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Office Hours

12:00 till 5:00P.M. Mon-Tue-Thur. 2:00 till 6:00pm Wed.

Lounge Hours

4:00P.M. till Closing-Mon thru Sat 1:00P.M. till 9:00P.M. Sun

Note- if Five or fewer people are present the lodge will close—one hour early.—

Upcoming Events!

Mark your calendar for these Lodge events!

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DD/VP VISIT SEMINOLE LODGE	SATURDAY	AUG 3RD 6:00 PM			
LOE MEETING	WEDNESDAY	AUG. 7TH 7:30 PM			
DD/VP VISIT LARGO LODGE	<i>SATURDAY</i>	AUG. 10TH 6:00PM			
BACK TO SCHOOL PARTY	SUNDAY	AUG. 11TH 2-5PM			
HOUSE COMMITTEE	TUESDAY	AUG. 13TH 6:30PM			
BUSINESS MEETING	WEDNESDAY	AUG 14TH 7:30 PM			
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING	<i>THURSDAY</i>	AUG. 15TH 7:00PM			
Trivia Night (Supports Veterans)	THURSDAY	AUG. 15TH 7:00 PM			
STATE PRESIDENT'S WCD VISIT	FRIDAY 16TH-	SUNDAY 18TH			
DINNER CLUB	SUNDAY	AUG. 18TH 5:00 PM			
LOUD AND PROUD EVENT	THURSDAY	AUG. 22ND 7:00PM			
VETERANS DINNER	FRIDAY	AUG. 23RD 6:00PM			
DD/VP VISIT TARPON SPRINGS LODGE	SATURDAY	AUG. 24TH 6:00PM			
BUSINESS MEETING	WEDNESDAY	AUG. 28TH 7:30PM			
LIVE ENTERTAINMENT AND FULL DINNER ME	NU	Each Friday Night			
Breakfast (Full Menu!)	EVERY SUNDA	Y 8:30 A.M. TILL NOON			
FEED HOMELESS AT HYDE PARK	EVERY SUNDA	Y7:30 A.M. TIL 9:30AM			
Bingo Every Monday Night		6:30 PM till 10:00 PM			

Assistance for any of the events is ALWAYS appreciated.



EXALTED RULER ADDRESS | Richard Florance, ER

The 2013-2014 Elks Grand Lodge Convention in Reno, Nevada is over .-

It is time to "gather together" as an Elks Family to say a big "Thank you" to the Ladies of the Elks Auxiliary for the fine dinner and the numerous door prizes that were given the men at our Father's Day/Flag Day lodge event. Events combined such as this demonstrate that our joint "family lodge membership" can and does make a real difference to us all.

I will soon appoint an Inner Guard whose steady hand & sharp mind will allow us to conduct our two monthly meetings with proper decorum.

As many members who spend time regularly patronizing our lodge know - there is a serious situation regarding the age & deterioration of our lodge's

roof. As your Chairman of the Board of Directors of our lodge I have been diligently gathering bids from roofing companies & am near the end of our lodge's search for the "best deal" available for a new roof. Our financial capabilities regarding paying for a new roof are severely limited because of the high costs of replacing a roof. The Board of Directors are aware of this - and the lodge has sufficient investment & contingent funds available to complete a new roof replacement.

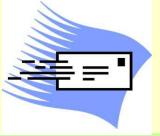
Part of this year's motto for me is FLEXIBILITY in that we must have our Elks Lodge membership's approval for the roof replaced soon or the lodge could sustain more damage and it could become more expensive to repair. Faith & trust is crucial during these difficult times as replacement of any expended funds should become a high priority to maintain the lodge's financial stability.

As your Exalted Ruler and Chairman of the Board of Directors I pledge to you, our lodge's family, that I will do all that I can to get the lodge's roof replaced, with your support, at a reasonable,& fair cost to ultimately maintain the good name & reputation of Tampa Elks Lodge #708 as a true & upright "vision for Elks Future".

Richard Florance, Exalted Ruler 813-831-0518 rhflorance@yahoo.com

Stay in touch with the Lodge even if you can't be there!

E-mail your questions, comments, and suggestions to the Office.



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August

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Treasurer
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Parliamentarian
Susie Harlow, PLP
Chaplain

Bonnie Atwood



A Letter From Youth Camp!

"Dear Grandma & Grandpa,
Thank You.....Camp was really
fun and I met some new
friends! I hope your Summer
is going well.
Love,

Chandler Schumacher"

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PLEASE!

LOE PRESIDENTS REPORT

Here we are in mid-summer and vacation time for many. Hope everyone is enjoying themselves. The LOE Board is working hard getting things together for State conference. Baskets to make and tickets to sell. Please work on cleaning house and donating all those new items for the baskets. Halloween, Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Years. You can contact me or anyone from the Board for drop offs. I hope to have a lot of donations by our August 7th meeting.

Remember to bring money donations and your houses back by the August 7th meeting. Empty or full, I hope we reach our \$1,000 goal!! There will be 1st and 2nd place prizes for someone's generous work and donations collected.

September 19, 20 and 21st the Florida Ladies 50th Conference is here in Tampa at the Doubletree Hotel on Cypress. We are selling tickets for first, second and third place prizes. You do not have to be present. Ladies and mens watch, wine cooler frig and a weekend stay at the Doubletree. So get your tickets and good luck!

Anyone who would like to come and volunteer in the Hospitality House please sign up at the August meeting.

With my closing I look forward to the LOE's support and help in our future events and socials.



God Bless, Suzanne Moore LOE President

365 Club Rita Smith, Chair

The Florida Elks Therapy Services (FECTS) provides in home physical and occupational therapy to Florida children in need of such ser-

vices. This rehabilitation is necessary to be rendered in the home because of the absence of these services locally, or because the patient is not easily transported to services or is infirmed at home. Priority is given to children who do not have ready access to therapy as a result of financial considerations. The therapists who provide these services are employed by the Florida Elks and are either OT or PT's licensed to practice by the State of Florida. Applications for services can be obtained from the Lodge or by calling 1-800-523-1673.

Isn't it amazing that the little bit of change in your pocket each visit to the Lodge can do so much good? Feel free to take a house home and put it on your nightstand or near your washing machine to collect the loose change around your house.

From June 15th to July 15th I received generous donations from the dining and Lounge areas, and the equivalent of 8 houses full from Debbie Osterbrock. The 365 Club accounts are due to be turned over to the Florida Ladies of the Elks in August, so they can be presented to the Florida Elk Therapy Services at the September Conference. If you have any houses at home, please turn them in ASAP!

AVEUST LOE



Nanette Quire	8/05
Vera Wright	8/06
Lisa Snyder	8/07
Tracy Horrell	8/10
David Partlow	8/14
Vera Almstedt	8/28

Bonnie Atwood, LOE Chaplain







FaceBook Information

To POST an event Contact:

Mark McDonough at
813-410-4763 or via email:
mark@ioholistics.com
for instructions or comments!!!

Elks Supper Elub

This month, the Supper Club is "Chilling Out"! To combat the August heat, we're looking for foods served cold; think cold soups, anti-pasti, summer pizzas, cold hors d'ouevres, salads, sandwiches, fruit (watermelon?), desserts (ice cream?) Trivia? Of course!



This will be the last meeting for the supper club this year. Next month, we

start Tailgating with the Buc's! It has been a fun, delicious time, and thanks to all who have participated. We will resume next February, after football season.

Thanks, Candy

PROPOSED NEW MEMBER

Timothy J. Chapman

PROPOSER

Ed McCaffery

New Tampa #708 Elks

NEXT MONTH.....





August

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.

GOLD INVESTORS \$51 - \$99

Horrell, Addison and Tracy 3/2014 Wayne, John and Flo 3/2014 LaChance, Roger and Rosemary 3/2014

SILVER INVESTORS \$21 - \$50

Elma Kelly 3/2014 Jan Simpson & Charles Rice 5/2014

BRONZE INVESTORS \$10-\$20

Edwards, Bill 3/2014 McDonough, Mark 3/2014 Swaney, Valorne 3/2014

PLATINUM INVESTORS - \$100

Fennell, Pat & Marilyn 3/2014 In Memory of Fennell, Jerrye and Patrick 3/2014 Florance, Richard 3/2014 Appel, Jackie 3/2014 Palladini, PSP, Frank & Ebba Jean 6/2015 Quire, Bonnie (In memory, Larry Quire) 3/2014 Snyder, Robert & Lisa 5/2013 Marino, Anthony 3/2014 Wright, Vera 3/2015 In Memory Ina Moore 3/2014 DeLand, Paul & Vans Evers, Sandra 3/2014 Green, Cindy and Bob 3/2014 Smith, Rita 3/2014 Nikkinen, Leslie 3/2014 Palladini, Debbie & Durant, Rose 3/2016 Pickenpaugh, Vernon and Betty, PLSP 3/2014 Reinhardt. Jeannie 3/2014

MEMBERSHIP

Cindy Green, Lecturing Knight

Greetings Members! If anyone remembers, I wrote an article a few months ago that quoted Winston Churchill and referred to "change". Well, our Lodge has been in the process of changing again. We have a new Exalted Ruler and some other new officers. Due to the change of E.R. and it being our summer season, we did not have Initiation of new members last month. There were scheduling problems due to travel and vacations, but we are back on track this month with several new members in the queue. We

Be an Elksize Booster!

\$10.00 per year helps offset the cost of the Elksize.

Boyd, Pat 05/2013 Fennell, Pat & Marilyn 6/2014 In Memory of Charlie Fiveash 5/2015 In Memory of Harold Siddens, Linda & Richard 3/2018 Wright, Vera 3/2018 Donna Halsey 4/2013 Jan Simpson & Charles Rice 5/2013

are also considering a new date for Initiation, hoping to bring our newest members together with those of us who have been here for awhile. I have seen many new members step up to volunteer over the past year in different capacities and hope we can continue the trend. Some of us seasoned volunteers will continue to change and grow, then mentor others. When we start with our volunteers inside the Lodge, we can continue to contribute to our charities and the community. Finally, whether you are able to help or not, I hope you will continue to be inspired in your journey

through Elkdom.



Next month!!!

Tampa hosts Paws for Patriots at a special event to promote our ENF grant and the Paws program of Southeastern Guide Dogs.

DD/VP Visits are underway....pictures to follow. Check your calendar for

dates and times!

President's visit and photos of events! Including an Elks Day at The Rays Baseball Game!



Athena House Ladies, and The Tampa Elks #708 Athena Committee visited The Straz Center on July 21st for a backstage tour of Tampa's own professional theatre.

The two hour tour was hosted by tour guide,

and Tampa Elk, Jan Bertock (2nd from left). Here the ladies are on stage and striking a pose under the floodlights of the theatre. Photographer was Rita Smith, Chairperson of the Athena House Committee.



August Menus Tampa Elks Lodge #708 Friday Night Fare

Aug	ust	2n	d
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Prime Rib Dinner \$12.00
Chicken Pasta Primavera Dinner \$9.00
(both served with baked potato, asparagus, & salad)

Patty Melt, slaw and french fries \$7.00

August 9th

Baked Lemon Chicken Dinner \$9.00
Beef Tips and Noodles Dinner \$8.00
(both served with baked potato, peas and carrots, & salad)

Reuben Sandwich, slaw and french fries \$7.00

August 16th

New York Strip Steak Dinner \$12.00 Stuffed Pork Chop Dinner \$9.00 (both served with baked potato, broccoli & cheese, & salad)

Patty Melt, slaw and french fries \$7.00

August 23rd

Baked Ham Dinner \$9.00
Homemade Meatloaf Dinner \$8.00
(both served with mashed or sweet potato, green beans & salad)

Reuben Sandwich, slaw, french fries \$7.00

August 30th

Spaghetti Dinner with salad and garlic bread \$8.00

NOTE: may substitute french fries for baked potato





Visit these web links for ELK information and events!

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 www.tampaelks.com

Tampa Elks Facebook www.facebook.com/#!/ElksLodge708



Americanism

Richard Florance, ER Americanism Chairman



AMERICAN ELKS - ECHOES of OUR SUCCESSES

There comes at certain times in nearly everyone's lives - a time to look back for those milestones of personal achievement or the realization of a goal completed with great personal satisfaction "that YOU did it"! Now as an American Elk in our lodge - how long has it been since you felt totally and completely pleased with this particular outcome? For many Elks there becomes too much distance between these feelings of "triumph". What does this mean, you ask? The best and easiest answer is one simple word that we all overlook - TEAMWORK- or the realized value we all feel when we accomplish a particularly successful event for the benefit of our membership, that we -- you, me, your pal, your spouse, have all pulled together and actually "DONE IT".

Two important major lodge events that come to mind are Tampa Elks # 708's annual "Gasparilla Boat Parade" that is an all-day affair AND takes over50 to 60 people to organize, set-up, serve & "have fun doing it" with our lodge's committees and with our local "members & guests" from other Elks organizations that come to Tampa to celebrate. The second instance that comes to mind is our upcoming "Gasparilla Parade Float" - that has already been given a permit to enter in February 2014's "Gasparilla Parades". This will mean to our Tampa Elks Lodge # 708 membership -- a new & larger

"Return to the Tampa Scene" - because we will be having & needing two "Elks Teams" to STEP-UP and Volunteer! It is the efforts on our lodge's membership & the publicity that our Elks Charities provide to our Tampa Bay area that will ensure our future.

Remember Elks Care and Elks Share.

Richard Florance, Exalted Ruler, Americanism Chairman 813-831-0518 rhflorance@yahoo.com





Lounge News

"Peggi"

"Courtney"

"Sam"

50, IS IT HOT ENOUGH FOR EVERYONE?!

Your Lodge has a fantastic way for you to cool off - our Drink Special this month (while it lasts) is Blackbeard Spiced Rum Madras (ONLY \$3.50 - Blackbeard Spiced Rum, cranberry and orange juice - yummy!).

The Rays are doing well and all games are played here on your big screen TVs for your convenience. Come on down and enjoy the drink of the month special while watching the game and enjoying festivities at your Lodge.

The Supper Club/Dining Club is having a cold feast on Sunday, August 18 at 5:00 p.m. Some of the best dishes come through every month and it is worth coming in and participating.

Tailgate parties will begin in September when the Bucs start a new and exciting season!

As always, Peggi, Sam and Courtney look forward to serving you!



From the Secretary:



We have currently

47 unpaid members. They are listed on the bulletin board in the lodge, and elsewhere in this issue of Elksize. Please take a moment to look at the list and if

STATE PRESIDENT'S PLANNING MEETINGS

Reverse Raffle Drawing for Winners Fundraiser State President Visit - St Pete -Aug 9

Final State President Planning Meeting - St Pete - Aug 11

WCD PER Association Meeting includes visit from State President - Holiday Isles - Aug 16

State President Visit to WCD - Aug 16-18

you know someone there, give them a call and remind them of the great things Elks do in the community. We accept credit cards for payment as well as cash or check. Also if you have a new address or phone number please contact the office so that we may update your records.

Thanks,

Tracy Horrell, PER, Secretary





Labor Day Celebration

Monday, September 2nd
(Sponsored & Cooked By Your PERs)

Pulled Pork, Potato Salad, Baked Beans,



Plus Corn on The Cob!

Tickets at the bar, just \$10.00













2013 Visitation schedule

Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America
A Fraternal Organization

Rudolph J. "Rudy" Masi, Sr., Vice President West Central District

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WCD 2013 Visitation Dates

August 3, Saturday, Meeting 7:00PM at Seminole #2519

August 10, Saturday, Meeting 7:00PM at Largo #2159

August 16-18, State President Visitation to WCD

August 24, Saturday, Meeting 7:00PM at Tarpon Springs #1719

August 31, OPEN - Labor Day Holiday Weekend

September 7, Saturday, Meeting 7:00PM at Holiday Isles #1912

September 14, Saturday, Meeting 7:00PM at Tampa #708

September 28, Saturday, Meeting 7:00PM at Pinellas Park #2217

October 5, USO Fundraiser for Bay Pines VA @ St. Petersburg #1224

October 12, Saturday, Meeting 7:00PM at St. Petersburg #1224, VP Homecoming

October 26, Saturday, Meeting 7:00PM at Dunedin-Clearwater #1525, DD Homecoming

Important Dates

August 18, Elks Day at the Rays September 20-21, FLOE Convention November 7-9, FSEA Mid-Year Convention December 13, Elks Memorial Service







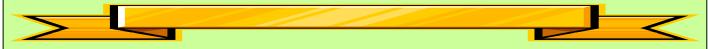
BACK TO SCHOOL!

Tampa Elks Lodge #708

The annual Elks "Back-to-School-Party!" is slated for August 11th, 2013. Plan to join us from 2 until 5pm as we hear from the Honorable Judge Matt Lucas. His topic.....

SAY NO TO DRUGS!

Following that the program includes pizza plus fun and games



Delinquent Members

The members listed below remain delinquent for 2013-2014 annual membership dues.

Frances Baranofski, Ronald Baronofski, Henry G. Berge, III, Yolanda Call-Mora, Jack L. Kaplinger, Glenn W. Cook, Majorie H. Di Sabatini, Patrick Egan, Jeffery G. Ferguson, William Garrett, Sisto A. Giordano, Mr. Gail W. Greene, Steven Hall, John Orlando Holaday, Anna Hughes, Elizabeth Hulsey, Edward L. Kent, William Kinney, Bridgette Koechlein, Milton Kuzma, Mr. Ray Lampe, Jay Lieras, Andrew James Matthews, PER, Scott Miller, PER, Darren Nesberg, George C. North, Raymond Oprisko, Pamela Osborne, Cristina Pando, Charles K. Power, Wendy Qualls, Darrell, L. Richmond, Kim Rohm, Richard E. Rohm, Steve J. Ruda, Brian Sanchez, Kelly H. Sapp, Robert E. Stellges, Robert L. Sylvester, Lynn Szeliga, Petra Szymeredy, Ms. Deborah Tanner, John Waby, Grady Wade, Beverly Wick, Wendy Weisler, Byron J. Ziegler



Grand Lodge and State Dates to Remember

State President Visit to WCD VP/DD Visits in WCD

Aug 16-18, 2013

July 27-Oct 26, 2013 (See dates on page 12)



Calendar Meeting!

August 13th for Lodge and LOE 7:00pm....Bring your project plans and dates to the meeting!







August 2013 Calendar of Events

Saturday 3 WCD-DD/VP VISIT 6pm-Seminole	50th B'DAY PARTY BACK HALL 6-10pm WCD-DDWP VISIT 6pm-Largo	I 7 STATE PRESIDENT VISIT TO WCD	24 WCD-DDVP VISIT 8pm-Tarpon Springs	31
Friday SFRIDAY MEAL 6:30 to 8:00p	9 FRIDAY MEAL 6:30 to 8:00p	FRIDAY MEAL 6:30 to 8:00p STATE PRESIDENT VISIT TO WCD	23 FRIDAY MEAL 6:30 to 8:00p	30 FRIDAY MEAL 6:30 to 8:00p
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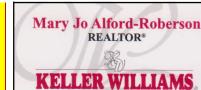




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