



Antler Bulletin

Orlando B.P.O.E. Lodge 1079

A Fraternal Organization / Lodge Founded in 1907
Faults of our Members We Write Upon the Sand
Their Virtues upon the Tablets of Love and Memory



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MESSAGE FROM THE EXALTED RULER



Someone reminded me a few days ago that, for the first time in the last four years, I would be having a birthday on the 29th day of February. That reminder caused me to look into the mirror and wonder where all the time has gone.

Some of you may not be aware of the fact that the average age of our members is now approaching 73 years, or the fact that the number of our members has consistently declined during nine of the past ten years.

We are not alone. As members of the Elks, Rotary, Lions, Freemasons, Knights Templar, Eagles, and Moose age and pass on, those who survive them are challenged with the uphill battle of recruiting newer and younger members to replace them. Many of these organizations, including our own, have not fared particularly well in meeting that challenge. For instance, the Freemasons lost nearly 3.8 million members between their peak in the late 1950s and the beginning of the decade which just ended. Since 1980, Elks membership has itself dropped from 1.64 million to roughly half that number. And the membership of our own Lodge will, by the end of this fiscal year, be roughly half of what it was only ten years ago.

Why is that so?

There are many explanations for that phenomenon. To name just a few of them:

- Many millennials would never dream of joining a club that seems primarily geared toward the needs of their grandparents.
- Ask any member of the millennial generation – most of whom are accustomed to fraternizing on Facebook, Twitter or by using some other form of social networking – what the Masons, the Eagles or the Knights Templar might be, and he will most likely think that you are referring to the latest pop band. That’s just one of the problems facing local fraternal organizations whose very existence is being threatened by irrelevance in a modern world.

- Many millennials who do know who we are would nonetheless ever dream of joining a club that seems primarily geared toward the needs of their grandparents
- In brief, younger members want interactive community service opportunities in addition to the other benefits of membership. They don't simply want to just write a check
- A lot of people join but don't really volunteer time or really participate in what's going on. They are members in name only, and pass by the wayside when it is time to renew their memberships because we have been unable to maintain their interest in who we are and what we do.

What can be done do turn the tide?

- To begin with, any service organization which thinks 'We've always done it this way' is a good reason to continue to doing the same in the future, is fooling itself. The needs of those young professionals whom we hope to attract to our Lodge are very much different today than they were a generation ago.
- Groups that are more successful at getting member participation in and attendance their events are those groups where members are doing something constructive, such participating in community betterment projects, while socializing at the same time. For whatever it’s worth, each of the four new members whom we initiated in January spoke exactly to that point.
- Many groups which been able to reverse the trend under which membership losses seem almost pre-ordained have group moved away from featuring speakers who discuss topics that are relevant only to retirees, shortened their meetings, eliminated attendance requirements and simplified their rituals.

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Please Congratulate
Elk of the Month
ROGER BRISTOL

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Many, if not most, of you who will read this message have been members of the Elks for many more years than I have had that privilege, but I suspect only a few of you, if any, will remember when the construction of our current facility was concluded nearly fifty years ago. It's never too late, however, to consider the possibility that we may have to start doing things a little differently than we did 50 years ago in order to grow our membership and keep our members involved in doing good things for the community. The organizations that can master the art of accomplishing both of those objectives are the ones that will survive.

J. V. Baum
Exalted Ruler



SUPER BOWL PARTY

Sunday February 2nd
Pub Opens 5:00 P.M.

Mary Bartends

Chili donated by volunteers
You bring chips, snacks, desserts

Game Time 6:30...til?

Quarter Game Chance Board

Pre- Buy squares at
Thursday Karaoke
(See Amy Story)



Doe's Corner

Hello Sister Does,

A new year has begun with the installations of a new president and officers for 2020.

Congratulations to all.

Here's to a great year, and working together to achieve our goals for 2020 for our charities

REMEMBER DUES FOR 2020 ARE DUE

make your check to Orlando Drove #66 and mail to:

Beverly Hallstrom

6200 Raintree Drive

Orlando fl 32822-9490

Questions or suggestions: mmorales9480@yahoo.com

Thank you,

Maria Morales

February Birthdays

Glenda Jo Lefever 1st

Joyce Cheney 4th

Nancy Keller Dieteman 4th

Joanne Carpenter 7th

Barbara Tanner 15th

Mazie Wise 23rd

Bunny Hazel 1/30



Sorry we missed Linda K. Begley's Birthday in January

Elk of the Month

February 2020

ROGER BRISTOL

This month's Elk of the Month is Roger Bristol. Roger is currently serving as the Lodge Esquire and is also our District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler. Roger is a quiet and self-effacing gentleman who, among other things, is a member of the cooking team which provides food service for our Monday night bingo players. He keeps the Burgers and More teams supplied with hamburgers, buns, dogs and brats, and takes his own turn in cooking them when his team is on deck as well. Roger has held nearly every office which the Lodge has to offer in years past, including the office of Exalted Ruler. He has, over a period of many years, taken on not only some of the most important tasks with which the lodge must deal with from time to time, but also the most menial. Roger is, in brief, an Elk whom can be counted on!

Monday Morning Boys MMB's

Now is the time to join our group. Want to help your lodge save valuable dollars? We can use your help.. We save the lodge by doing all the lawn care, minor electrical, minor plumbing, painting, carpet cleaning, lighting, organization and on and on.



You DO have the talent for a job on Monday!! We have something for everyone. Big and small jobs. Don't rely on your lodge to spend money on contractors who are so expensive. Come to the MMB's on Monday, every week at 9 am for a couple of hours....

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FRIDAY DINNER RESERVATION POLICIES

Reservations for Friday night dinners can be made by calling the Lodge's Dinner Reservation Line at 407-894-8205 only and leaving a message on our answering machine when prompted to do so. The number in question has been dedicated for your use in making such reservations, and we therefore cannot accept, recorded messages called in to a different number. .

Your reservations must be called in by no later than 5:00 o'clock p.m. on the Wednesday evening prior to the Friday when you will dining with us. Our chef needs to have reservation information by the end of the day on Wednesdays in order to do her shopping on Thursday mornings. Cancellations must also be called in by no later than 5:00 o'clock p.m. on the Wednesday evening prior to the Friday when you will dining with us, failing which you will be charged for the meal(s) you have order whether you show up or not!.

Antler Boosters

March 2019

Gloria Krasovec in memory of Dominik Krasovec

June 2019

Pat & Joe Straub in memory of Pete Waldo

Sept. 2019

Helen Lippert

Oct. 2019

Carmen Acevedo

Pat Davies

Don Simon

Beth Ankney in memory of Jim Ankney

Nov. 2019

Mike & Sue LeBruno

Dec. 2019

Coleman and Pat Grant

Feb. 2020

Betty Ann Cheek in memory of

Johnny Cheek

ENF

I am happy to report that there is some movement upward in the Lodge's ENF donations. Of our 433 members 61 have now donated to the program and have exceeded our assessment of \$2100.00. They have given \$2111.00 to the foundation are carrying this Lodge and made us illegible for ENF Grants next year to support our community projects. Unfortunately that is only 14% of our members and unsatisfactory to the Grand Lodge. Of the remaining 372 members 112 are on the lapsation list and Grand Lodg-wants them targeted. The lapsation list is the list of all our members who have not made a donation in over tow years. We also have members of this Lodge who have never donated to the ENF and in the past three years only three new members have made contributions. As I have warned in the past, if we cannot support ENF then there is no need for a Lodge.

Mike McClay, PER and ENF Chairman

DAVID DUB-YAH'S JUKEBOX



On Saturday evening, February 1st, from 6:00 to 9:30PM (or so) I will once again be performing in the Pub to provide dance and listening music for your indulgence and entertainment.

As always, I will have my song books available containing a mess of titles for your perusal so YOU can pick song selections from your past to hear ME sing. You pick a duet, YOU SING WITH ME. If you don't want to pick songs to hear, I am perfectly capable of choosing them for you. Additionally to give you a break from me, I will have a guest singer available to entertain you.

As there will be no food available for purchase, feel free to bring or order in dinner.

So, if you find yourself desperate for entertainment, come out and have some fun at my expense. Drink, shake your booty on the dance floor, and/or sit back, listen, and reminisce. I'll have a tip jar available so you can contribute to my poor old sick mother and her 19 cats. Oh yeah, and the more you drink, the better I sound. And please remember to take care of our bartender who works really, really hard to keep us happy.

David Wiggs

WE LOVE OUR BOOSTERS!	\$20 per year, effective Jan. 2013 per name or couple's names. Make check payable to Orlando Elks Lodge 1079 Please drop check or cash in Secretary's Office (or door slot if closed)
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February Birthdays

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|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1 Jocelyne F. Smith | 15 Rita Boucher |
| 2 Hendrik Brouwer | 16 Bruce R. Gohsler |
| Michael Lebruno, Jr. | 17 Betty Risner |
| Richard G. Margeson | 18 Wanda F. Collins |
| 4 Earl B. Harris | 19 Peter James Crowley |
| Anthony Laudicina | 20 Lois L. Moeller |
| Thomas L. McGovern | 21 Edward Casey |
| 5 Robert Baumgartner | David Stuart |
| Harold Sauerwein | 22 Dovel J. Moore |
| 6 Patricia A. Strickland | Mark A. Patrick |
| 8 Beverly Middleton | David Trogdon |
| 9 Jack Guignard | 23 Ross E. Evers Pddger |
| 10 Dale Eckelbarger | 24 Jean Ann Deitrick |
| George E. Presley | 25 Norman D. Carter |
| 11 Marion W. Averett | 27 Jeremy Gruber |
| Donald D. Clark | 28 James P. Galvin |
| Jerome Longtin | Linda L. Miller |
| 12 Kathleet F. Crowder | Jacques R. Saumier |
| 14 Ronald W. Spraker | 29 John V. Baum |



Birthday Drink Coupon

Any current Elk or Does Member may present this coupon at the bar and receive a free well drink, domestic beer or glass of house wine anytime during your birthday month compliments of Lodge 1079.

Member's Name _____

Birth Month & Day _____

Elk or Does Card Number _____

FEB. 1ST & 15TH

Orlando Elk's: 12 N. Primrose
9:00am - 2:00pm

ADVINTAGE FAIR

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Jerry Idle on Keyboard

and various other artists will perform in the Pub for your listening and dancing pleasure.

6 P.M.- 9 P.M

Please come in to enjoy these great entertainers!

No Cover - *Tips always appreciated*



If you can or cannot sing . . .
Come on out and do your thing!



It's
Karaoke
at the Elks
Every
Thursday
6:30-10:00

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★ **Mark your calendars...** ★

★ **Elks Lodge #1079** ★

★ *proudly presents an evening of* ★

★ *dining and entertainment by...* ★

★ **RE-CREATIONS** ★

★ **Date: Tuesday, February 11, 2020** ★

★ Re-Creations is a group of young people who are dedicated to entertaining our veterans. They perform more than 150 shows annually in VA Medical Centers and State Veterans Homes in all 50 states and are not paid for their services. Their travel expenses are possible by donation only. This is a magical program that transforms the stage into a wondrous showplace of unforgettable entertainment. You won't want to miss it! ★

★ **DINNER and SHOW** ★

★ **\$10.00** ★

★ **Dinner 6:00 P.M. / Show 7:00 P.M.** ★


★ **Reservations 407-894-8205** ★

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To The Open House Volunteers . . .

Thank you does not say enough for your dedication to the 3 day Open House. The volunteers, too many to name, donated items for the raffle and their time to the success of the event. Some people place value on power and things. The Lodge's asset is people like you.

THANK YOU, Jody, Trudy and Aubie

 *Care and Concern*

Helen Hicks
Buddy Levitt

 **LODGE OF SORROW**

Charles T. Grimes
Ed Novitsky

LODGE OFFICERS – 2019-2020

Exalted Ruler	John Baum
Esteemed Leading Knight	Ralph Bemos
Esteemed Loyal Knight	Aubie Dingwell
Esteemed Lecturing Knight	Pat Davies
Secretary	Virginia Akin
Treasurer	Vacant
Esquire	Roger Bristol
Chaplain	Tom McGovern
Inner Guard	Donna Bemos
Tiler	Thila Gerber
Trustee (1 Yr)	Janice Moffitt
Trustee (2 Yr)	Larry Lockwood
Trustee (3 Yr)	Don Simon
Trustee (4 Yr)	Jody Richards
Trustee (5 Yr)	Trudy Harold

LADIES ASSOCIATION DOES DROVE #66

President	Lillian Velez
First Counselor	Glorida Krasovec
Senior Counselor	Sally Schlichenmaier
Junior Counselor	Kimberly Casey
Secretary	Beverly Hallstrom
Treasurer	Maria Morales
Chaplin	Betty Garcia

PAST EXALTED RULER ASSOCIATION

President	George Erwin
Vice President	Jody Richards
Secretary	Bill Woolgar
Treasurer	Roger Bristol Carol Jaster

LODGE ADVISOR: Jody Richards

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Jeanne Kropf, Chairman, Sheldon Brook

ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

Jody Richards, Chairman, Trudy Harold, Aubie Dingwell,
Betty Lombardi

DECORATING COMMITTEE

Trudy Harold, Chairman, Pat Strickland
Patricia Davies, Monica Woolgar

BAND COMMITTEE

Jody Richards, Ralph Bemos

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Vacant

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Mike McClay

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Mike McClay, Chairman, Lisa Leighty, Pat Davies, Don Simon

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EVENT COORDINATOR

Carmen Acedvedo

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Billie Hutson, Chairman, Gail Kent, Tom McGovern

FINANCE COMMITTEE

William M. Smith, Michael R. McClay, Dale Schmitt

MEETINGS

Lodge:	Wednesday, 2nd & 4th week - 7:00 pm
Board of Directors:	Wednesday, 1st & 3rd week - 6:30 pm
DOES:	Tuesday, 1st & 3rd week—7:00 pm
PERS:	Wednesday, 2nd week—6:00 pm

PHONE NUMBERS

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(Check Center Calendar for Dinner Times
Entertainment and Other Special Events)

	PUB	DINING ROOM
Mon	4:00 pm—10:00 pm	Public Bingo
Tues	4:00 pm—10:00 pm	Special events only
Wed	4:00 pm—10:00 pm	Special events only
Thurs	4:00 pm—10:00 pm	Special events only
Fri	12:00 pm— 6:00 pm	5:30 —11:00 pm Dinner & Dance
Sat	10:30 am— 9:30 pm	Special events only
Sun	Special Occasions	CLOSED

**PLEASE RESPECT THE BARTENDER'S REQUEST
TO VERIFY YOUR ELIGIBILITY TO PURCHASE
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, AS
WE WILL FOLLOW THE RULES**

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