



The Antlers

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Message To The Members From Theresa (Terry) Hebior, Exalted Ruler

I would like to start my message by thanking the many volunteers that made our New Year's Eve event another one for the record books! While it was a much smaller party due to the pandemic, it was a great time from beginning to end. We raised over \$600 dollars for our charities and that was added to our Harry Anna and ENF funds. I am proud to announce that we have met our goals set forth by grand lodge for 2020!! That means that we are now eligible for additional grants next term! What a caring and generous group of members and what an impressive accomplishment during such difficult times. Our tradition of caring for Veterans, our community and our youth continues to be our most important mission as Elks.

The first month of 2021 has been a difficult time to be an American. The pictures of what occurred at the United States Capitol still burns in my mind, I found it absolutely heart breaking. I am gratified to be a government employee and have the honor of caring for the Veterans that fought for our freedom. To watch the violence, seeing the United States flag hung upside down in our Capitol, the stars and bars of the Confederacy on its steps and more was quite traumatic for me but mostly for the residents of the CLC that I watched the news with on that dark day. I truly hope that we can begin to heal the wounds of this nation and come together around mutual kindness and respect for the value of our fellow citizens going forward, regardless of belief or political affiliation. There is so much sense of powerlessness in the face of so much uncertainty but as an Elk I have faith in our teachings and it gives me hope. I will always stand to honor our flag, I will always thank the military men and women for their service and sacrifice. I will honor the obligation that I took when I became an Elk. I will strive to be a true and upright citizen. I am a PROUD ELK.

Terry

ELKS OF THE MONTH

Nicolas Schlamb

One of our youngest members, Nicolas donates his time at the lodge by running food and cooking in the kitchen. Thank you !

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Sheryl Clark, Matt Rozell, William Epright, Rex Roby, Marianna Epright, Patty Lajoie, Brenda Clement, Landon Townsend



February Birthdays

William Adams	01-Feb	Shirley Havens	20-Feb
Arthur L. Hallman	02-Feb	Laurence Lentz	20-Feb
Robert Rochefort	03-Feb	Ronald Doll	21-Feb
Carolyn S. Scott	03-Feb	Nicholas Carlson	22-Feb
Betty Lambert	04-Feb	William Chris March	22-Feb
Patricia Hackett	05-Feb	Cynthia Zellner	23-Feb
Lorie Lopez	05-Feb	Rene A Couture III	24-Feb
John Resudek	06-Feb	Kenneth Barrett	25-Feb
Warren L Shepard	09-Feb	Steven Mazon	25-Feb
John A. Calabrese Jr.	10-Feb	Robert Schroeder	25-Feb
Brian Light	11-Feb	Matthew Hiemenz	27-Feb
Howard Elliott	12-Feb	Aubrey Thompson	27-Feb
Kenneth Maher	12-Feb	Shawn Simpson	29-Feb
Carmen Rivera	12-Feb		
James R Ballus	14-Feb		
Randall Strickland	14-Feb		
Randall Bodine	17-Feb		
Charlene Cohen	17-Feb		
Richard Swope	17-Feb		
Craig E Dawson	18-Feb		
Patricia Daugherty	19-Feb		

Kissimmee Elks Lodge #1873

Birthday Drink Coupon

This coupon entitles you to 1 Free Drink of your choice any dinner night of your birthday month.

One coupon per member

Coupon good for

February 2021 Birthdays Only

Valentine's Dance

Saturday, February 13, 2021
7:00 PM - 11:00 PM
\$25 for Members ★ \$30 for Non-Members

Music by DJs
Mike & Denise

Raffles and Door Prizes

Dinner Menu:
Salad, Roll, Chicken Marsala
and Dessert

Cash Bar

Covid-19 mask and social distancing guidelines will be followed.

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Open to the Public



WATCH THE GAME AT THE LODGE



SUNDAY

TAMPA BAY

HOST OF SUPER BOWL LV

2/17/21



- \$5 DONATION ENTRY FEE
- RECEIVE A FREE DRINK COUPON (BAR RAIL)
- SQUARES AVAILABLE UNTIL THEY ARE NOT
- BRING A BAG OF SNACKS TO SHARE
- WINGS AND FRIES AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE
- DRINK SPECIAL—RUM IT IN FOR THE TD \$2.00

DOORS OPEN 5:30 PM

Mardi Gras



Tuesday, February 16, 2021
7:00 PM

Hurricane Drink Special \$2.00

King Cake

Members Only



It's Mardi Gras time again...

(Mardi Gras is French for FAT TUESDAY). I've ordered a KING CAKE from Haydel's Bakery in Harahan, Louisiana. There will be a Mardi Gras Celebration at Kissimmee Lodge on February 16, 2021 commencing at 7 PM. Lent will begin at 12:01 AM that night (2/17/21). The House Committee has graciously agreed to make the New Orleans famous Hurricane drink for any who wish to have one. They are also planning on having games/activities. Please try to attend with your Spouse.

Some history about Mardi Gras. The first known celebration in New Orleans was in March of 1699 and has continued since. There are parades and parties for 12 days prior to FAT TUESDAY throughout the state of Louisiana. In 1875 Mardi Gras was declared a Legal Holiday and still is. There are 2 Kings, both named REX. One is white and the other is black. They meet in Jackson Square on Mardi Gras day and the celebration continues until Midnight. If anyone has more questions about Mardi Gras, I will be happy to answer them.

Submitted by: Randy Musser, PDDGER



RENTAL EVENTS

If you know of anyone interested in renting one of our beautiful rooms please have them call

Marianne Tithof
303-704-3415



LODGE EVENTS—SAVE THE DATE

MAR 13—St. Patty's Day Dinner/Dance
MAR 27—Installation of Officers

Note: Items scheduled in the calendar may change after publication. To check on any lodge function, please call the Lodge (407) 847-2444

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
CLOSED	Lodge Opens 4pm Kitchen Open 5 pm - 7 pm Charity Bingo 6 pm—8pm	Lodge Opens 4pm* Kitchen Open 5 pm - 7 pm *closed during lodge meeting	Lodge Opens 4pm Kitchen Open 5 pm - 7 pm Karaoke 5:30 pm -9pm 	CLOSED	Lodge Opens 4pm Kitchen Open 5 pm - 78pm Queen of ♥ Drawing 7:00 pm 	CLOSED
	1 Guido Travel 12-3 Cindy's Baked Ziti	2 House Committee Meeting 7pm	3	4	5 FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER	6 Lodge work day 9am—noon Contact Joe at 727-560-5482
7 Super Bowl See page 2 	8 Kielbasa & Sauerkraut 	9 BOD MEETING 6pm LODGE MEETING 7pm \$1.00 Hot Dogs 8pm	10 	11	12 FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER	13  Dinner Dance See page 2
14	15 Fettuccini Alfredo 	16 Mardi Gras See page 2 	17  	18	19  FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER	20
22	22 Bob's Meatloaf 	23 LODGE MEETING 7pm \$1.00 Hot Dogs 8pm Orientation 5:30pm	24 	25	26  FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER	27
28	1 Guido Travel 12-3 Spaghetti & Meat Sauce 	2 House Committee Meeting 7pm	3 	4	5  FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER	6

St. Patrick's at the Elks

Saturday, March 13, 2021
6:00 PM - Dinner Served at 7:00 PM

\$25 for Members * \$30 for Non-Members
\$35 for all after March 9, 2021

Green Beer
\$1.50 a mug

Music by
DJs Denise
and Mike

Dinner

**Corned Beef and Cabbage, Carrots,
Potatoes, Eileen's Irish Soda Bread,
Dessert and Coffee**
Chicken Upon Request

Door Prizes * Raffles * 50 / 50

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January 13, 2021

TO FSEA CENTRAL DISTRICT LODGES

It has been brought to my attention that members in several of our Lodges have been distributing unsolicited information containing solicitous and political information by posting them on lodge bulletin boards and sending emails containing this information to members. In fact, some have received this even after advising they did not like or want the information.

This must stop **IMMEDIATELY!** It is prohibited by Grand Lodge Statutes and will not be condoned. It is a violation of your Obligation, in addition to subjecting members to further punishment in violation of other statutes including Chapter IX, Sections 9.060 © and 9.070 (j). Times are extremely volatile now and we as Elks will respect the feelings of our fellow members. Actions such as this can tear our Lodges apart and cause a loss of members.

Under the authority granted me by Executive Order No. 19-152, I am directing all our Lodges to abide by the Rules, Statutes and Regulation of our Order and immediately cease and desist publishing, distributing and/or posting any such material in our Lodges. Any further violations of this sort will be subject to further punishment as provided for in the Grand Lodge Statutes.

I further direct that this letter be read at the next scheduled meeting, posted in your lodge and **published in your next Lodge bulletin**. Please notify when this is accomplished.

Fraternally yours,

Vic McClellan

Vic McClellan, PSP
Central District Leader

cc: Robert Grafton, PGER

cc con't: Michael F. Smith, PNP

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2021 February 4-6, 2021

February Quarterly



Calling all Florida Elks;

As we head towards the February quarterly meeting at our Youth Camp in Umatilla to host GER Paul Ryan, we are also busy preparing for the 2021 Grand Lodge Convention that Florida will host this year in Tampa.

The Florida Grand Lodge Local Support Committee is looking for your help so that we can help provide the best convention experience to all the visiting Elks from across the country.

VOLUNTEER NOW:

We have set up a volunteer management system online and are asking that you consider signing up and helping out. All you need to do is head to the FLORIDAEELKS.ORG web site and click on the volunteer now button under the Elks National Convention upcoming event. There you will find step by step instructions to help you get signed up.

Remember, more helping hands make for a lighter load for all!

Thank you in advance and we look forward to seeing everyone in February!

Joe Cooper, PDD
joe.cooper99@gmail.com

SAVE THE DATES!

Elks Tampa
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2021 ELKS NATIONAL CONVENTION

July 5th - July 7th
Tampa Convention Center

ELKS SOCIAL MEDIA NETWORK



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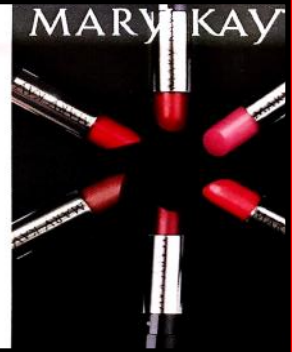
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Set of patriotic values aimed at creating a collective American identity



Learn about our military history for FREE !! Our lodge has a corporate membership for the **Museum of Military History**. You and your family are invited to visit anytime during the year. Please see our secretary Jeannie Platt for the pass and use it as often as you like. All we ask is that you return the pass so the next members have a chance to use it.

5210 W. Irlo Bronson Memorial Highways in Kissimmee, 34746

Antler's Booster Club

February 28, 2021

Steve & Terry Hebior (IMO) Rene Couture Jr.

February 28, 2021

Jane Couture (IMO) Rene Couture Jr.

February 28, 2021

Eula Scott (IMO) Mac Fickling

February 28, 2022

Dot Johnston (IMO) Les Johnston

June 30 2021

J Wayne Wrightstone (IMO) Melvin Constant

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June 30 2021

Ella Flynn (IMO) Heather Bock

June 30 2021

Eli & Betty Niedert (IMO) Heather Bock

June 30 2025

Addison & Sandy Walker (IMO) Heather Bock

June 30 2021

Robert & Marianne Tithof (IMO) Heather Bock

June 30 2021

Steve & Terry (IMO) Heather Bock

July 31, 2021

Beverly Harmsen (IMO) Rose Ann Hartford

October 31, 2021

Randy Musser PDDGER (IMO) Jesse and Ina Musser

December 31, 2025

Addison Walker (IMO) Eric Bock

January r31, 2022

Jim & Jeannie Platt (IMO) Merle & Toby Mountz



The Eleven O'clock Toast

"You have heard the tolling of 11 strokes. This is to impress upon you that with us the hour of 11 has a tender significance. Wherever an Elk may roam, whatever their lot in life may be, when this hour falls upon the dial of night, the great heart of Elkdom swells and throbs. It is the golden hour of recollection, the homecoming of those who wander, the mystic roll call of those who will come no more. Living or dead, an Elk is never forgotten, never forsaken. Morning and noon may pass them by, the light of day sink heedlessly in the West, but ere the shadows of midnight shall fall, the chimes of memory will be pealing forth the friendly message,

To our absent members.

CHAPLAINS CORNER

Brother and Sister members of Elks Lodge 1873, let us all pray for a year of peace and goodwill. We ask for patience to understand the continuous increase of the virus and escalation of deaths.

Almighty Father, our country is in need of healing. Guide us to a new beginning. May we put our trust in the power of good to overcome evil and the power of love to overcome hatred.

We pray for the vision to see and the faith to believe in a world emancipated from violence. We plead for a new year where fear will no longer lead men to commit injustice or act in anger that brings suffering to others.

Guide us to the task of making Peace, praying for a rapid elimination of the virus and for the safety of our President and his staff. Give us inspiration and the power to fulfill the destiny for which we, as a fraternal order of Elks, are able to put forth our belief that all men are created equal. May we always accept the consequences of holding to what we believe to be right and be guided by our principles of Charity, Justice, Brotherly love and Fidelity.

For this we pray. Amen.

Your Chaplain Bob Tithof

Please consider using this Antler Booster Page to assist our Lodge with a personal contribution or to eulogize or memorialize someone near and dear to you. For \$20 per year, your name can appear here to acknowledge that extra contribution.

Please contact the Lodge Secretary to make a \$20 Antlers Booster donation for yourself and/or also make a donation In Memory Of (IMO) a loved one or friend.

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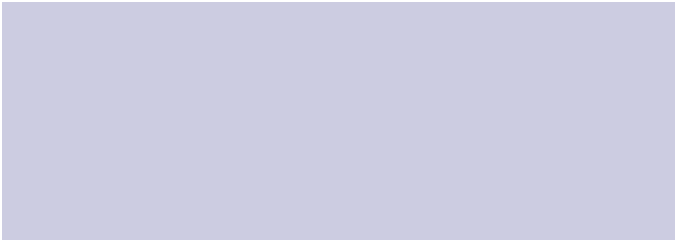
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Office of the Secretary Hours
MONDAY & WEDNESDAY 10AM—2 PM

OR CURRENT RESIDENT



LODGE MEETINGS

2nd and 4th TUESDAY
(except July, August & December)
OF EACH MONTH AT 7:00 pm

Members are encouraged to attend!

2020-2021
Lodge Officers

Exalted Ruler	Theresa Hebior, PER
Leading Knight	James Platt, PER
Loyal Knight	Steve Schlamb
Lecturing Knight	Tom Wilson
Lodge Secretary	Etta Jean Platt, PER
Lodge Treasurer	Carol Vowell
Esquire	VACANT
Tiler	Eileen Barrett
Chaplain	Robert Tithof
Inner Guard	Fran Barry


2020-2021
Board of Trustees

1-year Trustee	Charles Barker, PER
2-year Trustee	Ted Johnson
3-year Trustee	Rick Theriault
4-year Trustee	Robert Boro
5-year Trustee	Mark Waskelis

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PSP Victor McClellan

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Central District V.P.
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Please include your contact information.

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2020-2021
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Member	Judy Schmidt
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Member	Cyn Zellner
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