



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

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To:

Officers of the Florida State Elks Association
Past State Presidents
State Chairs, Vice Chairs, and Regional Chairs
District Deputies & District Vice Presidents
Exalted Rulers, Officers, & Members

RE: State President's Homecoming Visit to the East Central District.

Dear Esteemed Members,

You are cordially invited to join the East Central District and host Lodge, DeLand #1463, as we welcome **State President Mike Chandler and his wife Caroline during their Homecoming visit** on Friday, March 6, 2026, and Saturday, March 7, 2026. Accompanying them will be Vice President at Large Jeff Muehlfeld and his lady Francisca Pouza, along with Endorsed Vice President at Large Lenny DiLorenzo & his wife Lauren Dowd-Shedlock. I hope to see as many members as possible at the scheduled events throughout the weekend to show your support for our State President & Florida Elks.

On Friday, March 6th, the State President will be arriving at 4:30pm at the SpringHill Suites by Marriott, located at 201 N. Towne Road, Sanford, FL 32771. A block of rooms has been reserved at a group rate of \$149 per night + \$21 in taxes & fees.

If you would like to participate in the welcoming party, please arrive at the hotel by 4pm. Please wear Red in support of our veterans and active-duty military members.

A hospitality suite will be open at 4:00pm until departing at 5:45pm for a welcome reception & dinner at Sanford Lodge #1241, located at 1006 E. 2nd Street, Sanford, FL 32771. Dinner will consist of: Ribeye or Filet with baked potato, fresh vegetable, house salad, & dessert. Dinner cost is \$28. Dress for Friday evening is casual. Remember red Friday. Following dinner, we will return to the hotel, at the State President's discretion. The hospitality suite will be open.

On Saturday morning, March 7th, the President's party will depart at 8:30am for Ormond Beach Lodge #2193, the home Lodge of the State President, located at 285 Wilmette Avenue, Ormond Beach, FL 32174. A Buffet breakfast will be served at 9:15am. The cost is \$10. We will depart Ormond Beach at 10:00am for a tour of the Stetson Mansion, located at 1031 Camphor Lane, DeLand, FL 32720. Lunch will be provided following the tour. The cost of the tour and lunch is \$15. We will depart for the hotel at 2:00pm where the hospitality suite will be open for the afternoon.

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On Saturday evening, March 7th, a cash bar & social hour will begin at 5:30pm, hosted by DeLand Lodge #1463, located at 614 S. Alabama Avenue, DeLand, FL 32720.

The State President's party will depart the hotel at 5:30pm for the 6:00pm State President's Welcome Reception. At 7:00pm, a dinner consisting of: Pulled Pork & Chicken, mac & cheese, baked beans, & coleslaw will be served. The cost is \$20 and the dress for Saturday evening is business casual. The State President's formal address will follow dinner.

Following the program, we will return to the hotel, at the State President's discretion, where the hospitality suite will be open to all guests.

It is strongly encouraged that your reservation is made in advance by purchasing your desired tickets and booking your hotel through our website at ecdelks.square.site/fsea or by clicking the link or image below.

CLICK OR TAP HERE TO MAKE HOTEL RESERVATIONS & PURCHASE DINNER TICKETS!

We look forward to welcoming you to the East Central District!

Fraternally,

Dean Yeager, District Vice President



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EAST CENTRAL DISTRICT
IS PROUD TO WELCOME HOME
FSEA STATE PRESIDENT
MIKE CHANDLER & CAROLINE
WITH VICE PRESIDENT AT LARGE
JEFF MUEHLFELD & FRANCISCA
MARCH 6-8, 2026

Fri, March 6th - SANFORD 1241 - \$28
Ribeye, or Filet with Baked Potato, Fresh Vegetable & Dessert.

Sat, March 7th - DELAND 1463 - \$20
Pulled Pork, Chicken, Mac & Cheese, Coleslaw, & Baked Beans.

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**FSEA STATE PRESIDENT
MIKE CHANDLER & CAROLINE**

WEEKEND ITINERARY - MARCH 6-8 2026



Friday, March 6, 2026

- 3:00 PM Hotel Check-In: SpringHill Suites by Marriott Orlando North / Sanford.
201 N. Towne Road – Sanford, FL 32771
- 4:00 PM Hospitality room is open to all guests.
- 4:30 PM **State President arrives at SpringHill Suites for welcome reception.**
*All guests welcoming the State President should arrive by 4:00PM
- 5:45 PM Depart for Sanford Lodge #1241
1006 E. 2nd Street – Sanford, FL 32771
- 6:00 PM State President's reception at Sanford Lodge #1241
- 7:00 PM Dinner: Ribeye or Filet with House Salad, Baked Potato & Fresh Vegetable. \$28
- ** At the State President's discretion, the 11 O'clock Toast will be given.
Departure for hotel will follow the toast.
- ** Hospitality room is open upon return to the hotel.

Saturday, March 7, 2026

- 8:30 AM Depart for Ormond Beach Lodge #2193 (The State President's Home Lodge)
285 Wilmette Avenue – Ormond Beach, FL 32174
- 9:15 AM Buffet breakfast at Ormond Beach Lodge #2193. \$10
- 10:00 AM Depart for Stetson Mansion.
1031 Camphor Lane – DeLand, FL 32720
- 11:00 AM Tour of Stetson Mansion & Lunch. \$15
- 2:00 PM Depart for hotel.
- 2:00 PM Hospitality room open.
- 5:30 PM Depart for DeLand Lodge #1463
614 S. Alabama Avenue – DeLand, FL 32724
- 6:00 PM State President's Reception at DeLand Lodge #1463
- 7:00 PM Dinner: Pulled Pork & Chicken, Mac & Cheese, Coleslaw & Baked Beans. \$20
State President's Formal Address to follow.
- ** At the State President's discretion, the 11 O'clock Toast will be given.
Departure for hotel will follow the toast.
- ** Hospitality room is open upon return to the hotel.

WEEKEND CONTACT: East Central District Vice President, Dean Yeager 386-235-2635

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