



God Bless Our Troops
and Our Freedoms



Since 1990



My Fellow Elks,

With Halloween past us, we are now entering the Holiday season. Many of our snowbirds have already returned. Activity at the lodge is picking up. It is great to see everybody enjoying their evenings at the lodge.

Planning has been going on for months, for our November and December activities, so please support your lodge by attending the special events we've planned.

On November 11th we will observe our annual Veterans Day Celebration. This year we will have a guest speaker from the Honor Flight and 3 member Veterans speak about Veterans day. The ceremony will also include an appearance by the Calendar Girls. Lunch will follow the ceremony and Veterans can lunch for free!

November brings to us our special membership drive on the 21st. We will have a nine-piece band called Uptown Express, playing that night. We are offering a dinner dance combination for \$55 PP, or a music only option for \$20. I would like to encourage our members to bring a friend and show them what the Elks are all about.

Membership in the Elks also supports our many charities and helps the lodge financially. Your dues pay only a small portion of our annual expenses. The lodge survives on your participation at our events, nightly activities and weekend dances. Our volunteers work hard to provide events that attract our members, such as our December Christmas party and our New Year's Eve party.

We have events planned through May of 2026, such as the Car Show on January 17th. In February we have the Rat Pack show on 7th, our Valentine's Dinner/Dance on the 14th, and the Country Western dance night on the 25th. In March we are planning the Reverse Raffle on the 7th, a St. Patrick's Day Dinner & Comedy with Cliff Erickson on the 17th and the Ladies Fashion Show on the 21st. In May we have our Kentucky Derby night on the 2nd and Mother's day Brunch on the 10th.

I encourage you all to participate and come out to enjoy these wonderful events which support our lodge and our charities. Our charities depend on our generosity to support our Veterans and needy children in our community.

The best part of participating is meeting new people, making new friends and enjoying a night out. So treat yourself to something good. I would also encourage you to get involved by volunteering your time to assist with these events. It takes several people to execute an event. Becoming a part of it is not only helping those already volunteering, but it is the best way to get to make new friends and build relationships.

We are looking forward to seeing you soon.

Fraternally yours,

Phil Boucher, Exalted Ruler



Elks Care — Elks Share



2024-2025 Lodge Officers

Exalted Ruler	Phil Boucher
Leading Knight	George Bowden
Loyal Knight	Ron Alfonso
Lecturing Knight	Maria Trapasso PER
Secretary	Karen Sizemore
Treasurer	Barbara Kneer
Esquire	Tim Donovan
Tiler	Paula Rucket
Inner Guard	Karon Patterson
Chaplain	Carole Mancini
Mediator	Ron Hildebrandt (PDD)

Trustees

1 Year	Dianne Wilhelm (PDDGER)
2 Year	Ron Cumming
3 Year	Reggie Pring
4 Year	Joe Ciresi
5 Year	Dale Sayset

Past Exalted Rulers, Lodge #2753

Rufus Morse-Ellington	2022-2023
Darlene Seachrist	2020-2023
Steve Cicak	2020-2020
Pete Thompson	2019-2020
Dianne Wilhelm	2018-2019
Steve Cicak	2015-2018
Paul Perl	2014-2015
Pete Godshaw	2013-2014
Jeff Morse	2012-2013
Paul Carr	2011-2012
Ravis Prueitt	2010-2011
Maria Trapasso	2009-2010
Richard Cooke	2007-2009
Ronald Cumming	2005-2007
John Bauman	2003-2005
Charles Prindle	2002-2003
Robert J. Tuyls	2001-2002
Elenor Leoce	2000-2001
Roy Conrad	1999-2000
Carl Hoke	1998-1999
Elenor Leoce	1997-1998
James Douglas	1996-1997
Jimmie Sayger	1995-1996
James Douglas	1994-1995
Robert Distlecamp	1993-1994
Greg Grothe	1991-1993
E. Brent Snodgrass	1990-1991
Rex Sims	Interim-1990

PERS at other lodges, now members

William Lucek	1982
Darwin Mueller	1984
David Wiggin	2007
Deanna Wiggin	2009
Lawrence Gibbs	2019

Committees

Auditing & Accounting

Dean Martin
Denis Avagliano
Frank LaBletta

Activities

Phil Boucher

Entertainment

Phil Boucher

Hoop Shoot

Phil Boucher

Soccer Shoot

Phil Boucher

Drug Awareness

Phil Boucher

Flag Day

Phil Boucher

Veterans Day

Phil Boucher

Elks Memorial Day

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Volunteers

Pete Thompson PER

Membership

Pete Thompson PER

Orientation

Tim Donovan

Public Relations

Shirley Thompson

Government Relations

Phil Boucher

FRATERNAL COMMITTEES

Accident Prevention

Rufus Morse-Ellington PER

Americanism

Phil Boucher

By-Laws

BOD

Elks National Foundation

Jim Rolfes

Investigating Committee

Dale Sayset

Local Charitable Projects

Dianne Wilhelm PDDGER

Judith MacGregor

Lodge Advisor

Dianne Wilhelm PDDGER

PER Association

Dianne Wilhelm PDDGER

Maria Trapasso PER

Pete Thompson PER

Rufus Morse-Ellington PER

Scholarships

Nancy Bloodgood

Standing Relief

BOD

Veteran's Services

Dale Sayset

Presiding Justice of Local Forum

Ed Toth

Harry-Anna Foundation

Phil Boucher

REGARDING RESERVATIONS

Member's Lounge dinner reservations:

Call 239-947-2753, options #3 or 4.

Please call no later than 2pm on the day before your requested reservation.

Call 239-947-2753

Banquet Hall Rentals: Option 6

Secretary: Option 3

Treasurer: Option 4

Exalted Ruler: Option 6

Beacon Boosters

Thank you for your support

Earl Graylock

Jane Southmore

Be a Beacon Booster

Only \$10 per Month or \$120 per Year

Per Statute Section 14.190:

Delinquent or dropped members are not allowed in the lodge at any time.

Also, current members are not permitted to bring former Elks as guests into the lodge.

Elks Care — Elks Share

November

Lounge Schedule

2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
Closed	BOD Meeting 5pm Membership Meeting (BR) 7pm	Line Dance Class 11am	Closed	Karaoke 6pm QoH 8:15pm Dinner 5-7pm	Open 4pm Halloween Dance Lakeshore Sound 6pm Dinner 5-7pm	Open 4pm Marly Johnson 6pm Dinner 5-7pm
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Closed	Closed	Line Dance Class 11am	Closed	Karaoke 6pm QoH 8:15pm Dinner 5-7pm	Open 4pm Line Dancing 6-8pm	Open 4pm Ballroom Lesson 4pm Manhattan Connection 6pm Dinner 5-7pm
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Closed	Membership Meeting (Lounge) 7pm	No Line Dance Class Veterans Day 11am 	Closed	Karaoke 6pm QoH 8:15pm Dinner 5-7pm	Open 4pm Line Dancing 6-8pm	Open 4pm Chicago Heat 6pm Dinner 5-7pm
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Closed	Closed	Line Dance Class 11am	Closed	Karaoke 6pm QoH 8:15pm Dinner 5-7pm	Lounge Closed BR: Uptown Express 6pm Membership Drive	Open 4pm Ballroom Lesson 4pm Jersey Beat 6pm Dinner 5-7pm
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
Closed	BOD Meeting 5pm Membership Meeting (BR) 7pm	Line Dance Class 11am	Closed	Closed Thanksgiving Day 	Closed	Closed

November Entertainment

Nov. 8, 2025

Manhattan Connection



Nov. 22, 2025

Jersey Beat



Nov 15, 2025

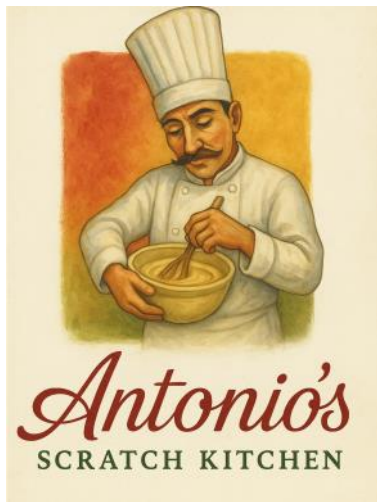
Chicago Heat



Nov 21, 2025

Uptown Express





NOVEMBER DINNER MENU FOR SATURDAY NIGHTS

SAT. 11/08

Chicken Parmigiana served with Pasta	\$25
Baked Cod with Sautéed Mushrooms, Tomatoes & Onions	\$25
Stuffed Pork Chop Florentine served in a Cream Sauce	\$25

SAT. 11/15 Grilled Chick Portobello Finished with a Balsamic Demi	\$25
Sole En Papillote Pernod, Cream, Zucchini, Squash & Carrots	\$25
Beef & Broccoli	\$25

SAT. 11/22

Stuffed Chicken Breast with Wild Rice	\$25
Potato Crusted Sea Bass with Butter, Wine & Lemon	\$25
Beef Shish Kebob	\$30

All Entrees are served with potatoes, vegetables & dessert

**On Veterans Day Join the
Bonita Springs Estero Elks Lodge
To Honor Our Veterans**

Guest Speaker

Nancy Ruth Walls

Collier-Lee Honor Flight

**Tuesday November 11, 2025
Ceremony 11AM**

Open to the Public

Lunch to Follow \$15 - Free to Vets



**Bonita Springs Estero Elks Lodge #2753
3231 Coconut Rd Estero Fl. 239-947-2753**

A Special Dinner Dance Membership Drive

Friday November 21, 2025

Doors Open at 5pm - Music for Dancing 6-9pm

Open to the Public Cost \$55 per person

invite your friends and neighbors

Cash Bar

*A Delicious Buffet Dinner by
Chef Antonio's
"Scratch Kitchen"*

"Uptown Express"



40 Years of Rock and Roll

**RSVP: No later than
November 18, 2025
at 12 Noon
Phone: 239-947-2753
Option #3**



Line Dancing!



Every Tuesday

11:00 AM Until Noon

\$5.00 Per Person

Questions? Contact Sandra -- smilazzo@hotmail.com

Ballroom Dance Lessons In the Lounge

4pm - 5pm Nov. 8th

4pm - 5pm Nov. 22nd

\$5 per person



Join us for entertaining evenings:

Thursday nights—Karaoke

Dinner Served 5-7pm

Friday nights—Line Dance Music and more!

Snacks available

Saturday Nights—Live entertainment

Dinner Served 5-7pm

Your Involvement Helps

If you'd like to assist with event planning or getting involve with the operations of our lodge, please contact the ER by calling 239-947-2753, ext. 6 to be a part of the team.

Welcome New Members

We Welcome our new members who joined last month.

Frank Savena

Jean Clay

Karen Savena

John Greenly

Tom Koosis

Rowitha Akers

Cindy Gleason

To Our Absent Members

Member	Date Passed	
James Ugone	10/2/2025	
William Ryczaj	9/29/2025	
Joyce Reitz	7/29/2025	
Rex Sims	5/21/2025	PER Honorary Life Member
Robert Oatley	4/15/2025	
George Lemoei Jr	1/11/2025	
Francis P Poirier	1/6/2025	PER Life Member
Luke P Cunningham	10/24/2024	
Agostino Nicastro	9/27/2024	
Donato Manes	9/15/2024	
Joseph D Walters	9/05/2024	

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