

Tampa 708 Elksize

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Happy Birthday America!



Come and Celebrate at Elks Lodge Tampa #708
Eat Drink and be Patriotic
 Thursday, 4th of July 2019, 3pm till
 with Burgers, Beers, Ice cream &
All American Juke Box Music
Build your Own
All-American Burger Bar
and Ice Cream Sundae Bar

Craft Beers

Craft Beers Specials & Tastings

Queen of Hearts
 ****Sparklers****

Corn Hole & Games

The Elks is the Nation's Oldest Fraternal Patriotic Charitable Organization EDCOE

TICKET PRICE \$10 (on sale at bar) Includes Burgers & Ice Cream



Specials on Americana Margaritas

Member Mingle!

August 4th - 3:00pm

Come &
 Meet Your
 Exalted Ruler!
 &
 Get to know your
 fellow members.....
JOIN US!!!
 Bring your fave
 hors d'oeuvres!

LOTS OF CHEER



GAMES! - Lots of socializing & a time for those who have been busy to join us for fellowship!

RSVP to:
 Candi Suhrheinrich
 813-835-5658



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Tampa Elks Lodge #708 presents:

**VP Visit
 July 20th**



Join your fellow members
 as we welcome & honor
TOM MORTKA, VP
 West Central District



Cocktails - 5pm
Program - 6pm
Dinner to follow



Pirate Gear is Encouraged!



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You are invited
 to a very special dinner
 Saturday July 27th
 6:30 pm
Dinner and a Cookbook
 The Gourmet Club presents
 A Buffet - Style Dinner
 Featuring dishes from
The Epicurean Elk
 \$10.00 Donation
 Dinner and a complimentary copy
 Of our cookbook
 All donations go to 2021
 Convention Fund



LODGE OFFICERS:

- EXALTED RULER** - Chris Miles
- LEADING KNIGHT** - Bob Orcutt
- LOYAL KNIGHT** - Taylor X. Taylor
- LECTURING KNIGHT** - Camden Lynn
- SECRETARY** - Rick Schneider, PER
- TREASURER** - Laura Jones
- ESQUIRE** - George Hilficker
- INNER GUARD** - Shannon Wheatley
- TILER**— Nikki Murphy
- CHAPLAIN** - Betty Orcutt
- 5 YEAR TRUSTEE** - Tommy Moore
- 4 YEAR TRUSTEE**—Courtney Weil, PER
- 3 YEAR TRUSTEE** - Shelagh Gombarcik, PER
- 2 YEAR TRUSTEE**—Theresa Matthews, DDGER
- 1 YEAR TRUSTEE** - Bob Suhrheinrich
- DISTRICT LEADER** - Frank Palladini, PSP, PDDGER
- LODGE ADVISORS** - Steve Harmon, PDDGER
- THERESA L. MATTHEWS** - DDGER, WCD

HOUSE COMMITTEE:

- CHAIR**—Shelagh Gombarcik
- Members:** Wendy Hall, Candy Venable,
Courtney Weil, Sue Moore,
Shannon Wheatley, Jim Dreby

LODGE COMMITTEES:

- Hall Activities**—Jacquie LoCicero
- Auditing Committee**—Chair, Melissa Bertoch,
Bonnie Atwood
- Elks National Foundation**—Shelagh Gombarcik
- Harry Anna Trust Fund**—Taylor Taylor
- Entertainment**—Linda Reid
- Veteran Services**—Patty Jankiewicz
- Elksize Editor**—Paul DeLand



Next Month...

A Visit to Normandy

By Rudi Masi, Sr., VPAL

Veterans return to Normandy 75 years later, and it all happened because of a dedicated team led by PDDGER, VPAL Rudi Masi, Sr.

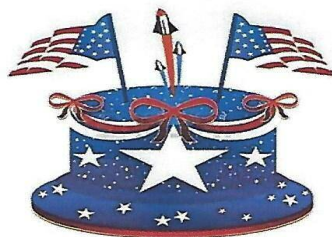


Next month Rudi will take us with him on this magnificent trip back in history.



**WATCH FOR THIS ARTICLE IN
THE AUGUST ISSUE.**

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****Sparklers****

♪♪♪♪ Free Juke Box ♪♪♪♪

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OFFICER OF THE MONTH: TOMMY MOORE

ELK OF THE MONTH: SUE MOORE

Perhaps a 1st-ever....a Husband and wife in these honored positions?

This duo are both leaders and do'ers in Tampa Lodge. When someone needs "More" these two "Moore" step up and give lots "Moore" Perhaps our call to them should be "More Moore, please!"

Thank Tommy and Sue when you see them for many jobs well-done!

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Committee Communications



Hello every one. School is out for the summer. Enjoy your time off and beware of the drugs that are out there and just remember : Be A Hero : Just Say No- to drugs.

Tommy Moore
Chairman
Drug Awareness Program



From the Kitchen!

Hello to all, Betty and Bob are your new kitchen managers and we want to encourage all of you to give the Lodge a chance to provide you with some wonderfully delicious meals from the kitchen.

Mondays we have Jessica serving you a Panini at the bar.
Tuesdays we have Delana and her potluck favorites also from the bar.
Thursdays we have either Shelagh or Taylor with the hot grill and
Fridays we have Rita and crew doing a hot meal and sometimes her famous steak night.
Fridays are also with BB&T in the kitchen with a delicious hot meal to warm your tummies!

Please come and show your support and remember if you have that special recipe that you want to make just get in touch with Betty and I'll get you on the calendar.
I want to specially thank my wonderful crews who are helping to make this a fantastic place for food, entertainment and relaxation.

Hope to see y'all soon, Betty Orcutt

Lodge Shirts Are Here!



We have ladies and men's in purple
and black sizes S-4X

\$25 each from the Secretary's Office

2X and larger +\$2



LOE Article

At our June meeting the LOE got together and decided to give the lodge's patio a facelift. Look for some exciting new changes and a fresh coat of paint as the transformation takes place.

Craft day has returned! The LOE will be hosting a Craft Day on Sunday, July 28th from 2pm to 4pm. We will be crafting a unique front door mat. The cost for each mat is \$25. If you would like to join us the sign-up sheet is located on the LOE board.

Thank you to all who came and picnicked with the LOE for Father's Day. We enjoyed seeing all the Fathers who came to celebrate their day with us.

In the months coming up the LOE has several events and happening on the horizon. Look for Painting with a Twist in October as well as a wine tasting with guest speakers.

Hoping you keep cool this summer!

Jacque LoCicero

LOE President



SAVE THIS DATE!

LOE Craft Day

July 28th at 2pm

Craft Day is back and we will be making a
FABLOUS customized front door mat.

Sign up is a MUST.

Sign up sheet on the LOE bulletin board

Craft Day fee is \$25

Any questions, ask Jacquie.

loetampa708@yahoo.com

FLAG DAY & FATHER'S DAY WERE
CELEBRATED ON JUNE 16TH

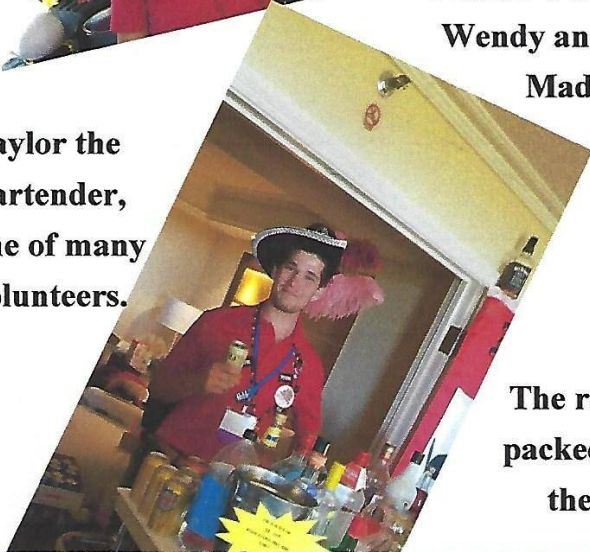


CONVENTION 2019



Jeanne won the hat
Wendy and Tracy
Made!

Taylor the
Bartender,
one of many
volunteers.



The room was
packed most of
the time!

From Share the Wealth, to a Fish Fry, donated pirate hats, liquor and prizes...plus hours upon hours of hard work, this year's Convention Committee turned in an \$800 profit! Thanks to all our volunteers & to all who donated.....You are appreciated! Please be patient if we forgot a name!

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**YOUR CONVENTION COMMITTEE:**

Courtney Weil, Chair Person,  
Wendy Hall, Shannon Wheatley,  
& Shelagh Gombarcik

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VOLUNTEERS:

Paul DeLand, Tommy & Sue Moore,
Sammy Weil, Bob & Betty Orcutt,
Linda and Jerry (KJ) Reid,
Patty Volpe, Mike Volpe, Jennifer Vasquez,
Teodoro Vasquez, Jr., Richelle Nickell,
Taylor X. Taylor, Logan Matthews,
Bill Edwards, Chris Miles, ER,
Nikki Murphy, Chris Hayes, ER (Seminole),
Laura Jones (Made Jello Shots & Snacks),
Seth & Brice Martinez, Tyler Sullivan &
Bonnie Baker

Thanks



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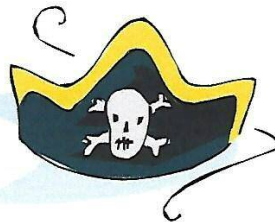
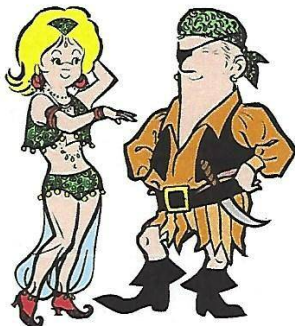
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Dinner to follow

RSVP to Lodge
Office Please for
Our dinner count!



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It's a Quarter Auction!



Date: July 24, 2019

Time: 2pm – 5pm

**Location: Tampa Elks Lodge #708
3616 W. Gandy Blvd,
Tampa, FL 33611**

**Grab your quarters and bring your
friends for an afternoon of fun!**



How does a Quarter Auction work?

1. Entry fee of \$5 gets you a paddle and an event drawing ticket. Additional paddles available for purchase.
2. The number on your paddle matches a number in our drawing basket.
3. Vendors will be present with goods for sale and donated auction items.
4. Additional donated auction items will be showcased.
5. When the auction begins, an item will be shown and a quarter value set.
6. If you want the item, you put in your quarters, per paddle, and raise your paddle high!
7. If we draw your number and you played it, then you win!

It's that easy!

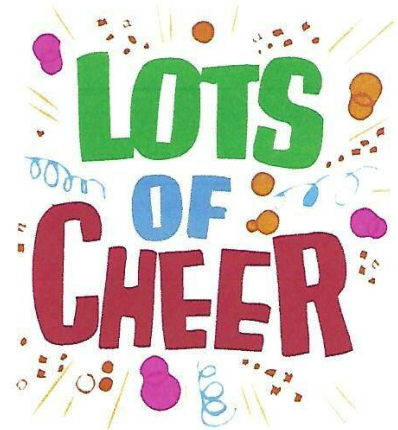
*50/50
Drawing!*

*Food and Refreshments
available for purchase!*

*Awesome
Vendors!*

Member Mingle!

August 4th - 3:00pm



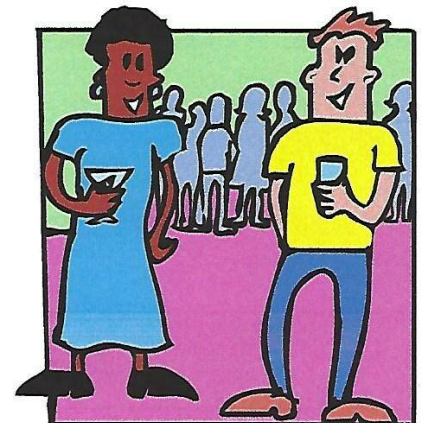
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Exalted Ruler!

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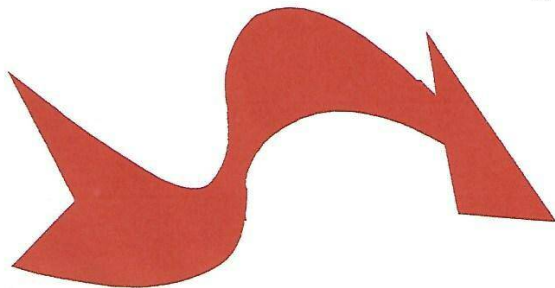
Get to know your
fellow members.....

JOIN US!!!

Bring your fave
hors d'oeuvres!



GAMES! - Lots of socializing & a time for those who
have been busy to join us for fellowship!



RSVP to:

Candi Suhrheinrich

813-835-5658

House Committee

We are now into the 3rd month of the Elk Year and your House Committee has been very busy, but I am sad to say that **we have missed seeing you the members here at your lodge**. The kitchen has experienced some problems but everything is running well and is now under new management with Betty and Bob Orcutt at the helm. Are very own Courtney Weil is the Bar Manager and working on ways to give value to our membership and provide a first class selection of beers, wines and liquors, we have a nice variety of craft beers and are considering a new tap beer; let us know if you have any thoughts on this. Since the loss of revenue from our entertainment machines, we have had to make some cut backs in the operation, especially the entertainment; we will only be able to provide a limited amount of live music on Friday nights and we will post them, we will however have open Juke Box on Fridays that we don't have a band so you to enjoy any kind of music genre that you like...rock, country, classics. Please let us know what we can do to entice you to come and visit our social quarters here at your lodge, we need your patronage to help pay the lodge bills....so come on down and share some fun and fellowship with your friends here at your Elks Lodge!

Shelagh Gombarcik, Chair Person

**TAMPA ELKS LODGE
TEAM**



**Monday 15th July
7pm**

**Trivia Mistress Candy Venable
Come out and Support Your Lodge**

TAMPA ELKS LODGE



**SATURDAY 13th July 2019
7PM TILL**

**KAYJAYIN WITH
"HAMBONE PRODUCTIONS
BRING A DISH TO SHARE
Come Out and Support Your Lodge**

July Live Entertainment

As we went to press the band schedule was still being completed. .. July is an unusual month as National Convention offers a change in days and hours. ...for the updated schedule Please check the Lodge bulletin board or online at:

tampaelks.com



365 Club

Those little green houses full of change are the main source of income for the Tampa LOE's 365 Club. The Club is named after the original goal of a penny a day per member. This money gets sent to the Florida Elks Charities' Harry Anna Trust Fund. When you donate a house full of change, or a \$5 bill you get credited in my article. When the LOE forwards that money to the Florida Elks Charities, both the Ladies of the Elks and the Lodge get credit for the donation. The LOE donations the last few years has been enough to meet our Lodge's minimum per member goal. While the Harry Anna Trust fund is used for all the State projects, they honor our request that the money is to be spent on the Florida Elks Children's Therapy Services. Traditionally, The Ladies organizations throughout the state all donated to this state project, and were instrumental in the original purchase of the vans that the mobile therapists use. For years after, the 365 Club donations were the main source of funds for repair and replacement of these vans. We are now up to 29 traveling therapists, and with the decline in numbers of the Ladies organizations, our contributions from the Tampa LOE matter more than ever!

As of the May LOE meeting, I had received a house full of change from Carolyn Breit and I turned in my full house. Donna Halsey donated the equivalent of 11 full houses! Unfortunately, I was out of town for the June meeting, but Patty Jankiewicz, and Bonnie Atwood brought in houses and Donna Halsey gave the equivalent of 4 more houses. Thank you ladies for your contributions.

Any Elk may take home a house from one of the tables in the dining room and bring it back when full. I know that in only 3 months I can fill one up with the change that accumulates in the bottom of my purse. I don't miss the money, but it does so much good!

Rita Smith – 365 Chair

Your Elksize Editor Sez: I have been asked by our Exalted Ruler to insure delivery of the Elksize in time for the 1st of each month! That means I must stick to a HARD AND FAST monthly deadline for articles of the 15th of the month. Please help me keep this time by submitting your articles thru the Elksize email.

tpaelksize@gmail.com

I do not want our members to miss any Elks News! Thanks!

Paul DeLand, Editor

On-Going Calendar

Gourmet Club is Back!! 3rd Sunday of every month. Watch for themed parties. Have you bought the cook book yet?



Monday
LET'S GET SOCIAL!

Start off the week socializing with great people and great drinks!

MOVIE NIGHT

Tuesday Night Movie
7:30 pm
With Free Popcorn



Lodge Business and Programs



Partners in Progress or PIP

Platinum Investors \$100+

- In Memory of Tom Stanton from Mrs. Helen M. Stanton 9/19
- Osterbrock, Debbie 4/19
- In memory of
- Fennell, Jerrye & Patrick 5/19
- Johnson, Jack 5/19
- Fennell, Pat & Marilyn 6/19
- Edwards, Bill (PER/PLP) 6/19
- Walbart, Mark 6/19
- Appel, Jackie 6/19
- Connors, Barbara 12/19
- Rick & Jan Schneider 12/19
- Gombarcik, Shelagh 12/19
- Smith, Rita 12/19
- Moore, Tommy & Sue 12/19
- Quire, Kim & Marty 12/19
- Snyder, Robert & Lisa 12/19
- Robert Norton & Brenda Stoking 12/19
- Palladini, Frank 1/20
- Suhrheinrich, Bob & Candace 1/20
- Florance, Richard 11/2021

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. Our goal is to increase our overall financial strength determined to secure the future of Tampa Elk's 708 future.

Gold Investors \$51-\$99

Bordonaro, Robert 12/2019

Silver Investors \$21-\$50

James, Howard 3/2019

Bronze Investors \$10 - \$20

Bertoch, Mellissa 2/2019

Elks Care - Elks Share

July 2019

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
1 House Committee 7pm Jessica at Bar serving Panini	2 5PM Delana's Potluck til food gone. Donations Movie LOE Board 6:30pm	3 LOE Meeting 7:30pm Dinner 6:45pm	4 Independence Day July 4th...3pm Burger Bar & Ice Cream Bar Queen is back. Donate by 6:45PM	5 Dinner - Check Bulletin Board	6 LODGE CLOSED	7 LODGE CLOSED
GRAND LODGE ST. LOUIS						
8 Jessica at Bar serving Panini	9 5PM Delana's Potluck til food gone. Donations Movie 7:00pm Membership Comm 7:15pm BOD Mtg.	10 7:30PM LODGE MTG.	11 HOT GRILL Queen is back. Donate by 6:45PM	12 Candy's Chicken and Dumplings	13 6:30pm Birthday Bash VP VISIT ST. PETE	14 2-5:00pm Quarter Auction
15 Jessica at Bar serving Panini	16 5PM Delana's Potluck til food gone. Donations Movie	17 Veterans Comm. 7pm	18 HOT GRILL Queen is back. Donate by 6:45PM	19 Jimmy & Miles Meatloaf or Chicken	20 VP VISIT-TAMPA LODGE	21 2:00pm Wii Bowling 4:00pm Orientation
22 Jessica at Bar serving Panini	23 5PM Delana's Potluck til food gone. Donations Movie	24 7:30PM LODGE MTG.	25 HOT GRILL Queen is back. Donate by 6:45PM	26 Dinner - Check Bulletin Board	27 Gourmet Club Epicurean Elk! 6:30pm	28 LOE Craft Day 2:00pm
29 Jessica at Bar serving Panini	30 5PM Delana's Potluck til food gone. Donations Movie	31				

July 2019 Tampa Elks #708

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Tampa Elks Lodge #708



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lodge708secretary@outlook.com

OUR CURRENT SUPPORTERS

Friends of 708

**Mary Quire Bonnie Quire Linda Reid Theresa Matthews Bonnie Atwood
Nanette Quire Betty Orcutt Luann June Sharon Ford Richard Schneider
Christopher Miles Robert Suhrheinrich Susie Harlow Steve Harmon**

Lisa and Bob Snyder

This local program focuses solely on improving our lodge through generous member donations.
All members are encouraged to sign up for the "Eleventh Hour Pledge". Your recurring
pledge of \$11 a month will help maintain our lodge.

