

# ELK Tampa 708 SIZE



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**Tampa Elks Lodge #708 Founded 1902**

*110 years Strong*

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**Office Hours**  
12 till 5 P.M. Monday thru Friday

**Lounge Hours**  
4:00P.M. till Closing  
*Note- if Five or less people are present the lodge will close—The House Committee*

## Upcoming Events

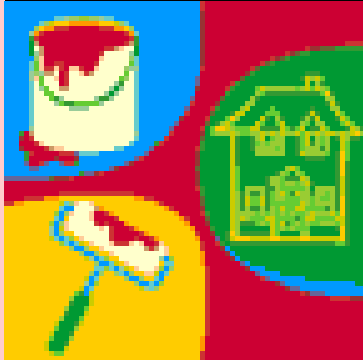
Mark your calendars for these upcoming events!

LODGE PAINTING	SAT / SUN	MARCH 2-3TH
LOE MEETING	WENDNESDAY	MARCH 6TH 7:30 PM
BUSINESS MEETING	WENDSDAY	MARCH 13TH 7:30 PM
APPRECIATION AND AWARDS NIGHT	WENDSDAY	MARCH 14TH 6:30 PM
ST PATTY'S PARTY	FRIDAY	MARCH 15TH
SUPPER CLUB	SUNDAY	MARCH 17TH 5:00 PM
TRIVIA NIGHT (SUPPORTS VETERANS)	THURSDAY	MARCH 21ST 7:00 PM
VETERANS DINNER	FRIDAY	MARCH 22ND 6:00 PM
P.I.P BANQUET	SATURDAY	MARCH 23RD 6:00 PM
SALSA EVENT	SUNDAY	MARCH 24TH 4:00 PM
BUSINESS MEETING	WENDSDAY	MARCH 27TH 7:30 PM
INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS	SATURDAY	MARCH 30TH 6:00 PM
LIVE ENTERTAINMENT AND FULL DINNER MENU		EACH FRIDAY NIGHT
BREAKFAST	EVERY SUNDAY	8:00 A.M. TILL NOON

-and, of course-

**Bingo Every Monday Night** 6:30 PM till 10:00 PM

Assistance for any of the events is ALWAYS appreciated.  
Contact any committee Chairman or Lodge officer if interested.



### Tampa Elk #708 Beautification and Painting Party! March 2nd and 3rd.

Funds have been donated to give OUR lodge a much needed update. Whether you can paint or not, We would like you to join us for the fellowship, and some light work while giving our building some much needed ELK TLC.

You can't paint, NO Problem! Just be ready to help in other ways, I.E. supply runners, lunch preparation, moral support, etc.,. It will be FUN and when we are done the building will have a much needed and more contemporary façade.

Hope to see you there!



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## EXALTED RULER ADDRESS | Tracy Horrell, ER, PLP



Wow! A year has gone by already. It's true what they say, "Time flies when you're having fun"! This has been a great year and I am so very thankful to have shared it with all of you. My friends, my family...my Elk family. Each one of you have done a great job in making our Lodge the best in Florida.

At the beginning of last year I spoke of attitudes being contagious and how a positive attitude can be passed on and caught by many. I still believe this to be true. Like most people, I can have a bad day, but I can come into our Lodge, sit next to someone, see their cheerful smile and positive attitude and I begin to smile too. That's what makes this place so wonderful. All of you. All of the Elks that support our Lodge. All of the Elks that volunteer their time to make our Lodge the best. Keep up the great work Elks!

As I pass on the title of Exalted Ruler to the next person, I would like to see them keep the momentum going and this Lodge will continue to do amazing charitable work for our great order.

Thank you all again for your time, patience and dedication with me, your fellow Elks, and our Lodge.

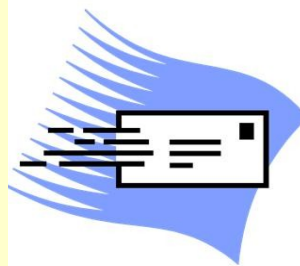
## Elks, Step Up, Stand Proud.!

See you at the Lodge!

Fraternally,  
Tracy Horrell, ER

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

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



**Tracy Horrell | Exalted Ruler**  
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**Paul Deland | Secretary**  
dukeofdeland@hotmail.com  
**Cindy Green | Treasurer**  
Treasurer708@gmail.com



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**LODGE OFFICERS**

**Exalted Ruler**

Tracy Horrell, ER, PLP

**Leading Knight**

Pat Boyd

**Loyal Knight**

Richard Florance

**Lecturing Knight**

Albert Schnut

**Tiler**

Robert Summers

**Esquire**

Christine Harris

**Secretary**

Paul Deland

**Treasurer**

Cindy Green

**Inner Guard**

Tamatha Manley

**Chaplain**

Vic Thomas, PER

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**5-Year**

Brian Brantley PER

**4-Year**

Addison Horrell

**3-Year**

Jackie Appel

**2-Year**

Sharon Ford

**1-Year**

Shelagh Gombarcik

**LADIES OF THE ELKS**

**President**

Susie Harlow

**Vice President**

Sue Moore

**Secretary**

Sarah Ferguson

**Treasurer**

Donna Halsey

**Parliamentarian**

Lisa Snyder

**Chaplain**

Susan Hagan

**HOUSE COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Carl Williamson: Chairman

Jackie Apple

Pat Boyd

Bill Edwards

Richard Florance

Bobby Green

Melissa Helfer

Candy Hodgson

Sandy Mayo

Mark McDonough

Robert Summers

Vic Thomas

Lesley Nikkinen

**Committees**

**Accident Prevention**

Addison Horrell

**Americanism**

Richard Florance

**Athena House**

Tracy Horrell, ER, PLP

**Auditing**

Ben Veneble

**Bell Ringers**

Pat Fennell

**Bingo**

Brian Brantley, PER

**Blood Mobile**

Vic Thomas, PER

**Bulletin (Elksize)**

Pat Boyd

**Bylaws**

Rita Smith

**Community Activities**

Vic Thomas, PER

**Convention**

William Edwards, PER, PLP

**Drug Awareness**

John Wayne, PER and

Tamatha Manley

**Elks National Foundation**

Richard Florance

**Elks Training**

Pat Boyd

**Entertainment**

Robert Summers

**Flag Day**

Richard Florance

**Government Relations**

Pat Boyd

**Hall Activities**

Wendy Hall

**Harry Anna Foundation**

Pat Boyd

**Membership / Lapsation**

Pat Boyd

Cindy Green

**Committees**

**Hoop Shoot**

John Wane PER and

Addison Horrell

**House Committee**

Carl Williamson, PER

**Indoctrination**

Pat Boyd

**LOE Liaison**

Susie Harlow

**Lodge Activities**

Addison Horrell

**Maintenance**

Bobby Green

**Memorial Day**

Richard Florance

**Mother's Day**

Tracy Horrell, ER, PLP

**Officer Attendance**

Tracy Horrell, ER, PLP

**Parliamentarian**

Mike Pierson

Ron Simpson

Bob Pitney

**Presiding Justice**

John Redding

**Public Relations**

Kim VanWalker

**Sickness**

Pat Boyd

**Soccer Shoot**

John Wayne, PER

**Sports Activities**

John Wayne, PER

Tamatha Manley

**Veterans Services**

March Bertoch

**Visitation**

Leslie Nikkinen

**Website**

Marty Quire

**Youth Activities**

John Wayne, PER

**Membership Recruitment Honors List 2012/2013**

The following are members who helped the our lodge GROW.

- Tracy Horrell (3)
- Paul Deland (1)
- Brian Brantley (1)
- Florence Wayne (1)
- Courtney Taylor (2)
- Jack Cantwell (1)
- Bill Dean (2)
- John Wayne (1)
- Wendy Hall (2)
- Craig Newberg (2)
- Donna Cuesta (1)
- Sarah Ferguson (1)
- Lesley Nikkinen (1)
- Yolanda Cali Mora(2)
- Connie Paluck (1)
- Rita Smith (2)
- Patricia Bellairs (1)
- Sheryl Jorgensen (1)
- Robert Summers (1)
- Chris Miles (1)

**Save the Date**  
**"Rescheduled"**  
**Appreciation and Awards Night!**  
**March 14th, 2013 starting at 6:30**  
**for cocktails and dinner at 7:00 P.M.**



## LOE PRESIDENTS REPORT SUSIE HARLOW LOE PRESIDENT



I hope everyone survived Gasparilla and all of the parades and activities. I am sure fun was had by all who participated. Now before we could think about it Spring will be upon us and that means Easter is coming. We will decide at our March meeting what we will do to celebrate with children. We will actually have the Bunny visit us two times this election year. Lucky us. The nominations for office will be in March with the elections to be held in April. We will have installation soon thereafter.



I would like to thank everyone for their patience the last two months. However we need to get busy quickly working on our projects. Elks State Convention is right around the corner also. I hope to see everyone back at our meetings.

### JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

John Flowers	1/15
Tom Hagan	1/18
Shirley Adams	1/20
Sandy Andrews	1/28

### FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Sharon Ford	2/5
Susie Harlow, LP	2/9
Berni Turpin, PLP	2/11
Bill Helsel	2/11
Ben Venable	2/12
Crystal Carter	2/15
Reta Roederer, PLP	2/16
Robbie Snyder	2/26

### MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Sandy Brantley	3/8
Sue Mason	3/12
Debbie Osterbrock	3/13
Ziggy Zeigler	3/13
Virginia Sapp	3/16
Diane Lee-Adams	3/23
Frances Salter	3/26
Cindy Ullen	3/26

### 365 Club Susie Harlow, LP

Hello To All:

As you may know by now our 365 Chairperson Vera Almstedt has moved to North Carolina to be near her family. I hope she was able to tell everyone good bye. She is looking at this as a new adventure for her. We wish her all the best luck in the world and thanks for taking care of the 365 Club for many years. She wanted me to thank Helen from Bingo, Bill Helsel, Betty Tomczak and Shelagh Gombarcik. Also donations from the bar and tables. We are very behind on donations now so please take home a little house to fill up and we can dedicate that month to Vera.

### Special Thanks

It is with pleasure we acknowledge the work performed by Rita Smith PLP. Ritas' recent retirement, after over 20 years, from the US Postal Service, has given her more time and energy to assist our lodge with a number of projects. She is around and has even begun assisting in the kitchen.

Thank you Rita for participating in and supporting our lodge and the community. Next time you see her, give her a hug and a hearty "Well Done." OH!— Enjoy your retirement!!!

Tracy Horrell ER



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**OFFICER OF THE MONTH**

**Jackie Appel**

Jackie has been very instrumental in helping the Board of Directors with the budget and is knowledgeable of her duties as a trustee and takes it very seriously. Throughout the year she has helped support the lodge with convention, clean up day, set up of functions and participated in many lodge functions. I applaud her dedication to Tampa 708 and to our order. Please give her a warm Thank you when you see her!

**Elk of the Month**

**Phyllis Miller and Sandy Mayo**

You may not see Phyllis as often in the lodge because she is more of the back scene kind of person. She is the Zen Master! Always there to help me keep things in perspective. Always contributing to our charities and there at the lodge to bring fun and lots of laughter at Karaoke (which she learned from Marty) I thank you Phyllis!

Sandy Mayo- I love her energy at the house committee meetings she brings new ideas to help us move forward. She is one of the first to volunteer when there is work to be done. She always brightens the lodge with her warm smile! Thank you for all you do for Elkdom! Please congratulate her when you see her.

**FaceBook Information**

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

**New Tampa Elk Candidates**

Name	Occupation	Location	Proposer	Balloting Date
Cole Miles	Construction	Tampa FL	Chris Miles	Feb 27, 2013
George Clemente	Retired	Tampa, FL	Paul Deland	March 13, 2013
Robert Bryja	Consultant	Tampa, FL	Courtney Taylor	March 13, 2013
Cindy Walton	Executive Mgt	Tampa, FL	Wendy Hall	March 13, 2013
Nicole Covington	Homemaker	Tampa, FL	Wendy Hall	March 13, 2013
Debbie Osterbrock	Consumer Protection Investigator	Tampa, FL	Howard James	March 13, 2013

**New Tampa #708 Elks**



Donna Garnett



Janet Hill



Vera Wright



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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**

Rita Smith 2014

**PLATINUM INVESTORS - \$100**

Fennell, Pat & Marilyn 6/2013  
 In Memory of Fennell, Jerrye and Patrick 6/2013  
 Florance, Dick 7/2012  
 In Memory of Richard A Palmer 8/2012  
 Palladini, PSP, Frank & Ebba Jean 6/2015  
 Pickenpaugh Vernon and Betty FLOE PSP 10/2012  
 Snyder, Robert & Lisa 5/2013  
 Vera Wright 2015

**SILVER INVESTORS \$21 - \$50**

**BRONZE INVESTORS \$10-\$20**



Always Working on Tampa ELKs behalf:

**John and Flo Wayne**

Be an Elksize Booster!

**Just \$10.00 per year helps offset the cost of printing/mailling the Elk-**

Boyd, 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  
 Pickenpaugh, Vernon and Betty 05/2013  
 Vera Wright 2018

**American Cancer Society "Relay for Life" Interbay  
 Pat Boyd**

ONLY ONE Month to show the community  
 "Elks Care Elks Share"

For the third year running, Tampa Elks 708 is participating in the American Cancer Society, Relay for Life! In honor of our departed Elk Tommy McHugh we are again registered as **"Me and my Monkeys."** The Pledge website has been formed and we encourage all to participate via either pledging cash or participating during the event. Information can be found on the web at:

<http://main.acsevents.org/goto/Tampaelks708>

**GO to the web and click on get involved -> Donate**

**Type in the team name "Me and My Monkeys" and make your pledge Today!**

This event has special meaning because we have recently lost loved ones and Great Elks to this horrible disease. Participate in something bigger than the individual! Join "Me and my Monkeys" today.

Make a pledge or volunteer for one of the Relay Events as an ELK  
 Help us extends our community reach and expand our financial commitment to the  
**"American Cancer Society!"**



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### **Tampa Lodge # 708 House Rules**

1. The House Committee will at their discretion designate the hours and days of the Club or Lounge operation. The Lounge will be closed during all Lodge Meetings and special ceremonies. The hours of operation will be posted.
2. I.D. Cards issued by the Secretary shall be honored in the Lounge.
3. Any member in debt to the Lodge will not be permitted to participate in Lodge activities, or use of Lodge facilities.
4. Member-guests shall be signed in and non-member guests shall be signed in by a member in good standing, who must remain in the Lodge with the guest.
5. Non-member guests will be held accountable to the same standards as members. Members will be held accountable for the actions of their non-member guests.
6. Tampa Lodge #708 is a Non-Smoking Lodge.
7. Dress Requirements: Elk members and guests are expected to wear attire that is neat and clean. Examples of unacceptable attire include being barefoot, wearing dirty, torn or ragged clothing, attire that is sexually revealing or clothing with obscene or vulgar wording or pictures. The Exalted Ruler or appropriate function/event chairperson may specify the proper dress code for special events.
8. No minors are permitted to be seated at the bar.
9. No confidential Lodge business shall be discussed at the bar.
10. Loud, boisterous or obscene language, or conduct unbecoming an Elk, is strictly prohibited and will not be tolerated. Violations are subject to House Committee action, up to and including suspension of Lodge privileges.
11. No alcoholic beverage of any kind for consumption or unsealed shall be brought into or taken out of the Lodge.
12. No animals are allowed in the Lodge except for those trained to assist disabled persons or for the purpose of a special demonstration.
13. No one is allowed behind the bar, unless in the performance of his or her duties.
14. Checks in excess of \$50.00 above the purchase shall be approved by a member of the House Committee or the Lodge Secretary. A member issuing a worthless check will have his or her check cashing privilege suspended until the debt has been satisfied including payment of a worthless check fee as provided for by law.
15. It will be at the discretion of the Bartender and/or a House Committee member to stop serving alcohol to anyone who they feel has consumed enough alcohol to impair their judgment.
16. The Lounge will always be subject to the Rules and Regulations of the Business Professional Regulations, Division of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco.
17. Complaints, comments or suggestions concerning the operation of the home club operations, shall be in writing addressed to the House Committee.
18. Whenever the House Rules are changed or amended and approved by the Grand Lodge, a copy of the new House Rules will be published in the next available Elksize and distributed to the general membership. Thereafter, a copy will be provided to all new members at the time of their initiation along with copies of the Constitution and Bylaws. A current copy of the House Rules will be displayed on the main Bulletin Board at all times.
19. The responsibility for the compliance of these House Rules belongs to all members.

**Approved by the Grand Lodge Judiciary Committee in Jan. 2013**

## Bylaw Revision Committee Report Rita Smith, Bylaw Chairperson

I am pleased to report that we have received notice from the Grand Lodge Judiciary Committee that the Bylaw Changes voted on in October have been approved, with one placement change on where to put new language. It will take several months before we have the new printed copies. The House Rules, which were also approved as submitted, are being printed in this Elksize in their entirety, but I will summarize the Bylaw changes.

Life membership rights can be purchased for 25 times the annual dues; Life members pay \$10.00 to Tampa Lodge 708 plus State and Grand Lodge assessments.

There will not be a second meeting in the months of May and November. Alternative forms of the rituals, as approved by Grand Lodge, may be used at the discretion of the presiding officer.

The Treasurer's salary is now \$75.00 a week.

All bills, except recurring bills from "utilities companies or food and beverage distributors" must be voted on by the membership prior to payment being made.

The House Committee now has only seven members, instead of thirteen.

Dues increased to an amount totaling \$93.25 when state and National Assessments are added to the \$75.00 for the Tampa Lodge.

The LOE's name was corrected to read: Ladies of the Elks Auxiliary Tampa No. 708.

Last, but not least – Our unique Partners in Progress Fund, and the procedures for withdrawing funds, are now outlined in the Bylaws.

I again want to thank the Bylaw committee, Chris Miles, Pat Boyd, Richard Florence, Cynthia Green and Tracy Horrell, for their many hours of work to make this General Revision a success.

## LATIN FLAVOR AT THE ELKS

**GSALSAUNIT**

Back  
by  
Popular  
Demand



March 24th – SUNDAY FROM 4PM TO 9PM

**\$8.00 ADVANCE**  
Available at Tampa Elks lodge #708

**\$10.00 AT THE DOOR**

A night you don't want to miss!!!  
We going to have an Amateur Dance Contest:  
non – professional nor teacher:  
Come win a Salsa Dance Trophy

Snacks available while they last...

Drinks available at a cost\$\$\$-very reasonable...

Performances (TO BE ANNOUNCED)

CALL US IF YOU HAVE  
ANY QUESTIONS  
813-342-8203

ELKS LODGE #708  
3616 WEST GANDY BLVD  
HOST:  
GUS ADAMS



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**Visit these web links for ELK information and events!**

Grand Lodge

[www.elks.org](http://www.elks.org)

Florida State Elks Association [www.floridaelks.org](http://www.floridaelks.org)

Florida State Elks Online Community Forum

[www.talkoftheelks.org](http://www.talkoftheelks.org)

Tampa Elks Lodge #708

[www.tampaelks.com](http://www.tampaelks.com)

Tampa Elks Facebook

[www.facebook.com/#!/ElksLodge708](http://www.facebook.com/#!/ElksLodge708)



**Americanism -  
March - Changing Dynamics of Elks  
Lodge's Leadership  
Dick Florance Americanism Chairman**



The annual trek of all lodge's movement forward ends on March 31st - and begins anew on April 1st. Newly voted-in positions of lodge leadership roles are assumed by member-chosen elections and new committee volunteer leaders move into new/ or not-so new Chairs as selected or volunteered-for through the lodge's Exalted Ruler's discretion - or also by past merit of a past volunteer's continuing interest and success as a leader of a particular committee. As Elks members progress and become more and more active we learn and participate in Officer positions or Committee Chairs or committee person volunteers - all are synonymous with each other as volunteers - and TWO key occurrences happen that make our Elks organization the B.P.O.E. - Best People On Earth.

The First key to Elks success is the development and continuance of Friendship and Trust that we all find with and for each other-as our work for Elks Charities progress and our Elks social activities occur and mold us ALL into a moving, cohesive, purposeful, multi-tasking part of America that is vital to our social fabric at all levels of society.

The SECOND key occurrence is that as Elks we all learn to practice with ever-increasing grace and respectful humility that the four Hallmarks that have become the unique Banners of all American Elks - and in every lodge are our Station's Motto's - Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love, and Fidelity. But -- as Elks we all know that not any one of us is "perfect" in every way. Our long-gone "but-never forgotten brothers and sisters as absent members" have a realistic and greater understanding of our current Elks - even as near as today - because our Elks Motto of " the faults of our members we write upon the sand - their virtues upon the tablets of love and memory" continues to live in every Elks lodge today. If we all follow our hearts and minds in these simple and honest ideals Tampa Elks Lodge #708 will exist forever!



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**Bartender News***“Peggi”**“Courtney”**“Sam”*

Welcome to March! It's been a banner year at your Lodge. Many new energetic and fantastic members. Many great changes! We're looking forward to an even better year starting April 1st.

Please come down and meet your new Tuesday bartender, Sam. He is a wonderful addition to the Lodge and he anticipates meeting all of you.

There are upcoming events in March such as the Drug Awareness Ice Cream Social on March 17th, the Awards Appreciation Dinner, Installation of Officers as well as a PIP banquet. Check your calendars and the Elksize for specific dates and times. Please plan on attending some of these events. Remember, your Lodge is open for your enjoyment, **EVERY DAY OF THE WEEK!**



Specialty Drinks

Lodge # 708



Tampa Florida

**E**verlasting  
Cosmo

Loyal  
Lemon Drop

**K**indness  
Blue Hawaiian

Ask your Lounge Professionals  
for more information!

**Elk's Dinner Group**

On March 17th, we're going to defy (Irish) convention, and "put our French on"! French ingredients (baguettes, brie, foie gras....) French dishes (quiche, bœuf bourguignon, crepes) or French sounding stuff (etouffee, fricasee, french fries...)

We will also have a movie; "Ratatouille", a Disney pixar-animation film about a rat with gourmet aspirations.

Come join us, bringing either a dish or a donation, Sunday, March 17th at 5:00 pm.

Bob Appetit!

Thanks!

Candy Hodgson

**Bands in March  
2013**

*March 1st "Sound Reason"*  
*March 8th "Carol and Paul"*  
*March 15th "Keith and Ruby"*  
*March 22nd "Chris and Bob"*  
*March 29th "Fiona and Rick"*



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**Youth Activities**  
**John Wayne**  
**Florida Youth Camp Advisor for Tampa lodge #708**

Florida State Elks Youth Camp applications arrived and can be picked up at the office or by talking with John Wayne PER. The timeframes are for the weeks of June 16, 2013 and July 21st, 2013. The camp is available for boys and girls ages 9 through 13.

\Don't be left out, Don't deprive your kids a chance to attend the Number ONE Youth camp in the USA.

Talk with your

children and ask them to invite a friend to go along. They will be guaranteed to make friends along the way...

Along with the office staff, I will have applications. The applications are also available "ONLINE. If you are interested and/or want to know more about the camp, leave a message at 813-837-4252 or contact the lodge office at 813-831-4280.

**Editors NOTE: BELOW is an excerpt from the Florida State Website regarding The Youth Camp:**

**"Enriching the Lives of Children**

The Florida Elks Youth Camp, Inc., a not-for-profit corporation, is dedicated to enriching the lives of children from the state of Florida. The camp staff presents a safe camp experience that contributes to each camper's mental, physical, and social growth.

The Florida Elks Youth Camp (FEYC), a project of the Florida State Elks Association, is located on 405 acres of rolling hills, forests, lakes, and open space in Marion County, Florida. The Florida Elks are proud that our camp is accredited by the American Camping Association and is recertified every three years to assure compliance and a safe camping environment for children. The camp has a ratio of one counselor and one counselor in training to every seven campers.

The camp opened its doors in 1991 to all of the children of Florida and has played a pivotal role in the development of so many children. It offers them countless opportunities that have not previously been available to them. Their team-building skills are improved, they have access to state of the art recreational equipment, and they have a chance to enjoy themselves in a caring, social setting where the good of the children is always the priority.

Who uses the camp? We offer summer camp opportunities to any Florida child as well as Elks' children and grandchildren at a modest cost for one or two weeks. However, we don't turn away those unable to pay. Additionally, the camp is used year-round by a wide variety of organizations dedicated to enriching the lives of children in general and underprivileged and disabled children in particular.

The camp has become one of the finest of its kind in the country. It is already a facility that Florida Elks take pride in, and it is a popular place for Florida's young people, as thousands use it every year. We hope that, at some point, you are able to visit the youth camp when visiting in the area."



**Honoring OUR Best—OUR Veterans**  
**With Food and Entertainment**

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The Superbowl Sunday Party was a big success. The food was plentiful and excellent (See Chili Cookoff winners opposite page.)

Due to money raised throughout the football season we were treated to Oysters and Gumbo at halftime.

Special thanks to Addison Horrell and Rick Smith (Oyster shucking fools) with Mike Manley and Bill Edwards manning the grill for those who don't eat sliders.

Whether your team won or lost -  
**A great time was had by all!!!**

## Beatitudes of Leadership

Blessed is the Leader who has not sought out the high places, but who has been drafted into service because of his ability and willingness to serve, the leader who knows where he is going and how to get there.

Blessed is the Leader who knows no discouragement, who presents no alibis.

The Leader who knows how to lead without being dictatorial, true leaders are humble, who seek the best for all he serves

Blessed is the Leader who Leads for the good of the most concerned, not for the personal gratification of his own ideas.

The Leader who develops leaders while leading.

The Leader who marches with the group, interpret correctly the signs of the pathways to success.

The Leader who has his head in the clouds and his feet on the ground.

The Leader who considers Leadership an opportunity for service.

**Signed by Vera Wright**



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**Superbowl Chairman  
Lesley Nikkinen** with  
her Chili Judges  
Jack Johnson  
John Redding  
Rick Smith



**Chili Cook-off Winners**

Peggie Tuttle  
Bernie Turpin  
Candy Hodgkins  
And peoples choice  
William T. Edwards PER(3)

# Masquerade Ball for Elks National Foundation





**Grand Lodge and State  
Dates to Remember**

F.S.E.A. Lodge Officer Training March 8 thru 10th Orlando  
Mandatory Meeting with Rudi Masi March 16, 2013 Largo Lodge  
(Exalted Ruler and all District and State Committee Chairs)

**Life Membership Nominations**

Pursuant to Section 14.260 of the Grand Lodge Statues, the following Tampa Elks have been recognized and nominated for inclusion as "Life Members." A final vote will be made at the next Tampa Elks #708 business meeting.

- Robert Sirmans (31 Years)
- Pat Fennell (30 Years)
- Roger Lachance (31 Years)

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# March 2012 Calendar of Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
24	25	26	27	28	1	2
Feb	BINGO Earlybird 6pm & Reg 7pm Grill Open	6:30pm Salsa Dance Lessons	7:30pm Lodge Meeting - Elections		Mar	Lodge Painting
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Lodge Painting	BINGO Earlybird 6pm & Reg 7pm Grill Open	7:00pm Jam Session	7:30pm - 8:00pm LOE Meeting	8:00am - 8:00pm* F.S.E.A. Officer Training Orlando, FL		
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
8:00am - 8:00pm* F.S.E.A. Officer Training Orlando, FL	BINGO Earlybird 6pm & Reg 7pm Grill Open		7:30pm - 8:30pm Lodge Meeting	6:30pm - 11:00pm Appreciation and Awards Night	St. Patty's Party	
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Supper Club	BINGO Earlybird 6pm & Reg 7pm Grill Open	7:00pm Jam Session				6:00pm - 10:00pm PIP Banquet
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
4:00pm - 9:00pm Salsa Event Back Hall	BINGO Earlybird 6pm & Reg 7pm Grill Open		7:30pm - 8:40pm Lodge Meeting			6:00pm - 10:00pm Installation of Officers
31	1	2	3	4	5	6
	Apr	7:00pm Jam Session				



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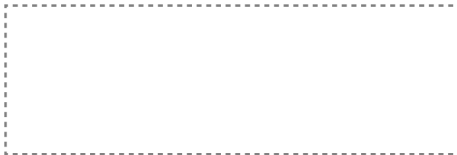
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