

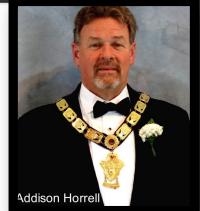
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My Fellow Elks,

What a great time we had at our State Convention! For those who missed it, we had by far the best and most creative hospitality room there! (See pictures in this issue) Tommy Miller went over the top this year in decorating but the comments and praise by other Elks through out the State made it worthwhile. Thanks Tommy for a job well done! I also want to thank Bobby and Cindy Green for all their hard work and dedication to the food and raffles in our hospitality room which helped us succeed in paying for our hospitality room and we even made a few bucks! To all who helped with bar tending, raffles, and food, thank you for your support and dedication! It means a lot!



Our new State President is Danny Tabor who lives in near by Bradenton, his motto for the year: Shooting for our Goals to Protect the Future! He will be visiting our district the weekend of Sept. 5th-7th. Information on this visit will be forthcoming.

We learned during the convention reports that the pavilion at the Youth Camp in Umatilla will be getting a very much needed state of the art kitchen and air conditioning will also be going in to help keep it cool when the over 500 kids are eating their meals while camping. Your donations to Harry Anna have helped in this matter and I thank you!

We have met our ENF per capita goal for the year 2013 - 2014 which enabled us to receive a Gratitude Grant. The \$2,000 grant will be utilized for the CARES Adult Day Services. The Gratitude Grant committee did a fine job along with other members and officers to put on a great grand opening and we also donated equipment for the residents future use. This is a great way to get our name out in the community! VP visits will start on July 26th and you will find the schedule in this month's issue. Starting in October the VP and DD will combine their visits to finish out the year. Come join the fun & fellowship with other Elks not only in our lodge but the district as well. I hear these visits promise to be lots of fun! Several members from Tampa meet at the lodge and carpool - let us know if you would like to join in.

I am very excited that since April 1st we have initiated 6 new members and 1 reinstatement and have 10 candidates waiting. Our membership is growing, please help me by making them feel very welcomed! As we sail through the summer we have lots of events going on in our lodge as well as district. Get involved and lets shine in our community!

I hope to see you soon! Fraternally, Addison Horrell, Exalted Ruler

WELCOME OUR NEWEST ELKS!







Marielis Rivera



Duane Dannels

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

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

We look forward to hearing from you!

Like us on FB

Tampa Elks Lodge #708

To post items on FB contact Mark McDonough at mark@ioholistics.com or 813-410-4763

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Born 9/13/1941 Initiated 7/28/1993 Deceased 5/5/2014 **Robert E Dickson**

Edward McCaffery Born 5/29/1942 Initiated 5/13/1971 Deceased 5/27/2014

Elks are Never Forgotten, Never Forsaken

LODGE Officers

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Loyal Knight

Cindy Green

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BOARD OF TRUSTEES

5-Year

Courtney Taylor-Weil

4-Year

Bobby Green

3-Year

Brian Brantley, PER

2-Year

Paul Deland

1-Year

Jackie Appel

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Lisa Snyder

LODGE COMMITTEES

Americanism

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Athena House

Rita Smith

Auditing and Accounting

Volunteers needed

Community Activities

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Convention

Bobby Green

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HOUSE

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Cindy Green, Chairman Jackie Appel

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Carl Williamson, PER Bar Manager



Calling All Epicurean Elks...

2014 Gourmet Club

Sunday, July 20th at 5:00 pm



...BRING A DISH (ENTREE, APPETIZER, DESSERT)

FEATURING MEAT - OR A DONATION AND COME DINE WITH US!

trivia...trivia...trivia...trivia...trivia...trivia...

We Asked For Help..... 200 Responded



Tampa Elks Lodge Hall Utilization Committee



THANK YOU ALLM

Wendy Hall, Chairperson

Paul DeLand, asst.

For the weekend days of June 13-14th, and June 21st we held two large events in our hall....We asked for help, and the membership responded....Here is the result for the Lodge......

FRIDAY, JUNE 13th - we worked hard, with many volunteers, to decorate the hall for a Sat. June 14th Wedding and Reception. It went off without a hitch and the event produced nearly \$2,000 in income on expenses of just \$240. In addition the back bar, handled so capably by Courtney Wiehl, brought in sales of \$1,200!!! Plus \$60 to the lodge for the bartender fee.

Our Volunteers: Courtney Weil, Tommy Moore, Sue Moore, Beth Boyd, Bob Surheinrich, Pat Boyd, Tammy Manley, Mike Manley, Mikaela Helfer, Lilly Scionti (SPECIAL THANKS LILLY AS SHE WAS COMPLETING HER SCHOOL COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS!), Pam Ahlf, Donna Ahlf, Brendan Ahlf, Fran DeCristi, Richard Florence & Debbie Osterbrock. (several were non-Elks!)

JUNE 21st - we had a combination baby shower/reunion which continued for six hours. The event produced income of \$417. In addition Bartender Phyllis Watson-Miller produced sales of \$450 from the backbar. Plus \$90 to the Lodge for the bartender fee.

Our Volunteers: Phyllis Watson-Miller, Tammy Manley, Melissa Helfer, and Richard Florence.

IF WE MISSED ANYONE, PLEASE EXCUSE THE OVERSIGHT!

THE LODGE REALIZED NEARLY \$2,500 IN INCOME FOR THE EVENTS, PLUS NEARLY \$1,700 IN BAR REVENUE AND \$150 IN BARTENDER FEES! GRAND TOTAL FOR THE TWO WEEKENDS IS \$4,350, MINUS LIQUOR COSTS.....

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

Addison and Tracy Horrell 6/2015

SILVER INVESTORS \$21 - \$50

Jan Simpson & Charles Rice 5/2014 Shelagh Gombarcik 1/2015 Debbie Osterbrock 11/2015

BRONZE INVESTORS \$10-\$20

YOUR NAME HERE?

PLATINUM INVESTORS - \$100+

In Memory of Thomas McHugh 8/2014
Jack Johnson 11/2014
Fennell, Pat & Marilyn 3/2015
Green, Cindy and Bob 3/2015
In Memory of Fennell, Jerrye and Patrick 3/2015
James, Howard 3/2015
Pickenpaugh, Vernon and Betty, PLSP 3/2015
Schneider, PER, Rick and Jan, 3/2015
Wright, Vera 3/2015
Smith, Rita 4/2015
Appel, Jackie 5/2015
Palladini, PSP, Frank & Ebba Jean 6/2015
Waldbart, Mark 6/2015

Palladini, Debbie & Durant, Rose 3/2016

Elks Care ~ Elks Share

ENF

Gratitude Grant



AWARDED

\$2000.00 to fulfill a need in our community!

Grant Description:

Category: At Risk Seniors/ Relieve government, supplies/equipment

Audience: Disabled Seniors and their caregivers, including government agencies

Describe in Detail your community project: Our Lodge will partner with Cares INC, a 501.3(C) AGENCY that just won the contract to take over the Adult Day Care program for Hillsborough County. They took control of their first facility on May 1st. With this grant, we would purchase and install a 150" viewing screen, and provide a Wii console, a home theatre quality projector and sound system at the newly contracted Cares-Busansky Senior center, which provides adult day care to our neighborhood.

In addition, we would give demonstrations of some of various senor activities it enables, provide refreshments, and take on duties of host/hostesses to approximately 150 seniors, caregivers and community, county and VA administration leaders during their grand re-opening ceremonies on June 26, 2014.

Thurs-July 24

7:00-11:00 Lodge Tiler

Rob Bryja

Spinning Great Dance Music!



Loud n Proud



"Juice" & The Band are back.....





July 25th

Join us for dinner and the masterful music of The Hy-Notes!--



Join us every Monday Night in July
For a Great Movie.
Enjoy some food and drink with Friends.
What better way to start your week?

July 7th





July 14th



Monday Night at the Movies



Thurs - July17 **\$2.00 Trivia Night** 7:00



By Cindy Green

(Multiple Choice)

Proceeds help defray the cost of our Fourth Friday Meals for Veterans

LOE President's Message

Greetings to all fellow LOE members and fellow Elks. The months seem to pass by faster and faster as I sit here another month and ponder what the president's message should be. My youngest child, Hailey, just finished elementary school and is now on to middle school. I am really starting to feel old! Hailey spends a lot of time with me down at the lodge and at Elk events, so I started to think about what I want her to gain from her time hanging out with the Elks and then it struck me; Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love, and Fidelity. Knowing she is young and impressionable now is the time to help instill these qualities in her.



Then I thought who do I know who epitomizes these qualities? One person quickly came to mind, our recently departed Brother, Ed McCaffery. Ed was a 44 year member of the B.P.O.E. Ed passed away on May 26. He surpassed the odds and lived with a transplanted



heart for 18 years. Ed lived life to the fullest and always had a smile on his face and a goofy joke to share. Our love and sympathy goes out to the family of Ed; his lovely wife Katherine, his wonderful daughter Katie, his sweet grandchildren; Gracie Rose, Casey, Cody, and Mandy and to all his friends and family.

During the celebration of Ed's life, a new term was coined – "Edness". This came about as everyone was sharing great stories about the charity and kindness of Ed. No matter what happened, Ed always saw the best in people and in situations. He loved everything he was involved in and it showed in his actions. So as people spoke about all the wonderful things Ed did, "Edness"

arose from the conversation. I don't remember who actually said it (most likely Dave Partlow!), but it really struck a chord with everyone. If we could all follow the values of "Edness" the world (hence the lodge) would be a much better place to be in. So, when you come to a crossroads in life or see an injustice being done, think one word; "Edness".

The LOE is a great example of Charity. We recently participated in the Elks state convention and raised a lot of money for our charities. We just finished our annual Father's Day Ceremony and dinner. We fed almost 50 fathers, guests, and Elks. I want to thank Bonnie Quire and Shelagh Gombarcik for leading this great feat. I also want to thank all the helpers: Edie Hanley, Elma Kelly, Nancy Keesler, Nan Quire, Sue Moore, and Susie Harlow who spent 6 hours on Saturday night peeling, chopping and prepping potatoes and vegetables and then helped cook, serve, and clean up on Sunday. Also a shout out to Donna Halsey for managing the tickets and money and to Cindy Green for doing Father's Day Trivia while dinner was being finalized. The food was absolutely wonderful. I could not have asked for a better group of ladies to work with. As always, we have a great organization that puts others before themselves.

One last thing, the LOE is helping Brian Brantley with his 4th of July dinner (to be held on the 5th of July) for the Vets. We are sponsoring an Ice Cream Bar and are looking for donations of one item per person. The sign-up sheet is on the LOE bulletin board which is next to the picture monitor inside of the entrance doors. We look forward to supporting our Veterans and the Veterans Committee. I hope to see you all at our next regular business meeting on July 2, at 7:30. Dinner will be served at 6:45. In your service,

Theresa Matthews, LOE President

Coming Soon!

LOE SOCK HOP



Learn the Dances Monday Nights at 6:30

\$2.00 donation requested

LOE July Birthdays:

7/1 – Florence Wayne
7/2 – Alice Ferrari
7/8 – Susan Hagan
7/21Nancy Dudley
7/25 Elma Kelly
7/26 Kathy Prince

7/8 – Susaii Hagaii 7/20 Rathy Fince 7/8 – Candice Suhrhienrich 7/29 Beth Boyd 7/10 – Lavelle Sheppard 7/30 Edie Hanley

7/15 – Jacqueline Appel

Please keep praying for Past State President Betty Pickenpaugh as she heals from eye surgery. Get Well wishes go out to Vera Almstedt at 612 Cashmere ct. Sanford, NC 27332

Deepest sympathies go out to Al Piano on the passing of his wife Flo at the Tarpon Springs lodge.

Deepest sympathies go out to the lovely Katherine McCaffery on the passing of her wonderful husband, Ed

Donna Morris Halsey, LOE Chaplain







Elma Kelly, Tampa, won the board

LOE BOOTH

Debbie Farris, Seminole, won the basket



365 CLUB Berni Turpin, PLP

I'm Bernie, your friendly 365 person. I am so happy this month. Look how many boxes were turned in. Donna Halsey, Flo Wayne, PLP, Bonnie Quire, Nancy Dudley, Debbie Osterbrock and a large donation from Krista Hauf. The boxes on the bar and tables yielded more than usual also.

Without your help, the Therapy Vans would be out of business. Thanks so much!

This page looks better in color!
You can access your Elksize at tampelks.com

Youth Activities/ Drug Awareness



The next event is being planned for August, with the support of a Promise Grant from ENF, and will feature a full day of activities for the youth from Big Brothers/ Big Sisters and the Lodge members friends and families. A fun day carnival will take place with activities on Drug Awareness and safety presented at the Lodge by the Police and Fire Departments, games in the morning, and bowling and pizza down the street at Pin a Rama in the afternoon. Watch for an exact date and more details in next month's Elksize.



John Wayne, PER

Drug Awareness/ Youth Activities Chair

SATURDAY JULY 5TH

(Because THIS Holiday is too big for one day only)

3:00—???

Special Feature: Ice Cream Sundae Bar From the LOE BBQ Chicken Potato Salad Baked Beans Garlic Toast



Tickets only \$10.00 and on Sale at the Lodge or from Brian Brantley Games Raffles & More



Live Music

All Proceeds benefit the Lodge's Veteran's committee projects.

VP/DD Visits

July 26, Saturday, New Port Richey #2284 - (<u>VP Visit only</u>-7 PM / Cocktails 6 PM)

August 2, Saturday, DD Clinic - St Pete 9 AM - Noon

August 2, Saturday, Tarpon Springs #1719 (<u>VP Visit only</u>-7 PM / Cocktails 6 PM)

August 9, Saturday, Dunedin/Clearwater #1525 (<u>VP Visit only</u>-7PM/Cocktails 6PM)

August 16, Saturday, Largo #2159 (VP Visit only - 7 PM / Cocktails 6 PM)

August 22-23, Friday-Saturday, DD Meeting Umatilla

August 31. OPEN - Labor Day Holiday Weekend

September 5-6-7 - State President Visit & Elks Day at the Rays

September 13, Saturday, Seminole #2519 DD Book Inspection @ Noon Seminole VP Meeting 7 PM / Cocktails 6 pm)

September 19-20, Saturday, FLOE Convention

October 1, Saturday, Largo #2159 - DD Book Inspection 4PM

October 4, USO Fundraiser for Bay Pines VA @ St. Petersburg #1224

October 11, Saturday, Tampa #708 - DD Book Inspection 4PM / VP Visit 7 PM

October 18, Saturday, Holiday Isles #1912 - DD Book Inspection 4PM Holiday Isles VP Visit 7 PM / Cocktails 6 PM

October 23, Thursday, Dunedin/Clearwater # 1525 - DD Book Inspection 4 PM

November 8, Saturday, New Port Richey #2284 - DD Book Inspection 9 AM

November 15, Saturday, Tarpon Springs #1719 - DD Book Inspection 9 AM

November 22, Saturday St Pete #1224 DD Book Inspection @ Noon St Pete #1224 VP & DD Homecoming 7 PM / Cocktails 6 PM

Important Dates

July 13-17, BPOE National Convention August 2, DD Clinic - St Pete 9 AM - Noon September 7, Elks Day at the Rays September 19-20, FLOE Convention November 7-9, FSEA Mid-Year Convention December 7, Elks Annual Memorial Service April 11, 2015, DD Clinic, St Petersburg #1224

Fraternally Yours, Toni L Goodrich West Central District VP



ELK OF THE MONTH

Elk of the Month: **Tommy Miller**

What can I say about this person who loads half his house up brings it to convention so we may have the BEST looking hospitality room in the state! Crazy! No just a really unique individual! Most of you don't know he also helps in the kitchen on Sunday mornings and on many Friday evenings cooking burgers. I am so thankful to call him my friend! Congratulate him when you see him at the lodge.



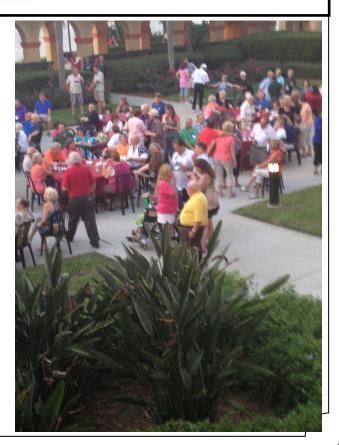
OFFICER OF THE MONTH

Officer of the Month: Jackie Appel

Jackie is a hard working women who still finds time to be a Trustee on the BOD. She was instrumental in preparing with the budget! She must love numbers! She spent a great deal of time helping prepare for convention and making sure we didn't forget anything for the hospitality room and she still found time to make all the meetings. Please help me say Thank you to her the next time you see her!









AMERICANISM REPORT



July 2014 - 238 YEARS of FREEDOM'S RING

As Friday, July 4, 2014 - America's Independence Day comes in all the glory of celebration for our



nation's beginning -with the Barbecues, Corn on the Cob, Baked Beans, & Watermelon's sweetness fresh in your thoughts -- STOP & look deeply into your own mind's eye - with each Lodge Member - all of us - you & me - & pray to God with thanks for all of the sacrifices that our forefathers & our past generations of men, women,& children have given to lead us all in becoming the greatest nation the world has ever known! For 238 Years!! Now, Do You Hear the pealing of our Liberty Bell's of Freedom's Ring??

Please know - come support your Lodge & attend the Barbecue for benefitting our Military Veterans - on Saturday, July 5th in our Lodge's Hall - Event times - 3:00pm until ?? - Check out your ELKSIZE for more particulars!!

Remember to "Welcome Back" Addison Horrell, Exalted Ruler from the Elks National Convention in New Orleans, Louisiana when he returns!

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

Bar Stirrings for July

"Monday Night at the Movies" hosted by Sam and Chris have become a success, as has been demonstrated by the turnouts we have had for several good movies. During the month of July we will be seeing the classics "The Last Picture Show" followed by its sequel "Texasville", both compliments of Ben and Candy Venerable, who have also been so gracious as to supply popcorn for the movies every week.

Then we will be seeing two relatively new movies, "Veronica Mars" and "Jack Ryan: Shadow Recruit". Movies are shown every Monday night at 8 pm, following the Line Dancing class hosted by Debbie Osterbrock. So if you are finding yourself with nothing to do on a Monday night and would like to join with friends to see a great classic or a newly released film or get a cardio workout on the dance floor, come on in!! We'll keep the lights on for you, until 8 pm, that is!!

Also we are going to start doing featured drinks on a monthly basis again.

Our featured drink for the month of July is the "Blue Hawaiian". A cool refresh

Our featured drink for the month of July is the "Blue Hawaiian". A cool refreshing blend of Rum, Pineapple Juice, Coconut Cream and Blue Curacao!!

Stop in and try this tropical treat!!

Also don't forget to ask your bartenders about the free beer glasses we are giving away to our beer drinking members.

Your Bartenders, Sam, Jean and Rich



COME ENJOY A MEXICAN FEAST! FRIDAY JULY 11TH 600-830

COURTNEY AND GRANDMA LALA WILL BE COOKING UP A STORM

Quesadilla Appetizer \$4.95 Guacomole Dip \$3.50

All dinners served with Chips & Salsa, Rice & Rea Green Chile Work Enchiladas \$6.95 Chile Peno's \$7.95 And Fish Tacos \$7.95





Soppia's with Jee Cream for Dessert \$2.95

Friday Night Menus

July 4

Holiday Hours 2-8

Volunteer Bartenders

Bar Food Only

July 11

Mexican Feast Night

See Above

July18

Fried Swai Dinner with French Fries and Cole Slaw \$8.

Or

Rib eye Steak, Salad Baked Potato and Veggies \$12.

July25 (VETS)

Stuffed Shrimp \$11. or Steak \$12.

Salad, Baked Potato Veggie

What is a VP/DD Visit?

For the next three months, you will see the term VP or DD a lot, especially on the Saturday Calendar. The District Vice President (VP) Is Toni Goodrich from Saint Pete. The District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler (DD) is Rudy Masi—Also from St Pete. These are Elks that have been Exalted Rulers in their Lodge and have been chosen by Grand Lodge (National) to represent the Elk's leadership in Chicago. It is their job to visit each Lodge in the district and bring us information from Grand Lodge and also to inspect our books and buildings and report any serious problems to the membership first, then if not corrected, the report goes to Grand Lodge. Each time the VP or DD visits a Lodge everybody in the District is invited to attend. Dinner is served for a nominal fee of about \$5.00, and each Lodge reports how many Officers, Members, Loe or guests are in attendance. More is Better—so you are definitely invited! Just let our Lodge Secretary, Tracy Horrell, know by Wednesday if you would like to attend so she can let the host lodge know how many meals to prepare. It is a great opportunity to visit other Lodges in our District and to learn more about Elkdom.

Tampa Elks Lodge #708 Calendar of Activities

July



		2014				TAMPA 708
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 LOE Dinner 6:45 Meeting 7:30	3 6:30 Orientation 7:30 Initiation	4 th Of July OPEN 2-8	5 Vets BBQ 3:00 \$10.00
6 8:30-12 Full Menu Breakfast	7 6:30 Line Dancing 8:00 Movie	8 6:30 House Committee Meeting	9 Lodge Meeting 7:30	10 VA Bingo @ Hospital	11Dinner and Dancing	12
13 8:30-12 Full Menu Breakfast	Line Dancing 8:00 Movie	15	16	17 Trivia 7:00	18Dinner and Dancing	19 9AM-12 DD Clinic St Pete Hall in Use
208:30-12 Full Menu Breakfast Gourmet Club 5PM	Grand Lodge Con 216:30 Line Dancing 8:00	$\frac{22}{2}$	w Orleans, Louisi 23 Lodge Meeting 7:30	24 Loud n Proud 7:00	25 Vets Dinner and Dancing "Hy Notes"	26 VP Visit NPR#2284 6:00
278:30-12 Full Menu Breakfast 2:00 Calendar	286:30 Line Dancing 8:00	29	30	31		

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Be an SOB!
(Smiling ole Booster)
\$10.00 per year helps offset
the cost of the Elksize.

Fennell, Pat & Marilyn 6/2014

In Memory of Charlie Fiveash 5/2015
James, Howard 3/2016
Debbie Osterbrock 11/2016
In Memory of Harold Siddens, Linda & Richard 3/2018
Wright, Vera 3/2018

Elksize Deadline: July 17th Submit articles or photos to apwurita@hotmail.com

Send me your Selfies taken at the Lodge!