



The Bellows

ORMOND BEACH ELKS LODGE #2193

◆ January 2025 ◆

Message from the Exalted Ruler

Members all,

I want to wish each of you a very happy New Year as we welcome in 2025! Hopefully, everyone will be able to celebrate and ring in the new year with friends and family.

This is the fourth and final quarter of the Elks year, which ends on March 31, 2024. I would like everyone to continue supporting our local community, veterans, students, and others in need. Our hardworking committees help move this mission forward. I encourage our members to live healthily and take care of themselves, their families, and their friends.

Next month, the Lodge succession process will begin with officer nominations

followed by voting. Keep an eye out for the candidates.

As always, please check our calendar and our lodge Facebook page, "Ormond Beach Elks Lodge No. 2193," for our ever-growing schedule.

This month, it gives me great pleasure to nominate Mick Kauffman as Elk of the Month! Mick volunteers his time and resources to DJ our Friday night music two to three nights a month, as well as many of our lodge events and functions. Even when "DJ Micks Up" isn't volunteering his time DJing for us, he is an active member who is always there to support our Lodge! Thank you, Mick, for all that you do!

Joe Brozyna, ER

Scholarship Committee

Although the deadline for submission for the Most Valuable Student (MVS) Scholarship has passed, there are still amazing opportunities for Elks families to receive financial support for education. The Legacy Awards provide scholarships for high school seniors who are the children or grandchildren of active Elks members. Applications for the Legacy Awards are online and open until February 3, 2025.

Elks scholars pursuing a degree in medicine or osteopathic medicine can apply for the Gunther & Lee Weigel Medical School Scholarship. Applications for this program open online January 2025. Apply online for both of these scholarships at elks.org/scholars.

The Florida State Elks Association offers the C. Valentine Bates Memorial HOPE Scholarship, which supports Florida high school seniors with a GPA between 2.30 and 3.59, the Van Duren Memorial Scholarship and the Ben Brown Physical and Occupational Therapy Scholarship. The deadline for all FSEA scholarships is January 17, 2025. For more information and to apply online, visit floridaelks.org/scholarships.

Applications for these scholarships are still open, but don't wait—deadlines are fast approaching. Don't miss out on these incredible opportunities!

Merrick Brunner, Scholarship Chair

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JANUARY 2025



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
5 Bar Open 12pm-7pm NFL Sunday Drink Specials Limited Kitchen	6 Lodge Closed Three Kings Day	7 Kards4Kids 6pm "Monthly Drawing"	8 Committee Meetings Elks Riders 6:30pm <i>Happy New Year</i> Lodge Closed	9 Bingo 6:30pm Kitchen 5pm-6pm	10 Dinner Served 6pm-7pm Karaoke Night 7pm (OD: J. Brozyna)	11 Bar Open 12pm-7pm Member Orientation and Initiation 1pm NFL Playoffs Limited Kitchen
12 Bar Open 12pm-7pm Shuffleboard Tournament 12pm NFL Playoffs Limited Kitchen	13 Lodge Closed National Rubber Ducky Day	14 Kards4Kids 6pm	15 Committee Meetings House 6:30pm New Member Orientation 7:00pm	16 Lodge Meetings General Lodge 7:30pm New Member Initiation	17 Grilled Pork Tenderloin - 6pm All Request Night 7pm (OD: D. Symington)	18 Bar Open 12pm-7pm Night at the Races Doors open at 5pm Purchase tickets in advance
19 Bar Open 12pm-7pm NFL Playoffs Drink Specials Limited Kitchen	20 Lodge Closed Inauguration Day	21 Kards4Kids 6pm	22 Ladies and Mens Social 6:00 pm Drink and Food Specials	23 Bingo 6:30pm Kitchen 5pm-6pm	24 Dinner Served 6pm-7pm Karaoke Night 7pm (OD: R. Williams)	25 Bar Open 12pm-7pm Drink Specials Limited Kitchen
26 Bar Open 12pm-7pm NFL Conference Championships Drink Specials Limited Kitchen	27 Lodge Closed National Chocolate Cake Day	28 Kards4Kids 6pm	29 Committee Meetings Veterans 6:30pm	30 Bingo 6:30pm Kitchen 5pm-6pm	31 Dinner Served 6pm-7pm All Request Night 7pm (OD: S. Searle III)	

Regular Hours: Tue-Thu 4pm-9pm, Fri 4pm-11pm, Sat-Sun 12pm-7pm



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Secretary's Report

Lodge Committee Chairpersons

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Soccer Shoot
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Veterans
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Volunteer Coordinator
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Happy New Year! Dues statements for 2025-2026 will be mailed soon and as with everything else, expect an increase in dues this year. This is the first Lodge increase in our dues in many, many years! If you are experiencing financial difficulty, please reach out to me.

Officer nominations for 2025-2026 will be on February 1 and election of officers will take place February 15. Attend Lodge meetings to make your voice heard!

If you haven't paid your dues for 2024-2025, you are in danger of being dropped from our membership. Phone calls and emails have been sent - do I have your correct information? I will be posting the names of all delinquent members in the lobby - please pay your dues to make sure your name is not on that list! If you know someone on that list, reach out to them!

And as always, use your membership card to visit other Lodges to meet the Best People On Earth!

Debbie Brozyna, Secretary

Chaplain's Corner



Please keep members Warren Queen, Marie Houle, Peggie Sue McClellan and Cathy Look and their families in your prayers as they recover from illnesses.

Heavenly Father, As we gather in fellowship during this special season, we ask for Your blessings upon our Elk family. Grant us safety in our journeys, peace in our hearts and joy in our homes. May kindness and generosity guide our actions, as we remember those in need and uplift one another in the spirit of giving. Keep us united in friendship and service, and may Your light shine upon all our members, bringing in comfort, happiness, and hope to each Elk and their loved ones. Amen

Mick Symington, Chaplain

ENF Committee

First of all, I hope everyone had a very Merry Christmas and you're looking forward to the new year. For many, this is a new beginning for the year, but it's different in the Elks. Our year is April 1st until the following March 31st. ENF is still being collected for 2024-2025 year until that time. Our Lodge is exceeding expectations and that is because we have the best members! But our job is never done. There is still a child in need, a veteran in need, a neighbor in need and more. Your money helps so many and Grand Lodge gives us free money, as long as we meet our per capita, to do these things and more. Please consider being a sustaining donor and join the Fidelity Club. You can sign up securely at www.elks.org/enf. You can also give yearly or quarterly or just when you can. Please attend our special functions at the Lodge that raise money for ENF. Some are: Kards4Kids (also raising funds for Harry-Anna and Lodge scholarships), the annual Duck Drop, Oktoberfest and more. I am still updating the poster by the shuffleboard to show where our Lodge is in our State and National donations. See you at the Lodge!

Peggie Sue McClellan PER, ENF Committee Chair

Announcements

Edward Wenger, a 36-year member in good standing has applied for life membership and will be voted on at the January 2, 2025 Lodge meeting.



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The following members are celebrating birthdays in January

Drew Flickema (01)	Jeanette Hernandez (07)	Beverly Muscatello (16)	Tonia Klokow (26)
Michael Husted (01)	Jennifer Liddell (08)	Pat Wilson (16)	William Partington (26)
Sharon Scott (01)	Betty Swierski (08)	David Carter (17)	Debra Berg (27)
Daryl Badger (02)	Anna Daley (09)	Floyd Taylor (17)	David Hufschmid (27)
Joseph Spellman (02)	James Kerce (09)	William Drobinski (18)	Ron Beebe Sr. (28)
Mickey Symington (02)	Charles Papson (10)	Ingwal Olson Sr. (19)	Dan Hucks (29)
Kirk Brandenburg PER (03)	Michael Armstrong (11)	Gerald Stephenson Jr. (19)	August Krull (29)
Roderick Brenner (04)	Kenneth Keifer PER (11)	Howard Stevens (21)	Mary Giannoni (30)
Carol Forbes (04)	Theodore MacLeod (11)	G Happy Briggs (22)	Tom Grinder (30)
Richard Sassone (06)	David Merkel (13)	Kristen Curtis (22)	Thomas Moore III (30)
Kevin Wilson (06)	Carol Anne Behnken (14)	Thomas Prescott (22)	Linda Ranck (30)
Joseph Zarro (06)	M James De Puy (14)	John Gureckis (24)	Pauline Schaack (31)
June Bigham (07)	William Roberts (14)	Thomas Remigio (25)	John Thuman Jr. (31)
Mary Fix-Surber (07)	Ronald Vanzanten (15)	Richard Sabol (25)	

PATRON BELLOWS BOOSTER

Edward Kuehl PER (07/25)

Mike Scudiero *In Memory of George Schnell PER (08/25)*

James & Shelley Wood In Memory of Tom & Bettie Winkler (12/25)

In Memory of Paul Brozyna (12/25)

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