



LODGE OFFICERS:

EXALTED RULER - Courtney Weil
LEADING KNIGHT - Shelagh Gombarcik, PLP
LOYAL KNIGHT - Nanette Quire, PLP
LECTURING KNIGHT - Becky Sullins
SECRETARY - Rick Schneider, PER
TREASURER - Melissa Bertoch
ESQUIRE - Tommy Moore
INNER GUARD - Laura Jones
TILER - George Hilficker
CHAPLAIN - Christine Harris
5 YEAR TRUSTEE - Theresa Matthews, PER
4 YEAR TRUSTEE - Robert Suhrheinrich
3 YEAR TRUSTEE - Robert Norton
2 YEAR TRUSTEE - Sharon Ford
1 YEAR TRUSTEE - Brian Brantley, PER

DISTRICT ADVISOR - Frank Palladini, PSP, PDDGER
LODGE ADVISORS - Steve Harmon, PDDGER
Mike Pierson, PDDGER
VAVS REP FOR JAMES A HALEY - Brian Brantley, PER

Exalted Ruler

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Bob Suhrheinrich (bob.suhrheinrich@gmail.com)

Bar Manager

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Mon - Thursday 4:00pm - 11:00pm
Friday 4:00pm - 12:00am
Saturday 4:00pm - 11:00am
Sunday 12:30pm - 9:00pm



A Message from your Exalted Ruler Educating our Community about Elkdom!

We stand for brotherly love, justice, charity and fidelity. We believe in acts of service bigger than ourselves, and commit that our Veterans will never be forgotten and children will have more opportunities and a better quality of life.

But...how do we get our message outside our 4 walls!

Community Involvement!

To that end we feed the homeless in Hyde Park, we assist in programs for our local schools, we offer Friday night dinners to veterans, and provide entertainment through Bingo for the James A. Haley Veterans, field trips for Athena House and more. Our members are speaking at retirement centers and Boy Scout events about Elk cornerstones. We give countless scholarships to community teens, and send many kids to the Florida Elk Camp each year, to name a few of our external programs.

Internally we have begun opening our doors to the community. BPOE, yes we are the "Benevolent and Protective Order of Elk", but we are also lovingly known as the "Best People One Earth". Our culture and heritage is rich and our members are wonderful people. By opening our doors we are giving many who would otherwise have no contact with our Lodge, the opportunity to hear our message.

We began by offering the local improv group "Improve-aloholics" a place to rehearse and try out their routines once a week. (1 new member.) We entered into a partnership with the South Tampa Chamber of Commerce Military group who have their meetings in our Lodge once a month. (1 new member.) We have a South Tampa networking group meeting here once a week. (2 new members.) We have begun a partnership with MGM Charity Partners who have planned 2 happy hours, the first was held on June 15th, and a 70's Party to raise funds for children and veterans. (1 new member.)

In addition we opened our back hall to Pot Luck and Paints to raise money for The Centre for Girls, and Robinson HS and Plant HS held year end celebrations in our facility. By doing this, not only did we help our community businesses and institutions, but we hosted over 250 people that otherwise may never have known about us. Let's keep this momentum going! I'd love to hear your ideas on how to extend our contact.

Fraternally yours, Courtney Weil, Exalted Ruler

Your 2016 Committee Chairs

Bob Suhrheinrich

Accident Preventions

Bonnie Quire

Calendar Girl

Brian Brantley, PER

VAVS Rep to James A. Haley

Chris Miles

House Committee

Flo Wayne

Greeter

Georgia Hilficker

Kitchen
Elksize Editor

Graham Ramos

Army of Hope
Americanism

Jack Johnson

Flag Day

Jackie Appel

Auditing & Accounting

John Wayne, PER

Youth Camp

Kelly Flannery

Community Projects & Activities

Marty Quire

Web and Online Communications

Nanette Quire

Fraternal Committee
Harry Anna Foundation

Patty Elkins

Youth Activities

Rick Schnieder, PER

Government Relations

Rita Smith

Grants
Lodge Veterans Committee
Athena House

Shelagh Gombarcik

Elks National Foundation
Membership
Orientation

Steve Harmon, PER

Ritualistic Chairperson

Susie Harlow

Hall Events Chairperson
LOE Liaison
Bingo Chairperson

Theresa Matthews, PER

PER Association President
State Major Projects
Convention

**Theresa Matthews, PER
& Shelagh Gombarcik**

Inter-lodge Visitation

Tommy Moore

Grand Lodge
Youth Programs

House Committee:
Bob Suhrheinrich
Chairman

Susie Harlow
Secretary

Tiffany Rubano
Kitchen Staffing

Ed Mulder
Facilities

Lisa Snyder
Hall Events

John Weigold
Bar Assistant

Nelson Grahn
Lodge Events
Assistant

Non-Voting Members

John Wayne, PER
Advisory

Nancy Keesler, PER
Bar Manager

District Vice President's Annual Report

This is a short synopsis of our District VPs Annual Report. Should you wish to view her full report please contact Georgia Hilficker at georgia@hilficker.com and she will email you the entire missive.

The WCD was #1 in membership among the Florida Districts this year with the net gain of 235 members. All eight lodges had a plus gain, the only district which had all lodges showing a gain. In addition to the FSEA incentive program, the WCD under the direction of PSP Palladini, District Sponsor, ran its own membership incentive resulting in an additional \$23,363 net gain in dues, fees and awards to our WCD lodges.

All WCD lodges met their ENF per capita making them eligible to apply for ENF Grants, which they did. Tampa Lodge received 6 grants including the IMPACT Grant and the FSEA Matching Beacon Grant. The WCD donated \$115,528 to ENF, the most donated by any Florida District. ENF Certificate Chairman, Richard Florence PER won a \$100 ENF certificate for his efforts. Furthermore, 708 ranked 2nd in the State and 2nd in Division 1 for Harry Anna contributions with a per capita of \$30.88 and 1 of our teens received the HOPE Scholarships while another received the Legacy Award. A very impressive year indeed!

The bar was set high by previous WCD VP Toni Goodrich, and we met the challenge. I am so proud of all the WCD Elks who put forth so much time and effort in making this an award winning year.

Respectfully submitted, *Jeanne Reinhart*, Vice President

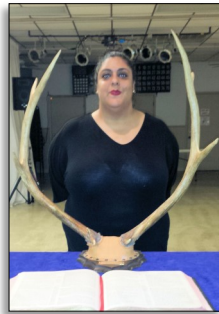
A Warm Welcome To Our New Elk



Dina Salem
Sponsored by
Courtney Weil, ER



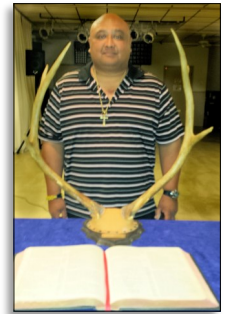
Berton Newbill
Sponsored by
Courtney Weil, ER



Gigi Aad
Sponsored by
Courtney Weil, ER



Jay Wazelle III
Sponsored by
Courtney Weil, ER



Marcel Sablan
Sponsored by
Larry Windom

July Elk Recognition

OFFICER OF THE MONTH: THERESA MATTHEWS

Theresa Matthews, our past year's Exalted Ruler, continues to lend her support as the Chairman of the Board of Directors and 5 year Trustee. Even with these impressive titles she found time to chair the 2016 Convention Committee, producing one of the best conventions ever in fun and profit, and to help out in the kitchen periodically. Theresa's devotion to Elksdom is inspiring and raises the bar for all of us. Not only does she work within the Lodge, but she is an ambassador for #708 throughout the district. We are blessed to have such a dedicated and tenacious supporter!

Thanks Theresa...we are grateful for all you do!



ELK OF THE MONTH: NELSON GRAHN

What can we say about Nelson...our bad boy! Well, he has a heart of gold and cares deeply about our Lodge and its members. Nelson steps up to the plate to do many of the jobs others shy away from. Without him, and a few other of our male members, many of the hard tasks would go undone. From repairs of all types, major cleaning tasks and helping in the kitchen, to transporting and supporting this year's convention and serving on the House Committee, Elks Lodge #708 is lucky to have him in their corner.

Just try to tone it down will ya Nelson!



VOLUN "ELK" OF THE MONTH: MALLORY BENZING

This fresh faced young lady has only been in Florida for a few weeks and already she's begun to make her mark on our Lodge. She's become one of our favorite servers, and helps her Grandmother Laura and Aunt Georgia in the kitchen. She is one of two of our young volunteers to become camp counselors at this year's Florida Elk Camp in Umatilla. Mallory faces each challenge with a smile and a great attitude and that makes her a very special young lady indeed. Here's hoping she enjoys her summer in Umatilla and comes back to us ready to pick up her apron.



Supporting Reports

LADIES OF THE ELK

Lady President's Message

HAPPY 4TH OF JULY!

Hope you can join us on Saturday the 2nd at 4pm to celebrate the holiday with great food and entertainment.

This is a patriotic month for honoring our veterans and our freedom and I'd like to thank everyone that came to the Flag Day Ceremony and the Father's Day celebration. I'd also like to take a moment to say thanks for being chosen Volunteer Elk for the month of June. The kind words and honor were truly appreciated.

VP Visitations have started and it's been fun visiting all the different Lodges and seeing people we know but don't have a chance to speak with too often. Remember our visit is July 30th and it should be lots of fun, so please come and show your support. Check the web page for all the things happening at the Lodge.

As I close I ask that we all pray for the families of the Orlando shooting victims. We ask that God help bring peace and comfort to everyone in their time of sorrow.

Remember...quiet your hearts and listen to those who care, and touch someone with kindness and love.

Your President, *Suzanne Moore*



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Happy 4th of July to Everyone!

This was a banner month for Elks Children's Therapy Services contributions. In fact it was so very successful I'm going to ask for your patients

while I assure I have everyone's name and contribution tallied correctly. Additionally, I will be sending out the names of our contest winners in

the August Elksize, and I sincerely hope this doesn't disappoint or inconvenience anyone that was kind enough to contribute. Thank you so much for your patients.

Hope everyone stays happy and healthy. With Love, *Berni Turpin*

Committee Communications



July 2016

Members, the summer heat is definitely on! Kids are going to summer camp and it's my understanding that our Lodge sponsored 56 local children to the Florida Elks Youth Camp in Umatilla, supported by the Harry Anna Trust Fund. This is a record, and one for which we can all be proud.

We have been very busy this past month with the State Convention and Memorial Day weekend and have not been promoting the great heart of Elksdoms Charity ENF. Consequently, it will be hard to reach our per capita by July 1st. We did recently receive a generous donation of \$100.00 from Bill Edwards thank you Bill...you truly know the value of ENF.

Tampa Lodge has a reputation to protect as leaders in donations in the District, the State and the Nation. We feed the program with our donations and in turn it nourishes our Lodge with the fantastic grants that help our community. This year ENF plans to donate more than 28 million dollars back to the communities in the form of grants and I'm sure our Lodge, having been the recipient of many grants due to our contributions, wants to see some of these funds come our way.

It is important to remember that as a lodge we would not be able to provide the funding for the programs we care so much about; children, veterans, homeless and much more, if it were not for ENF Grants. Without these funds we simply could not afford to support them. Please help keep this great heart pumping, and direct your charitable contributions to ENF so we can continue being the leaders we know we are!

Shelagh Gombareik, Leading Knight, ENF Chair



Committee Communications Continued



There's excitement in the air! Can you feel it?

The Youth Activity committee has been working hard at putting our name out into the community. As of today we have partnered with Westshore Elementary to help promote our Back to School event to their students via their webpage and parent newsletter. This school is in Port Tampa and is a title I school, having a high percentage of low income students. This is also the school that benefited from our back to school left over supplies from last year. Thanks to Sue and Tommy Moore for getting our foot in the door there!

We are expecting a larger than normal crowd of students and parents alike. We would love to see 100! Did you notice the donation box and flyers around the lodge? With more children attending, the need for donated supplies and help is going to be greater. Please attend a brief planning meeting on Thursday July

Patty Elkins, Youth Activities Chairman



ATHENA COMMITTEE UPDATE:

On Memorial Day, May 30th 2016, the Athena committee treated Veterans from the Athena house to a pool party at the St Pete Elks Lodge. A big thank you to Patty Elkins, Elma Kelly, and Patty Jankiewicz for their help. Six Veterans were in attendance.

We met the Veterans at 11:00, and everybody jumped right into the pool. We enjoyed pitchers of sodas delivered to our reserved tables near the dressing room, which was a great location for us. Not long after we had submitted our lunch order, the skies turned black, the wind kicked up, and the rain poured down. When the worst of the lightning seemed to have passed, we were invited to eat our lunch inside the Lodge. We were happy to be safe and sound, and the Vets enjoyed seeing the inside of the Lodge and looking out the large bay windows. By the time we had finished our lunch, the skies had cleared, but it was time to go home. The Vets insisted they had a good time nonetheless, and there were many posts on social media to that effect.

Rita Smith, Athena Committee Chairman



Fellow Elks,

What does July 4th mean to you? Most people think of it as a time to BBQ with family and friends. July 4th is a time to celebrate our Freedom and in the midst of things, I believe that is somewhat forgotten. This July 4th, while we are barbequing with our family and friends, let's all take a moment and remember those who made, and are still making, our Freedom a reality. So let's all enjoy this National Holiday and celebrate our Freedom!

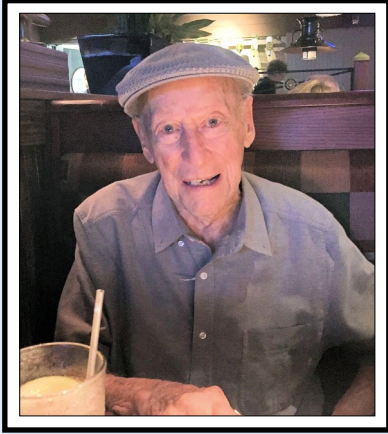
P.S. Here are some little known facts about July 4th and the Declaration of Independence:
 The Declaration of Independence was approved on July 4th, 1776 but was not signed until August 2nd, 1776.
 July 4th was not celebrated until about 15-20 years after it being signed.
 July 4th was not considered a National Holiday until 1870

Graham Ramos, Americanism Chairman

Another first for Tampa Lodge 708!
 We sent 56 children to the best camp in the USA.
 There is still room for any more children.
 Let me know by contacting me at 813-837-4252.



Special Feature



Michael Speach World War II Navy Veteran Elk, Life Member

A few months ago Mike Speach, a 92 year old WWII veteran, moved to Tampa and realized he would need help getting around in his new home city. Since he was a Life Member of his Elk Lodge in California, he contacted our Lodge in the hope of finding someone that might help. He reached Rick Schneider, our secretary, who gave his name and number to Brian Brantley, VAVS chairman. Brian picked up the ball and offered to drive Mike to his doctor appointments, and grocery shopping trips. Soon Rick and Brian began to share the responsibilities and 3 weeks ago George Hilficker joined the group.

Mr. Speach was born in Syracuse, NY on February 28, 1924. He married his beloved wife Doris of 66 years and 4 day, shortly after returning from WWII in 1946. He was a math whiz in high school and upon entering the Navy he was sent to Radar school in Virginia Beach. At that time Radar was a fledgling science and the Navy was in great need of competent, qualified men. At the age of 19, having completed his training, Mike was positioned as Head Radar man in charge of a 12 man Radar Crew on the Fletcher class destroyer, USS Luce II. He served on the Luce II from its launch to its last day and has many heartwarming stories to share.

The USS Luce fought 5 battles in the Pacific, performed in both invasions of the Philippines, Leyte Gulf and Luzon, and was part of an escort armada taking Winston Churchill to meet with President Roosevelt for war plan discussions. She was a critical part of a mission to free our imprisoned servicemen in camps on the islands around the Philippines. In May of 1945 two Japanese suicide bombers attacked the Luce. She shot one down, but the explosion from the bomb it carried caused a power failure. Unable to bring her guns to bear in time, she was struck in the after section by the second kamikaze and ultimately sunk taking 126 of her 316 man crew with her. To date Michael Speach is the only member of the USS Luce crew still living.

Mike will join us July 2nd at the Patriotic Picnic and looks forward to meeting our members. He wants us all to know how much he appreciates our support and that he keeps us in his prayers.

Respectfully submitted, *Georgia Hilficker*, Elksize Editor



Radar Gang of the USS Luce II



The USS Luce II a Fletcher class destroyer, in camouflage.
Launched 1943, Sunk 1945

Last Month's Fantastic Festivities & Events



2016 MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY

The annual Memorial Day salute to our war heroes was held at the American Legion Post 5 this past May 30th. The ceremony took place in American Legion cemetery at Kennedy and Dale Mabry Blvd. The event recognizes our fallen soldiers by the placement of wreaths on their grave sites.

Our Lodge presenters were Past Florida State Elk President Frank Palladini, Exalter Ruler Courtney Weil and Esquire Tommy Moore. South Tampa can be very proud of their Fraternal Lodges. American Legion Post 138, American Legion Post 139, Tampa Elks Lodge 708, and The Moose Lodge on Gandy Blvd were all present and took part in placement of the wreaths. A 21 Gun Salute was preformed by the Hillsborough High School Jr. R.O.T.C. Firing Squad, and taps were played by Gunnery Sgt. Wayne Ridgley U.S.M.C. Ret. If you have never been to one of these services, I encourage you to do so. You will be glad you did, I certainly am.

Fraternally, *Tommy Moore*, Chairman Memorial Day Service



FLAG DAY CEREMONY and Father's Day Celebration



This year's Flag Day ceremony and Father's Day celebration was very well attended. Courtney Weil, ER officiated the Flag Day portion of the event with Graham Ramos, our Americanism Chairman reading a moving history of our Flag. Local Boy Scouts of America and Cub Scout Troupes presented reproductions of the different flags our country utilized throughout the years and the audience sang the National Anthem and God Bless America. In all it was an inspiring ceremony and a wonderful way to commemorate our national symbol.



The Father's day portion of the event was opened by LOE President, Suzanne Moore with a welcome to attending fathers and poems honoring fatherhood, one of which she wrote herself. The meeting was adjourned to the dining room where everyone enjoyed a wonderful dinner, catered by "Eats" and a sumptuous cake baked by Lynn Brown all orchestrated by the Ladies of the Elks. It was obvious that everyone enjoyed themselves immensely.

Georgia Hilficker, Elksize Editor



Last Month's Fantastic Festivities & Events

SHIPWRECKED CONVENTION

This year's convention was a roaring, "Arrrg" success!

We had good food, thanks to Brian Brantley, Courtney Weil ER, Rita Smith and Georgia Hilficker, and wonderful planning and exceptional set up thanks to Theresa Matthews, Susie Harlow, Rita Smith, Shelagh Gombarick, Melissa Bertoch, Betty Gnad, Rick Smith, Nelson Gram and too many more to name. All this came together to put Tampa Lodge 708 on the Map as top notch convention participants.

We were proud to host a "jolly old", "shiver me timbers" pirate style wedding with all invitees in appropriate attire. The wedding was followed by an invasion of the courtyard and a reenactment of the ceremony complete with shackles and rum "grog." The crowd loved it and the dancing went on into the night with quite a few of the guest celebrating until they were "three sheets to the wind." In other words everyone had a wonderful time especially the bride and groom. Oh, and by the way, after hours in the hospitality room wasn't too shabby either, and those of you that were there should keep in mind...what happens at convention, stays at convention. 🏴‍☠️

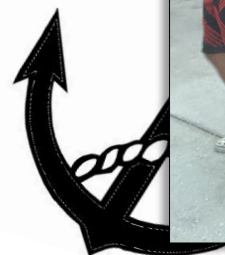
Not only did we make a superior showing with our lavishly supplied hospitality room and our welcoming attitude, but our very own Hope Scholarship winner, Taylor X. Taylor was the speaker at the General Session on Saturday afternoon. From sumptuous hospitality to outstanding successes, we had a lot to be proud of this year!

To top off the event, we had an all time high fundraising effort not in a small part thanks to the LOE who tirelessly manned their post selling raffle tickets and souvenir items. This year we not

only covered our expenses but we made a little to boot! Go 708!!!

If you were unable to join us this year I sincerely hope you can next. It's a great time and a wonderful way to get to know your fellow Elks!

Georgia Hilficker,
Elksize Editor



Last Month's Fantastic Festivities & Events Cont.



PIRATE WEDDING

At this year's state convention we celebrated the union of Bill and Doris Edwards, Pirate Style! Bill was a 3 time Exalted Ruler of our Lodge, serving in 1991, 2005 and 2007, and was the first male LOE President in 2008. Everyone involved had a wonderful time and it was our pleasure to participate in this momentous occasion.

Below is a note from Bill and Doris

Dear Elk Lodge 708 Members,

Doris and I would like to thank all of the members of Tampa Lodge 708, as well as our friends and family who made "Our Special Day" a day to remember. You did an awesome job and you should be proud.

We have gratefully donated \$150 to Harry Anna, \$100 to ENF and \$200 to the convention committee.

There are so many people to thank and I'll try to mention few.

Maid of Honor - "Bridesmaid" Linda Campbell.

Best Woman - Shelagh Gombarcik

Step son of the Bride - Jeff Kline

Administration of Vows - Melissa Bertoch

Ceremony in the Courtyard - Courtney Weil

(You are Awesome, You Rocked!)

and Theresa Matthews,

Convention Chairman for letting this happen!

A special thanks to Rita Smith and Georgia Hilficker for the help in getting things in order, clean up of the festivities and basically helping with anything Doris wanted...everything was great. Well Done Everyone!

Again I want to thank Tampa Lodge 708 for all the time and effort given to make this ceremony and wedding the "Best".



Bill and Doris Edwards

Upcoming Events and Projects

Back to School Party

Grades PK3-8 Sunday, July 31th 1-PM - 4PM
Tampa Elks Lodge 3616 W Gandy Blvd (by Mr. Carwash)

This is a free event for students and their family. Everyone will receive a free lunch, and students will participate in games and activities, and receive free school supplies.

Please arrive on time and stay to the end to optimize everybody's experience.

Reserve your spot by July 28

3 ways:

Email: elkinspatty@yahoo.com

Text: 941-580-7201

Sign up on Bulletin Board



ELKS LODGE # 708

BACK TO SCHOOL PARTY



JULY 31TH
1 TO 4PM

CAN YOU HELP?

We need school supplies of all sorts, donations to cover the food and drink and hands to help the day of the Party!

Contact Patty Elkins at Patty.Elkins@ccsmed.com
Or sign up at the table just inside the entry.

BINGO

is back at

Tampa Elks Lodge 708

July 4th - 6:30pm

Buy-in Packs \$20 - Specials \$1 each-or \$5 for 6
Bonanza \$1 Each-or \$5 for 6 - Exchanges Allowed

Grill Kitchen open from 5:30 to 7:30pm

PROCEEDS BENEFIT OUR CHARITIES

Upcoming Events and Projects



PATRIOTIC PICNIC JULY 2ND 4:00PM

**GREAT ENTERTAINMENT
BY MOBETTA!**

RIBS BY LONNY KOONCE

CHOOSE 3 SIGNATURE SIDES

**GREEN BEAN CASSEROLE BY PATTY ELKINS
BAKED BEANS BY STEVE HARMON
POTATO SALAD BY LYNN BROWN
MAC & CHEESE BY TAMMY MANLEY**

**PLUS AN ICE CREAM SUNDAE BAR BY THE LOE
\$15.00**

**FIRECRACKER AUCTION
CAKEWALK
SO/SO AND MORE**

DOMICILIARY VETS IN THE HOUSE



Calling All

Epicurean Elks...

**2016 Gourmet Club
Sunday July 17th, 5:00 pm**

International Cuisine

*Pick Your
Favorite
Country's
Cuisine*



*Appetizer,
Entrée,
Side Dish
Dessert
Or bring a donation*

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

And a special blind taste test contest!

114th Anniversary & PER Awards Dinner

Planning for our 114th Anniversary and PER awards dinner has been going on with great success. We have secured our band (Keith and Ruby) to entertain us thanks to brother Elk Robert Summers and Georgia Hilficker and Laura Jones have agreed to bringing their culinary talents to our event with the following menu:

Grilled Rosemary Pork Loin, Garlic Smashed Golden Potatoes,

Glazed Carrots, Salad and Rolls.

The alternative - Chicken ala Orange
will be provided for those who do not eat pork

Laura will delight us with her
Greek Lemon Custard Baked in Pastry.
You don't want to miss this meal!

Our show will begin right after dinner, then awards
will be presented, followed by dancing.

AUGUST 20TH, 6PM

TICKETS \$15.00 IF PURCHASED BY AUG. 10, 2016

\$20.00 Thereafter

Tickets can be obtained at the bar or through any PER or Officer.

On Going Monthly Activities



SUNDAY - FUNDAY!
Wii Bowling
4pm Most Sundays
Bragging rights and
your name on the
winners bowling pin!



**Third Sunday
GOURMET
CLUB**

July 17th, 5pm
Join this fun group of
Elks and cook up a
storm, or enjoy their
fabulous creations and
lots of fun trivia!



**SHORT ORDER
GRILL
Every Monday
Night 5:30
To 7:30**

Burgers, Patty Melts, Reubens,
Grilled Cheese, BLT's
French Fries, Tater Tots, or
Onion Rings included with all
sandwiches or as appetizers.



Tuesday Night Movie
7:30 pm
Everyone bring your
favorite movie and we'll
vote on which to watch!



**WIENIE
WEDNESDAY**
2nd & 4th
Wednesdays
Lodge Meeting
Nights
\$1.00

Hot Dogs Served from
6:15pm - 7:15pm and
1Hr after the meeting



**Third Thursday
\$2.00 TRIVIA
NIGHT**

July 21st
Hosted by: Shelagh Gombarick
Food Trivia
All questions, multiple choice



**Thursday Night
ONE DISH MEALS**
are suspended for the
summer. They will
resume in September.



**Every Friday Night
Dinner & Dancing**
See Menus in this
Publication

Lodge Business and Programs



Partners in Progress or PIP

Platinum Investors 100+

- Palladini, Debbie & Durant, Rose 3/16
- Deese, John and Kathy 4/16
- Schneider, Rick & Jan 4/16
- In Memory of Jerry & Patrick Fennel
- Fennell, Pat & Marilyn 5/16
- Appel, Jackie 6/16
- Johnson, Jack 6/16
- Norton, Robert 6/16
- Smith, Rita 6/16
- In Memory of Vern Pickenpaugh
from the Reids 3/17
- Also from the Peckenpaugh Family 4/17
- Osterbrock, Debbie 5/17
- Walbart, Mark 6/17
- Suhrheinrich, Robert & Candice 6/17
- Fennell, Patrick & Marilyn 6/17
- In Memory of Jerrye & Patrick Fennell 6/17

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 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

James, Howard 3/2016

Silver Investors \$21-\$50

Shelagh Gombarick 6/2016

Bronze Investors \$10 - \$20

Your Name Here?

Lodge Business and Programs Cont.

2016 Tampa Lodge 708 Visitation

July 30th - 6pm

Theme: Redneck Fun

Menu:

**Smothered Pork Chops, Smashed Potatoes,
Corn on the Cob, Cornbread & Peach Cobbler**

Beer Can Sculpture Contest

Redneck Casual Attire

Ya'll come on down now ya hear!

**Let's show everyone how we
support our Lodge!!!**



ABSENT MEMBER

Harold Knuckles - 1/15/38 to 6/15/16



Please Mark Your Calendar

UPCOMING WCDVP VISIT SCHEDULE

July 16th

Largo Lodge #2159

July 23rd

Seminole Lodge #2519

July 30th

Tampa Lodge #708

JULY LODGE MEETING SCHEDULE

3rd - 6th Grand Lodge Convention (Houston)

5th - STCOC Military Meeting 3pm

5th - Veterans Committee Meeting 6:30pm

6th - LOE Meeting 6pm

7th - Youth Activities Meeting 7:30pm

11th - Athena House Committee Meeting 7pm

12th - House Committee Meeting 7:30pm

13th - Elk Lodge General Meeting 7:30pm

A/C UPDATE - PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND

17th - Orientation and Initiation 11am & 2pm

25th - House Committee Meeting 7:30pm

27th - Elk Lodge General Meeting 7:30pm

Friday Night Menus at a Glance



Georgia Cooking
Melissa and Nelson Serving
July 1st 6:30 to 8:30

Dinner Choices

Served with Salad and Sour Cream Biscuits

- Beef Stew\$ 8.50
- Chicken Piccata, Buttered Noodles & Broccoli\$ 9.95
- Kids' Menu
- Hot dog & Chips.....\$ 1.50

Dessert:

- Homemade Banana Pudding\$3.50



Your ER's
Specialties Night
July 8th - 6:30 to 8:30

Appetizer

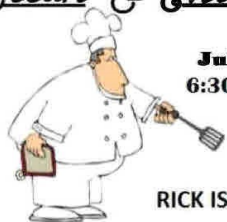
- Cheese Sticks\$3.95

Dinner Choices

Served with Veggie, Italian Salad & Garlic Bread

- Chicken Parmesan Lasagna\$10.95
- Sweet Italian Sausage, roasted potatoes & veggies ..\$ 8.95
- Kids' Menu.....
- Kids Pasta.....\$ 2.50
- Dessert - Banana Pecan Crumble Cake.....\$ 3.95

Spectacular *Steak & Chicken*



July 15th
6:30 to 8:30

RICK IS COOKING

Dinner Choices

Choice of Soup or Salad, and Choice of Potato, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Sweet or Baked, or French Fries

- 14oz Rib Eye \$16.95
- 12oz Rib Eye \$12.95
- 1/2 Roasted Chicken \$ 9.95

Soup - Split Pea

- Cup\$ 1.50
- Bowl.....\$ 3.00
- Soup, Salad & Roll.....\$ 5.50

Kid's Menu

- Chicken Nuggets w/French Fries And Corn.....\$ 5.50

Dessert

- Sour Cream Pound Cake with Fresh Strawberries



July 22nd
6:30 to 8:30

DINNER CHOICES

With a Salad of Lettuce, Strawberries, Feta, Garlic Dijonaise Vinaigrette Dressing & Rolls

- Wine Braised Short Ribs with Risotto, Petite Peas & Pearl Onions\$11.95
- Pan Fried White Fish in Brown Butter Sauce with Risotto, Petite Peas & Pearl Onions.....\$10.45
- Rotisserie Chicken with Roasted Potatoes\$ 9.95
- Gourmet Burger (Chef's Choice) with French Fries\$ 7.95
- KIDS MENU = Hot Dog & Chips.....\$ 1.50
- DESSERT - English Summer Trifles\$ 3.50

July 29th Dinner Presented by Courtney Weil, our ER



All you can eat Spaghetti



Served with a Salad and Garlic Bread...\$6.00
Cafeteria Style Dining

"Paws for Patriots" will join us in the back room
Music by the Dazzlers



TAMPA ELKS LODGE #708

JULY 2016

CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

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					<p>1 Dinner 6:30 to 8:30 Music By Kris & Bob</p>	<p>2 Patriotic Picnic BBQ Ribs Mobetta 4pm</p>
<p>3 Breakfast 8:30 to 12pm</p>	<p>4 Short Order Grill <u>5:30 to 7:30</u> BINGO 6:30PM</p>	<p>5 STCO Military Affairs Meeting 3pm Veterans Com. <u>Mting 6:30pm</u> Movie Night 7:30pm</p>	<p>6 LOE Meeting</p>	<p>7 Youth Activities Meeting 7:30pm</p>	<p>8 Dinner 6:30 to 8:30 Music By Kathy & Paul</p>	<p>9 KARAOKE With KJ (Cool Dude Dee) Please bring Finger foods to share</p>
<p>10 Breakfast 8:30 to 12pm</p>	<p>11 Short Order Grill <u>5:30 to 7:30</u> Athena Comm Meeting 7pm</p>	<p>12 Movie Night <u>7:30pm</u> House Comm. Meeting 7:30</p>	<p>13 Elks Lodge Meeting 7:30pm</p>	<p>14 VA Bingo Midsummer Knight Event @ Robinson</p>	<p>15 Dinner 6:30 to 8:30 Music By Karaoke with Michael</p>	<p>16 VP Visit Largo #2159</p>
<p>17 Breakfast <u>8:30 to 12pm</u> Open Arms, Feeding the Homeless 7:30am</p>	<p>18 Short Order Grill 5:30 to 7:30pm</p>	<p>19 Movie Night 7:30pm</p>	<p>20 Officers And BOD Meeting 7:30pm</p>	<p>21 Trivia Night With Shelagh</p>	<p>22 Dinner 6:30 to 8:30 Music By Kendahl's Karaoke</p>	<p>23 VP Visit Seminole #2519</p>
<p>24 Breakfast 8:30 to 12pm</p>	<p>25 Short Order Grill <u>5:30 to 7:30pm</u> House Comm. Meeting 7:30</p>	<p>26 Movie Night 7:30pm</p>	<p>27 Elks Lodge Meeting 7:30pm</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29 Dinner 6:30 to 8:30 Music By <u>The Dazzler</u> Paws for Patriots in Back</p>	<p>30 VP Visit Tampa #708 Come Show your Support!</p>
<p>31 Breakfast 8:30 to 12pm Back to School Party</p>						

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Pat & Marilyn Fennell 5/16
Vernon & PSP Betty Pickenpaugh 5/16
Robert Norton 6/16
Donna Morris Halsey 7/16
Bob & Candi Suhrheinrich 9/16
Shelagh Gombarcik 3/2017
Roger LaChance - 4/2017
Leopold Wiesler - 4/2017
In Memory of
Harold Siddens, Linda & Richard 3/2018

Vera Wright 3/2018
Bud Cash - 4/2018
In Memory of
William (Bill) Atwood - 5/2018
Robert B. Connor Berni - 5/2018
Bill Dean - 6/18
Deborah Cassels 6/18
Debbie Osterbrock - 04/19
John F. Morris - 3/2021



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