



# Port Saint Lucie Elks Lodge #2658

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# THE ELK NEWS

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4 Year - Vicki Rodriguez

5 Year - William Repoli, PER

# MESSAGE FROM EXALTED RULER

Greetings My Fellow Elks!

As this new Elk year begins, it is also the beginning of the many Officers Training Classes that I will attend. In April, I attended the District Deputy Clinic up at the Sebastian Lodge. At this class, Nancy Miller from Elks

Business Practices was speaking. She spoke about a topic that she is always questioned about. The topic was the <u>Spouse or Widow Identification Card</u> and I wish to share what was said with you all.

There always seems to be confusion on this type of card. A Spouse or Widow Identification Card is **NOT** an Elks Membership card and does **NOT** provide the privileges that an Elks Membership Card does. It is an Identification Card only and is treated as such. A holder of said card may not enter the lodge without an Elk member, may not attend the lodge meetings, are not able to vote, play the Queen of Hearts and most importantly **CAN NOT PURCHASE ALCOHOL!** Only Elk Membership Card Holders may purchase an alcoholic drink!

This ruling comes from the State of Florida and that ruling states that the purchasing of alcohol can only be sold to the MEMBER of the club. We are a Private Fraternal Organization which means only MEMBERS can purchase alcohol. The State of Florida rulings will always supersede our own Lodge's By-Laws. 100% of the time!

Also, anytime that you are bringing a guest to the lodge, that does not carry an actual Membership card, needs to be signed in. No exceptions! The Guest Sign-In books are located at both entrances to the lodge. I hope this clarifies this issue with everyone. I ask you all to follow the rules. It is not there to make your life miserable. It is in force because it is the Laws of our State and the Laws of the Grand Lodge. Thank you for your understanding!

I am so excited about all the events that we have planned for this month! We have the best House Committee around! They all work very hard to give us the best entertainment around! The House Committee Meetings are held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of every month at 6:30p.m. and is open to ALL! Please plan on attending and bring your ideas. They are always looking for new and exciting things to bring to the Lodge! Be sure to check all the upcoming events in this newsletter and plan accordingly.

Our Patriot's Breakfast is suspended beginning this month and will not resume back up until the month of September. This happens every year since our northern brothers and sisters head back home for the Summer. No worries though, our Veteran's coffee on Wednesday mornings will still be happening. So, plan on stopping by on those days!

REMEMBER...... WHO ARE WE? WE ARE THE ELKS!!!!

Thomas Randazzo P.E.R./Exalted Ruler

# Elk of the Month



# **MAY**

I have chosen **Doug Dalton** for **May Elk of the Month.** 

Doug was born and raised in Pennsylvania. He graduated from Blue Mountain High School in 1966. After high school, Doug was drafted by the U.S. Army. After his service to our country, he was a self-employed contractor for 35 years. He still finds himself doing small jobs when needed.

Doug was also a councilman for 4 years, was a past president of a local barbershop singing chorus for 8 years and was also a volunteer fireman for 50 years.

Doug is also a father of 2 and grandfather of two boys. Doug and his wife Lenore chose Port St. Lucie as their retirement destination.

In his spare time, Doug enjoys working and volunteering at the Elks in whatever capacity he is needed in.

Congratulations and a big thank you Doug for always helping us at the lodge!

# HOUSE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Marge Spera, PDDGER - House Chairperson Vivian Coleman - Secretary April Barth
Joseph D'Esposito
Clarence "Artie" Lander

Joanne Cassels Lander
Cindy Haugland
Jill Randazzo

Cindy Cruse



If your birthday is in May don't forget to come into your lodge for your FREE drink!



PORT ST. LUCIE ELKS MOTORCYCLE RIDERS Meet every 3rd Tuesday Night at 7pm OPEN TO ALL ELKS MEMBERS FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: PETE JORDAN 772-285-0123



Please be advised that if you are at the Lodge or attend a function of the Lodge your photo may be published in the *Elks News* or on our webpage and/or Facebook. Published by PSL Elks Lodge #2658, ER, Thomas Randazzo/PER



# WEDNESDAY NIGHTS





**MENU:** 

CHOICE OF A BURGER'S, CHEESE STEAK, FISH SANDWICH, CHICKEN SANDWICH OR A SALAD. CHOOSE YOUR TOPPINGS "ALL COME WITH FRENCH FRIES"

Cost - \$10.00 PP FROM 5:00 TO 7:00 PM QUEEN OF HEARTS AT 7:00 PM











# LODGE HOURS OF OPERATION

MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY & SATURDAY LODGE OPENS AT 4PM.

TUESDAY, THURSDAY - OPENS AT 2PM

SUNDAY - CLOSED

PHONE NUMBERS:

BAR & RESERVATIONS 772-335-3557 SECRETARY & TREASURER 772-335-3517 IF NO ANSWER, PLEASE LEAVE A MESSAGE



### NOTICE

<u>Pool League</u> meets every Monday night at the lodge. Play starts at 6:30pm and random drawing for Players begins.

All members are invited.



<u>Bowling league</u> meets every Monday at 7:00p.m. at St. Lucie Lanes.

# HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT

Members All.

As we start a new Elk year, I would like to thank all who previously served on the House Committee; Bob Scott, Donald Bowen, Phil Knopik for all their help this past year.

Welcome to the committee Cindy Lou Haughland (Bar manager), Cindy Cruse and Joe D'Esposito. Artie Lander is now the kitchen Manager. He's always looking for help serving, prepping, dishwashing etc. And because of "YOU OUR MEMBERS" we had a very successful financial year. THANK YOU!

Your House committee has been planning events for your enjoyment and we hope you will participate. Your participation and support enables your Lodge to contribute to the community and support our major projects. We have another cruise planned for January 25, 2025, on Norwegian Cruise Line, a "Stop the Clock" drawing, more dinner dances, picnics, and various entertainments are in the works. In May, we are planning a fun Kentucky Derby/Cinco de Mayo night on May 4, Mother's Day Spring Fling Dance and our fabulous Memorial Day picnic. So, please come out and join us for some fun. If you have some ideas for various events, please come to our House Meeting on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month at 6:30 pm. Your input is appreciated.

Hope to see you at the Lodge!!!

Fraternally,

Marge Spera, PDDGER

House Committee Chairman



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# VETERANS AFFAIRS COMMITTEE REPORT

# TWO GREAT VETERAN TURNOUT EVENTS

On Wednesday, April 3rd we had approximately 44 veterans turn out for our FREE BREAKFAST & HAIRCUTS. All Veterans are welcome to enjoy our FREE breakfast and haircuts and camaraderie with fellow veterans which is held on the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of every month. All other Wednesdays we have Coffee & Donuts.

On Saturday, April 6th,2024 we held our 1<sup>st</sup> Florida Elks Parade of Heroes Buffet Style Spaghetti Dinner to help raise money to send some of our Elk Veteran Members in November 2024 to Washington D.C. We had a great turnout and raised over \$1,400 in ticket sales. The money we received from the 50/50's, Basket Raffle's, and donations, we collected \$805.00. Kathy Borrelli Veteran Co-chair and I were proud to announce that we will be sending Veterans Paul Wilson, Jeffrey Norman, Frank Ohlau & Carlton "Todd" Bolivar to this year's Florida Elks Parade of Heroes event being held from November 8-10, 2024. This event features outstanding bands, choirs and JROTC cadets from around the country in a special tribute to all veterans from WWII up to and including Gulf War veterans at the World War II, Korean War, and Vietnam War memorials.

Kathy and I would like to thank all the volunteers who help with all our veteran events. Words cannot express how grateful we are for your willingness to volunteer and make all our veteran events successful ones. We couldn't do it without you. God bless you all.

Harry Fava – Veteran Chair (386) 235-0681 Kathy Borrelli – Veteran Co-chair (772) 203 6684







# Locked out?

Contact your Lodge Secretary for your 2024 - 2025 Membership card

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Rick Barth
772-335-3517
TO
RENEW YOUR
MEMBERSHIP
TODAY!!!





LEARN TO PLAY
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# May 6th at 6:00PM



Learn the ins and outs
of the game
while having fun
and meet
new friends!

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ASIAN FUSION CLASS

MAY 23, 2024
6:00PM
\$25.00 PP

ONLY 10 SPOTS AVAILABLE!

MUST PAY IN ADVANCES

NO EXCEPTIONS

Stop at the lodge to secure your spot!!-

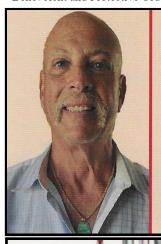


# \*\* LODGE OPENS EVERY DAY AT 4 PM. \*\* EXCEPT IF NOTED ON CALENDAR.

# **MAY 2024**

Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks # 2658 A Fraternal Organization

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			I LOUNGE OPENS 4 PM VETTER ANS	2 LOUNGE OPENS 4 PM	3 NETWORKING BREAKFAST 7:30AM	4 LOUNGE OPENS 4 PM
			Breakfast 9 AM BIRGER NICHT & 7PM	Lodge	BUNGO BW	Kentucky Derby/ Cinco De Mayo Party
			QUEEN OF HEARTS	7:30 PM	REGULAR 7 PM	4pm \$15 PP Reservations Required.
			TRIVIA at the BAR		5 - 7pm	See Flyer
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CLOSED	FREE 6-8 pm	BBQ 1/2 Chicken	QUEEN OF HEARTS 7 PM	Opened to Elks	EADIV BIRD GOOD BM	\$25.00 Pre Pay \$30.00 At Door
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COSED	BOWLING 7 PM	DINNER 6 PM	7 <u>PM</u>	7:30 PM	FOOD AVAILABLE	772-486-1846
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of NEW	11:30AM	Taco Tuesday	BURGER NIGHT 5-7PM	Chef Cindy Cruse 6pm	5 - 7pm	
MEMBERS	POOL LEAGUE	DINNER 6 pm	QUEEN OF HEARTS 7 PM	Pay in advance	BUNGO	
Z PM	6:30 PM	ELKS MOTORCYCLE RIDERS MEETING 7PM	TRIVIA at the BAR	Asian food \$25. PP	EARLY BIRD 6:00 PM REGULAR 7 PM	4 - 8pm
26	27 No Pool League tonight	28 LOUNGE OPENS 2 PM	29 LOUNGE OPENS 4 PM	30 LOUNGE OPENS 4 PM	31 LOUNGE OPENS 4 PM	
	Memorial Day Picnic	GAME DAY 2 PM	VET'S COFFEE 9 AM		FOOD AVAILABLE	
CLOSED	12pm - 4pm	NO DINNER	BURGER NIGHT 5-7PM		5 - 7pm	
No Patriot's	\$15.00 Fre Fay \$20.00 At Door	Full from	QUEEN OF HEARTS		BUNGO	
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# NOTES FROM SECRETARY

RICK BARTH, PER
Office Telephone 772-335-3517.

If not available, please leave a message. Sickness &
Distress, please inform the

Distress, please inform the office if an Elk is sick or passes away. Hours: Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday 9:30 am-

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All Business Card Ads will appear in our *The Elks News* newsletter, On-Line Bulletin, and our In-House TV. For more information, call the office at: 772-335-3517



No Child Should Be Hungry

# GRACE PACK FOOD DRIVE

Please help feed the local school children. A box is located in the bar area for donations

### COLLECTING

Can Pasta, Can Meats, Fruit Snacks, Oatmeal, Cereal Bars, Applesauce, Pop tarts, Fruit Cups, Crackers, Soups, Juices, Mac Cheese, Pudding Cups, Nuts, & Cereal



Weddings \* Rehearsal Dinners \* Showers Birthdays \* Anniversaries \* Office Parties Family/Class Reunions \* Golf Luncheons Banquets \* Fund Raisers \* Corporate Events

Our Ballroom can seat up to 160. A dance floor is available for those wishing to have a band or DJ with dancing. Our kitchen facilities are first class and can be rented out for an additional fee...

