



The Staghorn

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

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April 2025



Jean Humphreys, ER

It is my pleasure to serve as your Exalted Ruler for the 2025-2026 year.

I want to thank all of our members and guests for a great year so far. Thanks to all of our Northern Elks who visit us during the winter months! You make our Lodge come more alive with your presence and we'll miss you until you come back! Have a safe trip home, enjoy your summer with family and friends and hopefully we'll see you again next season.

The Activities committee has been planning events for the next 3 months. Jason Vollmer and Gerry Chesney have been hard at work trying to pick fun things for our year round members to do during our hot summer months. Be on the look-out for the following up-coming events.

On April 12th a Pig Roast and Luau is planned. The flyer will be in the Staghorn and on the bulletin board, so make sure you see it. Other events with the details will be forthcoming as they get closer.

On May 17th a Roaring 20's party is planned. Shake the dust off those flapper dresses and Zuit suits. But if you don't have any of those, come anyway!

On May 28th Jason is planning another Wine tasting party, so if you attended the last one, you know what to expect - good food and good wines.

June 5th will be an Italian night with a glass of red or white wine, spaghetti, lasagna, fettuccine alfredo to choose from, salad and dessert.

On June 18th a bourbon tasting event is being planned.

On July 5th we are celebrating the birth of our country with a BBQ picnic as a thank you for being a member of our Lodge. Elk Races, anyone? A fun game played on the patio after the picnic.

On July 12th a breakfast is being planned to involve the community churches & businesses who do a lot for our community. Donations will be accepted but the breakfast is free. Any money raised from donations will go back into community projects. That's all the events planned so far, so be sure to look ahead for other events in the future.

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4 Year, Ed Toth PER

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Orientation - Eddie Tanquay, PER

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Sports Committee - Steve Pawlak

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Youth Activities - Sherry Toth

Queen of Hearts & 50/50 - Dean Ruger, Deb & Tim Lacze

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Accident Prevention Program - Robert Smith

Auditing & Accounting: Cathy Martin

By-Laws Update - Dennis Durant

Children's Therapy Services - Jean Humphreys, PER

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Flag Day Coordinator - Brad Fitzgerald & ER, & PER's

House Committee - Deb Hargrove PDDGER, Penny Bigger,

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Volunteer Coordinator - Tom & Kathy McCombs

Youth Camp - Sherry Toth

Special Events & Party Coordinating - Gerry Chesney &

Jason Vollmer

PAST EXALTED RULERS

Ray LeGoy + 1986-88
Nicholas Andres PDDGER + 1988-89
Ralph Benedict + 1989-90
Ed Colgett 1990-91
Cliff Douglas + 1991-92
Bud Prentiss + 1992-93
Bill Bingley + 1993-94
Donald Wheating 1994-95
Fred Lawton + 1995-96
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Wm. Art Rickard 1998-99
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Parker Summerlin 2002-03
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Larry Thomson + 2006-07
Michael LaBar + 2007-08
Larry Thomson + 2009-10
Cathy Bedwell 2010-11
Tom Johnson 2011-12
Pat Johnson 2012-13, 2013-2014
Bob Humphreys 2014-15
Wayne Legris 2015-16
Bob Humphreys 2016-17
Al Willquette 2017-18
Phil Sommers 2018-19
Jean Humphreys 2019-20, 2021-22
Roger Redman 2020-21
Ed Toth 2022-23, 2023-24



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
Michaelino Amico PDDGER
Caesar Monzon

+ Deceased

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our Lodge by
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our monthly
Staghorn. Call
Sherry
Blackwell-Toth at
219-309-1424 and
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beginning next
month in the
Staghorn.**



INDOOR BAR HOURS

Monday & Friday

11am to 10pm

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

BAR PHONE NUMBER

941-662-9914

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 is the 2nd Tuesday of each month.

House Committee - TBD

New Members in March



Kitchen Hours

Monday Thru Saturday

Lunch 12pm-2:30pm

Dinner 4:45pm-7pm

No dinner on Tuesdays

Broasted Chicken Sunday Dinner 1-4pm.



**Elks Share/Elks Care: Rotonda Cert.
John Blanchette, Sherry Blackwell-Toth,
Bobbie Neilson**

From The Lodge Secretary's Desk



Sherry Blackwell Toth

Members All:

April is the time to hand over the reins to the new officers and House Committee. Please welcome your new officers for 2025-2026 and be kind and patient.

We still have a lot of members who have not paid their dues. Please stop by, mail or call to get your new card.

If you have not received Constant Contact or the Staghorn via email, please contact me and we will update your records.

Have a great April. Snowbirds be safe on your way back up North.

See you around the Lodge.

Sherry

Phone number
for Sherry Toth, Lodge Secretary
941-662-7117
Office hours M-F 9am to 1pm`



EVERY GIVEN SUNDAY 1-4pm

Dine In or Take Out

**One half Broasted Chicken served with potato
wedges and coleslaw \$13.95**



Saturday Games Listing

**Second Saturday - Show Me the Money
Third Saturday- Bar Bango
Fourth Saturday - Stick Bingo**

Elkette's Corner

Spring

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The Elkette's pledged six new members Kathleen Barnhart, Mary Kay Plona, Lynn M. Ferris, Debbie McMichael, Pamela Lugar and Barbara Mente, on March 27, 2025 at the Elkette's General Meeting. Welcome Ladies and a warm thank to Jeannie Karella for performing the ceremony:



Left to right: Kathleen Barnhart, Mary Kay Plona, Lynn M. Ferris, Debbie McMichael, Pamela Lugar, and Barbara Mente.

A special thanks going out to Christine Horn and Deb O'Shea, both ladies keep us current on activities at the Rotonda Elks 2710. Christine keeps us up-to-date via Constant Contact and Deb is the Staghorn Editor and Website Manager. Both collect the necessary data needed for providing our members with the most current information; activities, lodge updates, relevant changes, functions, etc. I speak for everyone; we can't thank both of you enough for doing what you do.

The Sandy's Clotheshorse Consignment Fashion Show was held on March 12, 2025 proceeds from this event will help support the Elkette's Scholarship funded programs. The affair was a huge success; thanks to Ginny Perry, Marcia Budday, and Sandy Fisher for handling all the logistics of this event, the models; Jean Russell, Sandy Fisher, Jean Humphreys, Marcia Budday, Kathy Pierce, Barbara Kelley, Muriel Leger, Rose Mary Richards, Mary Sue Pawlak, Pam

Rimkuis, our Chef Patrick and his staff, and a special thanks to Kathy McComb for volunteering to serve our hungry guests. Everyone worked as a team keeping the availability of tickets emphasized, gathering the many door prizes, collecting the silent auction baskets, etc. If anyone was missed, I apologize and thank you for your contribution to this wonderful event.





The Clambake was held on the Elks 2710 Patio on March 16, 2025; the Bake was fun and the food was fabulous, people raved about the offerings. Thanks to all the individuals who helped Nancy and Kenny Craig in making this event successful and delicious.



Jimmy Mazz & Dawn Turlington's (Tribute to Bobby Darin and Connie Francis) Show – March 23, 2025, a well-received event with a large turnout, good food and great entertainment. Thanks to the Elkette's for keeping the availability of tickets highlighted, and an enormous thanks to Jean Humphreys for her efforts on getting this event for our enjoyment. Jean always does a wonderful job posting flyers, making arrangements with the kitchen, providing tickets and making sure all guests and members are appropriately familiarized with seating and food choices. Thank you, Jean. The Jimmy Mazz Shows are always a fan favorite; we hope to get him on our calendar for a future show.



Four Lodges met for the FLOE business meeting and luncheon on March 20, 2025 at the Deep Creek Lodge. An immense thanks to our Elkette representatives; Jean Humphreys, Sandy Fisher, Marcia Budday and Ginny Perry for their attendance. The next FLOE meeting will be held on May 15, 2025, at the Rotonda Elks Lodge 2710. Mark Your Calendar for this upcoming event.



In closing the next meetings of the Elkette's:

- The Board of Directors Meeting April 14, 2025 at 3pm at the Elks Lodge 2710
- Ways-and-Means Meeting April 24, 2025, 3-4pm
- General Meeting April 24, 2025, 4-5pm

Happy Easter

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I also want to thank all of our volunteers who help out by doing the broasted chicken on Sundays and also each day of the week. Playing the bar games, waitressing, washing dishes & lots of other jobs.

Tom McCombs does all the planning for who does what on each Sunday from washing dishes, coating & broasting the chicken, coleslaw makers, potato wedge makers, waitresses and probably a lot of other jobs not mentioned. That is one reason I asked Kathy and him to be the Volunteer Coordinators this year.

If we couldn't depend on our volunteers to help with different jobs in the Lodge, we wouldn't be open every day. Our bar-tenders do a great job. Our new bar manager is Matt Knapp, so welcome him too. Thanks to all the Elks who stepped up when I asked them if they wanted to be on a committee. It takes a lot of work off my hands! It also takes a lot of Elks to run a lodge, not just your officers!

Fraternally yours,

Jean Humpreys, ER





April

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm Bar Bango 1-3pm Elks BOD Meeting 6pm Lodge Meeting 7pm	2 Zumba 9:30am \$7 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm Show Me the Money 1-3pm	3 Zumba Toning 9:30am \$7 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm Stick Bingo 1-3pm	4 Boogie Chair 9am \$10 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-10pm Patio Bar Open 3-7pm Band: Tat2	5 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm Patio Bar Open 3-7pm
6 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm Broasted Chicken 1-4pm	7 Zumba 9:30am \$7 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-10pm Bar Card Games 1-3pm Queen of Hearts 50/50 Band: Hot Mix	8 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm Bar Bango 1-3pm New Members Orientation	9 Zumba 9:30am \$7 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm Show Me the Money 1-3pm	10 Zumba Toning 9:30am \$7 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm Stick Bingo 1-3pm	11 Boogie Chair 9am \$10 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-10pm Patio Bar Open 3-7pm Band: RJ	12 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm Show Me the Money 1-3pm Patio Bar Open 3-7pm
13 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm Broasted Chicken 1-4pm	14 Zumba 9:30am \$7 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-10pm Bar Card Games 1-3pm Elkettes Bd. of Directors Meeting Queen of Hearts 50/50 Band: Red Angel Duo	15 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm Bar Bango 1-3pm Elks BOD Meeting 6pm Lodge Meeting 7pm	16 Zumba 9:30am \$7 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm Show Me the Money 2-4pm Elklettes Spring Fiesta Fashion Show (See Flyer)	17 Zumba Toning 9:30am \$7 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm Stick Bingo 1-3pm	18 Boogie Chair 9am \$10 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-10pm Patio Bar Open 3-7pm Band: Robert & Wolfie	19 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm Bar Bango 1-3pm Patio Bar Open 3-7pm
20 <i>Easter</i> Lodge is closed	21 Zumba 9:30am \$7 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-10pm Bar Card Games 1-3pm Queen of Hearts 50/50 Band: Pop Rox	22 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm Bar Bango 1-3pm	23 Zumba 9:30am \$7 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm Show Me the Money 1-3pm	24 Zumba Toning 9:30am \$7 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm Stick Bingo 1-3pm Elkette Ways & Means Meeting 3pm Elkette General Meeting 4pm	25 Boogie Chair 9am \$10 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-10pm Patio Bar Open 3-7pm Band: Sons of the 60's	26 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm Stick Bingo 1-3pm Patio Bar Open 3-7pm
27 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm Broasted Chicken 1-4pm	28 Zumba 9:30am \$7 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-10pm Bar Card Games 1-3pm Queen of Hearts 50/50 Band: Jayar Mack	29 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm Bar Bango 1-3pm	30 Zumba 9:30am \$7 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm Show Me the Money 1-3pm	27 Zumba Toning 9:30am \$7 Indoor Bar Hours 11am-7pm Stick Bingo 1-3pm		

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A \$5 annual donation per person will help offset our website costs. Complete the form on this page of the Staghorn and submit it with payment to our secretary's office, and your name will be added to this list of appreciated Boosters. Asterisks by your name means it's time to renew. Thank you!

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