

# The Bellows

ORMOND BEACH ELKS  
LODGE #2193

◆ May 2025 ◆



## Message from the Exalted Ruler

Members all,

As we enter May, I want to thank you for your continued support and engagement with our lodge. Your involvement is crucial to our success. I'm pleased to announce a few important events this month. First, on May 3 at 2 pm, we will be holding a Quilt of Valor Ceremony for PSP Vic McClellan, who was a member of the USAF for 41 years. This will be followed by our Scholarship Banquet at 5 PM. This is a great opportunity to come together, support our scholarship recipients, and enjoy good food and camaraderie. We will also be having a Kentucky Derby watch party in the lounge. Additionally, on Mother's Day, May 11th, we will honor all mothers with a complementary mimosa and a carnation. It's a small gesture to celebrate the important women in our lives, and I encourage everyone to bring their mothers along to enjoy the day with us.

Looking ahead, I'm pleased to announce a Town Hall Meeting on July 26<sup>th</sup> at 11:00am at our lodge, featuring guest speaker Past State President Frank Tamberelli. Frank will discuss the transition from a house committee to a governing body, providing valuable insights for our future direction. This is an important opportunity for all members to participate in shaping our lodge. Your opinions matter, and I encourage everyone to attend. Let's work together to strengthen our commitment to our community and the values we cherish as Elks.

This month, I would like to honor Erin Searle as our Elk of the Month! Erin has helped revive our outdoor patio with new bar stools, lights, and decorations. In addition, she has set up our new Sunday bar bingo, which has been a huge success so far. Thank you, Erin, for all that you do!

*Joe Brozyna, ER*

## ENF Committee

Thank you for outstanding giving to ENF last year. Our Grand Exalted Ruler (GER) asked that each Elk member give \$5 per member, and our members gave an average of \$18.19! We were 5th place out of 8 lodges in our District and we made the top 16 in our State. What does all this mean? We received matching funds which helped students in our area get more than \$30,000 in scholarships; we were able to give Christmas meals and presents for disadvantaged children, and we helped several homeless veterans move into a place of their own by providing a bed and basic items to set up a home.

As amazing as everyone was to step up, we are now expected to give 3% more than last year in order to receive matching grants. We can do this together. Please attend our fundraisers and you can even pledge funds monthly, one-time, or annually at Elks.org. Just click on ENF donate now link at the top of the screen.

We are a small Lodge, but mighty! There is nothing we can't do together. Looking forward to seeing you at Lodge.

Peggie Sue McClellan PER, ENF Chair

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**MAY  
2025**



**Ormond Beach  
Elks Lodge No. 2193**  
285 Wilmette Ave  
Ormond Beach, FL 32174

**SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY**

|   |   |                                       |  |  |   |
|---|---|---------------------------------------|--|--|---|
|   |   |                                       |  |  |   |
| 4 Bar Open 12pm-7pm<br>Bar Bingo 1pm-3pm                            | 5 Lodge Closed<br>National Hoagie Day                           | 6 Kards4Kids 6pm<br>"Monthly Drawing" | 7 Bar Open 4pm-9pm<br>Elks Riders Meeting 6:30pm     | 8 Bingo 6:30pm<br>Kitchen 5pm-6pm                                  | 9 Pulled Pork, coleslaw, potato salad 6pm-7pm<br>All Request Night 7:00pm<br>(OD: S. Brozyna)             |
| 11 Happy Mother's Day<br>Free carnation or mimosa Bar Open 12pm-7pm | 12 Lodge Closed<br>House Meeting 6:30pm<br>National Crouton Day | 13 Kards4Kids 6pm                     | 14 Bar Open 4pm-9pm<br>New Member Orientation 6:45pm | 15 Lodge Meetings<br>General Lodge 7:30pm<br>New Member Initiation | 16 Broiled Mahi, coleslaw, French Fries 6pm-7pm<br>Karaoke Night 7:30pm<br>(OD: J. DiBlasi)               |
| 18 Bar Open 12pm-7pm<br>Shuffleboard Tournament 12pm                | 19 Lodge Closed<br>National Devil's Food Cake Day               | 20 Kards4Kids 6pm                     | 21 Bar Open 4pm-9pm                                  | 22 Bingo 6:30pm<br>Kitchen 5pm-6pm                                 | 23 Burger or Shrimp Basket 6pm-7pm<br>All Request Night 7:00pm<br>(OD: H. Briley II)                      |
| 25 Bar Open 12pm-7pm<br>Bar Bingo 1pm-3pm                           | 26 Lodge Closed<br>MEMORIAL DAY                                 | 27 Kards4Kids 6pm                     | 28 Bar Open 4pm-9pm                                  | 29 Bingo 6:30pm<br>Kitchen 5pm-6pm                                 | 30 Filet Mignon or Broiled Shrimp baked potato, veggie 6pm-7pm<br>Karaoke Night 7:30pm<br>(OD: S. Burres) |
|   |   |                                       |  |  | 3 Bar Open 12pm-7pm<br>Quilt of Valor - 2pm<br>PSP Vic McClellan<br>Scholarship Awards Night 5pm          |
|   |   |                                       |  |  | 10 Bar Open 12pm-7pm  |
|   |   |                                       |  |  | 17 Bar Open 12pm-7pm  |
|   |   |                                       |  |  | 24 Bar Open 12pm-7pm<br>Michael Chandler Installation as State President (Orlando)                        |
|   |   |                                       |  |  | 31 Bar Open 12pm-7pm  |

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

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## Secretary's Report

Summer Greetings! Things are heating up both inside and outside the Lodge! Thank you to all who have renewed their membership for the 2025-2026 Elks year - your new card is waiting for you in the Social Quarters. At this writing, a third of our membership have not renewed their dues. To avoid mailings, emails and phone calls, won't you consider sending in your renewal if you haven't done so yet? We have many exciting events, meals and good fellowship to enjoy and we want you to be a part of it. Also, mark your calendars and please join us on July 26 for a Town Hall Meeting with special guest, Past State President Frank Tamberelli, who will explain the proposed restructuring of the House Committee to a Governing Body. All members are invited to attend. And please remember - visit your Lodge to meet the Best People On Earth!

Debbie Brozyna, Secretary



## Chaplain's Corner

I recently toured the Florida Elks Youth Camp guided by Elliott Gilbert who explained that children from ages 9-13 can attend camp-with no child left behind. He related that these children can enjoy indoor and outdoor activities with their peers that will nurture them spirituality, physically and socially-leaving them with positive experiences to remember. What a blessing!

Please pray for the following members: Jackie Andrews, Warren Queen, Lisa Notestone, Joe Zarro and Carolyn McClure's friend, Joseph Puccino; and recognize Vic McClellan's prayer of thanks. Also, Mary Wakem reports that Bert has been placed in Hospice and she is requesting prayers that he does not suffer.

Joan Burroughs, Chaplain

## Scholarship Awards & Youth Week

Spring is in full swing, and Ormond Beach Elks are excited to celebrate over \$30,000 in scholarships at our Scholarship Awards Banquet on May 3rd at 5:00 PM. Join us at the Ormond Beach Elks Lodge, 285 Wilmette Ave, Ormond Beach, for a taco bar dinner followed by the awards ceremony!

The banquet takes place during Elks National Youth Week (May 1-7), officially proclaimed by the City of Ormond Beach thanks to the support of Commissioner Harold Briley II. This week honors our scholarship recipients and youth who've participated in Americanism, Hoop Shoot, Soccer Shoot and Drug Awareness programs. Please RSVP to 805-458-9241. We hope to see you there!

A heartfelt thank you to our members—your generosity to the Lodge Scholarship Fund, Elks National Foundation, and Harry-Anna Trust makes it all possible.

Merrick Brunker, Scholarship Chair

## Announcements

Mark Brown, a 31-year member in good standing, and Roland Parker, a 47-year member in good standing, have applied for Life Membership and will be voted on at the May 15, 2025 Lodge meeting.



Please join the members of Ormond Beach Lodge #2193 and East Central District #1720 in the celebration parade for our incoming State President, Michael Chandler. Call Peggie Sue McClellan PER, (260) 417-1230, to sign up and for more details.



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### The following members are celebrating birthdays in May

Joan Burroughs (02)  
 Vicki Geletka (02)  
 William Cameron (03)  
 Caroline Chandler (03)  
 Michael Fleischman (03)  
 Kathryn Ulbricht (03)  
 Randall Ward (03)  
 Laura Dagle (04)  
 Pamela Ford (04)  
 Michael Lemoi (04)  
 Kent Robinson (04)  
 Robert Vance (10)

Duane Horner (12)  
 Pamela Miller (14)  
 Ray Muller (14)  
 Warren McCormack (15)  
 David Rhodes Jr. (15)  
 Marvin Stein (16)  
 Amberlynn Foote (17)  
 Thomas Bucu Jr. (18)  
 Mae Palmisano (22)  
 Richard Adams (23)  
 Thomas Silver (23)  
 Patricia Hubert PER (25)

Seth Maxwell (25)  
 Vivian Webb (25)  
 Jeffrey Jowers (26)  
 Donald Ressler (26)  
 James Buffington (29)  
 Richard Gossett (29)  
 Robert Mulvihill (29)  
 John Rose (29)  
 Joseph Mickol (30)  
 Eugene Donohoe (31)  
 Roger Lee (31)  
 Brian Roney (31)

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 In Memory of Paul Brozyna (12/25)  
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