November 2017

Vero Beach Elks Lodge #1774

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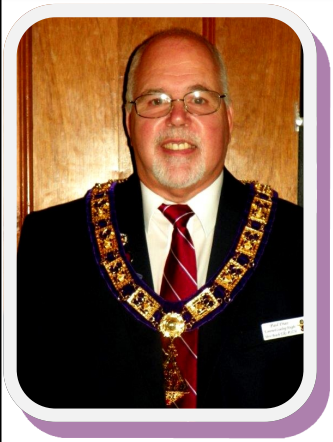
ELK'S TALE

2017 - 2018 Vero Beach Lodge #1774 Officers

Exalted Ruler – Paul Diaz, PER
Leading Knight - Sam Pollizi
Loyal Knight - Donnie Sumner
Lecturing Knight – Joe Palowich
Esquire – Nancy Seeley
Chaplain - James McFayden
Inner Guard – George Abell
Tiler – Steve Ogonoski
Secretary – Jack McClurken, PDDGER , LM
Treasurer – Terry Ketcham

Trustees

5 Year - Dennis Ryan, PER
4 Year -- Donna Knerr, PER
3 Year – Les Owen, PDDGER, LM
2 Year – Faith Sapper
1 Year – Bill Schubert
Presiding Justice – Louis B. "Buck" Vocelle, Esq.
Lodge Advisor – Les Owen, PDDGER, LM
Parliamentarian – Bob Carroll, PDDGER, HLM
Alternate to GL Convention - Jack Houlihan, PDDGER
Bulletin Editor - Jack McClurken, PDDGER, LM
Congratulations 2016 2017
Elk of the Year - Jack Houlihan, PDDGER
Officer of the Year - Paul Diaz, PER
Citizen of the Year
Jim Rannazzisi
Volunteer of the Year -
Linda Bigelow



Exalted Ruler's Message

Hurricane Irma came and when it had passed, our Lodge was left with a lot of damage, including a roof that could not be repaired. I am pleased today that with constant help from our Board Chairman and PER Dennis Ryan, the insurance company has settled our claim. Because of the substantial Hurricane deductible, the settlement amount will not be enough to pay the entire cost of the roof as well as the rest of the damage sustained by the Lodge. Therefore, at the meeting on November 7th, we will hold a discussion and then a vote as to whether the Lodge should take another mortgage on the building. This will be used to pay off the existing mortgage, pay off the notes from the sprinkler system and use the additional funds to complete the repairs needed to make the Lodge whole. This has been recommended by the Board of Directors and I fully concur. I look forward to your thoughts on this subject and hope to see you at this important meeting.

Now for ongoing business, the Lodge Secretary, Jack "Tex" McClurken has tendered his resignation effective with the end of the Lodge year. Tex has worked hard for Elkdom for more than 34 years and has been a great asset to our Lodge since joining us in early 2016. I wish him well going forward. This leaves the Lodge with a big hole to fill. We can't function without a Secretary, so I put it to you, the Membership, if you are interested in applying or know of someone who may be interested in the position, please contact Tex or myself. Tex is standing ready to train anybody who would like to fill this important position. We must have a secretary when we start the new Lodge year on April 1, 2018.

November brings in some exciting events, on the 3rd, Al Klager is back with Steak Night, Veterans Day on the 11th the Lodge will host a spaghetti dinner with our own Rose Tufano doing the cooking. All veterans eat free while all others pay just $5. Our hosts Bill and Flo Synenko promise a good time for all. The 17th and 18th is a busy weekend, Kent and Jeff will be in the Lounge from 7-10 PM while in the back room the Kards for Kids Texas Hold-em will take place. On the 18th, the Lodge will host the Kick-Off dinner for Toys 4 Tots. We ask members to bring a new unwrapped toy with them when you arrive for dinner. If you can't make the dinner, you can bring your gift and leave it in the Lounge. Last year we made a lot of kids happy with all the great toys we collected, let's do it again this year. And finally, on Saturday the 25th, Davy will be playing in the Lounge to help you wind down from the hectic Thanksgiving weekend.

Wishing you all a Happy Thanksgiving,
Fraternally Yours,
Paul Diaz, Exalted Ruler, PER

November Birthdays

01	Helen Brown	17	Frank Stephenson
01	Donna Knerr	17	James Turner
02	Matthew O'Connor	18	Diane Skinsacos
02	John Schrade	19	Madeline Halk
03	Barry Craun	20	Connie Bishop
03	William Pease Jr.	21	Kevin Kenney
04	Faith Sapper	21	Mitchell Rose
05	William Dee	21	Sigvard Stenmark
05	Richard Durrenberger	22	Ivo David
05	David Ferkinhoff	22	Anne Keeney
05	Mitchell Perlstein	23	Richard Bailey
05	Roland Vicedomini	23	James Iasimone
06	Frank Salerno	23	Judy Landgrave
07	Joseph Gama	24	Richard Hutchison
07	Frank Gavin	24	Joseph Labrie
07	Ronald Kornacki	25	Michael Norton
08	Robin Brooks	26	Douglas Distl
10	Hans Due	26	Henry Fitzgerald
11	James Appaneal	26	Terence Foley
11	Joseph Halk	26	James Nelan
11	Thomas Hendricks	27	Kenneth Jennings
12	Dick Bird	27	Melinda Marley
12	Jane Jukich	27	Patricia Tuohy
12	David Segalla	28	Frank Baudo
13	Jack Davis	28	Maureen Burcher
15	Richard Carroll	28	Jane Burton
15	Janet Glover	29	Ralph Bender
16	Kathy Hill	29	Rayma Murray
16	Norman Roberts	30	Leo George
17	Joe Alvarez	30	Michele Nolte
17	Robert Ercoli	30	Anthony Vacanti

From the Secretary's Desk

This is a list of the current delinquent members who are seven months in arrears. Please, if you are on this list, pay your dues or contact the Secretary as soon as possible. Thomas Allegretta, James Appaneal, Raymond Babines, John Bacon, Jean Baker, Gary Barker, Gerald Bechtold, Gil Berard, Brian Boele, Ronald Bourque, James Brock, Francis Brooks. David Brown, Helen Brown, Barbara Burns, Ramon Cavalcanit, Jerry Cypert, James Czysz, Dominick Darcangelo, Jack Davis, Doreen Dean, Floyd Dean, Theresa Deltoro, Cynthia Diamond, Karen Dobson, Paul Dobson, Kevin Doty, Roger Dye, Raymond Egleston, Martin Farese, Barry Federici, Richard Feely, Darold Figgins, Robert Francisco Jr., Richard Funcheon, Roy Gamez, Anthony Girardi, John Giudice, David Giuglianotti, Zona Hare, Margaret Hearndon, Darrell Hinkkanen, Richard Hodder, Edward Hodakinson, James Huber, Richard Hutchison, Kenneth Jennings, Richard Kassler, Diane Kehres, Joyce Mary Kelly, Joyce Kindel, Robert Kowalski, James Kretsch, Peter Langlois, Elaine Lappeman, John McGuinness, Catherine McKensie, Sally Ann McMahon-Birch, Rod Mickley, Randy Miller, Rose Parkinson, James Precord, Christie Price, Adrienne Reed, James Reynolds, Pete Rogozinski, Cory Rudder, Mark Santangelo, Duke Scales, Laura Scher, Alan Schommer, Richard Schreiner, Edward Scott, Frank Smith, Jackie Smith, Deborah Stenmark, Sigvard Stenmark, Eileen Thomas, Patricia Tuohy, Jim Verney, Geraldine Washak.

The above members may not attend any functions in this lodge or any other lodge. They are considered unaffiliated Elks. If any members knows anyone on this list, please contact them and request that they pay their dues.

Jack McClurken,

LM, PDDGER, Secretary
Email: veroelks1774@hotmail.com

Effective April 1, 2018, I will be stepping down as Secretary of Vero Beach Elks Lodge #1774. Any member who desires to serve in the position of Secretary should contact Exalted Ruler Paul Diaz. There is considerable training to be done before assuming this position.

A Message from

Grand Exalted Ruler

Malcolm J. McPherson, Jr.

With the hustle and bustle of the holiday season quickly approaching, there is no better time than November to pause and give thanks, both for our personal blessings as well as for our veterans who have tirelessly served our country.

While Elks support our veterans throughout the year (it is a cornerstone of our mission as Elks, after all), each November 11 we have the opportunity to take our efforts one step further with the celebration of Veterans Day. This month I urge you to honor and thank the veterans in your Lodge and community. You can host a veterans dinner at the Lodge, visit or give November is time to give thanks, and to give back goods or funds to your local VA center, volunteer at a VA facility, or donate to the Elks Army of Hope. No matter how you show your support, I'm certain your work will be noticed and appreciated. In addition to giving thanks through your veterans outreach.

Thanksgiving itself is another important holiday for Elks this month. Before you sit down to eat turkey with your loved ones, take a moment to remember those who are less fortunate. Organizing a food collection or having a Thanksgiving dinner at your Lodge helps folks in need and also strengthens the bonds between Elks.

As Pat and I head home for Thanksgiving, I'd like to express our gratitude to many of our fellow Elks who have welcomed us with open arms over the past few months. We look forward to continuing our journey during our 150th anniversary year with full bellies—and full hearts.

Elks Memorial Perpetual Care

GRAND SECRETARY
Bryan R. Klatt

Originally dedicated in 1926 to the memory of the fallen Elks of World War I, the Veterans Memorial Building is at the heart of Elkdom. Magnificently constructed in Chicago, the Memorial is a breathtaking structure representing the values Elks cherish. Through the years, the Memorial has been rededicated to honor the memory of American Veterans who have died for our great nation. Our duty is to ensure this Memorial remains an extraordinary symbol of the bravery and patriotism of these Veterans.

By making an individual or Lodge 501(c)3 donation, you will assist in the perpetual care and continued restoration of this beautiful Memorial. Go to www.elks.org and click "Veterans Memorial" on the home screen. Take the virtual tour, read about the history, plan a visit, make an online donation or mail a donation to the national headquarters today.

Martin Ingwersen

Glenn Stephen

They have passed through the valley of the shadows into the sunlight of eternal morning; the places that have known them shall know them no more, but upon our tablets of love and memory,

their names shall endure forever.

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WANTS TO SAY...

VETERANS DAY TRIBUTE

Saturday, November 11, 2017

Cocktails: 5:00 PM
Presentation of Colors: 5:30 PM

Music by "Marschall & Sally"

Dinner Follows

VETERANS EAT FREE

Non-Vets $5/Person

Please Make Reservations in Advance
at the Vero Elks Lodge: 1350 26th Street
or by Phone: 772-562-8450

Annual Vero Beach Golf Tournament

Saturday, November 18th.

Sandridge Golf Club in Vero Beach

Registration 7:30 am, Shotgun Start at 8:30 am

Entry Fee $ 65.00 per player

Fee includes Lunch Immediately after

At the Vero Beach Lodge.

Hole Sponsors are needed ($ 50.00 per hole)

For information Call

Jack Houlihan at 772-562-8450 (Lodge)

The Department of Defense will soon grant online exchange shopping privileges to Veterans of all the United States Armed Forces, including:

- **Tax-Free Shopping**
- **Name Brand Products**
- **Exclusive Military Pricing**

KNOW A VETERAN,

TELL A VETERAN

Send Veterans to:
VetVerify.org
to submit a verification form
to check their eligibility,

Music for November 2017

Friday, Nov. 3, Lou Phillips
7 to 10 pm

Saturday, Nov. 11, Marshall & Sally
6 to 9 pm

Friday, Nov. 17, Kent Taylor Brown & Jeff
7 to 10 pm

Saturday, Nov. 18, Coolers Band
7 to 10 pm

Saturday, Nov. 25, Davy Cappelen
7 to 10 pm

Monday Nights in November Karaoke
featuring Chris Marler of
Goodtime Entertainment.
7 to 10 pm

Wednesday Nights in November Burney's
Bluegrass Jam in the Lounge
6:30 pm to 8:30 pm

November 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Orientation 5 pm Bluegrass Jam with Buffet 6pm	2 Light Grill Menu 5:45 to 6:45pm Bar Bingo 6 pm	3 Steak Dinner 6 pm Search for the Queen of Hearts 7 pm	4
5 NFL Sunday Football Food available for a $ 5.00 donation	6 Game Night 6pm - Karaoke 7 to 10pm	7 Trustee Meeting 5:45 Lodge Mtg. & Initiation 7:30	8 Bluegrass Jam with Buffet 6pm	9 Light Grill Menu 5:45 to 6:45pm Bar Bingo 6 pm	10 Search for the Queen of Hearts 7 pm Kent & Jeff 7 to 10 pm	11 Veterans Day Tribute 5 pm Music by Marschall & Sally
12 NFL Sunday Football Food available for a $ 5.00 donation	13 Game Night 6pm - Karaoke 7 to 10pm	14 House Committee Meeting 6 pm	15 Bluegrass Jam with Buffet 6pm	16 Light Grill Menu 5:45 to 6:45pm Cookies for Soldiers Bar Bingo 6 pm	17 Search for the Queen of Hearts 7 pm Kent Taylor Brown in Lounge Kards 4 Kids Holdem Tourn.	18 Golf Outing Toys for Tots Dinner Coolers Band 7 to 10 pm
19 NFL Football Food available for a $ 5.00 donation Dinner Club	20 Game Night 6pm - Karaoke 7 to 10pm	21 Trustee Meeting 5:45 Lodge Mtg. 7:30	22 Bluegrass Jam with Buffet 6 pm	23 Thanksgiving Lodge Closed	24 Search for the Queen of Hearts 7 pm	25 Yolanda's French Dip Music by Davy Cappelen
26 NFL Sunday Football Food available for a $ 5.00 donation	27 Game Night 6pm - Karaoke 7 to 10pm	28	29 Bluegrass Jam with Buffet 6 pm	30 Light Grill Menu 5:45 to 6:45pm Bar Bingo 6 pm		

Reservations are Required for

ALL Dinners Call: 772-562-8450

After 1:00 pm daily

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Online Bulletin Board: http://board.veroelks.com

Facebook Page: http://facebook.com/VeroBeachElks

Picture site: http://elks1774.shutterfly.com

Lodge Telephone number: 772-562-8450 Call after 1:00 pm

Lounge Phone: 772-562-8450 (**Call this number for Reservations)**

Office Phone: 772-569-1774 **Business Only Please**, No Reservations)
Banquet Email: vbelksbanquet@gmail.com

Elk of the Month

Shelly Distl

For baking and selling cookies for Hurricane Relief

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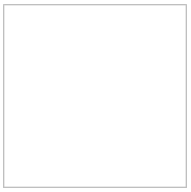
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