

## EXALTED RULER MESSAGE



To My Fellow Members of Deland Lodge 1463

Happy April Deland Elks and welcome to our new year. The new year brings the renewal of our Membership Dues by April 1st. This can be done in the Social Quarters or online at DelandElks.Com. As we look back to where we have been, hold pride in our hearts as Elks we have accomplished a lot, and we have a great deal to be proud of. As I spoke at the installation, we have a great deal to celebrate from 2024-2025. A complete make over of the Lodge, a huge fundraiser for our friends at the VFW, donations to Love Like Lindsey Love \$2800, 2 local elementary schools, \$2000, new appliances and hygiene bags to House

of Hope, our first visit to the Step-Up Shelter to serve lunch and spend a couple of hours to talk with folks that are working so hard to get back on their feet. We had Thanksgiving Dinners for 20 needy families at each of our elementary schools and we also had Angel Trees at the Lodge at Christmas for the less fortunate children at our elementary schools. If that doesn't define Elkdom, I am not sure what does.

But we are not resting for 2025-2026. The new officers are in place, and we are ready to roll up our sleeve to continue to help make a difference in the community. We will continue to support our charities, schools and organizations like the Step-Up Shelter. We are working hard on getting ready for the Casino Night at the Mansion on April 5<sup>th</sup>. I hear there are some tickets still available, so please reach out to Paul or Jeanne Hollinger for any questions. Great job to Paul, Jeanne and all of the hard-working members who have spent the last 3 months preparing for a great event. This event is a fundraiser for the Lodge, so that we can continue to do great things in the community to make a difference.

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 April 17<sup>th</sup> 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.

I wanted to congratulate all our new and returning officers that was installed on March 22<sup>nd</sup>. What a great evening it was. I want to thank all the Members, Family and Friends that came to celebrate with us the installation and the awards presented to members for the 2024-2025 year. The following are you new and returning officers for the 2025-2026 year.

- 1. Leading Knight-Paul Hollinger
- 2. Loyal Knight-Keith Klimas
- 3. Lecturing Knight-Scott Browning
- 4. Secretary-Alicia VanOpdorp
- 5. Treasurer-Barb Thompson
- 6. Esquire-Mike Nadeau
- 7. Chaplin-Anita Nixon
- 8. Inner Guard-Jen Hopson
- 9. Tiler-Jeanne Hollinger
- 10. Trustees- Chairman Dave McCranie, Dean Yeager, Bob Sari, Scott Sandersfield and Bill Grumhaus
- 11. Bar Managers-Scott Sandersfield and Paul Hollinger
- 12. Kitchen Manager-Keith Klimas

#### Grand Lodge Awards

- 1. Elk of the Year-Jeanne Hollinger
- 2. Officer of the Year-Dave McCranie
- 3. Citizen of the Year-Theresa Logsdon

Let us not forget the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Deland Elks Casino Night to be held at the Stetson Mansion on Saturday April 5th. This will be a premier event featuring heavy hors d' oeuvres, beverages, casino tables, photo booth, DJ, raffles, prizes and more. Get your tickets now before they are gone.

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. Games, raffles, Blackjack tournaments and PER Baseball are just some of the fun events that the PER's have planned for each Wednesday Evening. 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. We have Bunco and Left Right Center on Wednesdays. We have shuffleboard every Thursday with team tournaments starting very soon. Please see Sam K or Scott B if you have a team you would like to sign up. Fridays is live music or karaoke and of course the Queen of Hearts.

Just a quick reminder about Elkdom. Let us all make sure we are treating 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 <u>www.delandelks.com</u> for more info on the happens at the lodge.

Fraternally Yours, Glen Fannin Exalted Ruler Deland Lodge 1463



#### DELAND ELKS LODGE #1463 OFFICERS 2025-2026



EXALTER RULER



LEADING KNIGHT PAUL HOLLINGER



LOYAL KNIGHT KEITH KLIMAS



LECTURING KNIGHT



SECRETARY ALICIA VANOPDORP



TREASURER BARBARA THOMPSON



TILER JEANNE HOLLINGER



ESQUIRE

MIKE NADEAU



CHAPLIN ANITA NIXON



INNER GUARD

JENNIFER HOPSON



ORGANIST

FRANK SCALIA



LODGE ADVISOR MARK THOMPSON, PDDGER



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2 YEAR TRUSTEE DAVE McCRANIE,PER



3 YEAR TRUSTEE DEAN YEAGER, PER



4 YEAR TRUSTEE SCOTT SANDERSFIELD, PER



5 YEAR TRUSTEE BOB SARI, PER

COMMITTEE	CHAIRPERSON					
ACCIDENT PREVENTION	DAVE McCRANIE, PER					
AMERICANISM	GLEN FANNIN					
AUDIT & ACCOUNTING	DAVE McCRANIE, PER					
BAR MANAGER	SCOTT SANDERSFIELD, PER					
BUILDING COMMITTEE	DAVE McCRANIE, PER					
CHRISTMAS PARADE	JEANNE HOLLINGER					
COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES	SCOTT SANDERSFIELD, PER					
DECORATING COMMITTEE	JEANNE HOLLINGER					
DRUG AWARENESS	BETH GRUMHAUS					
ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION	FRANK SCALIA					
ELKS TRAINING	SCOTT SANDERSFIELD, PER					
ENF GRANTS COORDINATOR	ALICIA VANOPDORP					
ENF SCHOLARSHIPS	ALICIA VANOPDORP					
FLAG DAY	SCOTT SANDERSFIELD, PER					
GOVERNMENT AWARENESS	DAVE McCRANIE, PER					
HARRY ANN TRUST	SCOTT SANDERSFIELD, PER					
НООР ЅНООТ	SCOTT BROWNING					
HOUSE COMMITTEE	GLEN FANNIN					
INTERLODGE VISITATION	GLEN FANNIN					
INDOCTRINATION	GLEN FANNIN					
INVESTIGATION	ALICIA VANOPDORP					
KITCHEN MANAGER	KEITH KLIMAS					
LODGE ACTIVITIES	CAROLINE FANNIN					
LODGE BULLENTIN	DEAN YEAGER, PER					
LODGE RENTAL	MISSY ELKINS					
MEMBERSHIP	DAVE McCRANIE, PER					
MEMORIAL DAY	GLEN FANNIN					
MOTHER'S DAY	GLEN FANNIN					
ORIENTATION	GLEN FANNIN					
PER ASSOCIATION	DAVE McCRANIE, PER					
PUBLIC RELATIONS	DEAN YEAGER, PER					
PUBLICITY	DEAN YEAGER, PER					
RITUAL	FRANK SCALIA					
SOCCER SHOOT	SCOTT BROWNING					
STANDING RELIEF	BETH GRUMHAUS					
VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR	BETH GRUMHAUS					
VETERAN SERVICE	SCOTT SANDERSFIELD, PER					
VISITING COMMITTEE	GLEN FANNIN					
YOUTH ACTIVITIES	SCOTT BROWNING					

## **ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION**

#### CONGRATULATIONS TO DELAND LODGE 1463 for the 2024-2025 Fraternal Year!!!

We have by far exceeded our donation quota set by Grand Lodge. We had a very successful year with ENF donations, and we now have 31 FIDELITY CLUB MEMBERS! We are on our way to our Goal of 40 sustaining members. When you are in the Social Quarters check out the Lodge ENF Chart with all the updated figures. It's next to the FIDELITY CLUB HONOR ROLL and right above the Shuffleboard table

If you have donated through your annual dues, Thank You. However, by becoming a Sustaining ENF Fidelity Club Member, your donations go directly into the ENF Fund. You will also receive recognition with support stickers to be attached to your membership card and will receive a Fidelity Club Pin upon making 12 sustaining gift payments.

**PLEASE DONATE TODAY**. Visit elks.org/enf to give through the Elks website. It's safe and secure. Let's make this new fraternal year better than this last year.

Fraternally,

Bro. Frank Scalia, Chairman,

Bro. Paul Hollinger, Committee Member



#### **HOW YOUR SUSTAINING GIFT HELPS:**

#### THE ENF

Your Lodge receives credit for your donation and may earn more ENF grant funds to help build stronger communities where you live.

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Monthly gifts help sustain our charitable programming. Designate your sustaining gift to your favorite ENF program.

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Earn special recognition and exclusive benefits by starting a monthly gift. Donations are automatic and regularly scheduled.

Visit **enf.elks.org/FC** to enroll online. Questions? Contact the ENF by emailing fundraising@elks.org or calling 773/755-4728.

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## 2024-2025 DELAND ELKS AWARD BANQUET

Heritage Award	Dan Dranonetti		
MV-PER Award	Robert Sari		
Nothing Better To Do Award - Dean Yeager	Dean Yeager		
MV-E Award	DeanYeager		
Certificate of Elk-cellence	Keith Klimas		
Certificate of Elk-cellence	Paul Hollinger		
Golden Spoon Award	Ann Lewis		
Golden Spoon Award	Donna Nott		
Golden Spoon Award	Sheila Parsons		
Elk of the Year	Jeannin Hollinger		
Officer of the Year	Dave McCranie		
Citizen of the Year	Tenesa Logsdon		

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

On 3/20/25, we initiated 4 new members !!! Please welcome David Baldauff; Gerald Bartel; Mark Burger; and Justin Sorg. Welcome to the Elks !!



The DeLand Elks have committed to helping the First Step Shelter by providing a meal for their residents once a month.

First Step Shelter in Daytona Beach is a transitional facility dedicated to helping single adults experiencing homelessness in Volusia County. Since opening in 2019, it has provided shelter, case management, employment support, and healthcare coordination to assist individuals in achieving stable housing. The shelter also operates a 24/7 Safe Zone as an alternative to incarceration and continues to expand its services to meet growing community needs.

By partnering with community organizations, the shelter addresses residents' medical, social, mental, occupational, and financial needs, facilitating their transition into permanent housing.

If you can spare 2 hours a month and wish to help, please contact Exalted Ruler Glen for more information. Our next visit will be on April 18<sup>th</sup>.



## First Step Shelter Volunteers 3/29/25



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Jason	Anderson	01	 Ronald	Haskins	17
Frank	Jennings	01	Emily	Drumb	18
Bill	Jennings	01	Tom	Pollard, PDDGER	18
Chris	Charman	03	Bruce	Rae	18
Kenneth	Dayton	03	Tyler	Sieweke	19
Claudia	Giddens	03	Brian	Leatherman	21
Elaine	Bell	04	Michael	Paolini	21
Jenifer	Canada	05	Brian	Mears	22
Kayla	Jennings	05	Kaden	Schoenwetter	22
Stephen	Smith, PER	06	Frank	Alvarez	23
Sean	Beery	07	John	Boas	23
Jason	Palmere	07	Virginia	Jones	23
Dean	Yeager, PER	09	Deric	Kaiser	23
Christina	Alvarez	11	Bonna	Hastings	29
Albert	Gregory	13	Brian	Maul	29
William	Marotte	14	Rachel	Sieg, PER	29
Brett	Brandner	15	Thomas	Deyo	30
Michael	Summers	15	Sharon	Lewis	30
Everett	Setser	16			

DELAND ELKS LODGE 1463

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# DeLand Elks #1463



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
30	31	1 LODGE CLOSED	2 6P-8P: DAVE'S GOURMET BURGERS 7P: BLACKJACK TOURNAMENT 6:30P: CUB SCOUTS 6:30P: PER MEETING 8P: PER BASEBALL	3 6P-8P: BAR MENU 7P: SHUFFLEBOARD 101	4 6P-8P: BAR MENU 8P: QUEEN OF HEARTS 6P-9P: MUSIC BY DAVY LEATHERWOOD	5 LODGE CLOSED CASINO NIGHT AT STETSON MANSION
6	7 6:30P: HOUSE COMMITTEE MEETING 7P: SCOUTS	8 LODGE CLOSED	9 6P-8P: SLOPPY JOES-BOB & DONNA 7P: BUNCO 6:30P: CUB SCOUTS 8P: PER BASEBALL	10 6P-8P: BAR MENU 7P: SHUFFLEBOARD 101 6:30 P: MEET AND GREET	11 6P-8P: BAR MENU 8P: QUEEN OF HEARTS	12 LODGE CLOSED DD CLINIC AT DELAND
13	14 6P: TRUSTEE MEETING 6:30 P: LODGE MEETING 7P: SCOUTS	15 LODGE CLOSED	16 6P-8P: GERMAN NIGHT-CHIP (FRIED PORK) 7P: LEFT, RIGHT, CENTER 6:30P: CUB SCOUTS 8P: PER BASEBALL 8:30A-11A: LODGE RENTAL VFW MEETING	<b>17</b> 6P-8P: BAR MENU <b>7P: SHUFFLEBOARD 101</b> 6:30P: INITIATION	18 GOOD FRIDAY 6P-8P: SCOTT'S FISH FRY 6P-9P: MUSIC BY TANNER KRAFT 8P: QUEEN OF HEARTS 11A: SERVING LUNCH AT FIRST STEP SHELTER	19 LODGE CLOSED
20	21 6:30P: HOUSE COMMITTEE MEETING 7P: SCOUTS	22 LODGE CLOSED	23 6P-8P: CHEESESTEAK-SCOTT 7P: BUNCO 6:30P: CUB SCOUTS 8P: PER BASEBALL	24 6P-8P: BAR MENU 7P: SHUFFLEBOARD 101 LIFETIME SCREENING RENTAL	25 6P-8P: BAR MENU 8P: QUEEN OF HEARTS FFA BINGO	26 LODGE CLOSED
27	28 NO LODGE MEETING 7P: SCOUTS	29 LODGE CLOSED	30 6P-8P: PARMESAN PORK CHOPS- MARK & BARB 7P: LEFT, RIGHT, CENTER 8P: PER BASEBALL	1	2	3
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# ELK Senew

Member dues are now due! April 1st is the first day of our new Elk year. New membership cards will be required to make purchases in the lounge. Please remit your dues payment in person with the bartenders, or online at <u>www.delandelks.com</u> under the "Pay Online" tab. Most of our members pay the General Membership dues, unless you have been voted in as a life member (30 years at Deland Elks lodge and age 65 or over).

Starting April 1<sup>st</sup>, you must have your new 2025/2026 membership card to open the doors to the lodge, attend meetings and purchase items in the social quarters.



Pay your dues today! Contact your Lodge Secretary

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Come join your Lodge's Past Exalted Rulers every Wednesday for a fun-filled Game Night! Enjoy a variety of games and delicious food as they whip up a special meal in the kitchen just for you.

We will be playing different card games every week like Poker, Blackjack, etc. Plus, the PER Baseball game drawing at 8 pm every Wednesday.

The menu for April will be: 2<sup>nd</sup>-Dave's Gourmet Burgers 9<sup>th</sup>- Bob & Donna's Sloppy Joes 16<sup>th</sup>-Chip's German Dinner 23<sup>rd</sup>-Scott's Cheesesteak 30<sup>th</sup>-Mark & Barbara's Parmesan Pork Chops Join no al the Lodge! LIFE IS PERFun Night

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### Are you curious about how to play table shuffleboard we got you.



Thursday's 7:00 pm to 8 pm

We have a FUN tournament starting May 1<sup>st</sup> and we are offering an opportunity to learn how to play in a relaxed atmosphere. Stop in on Thursdays and we will be here to explain the rules and how to play with an opportunity to practice sliding a metal puck down a wooden table, don't knock it till you try it.

There is no charge, I did hear that the folks offering the training drink beer 😊

So please stop in as an individual or with a group and learn something new, looking forward to a fun tournament starting on May 1<sup>st</sup>.

Questions text:

• Sam Kirkland: 608-213-4966

Or

• Scott Browning: 386-320-1719