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10:00 till 2:00 Mon-Fri Lounge Hours 3:00P.M. till Closing Note— if Five or less people are present the lodge will close—The House Committee July is here which means we will celebrate summer with Patriotism for our Flag, our Country and the Men and Women who serve in our Armed Forces with family & friend gatherings, barbecues, parties, games, parades and oh yeah the fireworks! But let's not forget the true meaning of the 4th of July. It is a time to commemorate America's declaration of separation from Great Britain. Our freedom and our democracy that we have been blessed with is a direct product of the sheer determination from our forefathers who worked to establish the United States of America as a free country! We as Elks should take great pride in this heritage. We will be having a celebration at the lodge please look for details in this Elksize!



Once again the members of Tampa Lodge 708 has survived another State Convention. Our pirates cove hospitality room was a big hit! The Pop It and Win It game was a huge success making \$740.00 and of course the beach week and booze bucket was a great prize to win as well! I want to Thank Bill Edwards, Lesley Nikkinen, Tommy Miller, Sandy Mayo, Jackie Appel, Addison Horrell, Mike

and Tammy Manley, Cindy and Bobby Green, Pat and Beth Boyd, John and Flo Wayne, Al and Denise Schnut, Richard Florance and Janet Hill for all their hard work to make our hospitality room go so smoothly and so much fun! A job well done!

Our new State President is Sean Maguire and his focus is:" The key to Elks success: Membership Engagement" being engaged members working together will sustain the level of charitable success we have enjoyed now for many years! He will be visiting our area in September so keep some time open in your calendar for a upcoming event.

Our flag day ceremony was memorable with the Boy Scouts doing a awesome job carrying and displaying the flags. Thank you to Richard Florance and Frank Smith for a job well done. Thanks to Lynn Brown for making such a beautiful and delicious flag cake. Our Ladies of the Elks did a great job in paying tribute to our fathers with beautiful poems and preparing a fine meal! A huge Thank you to President Susie Harlow and the ladies!

We are still working towards being able to have Friday night dinners on a regular basis. Lynn Brown could use some help getting dinners planned as well as cooked if you are interested in helping

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Ladies of the Elks Presidential Report

Greetings To All:

We hope everyone is enjoying Summer in Florida. Where can you find a better place to live? It is a time for relaxing and enjoying your family. My motto is to Live Each Day Like It Is Your Last. So with that in mind have a great time with vacations or whatever you do.

We had our Father's Day Dinner and it was wonderful. There were so many volunteers to make it a great day for Dads and families. I want to give a BIG THANKS to our Head Chef Diane Adams and her Crew for a great meal. They really stepped up to the bat. I also want to give a BIG THANKS to everyone who helped. It was appreciated by all who attended. Thanks to all our members who joined us to recognize Dads everywhere.

Our Yard sale was successful thanks to hard work by Vice President Sue Moore and volunteers. Treasurer Donna Halsey would not give up until every penny was counted. Ladies, she takes great care of your money. I know I don't have to worry. Thank you to all who helped and or donated. We cannot do it without you.

Our next event that we are talking about is an ALL MALE BEAUTY CONTEST. Now who was the first man you thought of to enter in our contest? I agree with you and hope he will. Let me know if you have any ideas or suggestions.

Have a safe 4th of July. Enjoy the fireworks and remember they represent our freedom. No country has the freedoms that we take for granted. GOD BLESS THE USA.

Susie Harlow

LOE President

LOE BIRTHDAYS- JULY

July 1 Flo Wayne

- July 2 Alice Ferrari
- July 8 Susan Hagan
- July 10 LaVelle Sheppard
- July 15 Jackie Appel
- July 21 Nancy Dudney
- July 25 Elma Kelly
- July 26 Kathy Prince

Happy Birthday To All

"365"Report Vera Almstedt Chairperson

It is time to get back to filling our little houses for the crippled children. I received donations from the Quilting Ladies in memory of my son-in-law who recently passed away. Other donations from the bar, tables, Aida Diaz, Judy our Bingo Gal and from the Elks State Convention. Thank you to all.

In Memory
Robert Conner
April 11 1922—March 20 2012
May his light ever shine on us!
Or as he would say
"Do Something Happy!"







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Pat Boyd

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Vic Thomas, PER

July

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Pat Boyd

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Maintenance

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Visitation

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Website

Marty Quire

Youth Activities John Wayne, PER

Active Members are our "Life's Blood!"

Expand your horizons and get involved in an activity that you haven't done before. This is good for your self esteem, your personal growth and your lodge! Talk to a committee chair (above) for your Growth possibilities!



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Richard Florance

Tiler

Robert Summers

Pat Boyd

Nancy Keesler, PER

Cindy Green **INNER GUARD**

CHAPLAIN

2012-2013 Vice President's Visitation **Schedule & Important Dates**

West Central District

July 1st - 5th **National Convention - Austin, TX**

July 14th Tarpon Springs

July 21st Holiday Isles July 28th New Port Richey

• All lodge visitations begin at 7:00PM •

Plan ahead by trying not to have a Lodge function during the Visitations during the State President's visit which is on September 7th, 8th, and 9th.

C/C Sean D. Maguire, State President "The Key to Elks Success-Membership-Engagement" Brian T. Burns, State VPAL Frank Paladini, PSP, District Advisor Mike Pierson, PDDGER

Steve Harmon, DDGER Designate

Carl Seibert, State Secretary



Pop it -n- Win's <u>\$740.</u> Success is because of you.....

Marty, Candy, Beth, Pat, Mike, Cindy, Bobby, Jackie, Sandy, Nancy, Richie, Rita, Shelagh, Lynn, Paul, Sandra, David, Richard, Kim, Adrienne (wine n spirits), Leslie, Bob (Holiday Isle), and all the Elks Lodges including our Tampa Elks 708

Tamatha Manley

Lighting changes in the Antler Room

Special thanks to Chris Miles and others who took action to install a new (and very apropos) pool light in the Antler Room. Our lodge is constantly changing. Chris took the

challenge and raised the money, ask the right people and did the work to bring this room a different ambiance. Take Notice of your surroundings then give Chris a deserved THANK YOU!!!



Convention Report

William T. Edwards PER(3) Committee Chair

Members, I would like to THANK the following people

who helped to make our Hospitality Room such a huge success:

Lesley Nikkinen, AI & Denise Schnutt & friend, Lisa Snyder, Sandra Lake, Jackie Appel, Sandra Mayo, Tommy Miller (Resident Bartender,) Janet Hill, Bob and Cindy Green, John and Flo Wayne (Raffle Ticket Sales), Dick Florence, Mike and Tammy Manley (Balloon Pop raising \$740.00, GREAT JOB! Shelagh Gombarcik, Rita Smith, Bonnie Atwood, Addison & Tracey Horrell, Pat & Beth Boyd, THANK YOU AGAIN for your dedication and help.

I'd also like to THANK the following people for their liquor donations: Tracey Horrell, Ziggy, Dave Partlow, Bob Snyder, Bob Summers, John and Flo Wayne, Sandra Mayo, Cindy Jorgenson, Mike and Tammy Manley, Rita Smith, Jackie Appel, Dick Florence, Vic Thomas, Nancy Rodgers, Pat Boyd and The House Committee. I know I have probably missed a few but you know who you are and I THANK YOU ALL!!! One of the biggest events was the wedding of Bob Green and Cindy Linville (I'm sure it was a

FIRST!) On Friday evening May 25, 2012, officiated by Bob Pitney, PDDGER of Holiday Isles Lodge#1912. The Beach Week Raffle was won by one of our own, Trustee Sharon Ford, and the Beach Blanket Bingo was won by "Sam" Simpson PFLOE President from Seminole Lodge#2519. Congratulations to

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July

Officer of the Month- Tammy Manley



She is the girl that you just can't say "NO" to! She has wonderful ideas that contributes to raising a great deal of money for our charities. No matter what, Tammy does all of this with a big smile

that lights up a room. Her hard work and dedication to the lodge has been inspiring to others. She's a great role model as a person and as a Elk! Thank you Tammy keep up the good work! Please take a moment the next time you see her and congratulate her.

Elk of the Month- Marty Quire



This gentle giant of a man has a heart just as BIG! Always giving of his time to put on a fantastic karaoke night or setting up for picture taking at our annual installa-

tion then delivering those awesome pictures and never taking compensation for them. But did you also know that he maintains our website and makes sure to send out the email blast to keep everyone informed. No we may not always see him as a regular patron but he is there in the background doing great work for the Elks organization. These are just a few examples of what a fine man he is. Next time you see him please congratulate him!

Thanks, Tracy

Did You Know? Part-3 LOCATIONS & MEMBERS

Most do not know that Tampa Lodge #708 has occupied eight different locations since its founding in 1902. Four have been Lodge-owned. The Lodge first met in the Masonic Hall at Franklin and Whiting, then moved to the Giddens Building at Franklin and LaFayette (Kennedy). The first permanent home was a residence purchased from Dr. H. H. Stebbins, a charter member. It was at Florida and Madison Streets. The members raised money and built a four story building on that same site, completing it in 1914. It contained billards rooms, a bowling alley, ballroom, and roof garden in addition to offices and Lodge meeting room. In 1960 the Lodge moved to 5013 Bayshore Blvd. to a building known as the Crystal Ballroom. The downtown structure was replaced by the Northern Trust Bank. The ballroom proved too expensive to operate, and following a brief stint using American Legion Post #139 as the lodge we moved to the newly-remodeled Gandy location in 1982. The building has been owned free and clear since then.

Founding members included Abe Maas, 1st ER, and Card holder number 1...he founded Maas Brothers. Others were Francis Wing, twice Mayor of Tampa; Edwin Lambright, an Editorial Director for the Tampa Tribune, and J. L. Reed, one of the founders of the Harry-Anna Trust Fund. Morris Wolf worked for Maas Brothers then founded Wolf Brothers Men's Clothing.

Paul DeLand, Co-Chair, 110th Anniversary Committee

FaceBook Information

To POST an event Contact:

Mark McDonough at 813-410-4763

or via email:

mark@ioholistics.com

for instructions or comments!!!

(*E.R.Report* Continued from page 1) the kitchen please let her know.

The officers and I are working hard to keep members informed of events and other happenings within our lodge if you have ideas or helpful suggestions please let us know.

If you know of a member who has not renewed their membership please give them a call and remind them of all the great things we as Elks do for our Vets and Children and what a good time they are missing at the lodge. If I can help please let me know. I appreciate your support to the lodge and to our charities. Working together we can accomplish our goals! See you at the lodge soon!

Tracy Horrell Exalted Ruler





Partners in Progress

Contributing to PIP helps ensure a strong Elks Lodge for future generations

BRONZE INVESTORS \$10-\$20

GOLD INVESTORS \$51 - \$99

PLATINUM INVESTORS - \$100

DuRant, Rosemarie 1/2010

SILVER INVESTORS \$21 - \$50

Fennell, Pat & Marilyn 6//2013

Fennell, Jerrye 6/2013

Florance, Dick 7/2011

In Memory of Richard A Palmer 8/2012

Palladini, PSP, Frank & Ebba Jean 6/2015

Be an Elksize Booster!

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

Boyd, Beth and Pat 05/2013

Dayes, PDDGER, Dick & Eleanore 9/2012

Fennell, Pat & Marilyn 6/2013

In Memory of Charlie Fiveash 5/2015

In Memory of Harold Siddens, Linda & Richard 3/2018

The Cost of Building Maintenance

As homeowners ourselves, we know the cost of day to day maintenance. Costs for cleaning, changing burned out bulbs, ceiling tiles and bathroom necessities as well as printing and distributing this Elksize are becoming more and more expensive, as if you didn't know... In the past, most of these expenses were covered by proceeds from our lounge and kitchen.

Just like homeowners, other more costly items have to be planned and budgeted for well in advance, even though they currently work just fine. The PIP fund is Tampa Elks budget plan for such items like Air Conditioners, Kitchen Equipment and Roof Replacement, etc., As our building is getting older, and constantly bombarded by the effects of our Florida sunshine, heat, and humidity, these big items are now feeling their age. Last year the Trustees authorized a draft of \$9,000.00 to PATCH the roof. Last month, we paid approximately \$900.00 for work on the air conditioner. While the recent AC cost was covered by funds raised at the State Convention, The larger portion came from the PIP FUND. The PATCH is now having issues and the roof really needs to be replaced!!! Estimates last year for replacement were \$40,000+

We tell you this because if you look at the contributor list ABOVE you see there are very few names. We have purged the outdated information from both the PIP fund and the Elksize Booster fund. As you can plainly see, there isn't many names..... It doesn't take much, if everyone contributes. Help us make the Lodge Building Smile. Contribute to our PIP and Elksize Booster funds today.

Mission of the Partners In Progress

To increase the financial strength of Tampa Elks Lodge #708, ensuring that our Lodge will be around for another 100 years. We will accomplish this by rebuilding our capital through investments made by Lodge Partners who are determined to secure Tampa Elks Lodge #708's long term future. Interest earned on the investments will remain in the investment account and help to increase the overall financial strength of our Lodge.

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both of you. If you didn't make it to the Convention, Think about attending next year and come and enjoy the good times and make and meet Fellow Elks from around the state. Again THANK YOU ALL who participated and hope to see you there next year. Remember " ELKS CARE ELKS SHARE". One final note, after all expenses being paid we banked a profit of over \$2300.00 My Hat Is Off To YOU MY

FELLOW ELKS, JOB WELL DONE!!!!!

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HELP US **TURN**









Thank You Elks.







FLORIDA FLKS ARMY OF HOPE CHARITIES

Begun by the Grand Lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, **The Army of Hope** Project is a way of showing our support and appreciation of the military member with benefits going to the members of the Armed Forces of the United States and their families during the Iraq-Afghanistan War.

- In 2007 the Florida State Elks Association began serving our deployed Florida military families with financial assistance.
- In 2010 the AOH Committee, with the approval of the FSEA, expanded assistance to those returning veterans not covered by other funds.
- At the beginning, the focus was on supporting the families of deployed personnel.
- Today, there are more and more requests to help with expenses and bills of returning military personnel.
- AOH has distributed over \$170,000 since 2007.
- The Committee distributed \$9,967.46 in the first quarter of this year.

The help you give through the Florida Army of Hope allows the military member to safely concentrate on his or her duties without worrying about the family at home.

Imagine the possibilities if each Florida Elk just gave \$1.00?



DON'T STOP NOW READ ON!!!

Membership Report Pat Boyd

I am happy to announce that Tamp Elks 708 grew by six (6) members in the month of June. This is the largest so far, and during a summer month! What a beginning. Lets keep up the good work.

We are doing some things different and hopefully better. Time will tell; however, our initial results must say something. I hope each of you will take the time to introduce yourself to our new members (see their pictures and names on page 10) and listen to their stories regarding why they made the "Elk Decision" instead of joining another local fraternal order.

I believe that we, over time, sometimes forget why we chose this great organization. And it is the new members that can refresh our memories with their reasons as well as their enthusiasm with what they have seen so far.

In that regard, I want you to hear a New Members story (See the article below.) Mark is a new member that began with Holiday Isles and demitted here when he changed residences. I hope his story excites you as it did me! Keep up the good work and encourage our newest members with your kindness and charity when they talk with you and learn more about Elkdom. We are responsible for their understanding of Elkdom. Let us show them the benevolent path!



A New Members View of Tampa Elks Lodge 708 Mark McDonough

Back in February 2012 I friend of mine from Rhode Island was visiting St. Pete

and asked me to meet him for a few drinks to catch up. That evening he chose to take me to the Holiday Isles Elks Lodge. We both signed in, enjoyed a few drinks, had a nice simple dinner, and caught up with each other. It was during this meeting that I learned what the Elks organization does and what it stands for. While we were catching up, nearly all local members came over and introduced themselves and welcomed us to their lodge. The members were pleasant, eager to make us comfortable in their setting, and it was then that I decided to join this organization.

Since joining in March, I have met many great people who all share the same vision, which is to offer assistance to others through charitable work and support of the lodge. I have also attended lodge meetings and learned a great deal about what this organization does and how many people it helps. Knowing that my support goes to helping our Veterans, children's' organizations, supports Americanism, and provides drug awareness to children (to name a few) makes me want to assist and support the lodge even more. I'm proud, and fortunate, to be a member of this great organization and look forward to many years of support and charitable work.



Americanism "A Christmas Message" Dick Florance Americanism Chairman



America's Future - Selling Charity to Younger Elks = As our Elks Lodge's celebrate traditional, historic holidays, and new, younger members become Elks and bring with them, their more complex and upbeat ways - which means that children and families will often come - and with them there is a different, sped-up drum -and new toys of technology do appear - but we as established Elks should never fear - for as we know - Elks special programs such as Drug Awareness and Elks Youth Camp are available for Elks Lodges to show and tell. These new Elks and their kids soon learn - that their families are welcome - with their energy to burn. The endless depth and breadth of Elks ways and means - to be charitable in cases where changing scenes; can bring to families - life's unfavorable moments of tragedy of illness or injury -- so to see as Elks whether we be young or old - that the founding fathers of America and of Elks lore be told - while Elks Care and Elks Share with our veterans, our families and our communities the selling of Charity - through all our Elks thoughts, words and deeds -that will always allow Elks to heed - the calling for all the range of common emotions - good or bad to positively react with Charity in mind - to help; to aid; or to relieve - and to forever carry-on Elks traditions that Elks of America and America's Future will be there always - Selling Charity to Younger Elks and their families. Have a happy and safe 4th of July and welcome home to those who attended our 2012 Elks National Convention in Austin, Texas.

Tampa Elks Dining Club Candy Hodgson Tampa Dining Club

The Queen Visits with Friends for High Tea

Now that we've said "ta-ta" to the Her Royal Highness, it's time for some American Independence.

This month, we're having picnic and barb-b-que foods, or any redwhite-blue food. Grilled burgers, cold sandwiches, great dips, fried chicken...anything you might find at a picnic!

We meet at 5:00 pm on Sunday, July 15th. Come with a dish to share, or just come and eat, and leave a donation in the jar. We look forward to seeing you there, and....ants will be provided! If you have any questions, email Candy at chodgson2@verizon.net, or ask Peggi when you see her.





Visit the web for more up to date information and events for Elks!

Grand Lodge | www.elks.org

Florida State Elks Association | www.floridaelks.org

Florida State Elks Online Community Forum: | www.talkoftheelks.org

Tampa Elks Lodge #708 | http://tampaelks.com

Tampa Elks Facebook | http://www.facebook.com/#!/ElksLodge708

Youth Activities John Wayne Youth activities Chairman

Thank you all for assisting me in making the "Out of School" party a success. Our Elk officers, the Ladies of the Elks, and other members stood proud to being an Elk and living the motto "Do unto others as we should expect them to do for us."

The crowd may have been small but all had a ball - only smiling and tired faces did we see leaving. Games, ice cream and the highlight of the day, The District 15 Firefighters (A Team) let all the children visit the fire station and get on the trucks. Our next gathering will be a "Back to School" in August. Bring your child, friends and neighbors, as we will have a lot of school supplies for all ages.

Thank you again for your support of our Youth Activities programs.



Drug Awareness John Wayne Youth Activities Chairman

Recently we held a "Bowl A Rama at our local "Pinarama" bowling Lanes. It was a howling success. All officers, our past State President, Frank Paladini, and our past District Deputy, Mr. Bob Pitney and wife Joanie attended. The officers of Tampa Elks Lodge # 708 stood up and were proud of the lodge children and the event. They definitely showed harmony and flexibility. I could not have done this event without all of your help. Thanks to all who assisted. We had 17 children and several adults. We also had several customers ask about the Elks. It was a fun time for all. Our next event is a series of car washes during Sunday breakfast. All donations are accepted and the monies collected will be put towards our "Drug Awareness" program. Support your lodge, get involved, and be proud to be an Elk...





I'M A YANKEE DOODLE DANDEE, BORN ON THE 4TH OF JULY!!!!

"Peggy"

"Dan"

"Jessica"

In support of all those who have raised arms, fought and kept our freedom, **COME OUT FOR OUR VETERANS DINNER ON JULY 27TH** and support the men and women of our Armed Forces. Show them that Elks respect and revere all they do for us!!!!

Karaoke is back!!!!! What a rockin' time – and future rockin' times. Thank you Marty and Bill. If you missed it, well..... we'll be doing it again! These are all events to support our Lodge and our charities. Thanks to all who attend.

Be advised, **THE BLENDER IS BACK AND THE SUMMER CONCOCTIONS ARE ROLLING OUT!** Also, Sundays we have "Beer Bucket Sundays" (\$10.00 for 5 domestic beers!) Come on down and watch some baseball, golf, racing and enjoy your weekend!

The rest of July is busy with District Vice President Visitations. Come meet our new District Vice President Doug Collett. Please come to these visitations meet other Elks from our District and support OUR Lodge!!!

June New Members

Donna Cuesta



Dean Dull



Ralph Seng



Ray Oprisko



Bridgette Henchlain

Welcome Fellow Elks
Our rules are:
Find something you like!
Get Active!
Have FUN, have FUN, have



Jeff Ferguson
"CTED III





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Planned Kitchen Food

Friday July 6th

1/4 burger, French Fry and Slaw \$5.95 Patty Melt, French Fry and Slaw 6.95 Chicken Tenders, French Fry and Slaw \$6.95 1 Hot Dog French Fry and Slaw \$4.95

Friday July 13th

Beef or Chicken Tacos. Mexican Rice and Beans \$7.00

Friday July 20th

Covered Dish Night (Bring a dish or donation)

Friday July 27th (Veterans Night)

Beef Tips with noodles and Baby Carrots \$8.95 Chicken with Yellow Rice and Beans \$8.95

Bar Food

1/4 Pound Burger \$5.95 Patty Melt \$6.95 1 Hot Dog \$4.95 3 Chicken Tenders \$6.95

July 4th

Hamburger and Hotdogs With the Fixins 4:00 – 7:00 P.M. *Open to the Public*

Latin Flavor at the Elks (Coming in August)

Mark your Calendar for August 26 Sunday 5pm to 9pm—. The Tampa Elks Salsa Class will be sponsoring "Latin Flavor at the Elks!" Our instructor (and Fellow Elk) Gus Adams has invited other dance clubs to come down and show their moves. Admission will be \$3.00 per person in advance and \$4.00 per person at the door. The first ½ hour is a free salsa lesson and will to get you on the dance floor.

Drinks will be available and snacks as well, while they last. Come out and watch Latin dance performances as well as our Tampa Elks class debut. A DJ will be available to spin the Latin Sounds! EDITORS NOTE: <u>Dance class is a good exercise regime as well as being "FUN!"</u>



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July Events

14th—West Central District VP Visit—Tarpon Springs 21st—West Central District VP Visit—Holiday Isles 28th—West Central District VP Visit—Seminole 11th and 25th—Lodge Business Meeting 10th and 24th—Board Meetings (formerly Trustees) -See associated article page 13

Regularly Scheduled Events

Bingo Every Monday night—Open to the Public (grill open)

Salsa class—every Tuesday 6:30 till 7:30 Open to the public

Breakfast every Sunday—Open to the Public

Mark your Calendar for August

Aug 25—Horse Race and Karaoke
August 26—Latin night at the Elks - Open to the Public









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1/4 Page.....\$120

1/2 Page.....\$240

Full Page.....\$480



For a One-Time Ad Check with the office!

Monday night Bingo Could use some Volunteers. See Brian Brantley PER "Bingo Committee Chairman if you can assist. Step up and be an example for others.!



Sickness and Distress

Bonnie Atwood had been admitted to Tampa General Hospital, Room 210. She is now at home recuperating. Give her a call All Elks like to talk!

Ray Oprisko (one of our newest members is recovering at home from surgery. He has been working several events for the lodge and we wish him a quick recovery.

Dianne Cuccinello Is doing better. She is recuperating at home and doing better, because she made it to the lodge for one of our "New Member Orientations."







David R. Carr Grand Exaited Ruler P.O. Box 246 rown Point, NY 12928

Bryan R. Klatt Grand Secretary 2750 Lekeview Avenue

Kenneth B. Yagoda District Deputy Grand Exalted Rule Florida, West Central District-2080

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June 9, 2012

To: West Central District Lodges Re: Implementation of Board of Directors

Beginning in July, each Lodge will begin using a Board of Directors management system for their Lodge operations due to its status of being incorporated (GL 16.020). This excludes Pinellas Park #2217 which has already made the transition. The Board of nine will consist of the five Trustees and four chair officers - Exalted Ruler, Leading Knight, Loyal Knight, and Lecturing Knight. The Board will elect a Chairman. The Trustees will cease to function as a standalone committee. All powers previously vested in the Trustees (GL 12.070) are now conferred upon this Board (GL 16.020). This includes but is not limited to creation of a Lodge budget, execute all leases and contracts, establish an Accident Prevention Program and elect a manager for that program, approval of Lodge expenditures, oversight of all expenses relative to the appropriate budget, safeguard the assets of the Lodge, and create an itemized up to date depreciated inventory of Lodge

Lodges can continue to have a House Committee for the supervision of the social quarters as stated in their bylaws. However, a multitude of Lodges, including Pinellas Park #2217, have eliminated their House Committee by a change in their bylaws with the approval of Area 3 Judiciary. Replacing the House Committee will be the same members as in the Board of Directors (GL 16.040 a). The main difference is that the Exalted Ruler is automatically Chairman (GL 16.040 17). When the Board of Directors finishes their business and adjourns, they then meet as the Board of Governors (Supervisory Body) to conduct the business of the social quarters of the Lodge. All powers previously held by the House Committee (GL 16.040) are now vested in the Board of Governors.

In all cases, minutes shall be taken at all meetings, a copy turned into the office, and read on the floor. Also, each Board or House Committee shall give a monthly report as to the oversight of their expenditures relative to their budgets.

Fraternally,

Kenneth Yagoda District Deputy West Central District

Convention

Pictures Fun" is also an Elks

Tennant!

Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks - Grand Lodge



Elks are EVERYWHERE! When will we see you?



July Candidates

Candidate Name Linda Warman David Biaz Proposer Name
Dave Warman
Tracy Horrell



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	Friday	9				13				<u>20</u>			27	Veteran's at Lodge VP Visit Seminole Dinner 6:00pm - 11:00pm Hall Booked-		3	15
	Thursday	5	Grand Lodge Convention Austin			12				<u>19</u>			<u>26</u>	ii.		2	
	Wednesday	4	LOE Meeting 7:30 pm	Grand Lodge Convention Austin	Independence Day	11	7:30pm Lodge Meeting			<u>18</u>			<u>25</u>	Lodge Meeting - 7:30		1 Aug	LOE Meeting 7:30 pm
	sday	ଧ	Grand Lodge Convention Austin	6:30pm - 7:30pm Latin Dance Class	Salsa and Bachita	10	JAM SESSION 6:30pm - 7:30pm	Latin Dance Class Salsa and Bachita 7:00pm Trustee	Meeting	17	6:30pm - 7:30pm Latin Dance Class Salsa and Bachita		24	6:30pm - 7:30pm Latin Dance Class Salsa and Bachita	7:00pm Trustee Meeting	31	6:30pm - 7:30pm Latin Dance Class Salsa and Bachita
	\ <u>\</u>	2	BINGO Earlybird 6pm & Reg 7pm	Grand Lodge	Grill Open	6	BINGO Earlybird 6pm & Reg 7pm	Grill Open		<u>16</u>	BINGO Earlybird 6pm & Reg 7pm Grill Open		23	BINGO Earlybird 6pm & Reg 7pm Grill Open		30	BINGO Earlybird 6pm & Reg 7pm Grill Open
	Sunday	1 Jul	Full Menu Breakfast8:30	12:00 am Grand Lodge		8	Full Menu Breakfast8:30			15	Full Menu Breakfast-8:30	Supper Club	22	II Menu eakfast8:30		29	Full Menu Breakfast8:30 12:00 am



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