

The Antlers



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April 2025



Message To The Members From Richard Theriault, Exalted Ruler



Hello Fellow Elks,

I would like to take a moment to remind us all of the incredible potential we have as a group. Each of us brings unique skills and perspectives to the Elks table.

As we move forward, let us commit to supporting each other wholeheartedly. Let us hold each other accountable and also lift one another up. When we work together as one, there is no limit to what we can achieve. Volunteerism is the key.

So, let us ignite the passion within ourselves. Let's push the boundaries of what we think is possible. Together, we can turn our visions into reality. It would be wonderful to see as many of our members involved as possible. Let us make this journey not just about reaching our destination, but about how we grow and thrive together along the way. Let's take off into our future together.

Thank you!
~Rick

April Birthdays

- 04 /01 Kimbrey Grant
- 04 /02 Cindy Andrews
- 04 /02 Charles Urban
- 04 /04 Robert Arredondo
- 04 /04 Paulette Swanson
- 04 /06 Robert Boro
- 04 /07 Eric Chambers
- 04 /07 Katherine Ginkel
- 04 /10 Dorothy Gonzalez
- 04 /10 Nicholas Schlamb
- 04 /15 John Hauer
- 04 /18 Carol Hamilton
- 04 /18 Brooke Rodriguez
- 04 /22 Mimi Freeman
- 04 /22 Patricia Harker
- 04 /23 Derek Bartoli
- 04 /26 Jason Heimermann
- 04 /26 Robert Tithof
- 04 /27 Billie Jackson
- 04 /27 Bert Laffee
- 04 /30 Thomas Hanneken

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
Good for April '25*



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Thank You for All You Do!



Although most of you know that Steve is our chef and treasurer, most of you may not know how much else he does. Just to mention a few things; he cleans, stocks supplies and vacuums inside. He also does trimming and some mowing outside.

Thanks so much Steve for all you do.

A warm welcome to our new ELKS



Lesley Lopes & John Fields



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Lodge Closed on Sundays, Thursdays and Saturdays
Except when noted

Calendar

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
BLUE TEAM		1	2	3	4  FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER	5 
6  PLATINUM TEAM  Community • Friendship • Charity flks.org	7  6pm	8 BOD Mtg. 6pm Lodge Mtg. 7pm \$1 Hot Dogs after mtg.	9 6PM 	10	11  FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER	12 
13 RED TEAM	14  6pm	15 Committee Meetings 6pm	16	17	18  FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER	19 
20  BLUE TEAM 	21  6pm	22  BINGO WITH VETS 2-3PM  Orientation/ Lodge Mtg. 7pm 1 Hot Dogs after mtg.	23 6PM 	24	25  FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER	26 
27 GOLD TEAM	28  6pm	29	30	<p>Lodge Hours Open Hours Bar - 4pm Kitchen Monday/Tuesdays 5:00pm - 6:30pm Wednesday 5pm-7pm Friday 5pm-8pm Bingo - 6pm *Closed during Lodge Meetings</p>		



2025-2026



Congratulations to our New Elected Officers

Exalted Ruler – Richard Theriault
Leading Knight – Joe Waskelis
Loyal Knight – Robert Husband
Lecturing Knight – Derek Bartoli
Esquire – Steve Campbell
Lodge Secretary Etta Jean Platt, PER
Lodge Treasurer Steve Hebior
Inner Guard – Steve Brown
Tiler – Dennis Miller
1-year Trustee Janice Kirsch
2-year Trustee Mark Waskelis
3-year Trustee Frank Husband
4-year Trustee Blake Freeman
5-year Trustee Ken Edwards



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Sunday
April 2025
1:00PM

Installation followed by appetizers and lunch
(chicken bruschetta pasta with garlic bread) \$10 to be paid at door

ELKS

Celebrate New Leaders

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS



Community • Friendship • Charity

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Community Service

What can you do today to keep our local mission going?

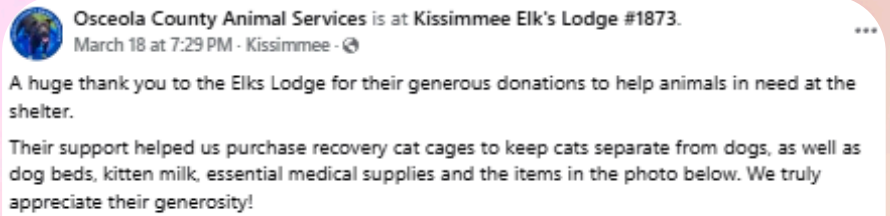
It's a wrap for 2024-2025 Elk Grants

We ended our Grant year with the Beacon Grant to Osceola County Animal Services. With \$4000 from the Elks National Foundation and \$4000 from Florida Elks it was a great way to end the year.

In addition, you added donations to the display in the lounge. OCAS posted a thank you on their Facebook page. On their website another thank you was included in the moving banner on their opening page [CLICK HERE to see their website.](#)

We are grateful that anytime someone opens the OCAS page they will see Elk recognition.

Look for more Grants in our 2025-2026 Elk year.



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FAMILY FUN DAY



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The 11 O'clock Toast to Our Absent Members

"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.

ANTLER'S BOOSTER CLUB

MARCH 31, 2025

FRED & FRAN HAMMER (IMO) AMANDA ANDERSON

MAY 31, 2027

LEE HERSHNER (IMO) ELLA FLYNN

JUNE 30 2025

J WAYNE WRIGHTSTONE (IMO) MELVIN CONSTANT

JUNE 30 2024

J WAYNE WRIGHTSTONE (IMO) WAYNE FARMER

JUNE 30 2025

ADDISON & SANDY WALKER (IMO) HEATHER BOCK

AUGUST 31, 2028

JOHN & CAROL HAMILTON (IMO) PAUL & LOUISE DANIELS

OCTOBER 31, 2025

BOB & MARIANNE TITHOF (IMO) PHYLLIS JEAN KIRCHNER,
HEATHER BOCK

OCTOBER 31, 2024

RANDY MUSSER PDDGER (IMO) JESSE AND INA MUSSER

DECEMBER 31, 2025

ADDISON WALKER (IMO) ERIC BOCK

JANUARY 31, 2025

BOB & FRAN BARRY (IMO) WAYNE SORRELL

JANUARY 31, 2027

JIM & JEANNIE PLATT (IMO) MERLE & TOBY MOUNTZ

FEBRUARY 28, 2028

DOT JOHNSTON (IMO) LES JOHNSTON

FEBRUARY 28, 2025

JANE COUTURE (IMO) RENE COUTURE JR

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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2025-2026
LODGE OFFICERS

EXALTED RULER	RICK THERIAULT
LEADING KNIGHT	JOE WASKELIS
LOYAL KNIGHT	ROBERT HUSBAND
LECTURING KNIGHT	DEREK BARTOLLI
LODGE SECRETARY	ETTA JEAN PLATT, PER
LODGE TREASURER	STEVE HEBIOR
ESQUIRE	STEVE CAMPBELL
TILER	DENNIS MILLER
CHAPLAIN	ROBERT HATCHELL
INNER GUARD	STEVE BROWN

2025-2026
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

1-YEAR TRUSTEE JANICE KIRSCH
 2-YEAR TRUSTEE MARK WASKELIS
 3-YEAR TRUSTEE FRANK HUSBAND
 4-YEAR TRUSTEE BLAKE FREEMAN
 5-YEAR TRUSTEE KEN EDWARDS

LODGE MEETINGS

2ND AND 4TH TUESDAY
 (EXCEPT JULY, AUGUST & DECEMBER)
 OF EACH MONTH @ 7:00PM
 MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED
 TO ATTEND

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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY HOURS
MONDAY & WEDNESDAY 10AM-2 PM

PAST EXALTED RULER
ASSOCIATION (PER)

PRESIDENT	ROBERT BARRY PDDGER
VICE PRESIDENT	ETTA JEAN PLATT, PER
SECRETARY/TREASURER	JAMES PLATT, PER

2025-2026
TEAMS/LEADS

KITCHEN	STEVE HEBIOR
RENTALS	VIVIAN THERIAULT
PUBLIC RELATIONS	LEE MENDEZ
ACTIVITIES	PAULINE HUSBAND

LODGE ADVISOR	ROBERT BARRY PDDGER
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