



# The Staghorn

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

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**August 2025**



**Jean Humphreys, ER**

As I write this article, I have been reflecting back over the summer months in Florida! Hot! Hot! Hot! Yes, it has been hot just to let our northern friends know, up there in somewhat cooler weather. The Lodge has been very busy with different events happening - Jason, Monique and Patrick have been very busy in the kitchen taking care of the great food coming out. The House Committee has been very busy with different jobs and doing a great job of keeping the Lodge humming.

I couldn't do all of the jobs they take care of for the Lodge by myself, so a big thanks goes out to all of our volunteers who work a lot behind the scenes and quietly do their jobs! Chris Horn, whom I don't think sleeps, sends out all the Constant Contacts every week. Deb O'Shea takes care of publishing the Staghorn and updating our website. Cat Bros does a great job scheduling the waitresses and bussers and Tom McCombs the cookers for Broasted Chicken on Sundays and the dish washers. If anybody would like to volunteer, see Tom and he will find something for you to do! If I don't say thank you to everyone who works whether I'm here or not, I will say it now. Thanks from the bottom of my heart!

The Community Breakfast was a huge success because of a lot of effort put in by Gerry Chesney and Jason Vollmer doing most of the advertising and getting sponsors to purchase the food that was needed. Thank you to all of the sponsors: Paradise Exclusive Reality, Cape Haze Convenience Store, New Faull Inn, Italiano Insurance Boca Grande, Signs in a Day, Randy and Gabiella Dyer. The last count I got was about \$4000 from a free will donation for the 3 food banks in our area who feed the homeless and others who need food to help them out: St. Francis of Assisi, St. David's and Helping Hand of Englewood. We also had a membership drive and got a few applications. So all in all, it was very good and the food was delicious. Thank you to all who helped make this happen.

Christmas in July was a great success too; the food was fabulous and the items given by different people made for great Christmas gifts to the people who won them. Thanks to all who worked that night.

Coming up in August, we will close the Lodge for much-needed maintenance from August 9 through the 17th, opening back up on Monday, August 18th. The outside of the Lodge will be painted by member Bill Correll Painting LLC; the driveway and parking lot will be resurfaced. This will start at the beginning of the week so if you come to do other work in the Lodge, please park on the grass in front of the Lodge, otherwise your car may have a different color paint job!

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Wayne Legris 2015-16  
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Al Williquette 2017-18  
Phil Sommers 2018-19  
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Ed Toth 2022-23, 2023-24  
Deb Hargrove PDDGER 2024-25



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Joel Townsend + 1953-54  
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R Carl Snyder + 1969-70, 1979-80  
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Tony Ponn 1979-80  
Michaelino Amico 1980-81  
Gordon Araujo 1983-84  
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John Fletcher 1987-88  
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Dennis Durrant 1992-93  
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Richard McDonald 1996-98  
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Tiffany Gerace 2015-16, 2016-17  
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**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**

**Taco Thursdays Dinner 4-6:30pm**

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### **Monthly Lodge Meetings**

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

**New member Orientation: 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month**

**House Committee - TBD**

**See below in red. This is one of the changes  
to our Elk bylaws.**

#### **OF THE TREASURER**

Sec. 5. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all the Lodge moneys from the Secretary, giving him a receipt therefor; and, except as otherwise provided by By-Laws, he shall be the Treasurer of all Committees of the Lodge, and shall handle all funds of All Committees and every activity of the Lodge; pay alls against the Lodge as ordered thereby on vouchers signed by the Exalted Ruler and Secretary, except as provided in Section(f); keeping a correct account, under their proper dates, of the amounts and sources of receipts and the amounts and purposes of disbursements, taking proper vouchers for the various items thereof. He shall, at such times as the Lodge may direct or the Exalter Ruler require, present for examination all books, papers, vouchers, etc., that may be necessary to a proper auditing of his accounts. He shall also perform such other duties are required by the Lodge, and are compatible with his office. Whenever the amount of unappreciated cash in his possession shall exceed \$3,500.00, he shall notify the Chairman of the Board. He shall present a report at each regular meeting showing the condition of the funds of the Lodge. He shall be required to give bond to the Lodge in the sum of \$5,000.00 for the faithful performance of his duties, and shall receive as compensation for his/her services the sum of \$9,000.00 per annum, payable monthly.

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## ***From The Lodge Secretary's Desk***



***Sherry Blackwell Toth***

Members All:

I hope you all have enjoyed the activities at the Lodge. We have been super busy with the Community Breakfast, BBQ Picnic and Christmas in July. All were well attended and enjoyable. Thank you to the Entertainment Committee , House Committee and all the Volunteers.

We are still at 204 delinquent members. If you are a sponsor or know why someone hasn't paid their dues, please remind them that they don't want to miss out on all the fun. If you are aware of someone who has passed or is in a nursing home, please let the office know so we can remove them from the member list. A Delinquent list is posted on the hallway bulletin board.

It is not too early to apply for Life Membership. You must be a 30-year member and submit a short note to the office asking to be considered for Life Membership. Voting will be in November at one of the membership meetings. A notice will be posted in the Lodge and in Constant Contact when the vote is scheduled.

Have a great rest of your summer if you are here or up North. I will see you around the Lodge.

Sherry

## ***Continued from page, Jean Humphreys' article***

A sign-up list has been posted on the door of the closet in the hallway. Lots of small jobs and some big ones, but if everyone pitches in a little bit, the jobs get done. The kitchen will be closed and a professional company will come in and do a major clean-up. Lunch will be provided for the workers. With all of the professional workers doing their jobs, we have to work around them but they will be in certain areas, so we shouldn't have any conflict.

I came back from the National Elks Convention in Kansas City, Mo. on July 3rd. I have posted all the resolutions that were voted on that will become statutes. They are on the bulletin board in front of the secretary's office. Please read them if you want to know what is happening at the national level.



As a last note, the Past Exalted Rulers will have a Labor Day picnic on the patio: free hotdogs, hamburgers, a bag of chips. Watch for the signs..

See you at the Lodge,  
Jean Humphreys, Exalted Ruler

## Elkette's Corner



### August 2025

The Elkette's welcomed three new members in July: Marsha Crosby, Richard Townsend Jr. and Karen Gentile pictured below:



For those who are interested in joining the Auxiliary, applications can be found at the bar (UNDER THE BELL) and in the lady's room, new memberships are welcomed.

The Elkette's took a pause in July and all meetings will resume in August. However, it should be noted that activities to support our charities (Scratch-Off Board Monday's and the Elk Races on Thursday's) will continue, please check Constant Contact for details of upcoming events.

In closing the next meetings of the Elkette's:

- Board of Directors Meeting: August 4, 2025 at 10am
- A Special Installation Meeting for New Applicants - August 6, 2025 at noon
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- The Elkette General Meeting, August 28, 2025 at 4pm
- The Ways & Means Committee will meet, August 28, 2025 at 3pm

Meetings will be held at the Rotonda Elks Lodge 2710.

**C. Susan Rupprecht, President**



# August



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-10pm  Band: Tin Can Tourists 6:30-9:30pm	2 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm
3 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm  Broasted Chicken 1-4pm	4 Zumba 9:30am \$7 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-10pm  Elkette BOD 10am  Queen of Hearts 50/50  Band: Salty Dog 5:30-8:30pm	5 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm  Bar Bango 1-3pm  Elks BOD Meeting 6pm Lodge Meeting 7pm	6 Zumba 9:30am \$7 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm  Elkette Special Installation 12 noon  Show Me the Money 1-3pm	7 Zumba Toning 9:30am \$7  Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm  Stick Bingo 1-3pm  Elk Races 5-7pm	8 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-10pm  Band: Robert & Wolfie 6:30-9:30pm	9 <b>Lodge closed for maintenance</b>
10 <b>Lodge closed for maintenance</b>	11 <b>Lodge closed for maintenance</b>	12 <b>Lodge closed for maintenance</b>	13 <b>Lodge closed for maintenance</b>	14 <b>Lodge closed for maintenance</b>	15 <b>Lodge closed for maintenance</b>	16 <b>Lodge closed for maintenance</b>
17 <b>Lodge closed for maintenance</b>	18 Zumba 9:30am \$7 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-10pm  Queen of Hearts 50/50  Band: Red Angel Duo 5:30-8:30pm	19 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm  Bar Bango 1-3pm	20 Zumba 9:30am \$7 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm  Show Me the Money 1-3pm	21 Zumba Toning 9:30am \$7 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm Stick Bingo 1-3pm  Elk Races 5-7pm	22 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-10pm  Band: Tat2 6:30-9:30pm	23 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm
24 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm  Broasted Chicken 1-4pm ***** 31 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm  Broasted Chicken 1-4pm	25 Zumba 9:30am \$7 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-10pm  Queen of Hearts 50/50  Band: YouTube Night 5:30-8:30pm	26 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm  Bar Bango 1-3pm	27 Zumba 9:30am \$7 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm  Show Me the Money 1-3pm	28 Zumba Toning 9:30am \$7 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm  Stick Bingo 1-3pm  Elkette Ways and Means 3pm  Elkette General Membership 4pm  Elk Races 5-7pm	29 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-10pm  Band: Hot Rod Hearts 6:30-9:30pm	30 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm



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