE CLOSED
17 LODGE CLOSED	18 LODGE CLOSED 6pm - LODGE RENTAL-POP 7pm - SCOUTS	19 LODGE CLOSED 7pm - VETERAN BINGO @	20 5pm - LODGE OPEN 5pm - LODGE RENTAL- 6pm - PER NIGHT 6:30pm - CUB SCOUTS	21 STATE CONVENTION		23 LODGE CLOSED
24 STATE CONVENTION LODGE CLOSED	25 LODGE CLOSED Memorial Day 7pm - SCOUTS	26 LODGE CLOSED	27 5pm - LODGE OPEN 6pm - PER NIGHT 6:30pm - CUB SCOUTS	28 5pm - LODGE OPEN 6pm - DINNER - Joan &	29 5pm - LODGE OPEN 6pm - DINNER-MEATBALL 6pm - QUEEN OF HEARTS 6:30pm - KARAOKE WITH	30 LODGE CLOSED
31 LODGE CLOSED	1 6:30pm - HOUSE COMMITTE 7pm - SCOUTS	2 LODGE CLOSED	3 5pm - LODGE OPEN 6pm - PER NIGHT 6:30pm - CUB SCOUTS 6:30pm - PER MEETING	4 5pm - LODGE OPEN 6pm - DINNER 6:30pm - MEET &	5 5pm - LODGE OPEN 6pm - DINNER 6pm - QUEEN OF HEARTS 6:30pm - KARAOKE WITH	6 LODGE CLOSED

DELAND ELKS CALENDAR, Holidays in United States

Sun May 3, 2026

All day **LODGE CLOSED**

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8am **POP WARNER**

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Mon May 4, 2026

6:30pm **HOUSE COMMITTEE MEETING**

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7pm **SCOUTS**

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Tue May 5, 2026

All day **Cinco de Mayo**

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All day **LODGE CLOSED**

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Wed May 6, 2026

5pm **LODGE OPEN**

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6pm **PER NIGHT-BOB AND DONNA'S MEXICAN LASAGNA**

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6:30pm **CUB SCOUTS**

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6:30pm **PER MEETING**

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7pm **BUNCO**

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Thu May 7, 2026

5pm **LODGE OPEN**

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6pm **DINNER-BAR MENU WITH CHEF GARY**

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 6:30pm MEET & GREET/ORIENTATION

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Fri May 8, 2026

 5pm LODGE OPEN

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 6pm DINNER

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 6pm QUEEN OF HEARTS

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 6:30pm KARAOKE WITH CRAIG

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Sat May 9, 2026

All day LODGE CLOSED

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Sun May 10, 2026

All day LODGE CLOSED

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All day Mother's Day

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Mon May 11, 2026

 6pm TRUSTEE MEETING

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 6:30pm LODGE MEETING

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 7pm SCOUTS

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Tue May 12, 2026

All day LODGE CLOSED

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Wed May 13, 2026

 5pm LODGE OPEN

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 6pm PER NIGHT

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 6:30pm CUB SCOUTS

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Thu May 14, 2026

 5pm LODGE OPEN

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 6pm DINNER-ANN LEWIS'S ITALIAN SUBS

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 6:30pm INITIATION

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Fri May 15, 2026

 5pm LODGE OPEN

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 6pm DINNER

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 6pm QUEEN OF HEARTS

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Sat May 16, 2026

 All day EAST CENTRAL DISTRICT GOLF TOURNAMENT

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All day LODGE CLOSED

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Sun May 17, 2026

All day LODGE CLOSED

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Mon May 18, 2026

All day LODGE CLOSED

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 6pm LODGE RENTAL-POP WARNER

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SHUFFLEBOARD LEAGUE UPDATE – WEEK 1 RECAP

Week One is officially in the books. There's no looking back... except for one makeup game, which is scheduled, and which everyone claims they are "totally fine waiting for." 😊

As expected, **McLovin and His Bulldog** have immediately become deeply confident and extremely loud. 🗣️ The trash talk has begun, the ego has inflated, and the league is now taking applications for any team willing to take them down. ⚡

Week One also served as a helpful refresher on the fundamentals of tabletop shuffleboard: slide a puck down a wooden table, covered in sand, with the goal of keeping the puck on the table. 🏏️ 🟡 Yes, it really is that simple.

Well... simple for everyone except **Lisa**, but progress is being made. 🙄

★ QUOTE OF THE WEEK ★

"I didn't miss — the table just moved."

— unidentified player, moments before missing again 🧑

(Several other similar statements were submitted but ruled too accurate to include.)

LOOKING AHEAD

Week Two is **May 6th** — please see the attached schedule for your match time(s). 📅 Starting next week, we'll begin ranking teams by probability of winning, so the betting can officially begin. 💰 You thought the pull tabs were just for fun...

As always, everyone is encouraged to come watch, heckle responsibly, question shot selection loudly, and provide completely unsolicited advice mid-match. 🗣️

The table is waxed. ✨

The pucks are restless. 🙄

Confidence is already unearned. 🙄

See everyone in Week Two.

E.C.D.V.P. SCHEDULE



★ DELAND 1463	6/27
★ MERRITT ISLAND 2650	7/25
★ STATE PRESIDENT'S VISIT TO THE ECD	8/21-8/22
★ SANFORD 1241	9/5
★ EDGEWATER NSB 1557	9/19
★ PALM COAST 2709	10/3
★ PORT ORANGE 2723	10/17
★ ORMOND BEACH 2193	10/31
★ TITUSVILLE 2113 - HOMECOMING	12/12

★ **V.P WAYNE BECRAFT** ★

★ **WATCH FOR SIGN UP SHEETS!** ★

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