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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
"Open Early for Bucs Games"

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A Message from Your Exalted Ruler, Rita Smith



By the time you read this, it will be known that I was chosen by the State of Florida as the Veteran Volunteer of the Year- Female division. I hesitated to accept, because I know am taking the credit for work performed by many in the Tampa Lodge, not just me. My honor is your honor. Tampa has always been good to the Veterans in our community and has been faithful to our commitment- "That as Long as there are Veterans, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks will never forget them."

When you have been an Elk for 27 years, as I have been, you are given a lot of opportunity to provide service for Veterans. My involvement started out slow – Can you help roll silverware for the upcoming picnic at the VAMC? One small job, then another. Before you know it, you are hopelessly hooked and now *you* are the one asking others to help with the Veterans and you are the one telling your grandkids that you can't make it to their birthday dinner because *that's the night the Vets are coming*.

And when ENF started up with Freedom grants and Welcome Home grants-Oh MY! That created meaningful projects for a whole lot of Elks to get involved with helping Veterans in Tampa. And combined with many other organizations, Tampa Elks did help!

In fact, the VAMC in Tampa stopped having standdowns a half dozen years ago because there was not enough need. Twelve years ago, Tampa Elks had an Impact grant to work with Athena House Veterans-Athena was a private/public transitional house for up to 14 females – last year it closed for a lack of clients. The James A Hailey's Tampa Domiciliary for homeless Veterans opened with 32 beds, they rarely have more than a dozen clients anymore. To the best of my knowledge, none of the Veterans to whom Tampa Elks provided Welcome Home kits lost their homes again. Elks can and do make a difference.

I saw my nomination letter. It was said I was selfless. I want to assure you that my nominator was mistaken. The truth is, I am not at all selfless.

In the brain, pleasure has a universal signature: the release of the neurotransmitter dopamine in a part of the brain called the **nucleus accumbens**. Dopamine release in this part of the brain is so consistently tied with pleasure that neuroscientists refer to the region as the pleasure center. It is proven that this dopamine is transmitted when you do volunteer work. I am not selfless at all – I am thoroughly and shamelessly addicted. This addiction has been spreading through Tampa Elks Lodge for many years. Step up and see how pleasurable it can be to do community service!

Your 2022-23 Committees

Americanism - Richard Florance, PER (rhflorance10@gmail.com) Chairman

Army of Hope - Daniel Armentrout, Chairman (Odannyboy@aol.com)

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Robert Bordonare, Sue Dortch

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LOE Liaison - Jacquie LoCicero (Pjlocicero@yahoo.com)

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Soccer Shoot - Mike Volpe (mvolpe1980@gmail.com)

& Christien Elkins (christienelkins97@yahoo.com)

Sports - Camden Lynn (Camdenlynn07@msn.com)

Veteran's Services - Jose Remon (joseremon@gmail.com)

Youth Activities - Patty Volpe (Pattyandmrfox@gmail.com)



DINNER FOR OUR VETERANS

On May 20th we had a table of 9 from Liberty Manor join us for dinner. Owner Connie Lindsey and her van-driving husband, David, brought seven veterans that live in the non-profit transitional housing to the Lodge. Upon arrival they were greeted by several customers, then after being seated they were each greeted by the Lodge Veteran Chairman, Jose Remon and Exalted Ruler, Rita Smith. Veteran Committee members Joe LoCicero, Debbie Brennan, George Hofer and Lecturing

Knight Edie Hanley were their attendants and servers and saw to their every need. The veterans were served a dinner of NY strip steaks, grilled jumbo shrimp, rosemary roasted potatoes, fresh green beans and cheese biscuits. Those that had saved some room by asking for a to-go box also had some warm bread pudding with a vanilla sauce for dessert. Unfortunately, James A Haley domiciliary has been put on a Covid Shutdown again. The Veterans committee raises funds especially for entertaining Veterans in need. Watch for their upcoming July 4th fundraiser.



Welcome Our Newest Elk Members



Evelyn Hemingway
Proposed by:
Rick Schneider, PER



Lauren Henrichsen
Proposed by:
Julie Wooley



Megan Kuder
Proposed by:
Jeff Wooley

This lovely lady is a new member who was miss named in our May Elksize. I hope she will accept my sincere apology.



Shirley Menendez
Proposed by:
Jose Remon



Patrice Dickerson
Proposed by:
Shirley Harper



Thomas Hofer
Proposed by:
Frank Palladini, PDD

June Elk Recognitions

ELK OF THE MONTH...SHELAGH GOMBARCIK, PER

Elk of the Month: Shelagh Gombarcik knows how to break the job down and get things done. It took a herculean effort to get the old shed cleared out. It was not a pleasant job, but she persisted, and the new shed is now in place. Shelagh takes on Thursday night kitchen twice a month, is one of Georgia's back ups on Fridays, and fills in for officers absent at meetings. On top of all that, she sponsored the ENF Fundraiser, raising over \$1200 for that great charity. She truly deserves to be Elk Month.



OFFICER OF THE MONTH...MELISSA BERTOCH

Officer of the Month: Melissa Bertoch does much more than what is required by her duties as Lodge Esquire. She is part of the Monday night Bingo Crew, she has been the leader of Ethnic night for over a year, and she instituted game night. Melissa runs the Himes Avenue Clean Up and interacts with the city on our behalf. Now, she has taken on the additional duties of Community Services Chair, which requires her to provide oversight to several lodge committees. It is easy to name Melissa Officer of the Month.



Supporting Reports



"Don't leave 5 minutes before the miracle happens" is a popular phrase in 12-step programs. Whatever you're up against, stick it out.

Even for 5 more minutes.

"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." Philippians 4:13



Ladies of the Elks:

This month we celebrate fathers. On Sunday, June 19th, the Ladies will host a Father's Day Picnic. Fathers eat free and everyone else is \$8. On the menu is a picnic favorite, fried chicken, Sue's potato salad, ice cream bar and more. Please sign up on the LOE board.

Our Pasta on the 3rd Wednesday of the month is still going strong. The pasta dish this month is a yummy Potsticker Noodle Bowl. If you were thinking, I love a potsticker, don't know about it in a bowl. Well let me tell you, you will get all the flavors of a potsticker in a bowl. We make the pasta, you make a donation to Childrens Therapy Services.

The Ladies are gearing up for our annual LOW COUNTRY BOIL! This has always been a great time for all. Save the date, July 29th. More details to come.

JUNE Birthdays

Barbara Huffman - 6/14

Executive Board

Jacque LoCicero, PLP - President
Shelagh Gombarcik, PER, PLP - Vice President
Crystal Johnson - Secretary
Laura Jones - Treasurer
Suzanne Moore, PLP - Chaplain
Tracy Horrell, PER, PLP - Parliamentarian

Wondering What a VP Visit Is?

In June Through September, your Lodge Calendar will show VP visits at 7 different lodges on a weekend afternoon – mostly Sundays. The first one is this Saturday – June 4th, in New Port Richey. There are two per month scheduled through the summer. Then, on September 11th, there will be a VP Homecoming Visit at the Largo Lodge. The Tampa Lodge will be conducting a VP Visit in conjunction with the Tampa Lodge on August 28th. You are invited and encouraged to attend all seven of these visits. If you can't hit them all, please come to yours on August 28th.

To help the host Lodge with their plans, Tampa must call in the number of attendees about 5 days preceding the Sunday Visit. There is a sign up on the bulletin board, or you can call the office during the day or the bartender after 4 to have your name added. Please come join me! Each visit starts with a social hour at 2:00, then a program at 3, followed by a light meal at 4. You can be home by dark!

Dinner is \$5.00, payable at the door. You will also be offered the opportunity to participate in a raffle or two. Your seat assignment is by Lodge, and many attendees will bring a little appetizer to throw on the table to share. Promptly at 3:00 the formal program begins. This year Sonja Lopez, a Past Exalted Ruler from the Largo Lodge, has been given the honor of serving as the Vice President for the West Central District. She reports upon the health of the district to the State President, which this year is Mark Thompson, who takes office at the State Convention. At each meeting Sonja will teach us a bit about the State President, and then introduce a guest speaker that will give a short presentation detailing an aspect of the Florida Elks Association. Next will be announcements, and then a bit of head counting. *As the Exalted Ruler for Inner-Lodge Visitation, I really want your head to be there and be counted!* District and State Chairpersons for all sorts of committees will be in attendance, so you can put a face to a name and ask any questions. The official program is almost always concluded by 4:00. Dinner is on the table quite promptly. Enjoy your meal, say your goodbyes, and you can be home (or at your Home Lodge) before dark.

Attendance at the VP Visits is a great way to spend time socializing with your Lodge Officers and get to know a bit more about the Florida State Association, which undoubtable the best in the Country!

See you there! Rita Smith, ER

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ELKS RECOGNIZE PLANT HIGH AFJROTC CADET



On April 26th, 2022 Tampa Elk's Exalted Ruler Rita Smith attended an AFJROTC award night banquet for the Plant High School Squadron. There were approximately 200 people in attendance, including Cadets, parents, and community leaders presenting awards. The cadet selected by the school to receive the Elk's Award of JROTC Excellence was Cadet Sage Stark. Sage is only a sophomore but has made significant contributions to the goals of the Plant HS AFJROTC by maintaining a 4.0 unweighted GPA while earning 65 service hours with the JROTC and 35 outside service hours. He is a member of 5 honor societies, including Kitty Hawk, participates in multiple extracurricular activities, and he is an Eagle Scout from Troop 53 who held his Eagle Ceremony at Tampa Elks Lodge #708

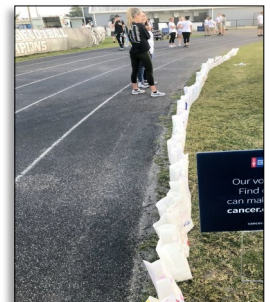


Club Chivalry News

Club Chivalry had its final two events of the school year in late April.

On April 22nd, we participated in the Relay of Life of Tampa. This event is a fundraiser for the American Cancer Society, and is held on the Robinson Football Field. The fundraiser is done by volunteers forming teams, and the fundraising starts in November and continues through May. Club Chivalry had a team again this year. I get notified when it is time to sign up as the team captain and attend monthly meetings, which gives me a chance to pick out our tent location, in this case, which one of Chompak Bay's teams we would highlight during the event, and our fundraiser for during the event. Then we ask the kids to sign up. That seemed to be the hardest part this year, even though the American Cancer Society's Director, Tammy Schoonemaker, came to a Club Meeting, talked about the event, and handed out a t-shirt to each student that signed up. The students just don't have the concept after two years of cancelled events. A few did show up and sign in. One sophomore even worked the booth with me for a while. Eventually, we ended up with 11 students. The fundraising is up to us, Tampa Elk's Lodge. This year we were a Bronze Sponsor, and we sold about 40 luminaires at \$10 apiece. During the event we sold sandwiches, chips, and soda. Thank you to Nina Carrol for the specialty sandwiches and the soda donation. Getting Elks to sign up was also difficult, but I found just enough help to get by. Thank you to Chris Miles, Jimmy Dreby, and Cole Miles for coming out and setting me up. Thank you to Robert Bordonaro and his family and Patty Volpe and Dean Wilson for their sales help. And thank you to Christien Elkins for showing up at 11 to break camp and pack my car.

I was mostly recovered when Tommy Moore and I joined teacher/sponsor Caroline Hand on April 29th for the Senior Meal field trip. We went to Fred's in Riverview. We left the school at 9:30 am with 13 seniors and arrived in time for the students to grab a plate of breakfast buffet items. When breakfast closed. We had a small ceremony where we handed out honor cords to the seniors that did 4 years of Avid classes, and to the Seniors that were Club Chivalry Officers, and to The Seniors who participated in Relay for Life and had \$150 in fundraising. It wasn't long before the buffet opened for lunch, and the students had a chance for a second round. We were back at the school by 12:30. Rita Smith, PER Group Co-ordinator



Grant Reports

A Huge Thank You, from the ER and ENF!



It took a lot of effort from a few people, but my Birthday fundraiser was a success. Shelagh Gombarcik is the Elks National Fundraising Chair and my BFF, so she worked tirelessly to get the room set up and the food arranged. Georgia agreed to be the cook, and she spent more than one day on shopping, prepping and cooking. Steve Kraft and Tommy Moore assisted in the kitchen during the party. My daughter and son in Law, Mike and Patty Volpe, took control of the Friday the 13th theme, and also brought in an amazing cake. Tristan booked a good band, and it was quite a party! The following members made contributions to ENF and collectively we raised over twelve hundred dollars. Thank you to each and every one!

Bonnie Atwood
 The Seiberts, PDD
 Crystal Johnson
 The Higgins
 Douglas Grant
 Tristan Reiber
 Jack Johnson
 Christopher Miles, PER
 Bill Dean
 Laura Jones

The Hilfickers
 Edie Hanley
 April Holtzman
 The Orcutts
 Kathryn Hall
 William O'Donnell
 Candy Venable
 The Moores
 Richard Florance
 Wendy Hall

Susie Harlow
 Tracy Way Horrell, PER
 Heather Rohan
 Lynn Brown
 Richelle Nickell
 Sara Owens
 Melissa Bertoch
 The Volpes
 Shelagh Gombarcik, PER
 Paul DeLand, PER

The Elks National Foundation (ENF) helps fund National programs like Scholarships, Drug awareness, Hoop Shoot , Soccer Shoot, the Veteran's Memorial Building , the Veterans services, and the state Association's Major projects. Additionally, we may be eligible to receive up to 12kKin grants for local community service projects. ENF keeps its administration fees down to 7%.



ELK 708 TEEN OF THE YEAR

On May 5th, during Youth Week, we honored Ismeny Ramirez , a Club Chivalry student at Robinson, as Teenager of the Year. This amazing girl is a junior who is dual enrolled at HCC, has a weighted GPA of 4.65, is President of the Spanish Club, and was just awarded Student of the Year in Business Technology. She blesses us with her cheerful presence several times a week. We are so grateful.

ELKS DONATE DICTIONARYS FOR STUDENTS

On Monday, May 2nd, Tampa Elks Lodge kicked off Youth week by donating a Dictionary and Thesaurus to each student in 3rd grade at Holy Trinity Lutheran School. The teacher and the library also received one. The books were on hand from a 2020 Dictionary project.



Upcoming Events and Projects



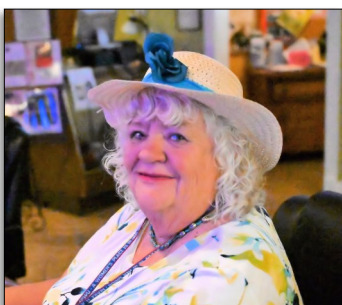
Kentucky Derby *Horse Race and Auction*

On the first Saturday of May the LOE hosted their annual Kentucky Derby Horse Race. Master of ceremony for the evening was Paul DeLand, PER. Paul kept the spectators on the edge of their seats as he called the races. While Paula Rousselle and Julie Wooley kept the excitement going with their rambunctious dice throwing. After an evening of close races, the guests participated in a live and silent auction. There was something for everyone. In the end, we ate, we drank, some won, some lost, we all had a great time for a great cause.

It took many hands to put this together. Taking your bets and paying the winners were Laura Jones, April Holtzman, Bonnie Atwood and Crystal Johnson. In the kitchen cooking up a storm, Joe LoCicero, Tommy Moore and Shelagh Gombarcik. Edie Hanley was our 50/50 queen for the evening. Needed a Jell-O shot, Tracy Horrell was there to make sure you had one. Keeping us all in check and making sure the silent auction went smoothly was Sue Moore.

Thank you to all who came out to support the Ladies of the Elks and Children's Therapy Services.

Jacquie LoCicero, LOE President



Upcoming Festivities & Events

Help Us Help Our Veterans



BBQ DINNER

BAR BINGO TO FOLLOW

4:30 - 6:30
PM



\$10 TICKET
DONATION

TAMPA ELKS LODGE 708

2022

\$12 AT THE DOOR

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT BAR

Father's Day Picnic

Join the LOE for
a Father's Day Picnic
Sunday, June 19th
4pm



FRIED CHICKEN

Sue Moore's



POTATO SALAD



PASTA SALAD



BAKED BEANS



ICE CREAM BAR



Free For Dads
All others eat for \$8.00

Sign up sheet located
On the LOE board.

Donations for this event benefits the LOE

Upcoming Festivities & Events



It's LUAU Time June 25th

*"So set your mind on
Island Time"*

**Festivities start at 5pm
Dinner at 6pm
Hawaiian Ribs & Sides
Music, Games & More!
\$20.00**

**Benefiting
Youth Activities...Soccer Shoot,
Hoop Shoot, Drug Awareness &
Back to School**

Upcoming Events and Projects



LET'S DO FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER AT THE LODGE

JUNE 3RD

**FISH
FRY
NIGHT**



WITH FRENCH FRIES OR GRITS
COLESLAW & HUSH PUPPIES

\$14 TAX NOT INCLUDED

APPETIZER:

FRIED MUSHROOMS \$3.50

DESSERT:

LEMON DELIGHT PIE \$4.00



ENTERTAINING US:

CHARLIE IMES

JUNE 10TH

**6OZ
FILET**



WITH LOADED MASHED
POTATOES, GARLIC BROCCOLI,
CAESAR SALAD & YEAST ROLLS

\$20 TAX NOT INCLUDED

APPETIZERS:

FRIED ARTICHOKE HEARTS \$3.50

DESSERT:

CRÈME BRULEE \$5.00



ENTERTAINING US:

KEVIN HURLEY

JUNE 17TH

**FRIED
CHICKEN**



WITH MASHED POTATOES, CORN
ON THE COB, COLESLAW AND
CORNBREAD

\$14 TAX NOT INCLUDED

APPETIZERS:

ONION RINGS \$3.50

DESSERT: PEACH COBBLER \$4.00



ENTERTAINING US:

ROGER HARRISON

JUNE 24TH

**NO FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER
PIZZAS AVAILABLE**

JOIN US TOMORROW
SATURDAY THE 25TH FOR A



**HAWAIIAN DINNER,
MUSIC, GAMES &**

MORE-INFO

ON PG 9



PLEASE NOTE: WE WILL BE OFFERING HALF A CHICKEN AS AN ALTERNATIVE TO THE WEEKLY MEAL AT A COST OF \$13.00 PLUS TAX. IT WILL COME WITH THE SAME SIDES AS THE ADVERTISED DINNER AND MUST BE SELECTED WHEN MAKING YOUR RESERVATION. SORRY, NO LAST MINUTE ORDERS AVAILABLE FOR THIS ENTREE. THANK YOU

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



**June 6th – Meatball Sub
with Chips \$8 TAX NOT INCLUDED**

**June 13th – Shrimp Salad Hoagie
with Chips \$9 TAX NOT INCLUDED**

**June 20th – Meatloaf Sandwich
with Potato Salad \$8 TAX NOT INCLUDED**

**June 27th – Chicken Salad Sandwich
with chips \$8 TAX NOT INCLUDED**



**QUEEN OF
HEARTS**

**Thursday Nights are
Open Grill Nights
Check your Calendar
for who and what's
Cooking!**

Upcoming Events and Projects



SUNDAY DINNER LIKE MOM USED TO MAKE

SERVED FROM 4PM TO 6PM - SUNDAY, JUNE 12TH

CHICKEN & DUMPLINGS WITH FRESH GREEN BEANS OR
OLD FASHION POT ROAST WITH POTATOES, CARROTS & ONIONS

HOUSE SALAD OR SLICED TOMATOES & COTTAGE CHEESE

YEAST ROLLS

PEACH COBBLER OR CHOCOLATE CHERRY DUMP CAKE W/ICE CREAM

ADVANCE RESERVATIONS AND MENU CHOICES

REQUIRED BY FRIDAY JUNE 10TH

TEXT: GEORGIA AT 813-294-6200

Woo hoo!

it's
**Hump
Day**



**Wednesdays
are Hump
days at 708
4 to 11pm
Come in and
enjoy 2 for 1
well drinks
including fun
cocktails**

**We are
waiting for
you!**



SUNDAY WII BOWLING LEAGUE



**ON JUNE 5TH
AT 4:30PM**

We will begin a 6 week
WII Bowling Tournament
5 dollars per player each
week and each player will
play 2 games per week
Highest score each week will
receive a free drink chip

1st, 2nd & 3rd Place
Winners of the Tournament
win \$\$\$

4th Place Free Drink

SIGN UP TODAY!

Ask a Bartender to set you up...

Upcoming Events and Projects

Tampa Elks 708 ALL AMERICAN

FLAG DAY

Hot Dog Bar



Tuesday, June 14th
Flag Day Ceremony Begins at
5:00pm

Public Welcome - Bring a Friend
Wear your Red, White & Blue

3616 W. Gandy Blvd. Tampa, 33611

Upcoming Events and Projects



*Calling All
Epicurean Elks...*

Sunday, June 26, 2022 at 5:00

PASTAPALOOZA!!



*Bring us your impressive dishes, incorporating a pasta
or just come with an appetite and a donation*

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



Joining us July 1st
to kick off the holiday
weekend is
REBEL SOUL

Rebel Soul was founded in September
of 2013, and is a high energy, country/
rock dance band based in the Tampa,
FL area. Come in & enjoy 6:30 to 10pm

Ladies of the Elks Pasta on the 3rd

**3RD WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH.
PASTA STARTS SERVING @ 6:30PMISH**

**We make the pasta, you make a donation to
Children's Therapy Services.**

June 15th— Pot Sticker Noodle Bowl
(All the flavor of potstickers in a slurpy, noodle bowl format.)

July 20th— Chicken Fajita Pasta
(All the flavors of a fajita in a bowl of pasta)

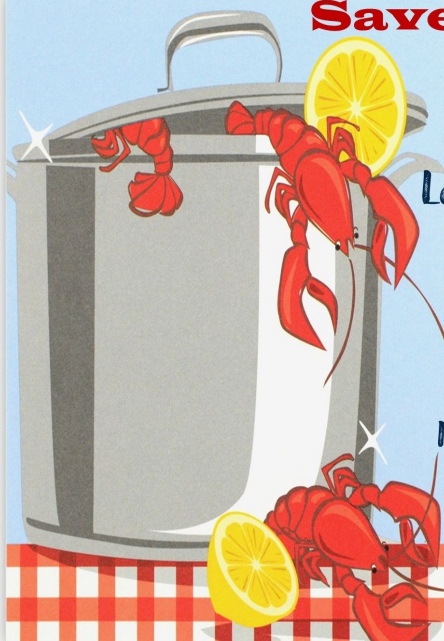
**August 17th— Pasta Fusilli w/ Spinach,
Artichokes & Sundried Tomatoes**
(Inspired by Italian ravioli.)

Pasta served on a first come first serve basis.
When it's gone, it's gone.

Donations benefit Children's Therapy Services



Save the Date



**LOE's Annual
Low Country Boil
Friday, July 29th
Tickets go on sale
July 1st**

More details to follow

Want to reserve your spot early?

Call or text Jacquie @ 813-245-6458

**NATIONAL
BINGO
DAY 27 JUNE**

**BAR
BINGO**

IT'S TRUE!

**Monday June 27th
Is National BINGO Day**

**Join us at 6:30pm for a
special BOGO to be used during any one
of the 1st 4 one dollar rounds.**

**As a fun bonus we will be playing 50/50
to raise fund for
Children's Therapy Services**

Lodge Business and Projects

VIP VISIT DATES AND TIMES

All events: Cocktail hour at 2pm, 3pm Meeting, 4pm Dinner

Sat. June 4th New Port Richey Lodge

Sun. June 26th Tarpon Springs Lodge

Sat. July 16th Dunedin/Clearwater Lodges

Sun. July 31st..... Seminole Lodge

Sun. August 14th..... St. Petersburg Lodge

Sun. August 21st..... Holiday Isle Lodge

Sun. August 28th Tampa Lodge

Sun. Sept. 11th Largo Lodge VP Homecoming

EXALTED RULER



You didn't have to do it, but I'm so grateful you did!

- Edie and Crystal for all their hard work and great fundraising for the state convention.
- Jacquie LoCicero for fielding tons of call on hall rentals.
- Nelson Grahn for solving the A/C Cover dilemma - at least for now.
- Tommy Moore for rocking his safety officer job.
- Dee Cisneros for supervising the plumbing, on top of everything else.
- Georgia Hilficker for cooking for the ENF Fundraiser.
- Danny Armentrout for figuring out the budget problem.
- To the Improvaholics for staging a great show and attracting a great audience- and to Susie and Betty manning the door.
- To Tristan Reiber and Jason Brown for planning a fun Saturday afternoon Bus Crawl.

JUNE LODGE MEETING SCHEDULE

- 2nd - LOE General Meeting - 7:00 - Dinner 6:15
- 7th - BOD Meeting - 7:30
- 7th - Veteran's meeting - 6:30
- 8TH - Membership Meeting - 6:00
- 8th - Elks General Meeting - 7:30
- 15th - New Member Orientation - 6:30
- 21st - House Committee Meeting - 6:30
- 22nd - General Meeting - 7:30
- 22nd - New Member Initiation - During General Meeting
- 22nd -Elks General Meeting - 7:30

Honoring Departed Elks

**Rudy
Vallee**

**1901 to 1986
Singer, Actor,
Musician &
Radio Host**























**Portland, MA
Lodge #188**



Tampa Elks Lodge #708

June 2022

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
			<p>1 LOE GENERAL MEETING 7PM LOE DINNER 6:15PM</p>  <p>Hump Day...2 for 1 Well Drink Specials</p>	<p>2 DEE'S GRILL NIGHT BURGERS AND MORE 6PM-7:30</p>  <p>QUEEN OF HEARTS DONATIONS by 6:45PM DRAWING at 7PM</p>	<p>3 SHELAGH & TOMMY FISH FRY W/FRENCH FRIES. OR GRITS. COLESLAW. & HUSH PUPPIES \$16 FRIED MUSHROOMS \$3.50 LEMON DELIGHT PIE \$4 MUSIC: CHARLIE IMES</p>	<p>4 NEW PORT RICHY VISITATION 2PM</p>
<p>5 WII BOWLING LEAGUE 4:30</p>  <p>SEE PAGE 11 FOR DETAILS</p>	<p>6 MEATBALL SUB WITH CHIPS \$8</p>  <p>BAR BINGO! 6:30PM \$3 DONATION</p>	<p>7  7:30pm BOD MEETING Veteran's Committee Meeting 6:30 IMPROVAHOLICS REHEARSAL</p>	<p>8 MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING 6PM</p>  <p>7:30PM GENERAL MEETING</p> <p>Hump Day...2 for 1 Well Drink Specials</p>	<p>9 SHELAGH'S GRILL NIGHT BURGERS AND MORE 6PM-7:30</p>  <p>QUEEN OF HEARTS DONATIONS by 6:45PM DRAWING at 7PM</p>	<p>10 6OZ FILET LOADED MASHED POTATOES. BROCCOLI. GARLIC YEAST ROLLS \$20 FRIED ARTICHOKE HEARTS \$3.50 CREME BRULEE \$5 MUSIC: KEVIN HULEY</p>	<p>11</p>
<p>12 Sunday Dinner like Mom used to make 4 to 6pm</p>  <p>See page 11 for menu & information WII BOWLING 4:30</p>	<p>13 SHRIMP SALAD HOAGIE WITH CHIPS \$9</p>  <p>BAR BINGO! 6:30PM \$3 DONATION</p>	<p>14  FLAG DAY Ceremony at 5pm All American Hot Dog Bar to follow See pg 12 IMPROVAHOLICS REHEARSAL</p>	<p>15 NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION 6:30PM</p>  <p>6:30pm to 8PM Pot Sticker Noodle Bowl</p> <p>Hump Day...2 for 1 Well Drink Specials</p>	<p>16 DEE'S GRILL NIGHT BURGERS AND MORE 6PM-7:30</p>  <p>QUEEN OF HEARTS DONATIONS by 6:45PM DRAWING at 7PM</p>	<p>17 FRIED CHICKEN MASHED POTATOES. POTATOES. CORN ON THE COB & CORN BREAD \$15 ONION RINGS \$3.50 MOUNTAIN DEW APPLE DUMPLINGS \$4 MUSIC: ROGER HARRISON</p>	<p>18 HALL RENTAL 9AM TO NOON ASSET INVENTOR 12 PM</p>
<p>19 LOE FATHER'S DAY Picnic 4PM Info on pg 8 WII BOWLING 4:30</p> 	<p>20 MEATLOAF SANDWICH WITH POTATO SALAD \$8</p>  <p>BAR BINGO! 6:30PM \$3 DONATION</p>	<p>21  HOUSE COMMITTEE MEETING 6:30PM IMPROVAHOLICS REHEARSAL</p>	<p>22 NEW MEMBER INITIATION During Meeting</p>  <p>7:30PM GENERAL MEETING</p> <p>Hump Day...2 for 1 Well Drink Specials</p>	<p>23 SHELAGH'S GRILL NIGHT BURGERS AND MORE 6PM-7:30</p>  <p>QUEEN OF HEARTS DONATIONS by 6:45PM DRAWING at 7PM</p>	<p>24 NO DINNER PIZZAS AVAILABLE JOIN US AT THE LUAU TOMORROW NIGHT!</p>  <p>A Fundraiser for Youth Activities See pg 8 for details</p> 	
<p>26 WII BOWLING LEAGUE 4:30 See page 11 for details TARPON SPRINGS VISITATION 2PM Gourmet Club 5pm</p>	<p>27 CHICKEN SALAD SANDWICH WITH COLESLAW \$8</p>  <p>BAR BINGO! 6:30PM \$3 DONATION</p>	<p>28  GAME NIGHT 6:30PM IMPROVAHOLICS REHEARSAL</p>	<p>29</p> <p>Hump Day...2 for 1 Well Drink Specials</p>	<p>30 DEE'S GRILL NIGHT BURGERS AND MORE</p>  <p>QUEEN OF HEARTS DONATIONS by 6:45PM DRAWING at 7PM</p>		

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