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Marionette Sexton
Exalted Ruler

MESSAGE FROM YOUR EXALTED RULER

Elks Care - Elks Share

Happy October everyone. Lot's going on this month!

Saturday, October 22nd our Veteran Chair Robin Rutzke and our DDGER Sharon Hammersla will be hosting the quarterly drive-by food drive from 8:00 a.m. to noon. Thanks to the dedication of our members, this continues to be a huge success. Our community as well as the Nativity Food Pantry who services our community, thank you!

The evening of Saturday, October 22nd we hope to see you all at the Halloween party that is being put on by our Brandon Ladies of Elks organization. This is a fun event where you get to be a "kid" again.....by dressing up in your favorite ghoulish attire. Price is only \$10 and bring a dish to share. The ladies put their heart and soul into putting on these events, so we surely do hope to see you there.

October 29th our lodge is putting on a good old fashioned Rummage Sale. Donate your unwanted treasures for sale to a good home. And come on out and find some new treasures to take home. Should be fun.

Staying in the Halloween spirit....October 30th is Trunk or Treat. Set up your car, van, camper and dress in your favorite Halloween garb to hand out your candy. This is a "safe" place to bring your kids, grandchildren, neighbors children to Trick or Treat.

All four events above are put on by Brandon Elk member volunteers for the enjoyment of our members, their guest and families to enjoy. So please do your part by coming, bringing your friends and family and enjoying! Remember, we are a benevolent organization that is committed to doing good works for our community, our Veterans and our children. The monies raised by our events helps fund our good works.

And I want to send a BIG Thank You to everyone who did come out and supported our Labor Day picnic that was held on September 5th. And another BIG Thank You to everyone who came out and supported Jerilyn Pietro for her orientation inspection which is a big deal to our lodge. Jerilyn volunteers her time by handling our monthly orientation for our new members. A BIG Thank You to everyone who got involved and supported our Southwest Central District's Lodge Olympics by coming to the Lakeland Lodge on September 17th. A BIG shout out to everyone that comes to our Wednesday Veteran's dinners, our Tuesday Bingo's, our Friday evening dinners and social time, and to our Ladies for everything they do. Supporting our events by volunteering and/or attending is what keeps a lodge strong and makes a strong lodge even stronger; it solidifies friendships.

Last but not least, don't forget....log on to our Brandon website www.Brandonelks.org and our Florida website at www.floridaelks.org to find out about all the neat things going on in our organization. Stay informed and stay involved. Your Exalted Ruler, Marionette Sexton

Respectfully,
Marionette Sexton
Exalted Ruler

Elk of the Month

It gives me great pleasure to announce **Ken Muzyk** as Elk of The Month. Ken is the person who has been keep the weeds from out trees and building. Any time Rick needs help you can find Ken helping him out repairing things in our Lodge. Ken has also stepped up and helps out in the kitchen for snack bar on the first Thursday and the fourth Tuesday of every month. So please congratulate Ken Muzyk as Elk of the Month.

Officer of the Quarter

The officer of the second quarter is **Nancy Price**. Nancy has been amazing and a life saver for our lodge. When ever I ask for her help, she is ready to be of service. Nancy has stepped up on doing Friday night dinners when no one else will. You can find her in the kitchen every second Saturday and Sunday of the month preparing breakfast for the Brandon Ladies of Elks. She is always there for steak night dinners. She has gone to our Officers Training back in March. So please congratulate Nancy Price as Officer of the Quarter.



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LOUNGE HOURS

Sunday: 1pm – 7pm
Monday - Thursday 4pm – 9pm
Friday 4pm – 10pm
Saturday 4pm – 9pm
MANAGER: GLENN GARVEY

Mary Lou Schreck
LODGE SECRETARY

Office Hours

MONDAY: 3pm – 5pm
WEDNESDAY: 3pm – 5pm
Or call for appointment

Nancy Price
LODGE TREASURER

Office Hours

MONDAY: 12pm – 3pm
THURSDAY: 12pm – 3pm
Or call for appointment

EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT
Dinner * Dancing * Music
OLDIES * COUNTRY * POP
Weekly PER & 50/50 Raffles
\$500 Club Drawing
9pm Absent Member Toast
Monthly Drink Specials

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30 Truck or Treat Parking Lot 6PM – 8PM	31 					1 Lounge Rental 1PM – 5PM
2 Social & Sports	3 BLOE Meeting 6:30pm	4 5:30pm - 7:00pm Queen  Trivia or Cards, Pool snack bar open	5 Spaghetti Dinner Hall 6:30PM \$8	6  IN THE LOUNGE 6:30pm SNACK BAR	7 Music: Mike Albright Door: Larry Friday night dinner see page 4	8 DD/VP Visitation Dinner 5:30PM - 10PM
9 8AM - 11AM BLOE Breakfast – Hall Social & Sports	10  Lodge Meeting 7PM	11 5:30pm - 7:00pm Queen  Trivia or Cards, Pool snack bar open	12	13  IN THE LOUNGE 6:30pm SNACK BAR	14 Door: Jim Friday night dinner see page 4	15
16 Social & Sports	17 7pm Governing Board Meeting	18 5:30pm - 7:00pm Queen  Trivia or Cards, Pool snack bar open	19 Member Orientation 6:30PM BLOE Dinner - Hall 6:30PM	20	21 Door: Lou Music: Motown Friday night dinner see page 4	22 Food Drive 8AM – 12PM Plant City Olympics 2PM - 6PM BLOE Halloween Party 7PM - 12AM
23 Social & Sports	24	25 5:30pm - 7:00pm Queen  Trivia or Cards, Pool snack bar open	26 Hall 6:30PM 	27  IN THE LOUNGE 6:30pm SNACK BAR	28 Door: Robin Friday night dinner see page 4	29 Rummage Sale Hall 8AM – 1PM

Please RSVP for Dinners

RSVPBrandonElks@yahoo.com

Save the Date

OCTOBER 10TH, Lodge Meeting

BLOE Meeting OCTOBER 3RD

OCTOBER 20TH · 6:00 PM

Brandon Boys

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

2nd Sunday BLOE Breakfast
\$10

Tuesdays 7pm Boy Scouts

Lodge Meetings Are Open To Members In
Good Standing and is the Place to Discuss
any Lodge issues. 2nd Monday of each
month!

**Dress code for meetings is long pants
and collared shirt for men.
Skirt, Dress, or long slacks for women.**

PER Meeting – 1st Monday
Lodge Meeting 2nd Monday of month, 7pm
Governing Board mtg – 3rd Monday at 7pm
BLOE Ladies Meetings – 1st Monday of month
at 6:30pm

Member Illness / Convalescence: Notify
Lodge Secretary

Brandon Lodge supports our Veterans
Lodge Veterans please come out every
4th Wednesday of the month to enjoy
free dinner and visit with other local
Vets! Prepared by Nancy and friends



OCTOBER MENU ITEMS

TO BE ASSURED OF A MEAL, PLEASE RSVP TO RSVPBRANDONELKS@YAHOO.COM
BY 12 PM THURSDAY

OCTOBER 5TH

GLENN & CREW \$8

ENTRÉE: SPAGHETTI WITH MEATBALLS

DESSERT



OCTOBER 7TH

BEVERLY LAUNDY & FRIENDS \$12

ENTRÉE: PORK CHOPS

SIDES: VEGGIES, POTATOES & SALAD

DESSERT

MUSIC: MIKE ALBRIGHT



OCTOBER 14TH

LOU VALENCIA & FRIENDS \$12

ENTRÉE: ITALIAN SAUSAGE w/ GREEN PEPPERS & ONIONS

SIDES: POTATO SALAD, SALAD & DESSERT

MUSIC: MOTOWN



OCTOBER 21ST

MARIONETTE & CREW

SALAD: TOSSED

ENTRÉE: (PLEASE CHOOSE ONE): STEAK (\$15), SHRIMP (\$13)

GRILLED CHICKEN (\$12) OR FISH (\$13)

SIDES: VEGGIES AND BAKED POTATO

MUSIC: MOTOWN



OCTOBER 26TH - VETS DINNER

NANCY & FRIENDS – VETS EAT FOR FREE

ENTRÉE, SIDE, SALAD & DESSERT



OCTOBER 28TH

TERRI CIESLA & FRIENDS \$15

ENTRÉE: PORK TENDERLOIN WELLINGTON

SIDES: SALAD, VEGGIES, ROASTED POTATOES

DESSERT



PLEASE READ: When using anything in the kitchen it is your responsibility to put everything back. Please do not leave your clean dishes in the dish drainer. ANY food placed in the freezer or refrigerator needs to be labeled with the date and what is in the bag,

BLOE BITS

Next Meeting is OCTOBER 3RD at 7:00 PM

Hoping to See You There!



By: Ann Fox
B.L.O.E. President

Labor Day was a great day for a cake auction. It turned out fabulous. The auctioneer, Mark Vargo did a great job again. Sept 21st Ladies dinner was out of this world. Beef enchiladas, rice, black beans, salad, and dessert. Thank you so much, Ann Fox, Margaret Van Dame and all your helpers.

FLOE conference was a blast. Cake pops galore and lots of learning done for all.

Breakfast was just as tasty as ever! All the hard work pays off, thank you. Please come out and enjoy breakfast and eat all you can for just \$10.00 each. Next one is on October 9th from 8:00 am to 11:00 am.

Our Lady of Distinction for September was Nancy Price. Nancy does many things for our organization. She took over the chair of being ahead of the breakfast. Judy Demask would be so proud of the continued work that is being done. Nancy is a hard worker, a great cook and will help when she can. Thank you, Nancy, for your continued support of our ladies and the lodge.

Remember our next meeting is October 3rd, come join and enjoy.

Come join us for The Halloween Bash on October 22nd. DJ and contests, bring a covered dish and join the fun. Rummage sale on October 29th from 8:00 am till 2:00. Bake sale that day too.

Ann Fox

Brandon Ladies of Elks



SEPTEMBER LADY OF DISTINCTION

When I try to describe our lady of distinction for this month, two or three things stand out in my mind. Good cook, hard worker and outstanding Elk. She has been working in the lodge's kitchen ever since she joined. She makes an outstanding meat loaf as well as several other meals that people know they will go home satisfied. She has been chairperson of our Sunday Breakfast taking over for Judy DeMask several years ago. She is always there when you need her and can be depended on to work hard and get the job done. She is currently Treasurer of the BPOE and again has held this office for several years. The Brandon Elks has a long-standing rule if you have a good thing hold on to it. She is a perfect example of this. She is one of the most valuable members of the BLOE and we hope she can continue to make our main fund raiser Sunday Breakfast a continued success. Please join me in congratulating our September Lady of Distinction – Nancy Price.

500 Club Winners

NOT SIGNED UP: Gloria Asher, Fred Ciampi, Michael Chuba, Dan Ray, Wayne Scott, Randy Bayne
WINNERS!! George Thomas & Eileen Subko signed up; not present

To the love of my life, Sharon, weep no more my sweet, for the Lord has taken thee from me. Hand in hand to the promised land, please wait there for me! Thank you, Elks, for all your thoughts, cards and prayers.
Duane, Duaney and Phillip Petry



From the Secretary's Desk, 500 Club

Our Lodge year is almost half over. We have had only one winner so far. If you would like to be "signed up" for the 500 Club for the rest of the year, \$26 dollars for a member or \$52 for member and spouse must be received by the first drawing in October (7th) You can't win if you are NOT SIGNED UP

BE A BUGLE BOOSTER !!!

Please help defray the cost of printing and sending out our Bugle. A donation of \$5 will help a great deal.

These folks are BUGLE BOOSTERS:

Diane League
Gerri Mann
Kim Martinez
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David & Kathleen Zilka
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Julie & Hank Ebert
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Any questions or concerns about the Veterans, the Elks Lodge serves or note worthy Veteran events, please address them with Robin.

God Bless our Veterans.



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A poster for a 'Monster Mash Bash' event. The background is purple with green splatters and illustrations of monsters and skeletons. At the top, a banner reads 'BLOE INVITES YOU TO:'. Below it, 'MONSTER MASH' is written in large, green, stylized letters, followed by 'BASH' in large, green, block letters. The date 'DATE: OCT. 22ND' and time 'TIME: 7:00 PM' are listed. To the left, it says 'COSTUME CONTEST' and to the right, 'AUCTION'. Below the time, it says 'Tickets \$10'. At the bottom left, it says 'MUSIC BY: DJ PARTY BOY B'. At the bottom right, it says 'PLEASE BRING A COVERED DISH TO SHARE!' and '50/50'. There are illustrations of a werewolf, a vampire, and several skeletons dancing.

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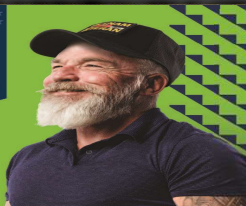
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