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Lodge # 708

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A.J. Matthews  
Exalted Ruler  
2011—2012

## EXALTED RULER ADDRESS

Well, we made it through September. We knew that it was going to be the busiest month of this Elk Year, and it sure didn't disappoint. Now mind you, October is no slouch for activity, but we will have some breathing room until we roll into the Holiday Season.

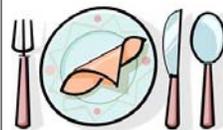
Thank you, if you were one of the many members who voiced an approval on my "I am an Elk" poem that lead off September's article. If you appreciated it, you have demonstrated that you get what being an Elk is all about. Keep up the good work and make sure to let our fellow Elks know if there is anything we can do to assist you to make our Lodge and our community a better place to live, work, and thrive.

Our membership efforts are beginning to pay off. In late August and September we voted to initiate nine new members into our Lodge in September. In addition, Secretary Ed McCaffery is pleased to report that we are down to just over 30 members who are past due on their membership dues. Of course it would be far better to report that all of our members were current in their dues. We will keep trying. What is most encouraging is that our membership is starting to get younger. That is a trend that we can well be proud of because it will positively affect our organization's future. I remember when some of you called me one of the young ones.

In keeping with this year's "Year of the Member" theme, and because October is here, I am pleased to announce our second **Membership Appreciation Dinner on October 12<sup>th</sup>**. Once again, the concept is simple; you show up at the Lodge with your membership card after 5:30 PM, and you are treated to dinner on us, with some of the Best People on Earth! Our Lodge Officers will even assist with serving you. That is if they are not chained to the stove in the kitchen like me. Of course if you bring a non-members guest or spouse, there is a nominal fee (only \$5.00). Then after you finish your dinner, stick around for the Lodge meeting and take part in the running of our Lodge.

We are currently working on putting the final touches on our **Veterans Appreciation Ball** scheduled for **Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup>**. Aside from a fine dinner and the camaraderie of our fellow Elks and Veterans, the **Brass Heart Band** has been secured for your entertainment and dancing. The **Brass Heart Band** is a BIG 13-piece band that is known as "The Hottest Horns In The Heart of Florida!" To borrow their own quote, "move to the rhythms of the most powerful tunes of the 60s, 70s, 80s and 90s with a smokin' horn band in the tradition of Tower of Power, Chicago, and Blood, Sweat & Tears." I understand they were really hard to get, and with that kind **(Continued on Page 4)**

### Wednesday, October 12th



Join us at 5:30PM

Membership  
Appreciation Dinner

Dinner's on us, just for being a member!

Non-Members Only \$5.00

### Saturday, October 29th

LOE Presents

Scary Halloween Party

7:00PM - Midnight

Tickets Only \$8.00

Games, Food, and "Scaryoke"





Theresa Matthews  
L.O.E. President  
2011—2012

**THE LOE PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

It has been a busy time for the Ladies. We just finished up the FLOE Annual Conference. The conference was held at the Doubletree hotel on Cypress here in Tampa this year. The Ladies hosted a hospitality suite to welcome FLOE members and their spouses to Tampa and encourage them to visit Tampa #708 (not to mention, spend a little money!) The LOE, along with the Elks, provided passenger vans to shuttle the Ladies back and forth to the Lodge from the hotel. Please stay tuned for a more detailed report of events in the next edition of the *Elksize*.

Next up, the LOE will be hosting a **Scary Halloween Party**. This will be an adult-only party on **Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup>, from 7pm until midnight**. The event cost is \$8.00. Dinner and dessert will be included. Start planning your costumes now as we will be having a costume contest. The categories are: scariest, most creative, and cutest couple. Also, back by popular demand is the Halloween-themed appetizer and dessert contest. We will be judging for the most original and grossest entries. Please have your entry here by 7:30pm for judging. We will also have a "graveyard." The grim reaper will be here to lock people up and you will have to raise bail to get "resurrected." Jerry "Hambone" Reid will be conducting "Scaryoke." You can pay (a minimum of \$1.00) to put someone's name in the hat to sing a song. They can either sing or match your payment. The "scary" part will be the person

having to sing and us having to listen to them sing! We will challenge you with Halloween trivia all night and provide Jell-o shots (watch out for worms or body parts in them) for sale. And finally, there will be a surprise during the evening. You will not want to miss it!

The Ladies auxiliary continues to support the Elks Lodge in all things of Elkdom. We have a wonderful, caring, giving organization that I am so proud to be a member of. We will keep on doing fundraisers to help provide financial support to our Lodge. The annual Ladies **"Parking Lot" sale will be held on Saturday, November 12th, from 8am-2pm**. Start cleaning out your closets and attics now. Remember, "one man's trash is another man's treasure." One last thing, a special thanks to Brian Brantley for putting on the Lasagna dinner for the LOE in the month of September. Until next month, we wish you great success in all you do.

In Your Service, Theresa Matthews | LOE President

LOE OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS	<b>"365 Report"</b>
Dianne Cuccinello 10/5	<p><i>We are starting a new season so it is time to start filling out little houses.</i></p> <p><i>Children's therapy goes on everyday, therefore, we need to keep the vans rolling.</i></p> <p><i>Thanks to everyone who gave a donation, including Sandra Brantley, Gerry Hauf, and the bar and tables.</i></p> <p><i>Vera Almstedt   "365" Chairperson</i></p>
Vernon Pickenpaugh 10/7	
Richard Florance 10/10	
Carrie Ann Leskey 10/11	
Mabel Parker 10/16	
Bonnie Atwood 10/18	
Theresa Matthews 10/19	
Donna Rae Morris-Halsey 10/25	
Robert Snyder 10/26	

**FROM THE KITCHEN**

To my fellow Elks,

*It has been brought to my attention that some of our wait staff may not be meeting your expectations while you are dining. I apologize that some of you feel this way. I want to try and find ways to remedy this, but I also want to remind all of you that everyone on the wait staff is a volunteer. Some of these volunteers are not currently Elks and they still volunteer their time. Some of these volunteers drive more than 5 miles to come serve all of you. Some of these volunteers have full time jobs during the day/night and spend their evenings/mornings volunteering their time to serve all of you. We do not make an hourly wage. We work for tips only. I know this is no excuse for poor service and I will speak to all wait staff in the hopes that this will help our attentiveness to you as customers.*

*If any of you have suggestions on how we can make your dining experience more enjoyable for all please come to me, or you can wear my apron and walk in my shoes for 1 night's dinner service or Sunday morning breakfast service and give me your comments, suggestions, advice...etc.*

September 6, 2011  
Melissa A. Helfer

**Lodge Officers**

**EXALTED RULER**  
A.J. Matthews, PER

**LEADING KNIGHT**  
Tracy Horrell

**LOYAL KNIGHT**  
Pat Boyd

**LECTURING KNIGHT**  
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**TILER**  
Robert Summers

**SECRETARY**  
Ed McCaffery

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David Partlow

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Albert Schnut

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**CHAPLAIN**  
Dianne Cuccinello

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**Elks National Veterans Commission Veterans Representative**  
Brian Brantley, PER

**V.A.V.S. Deputy**  
Vernon Pickenpaugh

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**W.C.D. Vice President**  
Steve Harmon, PER

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Addison Horrell

**4-Year**  
Robert Snyder

**3-Year**  
Jerry Reid, Chairman

**2-Year**  
William Edwards, PER

**1-Year**  
Brian Brantley, PER



**Ladies of the Elks**

**President**  
Theresa Matthews

**Vice President**  
Susie Harlow

**Secretary**  
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**Treasurer**  
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**Parliamentarian**  
Lisa Snyder

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Beth Boyd

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Addison Horrell

**Americanism**  
Richard Florance

**Athena House**  
Tracy Horrell

**Auditing**  
Shelagh Gombarcik

**Bell Ringers**  
Pat Fennell

**Bingo**  
Brian Brantley, PER

**Blood Mobile**  
Vic Thomas, PER

**Bulletin (Elksize)**  
Michelle Przywara

**By Laws**  
Chris Miles

**Community Activities**  
Vic Thomas, PER

**Convention**  
Addison Horrell

**Hall Activities**  
Linda Reid

**Drug Awareness**  
Vacant

**Elks National Foundation**  
Vic Thomas, PER

**Elks Training**  
Pat Boyd

**Entertainment**  
Robert Summers

**Flag Day**  
Richard Florance

**Government Relations**  
Pat Boyd

**Harry Anna Foundation**  
Tracy Horrell

**Hoop Shoot**  
Vacant

**House Committee**  
Chris Miles, Chairman

**Indoctrination**  
Pat Boyd

**LOE Liaison**  
Theresa Matthews

**Lodge Activities**  
Addison Horrell

**Maintenance**  
Jay Lleras

**Membership / Lapsation**  
Courtney Taylor

**Memorial Day**  
Richard Florance

**Mother's Day**  
A.J. Matthews, ER, PER

**Officer Attendance**  
A.J. Matthews, ER, PER

**Parliamentarian**  
Vacant

**Presiding Justice**  
John Redding

**Public Relations**  
Kim Van Walker

**Sickness**  
Tracy Horrell

**Soccer Shoot**  
Vacant

**Sports Activities**  
Vacant

**Veterans Services**  
Pat Fennell

**Visitation**  
Vacant

**Website**  
Marty Quire

**Youth Activities**  
John Wayne, PER

*Tampa Lodge 708 List of Officers  
2011 - 2012*

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE LABOR DAY BBQ



OCTOBER ELK BIRTHDAYS!

Dianne Cuccinello	10/5
Albert Nieto	10/6
Thomas Lafferty, Sr.	10/7
Vernon Pickenpaugh	10/7
Vernon Lucas	10/8
Thomas McInnes	10/8
Marty Quire	10/8
Ken Considine	10/10
Richard Florance	10/10
Carrie Ann Leskey	10/11
Richard Pilant	10/13
Morris Grover, Sr.	10/15
Beverly Wick	10/15
Bob Kaminski	10/16
Bonnie Atwood	10/18
Theresa Matthews	10/19
Robert Logan	10/21
Donna Halsey	10/25
Jerome Meguiar	10/25
Pat Brown	10/26
Joseph Messina	10/27
Grady Wade	10/29
William Kinney	10/30



OCTOBER MEETING SCHEDULE

<b>Officers Meeting</b>		
Wednesday	10/5	6:00PM
<b>LOE</b>		
Wednesday	10/5	7:30PM
<b>House Committee</b>		
Tuesday	10/11	6:30PM
Tuesday	10/25	6:30PM
<b>Lodge Meeting</b>		
Wednesday	10/12	7:30PM
Wednesday	10/26	7:30PM
<b>Membership Committee</b>		
Tuesday	10/4	7:30PM
<b>Athena House</b>		
Contact Tracy Horrell		

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of billing, why would you want to stay home on a Saturday night? Tickets are \$25.00 per person and available at the bar. Other Elks Lodges within the district and area can also agree to serve as ticket outlets and share a small part of the ticket proceeds. For more information contact the Lodge by phone at (813) 831-4280 or by e-mail: [tampaelks@verizon.net](mailto:tampaelks@verizon.net)

Now that we have had a few weeks of relative quiet on our calendar, I take this opportunity to invite both our old and our new members to roll up their sleeves and get busy in our Lodge. There are a variety of activities that can be a whole world of fun and very profitable for the Lodge. Prior experience is not required. After all, when was the last time any one of us asked for or carried a resume into the Lodge? The only pre-requisites are that you have a desire to improve your and our corner of the world and want to spend some time with some very exceptional individuals while having a whole bunch of fun. Who knows, you might end up running the place!

While we are at it, please take notice that St. Petersburg Lodge is turning 100! Their celebration will coincide with the **Florida State Elks Association's Mid-Year Convention, November 10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>**. They are our neighbors and I encourage all of our members to share in their celebration and attend the convention. Access [www.floridaelks.org](http://www.floridaelks.org) for more information.

Lastly, look toward the end of the month for Halloween fun when the Ladies of the Elks host their **Lodge Halloween Party on Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup>**. This will undoubtedly be a can't-miss event. So grow some fangs, make that costume, or simply bring your scary self down to the Lodge to support the Ladies who support our Lodge.

A.J. | Exalted Ruler

THE YEAR OF THE MEMBER - PROPOSED CANDIDATES AND NEW MEMBERS

OCTOBER 2011

New members are as important to our Lodge as our current members. Think about your neighbors, your friends, your co-workers, and people in your community who you see every day. Get your friends in the door and let us take it from there. After all, we are the friendliest Lodge in Florida!

CANDIDATE   CITY, STATE	PROPOSER
<b>CHARLES C. BEVER, III</b>   Tampa, FL	Patricia Bellairs
<b>JUDY DUARTE</b>   Odessa, FL	Richard Persbacker
<b>SARAH FERGUSON</b>   Tampa, FL	William Mason
<b>KAYLA HALL</b>   Tampa, FL	Albert Schnut
<b>SUE RILLING</b>   Tampa, FL	Courtney Taylor
<b>KAREN WHALEN</b>   Wesley Chapel, FL	William Mason



**Welcome September's Newest Members**  
 Betty Sargent, Elizabeth Hulsey, Judy Duarte, Karen Whalen, Sarah Ferguson, Sue Rilling, Susie Harlow

ELKS MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Courtney Taylor | Membership Chair

Hello Fellow Elks:

What a great month for Membership September was! We had one of our largest inductions of new members. However, it was not just new members joining. It was new members participating, showing up to events, and even working (with a little dance in her step) the cash register during Friday night dinner. **Thanks Sue!**

The month started off with the Membership Labor Day BBQ. All who attended had a great time.



*“Overall the month was great for membership...”*

Many prospective members were present and just over \$300 was raised as well.

Our Lodge is now involved in Tampa networking groups and there are new members joining from each group.

We are currently in the process of getting our Lodge involved with social networking online! More details to follow as they come. Finally, we closed the month out with participation in Safety Day.

Overall the month was great for membership not

only because of our efforts, but even more so because of the way our members supported the efforts and welcomed the new and prospective members with the spirit of Brotherly Love.

September was great but let's make October even better! Please join us at the October 4th Membership Meeting at 7:30pm with any ideas you might have to keep our new member momentum going.

**Your Membership Committee:**  
 Courtney, Pat, Kim, and Shelagh

YOUTH ACTIVITIES NEWS

Thanks to all of your for making **Safety Day 2011** a huge success. Without your help we, the Committee, could not have performed successfully.

Future plans are in the process of being developed including **Soccer Shoot** and **Hoop Shoot**. We are having difficulty finding a location to hold these events. Any help will be greatly appreciated.

Also, I want to thank all of the servers who assisted us on President's Day and our Lodge's Visitation. You all did an exceptional job and you should be proud and loud as we, Elks, are for you. Thanks again to all!

**John Wayne, PER | Youth Activities Coordinator**

**PS – The Drug Awareness Committee wishes our hard worker, Wendy Weisler, a Happy, Happy belated Birthday and many more!!!**

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## Partners in Progress

### Mission of the Partners In Progress



*To increase the financial strength of Tampa Elks Lodge #708, ensuring that our Lodge will be around for another 100 years. We will accomplish this by rebuilding our capital through investments made by Lodge Partners who are determined to secure Tampa Elks Lodge #708's long term future. Interest earned on the investments will remain in the investment account and help to increase the overall financial strength of our Lodge.*

#### PLATINUM INVESTORS - \$100

DuRant, Rosemarie 1/2010  
 Fennell, Pat & Marilyn 4/2012  
 Florance, Richard 7/2012  
 Hauf, Dick & Gerry 6/2010  
 In Memory of Harry Reoderer 6/2010  
 In Memory of Ina Moore 12/2010  
 In Memory of Larry Quire 6/2010  
 In Memory of Richard A Palmer 8/2012  
 Lucas, Vernon 6/2010  
 Marino, Anthony /2010  
 Palladini, Deborah 1/2010  
 Palladini, PSP, Frank & Ebba Jean 6/2015  
 Pickenpough Vernon and Betty FLOE PSP 8/2010  
 Quire, Bonnie 6/2010  
 Quire, Martin & Kimberly 8/2010  
 Ramsey, Richard PER 7/2009  
 Reid, Linda & Jerry 6/2010  
 Schneider, PER, Rick & Jan 10/2011  
 Sellers, Jr., Frank, PER 6/2010  
 Smith, Rita 3/2 009  
 Snyder, Robert & Lisa 5/2013  
 Norton, Bob and Stokking, Brenda 6/2010  
 Thomas, PER, Guy & Ruth 1/2009  
 Thomas, PER, Vic & Bernice 6/2010  
 Woodburn, John, 11/2011  
 Wright, Vera 6/2011  
 In Memory of James Wilder 5/2010

#### GOLD INVESTORS \$51 - \$99

Alley, Sonia & Bill 6/2010  
 Baranofski, Ron & Fran 7/2010  
 Bertoch, Jan 6/2010  
 DeLand, Paul & Sandra VansEvers 3/2008  
 Harmon, Steve, PER 6/2010  
 Heider, Ted PER & Sally PER, 7/2010  
 Huffman, Raymond & Barbara 6/2010  
 Jorgensen, Sherral 6/2011  
 Keller, Maureen & Matt 10/2009  
 Kennedy, Brenda & Brown, David 3/2009  
 LaChance, Rosemary & Roger 6/2010  
 Nikkinen, Lesley 3/2009

#### SILVER INVESTORS \$21 - \$50

Cuccinello, Diane 6/2010  
 Edwards, PER, William 6/2011  
 Gukeisen, SGM USA RET, James L. 4/2010  
 Huffman, Barbara (In Memory of Hilda DeGiacomo) 6/2010  
 Kelly, George & Elma 6/2010  
 LaChance, Rosemary and Roger 6/2010  
 Kelly, George & Elma 5/2010  
 McHugh, Thomas 6/2010

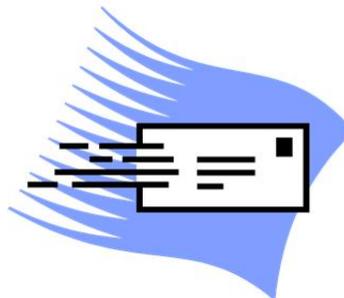
#### BRONZE INVESTORS \$10-\$20

In Memory of #7, Patrick 11/2007  
 Wayne, John & Flo 3/2009

**Stay in touch with the Lodge even if you can't be there!**

*E-mail your questions, comments, and suggestions to the Office.*

**We look forward to hearing from you!**



**A.J. Matthews | Exalted Ruler**  
 ExaltedRuler708@gmail.com

**Ed McCaffery | Secretary**  
 Secretary708@Gmail.com

**David Partlow | Treasurer**  
 Treasurer708@Gmail.com

Saturday, October 29, 2011



LOE Halloween Party  
7:00PM - 12:00AM

Come and enjoy food, games,  
music and contests!

Costume Contest   Halloween Dish Contest  
50/50 Karaoke   Trivia   Jell-O Shots

### 25 Lodges List



### 25 Lodges in 25 Days

#### Day 14: Tampa, Fla., Lodge No. 708

Elks at Tampa, Fla., Lodge No. 708 help the homeless female veterans at Athena House Transitional Facility get back on their feet. Lodge members act as friends and mentors for the residents and hold cookouts, bingo games and other events at the shelter twice a month for residents and their children. The Elks also provide the shelter with food and supplies. The veterans are thankful for the Elks, and often return the favor by helping with Lodge events and service projects.



Our very own Tampa Lodge 708 was featured in the ENF online article, **25 Lodges in 25 Days**, for efforts provided to Athena House in support of homeless female veterans. Click on [www.elks.org](http://www.elks.org) to read more about how our Lodge helps our veterans!

## AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Vernon Pickenpaugh received special recognition for his efforts with the Veterans Services Committee, being awarded **Male Volunteer of the Year!**



Robert Summers accepted a certificate of recognition for support of the Harry-Anna Investment Fund.



On behalf of the members of Lodge 708, Vic Thomas accepted thanks from the ENF for meeting our financial goal for the 2011-2012 Elk year.

## THE FACES OF TAMPA LODGE 708



**YOUTH CAMP NEWS**



Remember to get your nieces, nephews, and friends to camp in 2012. This camp keeps getting better and better. Do not let your children miss a great opportunity to experience the time of their lives!

Support the second Thursday of each month dinner at your Lodge. This month's dinner is spaghetti and meatballs. See you there!

**John Wayne, PER | Youth Camp Coordinator**

**OFFICER OF THE MONTH**

**Brian Brantley, PER, 1 Year Trustee**

1-Year Trustee takes Officer of the Month Honors for October. Brian is a Past Exalted Ruler who knows what it takes to be a true and upright Elk. A Tampa Lodge 708 fixture, Brian is well known for his long and dedicated service as our BINGO Chairman. Each week he orchestrates the set-up of BINGO tables, equipment, and tickets to provide our Lodge with charitable funds to invest in our community. Last month, when Labor Day fell on a Monday, Brian organized and scheduled a BINGO BONANZA the following day to make sure the attendees and our Lodge would not have to take a week off from their worth-while social event. In addition to BINGO, Brian tirelessly assisted with ALL THREE of District Vice President Steve Harmon's events alongside State President Fran Hayes' visit to the West Central District. It is a wonder that Brian has the time to man the stoves in our kitchen to cook breakfast or a Thursday night meal. In fact, during September, Brian worked the kitchen not less than seven times and included events for our Lodge, the LOE, and the State LOE Convention. Way to go Brian!

**ELKS OF THE MONTH**

**Bonnie Quire, Nan Quire, and Nancy Keesler**

It took a great deal of thought for us to figure this one out, fellow Elks. But it can come down to our inability to split up a very dynamic and hard-working team. This group of outstanding Elks were instrumental in successfully getting through one of the busiest months that I can remember around Tampa Lodge 708. With at least one and sometimes three events per week in the month of September, Bonnie, Nan, and Nancy served as the glue to make sure that these events went off without a hitch. Individually, Bonnie could be observed selling everything but the kitchen sink in an effort to make sure State President Frank Hayes' visit would be something special. Nan and Nancy were never far behind and lent long and very creative hours to decorate and arrange our hall for the events. These Elks were essential over the course of three successive weeks to making sure District V.P. Steve Harmon was well prepared to host his Reverse Draw, along with coordinating the State President's Visit and Steve's Homecoming. But when they weren't attending to the visits of dignitaries, they managed to set-up and prepare our Hall for a number of parties and a Baby Shower. Now if we could only bottle their dedication and initiative...



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# MESSAGES

### STATE PRESIDENT "THANK YOU"

Steve and AnnaMarie Harmon would like to extend their thanks to Tampa Lodge #708 for all of their support this year. You were a major part of a very successful State President visit as well as great attendance at all district visitations. "We will always remember your support."

**Steve Harmon**  
WCD Vice President

### BINGO BLAST!

Just a reminder to all members that Bingo is still going strong. However, We are in need of volunteers to help us. If you can help one day a month it will be great. We start selling at 5:00PM and finish cleaning up about 10:30PM. If you can help please contact me at the Lodge. Our profits have helped 7 kids go to camp this year and gave a scholarship to 1 young man to assist him with college. We hope to continue helping the children. Don't forget they are our future.

Thanks,  
**Brian Brantley**

### LODGE MEMBER UPDATE

When you visit the Lodge, please stop by the Secretary's office to update your personal membership information. Hours are 5:30PM to 8:00PM Monday through Thursday.

**Ed McCaffery**  
Lodge Secretary

## BARTENDER'S CORNER



### Hello Elks Members:

Another month gone! This year is flying by and the Lodge has had some fantastic events. More great events are

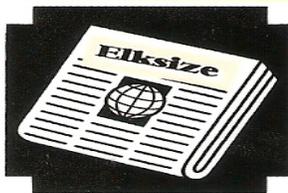
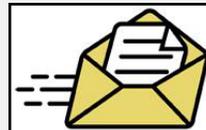
scheduled until the year's end and we are looking forward to seeing you all. Tailgate parties for football and Halloween parties with frightful costumes!!!!!! Then there are Thanksgiving and Christmas. Mary Kate and I are ready to serve you all kinds of seasonal cocktails (or your regular libations). So come on down and enjoy your Lodge and friendship! We plan on making this a banner year and want YOU to be a part of it!

**Peggi Tuttle | Bartender**

If you would like to receive e-mail reminders of Tampa Elks events and general announcements, please send your e-mail address to the webmaster:

**Marty Quire | [mquire@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:mquire@tampabay.rr.com)**

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All across America there is a rising tide of special needs: the forces of the ravages of war upon our fabled citizen-soldiers to protect our Democratic way of life, the fury of Mother Nature's wrath upon America's very homes and firesides revered by us all, and the mounting specter of America's national debt that threatens our Founding Father's very beliefs in America's existence as a free nation. Against all of this adversity will come America's resiliency to heed, and "yes" to conquer, these seemingly insurmountable and ever-growing needs. American citizenry's strengths are indeed necessary and useful tools. So, as skilled patriotic Elks, we must continue to join in and be an ever-growing productive part of our beloved America's work pools. How may we do this, you ask? By continuing to serve America's veterans hospitals and serving on Lodge and District-wide Committees to see that "as long as there are veterans, Elks will never forget them." By continuing to support our Elks Disaster Relief Fund through generous donations that go to the BPO Elks Disaster Relief Fund in Chicago and are then sent to disaster-stricken communities all across America when these needs arise. By continuing to vote in elections and pay our taxes in support of our political, social, and economic leaders to lead and protect our American and our Elks ways of life. As Elks we all will continue to do what God's grace has already given, and in so doing, we will be upholding Elks Benevolent Charity. Lastly, Elks will always celebrate and revere the memory of Christopher Columbus on his birthday, October 10th, every year - an American Holiday! So follow your fellow Elks to Care and to Share and thus be a part of Elks **VISION WITH ACTION!**

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**BINGO!**

**Every Monday Night**

**6:30PM Early Bird  
 7:00PM Jackpot, Hot Snack Bar**

By direction of C. Valentine Bates, PGER, Sponsor, State of Florida through his designee:

1. Our membership has been accused of voting to administratively alter the framework of the 2011 ENF Impact Grant.
2. It has been ruled that there was no authority for, and a mistake to consider the motion that was passed on the floor to appoint new overseers on August 24, 2011. By direction, that vote has been ruled null and void.
3. P. Deland and T. Horrell are re-instated.



**SALSA / LATIN DANCE LESSONS!**

**Every Tuesday from  
 6:30PM-7:30PM**

**Free for Elks  
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**Contact Gus Adams at (813) 374-4988  
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### October 7, 2011

- HOUSE OR CAESAR SALAD \$2.95
- NEW ENGLAND CLAM CHOWDER \$3.95 Bowl | \$1.95 Cup  
Clam, vegetables, potatoes, and cream
- KEY WEST CAKES \$6.95  
Succulent shrimp and crab nestled in fresh baked Cuban bread crumbs, cilantro and garlic, sautéed golden brown with a roasted red pepper coulis
- PRIX FIXE ACCOMPANIMENT CITRUS SORBET
- GROUPER PICATTA \$13.95  
Fresh from the Gulf grouper filet seasoned and dusted with crushed pecans, almonds, and panko crumbs, lightly sautéed in olive oil, white wine, lemon, and capers
- SHERRY'S DESSERT COLLECTION \$2.95

### October 21, 2011

- HOUSE OR CAESAR SALAD \$2.95
- BEEF N' BARLEY SOUP \$3.95 Bowl | \$1.95 Cup  
Tender chunks of choice beef, veggies and barley in a hearty stock
- STUFFED SHRIMP \$6.95  
Crab and clam stuffed butterfly shrimp with herb butter sauce
- PRIX FIXE ACCOMPANIMENT FRESH FRUIT SECTIONS
- LAMB MADRES \$12.95  
800 year old recipe of slow cooked lamb stew with carrot, onion, celery and curry spices, served over rice
- SHERRY'S DESSERT COLLECTION \$2.95

### October 28, 2011

- HOUSE OR CAESAR SALAD \$2.95
- MANHATTAN CLAM CHOWDER \$3.95 Bowl | \$1.95 Cup  
Tender clams, potato, and vegetables in a tomato velouté
- WILD MUSHROOM STRUEDLE \$6.95  
Combination of domestic and wild mushrooms, fresh spinach, and seasonings covered in flaky layers of fillo pastry, baked golden brown and served with a lemon buerre blanc (butter sauce)
- PRIX FIXE ACCOMPANIMENT MANGO SORBET
- CENTER-CUT STUFFED PORK CHOPS \$12.95  
Boneless thick cut chops seasoned and filled with fresh herb and apple stuffing, broiled to perfection and topped with a cranberry fennel sauce

## Upcoming Events

Mark your calendars for these upcoming events!

BUCS TAILGATE PARTY	Sunday	10/9
MEMBER APPRECIATION DINNER	Wednesday	10/12
DINING CLUB	Saturday	10/22
LOE HALLOWEEN PARTY	Saturday	10/29
MILITARY APPRECIATION BALL	Saturday	11/5
LOE "PARKING LOT" SALE	Saturday	11/12
CHRISTMAS PARTY (ADULTS ONLY)	Saturday	12/17
NEW YEAR'S EVE	Saturday	12/31

## OCTOBER FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER MENU

### THE STANDARDS

#### CHICKEN FINGERS & FRIES

**\$6.95**

A full pound plate featuring crispy, crunchy-tender chicken strips and golden brown French fries, served with choice of sauce



#### SHRIMP N'CHIPS

**\$7.95**

A twist on a UK favorite with five-piece fried shrimp and crispy-tender French fries, served with cocktail sauce and lemon wedge, malt vinegar upon request



#### CHEF'S SOUP DU JOUR

**\$3.95 Bowl | \$1.95 Cup**

Made from scratch and prepared fresh, classic and inventive soups, ask server for today's selection



#### HAMBURGER \$4.95

**\$5.49 WITH CHEESE**

**\$6.29 WITH BACON & CHEESE**

4oz. of lean beef, grilled to perfection, topped with lettuce, tomato, onion and pickle on toasted bun and served with 1/2lb. of golden fries

#### THE BIG ELK BURGER \$7.95

**\$8.49 WITH CHEESE**

**\$8.95 WITH BACON & CHEESE**



8oz. of USDA lean beef hand pattied and grilled to your perfection topped with lettuce, tomato, onion, and pickle, served with a heapin' pile of golden fries



#### WINGS

**\$7.95**

10 large wings tender and crispy choice of hot, medium, or mild buffalo sauce and served with Ranch or Blue Cheese, and celery

#### THE CALF CLUB (KIDS 11 AND UNDER)

**INCLUDES SODA & FRIES**

**\$3.95**

Hot Dog Basket | Corn Dog Basket | Grilled Cheese Basket  
Chicken Strip Basket | Burger Basket



### SIDES

#### HOUSE SALAD

**\$2.29**

#### CAESAR SALAD

**\$3.29**

#### SOUP DU JOUR

**\$3.95 Bowl | \$1.95 Cup**

#### VEGETABLE DU JOUR

**\$1.95**

#### COLE SLAW

**\$1.95**



#### ONION RINGS

**\$3.49**

#### FRENCH FRIES

**\$1.95 Small | \$2.95 Large**

#### SWEET POTATO FRIES

**\$2.95 Small | \$4.95**

#### BAKED POTATO

**\$1.95**

#### MASHED POTATOES

**\$1.29**



### THE CLASSICS

#### CATCH OF THE DAY

**\$11.95**

Grilled, fried, or blackened fresh fish, made to order your way, accompanied by choice of starch, soup or salad, and vegetable of the day



#### RIB-EYE STEAK

**\$13.95**

10 oz. - 12 oz. cut of USDA choice rib-eye tender and juicy, grilled to perfection, served with baked or mashed potato, soup or salad, and vegetable of the day



#### CHICKEN YOUR WAY

**\$9.95**

Boneless, skinless chicken breast, grilled, fried, or blackened to perfection, served with choice of starch, soup or salad, and vegetable of the day

## October Band Schedule

LIVE MUSIC EVERY FRIDAY!



Keith & Ruby "Las Vegas Review" 10/7

Cathy & Paul Duo (Variety) 10/14

Three Amigos (Variety) 10/21

Cathy & Paul Duo (Variety) 10/28

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# OCTOBER

## 2011 Lodge 708

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

						<p><b>1</b></p> <p>11:00AM-12:00PM WEDDING REHEARSAL FOR 10/2 WEDDING</p>
<p><b>2</b></p> <p>8:30AM-12:00PM FULL MENU BREAKFAST</p> <p>3:00PM-7:00PM HALL BOOKED-WEDDING &amp; RECEPTION-50 GUESTS</p>	<p><b>3</b></p> <p>BINGO OPEN TO THE PUBLIC! 6:30PM EARLY BIRD 7:00PM JACKPOT HOT SNACK BAR</p>	<p><b>4</b></p> <p>6:30PM-7:30PM - SALSA / LATIN DANCE LESSONS</p> <p>6:30PM - MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING</p> <p>7PM JAM SESSION</p>	<p><b>5</b></p> <p>6:00PM-7:00PM - OFFICER MEETING</p> <p>7:30PM LOE MEETING</p>	<p><b>6</b></p> <p>5:30PM-7:30PM THURSDAY NIGHT DINNER CHICKEN CACCIATORE</p>	<p><b>7</b></p> <p>6:30PM-8:30PM CHEF'S DINNER</p> <p>6:30PM-10:30PM MUSIC - LAS VEGAS REVIEW WITH KEITH &amp; RUBY</p>	<p><b>8</b></p> <p>HALL BOOKED - 45TH BDAY MASQUERADE</p>
<p><b>9</b></p> <p>8:30AM-12:00PM FULL MENU BREAKFAST</p> <p>4:00PM BUCS TAILGATE PARTY</p>	 <p><b>10</b></p> <p>BINGO OPEN TO THE PUBLIC! 6:30PM EARLY BIRD 7:00PM JACKPOT HOT SNACK BAR</p> <p><i>Columbus Day</i></p>	<p><b>11</b></p> <p>6:30PM-7:30PM - SALSA / LATIN DANCE LESSONS</p> <p>6:30PM - HOUSE COMMITTEE MEETING</p>	<p><b>12</b></p> <p>6:30PM-7:30PM - PER MEETING</p> <p>7:30PM - LODGE MEETING</p> <p>5:30PM MEMBER APPRECIATION DINNER</p>	<p><b>13</b></p> <p>5:30PM-7:30PM THURSDAY NIGHT DINNER YOUTH CAMP SPAGHETTI AND MEAT BALLS, SALAD</p>	<p><b>14</b></p> <p>6:30PM-8:30PM DINNER</p> <p>6:30PM-10:30PM MUSIC - CATHY &amp; PAUL DUO - VARIETY</p>	<p><b>15</b></p> <p>5:00PM-10:00PM HALL BOOKED - WEDDING</p>
<p><b>16</b></p> <p>8:30AM-12:00PM FULL MENU BREAKFAST</p>	<p><b>17</b></p> <p>BINGO OPEN TO THE PUBLIC! 6:30PM EARLY BIRD 7:00PM JACKPOT HOT SNACK BAR</p>	<p><b>18</b></p> <p>6:30PM-7:30PM - SALSA / LATIN DANCE LESSONS</p> <p>7PM JAM SESSION</p>	<p><b>19</b></p>	<p><b>20</b></p> <p>5:30PM-7:30PM THURSDAY NIGHT DINNER LOE DINNER</p>	<p><b>21</b></p> <p>6:30PM-8:30PM CHEF'S DINNER</p> <p>6:30PM-10:30PM MUSIC - THREE AMIGOS - VARIETY</p>	<p><b>22</b></p> <p>6:30PM DINING CLUB</p> <p>8:00PM-11:55PM HALL BOOKED - 60TH BIRTHDAY PARTY</p>
<p><b>23</b></p> <p>8:30AM-12:00PM FULL MENU BREAKFAST</p>	<p><b>24</b></p> <p>BINGO OPEN TO THE PUBLIC! 6:30PM EARLY BIRD 7:00PM JACKPOT HOT SNACK BAR</p>	<p><b>25</b></p> <p>6:30PM-7:30PM - SALSA / LATIN DANCE LESSONS</p> <p>6:30PM - HOUSE COMMITTEE MEETING</p>	<p><b>26</b></p> <p>7:30PM - LODGE MEETING</p>	<p><b>27</b></p> <p>5:30PM-7:30PM THURSDAY NIGHT DINNER VETERAN'S DINNER BEEF TIPS AND NOODLES</p>	<p><b>28</b></p> <p>6:30PM-8:30PM CHEF'S DINNER</p> <p>6:30PM-10:30PM MUSIC - CATHY &amp; PAUL DUO - VARIETY</p>	<p><b>29</b></p> <p>7:00PM-MIDNIGHT LOE HALLOWEEN PARTY</p>
<p><b>30</b></p>	<p><b>31</b></p> <p><i>Halloween</i></p>					

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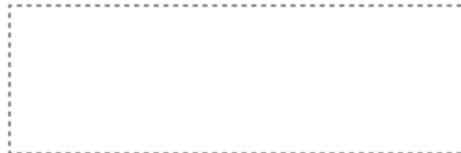
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