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A Message from the Exalted Ruler

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Members All:

Our Lodge has a very active month of May. It started with Tom and his crew moving bar stools, chairs, tables and kitchen items from the Melbourne building. A heartfelt thank you to all involved. I would be remiss in not thanking Ronnie for arranging the lounge area to be more handicap friendly. I would also like to thank Heidi and her team for a fantastic job on the gold tournament. We had nothing but compliments.

The month ended with the FSEA Convention where the Lodge received four awards. All your hard work made these possible. Also at the convention, our Antlers made us proud with their presentation at the Awards luncheon. These young men and women were fantastic.

As we start June, we have a lot of work ahead of us. This is due to some very good news recently received. We have an offer on the Melbourne property. We will present and discuss details of the offer and the BOD will make a motion to accept the offer at our June 1st meeting. The following page contains the Motion as presented at the June 1st meeting and Notice of Balloting to accept or reject offer to be held at our June 15th meeting. In the interim we will also be moving the remaining property we wish to use from the Melbourne property.

Flag Day celebration is on June 14th and Father's Day breakfast is on June 18th. I hope to see many of you at both events.

Our Membership continues to be a major issue. Our delinquent list, while down to 140, remains over 25%. I need the help of each of you to reach out to those you have sponsored or those you may know and remind them to renew their membership. My goal is to reduce this percentage to 10% or less. Your help will make this possible. I am beginning to have concerns over the attendance and support of our meals, weekly as well as on weekends. The bar is always open weekdays at 4:00. We need volunteers to assist in providing food on weekdays.

Remember this is your Lodge and if you have a concern, see something that you feel could change please let me know. With the help of each of you, Viera will continue to grow and prosper. Let's leave complaints at the door. I'm happy to address your complaints. But please put them inwriting to me. So much goes on when I'm in the Lodge and my brain just can't remember everything.

Volunteers need to report their hours and mileage. We have a sheet in a folder at the Secretary's door which has the form to use. Reporting these hours and mileage needs to be encouraged for anything you are doing for our Lodge and other non-profits. Thank you for your assisting us to better log our volunteer hours, mileage and donations.

In closing, may God bless each of you and may God Bless America and the troops protecting our freedom.

Bill Orblych, PDDGER Exalted Ruler



NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS

The attached motion to sell the property located at 211 Neiman Avenue was presented, seconded and discussed at our June 1, 2023 Lodge meeting.

BALLOTING ON THE MOTION

Your presence is requested at our Lodge meeting on June 15, 2023 to ballot on this motion.

To: Members of Viera Elks Lodge #2817

Date: June 1, 2023

Motion to Sell Viera Elks #2817 property (Previously: Melbourne Elks #1744)

211 Neiman Avenue, Melbourne FL 32901

Pursuant to Section 16.050 of the Laws of the Order, I hereby make a motion that the buildings and surrounding property belonging to Viera Elks Lodge #2817 be put on the market for sale. A Commercial Real Estate agent, Derrick Real Estate Group has been commissioned to list and bring forth a reasonable offer, based on current market conditions, to the Board for consideration and the Board, shall, as agents of the Lodge, have the authority to execute any necessary instruments to complete the transaction.

Currently, the Real Estate agent has obtained a cash amount of: \$580,000.00.

Buyer: Kilmer Properties, Inc. The anticipated net proceeds of the sale would be \$536,000.00. It is anticipated that this sale will close within 45 days.

This motion will be discussed and put on the floor at the meeting held on June 1, 2023. This motion will be voted on at the meeting of June 15, 2023, after notification to all members of said vote, pursuant to G/L/S.

The current Board of Directors of Viera Elks Lodge #2817 fully supports this motion 100% and asks the membership to vote for this sale.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Carns

Past District Deputy

Chairman of the Viera Elks #2817 Board of Directors



Secretary's Corner

Greeting My Fellow Elks,

Here we are in beautiful Florida heading into June with excitement for a month of events.

I ask each of you to assist in retaining our membership by reaching out to anyone you know on the delinquent list hanging outside the secretary office. Every single member is important. If you have not renewed your 2023-2024 membership, please do so right away.

We continue to strive to meet our 2023-2024 membership goals. In May, we initiated another wonderful new member, reaching a total of nine new members in just two months. Great! Some of these new members are already volunteering and supporting our lodge by their presence. But more work is ahead and your help is needed. Even something you think may be minor help is actually a huge help.

Let's continue proposing potential members supportive of Elk goals and the willingness to assist the lodge in any way they are able. Volunteers are welcome to balance the workload of all the happenings of events. Reach out to any officer to provide help. Your ideas and input are welcome! While certainly important, lodges do need more than annual dues being paid. Volunteering, participation in events, attending meetings and proudly representing the Elks in our communities are key components to success!

Enjoy a safe, fun summer and remember to be prepared for the impending hurricane season. You are welcome to reach me at viera2817@gmail.com anytime. Let me know if you need assistance.

At your service,

Rose Ann Atanasío

Secretary, Viera Lodge #2817





House Committee

HOUSE COMMITTEE HAPPENINGS for June 2023

Members All:

As we roll into June, the House Committee has several things planned for your enjoyment.

June 2nd brings us the kitchen talents of Chef Mike Perduto and team. These dinners are always great, so make your reservations now.

June 10th we are trying a new venue with a potluck supper. D.J. and crooner extraordinaire Roger Garrett will entertain. There will be a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board for "who is bringing what." It was suggested that the menu be driven by the spelling of your surname. A-K brings dinner type stuff, while L-Z brings dessert type stuff. Let's make this a fun event.

We will be honoring Old Glory on the 14th, and after the ceremony will be serving hamburgers and fries. Flag Day is one of the honored traditions of the Elks. Please make time to attend this tribute to our flag and to support the Lodge and Officers.

The Men's wing night goes again on the 16th. Wing Master Mark Harrell will be cooking for your enjoyment.

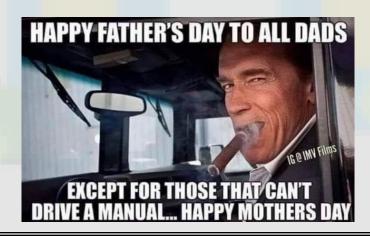
June 24th we are offering steak night, with a fish option for those of you who may prefer something lighter.

On business matters, and on behalf of the House Committee, I am requesting that each of you PLEASE look at your schedules and see when you might be able to offer a few hours of service to the Lodge. We have grown our membership, and we MUST have more help to adequately staff for both the bar and kitchen. We have run ads in the blast for help, but your response has been lacking. If we are to continue to offer the variety of meals and events we currently have, we NEED additional help. It is as simple, and at the same time as complicated as that. Please call me directly at 321/297-2710 and I will be happy to discuss with you where our needs are located.

At the August District Deputy clinic, Past State President Vinny Como will be conducting a TIPS training class, so any of you who have given thought to being a part-time bartender, this is your chance to learn from one of the best teachers in the business about the ins and outs of liquor service and how to protect our Members and our Lodge doing so.

Thank you all for your support of our events and for your support of our Lodge. Fraternally,

H. Jerry Harrington, PER IV





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Volunteer

What better way to earn volunteer hours and make a difference in your local community. We volunteer a lot for the local Elks Lodges, community events, and for various Veterans organizations--- Ask us about our Summer Challenge!!

Fun

What better way to meet new friends? We have a lot of fun hosting parties to spend time to get to know one another. We have had Halloween parties, Movie Nights, and just recently, a party at Tables Beach.

Future Leaders

What better way to get experience to add to your resume? Antlers learn how organizations work through conducting their own meetings, paticipating in committee work, and aid a worthy cause in their community by working together. (Ages 12-20)

CONTACT



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18th Annual Viera Charity Golf Tournament Final Report

Another great year at the golf tournament! Thank you to everyone for their support in making this a successful event!

Special shout out to all of our volunteers who went above and beyond: Mai Blais, Mark Blais, Melissa Wessel, Lynn Del Pozo, Dick Marshall, Diana Blakemore, Gail Miller, Marty Hammond, Lance Pollack, and Tommy Vargas. Additionally, the Antlers did an outstanding job: Lillie Box, Jake Vargas, Don Ahlin, Bella Wessel, Janey Vargas, and Ronan Thordston helping at the tournament, preparing, serving, and cleaning up. We really appreciate them!

Congratulations to Our Teams:

1st Place: Not Quite Vegas (Petralito, Wiggins, Atti, and Detsch)
Last Place: Money Shot (Heath, Ward, Paramore, and Lojko)

Our Special Event Winners:

Men - Longest Drive: Justin Hitchens Women - Longest Drive: Rachel Petralito

This year we had 78 players, and 41 Hole Sponsors - 8 more than last year! We raffled off 71 door prizes and 1 - Guess How Many Tees - 434 tees donated by MoonGolf. Thank you to Ron Norris Buick for the Hole In One Prize of \$25,000 towards a car—no one won, hopefully next year!

For Goodie Bags, we gave each player a red cinch sack with the logo Elks We Care-We Share logo and vieraelks.com, sublimated on the bags by Pam Furst. She also sublimated the golf towels with the same logo. They turned out awesome! It was a lot of work. Inside the bag, the following items were donated: golf divot/ball marker, crackers, apple sauce, coffee cakes, water, golf discounts, free appetizer, \$5 off \$20 meal, and wipes- for when you really have to go:) These items were donated by: by Bill Orblych, Carl Sloan, Kathy Wade, Jerry Harrington - Brooks Glass, Outback, Buffalo Wild Wings, and MoonGolf.

Thank you for Paul Miller who donated the yummy Pulled Pork, Mark Harrell- Frito Lay of Rockledge who donated the Lays Chips, Mark Blais who donated the Grandma's Cookies, and Becky's Dessert Team for donating additional desserts. The players were very hungry after a hot day in the sun and said the lunch 'Hit the Spot'.

I am proud to say that this year the Viera Elks Charity Golf Tournament fundraised for two special local charities:. We will be delivering the funds in the coming weeks.

HOPE <u>www.hopeforbrevard.com</u>: Their primary goal is to promote the well being and protection of animals to the community. They offer a variety of programs to include sheltering, fostering, adoption services to homeless and neglected animals in Brevard County.

CITA <u>citarescuemission.org</u>. Their faith based mission is to inspire a life transformation for the addicted, homeless and forgotten in the local community. They provide emergency services such as meals, shelter, rehabilitation, and job training, just to name a few.

Lastly, a special THANK YOU to Karen Renzi for all her assistance and support. Additionally, Thank You to all of the members who were hole sponsors, donated door prizes, and the sought after Heineken Golf Bag donated by Mark Blais.

THANK YOU TO OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY SPONSORS FOR YOUR DOOR PRIZE DONATIONS SUPPORT OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY















































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THE ANVIL Voice of "The Millennium Lodge" VIERA ELKS LODGE #2817

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MONDAY - SATURDAY (Open at 4:00 PM) Sundays (Closed, Except Breakfast Days)

		ı			7 PM Lodge Meeting	2 Smorgasbord Dinner \$15.00 Music by The Dynamics	Lodge Open 4 PM
•	4 9-11:30 AM AYCE Breakfast Buffet \$10 Closed after Breakfast Antlers 11:30 AM	Paint Stick Bingo 6PM Texas Hold'em	6 Lodge Open 4 PM 6:30 BINGO	7 Lodge Open 4 PM BUNCO NIGHT	8 Lodge Open 4 PM 6PM HC Mtg	9 Lodge Open 4 PM	Appetizers & Desserts & DJ Roger Please Sign Up!
	Lodge Closed	5PM Crispy Chicken Wraps & Chips \$5 by Mike & Team 6PM Texas Hold'em	Lodge Open 4 PM 6:30 BINGO	Flag Day Ceremony 5PM	Lodge Initiation Meeting	Men's Wing Night! 6 Wings with FF or OR \$10	Lodge Open 4 PM
	18 9-11:30 AM AYCE Breakfast Buffet \$10 FREE for DADS Closed after Bfast Antlers 11:30 AM	19 5PM Pot Roast Sammies w/ Cheesy Tots \$7 By Kasha & Mark 6PM Texas Hold'em	Lodge Open 4 PM	Lodge Open 4 PM 6PM Karaoke in the Bar Area	5 PM Tacos \$4 Taco Salad \$7 Nachos \$8	Lodge Open 4 PM	24 Steak \$21 or Fish \$20 Dinner w/ Salad, Potato & Dessert
	Lodge Closed	26 5PM Sliders & Chips by Mark & Bill 2/\$6 6PM Texas Hold'em	Lodge Open 4 PM 6:30 BINGO	6PM Trivia in the Bar Area	Lodge Open 4 PM	30 Lodge Open 4 PM 7:30 Monthly Drawing	
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Reminder: The monthly drawing is the last operating day of the month @7:30 PM.

Happy Birthday Coupon

Good for one (1) Free Drink during the month of <u>June 2023</u>
Present this coupon to the bartender.

Name:	
Birth Date:	

1	Tony Perna	<u>10</u>	Steve White	<u>20</u>	Ralph Smith
1	William Rustic	<u>11</u>	Emma Stephens	<u>21</u>	Marianne Blatnik
<u>2</u>	Larry Bass	<u>11</u>	Benjamin Stuckey	<u>22</u>	Thomas Lindstrand
<u>2</u>	Tishla Calvert	<u>14</u>	Glen Keller	<u>23</u>	Gail Miller
<u>2</u>	Erwin Fischer	<u>15</u>	Louis Arcioni	<u>23</u>	Kathleen Wade
<u>3</u>	Deborah Hixenbaugh	<u>15</u>	Joseph Fantini	<u>24</u>	Chris Ferris
<u>5</u>	Bill Vanasse	<u>15</u>	Thomas Matteson	<u>24</u>	John Giordano
<u>6</u>	Judith Davis	<u>16</u>	Glen Andersen	<u>24</u>	Mark Lyford
<u>7</u>	Bob Coker	<u>16</u>	Travis Williams	<u>24</u>	Thomas Wojnar
<u>8</u>	Peter Kasper	<u>17</u>	George Braden	<u>24</u>	Vincent Ziccardi
<u>9</u>	Keith Boland	<u>17</u>	Carl Maier	<u>26</u>	Anthony Dicupillo
<u>9</u>	Joyce Madden	<u>17</u>	Cassie Renzi	<u>27</u>	Kenneth Bond III
<u>10</u>	Raymond DelPozo	<u>17</u>	Sadie Rogers	<u>30</u>	Jonell DeHaven
<u>10</u>	James Loring	<u>17</u>	Zecariah Smith		
<u>10</u>	Chiffone Sandberg	<u>18</u>	Mark Blais		

VIERA LODGE Cooking Teams

The House Committee is looking for volunteers to help with kitchen cooling and clean-up after breakfast and dinner services.

Hope to see you in the Kitchen!!





Harry Anna Investment Fund—Together We Can Do Great Things

Of everything that the Florida Elks do, perhaps nothing is more important than our work with the state's youth. Sowing the seeds of accomplishment and commitment through our **Florida Elks Children's Therapy Services** and **Florida Elks Youth Camp** programs, children are given the opportunity to grow and learn beyond their dreams.

The trust fund started in 1951, was named after Harry and Anna Miller who donated land and a building to establish the original Florida Elks Hospital for Crippled Children. Its purpose was, and continues to be, the collection of donations and the acceptance of endowed gifts.

The trust fund is restricted, which means that only the income derived from it may be used to support our major projects: the Florida Elks Children's Therapy Services and Florida Elks Youth Camp programs.

MAKING YOUR DONATION

An online donation is the quickest and easiest way to support our trust fund efforts. Go to the LINK below to make your secured gift.

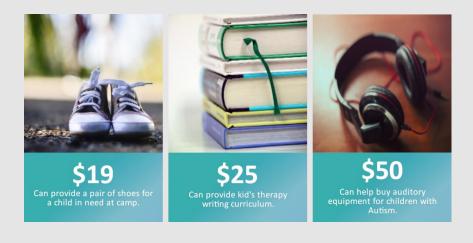
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- Become a sustaining (monthly) donor using your credit card. Your monthly donation is automatically deducted on the same day of each month. Easily increase or decrease your donation, and cancel at any time. Get started below! *Preferred*
- Make a one-time gift using our online form below.
- Give in memory or honor of someone special

https://floridaelks.org/donate

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A contribution to the trust fund is a tax deductible donation to a U.S. tax code 501(c)(3) organization. Continuing changes in the federal tax code make the counsel of professional tax and legal advisors essential to a donor who may benefit financially from a well structured plan.



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We want to thank all our Boosters currently in our "Hall of Fame"

Our volunteers work very hard to make sure all members are up-to-date on all the Lodge news. This is done by newsletter, both by mail and electronically, flyers, calendar board, bar inserts and by "blasting" electronically on a daily basis. The cost of paper (both regular and card stock) printer cartridges, copying expenses, labels and postage constitutes the bulk of the monthly costs.

Boosters are only \$10 for a year! These funds are used to help defray the costs for these services. Please help by becoming a Booster in Viera's Hall of Fame next month. Just fill out the above coupon and give to our Secretary, Bill Orblych, or mail to:

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