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B.P.O.E. Lodge 2731 Newsletter



Zephyrhills, FL

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EXALTED RULER'S MESSAGE



What are Elks? Elks are a group of everyday people who strive to make a difference to our Country, community, friends and family. I am a proud 24 year member of the elks. Elk lodges in general are taking a major economic beating, but yet we do what we can and must do to carry on the objectives of Elkdom.. Elks adapt. This is not only our lodge alone, but every lodge across the country of which there are almost 3000 strong. To me, being an Elk is much more than just paying your dues. Of the \$110.00 each member pays in dues each year, over \$40.00 of that goes to the Grand Lodge and the state of Florida. This lodge has roughly 504 members right now which leaves approx. \$35000.00 available to the lodge from dues. Well as you can imagine that dues money won't go far. Our lodge has an operating budget in place right now of \$598,579.00. That means after dues money, the lodge needs to come up with a bare minimum of \$563,578 just to keep the doors open. How do we do that? We have dinners, game night, karaoke, bingo, live music some Friday evenings. Did you know that After Bingo Expenses ALL proceeds from bingo MUST go to charity? We can't use a penny of the bingo money for everyday expenses.

I think it's important to remind everyone. As members we have a responsibility to support the lodge. The same few people are doing all the work and as we get older we start to get tired and that's where new folks need to step up and take over. If we had just 20 people volunteer each month it would amount to 1 to2 volunteer hours per person. Please keep in mind ALL your Lodge Officers are Volunteers.

We not only need the volunteer support, but we need more folks to support the everyday events here at the Lodge. This time of year we lose at least half our members to summers up north and it seems that the majority of our winter volunteers and support team leaves for the summer. I don't begrudge them this, and I certainly understand why they head home, but it puts a dire financial strain and lack of volunteers on the lodge.

The officers of this lodge care deeply about the lodge and what being an Elk should be all about. Being an Elk is not about me or you, it's about love for God, Family and Country. It's about helping folks less fortunate. It's about helping our Veterans, it's about helping the elderly, it's about helping our children grow up with a strong moral background to hopefully continue what our forefathers have started. Elks make a difference and I am proud to be an elk and I hope you are also. Please remember, Elks Care, Elks Share.

See You at the Lodge.

Paul Nutting - PER
Exalted Ruler

*****Due to the special election for the 4-year trustee position on the board, there will NOT be an initiation of new members that night. Lodge meeting will begin at 7:00pm June 15th.***



Elks National Foundation, Inc.

First, and foremost I would like to give a special thank you for the ENF Fidelity Club members that donate every month. Also a big thank you to all coin tube donors. They are filling their tubes, and deposits are submitted timely. As of May, 2026 we have three new members that now have coin tubes.

I am currently working on 2026-2027 grant information.

Thank you for supporting ENF and the Zephyrhills Elks Lodge 2731.

Judy Osgood
ENF Chairman (2026-2027)
813-997-3769



Zephyrhills Lodge #2731 is proud to announce.

A \$2500 donation to the local YMCA, reinforcing our commitment to community well-being and development. This contribution will enhance programs that foster youth development, healthy living, and social responsibility.

Left to right:
Lou Sara Esteemed Leading Knight
Paul Nutting Exalted Ruler
Erin Fielder Director of the YMCA

Consider volunteering at your lodge, where opportunities range from a few hours monthly to weekly. We are continually seeking new members to join our community. Currently, we need someone interested in learning our POS system, which is simply the register used to take orders during weekly meals. The system is straightforward, and volunteering provides a chance to engage with others and contribute to our lodge activities. Your participation would be greatly appreciated and rewarding.

Please contact Bobbie Schwob if you have any questions or would like more information.

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Lounge Hours

SUNDAY	CLOSED
MONDAY	CLOSED
TUESDAY	1:00 PM—8:00 PM
WEDNESDAY	1:00 PM—8:00 PM
THURSDAY	1:00 PM—8:00 PM
FRIDAY	1:00 PM—8:00 PM
SATURDAY	1:00 PM—8:00 PM

Details of the Happy Hour Promotion

Start Date: Dec 2025
 Time Frame: 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM daily
 Discount: \$1.00 off on any alcoholic drink

During these hours, member and their guests can indulge in a wide selection of beverages, including beers, wines, spirits, and cocktails, all at a reduced price. Whether you're unwinding after a long day or celebrating a special occasion, our Happy Hour offers the perfect opportunity to enjoy quality drinks at a lower cost.

We encourage all guests to take advantage of this promotion and make the most of your time at the Lodge. Please note that the Happy Hour prices are available only during the specified hours and are applicable to all alcoholic drinks on our menu.



June 5th	Homer Stiles
June 19th	Karl Sapp

Happy Birthday!!!



Get ready to sing your heart out and share unforgettable moments!

- June 2 Dave's burgers
- June 9 Ken's Quesadillas
- June 16 Lou's Meatloaf
- June 23 Trudo's Family Wings
- June 30 Dave's Hot Dogs

Come join us for Tuesday Karaoke from 3 to 7pm in the dining room.

Meal served from 3 to 5pm
Cash only

Karaoke news:

KJ dates for the month of June:
 June 2, Corey and June 9,16,23 & 30 is Carla

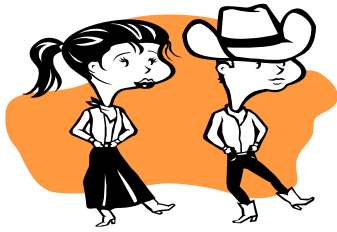
Also Karaoke is scheduled for **Saturdays beginning** June 6th from 3 to 6pm in the Lounge
 Carla will KJ June 6, 13 & 20, Harold is scheduled for the 27th.

Food will be served from 3 to 5, cash only.

Join us as we create lasting memories and strengthen our bonds as a community!



Come Join the Fun On Wednesday's



Line Dancing
10:30 am -12 pm

Euchre 1:00 pm

Night Games 600-700 pm



There will be Food on Wednesday's
From 4:30-6:30pm



Thursday night Bingo, doors open



**Co-ed Golf Scramble held every Friday at
9am at Scotland Yard, meetup at 8:15.
Sign-up by Thursday, sheet on bulletin
board**

All golfers are welcome to join in



**The Friday meals will be changing for the summer starting in June.
They will be the following options-all \$12.00**

1-6 oz Pollack filet
French fries
Hush puppies
Cole slaw

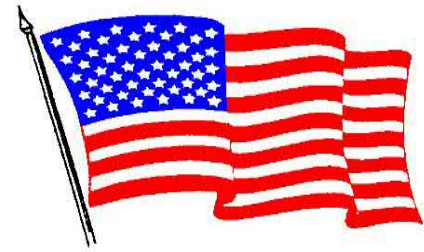
Chicken tenders
French fries
Hush puppies
Cole slaw

Fried shrimp
French fries
Hush puppies
Cole slaw

Pie will be available
for \$2.50 a slice

Flag Day: An Elks Tradition!

There will be a Flag Day celebration on Sunday June 14th at the lodge.
The ceremony begins at 1:00PM.
There will be a light lunch to follow



Flag Day

June 14



Meal Times
Tue 3-5 PM
Wed & Fri
4:30-6:30 PM

June 2026

Lounge Hours
Tue-Sat 1-8 PM

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1 Lodge CLOSED House Committee Meeting 9 AM BOD Meeting 10 AM	2 Corey's Karaoke 3:00-7:00PM Food 3-5 Dave's Burgers	3 Line Dancing 10:30—Noon Wednesday Night Games Euchre 1:00 PM Mark's Wings	4 Bingo 6 PM Doors Open at 4PM	5 Basket Dinners \$12 Music: Homer Stiles	6 Lodge OPEN Corey's Karaoke 3:00-6:00PM Food 3-5
7 Lodge CLOSED	8 Lodge CLOSED	9 Karla's Karaoke 3:00-7:00PM Food 3-5 Ken's Quesadilla	10 Line Dancing 10:30—Noon Wednesday Night Games Euchre 1:00 PM Betty & Phil Chicken Pot Pie	11 Bingo 6 PM Doors Open at 4PM Chamber Breakfast 7AM	12 Basket Dinners \$12 See Newsletter	13 Lodge OPEN Karla's Karaoke 3:00-7:00PM Food 3-5
14 Flag Day Ceremony 1:00 PM Lite Lunch To Follow	15 Lodge CLOSED House Committee Meeting 9 AM BOD Meeting 10 AM Lodge Meeting 7:00 PM	16 Karla's Karaoke 3:00-7:00PM Food 3-5 Lou's Meatloaf	17 Line Dancing 10:30—Noon Wednesday Night Games Euchre 1:00 PM Ken's Philly Steak Sub	18 Bingo 6 PM Doors Open at 4PM	19 Basket Dinners \$12 Music: Karl Sapp	20 Lodge OPEN Karla's Karaoke 3:00-7:00PM Food 3-5
21 Lodge CLOSED	22 Lodge CLOSED	23 Karla's Karaoke 3:00-7:00PM Food 3-5 Trudo Family Wings	24 Line Dancing 10:30—Noon Wednesday Night Games Euchre 1:00 PM Kevin's Regular Menu	25 Bingo 6 PM Doors Open at 4PM	26 Basket Dinners \$12 Dinner With Veterans	27 Lodge OPEN Harolds Karaoke 3:00-7:00PM Food 3-5
28 Lodge CLOSED	29 Lodge CLOSED	30 Karla's Karaoke 3:00-7:00PM Food 3-5 Dave's Hotdogs	1 Line Dancing 10:30—Noon Wednesday Night Games Euchre 1:00 PM Lasagna	2 Bingo 6 PM Doors Open at 4PM	3 Basket Dinners \$12	4 Lodge Closed Happy 4th of July