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- 02/11 Appreciation Dinner
- 02/13 Valentine's Massacre Party
- 02/20 Karaoke with Marty
- 02/27 LOE Horserace



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Thank You for a Successful January!

I wish to say to all Elks members who missed the New Year's Eve Party, you missed a great time, fellowship, great food, and fine entertainment. This fantastic celebration was done by William T. Edwards, PER and his supporters and helpers. Thank you so very much. It was certainly appreciated by all who attended.

Barbara Huffman's "Hoe Down" was also a fantastic success and all who attended had a fantastic time. Thank you Barbara, and the LOE.

As usual, our own Frank J. Palladini, PSP, conducted a great Gasparilla Day event. While times dictate the event was smaller, it was well-run and an achievement for Tampa #708.

The Elk Training Test is available. See me for the test....NO ONE FAILS!

Remember Valentine's Day by attending our St. Valentine's Day Massacre, February 13th. The event will include entertainment (DeLand Entertainment of Jacksonville), costume contests, games, dances, etc. You will enjoy this

one folks! Half of the proceeds go to Mike Smith, our next GER from Florida, and half to ENF!

The next "Night-At-The-Races" Horse race will be held February 27th. Watch for details in the Lodge and the Elksize!

I will report back after the Quarterly meeting in Umatilla....

Awards night is planned for March 20th.....Installation of Officers will be announced in the Lodge and the March Elksize.



Yours in Elkdom,

**John Wayne
Exalted Ruler**

Officers and Spouses, all
Committee Chairpersons...Do
Not Forget the Appreciation
Dinner, February 11 @ 7 pm.
Please have your responses to
me by February 1st.

New Year's Party a Huge Success with Many Helping Hands.

Members, Ladies and Guests, I would like to THANK YOU ALL for making the New Years Eve Celebration such a huge success. The meal was excellently prepared by our CHEFS, AJ Matthews, Addison Horrel and Bob Snyder. Breakfast was prepared and served by Bob Orcutt and Betty Gnad.

A special thank you goes to Susie Harlow for coordinating the event. And I would be remiss if I did not include the other "Worker Bees" who helped set up and tear down the hall afterwards, Pat & Beth Boyd, Tammy Manley, AJ & Tracey Matthews, Addison & Tracey Horrel, Dianne Cuccinello, Rita Smith Pres., Raymond & Barbara Huffman, Bob & Lisa Snyder, Dick Florence, Carrie Leskey, Bob Orcutt, Betty Gnad, Tony Edwards, PER, Bonnie Quire, Lynn Brown, Jerry & Linda Reid, John & Flo Wayne PLP, Micheal Brantley and the bartenders, Josh and MarJean. If I missed someone I'm sorry. You know who you are and a big THANK YOU.

Bill Edwards PER3, PLP & Chairperson

Notice: Nominations of LOE Officers for 2010-2011 will be taken at the meeting on February 3rd at 7:30PM

Members: Look for the LOE Horse Race coming up On Feb. 27, 2010.

For more info. see ad in the following pages.

Bill Edwards, PER3., PLP and
Chairperson Advisor Lesley Nikkenn PLP

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Vernon Pickenpaugh

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Jerry Reid

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William (Jay) Kinney

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Brian Brantley

Drug Awareness

Linda Reid

Entertainment

Melanie Hale

Flag Day

John Wayne

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Carl Williamson

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William (Jay) Kinney

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Linda Reid

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Position Available

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Marty Quire

Youth Activities

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John Wayne

From the Lodge Secretary

Proposed new members.

New Members:

Kim Van Walker
Grady Wade
Michael Huskey
Robert L. Briggs
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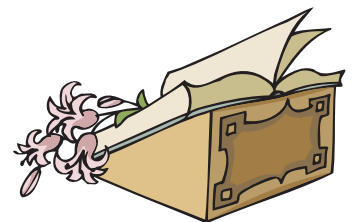
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To Our Absent Members

Their faults we write in the sand,
their virtues on the tablets of love and memory.

Richard Hauf – Passed 1/7/2010
Rebecca (Becky Larson) Evans – Passed 1/8/2010



Be an Elksize Booster!

Just \$10.00 per year helps offset the cost of printing/mailling the Elksize. The following members give!

Abel, Charles 8/2009
 Atwood, Bonnie 9/2009
 Baer, Robert (Yogi) 2/2010
 Bergen, Raymona 11/2010
 Burks, John 3/2010
 Daves, PDDGER, Dick & Eleanore 9/2012
 Fennell, Pat & Marilyn 4/2010
 Ferra, Alice 11/2010
 Florance, Richard H. 7/2011
 Gaffrey, Charles 6/2010
 Gukeisen, SGM USA RET James L. 11/2010
 Heider, Ted PER & Sally PER 7/2010
 Hauf, Richard & Geraldine 8/2010
 In Memory of Charlie Fiveash 5/2015
 In Memory of Harold Wright 6/2010
 In Memory of Ralph Picard
 In Memory of Raymond Davis 7/2010
 In Memory of Richard Palmer, 2/2011
 Jorgensen, Sherral 6/2010
 Keller, Maureen & Matt 6/2010
 Kelley, Thomas & Marlene 8/2010
 LaChance, Rosie & Roger 4/2010
 McBee, Bill & Susan, PLP 2/2010
 Noron, Robert 4/2009
 Nyland, William 7/2010
 Palladini, PSP, Frank & Ebba Jean, 8/2010
 Parker, Jim & Mabel 3/2009
 Pickenpaugh, Vernon & Betty 8/2009
 Quire, Bonnie 9/2009
 Rodgers, Judd 11/2009
 Siddens, Linda & Richard 3/2018
 Smith, Rita 4/2010
 Snyder, Bob 12/2009
 Snyder, Lisa 12/2009
 Toler, Kathleen 11/2009
 Young, Robert & Gerry 9/2009



Children's Easter Party

For Ages 11 years and Under

Saturday, April 3rd

12pm-3pm

Please sign up the children by their name and age no later than April 1st. A sign up sheet will be posted on the Bulletin Board.

Games	Crafts	Contests
Lunch	Entertainment	

Donations Requested. Wrapped Easter candy, Basket Grass, Small Toys, Easter novelty items, and plastic eggs are essential Easter Basket items. Cash donations will be used to purchase each child an identical basket and chocolate bunny. Items appropriate for game prizes also needed.

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Barbara Huffman, PLP
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Americanism

The Glue, The Hue, and the Cry

From America's treasure-chest of variously heritaged peoples came the new bold ideas of Social, Economic and Religious reforms that today are the foundations of America's Republic. These foundations are the Glue that permanently cements our American soul into one nation for all, and for all time. All Elkdom knows and reveres the significance of the Glue – as an Elk – do you? In America's proud past as a partner striving for equality, fraternity, and freedom for all, our nation has heard many calls from places and people world-wide. All across our land Americans and Elks have heard these pleas for help - the Hue of need continuously arises. As an active Elk in your lodge - do you hear and answer the Hue? If we as Elks, as members of our lodge can see, hear, and face our daunting lives ahead, then we must all surely realize- that following the many hues comes today's realities known as the Cry. The Cry is that in Elkdom that brings out Elks' best - no matter where it comes. For as all Elks know in their hearts and minds - Elks Care and Elks Share - always be a patriotic American who dearly loves our country and is willing and able to help.

Richard Florance
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rhflorance@yahoo.com

Important Announcement from the Trustees

GOOD DAY MY FELLOW MEMBERS!

As our fiscal year draws to a close it is time to prepare the Lodge Annual Budget for the year 2010-2011. The Trustees would like to thank and congratulate the Committee Chairs for their assistance in the budgeting process this past year and look forward to the same level of commitment for the upcoming year.

In preparation for the budgeting process we feel it of utmost importance that every Lodge Officer and Committee Chair for the year 2010-2011 view the **Business Practices Video** produced by Frank Paladini, PER, PSP. This two and one half hour video illustrates the endorsed policies and procedures necessary to run a successful and profitable Lodge. In an effort to make the video accessible to all, we are scheduling a showing of the video at the Lodge on Tuesday, March 2nd. All newly-elected/appointed Officers and Committee Chairs are encouraged to attend, as are all other Members. We will start at 6:00 pm with FREE Hot Dogs and toppings as well as beans and chips. (Thanks Lesley!)

In addition to the showing of this important video, please review the following schedule as it relates to the budgeting process:

TUESDAY, MARCH 2nd 6:00 PM

Business Practices Video – All Officers/Committee Chairs

TUESDAY, MARCH 16th 6:30 PM

Committee Chair Budget Request w/ Trustees

(This is the time to submit House Committee Budgets and all Committee Requests. Please see Art or Paul Deland for Committee Budget Request Forms. If you are planning an event, please attend or send a substitute.)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24

Regularly Scheduled Lodge Meeting – Budget Presentation

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14

Regularly Scheduled Lodge Meeting – Final Budget

Thank you all in advance for your help on this project. If you have questions or need to contact me to request a Budget Request Form, please email me at IWTMTF@hotmail.com.

Art DeAngelis
Trustee

Re-Creation's Musical Variety show, "LOVE!" Coming to Tampa Area

Re-Creation's musical variety show, "LOVE!" will appear at the Baldomero Lopez State Home facility on February 8, 2010 at 2 PM and at the Tampa, FL VAMC facility on February 9, 2010 at 7 PM. Consider this your invitation to attend the shows! Since 1986, the Elks National Veterans Service Commission through local Elks lodges has been assisting with Re-Creation appearances in VA Medical Centers and State Veterans Homes. Elks' involvement makes it possible to keep live entertainment therapy a part of the program for America's hospitalized veterans.



SUPER SUNDAY CHILI COOKOFF & POT LUCK SUPPER



February 7TH



Sign Up— Sign up Sheets are posted in the Lounge.
(Chili, Pot Luck, and Toppings)



Drop Off— All Entries must be in the back room
ready for judging by 3:00 PM (No names on crock pots)

Win — The judges will announce the winners by 4 PM

1st Prize—\$25.00 Bar Tab

2nd Prize—\$15.00 Bar Tab

3rd Prize—\$10.00 Bar Tab



Feast — The Chili & Pot Luck Dinner begins at 4:30

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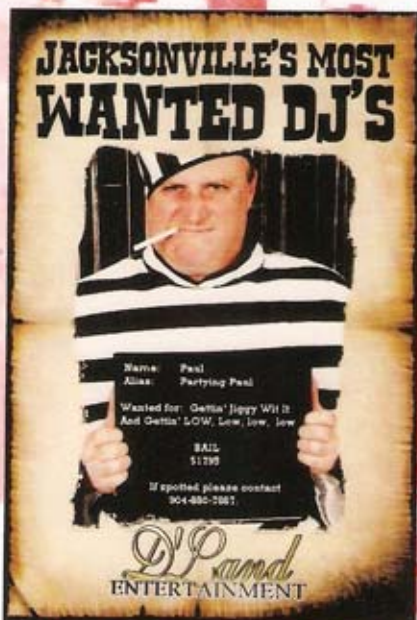
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An Evening At The Races!

Saturday, February 27th, 2010

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Betting Windows Open @ 7:00pm
Post Time is 7:30pm

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*Choose Your Jockey (Must be THERE!)

*Names of Horse, Owner & Jockey in Program

*Winner of Race Gets \$2,000 Race Money

*Owner & Jockey Pictured In Winner's Circle

Prize Auction Follows Last Race....

Donation of \$5 gets you \$1,000 in Race Money (Good at Auction!)

Proceeds Go To:
1/2 - Florida Elks Therapy Services
1/2 - Mike Smith GER Fund

Auctioneer Extraordinaire: Scott Miller

Ladies of the Elks News



Dear Members,

We sure are starting the New Year out with a bang! There is a lot going on – Hope you are enjoying working alongside good friends while we try to get everything accomplished.

The LOE's New Year's Eve party, chaired by Bill Edwards, PLP, PER3, was truly a night to remember and a profitable night also. We had more than 100 guests, and everyone had a big night. Bill found just the right people, put them in the right jobs, and let them do their thing. His list of volunteers is quite large, but no one person had to work so hard they couldn't enjoy themselves. Then, when it was all over, Bill spent the remainder of the night cleaning up after us! He is certainly owed a tremendous thank you for making it happen.

Beverly Wick reported on the Bylaw Committee's recommendations at our January meeting. We will vote on them at the meeting on Feb. 3rd. A notice of proposed changes are listed in this Elksize.

We also took recommendations for our annual project at the February meeting. Five people have been assigned to investigate the projects, and report back in Feb. We hope to have 2-3 bids for each project.

Bonnie Atwood provided some delicious pulled pork sandwiches and her grandmother's Cole Slaw recipe after the meeting. We also pulled out some leftovers from Bill's NYE party. Thank You, Bonnie. Gracie remembered that Susie Harlow can't eat chocolate and brought a cake Susie, and the rest of us, just loved. Thank You, Gracie!

Joan Clune will be bringing the refreshment's in February. In addition to the bylaw changes and project reports, we also have Nominations for the LOE's 2010-2011 Officers this month. If you have been meaning to get to an LOE meeting, this is the one to be at!

Our February 18th dinner will be Italian pasta and meatballs, salad & bread, by Marilyn Fennell. After dinner, Kim Rohm will be hosting Karaoke from 7pm- 10pm.

On February 27th we will be having our final "event" of the year. The Horse race ad is in this edition of the Elksize. This event will be replacing our annual Florida Elk's Children's Therapy Services walk-a thon, as well as providing some money to donate to Florida's Endorsed Candidate for Grand Exalter Ruler, Mike Smith from Plant City. There are no tickets sold for this event, just come down, place your bets, and enjoy!!! Any of the "racing

money" left at the end of the races can be spent at the Auction. Bill Edwards, PLP and Lesley Nikkinen, PLP are co-chairing this event. WE do need to ask our members, and anyone else, if they can donate auction items. You can give auction items to me, VP Susie Harlow, or either Co-Chair.

I have a few "oops" to correct. I neglected to thank Lena Farris for her help with the dumplings in November. I haven't mentioned our hard working Golden Girls – Tina, Bonnie, Shelagh, and Wendy - in a few months, nor thanked Bobby Green for his help on our LOE Monday.

Thanks, one and all!

You DID mark your calendar for our February meeting, Right?

In Your Service,

Rita Smith
LOE President



365 Club News

Another year and it's time to fill our boxes for the "365" vans. The crippled children need therapy and we have to have the vans moving. I received donations from Sandi Andrews, Helen Hotchkiss, Jackie Appel, and generous donations from the waitresses and the boxes on the bar and tables. Thanks, everybody, for your donations.

Vera Almstedt
365 Club Chairperson

Notice of Proposed Ladies of the Elks, Tampa 708 Bylaw Changes

The LOE will be voting on Bylaw changes at their regular meeting on February 3, 2010. All members are requested to attend. The Bylaw Committee reported their recommendations at the January 6th meeting.

Proposed changes include making the entire document gender neutral; improving consistency with terminology; the elimination of two standing committees and the addition of one new committee; Requiring prepaid dues to be restricted until the new LOE year begins on April 1st; changing the date that reduced dues are accepted; allowing written acceptance of a nomination for Officer if the nominee is absent requiring printed notification of any proposed dues changes; clarification of Parliamentarian duties; allowing for paid convention expenses if the First Alternate is utilized; eliminating the need for prior approval to purchase normal supplies, limiting a leave of absence to three months: language allowing the bylaws to supercede Robert's Rules of Order: and re-numbering or re-lettering of Articles necessary to insert or delete these changes.

LOE February Birthdays

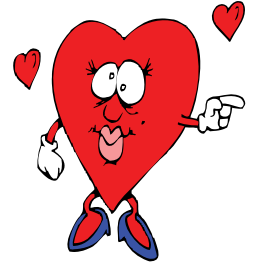
- 02/09/10 Susie Harlow
- 02/10/10 Dick Florance
- 02/11/10Bernie Turpin
- 02/16/10 Reta Roederer
- 02/25/10 Anna Marie Bishop
- 02/27/10Anthony Edwards

At this time our thoughts and prayers for a quick recovery are for Diane Cuccinello who is currently at Tampa General Hospital.

Ladies of the Elks
Joan Clune
LOE Chaplain



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February 2010

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Best Breakfast in Tampa 8:30 a - 12:00 p	Bingo 6:30 p	JAM Session 7:30 p	LOE Meeting 7:30 p Refreshments by Joan Clune		Dinner BBQ Ribs Baked Chicken Breast Baked White Fish 6:30-8:30 Last order 8:15 Music	Hall Rental
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Best Breakfast in Tampa 8:30 a - 12:00 p Superbowl !! Chili Cookoff	Bingo 6:30 p		Lodge Meeting 7:30 p	Appreciation Dinner Roast Pork Tenderloin 5:30 - 7:30 p Recognition 7:00 p	Dinner Grilled Salmon Seafood Pasta Sirloin Steak 6:30-8:30 Last order 8:15 Music	ENF Party: St Valentines Day Massacre Party -- 1920's Style! Prize for best Gangster / Flapper 6:00
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY Best Breakfast in Tampa 8:30 a - 12:00 p Hall Rental	Bingo GOLDEN GIRLS KITCHEN 6:30 p		Indoctrination 6:30 p Trustees Meeting 6:00 p	LOE Dinner 5:30-7:30p Pasta & Meatballs by Marilyn Fennell Karaoke with Kim 7-10	Dinner Roast Pork Baked Chicken Fried Shrimp 6:30-8:30 Last order 8:15 Music	Karaoke with Marty 7:30 p
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Best Breakfast in Tampa 8:30 a - 12:00 p	Bingo 6:30 p		Lodge Meeting 7:30 p		Dinner NY Strip Fried Catfish Fried Scallops 6:30-8:30 Last order 8:15 Music	LOE Horserace 7:00p 2:00pm - 6:00pm DR Rental-Baby Shower
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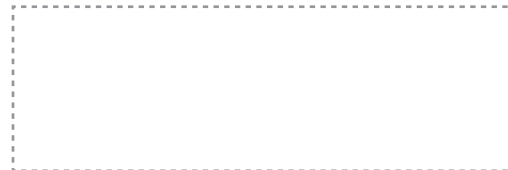
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Appreciation Dinner

Roast Pork Tenderloin
Hosted By John Wayne, ER
February 11 – 7:00 pm

LOE Dinner Pasta & Meatballs
By Marilyn Fennel 5:30 pm
followed by Karaoke with Kim
February 18

Tampa Elks
KARAOKE
with Marty
February 20
7:30



Movie Night For the Troops Project! Please Help!



Helping is easy—just purchase any Newly Released movie , watch it at home, then donate it (and the leftover bag of popcorn) to an Army unit from Fort Steward, GA. that has been in Iraq for 2 months and has 10 months to go. There is a Priority box at the Tampa Elk's Lodge, and it will be shipped to the Unit's Medic for disbursement. Include a card or note if desired.