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MESSAGE FROM EXALTED RULER

Greetings my Fellow Elks!

In the beginning of July, myself and the First Lady, the Leading and Lecturing Knight, had the honor of attending the Elks National Convention held in Austin, Texas. Thousands of Elks and guests arrived from all 50 states to attend the opening ceremony of the 159th Grand Session. At the sessions, we were informed about all the successes for the 2023 – 2024 year by the Elks National Drug Awareness program, the Elks National Veterans Service as well as the Elks National Foundation. The Elks had a very successful 2023 – 2024 year!

The National Convention is where we also vote on the resolutions that will amend the Statues and Constitution of the Order. There was a total of 21 resolutions that needed to be voted on. Out of the 21, 18 passed and 3 were rejected. If you wish to see what the outcome for each resolution, please see the secretary for a copy or for any of the Convention News.

We witnessed the swearing in of our new Grand Exalted Ruler Douglas A. Schiefer and his First Lady Julia. We wish to congratulate them and wish them all the best for the upcoming year! But we need to also thank our Past Grand Exalted Ruler, Randy P. Shook, for his devotion and hard work that he has given for the Elks that made this past year so successful.

During the convention, we all attended classes after the morning sessions. We each attended classes ranging from Exalted Ruler training, Secretarial and Accounting, the Elks Magazine, the Florida Ladies of Elks, to the My Elks app. There are so many different classes to choose from and we were all kept very busy. We all learned many applications that will be used at our lodge. If you can, try and attend the National Convention next July! You will not only have a great time, but you will learn so much as well as make a ton of new friends!

Remember...... Who are we?......WE ARE THE ELKS!!

Your Exalted Ruler,

Thomas Randazzo

P.E.R/Exalted Ruler



Elk of the Month



AUGUST

I have chosen Cindy Haugland for August Elk of the Month.

Cindy Haugland became an Elk last year and from the time she joined, she has been volunteering here at the Lodge. She is married to John Gravina and

together they have seven children, four grandchildren, and one debuting in January. They also have a dog. She is originally from Bay Shore, NY and moved to Port St. Lucie, FL June 2022.

Cindy studied culinary arts and hotel management and earned her first degree in 1983. She worked in restaurants and then opened her own catering business. She also did accounting and office management work in the construction industry while raising her children. She went back to school to earn her bachelor's degree in organizational management and continued to earn an Executive MBA. She opened a management consulting firm which she had for 10 years.

Cindy is not a stranger to volunteering. She is the middle of nine children and her parents taught her family at an early age the importance of volunteerism. She has worked with numerous organizations and has served on several boards; so, when she moved to Florida, it was a natural fit to join the Elks and help our community. Cindy has cooked meals for events, bartends, assisted others in the kitchen, assisted in the setup and cleaned up events, and she and John became the bar managers in April this year.

Cindy, Congratulations and thank you for all you do.



If your birthday is in August don't forget to come into your lodge for your FREE drink!



PORT ST. LUCIE ELKS MOTORCYCLE RIDERS Meet every 3rd Tuesday Night at 7pm OPEN TO ALL ELKS MEMBERS FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: PETE JORDAN 772-285-0123



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It's hard to believe the 61st Annual FLOE Conference being held at the beautiful Shores Resort & Spa in Daytona Shores, September 19-20, 2024, is just right around the corner. Friday night entertainment will be provided by the Deep Creek Ladies of Elks. A Friday golf outing is planned for those interested. Visit https://www.floridaelks.org/floe/conference for more information and to make

your reservations. We look forward to seeing you there.

The FLOE Angel Reverse Draw tickets benefiting the Florida Elks Childrens Therapy Services are now on sale. Tickets are available for a donation of \$20 each. Tickets are also available for our Annual Conference Raffle with three great prizes. 1st prize is a 2-night hotel stay at Shores Resort and Spa in Daytona Shores with a \$600 Visa gift car. 2nd prize is a Northern Tool quiet generator with \$150 Visa gift card and 3rd prize is a Yeti 18 soft sided cooler w/adult beverage and a \$100 Visa gift card Tickets are 6 for \$5. All proceeds benefit FECTS and FEYC. If you would like tickets, please email floeinformation@gmail.com or contact one of our officers. Contact information is available on floridaelks.org. Together we can make a difference in the lives of children throughout Florida.

On Monday July 1, 2024, during the Grand Lodge Convention in Austin Texas there wase a workshop for all ladies of the Elks across the country to share ideas for fundraising and other activities from their lodges. This is the first time anything like this has been offered and we are extremely proud that Florida was the host of the workshop. The event was a huge success with standing room only.

Just a reminder, <u>EVERY</u> lady Elk, wife of an Elk and widow of an Elk are members of FLOE, regardless of affiliation with a lodge ladies' organization. There are no applications to complete nor dues to pay. How active a lady chooses to be is at her discretion, but she remains a member.

We would like to say "Thank You" for your continued support, and we look forward to seeing you.

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

BURGER NIGHT & QUEEN OF HEARTS

MENU:

CHOICE OF A BURGER'S, CHEESE STEAK, FISH SANDWICH, CHICKEN SANDWICH OR A SALAD. CHOOSE YOUR TOPPINGS "ALL SERVED WITH FRENCH FRIES"

Cost - \$10.00 PP FROM 5:00 TO 7:00 PM OUEEN OF HEARTS AT 7:00 PM













HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT

FSEA Sponsored Scholarships



C. Valentine Bates Memorial HOPE Scholarship



The mission of the Florida State Elks
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HOPE Scholarship is to provide financial
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Florida high school seniors without which
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The 2025 application period opens August 1, 2024 with applications due by January 17, 2025

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VETERANS AFFAIRS COMMITTEE REPORT

Parade of Heroes Dinner Fundraiser

Mark your calendar for Saturday, August 24th,2024 as we will be holding our second *Florida Elks Parade of Heroes* event by having a Salisbury Steak Dinner to raise money to send the following Elk Veteran Members; Paul Wilson, Jeffrey Norman, Frank Ohlau & Carlton "Todd" Bolivar to this year's *Florida Elks Parade of Heroes* event being held in Washington, D.C. this November 8-10, 2024. This event features outstanding bands, choirs and JROTC cadets from around the country in a special tribute to all veterans from WWII up to and including Gulf War veterans at the World War II, Korean War, and Vietnam War memorials. There will be 50/50's, Basket Raffle's, and Music by DJ Hicks. This event will be held from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. *Dinner will be served at 5:00 p.m.* The cost is \$20.00 per person. Tickets are on sale at the Bar. If you have any questions, please contact me or Kathy.

Harry Fava – Veteran Chair (386) 235-0681 Kathy Borrelli – Veteran Co-chair (772) 203 6684

LODGE HOURS OF OPERATION

MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY & SATURDAY LODGE OPENS AT 4PM.

TUESDAY, THURSDAY - OPENS AT 2PM

SUNDAY - CLOSED

PHONE NUMBERS:
BAR & RESERVATIONS 772-335-3557
SECRETARY & TREASURER 772-335-3517
IF NO ANSWER, PLEASE LEAVE A MESSAGE



NOTICE

<u>Pool League</u> meets every Monday night at the lodge. Play starts at 6:30pm and random drawing for Players begins.

All members are invited.



Bowling league will resume in September.





August 3rd FOUNTRY BOIL







\$30.00 pp (Advanced Tickets) \$35.00 pp (at Door)

Lounge opens at 4pm Dinner served at 6pm

Elks Lodge 2658 2290 SE Lennard Road Port St. Lucie, FI 34952 772-335-3557 Music by: Tori Lee At 6:30pm













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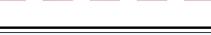
PARADE OF HEROES

Salisbury Steak Dinner Fundraiser

Elks Lodge #2658 would like to thank our veterans for their service to our country by raising money to send four of our veterans; Paul Wilson, Frank Ohlau, Carlton (Tod) Bolivar & Jeffrey Norman in November 2024 to Washington, D.C. for the Florida Elks Parade of Heroes event by having a Salisbury Steak Dinner. There will be 50/50's and Basket Raffle's & Music will be provided by DJ Hicks

> Saturday, August 24th, 2024 4 p.m. - 7 p.m. Cost \$20.00 pp Dinner Will Be Served At 5:00 p.m. Menu Includes:

Salisbury Steak ❖ Garlic Mashed Potatoes * Choice of Mushroom Gravy or Non-Mushroom Gravy ❖ Buttered Corn & Salad



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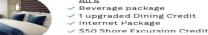
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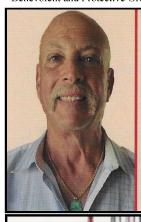
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** LODGE OPENS EVERY DAY AT 4 PM. ** EXCEPT IF NOTED ON CALENDAR

AUGUST 2024

Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks # 2658 A Fraternal Organization

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				Lodge Meeting 7:30 PM Initiation of New Members	BREAKFAST 7:30AM BLOOPH SEGULAR 7 PM FGOD AVAILABLE 5.7pm	3 Low Country Shrimp Boil Dinner at 6 PM Music by: Tori Lee Advanced Tickets \$30.PP Tickets at Door \$35.PP
Service of CitoSep	5 LOUNGE OPENS 4 PM POOL LEAGUE 6:30 PM	6 LOUNGE OPENS 2 PM Winnie's Caribbean Chicken Dinner	7 LOUNGE OPENS 4 PM VETERANS Breakfast 9 AM BURGER NIGHT 5-7 PM QUEEN OF HEARTS 7 PM TRIVIA at the BAR	8 LOUNGE OPENS 2 PM House Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	9 LOUNGE OPENS 4 PM BLINGO EARLY BIRD 6:00 PM REGULAR 7 PM FOOD AVAILABLE 5 - 7 pm	10 LOUNGE OPENS 4 PM SINGO By: Kiss By A Rose 6pm Food Available for purchase Game Starts at 7pm
Elks Breakfast 9an-11am \$10.PP	12 LOUNGE OPENS 4 PM POOL LEAGUE 6:30 PM	13 <u>Cindy C.</u> Rib's Dinner 6 PM	14 LOUNGE OPENS 4 PM VET'S COFFEE 9 AM BURGER NIGHT 5-7 PM QUEEN OF HEARTS 7 PM TRIVIA at the BAR	15 LOUNGE OPENS 2 PM BOARD MEETING 6 PM	16 NETWORKING BREAKFAST 7:30AM BLING BLING EARLY BIRD 6:00 PM REGULAR 7 PM FOOD AVAILABLE 5 - 7 pm	I7 LOUNGE OPENS 4 PM Kards For Kids Texas Hold'em Poker Tournament! 7PM TEXT Judi at 772.486-1846 See Flyer
18	19 LOUNGE OPENS 4 PM Ladies Luncheon 11:30 AM POOL LEAGUE 6:30 PM	Cindy & Kelly-Jo Baked Stuffed Shrimp Dinner 6 pm ELKS MOTORCYCLE RIDERS MEETING 7PM	21 LOUNGE OPENS 4 PM VET'S COFFEE 9 AM BURGER NIGHT 5-7PM QUEEN OF HEARTS 7 PM TRIVIA at the BAR	22 LOUNGE OPENS 2 PM	23 LOUNGE OPENS 4 PM BLOOG OP PM EARLY BIRD 6:00 PM REGULAR 7 PM FOOD AVAILABLE 5 - 7 pm	24 LOUNGE OPENS 4 PM PARADE OF- HEROES Dance, Dinner Served at 5PM Adv. Tickets \$20 PP Day of Event \$25 PP
Elks MRC Breakfast 9am – 11am \$10.PP	26 LOUNGE OPENS 4 PM POOL LEAGUE 6:30 PM	27 LOUNGE OPENS 2 PM Jeff's Pork Loin Dinner 6 PM	28 LOUNGE OPENS 4 PM VET'S COFFEE 9 AM BURGER NIGHT 5-7 PM QUEEN OF HEARTS 7 PM TRIVIA at the BAR	29 LOUNGE OPENS 2 PM	30 LOUNGE OPENS 4 PM BUNGO FOOD AVAILABLE 5 - 7 pm EARLY BIRD 6:00 PM REGULAR 7 PM	31 Come out & Help To clean up your LODGE!
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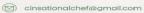


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