



The Staghorn

**Rotonda Elks Lodge #2710
A Fraternal Organization**

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ELKS CARE - ELKS SHARE

May 2025



Jean Humphreys, ER

May Staghorn

Most of our Northern Elks have left us and we are going into our summer season. May is going to be a busy month. Mother's Day is coming up on May 11th with a special service to honor our Mothers, foster Mothers or anyone who raises you deserves our honor and love. Look for the flyers in the Lodge. The Elkettes have lots of events planned, so be sure to come and support them.

The Past Exalted Rulers are once again remembering our Elks who stay here all summer with a free picnic on Memorial Day, May 26th. Again, look for flyers for details.

If you are a spouse or widow and tried to use your card to purchase alcoholic drinks and couldn't, here is the reason: The state of Florida Liquor License for clubs states that only members can buy alcohol. Spouses and widows are not

members even though in the past, we said it was okay. But now the Florida Elks says that all Elks clubs must abide by the State Law, no matter what our By-laws say. You may join the Elkettes because they are an auxiliary of the Elks and hold regular meetings and pay dues. The dues for new members are \$35 which includes a name tag. So, please don't give the bar tenders a hard time; they are only following the law. Thank you for understanding that we have to follow the law or else the club liquor license could be pulled.

The Elks have a Retirement of Flags service that I would like to include in the annual Flag Day service on June 14th. So save your flags and we will honor them as they should be honored. Again, look for the flyers that will tell you everything you need to know.

Thank all of you who bought flags that will fly in front of the Lodge. It is a beautiful sight, day or night! Many thanks to everyone who took the time to sell the flags during the evenings: Sally Cheney, Buddy Thibeault, Brad Fitzgerald, Steve Pawlak and Bob Humphreys. Great job and they will be putting them up too. Anyone who wants to help, please come and help your lodge out. The day and time will be announced in Constant Contact.

As always, many thanks to all of our volunteers who help do many jobs in the Lodge: waitresses, dishwashers, bussers, prep work in the kitchen, lawn care workers, silverware wrappers and many more who just sees something that needs done and does it!

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Bud Prentiss + 1992-93
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Fred Lawton + 1995-96
Robert A. Smith 1996-98
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George Roach + 2000-01
William Pallman + 2001-02
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Ray Eifert + 2005-06
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Michael LaBar + 2007-08
Larry Thomson + 2009-10
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Tom Johnson 2011-12
Pat Johnson 2012-13, 2013-2014
Bob Humphreys 2014-15
Wayne Legris 2015-16
Bob Humphreys 2016-17
Al Williquette 2017-18
Phil Sommers 2018-19
Jean Humphreys 2019-20, 2021-22
Roger Redman 2020-21
Ed Toth 2022-23, 2023-24
Deb Hargrove PDDGER 2024-25



PERS BY MEMBER AFFILIATION

Joel Townsend + 1953-54
Norman Craig + 1967-74
Mike Gifford + 1974-75
R Carl Snyder + 1969-70, 1979-80
Wm O Lunvall 1969-70
Paul White 1977-1978
Tony Ponn 1979-80
Michaelino Amico 1980-81
Gordon Araujo 1983-84
Edward Holmes 1984-85
Richard Linn 1986-87, 1990-91
John Fletcher 1987-88
Jack Garrabrant 1981-82, 1991-92
Wm S Cronin 1991-92
Dennis Durrant 1992-93
Michaelino Amico 1981-82, 1992-93
James F Hargove,Sr. + 1992-93
Phil Sommers 1991-92 1993-94
Richard W Holmes 1993-94
Michael Holowiak 1995-96
Joseph Calafiore 1995-96
Richard McDonald 1996-98
Donald Warling 1996-99
Roger Hazen 1998-99
Ron Wittenberg 1989-90, 1999-00
Eddie Tanguay 2000-01
James McNally 2001-02
Carl Gerace PSP 2003-04
Thomas Geis 2006-07
Mark C Stevens 2006-07
Deb Hargrove PDDGER 2007-08
Donald Gordon + 2009-10
Ceasar Monzon 2009
Bonnie Mackenzie 2010-2011, 2015
Michael D Tirpak 2012-13
Tiffany Gerace 2015-16, 2016-17
Arthur Thomas 2015-16
Sheila R Tirpak 2016-17
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Blackwell-Toth at
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Indoor Bar Hours

Monday & Friday 11am to 10pm

Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday 11am-7pm

BAR PHONE NUMBER: 941-662-9914

Kitchen Hours

Monday Thru Friday

Lunch 12pm-2:30pm

Dinner 4:45pm-7pm

No dinner on Tuesdays

Kitchen is now closed on Saturdays

Broasted Chicken Sunday Dinner 1-4pm.

Monthly Lodge Meetings

BOD meeting 6:00pm and Lodge Meeting 7:00pm
-- 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month, except July,
August and December are only the 1st Tuesday.

New member Orientation: 2nd Tuesday of each month

House Committee - TBD

New Members in April



From left to right: Karrie Bartlett, Bob Bazinet, Barbara Harrod, Kevin Duffy, Jeffrey Polk, Maximilian Guzman, Richard Mancini

ELKETTE'S FATHER'S DAY BRUNCH

June 15, 2025---10am to 12pm

\$15 P/P

Menu: Buffet Brunch:
French Toast, Scrambled Eggs, Bacon,
Sausage, Sausage Gravy, Biscuits,
Home Fries & Coffee.

Bloody Marys or Mimosas: \$1.00

Tickets on sale at the Elkette Scratch-off table on Monday & the Bar.
Cut-off date: June 12, 2025

CASH or CHECK only, please

JASON'S ROARING 20'S PARTY

May 17, 2025 5:00 - 9:00

Cost: \$25

Music: DJ or Band?

Menu:

1/2 Chicken, Fried Fish or Lasagna. Salad and Dessert with all meals. Please choose a meal when you sign up so the correct amount of food can be prepared.

**Flapper Dresses or anything from the
Wear them with Pride!**

Tickets on sale at the Bar
No assigned seating



Celebrating Mother's Day

May 11, 2025

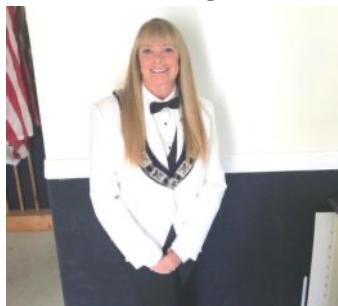
Special Service to Celebrate Mothers:

12-1

Broasted Chicken Dinner- 1-4

Order and pay at the table

From The Lodge Secretary's Desk



Sherry Blackwell Toth

Members All:

Happy Spring! There are some exciting and fun times at the Lodge. The Pig Roast/Laua was a ball! The food was outstanding. The month of May will be full of events for the members to enjoy. Watch Constant Contact and the scrolling board at the Lodge for details.

Dues are still trickling in, there are still 324 members who have not paid their dues. If you know someone who has not renewed, please remind them. The Lodge is hopping with fun. We don't want them missing out!

Have a good Spring and I will see you around the Lodge.

Sherry

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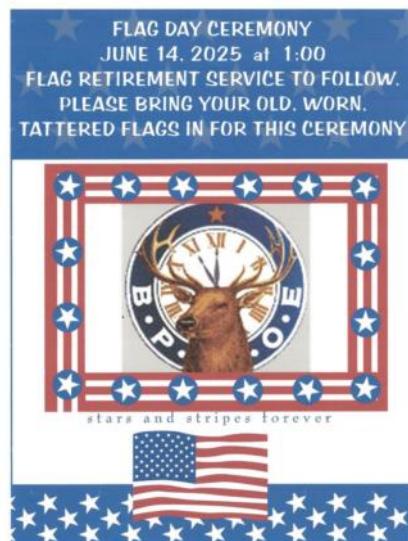
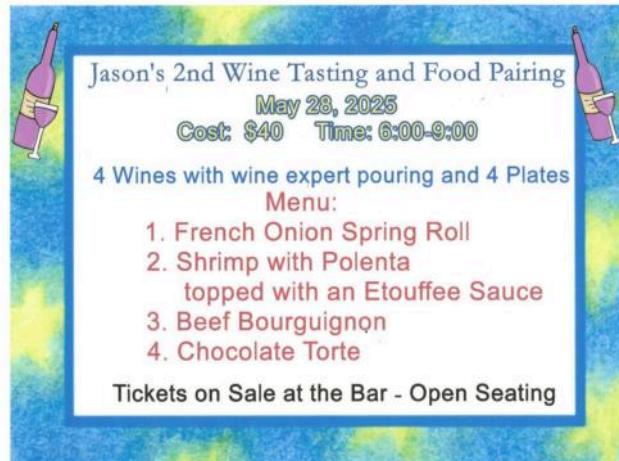
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Many thanks to Chris Horn who keeps Constant Contact up to date so we all know what is going on in the Lodge. If you are not getting CC, look in your spam box. Make sure you have rotonda2710@gmail.com in your address book. Deb O'Shea is the Staghorn editor. Deb's duties encompass ensuring information, pictures and flyers are clear, accurate and ready for publication. Great job!

I wish all of you a safe and happy summer with no hurricanes! We need the rain but not the wind.

Fraternally yours,

Jean Humphreys, Exalted Ruler



Elkette's Corner



May 2025 Staghorn:

The Elkette's installed eight new member Mary Verdi, Mary Beth Warling, Elaine Schnarre, Kathryn Stickles, Emily Rose Skrzycki, Karen Bennett, Susan Sawtelle and all sworn in and pictured below on April 24, 2025, and Cheryl Yost was sworn in on April 16, 2025. Welcome to all of our new members.



On April 30, 2025 Veterans and Staff of Douglas Jacobson State Veterans' Nursing Home were given a "Fun Food Day" from the Elkette's. Fifteen sheet-pan Pizzas were made by the New Faull Inn, and a massive thanks goes out to Mary Feustel (New Faull Inn owner) for making this possible. A huge thanks also goes out to Ginny Perry and Millie Addotta who pick-up and delivered these pizzas, also thanks to the Elkette's who coordinated with the Veterans Home to make this a special day for the staff and especially the Veterans.

On May 6th, the Elkette's will present four scholarships in the amount of \$2,000 each to four deserving individuals at Lemon Bay High School. Two of these scholarships will be in memory of; Virginia Morgan (the founding member of the Elkette's), and Lael Noel, one Scholarship will be a technical scholarship and one will be presented to a disabled/handicapped individual. Thank you goes out to Barbara Kelly, Millie Addotta and Susan Rupprecht for time reviewing, selecting and executing efforts toward this wonderful cause.

Upcoming Events (save the date):

- The Elkette's will host the Kentucky Derby Party on May 3, 2025, between 12 and 7pm. Constant Contact will provide Members with details of this event.
- Don't miss out on the Marina Jack and UTC Bus Trip on May 10, 2025, tickets are still available. Reminder the cost of \$52.00 (includes boat and buffet), the fee for the bus will be waived for Elkette's. **Guests will pay \$92.00 (\$52 for Cruise and \$40 for the bus).**
- The Elkette's Lodge 2710 will host a FLOE Luncheon May 15, 2025. Ginny Perry is the Chair and should be contacted before May 8, 2025 of your attendance.
- Our traditional Father's Day Brunch is also being planned for June 15, 2025. Details will be provided through Constant Contact as we get closer to this date.

The next meetings:

- The Elkette Board of Directors Meeting, May 12, 2025 at 3pm
- General Meeting, May 22, 2025 at 4pm
- Ways and Means Meeting, May 22, 2025 at 3pm



May

THANK YOU !

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 Zumba Toning 9:30am \$7 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm Stick Bingo 1-3pm	2 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-10pm Band: Music Box Duo	3 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm Kitchen closed
4 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm Broasted Chicken 1-4pm	5 Zumba 9:30am \$7 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-10pm Bar Card Games 1-3pm Queen of Hearts 50/50 Band: Pop Rox	6 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm Bar Bango 1-3pm Elks BOD Meeting 6pm Lodge Meeting 7pm	7 Zumba 9:30am \$7 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm Show Me the Money 1-3pm	8 Zumba Toning 9:30am \$7 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm Stick Bingo 1-3pm	9 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-10pm Band: Classix	10 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm Kitchen Closed Marina Jack and UTC Bus Trip
11 Mother's Day Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm Mother's Day Service 12-1pm Broasted Chicken 1-4pm	12 Zumba 9:30am \$7 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-10pm Bar Card Games 1-3pm Elkettes Bd. of Directors Meeting 3pm Queen of Hearts 50/50 Band: Clearwater	13 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm Bar Bango 1-3pm New Members Orientation	14 Flag Day Zumba 9:30am \$7 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm Show Me the Money 2-4pm Flag Day Ceremony 1pm	15 Zumba Toning 9:30am \$7 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm Stick Bingo 1-3pm FLOE Luncheon	16 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-10pm Band: Hot Rod Hearts	17 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm Jason's Roaring 20's Party 5-9pm
18 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm Broasted Chicken 1-4pm	19 Zumba 9:30am \$7 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-10pm Bar Card Games 1-3pm Queen of Hearts 50/50 Band: Jim Vallie	20 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm Bar Bango 1-3pm Elks BOD Meeting 6pm Lodge Meeting 7pm	21 Zumba 9:30am \$7 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm Show Me the Money 1-3pm	22 Zumba Toning 9:30am \$7 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm Stick Bingo 1-3pm Elkette Ways & Means Meeting 3pm Elkette General Meeting 4pm	23 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-10pm Band: Music Box Duo	24 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm Kitchen Closed
25 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm Broasted Chicken 1-4pm	26 Zumba 9:30am \$7 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-10pm Bar Card Games 1-3pm Queen of Hearts 50/50 Band: Beat Street Band	27 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm Bar Bango 1-3pm	28 Zumba 9:30am \$7 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm Show Me the Money 1-3pm Jason's 2nd Wine Tasting and Food Pairing 6-9pm	29 Zumba Toning 9:30am \$7 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm Stick Bingo 1-3pm	30 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-10pm Band: Hot Mix	31 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm Kitchen Closed

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