



The Antlers



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June 2025

HAPPY Father's Day



Message To The Members From Richard Theriault, Exalted Ruler



Goodbye spring, Hello summer!

As we are just coming back from the state convention, I am reminded of many things pertaining to the Elks. For one, it takes many people to do the things that the Elks accomplish. We have a core of people that try to maintain the lodge as best as they can continuously, but we also need additional members that have not been here for a while to come back and assist with other lodge projects and needs. We need to extend the engagement of junior Elks who already participate in Elksdom activities such as the Americanism essay contest, hoop shoots, soccer shoots, and various other activities. These young Elks are key to the future of Elksdom and its benevolent work. Not only do we need to grow our membership, but we also need current members to be more active in the mission of Kissimmee Lodge No1873. With greater participation of all concerned, we can accomplish the goals of our lodge and the greater Elk mission.

Upcoming Events, there is a bus tour to Umatilla, Fl. on Saturday, September 6, 2025 – come join us for a fun and exciting bus trip to the Florida Elks Youth Camp. See page 5 of the newsletter for full details!

You may see some cost increases at the bar – cost of doing business has increased. We have not raised prices in several years and it's a business requirement to meet the financial goals of the Grand Lodge. Unlike other fraternal organizations such as the American Legion or VFW, we do not receive government assistance with taxes and fees for Veterans.

Rick Theriault
Exalted Ruler

June Birthdays

06/01	Fred Cumbie II
06/01	Etta Platt
06/02	Frances Barry
06/02	Debra Furnari
06/02	Stephen Leggiero
06/02	Emory Miles
06/02	Robert Rousch
06/02	Richard Vortherms
06/03	Edward Petka
06/04	Herbert Harker
06/04	Daniel Jankowski
06/04	James Johnson
06/05	Abby Smith
06/07	Scott Ewalt
06/11	Kathleen Boro
06/12	David Demond
06/14	Amanda Waskelis
06/15	Robert Birchler
06/19	Gerald Kilpatrick
06/19	Robert Slater
06/20	Robert Pinkston
06/21	Gerald Barnes
06/23	Jimmie Jackson
06/24	Scott Vinkemulder
06/25	Emory Graham
06/26	Christopher Riedeman
06/27	Brian Cutcher
06/27	Marianne Tithof

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 June '25

**THE ANTLERS**

HAPPY *Father's Day*



For those who just know the social person side of Karen from Monday Bingo, Friday or even bible study. Karen is always around the lodge doing something. Whether it's outside taking care of the landscaping or inside painting, cleaning, or decorating. She is always looking for her "next project". We need more like her. Thank you, Karen

A warm welcome to our new Elks



Ellen Guillot





June 2025



Lodge Closed on Sundays, Thursdays and Saturdays
Except when noted

Calendar

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 BLUE TEAM	2	3 Activities Committee Mtg 6pm	4 6PM GAME NIGHT	5	6  Friday Night DINNER	7
8 GOLD TEAM HAPPY Father's DAY	9  6pm	10 BOD Mtg. 6pm Activities Mtg 6pm Lodge Mtg. 7pm \$1 Hot Dogs after mtg.	11 6PM GAME NIGHT	12	13  Friday Night DINNER	14 Private Event
15 PLATINUM	16  6pm	17 Private Event Women Rock Night Tuesday, June 17th @ 6:00pm	18 6PM GAME NIGHT	19	20  Friday Night DINNER	21
22 BLUE TEAM	23  6pm	24 BINGO WITH VETS 2-3PM  Orientation/ Lodge Mtg. 7pm 1 Hot Dogs after mtg.	25 6PM GAME NIGHT	26	27  Friday Night DINNER	28 Private Event
29 Private Event BLUE TEAM	30  6pm			<div>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</div>		

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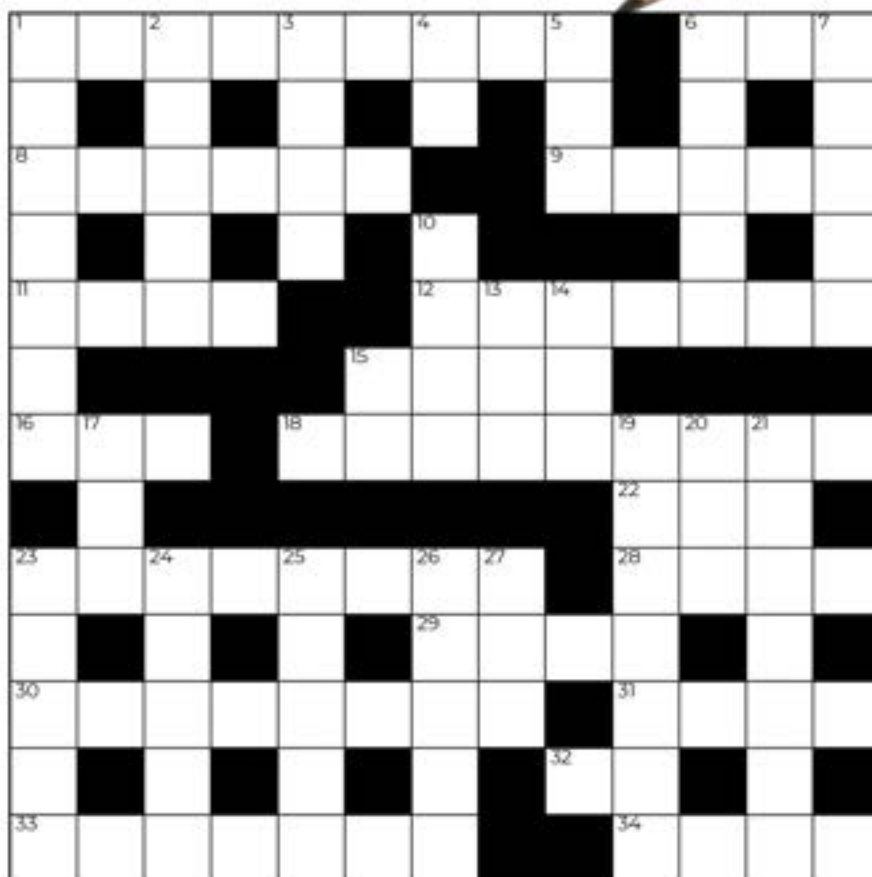
by Myles Mellor

[Click here to view the answers](#)

C R O S S W O R D

ACROSS

1. Official US national bird since 1782, 2 words
6. Soup container
8. Element that makes up about 21 percent of the atmosphere
9. Last word of "The Star-Spangled Banner"
11. Sacred
12. Freedom
15. Positive
16. Cleaning cloth
18. Firm in one's thoughts
22. Map abbreviation, perhaps
23. Loyalty to a person or cause
28. Receive for work
29. Make a cake
30. Process of selecting the US president, for example
31. Speaker's platform
32. Leave



33. Becomes proficient at
34. Coffee containers

DOWN

1. In the Elks Alphabet, B is for ____, "a word that we love: it makes us all kin, does the term from above."
2. True to the cause
3. Having a level surface
4. US soldier, briefly
5. Recede, as a tide
6. Head a committee
7. Destitute
10. Red, white, and ____
13. Type of savings account, abbr.
14. River's bottom
15. It might cross a Rd.
17. Grow older
19. Independence One ____ time: to take
20. turns, 2 words Providing for others Wish
21. Vistas Name of a novel, for example
23. Wind instruments Grandma, to some
- 24.
- 25.
- 26.
- 27.

Lets Get on the Bus

Saturday, September 6, 2025



Umatilla, FL



\$5

Lets visit the Elks Youth Camp
Everyone is welcome!

Come join us for a fun and exciting bus trip to the Florida Elks Youth Camp in Umatilla to tour the facility, lunch after tour and visit other lodges on our way back.

This tour will involve walking, so please be prepared.
\$5 per person paid in advance and is limited to 55 people.
Once 55 seats are sold, it is sold out. Sorry, no refunds.

Purchase your tickets at the Lodge Bar.

Departure from the Lodge will be at 9 am sharp and
returning by 7pm.

Please arrive at the Lodge between 8:15 and 8:45 am.

Coffee and donuts will be available while you wait.



For questions call or text Terry Hebior, 407-927-9303



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](#)

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 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

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LODGE MEETINGS

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

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