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Variety Show UPDATE

Hi Everyone,

We are changing our date for the variety show. Our date will now be August 21, 2010. Please contact me with suggestions or ideas for the show. We will be forming a committee, please let me know if you can help out in any way!

Thanks,
Tracy Horrell

Did you know?

Our ER just turned 50. We have dropped some pictures in this edition to commemorate that milestone. Can you find all of them?

Happy Birthday A.J.

Friday, June 4th - Music - "Just the Two of Us" - New Feature Band - playing your favorites, featuring a few classical songs with beautiful flute / piano artistry

Friday, June 11th - Music - "Arlington Road" - 5 Piece Band back by popular request

Friday, June 18th - Music - "Bump in the Road Band" - 3 Piece Band back by popular request

Friday, June 25th - Music - "Big Jim" - honor our vets at dinner night

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Exalted Ruler Address

Hello Elks!

As I write this article, I am sitting in my barracks room at the United States Coast Guard Academy, wondering what is going on in South Tampa. You are just about done with what would have been my third meeting as the Exalted Ruler for Tampa Lodge # 708. I apologize that I couldn't be there this evening, so I did the next best thing. I took a trip down to New London Lodge # 360 and I spent some time visiting with some Connecticut Elks.

Their lodge building is a rather large two-story brick building in downtown New London. As providence would have it, I passed it just as I was pulling into New London while trying to gain my bearings before proceeding on to the Academy campus. Because I was extremely busy for the next week and a half, I didn't really get an opportunity to explore, much less visit their local Lodge. Their meeting nights are the second and fourth Thursdays of each month. As I will be celebrating the completion of the Chief Warrant Officer Profession Development Course on that 2nd Thursday with my classmates, I don't believe that I will have the opportunity to participate in the #306 meeting. Besides, I can't wait to get home. It is a shame; I would have liked to have attended their meeting.



E.R.
A.J. Matthews

There were a few lodge members at the bar (some things really don't change that much) and they were nice enough to offer me a tour of the Lodge. The Lodge room is rather large, with permanent stations positioned with their backs to each of the four walls. The ceremonial chairs are in red crushed velvet and the detail and images on the walls are fantastic, even if it needs some tender loving care (No, I was not going to volunteer the services of Addison and I to repaint it). Well, naturally, I had to pull up a bar stool in the club. It wouldn't be right if a visiting ER didn't at least say hello, the Elk way! Besides, I absolutely enjoy speaking with Elks, even if half of them are Red Sox fans.

Some of the people were very nice, while others pretty much kept to themselves. Now I know what it must feel like when we have a visitor come to our Lodge. But then it must be quite different because I know our members reach out to visiting Elks. It is the way we do business and the way we do it embraces the hospitality that Tampa is known for. If you have not had the opportunity to greet a visitor or reach out to one of our new members, take that opportunity as soon as it presents itself. You never have an opportunity to re-make a first impression, so make sure you get the first one right.

I was very pleased with the reports I received concerning Italian Night. I heard that the food was good and plentiful and that we will need to do it again. I was disappointed that I could not cook for you on the 7th, but I am sure I will get another opportunity. The Can-Can Convention followed by the Mothers Day Celebration Dinner followed. If you did not participate in any one or all of those functions, I ask that you get involved and make an effort to be at any one of our next events. When you have an opportunity to read this, I will have already made it home. That means that I had no more than two days to acclimate to Tampa's warm climate (did I mention that it is down to 36-degrees this morning?) before we will be dashing off to Orlando for the State Elks Convention. There is no rest for the weary! I will be reporting on our activities in Orlando in next month's Elksize, but for now, I want to express my appreciation for all of the people who stepped up on what was a busy month.

Yours in Elkdom,

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Ladies of the Elks Presidents Report

Let me start off by saying for those of you who missed the MAY meeting, I hope to see you this month! We accomplished a lot at the meeting and afterward we enjoyed celebrating CINCO DE MAYO with tacos, nachos and margarita's compliments of your LOE President!

We have planned a great FATHER'S DAY EVENT on June 20th. Starting at 3:00 pm there will be a bean bag toss tournament, turkey shoot and Wii games. We will be serving a fine London Broil w/burgundy sauce, twice baked potatoes, Caesar Salad and for dessert Bananas Foster. FATHER'S EAT FREE, all other adults \$6.00 and children \$3.00. I look forward to seeing many of you there. Also I am in need of help with the set up of games/dining area and clean up.

We are working on our Variety Show and are presently forming a committee for this event - more details to follow soon! If you are interested in helping or have ideas please contact Leslie Nikkinen or Barbara Huffman.

If you have suggestions or comments please feel free to call me or email me. I can be reached at 813-453-2268 or trahorrell@tampabay.rr.com. Please support our lodge and events as much as you can! Lots of good things are happening! I'll close this month's newsletter with this: DON'T WAIT FOR THINGS TO HAPPEN, GET UP AND MAKE IT HAPPEN! P.S. A big THANKS goes out to Lisa Snyder who worked hard in making new brochures for the Ladies of the Elks. They are Beautiful!



In Your Service, Tracy Horrell LOE President

L.O.E. Reminder Barbara Huffman (PLP) Membership Chair

Ladies of the Elks Auxiliary Tampa #708 members delinquent on dues for 3 consecutive months after April 15th shall be dropped (July 15, 2010).

Membership may be reinstated at any time she/he desires by paying a reinstatement fee of \$2.00 plus the \$15.00 dues (Article V-Dues, Section B).

Send your dues today to: Barbara Huffman, PLP 3518 W. Cherokee Ave Tampa, FL 33611

May God Bless You!!

Athena House by Tracy Horrell

The Athena Committee is having a great time with the Ladies at Athena House. We enjoyed a wonderful evening on May 6th having dinner and singing tunes to Karaoke. the time went by so quickly! It truly was a blast!

On May 17 the ladies of Athena House came for our regular Monday Bingo at the Lodge and I know they were excited about the opportunity they had at winning money!

June 5th we have set up a time to meet for lunch and then on to a day of beauty. The ladies can have a haircut, color, the whole works, even with manicures and pedicure. This we feel will help them not only feel good about themselves but also help them with getting back in the workplace.

We are always needing help with our activities with the ladies of Athena House, so if you have a few hours a month and would like to join us I look forward to hearing from you! I can be reached at 813-453-2268.

Thanks,

Scrabble Players Needed:



For over a year these women have been ruling the scrabble board. The beaten me (Pat Boyd) consistently. They typically play on Sunday afternoon at the lodge. If your up to the competition, contact Suzie Harlow or Lisa Snyder. Let me assure you, these women take the game seriously. Cost is only 2 dollars for an afternoon of fun, games and good conversation. - MEN, I NEED ASSISTANCE!!!

LOE June Birthdays' Beth Boyd-LOE Chaplin

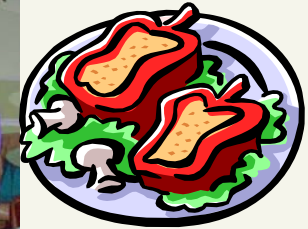
- Tamatha Manley 6-Jun
Fran Baranofski 8-Jun
Arthur DeAngelis 14-Jun
Barbara Huffman 14-Jun
Kristina "Tina" Higgins 22-Jun

Charity

MOTHERS DAY REPORT

The Kitchen Counter

It was a pleasure to be part of the Celebration of "Mothers' Day." We hope that all enjoyed the food as much as we did the preparation. As a team, we wanted to make it YOUR special day. Thank you Rob Harlow, Jay Kenny, Dick Florance, and John Wayne for the ritualistic work while Jerry Reid and I worked in the kitchen. We learned, that day, that feeding the troops can be a lot of work. Many others, through their guidance and experience helped make this an enjoyable and I hope memorable experience for all the Mothers of Tampa Lodge 708. We managed to get a picture of some of our guests, just for posterity sake. Love them while they are with us!



Come and enjoy Stuffed Peppers and support the Youth camp on Thursday June 10th. The chefs' will be none other than Lynn Brown and PER John Wayne.

After having our taste buds stimulated with the Italian feast, Addison and kitchen crew did it again with the first Sunday Fish Fry.



Cleanup IS NOT a breeze But with Friends it can be enjoyable



The food included, fried catfish, hush puppies, sweet potato fries, onion rings and coleslaw which were all excellent; however, you will probably have to pay Addison for his secret Cajun Gumbo recipe. The kitchen and waitress staff were all smiling (well maybe not all) as were our Lodge members. We haven't seen that many members at the Lodge on Sunday in quite a while. The reports are that everyone enjoyed the food as well as the Serenades (from our own Lodge talent pool). Many thanks to Jerry Reid and the karaoke machine. I am told the next June Fish Fry will have New England Flavor! YUM! YUM! Hope to see more of you then.

SAVE THE DATE JUNE 20TH

Fathers Day Celebration 3:00-6:00 PM LondonBroil with Burgandy sauce Twice Baked Potatoes Caesar Salad Bananas Foster for Dessert GAMES, AND A FEW SURPRISES!



Professional Chef Michel Cole and Kaleidoscope band made a special appearance in April at Tampa Lodge 708. More of these to come!

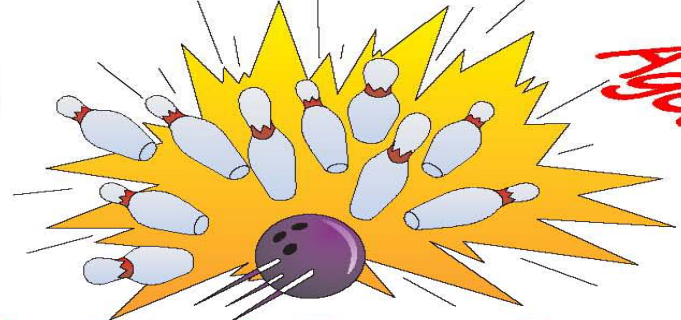
Lodge Rentals
by Linda Reid
Chairwoman, Hall Rental & Entertainment
Committee

Hall Rental Committee Update: We are off to a great start this year with Hall Rentals generating several thousand dollars per month in gross income for April and May (Rental and Bar proceeds). We are also keeping our expenses as low as possible to ensure a healthy profit margin. In addition, we have had several guests ask for applications, and one is in the process of being initiated. We have had a few more volunteers help with events this past month, and we really appreciate the additional help. We could always use more help to spread the load, so please contact Linda Reid or Susie Harlow to get involved. All hall rentals are listed on the Web calendar. I would like to give a big Thanks to all who have helped with these events!
Warmest Regards, Linda Reid -

In honor of National Elks' Youth Week
Tampa Elks 708 Youth Activities and Drug Awareness Committee
is proud to sponsor

Bowl-A-Rama

For Kids



Ages 6-16

At Pin-A-Rama Lanes

Gandy & So. Dale Mabry

SUNDAY JUNE 6, 2010

Adult must sign permission slip at time of registration

Two free games and shoes provided to the **first 100 kids to register** between **12:00 noon- 12:30 p.m.** Competition starts promptly at 12:30 Free lunch and awards ceremony following bowling competition at the Tampa Elks Lodge, 3616 Gandy Blvd, just 1/2 block from the bowling alley.

Certificates provided for all Bowlers, with 1st and 2nd place trophies awarded to highest score in the following categories:

Girls - 6-9; 10-12; 13-16
Boys - 6-9; 10-12; 13-16

Free Lunch



For more information, call Linda Reid at 813-689-8249 or 813-503-3204. Or Email Lindamom@tampabay.ir.com

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1-Year
Addison Horrell

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Pat Boyd
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Drug Awareness
Linda Reid
Entertainment
Linda Reid
Flag Day
Richard Florance
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Rita Smith
Investigation
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"Lodge Officers"
Maintenance
Bobby Green
Membership
Rita Smith
Memorial Day
A.J. Matthews
Mothers Day
A.J. Matthews
National Foundation
William "Jay" Kinney
Parliamentarian
Frank Palladini, PSP, PER
Protocol
Frank Palladini, PSP, PER
Presiding Justice
John Redding
Public Relations
Carl Williamson, PER
Relief
Carl Williamson, PER
Sickness
William "Jay" Kinney
Social/Comm/Welfare
Carl Williamson, PER
Visitation
Lesley Nikkinen
Visiting
Pending
Website
Marty Quire
Youth Activities
Linda Reid
Youth Camp
John Wayne, PER



Elksize Editor Pat Boyd

This is edition two of the 2010 Elsize. The first edition was a little rough and I am sure we will find some issues still exist; however, I think it is getting and will continue to get better as the year progresses. We have added a couple of new features, including Elk of the month, Thoughts to Ponder, as well as a quick sectional guide on page one. This month we are beginning our Committee Chair interviews, where we hope to inform and activate our membership.

I would be remiss if I didn't thank my team for their support: Format and Proofreader Walter Rollins, Lodge 708 Office Staff -giving me the "official scoop of the lodge" and of course, my Mail-ing Prep team John and Flo Wayne, Dick Florance and Bill Hassell. Without the manpower they supply we could not get this or any edition to you in a timely manner.

As usual, Contact me via email at fboyd@futurestreamsinc.com, or call 813-505-7485 with your articles, ideas, or any constructive advice. We want this to be a "Special" highlight of your Elk monthly experience.

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Make the most
of
your Lodge Experience

**Learning about your Lodge!
House Committee Chairman
Robert Harlow**

From the Editor:

This is the first in a series of articles highlighting the roles of individuals and the responsibilities of the multitude of committees that are part of Tampa Lodge 708. We chose the House Committee Chairman, Rob Harlow, as our first interview because the House Committee affects many aspects of our Lodge. Whether you are having a meal from the kitchen, a drink at the bar, or a friendly gathering at the Lodge, you are being touched by the House Committee, its members, and its' chairman.



As "House Committee Chairman" Rob Harlow brings his experience and people skills to play every day in keeping the Lodge running. I posed a few questions to Rob in order to get a better feel for his Lodge history and his responsibilities over and above the House Committee position. Rob has been a member of Tampa Lodge 708 for 4 years, a relative newbie given our long history. During that time Rob has served as a member of many committees and worked on functions spanning a variety of interests. He has served as officer in our Lodge for three terms in the positions of "Esquire", "Esteemed Lecturing Knight", and currently is serving as "Esteemed Loyal Knight". In this latest capacity his primary function is "Defender" in the "Subordinate Forum" (this will be a topic for another article). He is present during many of the Lodge functions and can be seen lending a hand, his ideas, and a warm heart whenever it's needed. Last year Rob was the ENF Chairman. In that capacity, Rob helped the lodge raise a sizable amount through various fundraisers including the "St Valentines Massacre Party" for the State and National Elk Foundations.

I had time to ask Rob a few questions about his House Committee Chair roles and responsibilities. Beside the requirement of multiple meetings, he is ultimately responsible for the financial health of the Lodge. **Here is how he summarized the House Committee:**

"I chair the Committee that manages the lounge and restaurant in the lodge, we insure that the facilities are operating within the standards and guidelines set forth by the Grand Lodge, and work to insure compliance with Federal, State and Local business practice regulations. The Committee sets prices of goods sold and oversees all employee relations. The Committee is also responsible for enforcing the House Rules in accordance with article IX section 2 of the By-Laws-House Rules and Rules of the order of Tampa Lodge #708" (ask Secretary Carl Williamson if you would like a copy of these rules).

Who else serves on the House Committee?

"The House Committee is typically 12 members; currently, there is one open position. Our current members are:
Vernon Pickenpaugh William Kinney Addison Horrell Brian Brantley Bonnie Quire Bob Green
Lisa Snyder William Edwards Chris Miles Wendy Wiesler Jerry Reid "vacant"

Rob went on to say that "committee members, like all committees, are appointed by the Exalted Ruler and serve a term of one year. This can be extended with the direction of a newly elected Exalted Ruler". None of the members, including Rob, are paid for their affiliation with the House Committee. At a minimum, all committee members attend bi-monthly meetings discussing the inner workings of our Lodge, not forsaking their other Lodge interests and commitments. You can count on Rob spending 10 to 12 hours a week working some aspect of House Committee work.

When asked about the biggest need facing the House Committee this year, Rob's reply was: "We desperately need kitchen volunteers! We have a core group that just manages to keep the kitchen open, however, we really need just a hand-full of volunteers willing to commit to working one night per month. With some renewed energy and ideas in the kitchen, I believe we can make our little kitchen more successful".

What one thing would you like to tell our membership about the House Committee?

"We have a lot of new faces in House Committee this year, and a lot of new ideas and energy to go along. I am confident this lodge will have a good year with all the hard work I see being done every day".

I hope you found what the "House Committee" does informative - I sure did! It is not an easy job coordinating the efforts of 12 people and then having to report to the Lodge Officers on each aspect. We hope we sparked an interest. Next time you visit Tampa Lodge 708, eat a meal, or attend a special function, or note the improvements, talk with any House Committee members and share your views regarding what you would like to see. More Important, find some time to get involved in the inner workings of the House Committee, because your involvement works to keep Tampa Lodge 708 such a warm and welcoming place.

Yours in Elkdome!
Pat Boyd - Editor

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30 May	31	1 Jun	2	3	4	5
8:30am - 12:00pm Full menu Breakfast	Memorial Ceremony by Dick F (Americanism) Memorial Day Holiday 6:30pm BINGO	Jam Session	6:00pm - 7:00pm Officer Meeting 7:00pm House Comm. Meeting 7:30pm LOE Meeting		7:00pm - 11:00pm Music - "Just the Two of Us" - playing your favorites, featuring a few classical songs with beautiful flute / piano artistry	8:00pm Hall Rental- Bridgette's 40th BDAY Bash 8p- 1a
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
8:30am - 12:00pm Full menu Breakfast 12:00pm - 3:00pm DA Bowl-a-Rama	6:30pm BINGO		8:30pm - 7:30pm PER Meeting 7:30pm Lodge Meeting	8:30pm - 7:30pm Thursday Night Dinner - Youth Camp	Music - "Arlington Road" - 5 piece Band	Visitation Pinellas Park
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
8:30am - 12:00pm Full menu Breakfast 3:00pm - 5:00pm Flag Day Ceremony	Flag Day 6:30pm BINGO	Elksize articles are due by the 15th Jam Session	Indoctrination- 6:30 Trustees Meeting	5:30pm - 7:30pm Thursday Night Dinner - LOE	7:00pm - 11:00pm Music - "Bump in the Road" 3 piece Band	Visitation Tarpon Springs 5:00pm - 7:30pm Addison's Special Fish Fry-Dining Room 7:30pm - 11:30pm Karaoke with W. T. Edwards Sound Machine in Lounge
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
8:30am - 12:00pm Full menu Breakfast 3:00pm Fathers Day Ceremony - by the LOE	Golden Girls Bingo Kitchen 6:30pm BINGO		Lodge Meeting - 7:30 -		Honor our Veterans at dinner 7:00pm - 11:00pm Music - "Big Jim"	Visitation Largo
27	28	29	30	1 Jul	2	3
8:30am - 12:00pm Full menu Breakfast	6:30pm BINGO				7:00pm - 11:00pm Music - "Double Shot Band" - 4 piece band (Oldies, Country, R&B, Rock, etc.)	

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Cans Can Convention Report by Rita Smith

“The Intent on Helping the Homeless Committee” held their fourth annual fundraiser, the Cans Can Convention, on May 8th this year. Through the generosity of the membership of Tampa Lodge #708, we were able to raise over \$3000.00 in monetary donations that will go to helping the homeless population right here in Hillsborough County. Additionally, we collected approximately \$800.00 worth of food, new and used clothing, and toiletries that were donated to those men, women and children who would otherwise go without. Once again, you proved that Elks Care-Elks Share.

I would like to thank the members of the “Intent on Helping the Homeless Committee” for the outstanding job they did during these tough economic times. Bob and Lisa Snyder printed the tickets, sorted and distributed the food, clothing, and toiletries, made and ran the dumpster diving event, and were guest speakers for Faith Café, where they regularly perform volunteer work. Maureen Keller, with help from Nancy Keesler, PER, procured the auction items, and set up and sold the 31 Chinese Auction items with astounding success. I don’t know where Maureen got all those auction items, but I saw Marilyn Fennell bring one in. Bonnie Atwood phoned every new member who joined the Lodge in the last year, and even some long time members, in an effort to procure bake sale items. She received generous donations from Beth Boyd, Bob Snyder, Chris Miles, Tracy Horrell, Melissa Heifer, Lena Farris, Fran Baranofski, Crystal Carter, Raymond and Lucy Berger.



Victoria Dumpster Diving

Bonnie even baked a couple of cakes herself. Then she cut, wrapped and sold them on both Friday and Saturday. David Partlow had his fellow jam session players: Bill and Sheri Brown, Rex Chivers Bob Dawes, and Bill Edwards, PER, properly attired, set up and in place by 4:00pm. They played for hours!



Bill Brown Emcee

the canned goods, carefully keeping any fish and fruit out of the stew. Douglas Grant made the handles for the cans, a tough job indeed. Susie Harlow showed up early and lent a hand wherever needed. Rob Harlow and his son Brandon set up the tables for our event; Chris Miles helped with the table removal prior to karaoke. Robert Bordonaro helped with planning, but was ill on the day of the event. And thanks also to Jerry Reid, Marty Quire, and Pat Boyd for their help with advertising. We also had tremendous support from James Harlow, who always comes through for us. And you, the generous members of Tampa Elks #708, bought tickets, brought in canned or non perishable food items, cleaned out your closets, baked cakes, showed up, and even jumped into dumpsters to make this event a success.

Thank You All!

Bill Brown also did an excellent job as our emcee, helping to empty the wallets of the attendees. Lynn Brown did our slicing and prep work for the sandwiches. Bob Green and Bob Orcutt managed the Hobo Stew, which turned out excellent. Bob Orcutt also did double duty as our Sheriff, not even quitting when the event was officially over! Raymond and Barbara Huffman had set up the jail for us early Saturday morning and we loved the new location. Betty Gnadt sold the share the wealth tickets with great success. Cyndi Linville sold the tickets and col-



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BRONZE INVESTORS \$10-\$20

Kelly, George 6/2010
In Memory of #7, Patrick 11/2010
Wayne, John & Flo 3/2009

SILVER INVESTORS \$21 - \$50

Cuccinello, Diane 6/2010
Edwards, William, PER3 6/2010
Gukeisen, James L., SGM USA RET, 4/2010
Huff man, Barbara (In Memory of Hilda DeGiacomo) 6/2010
Kelly, George & Elma 5/2010
McHugh, Thomas 6/2010

PLATINUM INVESTORS - \$100

DuRant, Rosemarie 1/2010
Fennell, Pat & Marilyn 12/2010
Florance, Dick 6/2010
Hauf, Dick & Gerry 6/2010
In Memory of Harry Reoderer 6/2010
In Memory of Ina Moore 12/2010
In Memory of Larry Quire 6/2010
In Memory of Richard A Palmer 8/2012
Jacobs, Jake 12/2009
Linville, John 5/2009
Lucas, Vernon 6/2010
Marino, Anthony 1/2010
Palladini, Deborah 1/2010
Palladini, PSP, Frank & Ebba Jean 6/2015
Quire, Bonnie 6/2010
Quire, Martin & Kimberly 8/2010
Ramsey, Richard PER 7/2009
Reid, Linda & Jerry 6/2010
Schneider, PER, Rick & Jan 7/2010
Sellers, Jr., Frank, PER 6/2010
Smith, Rita 3/2 009
Snyder, Bob & Lisa 5/2008
Norton, Bob and Stokking, Brenda 6/2010
Thomas, PER, Guy & Ruth 1/2009
Thomas, PER, Vic & Berneice 6/2010
Toler, Kathleen 11/2009
Wright, Vera 6/2010
In Memory of James Wilder 5/2010
Anthony Marino 5/2010

GOLD INVESTORS \$51 - \$99

Alley, Sonia & Bill 6/2010
Baranofski, Ron & Fran 7/2010
Bertoch, Jan 6/2010
DeLand, Paul & Sandra VanSevers 3/2008
Harmon, Steve, PER 6/2010
Heider, Ted PER & Sally PER, 7/2010
Huff man, Raymond & Barbara 6/2010
Jorgensen, Sherral 6/2010
Keller, Maureen & Matt 10/2009
Kennedy, Brenda & Brown, David 3/2009
LaChance, Rosemary & Roger 6/2010
Nikkinen, Lesley 3/2009
Pickenpugh, Vem & Betty FLOE PSP 9/2009

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

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Baer, Robert (Yogi) 2/2010
Bergen, Raymona 11/2010
Burks, John 3/2010
Dayes, PDDGER, Dick & Eleanore 9/2012
Fennell, Pat & Marilyn 4/2010
Ferra, Alice 11/2010
Florance, Richard H. 7/2011
Gaff rey, 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 James Wilder 5/2016
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
Nyland, William 7/2010
Palladini, PSP, Frank & Ebba Jean, 8/2010
Siddens, Linda & Richard 3/2018
Smith, Rita 4/2010



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Dear Friends and Elk Members:

I would like to take this opportunity to say "Thank You" for all your kind thoughts, support and most of all, the prayers offered on behalf of my husband, Alaska Jack who passed away on April 18, 2010. Thanks again for your kindness and God Bless.

Philomena Jacksina
Beverly Hampel (daughter)

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Membership

By
Rita Smith Membership Chair

We Miss You!

What did you do last Friday night? Have you been to YOUR Lodge lately? There have been recent upgrades to the dinner menu, dining room service, and the entertainment being offered. YOUR lodge even offers a wine list, now. The next time you make plans with your friends for Friday night dinner, impress them by inviting them to YOUR Lodge. Happy Hour is 4-6pm, dinner is served 6:30 – 8:30pm, with the dance music continuing until 11pm Did you go out to breakfast last Sunday? Did you forget that YOUR lodge offers a full menu breakfast from 8-12, at an unbeatable price! If you need a mental challenge there is usually a Scrabble competition in the Antler room around 1:00pm. Hang around to watch sporting events on our new large HD televisions.

Are you exhausted on Monday evening? Do you know you can order a burger, fries, and draft for less than you pay for a combo at a drive thru? There are also specials every week, usually priced at \$3.50. Yes, you can bring the kids! If you prefer, leave the kids at home and test your luck with Bingo. The kitchen is open from 5:30 to 7pm; Early Bird Bingo starts at 6:30.

On Tuesday nights, you can come for a lively bridge game, or on the first and third Tuesday you can bring your musical instrument and join in the jam sessions. While the jam session regulars prefer folk music, you never know who might show up and steal the show.

Wednesday nights bring in a lively Happy Hour crowd, followed by 7:30 meetings. It is a good weeknight to find your officers at the lodge if you have any questions, concerns or suggestions. Did you know YOUR Lodge now offers a light meal after the Lodge Meeting on the second and fourth Wednesday? The LOE also offers refreshments following their meeting on the first Wednesday of each month. Donations are appreciated.

Thursday night's one item menu has also seen some changes, with different volunteers adding exciting new selections. Dinner is served from 5:30-7:30pm. Sometimes, on the third Thursday, the LOE prepared dinner is followed by Karaoke with Kim from 7-10pm. If the menu is not in the Elksize, just call the Lodge at 839-8928.

There are special events on some Saturdays; on other Saturdays the hall is rented to subsidize Lodge income. YOUR Lodge remains open to members during hall rentals, though parking may be at a premium.

Be sure to review the Lodge Calendar on the inside back cover of the Elksize. Come down to YOUR Lodge to see your old friends, and meet some new friends. We miss you!

"365" Club by Vera Almstedt

A big thank you for all the donations. We are a little ahead of last year at this time. Let's make it a big year! I want to make it to \$1,000.00 in donations. Thank you to Richard Florance, Robert and Lisa Snyder, Lorriane Leung, John and Flo Wayne, William Edwards, Maureen, Matt Keller, Jackie Appel and, of course, the bar, tables and waitresses for all the full houses. Let's keep up the good work!

Americanism by Richard Florance

There is in June, a special day - the 14th, that leads our nation and the world in a mighty and positive way. For no where else over this whole earth is there a symbol of hope, love, peace and freedom for all, than America's beloved Stars and stripes. So we as Elks should celebrate our American Flag Day - to honor, remember, and revere - for because of this great American Symbol of Freedom that Americans and all Elks can proudly say "Our tenets of Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love, and Fidelity have helped all Elkdom to succeed in God's and America's way."



An enduring; most vital of days, dedicated to symbolize Eternal Love - is in 2010 - Sunday, June 20th - known throughout America as Father's Day. So give pause, respect, and love to your father; living or passed away; as he is your only one - and without a father you would not be won - won in the sense that you might not ever become - the true American Elk that will everlastingly serve with the honor that is truly all-Elks because we know, practice and revere - Elks Care and Elks Share! Happy Father's Day to all "Dads."

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*Make Friends With
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Will Have Friends
With You for Life*



**Sand and Stone
Author: Unknown**

A story tells that two friends were walking through the desert.. In a specific point of the journey, they had an argument, and one friend slapped the other one in the face. The one, who got slapped, was hurt, but without anything to say, he wrote in the sand: "TODAY, MY BEST FRIEND SLAPPED ME IN THE FACE".

They kept on walking, until they found an oasis, where they decided to take a bath. The one who got slapped and hurt started drowning, and the other friend saved him. When he recovered from the fright, he wrote on a stone: "TODAY MY BEST FRIEND SAVED MY LIFE".

The friend who saved and slapped his best friend, asked him, "Why, after I hurt you, you wrote in the sand, and now you write on a stone?" The other friend, smiling, replied: "When a friend hurts us, we should write it down in the sand, where the winds of forgiveness get in charge of erasing it away, and when something great happens, we should engrave it in the stone of the memory of the heart, where no wind can erase it"

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