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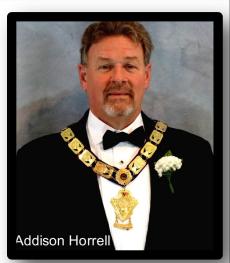
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My Fellow Elks,

Thank goodness that the dog days of summer have come and gone and that we can all look forward to some cooler weather! This also means that football season is underway. Thanks to Chris Miles we have a 135ft projector screen to watch your favorite team. Rita Smith has been instrumental in planning tailgate parties on Sundays with food galore, for a donation. After most games Bonnie Quire will be holding Wii tournaments. It truly is the place to be on Sundays! Come join the fun!

Our VP visitation is on the 11th of October and you sure don't want to miss this event! Cocktails start and 6:00 pm followed by a short meeting from the VP. Come support our lodge and Toni Goodrich who is the VP of the WCD. Courtney Weil will be cooking a fine Italian meal, the price for the evening meal is only \$5.00. As always, please RSVP to the Lodge Secretary by Wednesday prior.



Back by popular demand, Bert and Sassy will be here on Oct. 31st playing your favorite tunes to dance the night away. I'm sure we will have a few ghost and goblins dancing around!

Please help me give a big thank you to PLP Sue Moore and the Ladies for their gift to the Lodge for the year ending 2013- 2014. We have new curtains for the banquet hall. It surely will help with hall events.

I thank you for being a part of this great organization and for being a member of Tampa Lodge 708. I look forward to seeing you here soon!

Fraternally, Addison Horrell, ER

RSVP to help welcome West Central District Vice President Toni Goodrich and District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler Rudi Masi on Oct. 11th. Cocktails at 6:00. Short Program at 7:00. \$5.00 dinner to follow.

#### LODGE Officers

**Exalted Ruler** 

Addison Horrell

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Albert Schnut

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Cindy Green

**Lecturing Knight** 

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Secretary

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Chaplain

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Lisa Snyder

Bonnie Quire (acting)

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Bob Suhrheinrich

### B O A R D O F T R U S T E E S

5-Year

Courtney Taylor-Weil

4-Year

**Bobby Green** 

3-Year

Brian Brantley, PER

2-Year

Paul Deland

1-Year

Jackie Appel

#### LOUNGE Manager

Carl Williamson, PER

BARTENDERS

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## LODGE COMMITTEES

**Americanism** 

**Richard Florance** 

**Athena House** 

**Rita Smith** 

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Volunteers needed

**Chamber of Commerce** 

**Courtney Taylor-Weil** 

**Community Activities** 

**Courtney Weil** 

Convention

**Bobby Green** 

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**Richard Florance, PER** 

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**Cindy Green** 

Music

Mark McDonough

**Veteran's Committee** 

**Brian Brantley, PER** 

**Youth Activities** 

John Wayne, PER

**Youth Camp** 

John Wayne, PER

Website/Email Notices

**Marty Quire** 



PITH DITH

Cocktails - 6:00pm

Dinner - 7:00pm

Dinner - \$5 Chicken Parmesan Pasta

Garlic Bread

Salad



3nd ANNUAL 50'S / 60'S SOCK HOP WITH THE LOE AT TAMPA ELKS #708 3616 GANDY BLVD TAMPA, FL 33611 SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2014 6:00 TO 11:00PM



FOR INFO & TICKETS CALL.

DONNA 813-831-101-

50's & 60's MUSIC BY DJ "BILL JOHNSON"

"BE THERE OR BE SQUARE"

## **Monday Night Movies**

Oct 5 - Julie and Julia - 2009- Candy Venerable- drama/ biography
Oct 12- The Princess Bride - 1987- Rick Smith - cult/ fantasy /romance
Oct 19- Captain America 2 - 2014- Elizabeth Ann- action/fantasy
Oct. 26 - A Horror Flick - by vote - bring your favorite

## From Your Lodge Secretary:



Tracy Horrell, PER

The members of Tampa Elks Lodge 708 listed below are delinquent to their 2014 - 2015 dues. If you sponsored one or more of them, or know them, please contact them about bringing their membership current.

Mary Jo Alford-Robertson, Albert Cagno, Ken Considine, Deborah Dickerson, Roger Dubois, Dan Guggenheim, Cheryl Hecker, Kristina Higgins, William Johansmeyer, Connie Kelly, Ray Lampe, Christopher Layman, Carrie Leskey, Ralph Linnell, Miguel Lucio, David Mills, Yvonne Riley, Walter Rollins, Marie Scheu, Justin Smith, Christopher Spear, Mary Spirtos, Valorne Swaney, Deborah Tanner, Ronald Topp, Huston Tucker, Jr. Willis Jean VanDyke, Rey Villanova, David Warman, Suzanne Widdoes, and Robert Young.

We don't want to lose these 31 valuable members!

## **WELCOME NEW MEMBERS**



Vanessa Morganstern



Pimpa Hoontrakul

## 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

Shelagh Gombarcik 1/2015 Debbie Osterbrock 11/2015

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

YOUR NAME HERE?

## **PLATINUM INVESTORS - \$100+**

In Memory of Thomas McHugh 8/20/14 Johnson, Jack 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 Brennan, John 8/2015 Surheinrich, Bob 9/2015 Surheinrich, Candy 9/15

Palladini, Debbie & Durant, Rose 3/2016

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



Vernon and Betty Pickenpaugh 4/2015
In **Memory** of Charlie Fiveash 5/2015
Donna Morris Halsey 7/2015
Howard James 3/2016
Bob and Candy Surheinrich 9/2016
Debbie Osterbrock 11/2016
In Memory of Harold Siddens, Linda & Richard 3/2018
Wright, Vera 3/2018

# Lots of growing room here!

## Wii Bowling Sundays @ 4:30



Four Players per game, 3-4 games per night. Play until you lose. Fun, Fun, Fun!!



Thurs - Oct.16th **\$2.00 Trivia Night** 7:00



By Cindy Green
Prizes!!!
(Multiple Choice)
Proceeds help defray the cost of our
Fourth Friday Meals for Veterans

Friday - Oct 17 7:00



Bump in the Road Check out their website for their extensive playlist.

## October 2014 - LOE President's Message

Greetings fellow LOE Members,

Hard to believe another month has already rolled by and I am writing another article. It sure seems like there are more than 12 of these in a year! As usual the LOE has been very busy. We have been busy preparing for the annual Florida Ladies of the Elks (F.L.O.E.) conference in Daytona Beach. Sue Moore, our Vice President is the chairwoman of the conference and worked tirelessly to plan fundraising efforts. We will be able to announce the winners of the drawings next month. The Tampa LOE sent over \$1200 to the Florida Elks Children's Therapy Services (FECTS) thanks to the donations by all our members, Elks, and the hard work of our 365 Chairwoman, Berni Turpin. We will report on the conference at the next business meeting.



The LOE also helped support a fundraiser for one of our Elk Members. Thank you for the donations from the following people: Susie Harlow, PLP, Sue Moore, VP, PLP, Lisa & Bob Snyder, Rick Schneider, PER, Candi Suhrheinrich, Robert Bordonaro, Shelagh Gombarcik, PLP, Rita Smith, PLP, Debbie Osterbrock, Katrina Campanello (also known as Hurricane behind the bar), Tina Kamerer, and Theresa Matthews, LP, PLP (forgive me if I missed anyone). And thank you to all the people that brought tickets for the prizes we had.. We were able to donate \$385 to this very worthy cause. Just two nights later, the LOE contributed another Ice Cream Sundae Bar, this time for the Pig Roast ENF/Harry Anna Fundraiser. As always, "Elks care, Elks share". Thanks to all the Ladies that donated toppings also.

Our next big event is the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Sock Hop. This event will be held on October 4 from 6 p.m. to 11 p.m. Our Chairwoman, Donna Halsey, always does a great job planning this event. She thinks of every little detail. The Sock Hop will feature music from the 50's and 60's as well as dancing and a costume, jitterbug, and hula hoop contests. Tickets are \$12 each. You will get a meal, black cows, chips, candy, moon pies, entertainment and birthday cake! Children are welcome for only \$3 for dinner. Please invite everyone you know. We would love to see you there and please dress for the costume contest!

Next, the ladies will be entertaining the visiting dignitaries' spouses during the book inspection on October 11. All LOE members are welcome to participate. We will be entertaining and serving lunch. We will start around 2:30 until approx. 5:30. Then the VP visit will be that evening at the lodge. All Elks and LOE are invited to attend.

Make sure you visit the LOE bulletin board on your way in and out of the social quarters to see what upcoming events and activities we have going on. We will also try to post pictures of our members and guests from some of the different events.

I hope to see you all at our next regular business meeting on October 1, at 7:30. Dinner will be served at 6:45.

In your service, Theresa Matthews, LOE President

## LOE October Birthdays

Oct. 7 - Vernon Pickenpaugh
Oct. 10 - Richard Florence
Oct. 18 - Bonnie Atwood
Oct. 19 - Theresa Matthews
Oct. 25 - Donna Morris Halsey
Oct. 25 - Robert Snyder Jr.

In September we sent a "Thinking of You" card to Berry Pickenpaugh.

Donna Morris Halsey, LOE Chaplain



## 365 Club - Berni Turpin

Hi Readers,

This is Berni and I need to thank some more people who donated last month. Donna Halsey,



Jackie Appel, John and Flo Wayne and Bernie Turpin all turned in houses at the "Last Call," and there is one more house that did not have a name so please come forward if you would like to be recognized. If you need a house to take home please just take one from the dining room and we will replace it. No new houses this month, but there was some money in the houses scattered throughout the Lodge, and Tony Morino always makes a donation when he sees me emptying the houses. Those coins really add up!

## Bucs Tailgates Continue (Even if this quarterback does not!)



Oct. 5 - Bucs @ Saints - The Horrell Family Oct. 12 - Ravens @ Bucs - Paul Deland and Family Oct. 26 - Vikings @ Bucs - Minnesota Hot Dish( Pot Luck)



From Elks.org

## Follow the statutes to a successful Lodge

This is a simple reminder that when we were initiated as Elks we each took a solemn oath called the Obligation. We all took the same oath as there is no short form of the Obligation. At the beginning of this oath, in fact the second paragraph, we each swore to "support the Constitution, and obey the Statutes, rules and regulations of this Order..." As long as you "obey the Statutes" you are in a safe harbor, free from discipline or chastisement. Additionally, every serving Officer doubled up by solemnly promising at his installation to office to "conform with and maintain the Constitution, Statutes, rules and regulations of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America ..."

Lodges have a large degree of independence and sovereignty but each and every Lodge must adhere to a basic structure and rules that are specified in the Statutes. Our Statutes are not laid down as tablets of stone but are adjusted every year by the delegates to the Grand Lodge Sessions. Thus, the Statutes are adjusted to the evolution of our society and culture.

Every Member has the opportunity to initiate a change to the Statutes. The procedure for changing them must be strictly adhered to and also must receive the approval of a majority of the delegates at a Grand Lodge Session.

Truthfulness and adherence to our self-made laws is represented by the principle station of each Local Lodge – the station of the Exalted Ruler. In fact one of the few express statutory duties is to "enforce the Laws of the Order."

Enjoy Columbus Day this month and have a safe and Happy Halloween.

P.S. Be sure to carry a tri-fold membership application – you never know when you might need it ... and thank you for Elevating America.

VOLUNTEERS are not paid Not because they are worthless But because they are PRICELESS!

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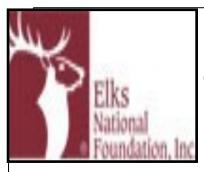
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To post items on FB contact
Mark McDonough at markmcdoo@yahoo.com
or 813-410-4763

Get email updates and event reminders from our webmaster and information distributor,

Marty Quire.
Send your email to
mquire@tampabay.rr.com



## Our Continuing Project

## The Beacon Grant

7:00 on Sunday morning, EVERY Sunday morning, The Tampa Elks and their partners at Hyde Park Methodist Church arrive to start preparing a full brunch for the 160-250 homeless men, women and children that they feed each week. The doors open at 7:30, and the homeless are lined up. Most agencies that feed the hungry are not open on Sunday, so the need is real.





On the Holidays, Tampa Elks Lodge helps make even more of a difference by providing a special meal and distributing new socks, t-shirts and underwear to these less fortunate citizens. Once a month, the homeless have an opportunity to "shop" the used clothing that has been donated. We regularly collect blankets, clothes and shoes for this project. We also collect reusable plastic containers so they may take any leftover food with them for a second, hard to come by, meal.

Tampa Elks Lodge is thrilled to be the recipient of a third ENF Beacon Grant to help fund this project. If you want to see how your donations really make a big difference, check in with our Citizen of the Year, Courtney Weil, past recipient Elma Kelly, or Candy Surheinrich about pitching in on a Sunday morning. There is no such thing as too much help. Preteens or teenagers responsible enough to be safe in the kitchen are also welcome. The Elk members who have served each say it was a great experience that you will want to do again!











Officer of the Month: Bonnie Atwood

Bonnie has been instrumental from her first day in the office by keeping things going smoothly even when Quick-Books wasn't! Diligently she works hard on keeping lodge members in the financial know. This at times as not been easy as we are all still learning the POS system as well as having QuickBooks crash! I thank God she likes numbers! She also volunteers each month when the Vets come on Friday evening. Most times she also makes sure she brings them a special home-baked dessert. She also serves on the Athena Committee and offers many great ideas. She is truly an asset to our Lodge and to our Organization. Please stop by the office and congratulate her!



Elk of the Month: Wendy Hall

Wendy joined the Lodge a few years ago and jumped right in where her talents were needed - Hall Events! Whether it's a wedding, baby shower, quince, or an 80th birthday party she knows how to pull off a great event. These events take a lot of time, effort and understanding of what the client is looking for, to turn dreams into reality while making sure the client is happy when the party is over. She does this with style! Now we have repeat business! We also have well organized closets. Way to go Wendy! This has truly helped our Lodge financially! Please help me to thank Wendy for her dedication to this time consuming project!







At the State President's Dinner , Florida State President Danny Tabor presented our secretary, Tracy Horrell, this award for being the

Outstanding Elk of the West Central District.



Our Servers are now trained.



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## AMERICANISM REPORT





Richard Florence
Americanism Chairman

Authentic History & Origin of BPO Elks - The Eleven O' Clock Toast

The information stated here as paraphrased by me was written by Charles Edward Ellis in 1910 as a BPO Elks Historian. Charles A.S. Vivian, was the son of an English Clergyman came to America as a 22 year old entertainer & formed a group of Actors & others called the "Jolly Corks". When a fellow Actor died unexpectedly before Christmas, leaving a wife & family destitute, the Jolly Corks decided to Turn their Jolly Group into a more purposeful Fellowship - so the Jolly Corks became the Benevolent & Protective Order of Elks. George F. McDonald, who was one of the Original Jolly Corks, described as a man who had considerable Literary Skill felt that the breaking up of Elks sessions at 11pm on Sundays was too casual. Normally, after inquiring about the missing brothers, donations were taken for the poor, & attendees finished their evening without a formal Ceremony of Leave-taking. On May 31, 1868, McDonald proposed a Toast at Eleven O' Clock: "TO OUR AB-SENT BROTHERS". THE TOAST, and the feeling behind it, thus almost from the first became an Elk Landmark. This Landmark - Tradition developed by time, going back to Vivian & McDonald evolved into the Elks Ritual & ELKS USA Statutes - Article I - The Supreme Law Section 1 - Opinion 6. Today the "The Eleven O' Clock Toast" is formalized in Lodge's using "It is the hour of Recollection" - then the entire recitation of the Toast as described in Opinion 6. Note that Opinion 8 - Sentence One -"It is NOT permitted to use a substitute for the Eleven O' Clock Toast in the ritual or any official ceremony prescribed by the Grand Lodge". This sentence thus secures the sanctity, sovereignty, & absolute ownership of "The Eleven O' Clock Toast" for both Elks Ritual - AND for everyday use for all American Elks to remember "Our Absent Members."



## FSEA MIDYEAR CONVENTION November 6-8, 2014

It is now time to make your plans to attend the Midyear Convention of the Florida State Elks Association! This year, our convention is being held at the **Florida Hotel and Conference Center** at the Florida Mall located at 1500 Sand Lake Road, Orlando, FL 32809. The GPS address is 8001 S. Orange Blossom Trail, Orlando, FL 32809. The dates of the convention are Thursday, November 6th through Saturday, November 8th. Dress for all activities except the Friday night themed event is business casual. Gentlemen are urged to wear jackets, tie optional.

Please be informed that all reservations must be made directly with the hotel and that the **cutoff date for reservations is Monday, October 6th or when our room block is sold out**. After this date rooms and rates are subject to availability. Should you wish to make your reservation by phone you should call the Florida Hotel reservations department at (800) 588-4656. Let them know you wish to make a group reservation for the Florida State Elks Conference. **The room rate is \$99 plus 12.5% tax or \$111.38 per night**. Please be informed that when making your reservation you will be asked to provide a one-night deposit as a reservation guarantee.

Everyone attending, including spouses, guests, FLOE delegates, etc., is asked to preregister with the FSEA so we know who will be attending and so we can have a name badge waiting for you when you sign in at the Elks registration table. The Elks registration table at the Florida Hotel will be staffed during the convention from 2:00 to 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday and from 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Thursday & Friday.

Go to http://Flelks.org for links and more information.

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A large crowd had a fantastic night of enjoyment and the Lodge NYE committee, ENF and Harry-Anna made money!

It was called PAUL'S PIG ROAST! & PIG RACES!.....

August 31st Family Fun Day!

The food was pulled pork and spare ribs......plus beans, bread, chicken, corn on-the-cob.....YUMMY!



Past State President Frank Palladini 's pig pose



Pig #2 wins again!

The races followed with some families having three generations participating. The cheering was loud and the action was hilarious, with funny money to be won to spend in the auction that featured Paul DeLand and Tommy Miller trying desperately to sound funny!

Sprinkled across dinner, and between the races was marvelous music....a total fun evening, and our three beneficiaries of more than

\$1,300 profit were ENF, Harry-Anna and the Lodge!



The Winners

Thanks go out to Cooks Addison Horrell, ER, Courtney, Weil, Paul, Lynn Brown, and others for manning the kitchen, The LOE Officers and members for providing the wonderful ice cream sundae bar, plus a staff for



Even the youngest attendees enjoyed the music that Chris provided all night long.

the races including Wendy Hall, Sandra Vans Evers, Debbie Osterbrock, Sue Moore, Tommy Moore, Rita Smith, John and Flo Wayne, plus others I am sure I have not named here, but appreciate one and all.

Paul Deland, Chair



The Auctioneers



Most sought -after auction item



Alex poses as "Tape-Man"

Mon

Sun

1:00 Vikings

@ Bucs

4:30 WII

8:00

Movie

# October 2014

Tue



2 6:30 3 6:30 Be sure to let the office know by 1 4 Wednesday prior if you are attend-Orientation LOEDinner ing a VP Visit. Call Tracy @ 813-7:30 British Dinner 6:45 831-4280 Initiation Invasion Meeting 7 8 9 11 6 6:30 10 6:30 **5** 8:30:12 BreakfastLine House No VA DD/VPDinner Lodge VisitDancing CommitteeBingo Steve Mullis Meeting 1:00 Bucs 6:30 8:00 Tampa Piano Man @ Saints 7:30 Movie 6:30 4:30 WII 17 6:30 16 7:00 12 8:30:12 14 15 18 13 6:30 Break fastLine DD/VP\$2 Dinner *6-8pm* **Dancing** Visit 6:30 Bump in Officers & 1:00 Ravens Trivia 8:00 *Holiday* BODthe Road @ Bucs MovieIsles4:30 WII 23 206:3021 22 24 VETS 25 19 8:30:12 BreakfastLine 6:30 Lodge Dancing Dinner Meeting Rob Bryja 8:00 Paul & 7:30 Fundraiser Movie *Kathy* 28 29 30 31 6:30 **26**8:30:12 276:30 BreakfastLine Dinner Dancing

Wed

Thu

Bert N

Sassy

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## Friday Night Menus & Bands

Tampa Elks Lodge #708

Oct. 3 Bangers N Mash

Or

Fish n Chips

**British Invasion** 

Oct. 10 Salad Rosemary Chicken Roasted potatoes Corn on the cob \$9

Or Salad BBQ Ribs Mac N Cheese Corn on the cob\$12 Steve Mullis Oct. 17

Fried Swai Fish, French Fries and Cole Slaw \$8.

Or Rib Eye Steak, Salad, Baked Potato and veggies \$12

Bump in the Road

Oct 24 (VETS)

Chef Ralph's Chicken or Ribs

Music by **Paul & Kathy** 

Oct. 31

Menu

To be determined

Music by **Burt N Sassy**