

THE BUGLE

Brandon Elks Lodge #2383

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DON SCHRECK
Exalted Ruler

DECEMBER HAS ARRIVED

Well, here we are in full swing of the Holiday Season. I hope that you all had a memorable Thanksgiving.

The Thanksgiving Dinner for our MacDill military families was a great success. Thanks to **Jim McCleary** for coordinating the event and **Rick Weigand** and all of the kitchen volunteers that made that happen.

Marionette Sexton has put up the posters for our **Adopted Christmas Families**. Any donation is gratefully accepted whether you choose a specific child, or give a monetary donation toward the families' Christmas Dinner Box.

Bring in the New Year with your Elk "Family" by attending the New Year's Day Brunch. Details are found on [page 4](#).

Welcome back to our winter guests in our RV Park! It's great to see you again. And as you would guess, some have already jumped in to volunteer in our kitchen. You were missed.

Hillsborough County Schools are on Winter Break from Dec. 21st through Jan. 6th. Please drive carefully as some children may be trying out their new bikes or scooters or new baseball gloves in the street.

Mary Lou and I wish you a Blessed and Safe Christmas and a Healthy and Prosperous New Year!

Fraternally, Don Schreck
Exalted Ruler

Elks Care - Elks Share

Sunday, December 1, 2019
Elks National Memorial Service
December 2018 – November 2019

Walter Pfeifer 12/17/18
Dick Stowers 1/09/19
Clinton M. Crabtree, Jr.
1/28/19
James Mitchell 2/06/19
Colleen F. Valencia 2/10/19
Frank Schiele, Jr. 3/01/19
Arthur J. Rine, Jr. 4/19/19
Dennis W. Osborn 9/21/19
Thomas J. Babiarz 10/20/19
James C Borden 10/30/19

To Our Absent Members
May They Rest In Peace

Thomas J. Babiarz
Date of Birth 10-10-1937
Date of Death 10-20-2019
Date of Initiation 4-16-1974

James C. Borden
Date of Birth 11-2-1943
Date of Death 10-30-2019
Date of Initiation 10-25-1967

Elk of the Month

This Elk took over the responsibility of making sure that snack bar volunteers have the supplies needed to serve our members on Tuesdays and our Bingo players on Thursdays. He takes great pride in getting the best deals so that the snack bar can show a profit. He stepped up to be the interim Esquire when the position could not be filled. Along with his wife **Delores**, they support our Lodge by attending most functions and neither seems to be able to say "no" when asked to help out. Please congratulate **Gerry Westfall** as the Elk of the Month for November.



Gerry Westfall
Esquire

DATES TO SAVE

DECEMBER

1 – ELKS ANNUAL MEMORIAL SERVICE
7 – BLOE Christmas Party
7 – Lodge Olympics, P.C. Lodge
14 – Boy Scouts Cornhole Tournament
25 – CHRISTMAS DAY (Lodge Closed)

JANUARY

1 – New Year's Day Brunch
24 – PER PORK DINNER, Lodge Event

FEBRUARY

14 – BLOE Valentine's Dance

MARCH

14 – BLOE Fashion Show



CLASSIFIED Notices & Announcements

Official 2020 Flag Flying Days

January 1	New Years Day
January 20	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
February 12	Lincoln's Birthday
February 17	Washington's Birthday (Observed)
May 8	VE Day
May 10	Mother's Day
May 16	Armed Forces Day
May 25	Memorial Day
June 14	Flag Day
June 21	Father's Day
July 4	Independence Day
September 2	VJ Day
September 7	Labor Day
September 11	Patriot Day
October 12	Columbus Day
November 3	Election day
November 11	Veterans Day
November 26	Thanksgiving Day
December 7	Pearl Harbor Day
December 25	Christmas Day



Elks Olympians Wanted!!!

This year's Lodge Olympics begins Saturday,
December 7th at the Plant City Lodge!

Our Elks will be competing in Cornhole (2-person teams) and in a Pulled Pork cook-off!

So get your cornhole partner and sign up!
Fine-tune your Pulled Pork recipe and get ready!

All the fun begins at noon!
Pulled Pork Turn-in for judging is at 12:30 PM!

Pulled Pork competitors eat free, all others, \$7.00 for the meal!

Cornhole Tournament (single elimination) begins at 1:00 PM!

See **Jim McCleary** or **Mark Vargo** for any questions.

Sign Up Sheet is in the Lobby! Let's bring the Trophy home to Brandon where it belongs!

Brandon Elks #2383 2019-2020 Officers and Committees

Exalted Ruler	Donald Schreck	813-689-2155
Leading Knight	Mark Vargo	813-376-8855
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3 year Trustee	Nickie Wells, PER	813-716-8051
4 year Trustee	Delores Westfall, PER	813-685-7312
5 year Trustee	Christine Vogel, PER	813-661-1852

COMMITTEE CHAIR PHONE

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BLOE Catering	Christine Vogel	813-661-1852
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Hoop Shoot	VACANT	
Webmaster	Ray Bilinski	480-415-7477
Boy Scout Coordinators	Jim Randall	813-833-7086
	Kirk Pennywitt	678-524-0646
Boy Scout Troup Leader	Alec Brophy	813-453-9613

Brandon Ladies of Elks #2383 2019-2020 Officers

ELECTED OFFICERS

President:	Terri Ciesla
Vice President:	Millie Marrero
Recording Sec:	Joyce Cecchi
Corresponding Sec:	Teresa Reeves
Treasurer:	Jane Gilblair

APPOINTED OFFICERS

Chaplain:	Jean Barfield
Parliamentarian:	Eileen Subko
Historian:	Michelle Garcia

LOUNGE HOURS

Sunday: 1pm
Monday: 5pm
Tuesday – Saturday 4pm
MANAGER: WALTER BROOKS
LODGE (813) 685-6469

Mary Lou Schreck

LODGE SECRETARY

Office Hours

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

Nancy Price

LODGE TREASURER

Office Hours

MONDAY: 10am – 3pm
THURSDAY: 10am – 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
1 Elks National Memorial Service – 2pm Honoring Our Absent Members 	2 7pm BLOE Meeting 6:30pm Social Decorate Lodge Christmas Tree  5pm Lounge Opens	3 7pm Boy Scouts Wreaths On Sale During Scout Mtg 4pm Lounge Opens Cards, Pool snack bar open	4  4pm Lounge Opens	5  STARTS: 6:30pm SNACK BAR: 5:30pm – 6:30pm 4pm Lounge Opens New Bowling League **** See Walter ***	6 Jukebox DJ  CHEF DONALD LIGHT FARE \$6 SOUP, SALAD, SANDWICHES, INCLUDING BURGERS DOOR: SHARON HAMMERSLA 4pm Lounge Opens	7 Noon - Lodge Olympics, P.C.  7pm BLOE Christmas Party
8 8-11am BLOE Breakfast Buffet \$7 1pm Lounge Quarterback Sneak During Bucs game Drink Specials on all Domestic Draft Beer & Well Drinks	9 7:30pm Lodge Meeting Open to Brandon Members in Good Standing 5pm Lounge Opens	10 7pm Boy Scouts 4pm Lounge Opens Cards, Pool snack bar open 	11  4pm Lounge Opens	12  STARTS: 6:30pm SNACK BAR: 5:30pm – 6:30pm 4pm Lounge Opens New Bowling League **** See Walter ***	13 Jukebox DJ  RV SNOWBIRDS JEFF & PAT SALISBURY STEAK, BAKED HAM, MAC & CHEZ MASHED POT, SALAD, DESSERT \$8 DOOR: JIM MCCLEARY 4pm Lounge Opens	14 BOY SCOUTS MEMBER DRIVE 
15  1pm Lounge Quarterback Sneak During Bucs game Drink Specials on all Domestic Draft Beer & Well Drinks	16 7pm Board Members: Governing Bodies  5pm Lounge Opens	17 7pm Boy Scouts 4pm Lounge Opens Cards, Pool snack bar open 	18 6:30pm – 7:30pm BLOE Dinner \$6 Homemade Tomato Soup, Grilled Cheese, Dessert ADOPT-A-FAMILY GIFT WRAP 4pm Lounge Opens	19  STARTS: 6:30pm SNACK BAR: 5:30pm – 6:30pm 4pm Lounge Opens New Bowling League **** See Walter ***	20 Jukebox DJ  CHEF DONALD STUFFED PORK CHOP, CHICKEN, FISH, VEGGIE, POTATOES, SALAD, DESSERT \$10 DOOR: ROBIN RUTZKE 4pm Lounge Opens	21  Lounge Rental 4pm Lounge Opens
22  1pm Lounge Quarterback Sneak During Bucs game Drink Specials on All Domestic Draft Beer & Well Drinks	23  5pm Lounge Opens	24 7pm Boy Scouts 4pm Lounge Opens Cards, Pool snack bar open 	25  Merry Christmas 4pm Lounge Opens	26 NO BINGO TONIGHT 4pm Lounge Opens New Bowling League **** See Walter ***	27 Jukebox DJ  CHEF DONALD Pasta or Spaghetti white sauce or red sauce, chicken or meatball, fish, veggies, salad, dessert \$10 DOOR: M.L. SCHRECK 4pm Lounge Opens	28  Lounge Rental 4pm Lounge Opens
29  1pm Lounge Quarterback Sneak During Bucs game Drink Specials on All Domestic Draft Beer & Well Drinks	30  5pm Lounge Opens	31 7pm Boy Scouts 4pm Lounge Opens Cards, Pool snack bar open 	1 New Year's Champagne Brunch 9am-1pm 	Is YOUR BIRTHDAY this Month? Ask your bartender about your FREE Birthday Drink. <div>1271</div>	Find your Membership Number anywhere in this month's Bugle and WIN a FREE DRINK from the LOUNGE this month. Present your current membership card to the bartender to redeem.	

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

2nd Sunday BLOE Breakfast \$7

3rd Wednesday

BLOE Dinner - \$6



Thursday at 6:30pm

Lodge Meetings Are Open To Members In Good Standing and is the Place to Discuss any Lodge issues.

Lodge Meeting Schedule:

2nd Monday of month, 7:30 p.m.

Governing Bodies – 3rd Monday at 7pm

BLOE Ladies Meetings – 1st Monday of month at 7pm

Member Illness / Convalescence: Notify Lodge Secretary

Support Your Lodge

Be Visible * Be A Volunteer

DEC 1 – ELKS ANNUAL MEMORIAL SVC

DEC 7 – BLOE Christmas Party

DEC 7 – Lodge Olympics, P.C.

DEC 14 – Scout Cornhole Contest

JAN 24 – PER Pork Dinner



Brandon Elks Lodge
Saturday, December 7th
7-11 PM



Music, games, cookie exchange, gift exchange,
ugly sweater and Christmas PJ contest, 50/50 raffle

Free for Elks members who bring a covered dish.

If you want to participate, bring a gift for the gift
exchange, and a platter of cookies or bars for the
cookie exchange.

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**2019 – 2020 Bugle
Boosters
Thanks for Your Support**

Jean Barfield
Jim Barfield PER
Lewis Bartholf
Frank Behrendt
Ann Behrendt
Beth Benham
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Esther Cantrell
Ron Cantrell PER
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Sandy Stout
Corrine Stuart
Angela Sweeney
Carolyn Thomas
George Thomas PER
Tom Tomlin
Ann Tomlin
Christine Vogel
Jane Wright
Joseph Zebrak
David Zilka

*You are
cordially
invited.....*

*to attend a New
Year's Day Brunch!*

*Wednesday,
January 1st*

from 9am til 1pm

*Both breakfast and
luncheon items
will be served.*

*Tickets are \$10
and include
your choice of a
split of
champagne,
a screwdriver
or a mimosa.*



DECEMBER KITCHEN CREW AND BLOE MENU



Friday, 6th - Chef Donald & Crew

Light menu **\$6**

Soup, salad and sandwiches, including burgers

Friday, 13th - RV Park Snowbirds

Chefs Jeff and Pat \$8

Salisbury Steak

Baked Ham

Mac N Chez, Mashed Potatoes, Salad, Dessert

Wednesday, 18th - BLOE Dinner **\$6**

Homemade Tomato Soup,

Grilled Cheese, Dessert

Friday, 20th - Chef Donald & Crew - **\$10**

Stuff Pork Chop (20 servings)

Chicken (10 servings)

Fish (15 servings)

Veggie, Potatoes, Salad, Dessert

Friday, 27th - Chef Donald & Crew - **\$10**

Pasta or Spaghetti,

white sauce or red sauce,

chicken or meatball, fish,

Veggies, salad, dessert



Be a Santa for a Needy Family



ADOPT-A-FAMILY CHRISTMAS WRAPPING

Wednesday, DECEMBER 18th, 2019, 7:30 p.m.

Any questions, please call Marionette (Puppet) Sexton
at 813-956-3776



Please Welcome Our Newest BPOE Members

(Left to Right) Tony Duncan, Elaine Miller, Laurie Conover,
Don Taylor, Dale Davenport, Sandie Pelkey, Steven Stuart





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Mark Vargo
Leading Knight

Wow, what a GREAT 2019 year we have had at Brandon Elks Lodge #2383. As Leading Knight this year, I was kept quite busy with the **Memorial Day, 4th of July and Labor Day** picnic's at the Lodge, hosting of first **Elk's Olympics** and working more than I ever have in the kitchen.

It's great that we have initiated so many new members this year. So many talented people to help with the many activities and charities we do for our Lodge.

The **B.L.O.E.** has again exceeded my expectations with their contributions and hard work for our Lodge with the MANY social events and activities they have put together this last year. The best way to keep our Lodge growing is by having numerous events and activities to get people to our Lodge to experience what Elksdom is all about, what we do for our communities, veterans and our kids.

With the enthusiasm and participation our members have, I know that 2020 will be another great year for Elksdom and our Lodge.

Fraternally,

Mark C. Vargo, Sr.
Leading Knight

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An Open Letter to our Lodge RV'ers from Jack Mineo



As Brandon Elks, we would like to once again "thank you," the RV guests who come into our park. I know every one in the lodge appreciates you staying in the RV Park and Storage area.

A little history about the park.

The RV park was built in November 2009 to help supplement our lodge finances, which over the years it has. After four or five years, Dick Rhodes came up with adding 10 more lots, which we now have 26. Future plans are to add a laundry area with a washer and dryer onto the back of the lodge.

We have excellent help in the park; we call them mascots - Jerry and his wife, Jean in lot 10. They are there for your help and calling (402)319-9138. Frank Craft and I are just minutes away at (813)245-6238 or (813) 507-0173.

Over the years as R.V. Park Manager, I have met some wonderful Elks with RVs. Keep coming to stay with us; we love having you here.

Jack Mineo

NEW MEMBER RECRUITING EVENT TO SUPPORT SCOUT PROGRAM

1st Annual Elks Lodge #2383



Saturday December 14, 2019 @ 11 AM

Inside the Elks Lodge - 800 Centennial Drive Brandon FL. 33510

10AM – Registration / 11AM – Tournament

Bring your competitive spirit to participate in a tournament including food, raffle prizes, silent auction & College Football.

All funds raised will directly benefit youth Scouts' Leadership Development, Community Involvement and Outdoor Activities

Cash Prize to 1st Place Team

Registration Forms Available from

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NEWS FROM THE LOUNGE

**WELCOME
TO OUR NEW BARTENDER
Janice Lentini**



Janice Lentini tells us she was born in Massachusetts but raised in Akron, Ohio. She has one daughter and one son who live in Florida. She has just relocated after three years in Denver Colorado. Besides bartending part-time here at the lodge, Janice is a current Online student with Southern New Hampshire University.

Don't forget to introduce yourself when you ask for the **December Drink of the Month**.

SUPERBOWL LIVE @ The LODGE Sunday, February 2

Featuring:

- Big Screen TV
- Annual Chili Cook-off (Fan Judged)*
- Sabrett Hot Dogs
- Pot Luck – Bring a dish to share (Appetizers, Main Dishes, Desserts)
- Games with Prizes
- First Half Drink Specials (if Bucs make it into the game)

*Rules on bulletin board inside Lodge

Fun Begins at 3:30. Kick-Off at 6:30

More Details to Come



Join Us For **BINGO** every Thursday at 6:30pm
Except December 26th after Christmas.



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All scrap metal big or small including aluminum,
Steel, copper, brass, scrap appliances, parts etc.

"...whoever is kind to the needy honors God." Proverbs 14:31





BLOE BITS

Next Meeting is December 2nd at 7:00 PM
Hoping to See You There!

Terri Ciesla, B.L.O.E. President

Merry Christmas!!

Congratulations to **Roxanne Hujar** our **Lady of Distinction** for last month! **Roxanne** is such a hard worker with wonderful ideas. She steps in whenever needed to help our group succeed. Congratulations **Roxanne**.

Thank you **Julie Ebert** for taking charge for the **High Tea**. A great time was had by all. **Dianne League** made some beautiful baskets for the auction and the ladies that hosted tables had some very creative ideas. Looking forward to next year.

Our next meeting will be held on **December 2nd**. It will be our ladies **Christmas celebration**. Your officers will be cooking for you. Please bring your Secret Pal Christmas gift and if you would like to participate in a gift exchange, bring a wrapped gift, \$20 minimum, with your name so we know who it's from. The meeting will be brief so we can get to the fun. We will also be decorating the lodge Christmas tree that evening.

A huge thank you to all that helped with another very tasty and very successful breakfast. Our next **breakfast** will be **December 8th**. Invite your friends to our breakfast; they won't be disappointed. Only \$7 for all you can eat of a huge variety of items! Something for everyone. I'd love to see more of our ladies there also.

The Wednesday night dinner was a delicious homemade Chicken Enchilada. Thank you **Carole Flood** for this wonderful meal.

December 7th the ladies are hosting a **Christmas Party** at the lodge. Free for Elks members...just bring a covered dish. We will have an **Ugly Sweater contest and a PJ contest**. If you would like to participate in the gift exchange please bring a gift, and if you would like to participate in the cookie exchange, please bring cookies or some other dessert.

"Kindness is like snow. It beautifies everything it covers."
Kahlil Gibran

Have a very Merry Christmas.

See you at the lodge, Terri

Brandon Ladies of Elks Presents

Our December
Dinner
with our guest
chefs

Gerrí - CJ-
Diane



WEDNESDAY
December 18, 2019



Menu: Homemade Tomato Soup, Gourmet Grilled Cheese Sandwiches & a Special Dessert

Cost: Only \$6.00

Time: 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm

VIP Tickets available from Terri Ciesla, Julie Ebert or at bar.

(Plan on staying after dinner; we will be wrapping presents for the Give-A-Christmas Families)

Brandon Ladies of Elks



November Lady of Distinction

Roxanne Hujar (right) with Terri Ciesla

Our **Lady of Distinction for November** is a fairly new member of the Brandon Ladies of Elks. As soon as she was welcomed into the group her hand was up to volunteer. She has helped with several fund raisers including the Pirate Show, Masquerade Party, Horse Races and Christmas in July, she is always willing to step up when needed. She has sponsored a table at both high teas and has helped decorate and plan other events. She and her husband attend most BPOE and BLOE functions and seem to have fun visiting and on the dance floor.

She has great ideas to help promote the Brandon Ladies and she has chaired several fund raisers. Please join me in congratulating **Roxanne Hujar our November Lady of Distinction**.



I wish to extend my sincere appreciation to all the people that helped make our recent High Tea an overwhelming success. Our guest speaker, Kathy Saunders' presentation was both interesting and informative, I can't thank her enough for taking time out of her busy schedule to come and speak to our group.

I would also like to thank Diane League for everything she did including providing the delicious dessert, making up the silent auction baskets and decorating two tables. Thank you Alexis for getting the sandwiches and desserts ready to serve. Thank you to all the ladies who worked before, during and after the event in the kitchen, after with clean up and donations.

The hostess of the tables did a fabulous job decorating and making the afternoon live up to the title "High Tea" the hall was transformed into a genuine tea party with all the fixings.

And finally I would like to thank our participants. The Brandon Ladies hold these fundraisers to help support our many charities and the BPOE Lodge #2383. I am proud to be a member of this great group.


– Julie Ebert

Elks National Foundation Scholarships for Elks Families

The Elks National Foundation Legacy Awards Contest

Reminder the Deadline to Enter is January 31st

BY: Tom O'Connor

Brandon Lodge Scholarship Chair


Why should children and grandchildren from our Lodge apply for an **ENF Legacy Award**? It's because **ENF scholarships** are more than just a check for school; they help strengthen the next generation's ties to the Elks.

To help strengthen that tie, **Legacy Award** recipients are required to serve with an Elks Lodge. This is a great opportunity for members of our Lodge to personally connect with Elks scholars through annual service.

The **Legacy Awards** program offers **300 college scholarships** worth **\$4,000** each to children and grandchildren of Elks members. Applicants compete against other children and grandchildren from the state of their sponsoring Elks Lodge.

Deadline: Applications must be submitted online on or before January 31, 2020 at 11:59 a.m. Central Time.

For more information about eligibility requirements and to access the online application, visit enf.elks.org/leg Contact **Scholarship Chair, Tom O'Connor** for additional information at teoconnor1234@gmail.com.

NOTE: For inclusion in the **JANUARY NEWSLETTER**, please email your articles by **DECEMBER 15th** to RitaBlizzard@MSN.Com in MS Word and/or Scalable Graphics along with native file. No PDF format please.

**Jordan Chastain**

NOVEMBER

TEENAGER OF THE MONTH
Bloomington High School

Ms. **Jordan Chastain** has been selected as the November's 2019 Teenager of the Month from Bloomington High School. She is an outstanding young lady and is considered by many of her teachers to be a brilliant, earnest, hard-working and sincere student who stands out like a diamond in the rough. I have had the opportunity to review her curriculum vitae and am aware of her prowess - academically and otherwise. As of June 2019, her unweighted GPA is a 4.0 and her weighted GPA is 7.68. She is an intellectual superstar. She is task oriented but also understands and commits to the big picture. She thrives on the details and the process while also maintaining perspective. She is breathtaking brilliant and superior to her peer group. Her instinctual understanding of difficult concepts, innate ability to conceptualize and process real-world scenarios with complex applications of challenging coursework, and communicate in clear, direct language sets her apart from her peers. And this ability - this truly needed quality in our future leaders - doesn't even consider her personality, integrity, or dedication to the pursuit of excellence. A leader of her peers with a true talent for speaking truth to power; **Jordan** is a confident, well-spoken, young woman with a nuanced view of the world and her place in it. She has reconciled her brilliance relative to her classmates and conducts herself in a way that simultaneously embraces her rare skillset while maintaining a disarming and inclusive charm. She understands how to interact with her less gifted peers without sacrificing or hiding from her strengths. She pushes her peers, her instructors, and herself towards excellence with passion, fascination and an infectious spirit. In short, she effortlessly nudges those around her towards their best selves while she angles towards her one, true, best self ... the only person she could ever be. Lastly, her integrity and desire to be true to what she knows to be the right thing. Jordan's core values are apparent in everything she does underpin the way she handles herself in all settings. Whether it is completing assignments, preparing for assessments, working in a group, or following along to direct instruction; **Jordan's** commitment to doing things the right way is relentless and unwavering. She is the tide that raises all the ships in her life. There are so many other examples of the achievements of this fine young woman it would take many pages of the Bugle. So, please join me in congratulating **Jordan Lynne Chastain** as our **November's 2019 teenager of the month**. Submitted By: Edw. Mark Fox, M.S.



TOM COLLINS

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