



# The Antlers



**April 2025**



## Message To The Members From Richard Theriault, Exalted Ruler



May is already upon us, and our new officers and committees have had a busy first month. Our activities committee is busy planning this year's upcoming events, and the membership committee is planning new ways to retain and enlist new members. We still have opening on committees. To learn more about the required committees visit [floridaelks.org/committee-information](http://floridaelks.org/committee-information).

Firstly, I would like to thank our volunteers and donors who have continued to support us. Your dedication and generosity have allowed us to keep focused on our goals.

In terms of recent activities, thanks to our volunteers who cleared the brush in the back area of the property and to those who painted and prepped the main room and doorway for the new carpeting. Funds have been allocated for new carpeting in the main room and lounge area. The carpet is currently scheduled to be installed on May 6-8<sup>th</sup>, and the kitchen and bar will be closed on those dates. The office will run normal hours and committees will meet on the regular days. The Board of Directors and Trustees will be busy prioritizing what needs to be fixed or improved. Our priority will be working on repairs to the Annex building.

Finally, we want to remind everyone that our charitable organization relies on the kindness of our members. If you can donate time or resources, please do not hesitate to reach out to us.

Enjoy this month's Antlers  
~Rick

## May Birthdays

05/01	Gregory Alderman
05/01	Robert Degraff
05/02	Hans Merkel
05/04	David Tithof
05/06	Jack Boro
05/06	Philip Trueblood
05/12	Donald Falkenberg
05/12	Dana Sunshine
05/13	Debra Wood
05/16	Betty Jo Edmondson
05/19	Lorraine Barker
05/22	David Smith
05/22	Arnold Weitzel
05/22	Stephen Wysong
05/24	Steven Hebior
05/25	Michal Lucas
05/27	Casmer Ziemiak Jr
05/29	Janice Kirsch
05/30	Charles Lewis

### **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 May '25



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HAPPY  
Mother's Day

Thank You for All You Do!



Kevin is that low profile kid of guy who gets things done.

Whether it's helping the activities committee on a project, helping to power wash the roof or painting in the main room. He is there, taking time from a busy schedule to help our lodge.

Thank you, Kevin.

*A warm welcome to our new Elks*



Magilina & Dorian Coley,  
Nick Husband



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# May 2025



Lodge Closed on Sundays, Thursdays and Saturdays  
Except when noted

*Calendar*

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
BLUE TEAM				1	2  FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER	3 
4 GOLD TEAM	5  6pm	6 	7	8	9  FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER	10 
11 PLATINUM  Happy Mother's Day	12  6pm	13  BOD Mtg. 6pm Activities Mtg 6pm Lodge Mtg. 7pm \$1 Hot Dogs after mtg.	14  6PM 	15	16  FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER	17 
18 BLUE TEAM	19  6pm	20  BINGO WITH VETS 2-3PM 	21  6PM 	22	23  FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER	24 
25 BLUE 	26  6pm	27  Orientation/ Lodge Mtg. 7pm 1 Hot Dogs after mtg.	28  6PM 	29	30	31

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



# CINCO DE MAYO

**Get ready to fiesta at our Cinco de Mayo Party!**

**Join us as we celebrate with food,  
festive drinks, and BINGO!**

**Monday, May 5th**

**Bar Opens at 4:00pm**

**Kitchen 4:30pm-6:30pm**

**Bingo 6:00pm**





**Women Rock Night**  
**Tuesday, June 17th**  
**@ 6:00pm**

Bring your friend or daughter to our  
**Rock Painting & Bracelet Making Night**  
**\$5 p/p**

Join us for a fun and creative evening!  
Enjoy a special dinner featuring Chicken  
Alfredo with Broccoli & Garlic Bread,  
or Chicken Tenders & Fries for \$8



**Register HERE**



## In Memory of Carole Bock

A service will be held in her honor at:  
St. Luke and St. Peter Church  
2745 Canoe Creek Road  
St. Cloud, FL 34772  
May 17, 2025  
10AM





HAPPY  
Mother's Day

## 2025-2026 OFFICER INSTALLATION

Installation Day at the Kissimmee Elks Lodge!

A day of honor, tradition, and community spirit as we welcomed our newly installed officers at the Kissimmee Elks Lodge. Surrounded by friends, family, and fellow members, the ceremony was a reminder of the values we uphold and the service we commit to.

We're grateful for everyone who came out to support the incoming leadership and help us kick off a new chapter filled with purpose, fellowship, and a shared mission to uplift our community. Congratulations to all the officers—you've got some big shoes to fill... possibly your own, but now with more responsibility. Here's to a great year ahead!



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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 Elkdome 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, 2026**

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 MUSSE PDDGER (IMO) JESSE AND INA MUSSE

**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

### CONTACT NUMBERS

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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
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