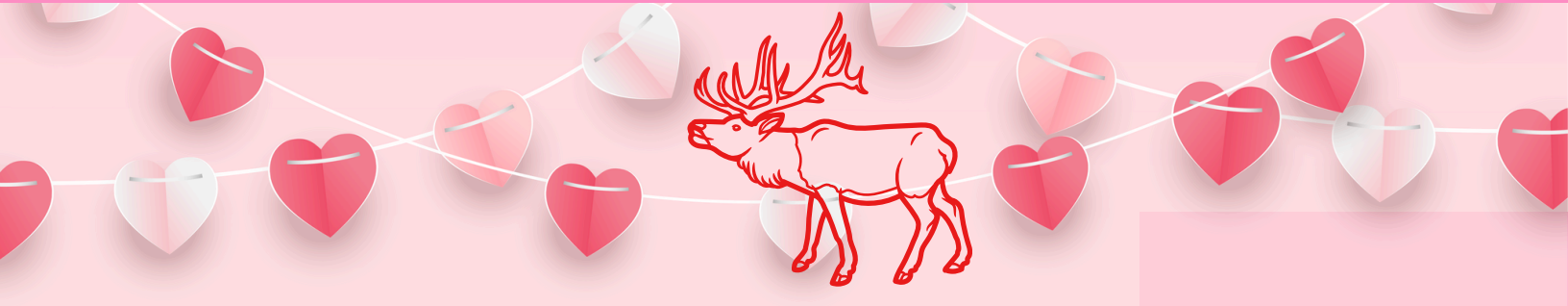


The Antlers

February 2026



Message To The Members From Rick Theriault, Exalted Ruler



Dear Esteemed Members of Elks Lodge 1873

As we enter the month of February, we have 2 months left in the current Elks calendar year. We will be holding both nominations and elections this month for officers for the upcoming year. Individuals interested in officer, committee, or other available positions are encouraged to contact a Past Exalted Ruler (P.E.R.) for further information.

This month we also have a lot of great events coming up. The Neil Diamond Tribute, Super Bowl potluck party and Fat Tuesday just to mention a few. Please check our monthly event calendar.

I would like to thank the members involved in clearing the fence line along Kings Highway. The lodge is now visible from the road. Volunteers completed the work during our January workday. Our next workday is Sunday, 22 February, until 9:00a.m. We welcome the participation of all available volunteers. Ask Myself, Joe, or any of the lodge officers what you can do to help. It is a great chance to get to know your fellow Elk members.

Fraternally yours,
Rick

February Birthdays

- 01 William Adams
- 02 Arthur hallman
- 04 Peter Gelesky
- 04 Betty Lambert
- 06 John Resudek
- 09 Todd Danberry
- 11 Brian light
- 14 James Ballus
- 17 Randall Bodine
- 17 Charlene Cohen
- 17 Andrea Darsch
- 18 Craig Dawson
- 20 Cindy Joint
- 20 Laurence Lentz
- 21 Glenda Merkel
- 22 Kevin Leon
- 23 Cynthia Zellner
- 24 Diane Depre
- 25 Kenneth Barrett
- 25 Amy Karg
- 25 Steven Mazon
- 26 Brenda Clement
- 27 Myrna Lee
- 27 Aubrey Thompson
- 28 Kenneth Edwards
- 29 Shawn Simpson

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 February '26



Terry is already an active member, but his extra work recently, you too Ellen, along the fenceline has been greatly helpful. They provided that extra push to get that job over the top. Thank you, for all that you do.

Kaye Hughes, Louis Eder, Vincent Barber, Richard Altamirano, Anthony Bausola, Kathy and John Rogacki, Gerald Thompson, Anthony Lurito, Karen Thompson and Jaime Abell.



February 2026

Lodge Closed on Sundays, Thursdays and Saturdays
 Except when noted

Calendar

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
01	02  6pm	03 Comittee Mtgs. 6pm	04 6PM 	15	06  FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER	07 NEIL DIAMOND TRIBUTE
08  SUPERBOWL POTLUCK PARTY	09  6pm	10 BINGO WITH VETS 2-3PM  BOD Mtg. 6pm Lodge Mtg. 7pm \$1 Hot Dogs after mtg.	11 6PM 	12	13  FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER	14 ENGAGEMENT PARTY
15	16  6pm	17 	18 6PM 	19	20  FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER	21 
22	23  6pm	24 BOD Mtg. 6pm Lodge Mtg. 7pm \$1 Hot Dogs after mtg.	25 6PM 	26	27  FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER	28
<div style="background-color: #4a7c9c; color: white; padding: 10px; border-radius: 5px;"> <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> </div>						



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We are excited to share some wonderful news! Thanks to the support and sponsorship of our local Elks Lodge, Kissimmee Elks Lodge number 1873, McCormick Research Institute has been awarded the Gratitude Grant from the Elks National Foundation. This generous grant will allow us to replace one of our large arena fans, which plays a crucial role in keeping our participants safe, cool and comfortable during lessons-especially in the intense Florida heat. Many of the individuals we serve are more sensitive to temperature and can overheat quickly, so this fan is truly an essential part of providing a safe riding environment. A heartfelt thank you to our local Elks Lodge 1873 for believing in our mission and helping us continue serving veterans and individuals with special needs. Your partnership makes a real difference in the lives of those we serve! We are deeply grateful!

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**\$65 Steak Dinner, Show &
Priority Seating
DOORS OPEN 4:30 PM
DINNER SERVED 5 PM**



**\$35 Show Only
DOORS OPEN 6:30 PM
NO EARLY ADMISSION
SHOW TIME 7 PM**

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

FEBRUARY 7, 2026

1655 Kings Highway
Kissimmee, FL 34744
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KEITH ALLYNN A
NEIL DIAMOND
TRIBUTE



**ADVANCE TICKET PURCHASE REQUIRED
Call or visit the Kissimmee Elks Lodge**

For one night only, Saturday February 7th 2026 The Kissimmee Elk Lodge 1873 in Kissimmee FL will present "A Neil Diamond Tribute" at 7:00 p.m. "A Neil Diamond Tribute" stars Diamond look and sound alike Keith Allyn.

Experience the feel of Neil as Allyn unveils the story of Diamond's life through Neil's own songs from the '60s through today, while weaving through his own comedic career change from an international top 10 Elvis, to Neil Diamond, all for the love of a woman.

Allyn began his career in stand-up comedy at the age of 14 opening for such greats as Chris Rock, Tim Allen and Robin Williams. At 21, he discovered his musical talents while performing "All Shook Up" at a karaoke night. The girls went wild, and Allyn was hooked. For several years he continued to perform as an Elvis tribute artist and was voted a top 10 Elvis, by Graceland, in 2004.

Later, trying to impress a girl who was a huge Neil Diamond fan, he called her on the phone and in his best Neil voice sang "Hello Again" from the Jazz Singer. It became their song, she became his wife, and he became The Diamond Image. Come see the story unfold live along with the story of Neil Diamond's struggles and triumphs, enjoying hits like "Sweet Caroline," "Song Sung Blue," "Hello Again," "Brother Love," "America" and many more.

If you love romance, magical surprises, comedy and Neil Diamond music, you will love A Neil Diamond Tribute.

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, 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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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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LODGE TREASURER	DAWN HEID
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TILER	DENNIS MILLER
CHAPLAIN	ROBERT HATCHELL
INNER GUARD	STEVE BROWN

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

LODGE MEETINGS

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

