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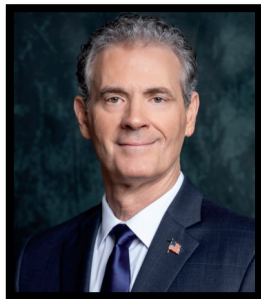
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New Grand Exalted Ruler Doug Schiefer



During the first business session of the 159th Grand Lodge Session held in Austin, TX, the leadership of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks elected Douglas A. Schiefer of Bucyrus, OH Lodge No. 156 as Grand Exalted Ruler for the 2024–2025 year.

Here are the key points regarding his plans and focus areas:

Overview of Programs:

GER Schiefer emphasized the importance of utilizing both Grand Lodge and local lodge programs to create a dynamic presence in communities. His goal is to foster greater unity and involvement among lodge members.

Focus on Membership:

Schiefer highlighted the continued priority of initiating new members while also congratulating the Elks on their recent consistent growth in membership. He encouraged the assembly to maintain this positive trend.

Patriotism:

Schiefer called on each Elk to perform small acts

of patriotism every day, reinforcing the values of the organization and contributing to the broader community.

Community Engagement:

He underscored the significance of community projects and activities, urging lodges to leverage the resources and programs available to make a substantial impact locally.



Venture Cares Mobile Food Pantry



Elks Members, Paula Keaton and Kathy Tatman, pictured with Venture Cares Warehouse Manager Brian Fischer, recently assisted with the Mobile Market for Veterans Food Distribution at Warrior Homes Delta House



Message from the Exalted Ruler

Dear Members,

As we reach the end of July, I am filled with a sense of pride and excitement following our participation in the Elks National Convention in Austin, Texas. This convention was a remarkable experience, providing invaluable insights, fostering new connections, and reaffirming our commitment to the core values of our organization: Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love, and Fidelity.

The educational sessions provided valuable strategies for membership

growth, public relations, and funding community programs, which will undoubtedly benefit our lodge. Connecting with fellow Elks from across the nation was truly inspiring, and our Florida delegation proudly represented our lodge. The camaraderie and unity displayed were heartwarming and motivating.

As we move forward, I am excited about the opportunities that lie ahead. Our recent achievements and the insights from the convention have positioned us for a successful and impactful year. Together, we will continue to uphold the values of Elkdom, support our community, and grow our lodge.

Thank you for your continued dedication and support. Your participation and enthusiasm are what make our lodge truly special. Let's make this month and the rest of the year a time of growth, service, and fellowship.

Warm regards,

Holly Ludwig

Together we can achieve

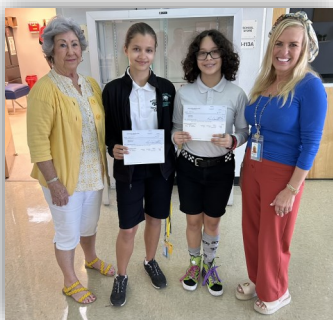
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Americanism Essay Contest Winners



The Elks Grand Lodge sponsors an Americanism Essay Contest every year for 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students. Lodge 2010 participated by mailing entry forms to schools in Collier County. Participants in the contest write essays on particular themes selected by the Grand Lodge Americanism Committee. This year's theme was "What the Bill of Rights Means to Me". Our lodge saw more participation this year

than in any previous year. The entries were read and judged by a panel of Lodge 2010 members. The winners in each division were selected and presented with their



monetary awards at their schools, and their winning essays were then sent to the District level for judging.

By implementing patriotic activities, it is our ambition and goal to help stimulate an awareness of patriotism in our younger generation and to help foster the idea of Americanism in their lives.

Congratulations to all participants for their inspiring contributions!



Elks Care - Elks Share



Youth Haven

June 27 at 10:30AM · 🌐

Thank you to [Naples Elks Lodge 2010](#) for providing scholarships to our recent high school graduates from Rob's Cottage, our shelter for homeless teens. We're so grateful for our community's support in celebrating the teens' remarkable achievements!

#CommunitySupport #YouthHavenSWFL #Rob'sGroupHome #NaplesElksLodge2010 #ThankYou #NaplesFL #ClassOf2024



Naples Elks Support Our Veterans



Warrior Homes of Collier was selected as the local recipient of the Elks National Foundation Freedom Grant, presented by the Naples Elks Lodge 2010. The grant provided 33 \$100 gift cards to help county veterans in need. From left to right in the photo above: Greg Tinsley, WHC; Barbara Salkow, WHC board director; Brian Kamp, grant coordinator; Arlene Hansen, Secretary; and Kim Lebetz, Treasurer.





Interested in Volunteering or Joining a Committee and not sure which option is best for you?

Contact Holly Ludwig
(er@napleselks2010.org)

House Committee has Openings! Contact Julie Dehaan

Venture Cares Mobile Market Needs YOU!!

Volunteers are needed at 5:30-7:

- August 14th
- August 28th

In support of Warrior Homes' Delta House Veterans.

Contact Brian Kamp for Details



Interested in Bar-tending? Training Available

Contact Julie Dehaan



GOLF COMMITTEE
Contact Bob Costello or Brett Binder



Contact Julie Carter



Join the Government Relations Committee
(looking for 3 members)

Schedule of Events

- 8/3: 9am-12 Sponsor for Gulf Coast Veterans & Friends Breakfast (Fleishman Park Community Center)
- 8/3: 5pm VP Dinner (Cape Coral)
- 8/8: 6pm Email & Facebook Security Class (Thirsty Thursday 5pm)
- 8/17: 5pm VP Dinner (Naples) (No SMTM)
- 8/18: Elks Day at the Rays
- *8/24: New Member Orientation (10am) & Initiation (11am)
- 8/28: BOD 6pm, Lodge Meeting 7pm
- 8/30: 6pm Jimmy Buffett Day (Open to Public)
- Friday Night Dinner TBD

August 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
				THIRSTY THURS	DINNER	SMTM/HOT DOG
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	LRC/DARTS	SMTM/BINGO		CYBER CLASS	DINNER	SMTM/HOT DOG
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	LRC/DARTS	SMTM/BINGO		THIRSTY THURS	DINNER	VP Dinner
	19	20	21	22	23	24*
	LRC/DARTS	SMTM/BINGO		THIRSTY THURS	DINNER	SMTM/HOT DOG
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
	LRC/DARTS	SMTM/BINGO	BOD/Lodge Meeting	THIRSTY THURS	DINNER	SMTM/HOT DOG

Schedule of Events

- 9/1: Lounge Open on Sundays
- 9/2: Labor Day BBQ
- 9/11 Day of Remembrance
- 9/18: BOD 6pm, Lodge Meeting 7pm
- **9/21: New Member Orientation (10am) & Initiation (11am)
- 9/28: Army of Hope Golf Tournament (No SMTM)
- 9/28: State President Dinner 5pm
- Friday Night Dinner TBD

September 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
OPEN	Labor Day BBQ	SMTM/BINGO			DINNER	SMTM/HOT DOG
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
OPEN	LRC/DARTS	SMTM/BINGO	9/11		DINNER	SMTM/HOT DOG
15	16	17	18	19	20	21**
OPEN	LRC/DARTS	SMTM/BINGO	BOD/Lodge Meeting		DINNER	SMTM/HOT DOG
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
OPEN	LRC/DARTS	SMTM/BINGO			DINNER	Golf Tournament
29	30					
OPEN	LRC/DARTS					



Naples Elks #2010 and Bonita Springs-Estero Elks #2753 Lodges

Cordially invite you to the SSW District VP Dinner

Honoring Roger Spencer



When: Saturday August 17, 2024

5:00pm Cocktails and Appetizers

6:00pm Dinner

Cost: \$20 per person

Where: Naples Lodge 2010 11250 E. Tamiami Tr. Naples, FL

**Dinner: Sliced Sirloin Marsala or Chicken Bryan
Garlic Mashed Potatoes, Broccoli, Salad, Rolls, Dessert**

RSVP: By calling 908-675-6429 or email gray3380@comcast.net

Please do not call the lodge number because of summer hours

Please include your name, title, lodge, and dinner choice with each reservation. Pay at the door with cash or check made payable to Naples Elks 2010

August 12th is the final cut-off date for reservations

Attire for the event is business casual

*Naples Elks Lodge 2010
11250 E. Tamiami Trail
Naples, FL 34113*



**Naples Elks Lodge 2010
Annual Charity Golf Tournament**
September 28, 2024
Mustang Course, Lely Resort
8004 Lely Resort Blvd



SPONSORSHIP LEVELS

GREEN Sponsor

\$250

- Recognition on a greens sign at the event
- Mention in the tournament program
- Logo placement on the event website and social media posts
- Special mention during the awards ceremony

FAIRWAY Sponsor

\$150

- Recognition on a fairway sign at the event
- Mention in the tournament program
- Logo placement on the event website

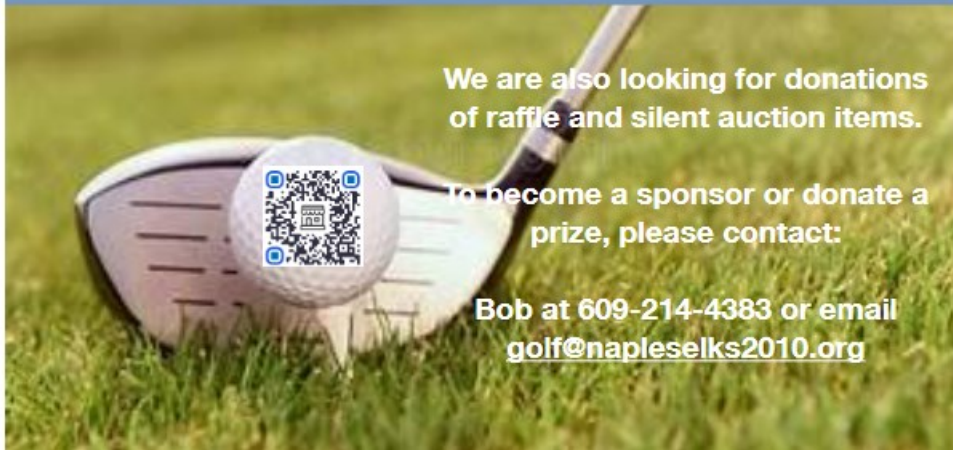
TEE Sponsor

\$80

- Recognition on a tee sign at the event
- Mention in the tournament program



**Registration
Link**



We are also looking for donations of raffle and silent auction items.

To become a sponsor or donate a prize, please contact:

Bob at 609-214-4383 or email golf@napleselks2010.org

Annual Golf Tournament

Saturday Sept 28

Mustang Course at Lely Resort

Limited to first 116 paid golfers

\$125 per person / \$500 per foursome

Elks Award Nearly \$4 Million in College Scholarships

In April, the Elks National Foundation awarded more than \$3.9 million to high school seniors entering their freshman year of college, welcoming 850 students to the Elks Family. More than just financial aid, an Elks scholarship is an invitation to a network of service-minded peers and a promise that an Elks Lodge is always there with open arms.

Out of more than 22,000 applicants for the Elks National Foundation's Most Valuable Student scholarship, the Top 20 scholars received \$30,000 scholarships and an invitation to Chicago for the Most Valuable Student Leadership Weekend. Four-hundred-and-eighty runners-up received \$4,000 scholarships.

From April 11 to 14 in Chicago, the Leadership Weekend offered panels run by current and former Elks scholars to teach the new class about personal branding, transitioning to college, and finding service opportunities through the Elks.

"The Leadership Weekend was an experience I will never forget," says Ella Brie Mayor, a top winner sponsored by Simi Valley, Calif.,

Lodge No. 2492. "I am so grateful to have been able to connect with a likeminded group of students who care about education and bettering the world just as much as I do."

The Elks also welcomed 350 Legacy Awards scholarship recipients to the #ElksFamily. Exclusively for the children or grandchildren of Elks members, the Legacy Awards are \$4,000 scholarships with an essential service requirement. Recipients must serve with an Elks Lodge three times during the four years they receive the scholarship.

"Receiving an Elks Legacy scholarship is a profound honor that represents not only financial support but also recognition of my family connection to the Elks community," says Denton Wiggins, a Legacy scholar sponsored by Perry, Fla., Lodge No. 1851. "It signifies a legacy of service, generosity, and commitment to education passed down through generations. This scholarship not only alleviates financial burdens but also fosters a sense of belonging and pride in being part of a tradition of giving back to others."

To see a full list of the scholarship winners and to learn more about the Elks National Foundation's scholarships, visit elks.org/scholars, follow the ENF on Instagram @ElksScholars, and like the ENF on Facebook @ElksNationalFoundation.

For 2024-25, the Elks National Foundation allocated nearly \$2.9 million to fund the Most Valuable Student scholarship program, which includes 500 four-year scholarships ranging from \$4,000 to \$30,000. For more information about the Most Valuable Student scholarship program, including eligibility and deadlines, visit elks.org/scholars.



JOIN THE CLUB!

Start a monthly gift to the Elks National Foundation at enf.elks.org/FC or learn more by scanning the QR code.



Elks National Foundation, Inc.





**The Naples Elks Lodge
2010 is throwing a
Jimmy Buffett Party
Event is Open to the Public**

**Friday August 30th, 2024
at 6:00pm**

Ticket price \$25 includes:

**Dinner by Joe Smith – Good to Go BBQ
Hawaiian Pork, Tropical Shrimp Skew-
ers, Coleslaw, Smoked Mac & Cheese, &
Key Lime Pie**

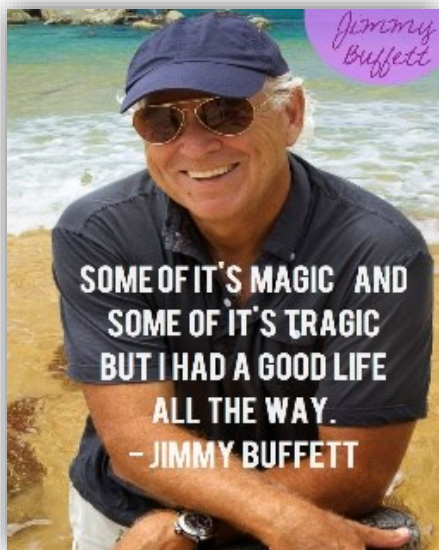
Entertainment by Nevada Smith

**Along with Jimmy Buffett concerts on
the big screen**

**Raffles, Games, Prizes for Best Dressed
Parrot Head**

And as always 50/50 and Queen of Hearts

**Tickets required for this event get yours
at the Elks bar they will
sell out quickly or
click on the QR code be-
low!**



July 4th Steak Out



NAPLES ELKS LODGE 2010

11250 Tamiami Trail East
Naples, FL 34113
Phone: 239-643-4368

About Naples Elks Lodge 2010

Founded in 1956, Naples Elks Lodge 2010 has been a cornerstone of the Naples community, dedicated to the principles of charity, justice, brotherly love, and fidelity. Our mission is to promote benevolence and strengthen our community through various charitable initiatives and programs. We support veterans, provide scholarships to deserving students, and engage in numerous community service projects.

Our lodge offers a range of activities and services, including social events, volunteer opportunities, youth programs, and support for local charities. We serve the Collier County area and welcome members from all walks of life who share our commitment to giving back to the community.

For more information about Naples Elks Lodge 2010 and how you can get involved, please contact Holly Ludwig at er@napleselks2010.org or visit our website at elks.org/2010.

Join us in making a difference and exemplifying the true spirit of Elkdom!

