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4 YEAR TRUSTEE - Bob Orcutt
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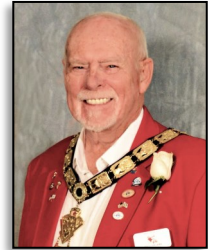
Mon - Thursday 4:00pm - 11:00pm
Friday 4:00pm - 12:00am
Saturday 4:00pm - 11:00pm
Sunday 4:00am - 9:00pm

Lodge Secretary email:

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A Message from Your Exalted Ruler, Paul DeLand

Paul DeLand, Exalted Ruler



Now the FUN Begins! We have met the halfway point! Notice the new level of activity? Are you part of it? If not you are missing a lot! Georgia Hilficker has first remodeled our kitchen, and then begun regular Friday night meals. As I write this we have completed our first two. BOTH WERE SELLOUTS! The 1st Friday we sold out and Georgia responded by getting more food for #2 Friday.....and we sold out AGAIN. AND, there is music...The bar is buzzing, the drinks are excellent, and you need only read up and find out how you reserve your meal(s) ahead so you are not missed when it is served. You really need to come try out our new Fridays!

We celebrated in September both the VP Homecoming for Tom Moran at NPR, and the visit of Suzi Selmonelli, FSEA President on the 17th and 18th. The events were great and I'm sorry if you missed them.

Paula Rouselle, Julie Wooley and Efi Ruffalo are set to give us a **BIG HALLOWEEN! On the 30th!** Details elsewhere in this issue.

As you visit your Lodge you will meet new bartenders, in addition to our regulars. Bar Managers Wendy Hall and Courtney Weil have set upon a course to bolster our staff to accommodate our growing Lodge attendance. Say hello and introduce yourself to these new folks!

Future plans evolving: New Years plans are underway as Chris Ragusa has taken on this event and will be announcing plans. Mark your year-end calendar for a fun night to ring in 2022! Also, plans will be soon announced for the 2022 Gasparilla event at Tampa Lodge. (Note the 2nd meeting in November will not be held due the holiday!).

Finally, Shake some hands, give a hug, expand your friends list....Make sure to do the "Elk Thing!" and say hello to every person you meet at Tampa Elks....Just because we are the Pirate Lodge, does not make us sour folk. Go out of your way to say HOWDY to all you meet! Have a Great Elk Month!

Paul DeLand, Exalted Ruler

Your 2021-22 Committee Chairs

- ◆ Americanism Committee To Be Determined
- ◆ Army of Hope Shannon Wheatley.... .shannonwheatley1@gmail
- ◆ Community Projects & Activities Melissa Bertoch missbertoch@gmail.com
- ◆ Drug Awareness Education Committee.. Tommy Moore..... tommoore4109@gmail.com
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- ◆ Elks Training Committee Christine Harris charris709@gmail.com
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- ◆ Hoop Shoot Committee Chris Ragusa..... ragustachristopher@gmail.com
- ◆ Interlodge Visitation Committee..... Rita Smith..... apwurita@hotmail.com
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- ◆ Soccer Shoot Committee To Be Determined
- ◆ Sports Committee..... To Be Determined
- ◆ Veterans' Service Committee..... To Be Determined
- ◆ Youth activities Committee Patty & Mike Volpe..... pattyandmrfox@gmail.com

OCTOBER



TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS SCHEDULE

- Sunday, Oct. 3rd - Away game against the Patriots - 8:20pm
Tailgate by Past Exalted Ruler, Dee Cisneros starts at 7:30pm
- Sunday Oct. 10th - Home game against the Dolphins - 1:00pm
Tailgate by Exalted Ruler, Paul Deland and Trustee Wendy Hall at halftime.
- Thursday Oct. 14th - Away Game against The Eagles - 8:20pm
Kitchen Open - Philly Cheesesteak Sandwiches & Free Cheesecake at halftime.
- Sunday Oct. 24th - Sunday afternoon home game against the Bears - 4:25
Tailgate by new member, Dean Valenti (and his mother) at halftime
- Sunday Oct. 31st - Sunday afternoon away game against the Saints - 4:25
Tailgate by Leading Knight, Rita Smith at halftime.

Donations collected help fund the next tailgate.

Please consider signing up to host one of the 3 November games!



Partners in Progress or PIP

Platinum Investors \$100+

Smith, Rita 1/2022

Fennell, Pat & Marilyn 3/2022

In Memory of
Fennell, Jerrye,

Patrick & Cheryl 3/2022

Norton, Bob & Brenda 2/2022

Edwards, Bill 3/2022

Jones, Laura 3/2022

Suhrheinrich, Bob 3/2022

Suhrheinrich, Candi 3/2022

Frank Palladini 5/2022

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

Bordonaro, Robert 7/2021

Silver Investors \$21-\$50

Bronze Investors \$10 - \$20

October Elk Recognitions

ELK OF THE MONTH...SHANNON WHEATLEY

This month's Elk of The Month is Shannon Wheatley. Shannon is a behind-the-scenes Elk....Her contributions are not always visible. She has developed a strong relationship with Camp Idlewild, a special Camp for Autistic kids. The Grand Lodge awarded the camp \$10,000 in a special grant during their national meeting here in Tampa, and we are working toward obtaining an Impact Grant for the camp as well. Lucky for us, Shannon also pops up regularly at the Lodge quietly helping with all types of activities. When you see her, thank her for what she adds to Tampa Elks!



OFFICER OF THE MONTH... COURTNEY WEIL

Officer of The Month is Courtney Weil, PER. This year Courtney serves as a Trustee, is Co-Manager of the bar, and is always cooking meals (like my installation dinner!). She helps control bar costs, orders our alcohol, manages our bar staff and more. Though she has her own catering business and is busy 24-7, she always finds the time to gets things done for the Lodge. Her many years of dedication to Tampa 708 is much appreciated and we are lucky to have her on our team. Say hi and thank you to her next time you see her.



Supporting Reports



Ladies of the Elks:

Buckle up buttercup, the **LOE** is ready to start off the second half of our year! First up is our Member's Tea and Fashion Show on Sunday, October 17th at 2pm. Resort Wear by Tiffany will once again have her latest fashions and accessories. Our own **English Rose**, Shelagh, will spoil us with her traditional English Tea. Bring a friend and show him/her what the Ladies are all about. Tickets are available for \$15 from Shelagh or Jacquie.

Stepping ahead to the **holidays**, yes, the **holidays**! They will be here fast and furious. On December 2nd and 3rd, the **LOE** will once again have their annual **LOE Christmas Bazaar**. Here is where you can be a part of the fun. This year we are looking to add homemade and hand-crafted items to our bazaar. If you are **crafty** or know someone who is, we are looking for you. Please contact Jacquie (813-245-6458) to discuss what you can contribute. We feel this will add a **uniqueness** to the shopping experience that we have not seen before.

The **LOE** is hosting a Craft Day on Sunday, November 21st at 2pm. We will be creating a beautiful door hanger for the holiday season. More information will be available soon on the **LOE** board. The skill level will be for all levels. Don't feel you are a creative enough to do this craft, no problem, I will be **happy** to assist you. We hope to see you there.

Tidbits from our September meeting: We will have a pop-up shop at your annual Gasprilla Event. The Low Country Boil was successful with a nice profit as was our pop-up shop at our national convention Pirate Fest. Restriping of the parking lot still on the back burner, waiting for the rainy season to end and the lodge to repair the potholes. Our next meeting is November 3rd, dinner at 6:15, meeting at 7pm. Hope to see you there!

October Birthdays

Patty Jankiewicz- 10/10, Bonnie Atwood- 10/18, Theresa Seibert- 10/19, Donna Halsey- 10/25,

Youth activities

**WANT TO HELP OUR
COMMUNITY CHILDREN?
JOIN THE YOUTH ACTIVITIES
COMMITTEE**

Help plan youth activities for the year; Essay Contest, Poster Contest, Christmas toys collection from Walgreens, Toy distribution/Party, Hoop Shoot and Soccer Shoot

First Meeting: October 7th

7:15 to 8:00pm

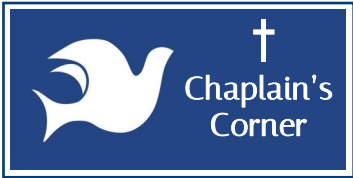
Patty Volpe, Chairman



DAP Drug Awareness Program:

Hello everyone. Just wanted to let everyone know that October is Drug Awareness Month. I will be putting Red Ribbons and other items around the Lodge and bar. Please grab a Red Ribbon and support Drug Awareness Month. On the last week October, which is Drug Awareness Week, the Lodge will be giving Lanier and Westshore Elementary Schools Coloring Books, Red Ribbons, and Book Marker's to each child to enjoy and observe Drug Awareness.

Remember "Be a Hero" Just say no to Drugs. Tommy Moore, Chairman



Love difficult people. You are one of them." - Bob Goff
 As humans, we get things wrong on an hourly basis.
 But that imperfection is what MAKES us human.
"Indeed, there is not a righteous man on earth who continually does good and who never sins." Ecclesiastes 7:20

Grant Reports



A Beautiful Day for a "SAFE" Swim

What do Tampa Elks do with a Beacon Grant? They provide a water safety day to the children and staff at Camp Idlewild of Florida of course! With this year's Beacon Grant, Tampa Elks sponsored a Water Safety Day on September 18th at the camp where we provided life jackets in multiple sizes, safety lines, anchors, lifeguard supplies including a megaphone, hats, whistles, rescue tubes, buoy balls, a tent, sunblock and so much more to the camp! In addition to the needed supplies, we also provided goody bags for each child from Tommy Moore who heads up the lodge drug awareness program. Exalted Ruler Paul DeLand told the excited campers about the Elks and how happy we were to be there! Hannah Davis with the YMCA was next up, using our newly donated items to do her water safety presentation. She was very impressed with all of the supplies we provided to the camp. The campers were then off to the water to try out their new life jackets and the life guards their new gear. After water playtime, it was back to the main lodge where Tampa Elk member Vic had the grill fired up for a Tampa Elks sponsored BBQ with hamburgers and hotdogs. Campers also enjoyed potato salad, baked beans, coleslaw, oranges and cupcakes for dessert!

Tampa Elks did an awesome job in helping to provide crucial supplies and information about water safety to Camp Idlewild of Florida. Drowning is one of the top causes of death for children in Florida. We should be proud to be part of such a great organization.

A special thank you to the following for their support: Elks; Exalted Ruler Paul DeLand, Wendy Hall, Vic Belcore, Tommy Moore, Nikki Murphy, Rita Smith and Richelle Nickell. The YMCA and Hannah Davidson for the donation of the water safety presentation. Nikki Murphy Photography for the donation of photography services.



Last Month's Festivities & Events

2021 Florida Elks President's WCD Visit



September 17 and 18 marked the 2021 State President's visit to the West Central District. Suzi Simonelli, and 1st Gentleman Joey enjoyed a whirlwind visit complete with two cocktail parties, two dinners and a chance to hear from the West Central District.



Suzi's program for the year was highlighted, along with her drive for increased membership.

The highlight of the evening occurred when, welcomed by Suzi, PSP Rudy Masi, VP Tom Moran and DDGER Joanne Matos, as well as a crowd of attendees, Frank Paladini, PSP and District Leader, returned to public life. Frank marked his return from an extended bout with Covid by a short address to the crowd, and circulating among those in attendance to visit one-on-one.

An added bonus for Tampa Elks #708 was a 2nd place award of \$600 from President Simonelli for the level of activities during the last year! 1st Place went to St. Pete Lodge and 3rd place to Largo Elks.

Paul DeLand, Exalted Ruler



2021 Vice President's Visit at New Port Richey

With the "Homecoming" VP Visit at New Port Richey Lodge #2284, the VP Visits have been completed in record time. I am positive everyone appreciates the new "double up" format. Not are we only required to clear our Lodge schedule for four VP visits instead of eight, but we only need to host one every other year.

It has been a delight to see what each lodge comes up with. As the home of the current VP, Tom Moran, and his wife Cindy, NPR Elks did not disappoint! With their lodge partner, Tarpon Springs Elks #1719 they put on a well-planned event. The cocktail hour had sufficient staffing, and there is a lot of room in that lodge to mingle. The program was opened with a color guard from the young Marines, followed by a moving live musical medley of patriotic songs. Past State President Rudi Masi did introductions and took the Lodge counts. NPR's Exalted Ruler Barbara Rogers, and Tarpon Springs ER Cassie Hull introduced their officers. Vice President Tom Moran gave a moving tribute to his local first responders - the Chief of the Fire Department and a high-ranking officer from the New Port Richey Police Department. (Coincidentally, they both have decided to join the Lodge.) One of the ladies' organizations gave a large gift to the VP's wife, Cindy Moran, at that point the program was complete and a very tasty pork dinner was quickly served.

Interlodge Visitation Chair is the encouraging and recording of any time when 4 or more Elks from our lodge attend any kind of event at another lodge. So far, we have two VP visits, a DD Clinic, and a State President's Visit on our count. Please let me know if you are attending anything where there are 4 members from Tampa - like the upcoming Army of Hope Picnic held at the Largo Lodge, a PER meeting at another lodge, or even a quarter Auction or Queen of Hearts event. Thank you.

Rita Smith, Interlodge Visitation Chair

Last Month's Festivities & Events



708 SUPPORTS BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

Ashton Offutt of Boy Scout Troop # 339 which meets at the First Baptist Church of Lutz, was presented with his Eagle badge, (the highest achievement a Boy Scout can earn) on Saturday September 18th. Since it's inception in 1912, over two million boys have worked to obtain this honor.

The Eagle Scout Court of Honor was held at the Claywell Elementary School, on Northdale in the shelter of Ashton's Eagle Scout project. The shelter consists of four huge power poles supporting a "Canvas like" awning offering protection from the elements to those who sit on the 10 well constructed benches.



Ashton honored his Mentor and Teacher, Jenny Paloupis with a moving speech and dedicated the shelter to her with a beautiful plaque. He also thanked Teco, Elks Lodge # 708 and his family and friends for their help in completing the impressive project.

As it rained during a good bit of the ceremony, all who attended were grateful for and sheltered by Ashton's outstanding project.

Attending Elks were Wendy Wiesler, Frank Smith and George Hilficker.

Article by George Hilficker, House Committee Chair



SOME SWEET BITES FROM THE GOURMET CLUB

The Gourmet Club wrapped up another successful season this past August. With monthly themes, some of which included "Carnivore's Delight", "Born to Cook" (dishes popular the year you were born) and "T'is the Season" (dishes featuring seasonal produce), we enjoyed our season of Food, Fun and Fellowship. We are also pleased to announce that from tips which were graciously donated, and the sale of some additional copies of our cookbook, *The Epicurean Elk*, we are making a donation of \$519.00 toward continued building renovations.

For those of you unfamiliar with the Gourmet Club, we are a group of enthusiastic and talented cooks, who meet on the 4th Sunday of the month at 5:00 pm from February through August, to engage in a "Pot Luck" Supper...but Not Yo' Momma's Potluck! These talented cooks are challenged to face a Culinary Theme Challenge every month. Over the years we've enjoyed several different spins on traditional comfort food, as well some creatively talented, fine dining-worthy dishes. And, just for the fun of it, we have a theme-appropriate Trivia Contest at the end of the meal.

In 2019 we published our (first) cookbook, *The Epicurean Elk*, and this February, we will embark on our 12th year of cooking. If you enjoy cooking (no gourmet skills required), or you enjoy eating (who doesn't), please consider joining us when we resume Food, Fun and Fellowship in August of 2022!

Article by Candy Venable

Upcoming Events and Projects



LET'S DO FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER AT THE LODGE

OCTOBER 1ST	OCTOBER 8TH	OCTOBER 15TH	OCTOBER 22ND	OCTOBER 30TH
<p>NO DINNER JOIN US SAT, OCT 2ND FOR THE TEXAS HOLD'EM BUFFET (ONLY) \$20.00 TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED AT TAMPAELKS.COM OR FROM YOUR BARTENDER BY THURSDAY SEPT 31 SEE PAGE 10 FOR MORE INFORMATION</p>	<p>FISH FRY NIGHT BY SHELAGH  W/FRENCH FRIES, COLESLAW TARTAR SAUCE AND CORNBREAD...INCLUDES NEW ENGLAND CLAM CHOWDER \$14.00 TAX INCLUDED KEY LIME PIE BAR \$4.00 ENTERTAINING US: VOCALIST MELODY NEPHEW</p>	<p>SURF&TURF 80Z CACCIATORI BROTHERS FILET AND SHRIMP SCAMPI  WITH BAKED POTATOES, CORN ON THE COB, SOURDOUGH ROLL, AND CAESAR SALAD \$21.00 TAX INCLUDED GERMAN CHOCOLATE DUMP CAKE \$4.00 ENTERTAINING US: VOCALIST ANTHONY BARCELO</p>	<p>BEEF TIPS OVER NOODLES OR MASHED POTATOES  WITH GARLIC BUTTERED NOODLES, OR MASHED POTATOES, FRESH GREEN BEANS & YEAST ROLL INCLUDES BROCCOLI CHEESE SOUP \$15.00 TAX INCLUDED BOSTON CREAM CAKE \$4.00 ENTERTAINING US: VOCALIST KRIS PIERCE</p>	<p>NO DINNER JOIN US SAT, OCT 30TH FOR A SPOOKTACULAR HALLOWEEN DANCE PARTY TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED AT TAMPAELKS.COM OR AT THE DOOR - FOOD & DRINK TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED BEFORE & DURING THE EVENT SEE PAGE 12 FOR MORE INFORMATION</p>

PLEASE SIGN UP AT TAMPAELKS.COM OR ON THE LODGE BULLETIN BOARD TO ASSURE YOUR MEAL! ONLY A FEW EXTRA MEALS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR WALK-INS.
DINNER SERVED FROM 6:30PM TO 8:30PM - PIZZAS ARE ALWAYS AVAILABLE \$9

PARTY WITH THE "QUEEN" THURSDAY NIGHTS

Come try your Luck and enjoy a Sandwich and Soup with us!
Donations accepted until 6:45...Drawing at 7pm



October 7th - French Dip Sandwich with Portabella
Cream of Mushroom Soup



October 14th - Philly Cheese Sandwich w/Loaded Potato Soup



October 21st - Grill Night with Shelagh - Burgers and More

October 28th - Rueben Panini w/White Bean & Ham Soup



(All soups are made from scratch by Georgia)

Sandwich and Soup \$9.50 - Sandwich & Chips \$8.50
Bowl of Soup with crackers \$5.00 - Grill Night Separate Menu - Pizza \$9.00
Food served from 6pm to 7:30pm

Upcoming Events and Projects



Ladies of the Elks offer us a
...Sunday Afternoon...

2021 Fashion Show

Presented by: Resort Fashions by Tiffany

October 17th - 2pm

\$15.00 includes a

High Tea Luncheon

Tickets may be purchased from Shelagh Gombarcik, PER or Jackie LoCicero, LOE President

HOUSE COMMITTEE'S

Pasta on the 3rd

JOIN YOUR HOUSE COMMITTEE
FOR A PASTA DISH ON THE
3RD WEDNESDAY
OF THE MONTH.
PASTA STARTS

SERVING @ 6:30PM TO 8PM

October 20th – *Going Old School*
Sunday Gravy & meatballs

November 17th – Pasta Fagioli

December 19th - *Back by Popular Demand*
Italian Sausage Penne Pasta

Pasta dish is free to members.

\$6.00 to Guests

Donations GLADLY accepted.

ETHNIC NIGHT



Join us
October 19, 2021
Appetizers & Burgers
Galore

Dead Bob's Too

3681 Westshore Blvd.
Carpool from Lodge at 6pm
or meet at restaurant at 6:30pm
Please RSVP (Text or Dial)
813-410-1873

Upcoming Events and Projects



TOURNAMENT & BUFFET

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2ND

6PM COCKTAILS – 6:30PM BUFFET DINNER

7:30PM GAME TABLES OPEN

\$30.00 WILL GET YOU

**\$1,000.00 IN \$100 CHIPS AND THE
BUFFET DINNER**

\$20.00 FOR THE BUFFET ONLY

**A HANDSOME TROPHY FULL OF
GAMING TICKETS FOR THE WINNER!**

2ND & 3RD PLACE PRIZES AS WELL

ONLY 25 PLAYER SEATS SO PURCHASE SOON!

ADVANCE TICKET PURCHASE REQUIRED

**BUFFET DINNER TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED AT
TAMPAELKS.COM WITH PAYPAL**

**GAME TICKETS MUST BE PURCHASED FROM YOUR
BARTENDER.**

BUFFET DINNER BY GEORGIA:

**SHRIMP COCKTAIL OR ESCARGOT APPETIZER (TO YOUR TABLE)
SPINACH SALAD, CARVING STATION W/GRILLED BEEF & PORK
TENDERLOIN, LOADED MASHED POTATOES, HONEYED CARROTS,
ROASTED VEGETABLES AND YEAST ROLLS**

DESSERT: STRAWBERRY SHORTCAKE

DEADLINE FOR PURCHASE, THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30TH

ANY QUESTIONS CALL OR TEXT GEORGIA AT 813-294-6200

EMAIL: georgiahilficker@gmail.com

Upcoming Events and Projects



October 23rd - 6:00pm

Beer Tastings Event - \$10.00

Bratwurst Reuben Paninis available for purchase

Games to enjoy...

Cornhole, Beer Pong, Mexican Dominos

Plan to kick back and enjoy an evening with friends.



What is Army of Hope and why is it important?

Since its inception, Army of Hope has raised over \$600,000 and distributed over \$500,000 for families of deployed military members. The help you give through the Florida Elks' Army of Hope allows the military members to safely concentrate on their duties without worrying about their families at home. The Army of Hope also assists returning veterans with costs to re-establish their civilian life after deployment.

Examples of assistance include:

School lunches, Medical and dental emergencies not covered by insurance, , Minor home repairs (plumbing, painting, etc.), Auto repairs or transportation when needed, Lawn mowing, landscaping, A/C and major appliance repairs, Clothing and shoes. The families of Florida active-duty military personnel, military reservists, Coast Guard, National Guard and/or their dependents are eligible. Active-duty members stationed in Florida with their dependents qualify as Florida residents.

Save the Date

October 24, 2021

Elktoberfest Fundraiser
1:00pm - 4:00pm
810 16th Avenue SE
Largo, FL 33771

Volunteer

We need you!

Whether it's set up, activities or take down, we have a place for you to give us a hand at our annual event or other events we do!

Donate

Make a difference

You can still help by donating! Reach out to Shannon Wheatley for more information on how to donate.

727-772-3446 shannon.wheatley1@gmail.com

Upcoming Events and Projects



SPOOKTACULAR HALLOWEEN DANCE PARTY AT 708

**OCTOBER 30TH - 7:30PM TILL
THE GHOULS COME HOME**

**HOSTED BY: PAULA ROUSSELLE, JULIE WOOLEY, EFI RUFFOLO,
SHARON LILITH, GRETCHEN DOMINGUEZ AND KELLY BUSTIN**

\$20.00 A TICKET PER PERSON

**INCLUDES HEAVY HOR D'OEUVRES
DRINK TICKETS ON SALE BEFORE AND DURING THE EVENT
DANCE TO ALL YOUR FAVORITE SONGS PLAYED BY OUR DJ
COSTUMES WELCOME...CONTESTS AND PRIZES
YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS THIS!**

TAMPA ELKS LODGE · 3616 W. GANDY BLVD. TAMPA 33611

Upcoming Events and Projects



The Ladies of the Elks
are looking for homemade & hand-crafted
items for our annual
Christmas Bazaar being held
December 2nd and 3rd.

If you, or someone you know, is artistic
let us know. We would like to add some new
creative items to our bazaar.

Please contact Jacquie at 813-245-6458, if you have something that you
feel will add to this unique shopping experience.

Thank you for supporting your LOE.



*Decorate the Lodge
with your LOE*

**Begin this holiday season with family
and friends as we decorate our lodge.**

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 26TH
TIME TO BE ANNOUNCED

For more information or questions contact Jacquie LoCicero
at LOETampa708@yahoo.com



SAVE THE DATE



Christmas Crafting with the LOE

Look for updates on the LOE board.

Questions, Call Jacquie 813-245-6458

Lodge Business and Projects

**The 2022 Most Valuable Student Scholarship application is open.
Deadline is November 15th.**

Applicants will be judged on scholarship, leadership, and financial need.

Eligibility:

- Current high school seniors, or the equivalent, who are citizens of the United States are eligible to apply.
- Applicants do not need to be related to a member of the Elks.
- High school graduates are not eligible to apply.

Applicants must be citizens of the United States on the date their applications are submitted; permanent legal resident status does not qualify.

Helpful Hints from Rita:

Leave no section empty- see what can be moved from another section instead. For example: National Honor Society is a extracurricular, but Honor Roll is an award.

Do not delay your application due to the school college counselor not having replied. Submit your application on time. The counselor’s input can be added if it arrives within a few days.

Be sure the college counselor knows to compare the difficulty of your studies with the average HS student, not just those in your advanced program, like Dual or IB.

**2022 Most Valuable Student Award Offers
500 Four-Year Awards for the
2022-23, 2023-24, 2024-2025, 2025-26 Academic Years**

	<u>Four-Year Total Award</u>	<u>No. of Awards</u>	<u>Total</u>
First Place	\$50,000	2	\$100,000
Second Place	\$40,000	2	\$80,000
Third Place	\$30,000	2	\$60,000
Fourth Place	\$20,000	14	\$280,000
Runners Up	\$4,000	480	\$1,920,000
		Total:	\$2,440,000

OCTOBER LODGE MEETING SCHEDULE

- 4th - LOE Board Meeting - 6:30pm
- 6th - LOE Meeting 7pm - Dinner 6:15pm
- 12th -Board of Directors Meeting 7:15pm
- 13th - Membership Committee Meeting 6pm
- 13th- Elks General Meeting 7:30pm
- 19th - House Committee Meeting 6:30pm
- 27th - DD Inspection
- 27th -Elks General Meeting 7:30pm
- TBD - New Member Orientation 4pm
- TBD - New Member Initiation 5pm

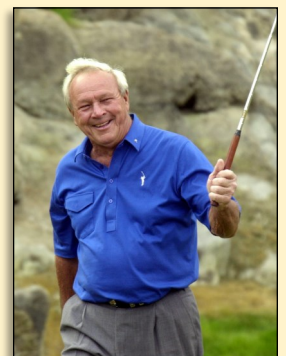
Honoring Deported Elks

**Arnold
Palmer**

1929 to 2016

**World Class
Golfer
“The King”**


























**Sycamore City, PA
Lodge #111**



Tampa Elks Lodge #708

OCTOBER 2021

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
					<p>1 \$9 PIZZAS AVAILABLE PLEASE JOIN US TOMORROW NIGHT FOR TEXAS HOLD'EM AND A BUFFET DINNER</p>	 <p>TAMPA ELKS TEXAS HOLD'EM TOURNAMENT SEE PAGE 10 FOR INFO</p>
<p>3  8:20 pm Bucs v/Patriots 7:30 pm Pregame tailgate</p>	<p>4  LOE BOD MEETING 6:30 PM CHOOSE FROM ASSORTED PANINIS AND PIZZAS  6:30PM \$3 DONATION</p>	<p>5 Boy Scouts in Back Hall 6 to 7:30pm KITCHEN PREP NIGHT 6PM </p>	<p>6 LOE GENERAL MEETING 7PM LOE DINNER 6:15PM </p>	<p>7 FRENCH DIP SANDWICH & PORTABELLA MUSHROOM SOUP \$9.50 SEE PAGE 8 Youth Activities Meeting 7:15 to 8:00pm See pg 4 </p>	<p>8 FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER HOMEMADE CLAM CHOWDER FISH FRY BY SHEL AGH FRENCH FRIES, COLESLAW CORNBREAD \$14.00 KEY LIME PIE BARS \$4.00 LIVE MUSIC: MELODY NEPHEW</p>	<p>9 Hall Rental Summers 5 to 11pm</p>
<p>10  1:00 pm Bucs v/Dolphins Halftime tailgate</p>	<p>11 CHOOSE FROM ASSORTED PANINIS AND PIZZAS  6:30PM \$3 DONATION</p>	<p>12  7:15PM BOD MEETING</p>	<p>13 MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING 6PM  7:30PM GENERAL MEETING</p>	<p>14 PHILLY CHEESE & LOADED POTATO SOUP \$9.50 SEE PAGE 8  DONATIONS by 6:45PM DRAWING at 7PM 8:20 pm Bucs v/Eagles </p>	<p>15 FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER SURF & TURF 8 OZ FILET & SHRIMP SCAMPL BAKED POTATO, CORN ON THE COB, CAESAR SALAD \$21.00 GERMAN CHOCOLATE DUMP CAKE \$4.00 LIVE MUSIC: ANTHONY BARCELO</p>	<p>16 Hall Rental Donna 5 to 12am</p>
<p>17 LOE Fashion Show & High Tea See page 9 </p>	<p>18 CHOOSE FROM ASSORTED PANINIS AND PIZZAS  6:30PM \$3 DONATION</p>	<p>19  HOUSE COMMITTEE MEETING 6:30PM Ethnic Night Appetizers and Burgers Galore Dead Bob's Too Meet at the Lodge at 6pm or at restaurant at 6:30 - see pg9</p>	<p>20 NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION 6:30pm NEW MEMBER INITIATION 7:30pm  6:30pm to 8PM Sunday Gravy & Meatballs</p>	<p>21 SHEL AGH'S GRILL NIGHT BURGERS AND MORE  DONATIONS by 6:45PM DRAWING at 7PM</p>	<p>22 FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER BEEF TIPS ON GARLIC BUTTERED NOODLES OR MASHED POTATOES FRESH GREEN BEANS, ROLL & BROCCOLI CHEESE SOUP \$15.00 BOSTON CREAM CAKE \$4.00 LIVE MUSIC: KRIS PIERCE</p>	<p>23  Beer Tasting Event See pg 11 for details</p>
<p>24 ARMY Hope ELKTOBERFEST PICNIC 1:30 TO 4PM 810 16TH AVE SE LARGO, FL 33771 SEE PAGE 11 4:25 pm Bucs v/Bears Halftime tailgate </p>	<p>25 CHOOSE FROM ASSORTED PANINIS AND PIZZAS  6:30PM \$3 DONATION</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27  CD INSPECTION  7:30PM GENERAL MEETING</p>	<p>28 REUBEN PANINI WITH WHITE BEAN AND HAM SOUP \$9.50 SEE PAGE 8  DONATIONS by 6:45PM DRAWING at 7PM</p>	<p>29 \$9 PIZZAS AVAILABLE PLEASE JOIN US TOMORROW NIGHT FOOD, MUSIC & SPOOKTACULAR FUN!</p>	 <p>SPOOKTACULAR HALLOWEEN DANCE PARTY SEE PAGE 12 FOR INFO</p>
<p>31  8:20 pm Bucs v/Saints Halftime tailgate</p>						

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