

# Antler Bulletin

## Orlando Lodge No. 1079 B.P.O.E.

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



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#### A MESSAGE FROM THE EXALTED RULER



About Reopening. While those various Executive Orders issued by the Governor's office over the past month or so authorize, under limited circumstances, restaurants which are open to the public and licensed by the Florida Department of Business Regulation and Professional

Regulation, our restaurant is not open to the public and operates, as do many restaurants operated by other fraternal organizations, under a permit issued by the Florida Department of Health. As of this date, neither the Governor's office nor the Florida Department of Health have authorized the reopening of restaurants such as ours, and we must necessarily remain closed until we have such an authorization.

The Governor's office has also authorized the reopening of pubs, bars and nightclubs under limited circumstances as well but has not yet offered any guidance as to whether our own pub is a "pub", "bar" or "nightclub" within the meaning of such authorizations. Until and unless we have such guidance, our pub must necessarily remain closed for so long as we remain in a state of limbo as to these issues.

Regardless of when we may have that guidance, the fact remains that we be cautious when making both the decision to reopen and deciding upon those precautionary measures that will need to remain in place when we do to protect our members and guests.

Communications: We have been attempting to notify members as to matters of immediate interest by flash message on a weekly basis, but presently do not have working e-mail addresses for a good number of our members. If you haven't been receiving such messages of late, please send you current email address to me at <a href="mailto:jvbaum@cfl.rr.com">jvbaum@cfl.rr.com</a> and I will see to it that you are included in our future mailings.

**Annual Budget.** We have been able to operate within the budget that was approved earlier in the year for the

months of April and May and expect to stay within that budget for the month of June.

You can do your part in helping us to stay within our budget by insuring that your dues for the current fiscal year have been. You can pay your dues, if you haven't done so already, by calling Maria Motes, our Lodge Secretary, with your credit or debit card information in hand!

**Lodge and Board Meetings:** We are now holding Board meetings at the Lodge and will be holding Lodge meetings at the Lodge rather than by videoconferencing from and after May 27. Social distancing and face masking recommendations must be observed by all Lodge members attending such meetings.

**Activities:** Please take a look at our Activity Committee's report elsewhere in this month's issue for a brief look as to what's on the horizon for the next month or so.

J. V. Baum Exalted Ruler



Please Congratulate
Elk of the Month
CHRISTINA ATKINSON

#### **Activities Committee**

Because our Lodge has been closed as a result of the coronavirus epidemic since mid-March, the months of April and May have presented challenges to the talents and creativity of your Activities Committee which we never thought we'd have to think about. As most of us have now discovered, it's difficult to socialize when one must be masked and maintain a six-foot distance from your brothers and sisters at the Lodge while doing so!

Despite these impediments, we were nonetheless able to hold our first Social Distancing walk on April 21 at Leu Gardens, and have had walks on each successive week since then at that location, at Mead Garden or, most recently, at Lake Eola Park.



A Blood Drive and Burgers and More cookout was held on May 16 and was a huge success. Thanks to all who donated blood aboard the Big Red Bus as well as to those who attended our first "Social Dis-

tancing" cookout. Elks Care, Elks Share!

A Memorial Day ceremony was held at the lodge on May 25, with coffee and donuts served after that ceremony to then in attendance, most of whom then visited Greenwood Cemetery where a wreath was laid at the base of the Elks Lodge 1079 monument.



This month a Flag Day Ceremony

to be held at the Lodge on June 14 is in the planning stages, as is a Fourth of July celebration and possible Open House on that date. Details as to both events will follow by flash message when that planning has been concluded. Our Social Distancing walks will continue for so long as members wish to participate and attend.

Please remember that our friends and acquaintance who may have been considering membership in the Lodge can apply for the reduced fee of \$1.00 throughout the month of July. Please put your recruiting hats on and encourage them to do so!

The Activities Committee meets on the 3rd Monday of the month at 7 p.m. All are welcome!

## Aubie Dingwell

Chairman



#### **DOES CORNER**

#### Greetings,

Hope you're safe, happy and look forward to being together again. This story will enlighten your day.

Once, a group of 50 people attended a seminar. The speaker started by giving each one a balloon. Each was asked to write their name with a marker pen. Then, all the balloons were collected and put into another room.

Now, the delegates were asked to locate their balloon, with their name, within five minutes. Everyone frantically searched for their name creating utter chaos. At the end of five minutes, no one could find their own balloon. Then, each one was asked to randomly collect a balloon and give it to the person whose name was written on it. Within minutes, everyone had their own balloon.

This is what happens in our lives. Everyone is frantically looking for happiness. In turn, their joy will become yours. Being happy replaces suffering with a good heart and compassion.

Blessings,

Sally Schlichenmaier

JUNE BIRTHDAYS:

Ida Grass – June 8th







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## Elk of the Month

### CHRISTINA ATKINSON

One of the oft-repeated sayings within our Order is that "Elks Care – Elks Share". This month's Elk of the Month, Christina Atkinson, is not only the embodiment of that particular sentiment but also of the Elks unwavering commitment to those who have served in our armed forces.

For some years past, Christina has been the Regional Director for Field Operations in the Southeast United States for Soldier's Angels. Her responsibilities include the supervision and oversight of Soldier's Angels operational and developmental activities in eight states, including the State of Florida, and the provision of support to military veterans through various veteran's support organizations. Those organizations including our own Lodge, which is a designated Mobile Food Distri-bution site for Soldier's Angels, where Christina can be found those Fridays at the lodge when food is being distributed to our veterans.

For more about Soldier's Angels, see www.soldiersangels.org.

For more about Christina the recognition she has received on the floor of the U.S. House of Representatives, see <a href="https://soldiersangels.org/Newsroom.html/2019/03/20/Christina-Atkinson-Recognized-with-Congressional-Honor/">https://soldiersangels.org/Newsroom.html/2019/03/20/Christina-Atkinson-Recognized-with-Congressional-Honor/</a>

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AMOUNT:	Make check payable to Orlando Elks Lodge 1079
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## **Antler Boosters**

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
March 2020
Coleman & Pat Grant
Josephine Blair in memory

of Dwight Blair

#### A HISTORY OF FLAG DAY

The idea of an annual day specifically celebrating the Flag is believed to have first originated in 1885. B.J. Cigrand, a schoolteacher, arranged for public school pupils in Fredonia, Wisconsin, to observe June 14 (the 108th anniversary of the



official adoption of The Stars and Stripes) as 'Flag Birthday'. In numerous magazines and newspaper articles and public addresses over the following years, Cigrand continued to enthusiastically advocate the observance of June 14 as 'Flag Birthday', or 'Flag Day'.

On June 14, 1889, George Balch, a kindergarten teacher in New York City, planned appropriate ceremonies for the children of his school, and his idea of observing Flag Day was later adopted by the State Board of Education of New York. On June 14, 1891, the Betsy Ross House in Philadelphia held a Flag Day celebration, and on June 14 of the following year, the New York Society of the Sons of the Revolution, celebrated Flag Day as well

Following the suggestion of Colonel J Granville Leach (at the time historian of the Pennsylvania Society of the Sons of the Revolution), the Pennsylvania Society of Colonial Dames of America on April 25, 1893 adopted a resolution requesting the mayor of Philadelphia and all others in authority and all private citizens to display the Flag on June 14th. Leach went on to recommend that thereafter the day be known as 'Flag Day', and on that day, school children be assembled for appropriate exercises, with each child being given a small Flag.

Two weeks later on May 8th, the Board of Managers of the Pennsylvania Society of Sons of the Revolution unanimously endorsed the action of the Pennsylvania Society of Colonial Dames. As a result of the resolution, Dr. Edward Brooks, then Superintendent of Public Schools of Philadelphia, directed that Flag Day exercises be held on June 14, 1893 in Independence Square. School children were assembled, each carrying a small Flag, and patriotic songs were sung and addresses delivered.

In 1894, the governor of New York directed that on June 14 the Flag be displayed on all public buildings. With B.J. Cigrand and Leroy Van Horn as the moving spirits, the Illinois organization, known as the American Flag Day Association, was organized for the purpose of promoting the holding of Flag Day exercises. On June 14th, 1894, under the auspices of this association, the first general public school children's celebration of Flag Day in Chicago was held in Douglas, Garfield, Humboldt, Lincoln, and Washington Parks, with more than 300,000 children participating. Inspired by these three decades of state and local celebrations, Flag Day was officially established by the Proclamation of President Woodrow Wilson on May 30th, 1916 andwas celebrated in various communities for years after Wilson's proclamation, but it was not until August 3rd, 1949, that President Truman signed an Act of Congress designating June 14th of each year as National Flag Day.

Flag Day is celebrated annually by the Elks on June 14. This year's ceremony will be held on that date at the Lodge beginning at 1:00 o'clock in the afternoon.

This article appears within the content of a web site maintained by the United States Chamber of Commerce, which may be reviewed at <a href="https://www.chamberofcommerce.org/usflag/history/flagday.html">https://www.chamberofcommerce.org/usflag/history/flagday.html</a>.

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### **Monday Morning Boys MMB's**

I know that many of you guys are so sad!! For the last 8 weeks or so you have all been doing Honey-Do's around



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the house. Who hasn't? Sad? Well you are sad because you were going to join the MMB team on Monday's at 9 AM...and because of the Virus you are not able.

Well.....cheer up butter cup...good times are almost here. And all of that experi-

ence over the last few weeks will be of great help to you as you VOLUNTEER at the Elks! And the pay? Well you won't even have to pay taxes on what you earn!!

Such a deal...so hold on and get ready to help.

At this time of publishing, we are not sure when we start up again... Two faithful MMB's have cut the grass as needed but the rest of the team are waiting for the Lodge to open.

Give us a call or stop by ...Monday's at 9 AM *Schim*.

### June Birthdays

- 1 William T. Hicks
- 3 Amy Gail Story
- 4 Lindsay Hodges
- 5 Patricia C. Chiasson George L. Erwin
- 6 Barbara J. Mills
- 7 William M. Lynch
- 8 Carolyn Gruber
- 9 James E. Detwiler Larry Seesholtz
- 10 Kimly Jordan Linda Rossel
- 11 James F. Clontz
- 12 Doris L. Primicerio
- 13 Robert R. Lange
- 15 Gilbert Dhennin Sarah Duncan Louis W. McFadin

- 16 Rosemary Budd
- 17 Byron G. Fowler
- 18 Paula Rae Buckholz L. David Middleton
- 19 Paul D. Fennell Dan O'Callahan Ray E. Sculley
- 20 Rita R. Blankenhorn
- 21 Leslie W. Robinson
- 23 William M. Smith
- 24 Nathan Jones Terry Schlichenmaier
- 25 Jack Foster
- 27 Robert Radigan
- 28 Robert Widerman
- 29 David P. Staub Beverly J. Stolt
- 30 Leighton Cornell



#### **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.

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irth Month & Day	
lk or Does Card Number	



#### **LODGE OFFICERS – 2020-2021**

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Sheldon Brook

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#### **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

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#### **PUB AND DINING ROOM HOURS**

(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 events only	Special events only

PLEASE RESPECT THE BARTENDER'S REQUEST TO VERIFY YOUR ELIGIBILITY TO PURCHASE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES BY SHOWING YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARD ON REQUEST

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