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My Fellow Elks,

I want to thank my wife, Tracy Horrell, for chairing the VP visit. It was a wonderful evening for Tampa Elks Lodge #708. Please read her article to learn more about it.

Our Book Inspection was earlier in the day on October 11th and I want to thank Bonnie and Tracy for doing an outstanding job in making sure the office was well prepared to make things go smoothly! I also want to thank the Officers of Tampa Lodge for their help getting the Lodge ready for inspection. If you didn't make it to the VP Visit you missed out! I hope you can make some of our events in the future!

The nation celebrates Veteran's Day this month, but Elks celebrate and honor veterans all year long. We have numerous veteran's projects going on, including monthly visits to James Haley to sponsor bingo, veteran's bussed in to eat dinner here, and our ongoing work with the female veterans from Athena House. We recently received a Freedom grant to support two more projects, including the Stand Down featured in this newsletter.

As we get near to Thanksgiving and the Holidays I hope you take the time to remember those who are in harms way or not with their loved ones. Pray for their safety and thank them for their service. This is a time to be thankful for what you have and to share, if you can, to those who are struggling.

Now is also a good time to make a tax deductible donation to our charities, The Harry Anna Trust Fund supports our state charities and the Elks National Foundation (ENF) is our Grand Lodge charity that funds many of our community projects. You may make donations by going online to ELKS.org or FLELKS.org. or just drop off a check to the Lodge secretary and she will see it goes to the right place. You can count on receiving a receipt in plenty of time for the IRS deadlines.

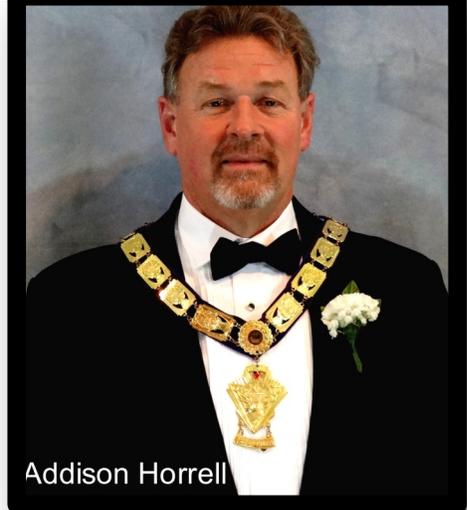
May your Thanksgiving be enjoyed with family, friends and lots of wonderful memories.

See you soon at the Lodge,  
 Fraternally,  
 Addison Horrell, ER

Bring your family and spend Thanksgiving with the Best People on Earth 2-7PM The Lodge provides turkey, and ham, bring your favorite Thanksgiving side dish or dessert.

Kitchen and Set Up volunteers needed.

Sign up sheet on the bulletin board \$7 for adults \$3.50 under 12  
 Katrina is your volunteer bartender.



**LODGE OFFICERS**

**Exalted Ruler**  
Addison Horrell  
**Leading Knight**  
Albert Schnut  
**Loyal Knight**  
Cindy Green  
**Lecturing Knight**  
Shelagh Gombarcik, PLP  
**Tiler**  
Bob Suhrheinrich  
**Esquire**  
Vic Thomas, PER  
**Secretary**  
Tracy Horrell, PER, PLP  
**Treasurer**  
Bonnie Atwood  
**Inner Guard**  
Richard Florance, PER  
**Chaplain**  
Melissa Bertoch

**LADIES OF THE ELKS**

**President**  
Theresa Matthews, PLP  
**Vice President**  
Suzanne Moore, PLP  
**Secretary**  
Susie Harlow, PLP  
**Treasurer**  
Robert Bordonaro  
**Chaplain**  
Donna Morris-Halsey  
**Parliamentarian**  
Lisa Snyder  
Bonnie Quire (acting)

**HOUSE COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

**Paul Deland, Chairman**  
Jan Bertoch  
Wendy Hall  
Glenn Harris  
Melissa Helfer  
Debbie Osterbrock  
Bob Suhrheinrich

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**5-Year**  
Courtney Taylor-Weil  
**4-Year**  
Bobby Green  
**3-Year**  
Brian Brantley, PER  
**2-Year**  
Paul Deland  
**1-Year**  
Jackie Appel

**LOUNGE MANAGER**

Carl Williamson, PER

**BARTENDERS**

Elizabeth  
Katrina

**LODGE COMMITTEES**

**Americanism**  
Richard Florance  
**Athena House**  
Rita Smith  
**Auditing and Accounting**  
Volunteers needed  
**Chamber of Commerce**  
Courtney Taylor-Weil  
**Community Activities**  
Courtney Weil  
**Convention**  
Bobby Green  
**Dining Room Staffing**  
Melissa Helfer  
**Elks National Foundation**  
Cindy Green  
**Elksize Editor**  
Rita Smith  
**Facebook Page**  
Mark McDonough  
**Harry Anna Foundation**  
Albert Schnut  
**Lodge Activities**  
Richard Florance, PER  
**Membership**  
Cindy Green  
**Music**  
Mark McDonough  
**Veteran's Committee**  
Brian Brantley, PER  
**Youth Activities**  
John Wayne, PER  
**Youth Camp**  
John Wayne, PER  
**Website/Email Notices**  
Marty Quire



# WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



Gwendolyn Burks



Mike Williams



Charles Ross



Karine Newman



Laura Jones

# SPAGHETTI DINNER

THEN....

# LOUD & PROUD



\$5.

5:30 TIL 7:30



NOV. 13TH



7:30 TIL ?

COME JOIN US AS WE WELCOME THE RIKERS WHO WILL MAKE OUR DEC. 14TH TOY RUN TO THE CHILDREN'S HOME A SUCCESS!!!!

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!!!!  
AND THEN.....



IT IS OUR USUAL LOUD & PROUD! AS THE BUSINESS FOLK OF SOUTH TAMPA AND OUR MEMBERS JOIN WITH THE RIKERS FOR A FUN NIGHT WITH LOUD MUSIC, OUR FRIENDLY LOUNGE FOLKS AND MUCH MORE!! WE ARE RAISING MONEY FOR THE TOY RUN TO THE CHILDREN'S HOME!

### Monday Night Movies

11/3 Walk the Line - 2005 Biographical drama - Elma Kelly & Lena Ferris

11/10 Slumdog Millionaire - 2008 British drama- Rita Smith

11/17 Chicago - 2002 Musical drama-Susie Harlow

11/24 Home for the Holidays - 1995 Comedy-Elizabeth Ann



WHAT DO YOU SEE?

What so you see when you look at the Wall  
 Just a bunch of names is that all  
 Or do you see the Americans that answered the call  
 And all our brave brothers who gave their all  
 Do you see the Joes' and Bills' the Bobs' and Petes'  
 The ones who marched thru jungles until they had blisters on their feet  
 Do you see young men from every race  
 Do you see the sad look upon their face  
 Do you see the pain, the suffering,  
 and the strife of the newly widowed young wife  
 Do you see families that are still grieving  
 Because their sons could not say goodbye before leaving  
 Let me tell you what I see  
 I see thousand who died so I could be free

So please let's not forget them-  
 Remember them when you hear the National Anthem

Written by Leon Kohler; submitted by Lynn Brown

There is no Lodge Meeting  
 on the 4th Wednesday, November 26,  
 per our Bylaws.

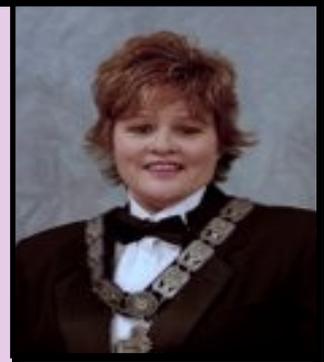


There is no Lodge Meeting  
 on the 4th Wednesday, December 24,  
 per dispensation by the DDGER.

From Your Lodge Secretary:

The members of Tampa Elks Lodge 708 listed below are delinquent to their 2014 - 2015 dues. If you sponsored one or more of them, or know them, please contact them about bringing their membership current.

Mary Jo Alford-Robertson, Albert Cagno, Ken Considine, Deborah Dickerson, Roger Du-bois, Dan Guggenheim, William Johansmeyer, Connie Kelly, Ray Lampe, Christopher Layman, Carrie Leskey, Ralph Linnell, Miguel Lucio, David Mills, Yvonne Riley, Walter Rollins, Marie Scheu, Justin Smith, Christopher Spear, Mary Spirtos, Valorne Swaney, Deborah Tanner, Ronald Topp, Huston Tucker, Jr. Willis Jean VanDyke, Rey Villanova, David Warman, and Suzanne Widdoes,.



Tracy Horrell, PER

These Elks drop off the rolls in December..

We don't want to lose these 28 valuable members!

**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.***

**GOLD INVESTORS \$51 - \$99**

Addison and Tracy Horrell 6/2015

**SILVER INVESTORS \$21 - \$50**

Shelagh Gombarcik 1/2015  
Debbie Osterbrock 11/2015

**BRONZE INVESTORS \$10-\$20**

*YOUR NAME HERE?*

**PLATINUM INVESTORS - \$100+**

Johnson, Jack 11/2014  
Fennell, Pat & Marilyn 3/2015  
Green, Cindy and Bob 3/2015  
In Memory of Fennell, Jerrye and Patrick 3/2015  
James, Howard 3/2015  
Pickenpaugh, Vernon and Betty, PLSP 3/2015  
Schneider, PER, Rick and Jan, 3/2015  
Wright, Vera 3/2015  
Smith, Rita 4/2015  
Appel, Jackie 5/2015  
Palladini, PSP, Frank & Ebba Jean 6/2015  
Waldbart, Mark 6/2015  
Brennan, John 8/2015  
Surheinrich, Bob 9/2015  
Surheinrich, Candy 9/15  
Palladini, Debbie & Durant, Rose 3/2016

**The Editor SEZ:**

The deadline for submission of articles is the 15th of each month. Exceptions can be made for reporting on events that happen on or near the 15th, but please let me know so I can plan to save some space.

I know many members have far superior computer skills than I. Please consider using them for your Lodge.

Creating Flyers for Friday night music and menus would be a good place to start. Please let the office or the ER know if you can lend a hand. Photos are always appreciated. [apwurita@hotmail.com](mailto:apwurita@hotmail.com)

**Be an SOB!**

**(Smiling ole Booster)**  
**\$10.00 per year helps offset the cost of the Elksize.**



Vernon and Betty Pickenpaugh 4/2015  
In **Memory** of Charlie Fiveash 5/2015  
Donna Morris Halsey 7/2015  
Howard James 3/2016  
Bob and Candy Surheinrich 9/2016  
Debbie Osterbrock 11/2016  
In Memory of Harold Siddens, Linda & Richard 3/2018  
Wright, Vera 3/2018

**Wii Bowling**  
**Sundays @ 4:30**



**Four Players per game,**  
**3-4 games per night.**  
**Play until you lose.**  
**Fun, Fun, Fun!!**



**Market**  
**Dinner and Dance**

At St. Petersburg Lodge #1224 located at 2675 66th Street No., St. Petersburg, 33710. All proceeds from this fundraiser benefit All Children's Hospital Outpatient Music Therapy Program.

**Saturday, November 15**

4:00pm to 6:00pm Flea Market  
6:00pm to 7:00pm Cocktail Hour and Program  
7:00pm to 8:00pm Dinner\*  
8:00pm to 10:00pm Dancing



Tickets Only \$25pp - includes admission to Flea Market, dinner of choice\*, one FREE drink ticket, chances to win great prizes AND dance while Dazzler plays your favorite songs.

**For Tickets and Seat Reservations**

Please call Toni Goodrich at St. Pete Lodge #1224 at 727-344-6551.

\* Choice of: Chicken OR Roast Beef Entree.  
Entrees include: Salad, Roasted Red Potatoes, Mixed Spring Vegetables, Dinner Roll and Dessert



Thurs - Nov 20  
**\$2.00 Trivia Night**  
7:00



Cindy Green - Loyal Knight

By Cindy Green  
**Prizes!!!**

(Multiple Choice)

Proceeds help defray the cost of our Fourth Friday Meals for Veterans

**What ARE you doing on Monday night?**

Burn off the weekend

**6:30 Line Dance Lessons**  
**\$2.00**

( Except Nov 3rd due to election)



Then relax

**Monday Night Movie**  
**8:00**

**Free Popcorn**

### LOE President's Message

Happy Fall to all our wonderful LOE members,

Your President, Vice President, Secretary and acting Parliamentarian attended the FLOE conference the weekend of September 19-21. We had a great time. We enjoyed meeting Ladies from all over the state of Florida, especially West Central District PLP's. We attended the banquet on Friday night, and the business meeting on Saturday. The new State President, Jane Moon, is from Brandon. Bonnie Quire's daughter, Linda Reid, and Linda's husband Jerry Reid, sponsored the hospitality suite, so we helped as much as we could. Karaoke was quite fun! We would like to congratulate our own bartender, Katrina, for winning the LOE Tea Basket donated by PLP, Shelagh Gombarcik. We also want to congratulate F.S.E.A State Secretary, Carl Seibert, for winning our lotto board. Carl was more than happy to purchase chances for our lotto board even though he told me he never wins anything. Needless to say, he won, and after scratching the tickets he won \$95. Not bad for a \$5 investment!

We had our 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Sock Hop on Saturday night, October 4. We had approximately 100 people attend. Our Chairperson, Donna Halsey did a fabulous job, as always! Donnas worked very hard to plan all the details of the event. We had lovely decorations, a fabulous DJ, and great food (cooked by our Leading night, Al Schnut and our VP's husband, Tommy Moore). We really appreciate all the support of the fabulous line dancers that attended with Donna. I heard from so many people who said they had the best time. We are very glad to hear that! I want to thank not only Donna, but Jim Shimp, Suzanne Moore, Susie Harlow, Robert Bordonaro, Bonne Quire, Tommy Moore, Al Schnut, Berni Turpin, and all the LOE members that worked and donated to this great event. We cannot do everything we do without the help of our volunteers!

The DD Book inspection and VP visitation were held at Tampa Lodge on Saturday, October 11. The ladies helped to entertain the DD's (Rudy Masi) wife, Dolly Masi during the book inspection. We served a lite lunch to Dolly and all the Tampa officers and visiting officers and enjoyed visiting and getting to know Dolly Masi, PER, PLP St. Pete Lodge. We enjoyed games of LCR with Dolly and Rita Choronenko who is from Holiday Isles. Dolly proved to be a lovely person and very enjoyable to visit with. Thank you to Bonnie Quire, Elma Kelly, Lena Farris, Suzanne Moore, and Susie Harlow who all helped entertain our visiting Ladies. During the visitation the LOE helped sell raffle tickets for the Elks Basket of Cheer. This fundraiser helped raise \$300 for the VP fund in just a few hours. Thank you to the LOE members who spent the evening selling these tickets to help support our District. We are off to Holiday Isles on October 18 for visitation at their lodge.

We are planning another Souper Supper in the month of November. We will be looking for volunteers to cook a pot of soup and volunteers to eat a lot of soup! In December we will be having our annual Christmas Bazaar. We hope you will come and do some holiday shopping. We are always open to donations if you need to clean house as well! Thank you to all LOE members, Elk Members and those that are both LOE and Elks for all you do! We appreciate you!

In your service,

Theresa Matthews, LOE President



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Theresa Matthews, LOE President

### 365 Club By Berni Turpin

*Thankfully* some money is starting to trickle in to start the collection for the 2015 FLOE Convention. I have received houses or donations from *Debbie Osterbrock, Rosie LaChance, Kitty Shore, RIP, Bill Curtiss, Bill Edwards, PLP, PER and Doris Ellis, Sharon Ford and Tony Marino*. I also appreciate every coin deposited in the houses placed around the Lodge. If you need a house to take home just grab an empty one from a table and I will replace it.

The money helps to provide mobile therapy services for children in Florida.



## LOE November Birthdays

|                         |                           |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| 11/3 Sandra Lessard     | 11/3 Frank N Sellers Jr   |
| 11/5 Patricia Bellairs  | 11/8 Suzanne Moore        |
| 11/17 Bonnie Quire      | 11/18 Lucille Schoonmaker |
| 11/20 Betty Gnad        | 11/27 Robert Suhrheinrich |
| 11/30 Sherral Jorgenson | 11/30 Robert Norton       |



I also sent get well cards to the following members: Brian Brantley was hospitalized, Tina Kamerer has a broken leg, Candi Suhrheinrich had surgery, Kathy Prince is undergoing cancer treatment, Richy Palmer is fighting shingles, and Betty Pickenpaugh is still homebound. Please keep these and all our members in your prayers.

Donna Morris Halsey, LOE Chaplain



## Florida Veteran's Service Award

Excerpt from FLELKS.org

Florida's Governor Rick Scott's office has contacted a Florida Elk, Lenny Smallacombe, to help promote The Governor's Veterans Service Award program which was initiated by executive order on March 13, 2014. Lenny is also the state coordinator for the Presidential Memorial Certificate program.

The Veteran's Service Award is open to all Florida residents who are either serving honorable as a member of the US Armed Forces, the U.S. Coast Guard the Florida National Guard, the U.S. Reserve Forces or Merchant Mariners with veteran status.

Lenny says, "It is totally awesome that 1.5 million living Florida Veterans are eligible to receive this honor."

For more information on the Florida Veteran's Service Award, contact Lenny Smallacombe at: 776 SW Aruba Bay, Port St. Lucie, FL 34986 Phone: 772-871-2255

Or go to [FLORIDAVETS.ORG](http://FLORIDAVETS.ORG).

VP Visit Report

By Tracy Horrell, PER, First Lady, & Chair



Toni Goodrich  
District VP

Tampa Lodge put on yet another amazing VP visitation! I was told by the District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler (DDGER) Rudy Masi that he and District Vice President( VP) Toni Goodrich enjoyed the warm and friendly welcome as they drove up and saw their names on our sign. We started with a book inspection in the afternoon.

Since I cannot inspect my own Lodge, Vice President Toni Goodrich performed this duty for us. During the inspection, the Ladies of the Elks took very good care of the DD's spouse, Dolly Masi, entertaining

her and Past DDGER's Iwan Cheronenko's spouse Rita, and I want to thank them for their time and the food they prepared. They also sold raffle tickets during the evening festivities, which was a big help.

The evening was filled with green gators to make the VP feel welcomed. Thanks to all who participated by wearing their gator visors. Steve Mullis played piano during the cocktail hour which made for a very relaxing evening.

If you were not there you missed out on the amazing voice of Tampa #708 member Candy Venable who sang God Bless America! Wow, it gave everyone a sense of pride! Thank you Candy! Even if he is my husband, I must say that our Exalted Ruler, Addison Horrell, did a near perfect job throughout the visit. We were all proud of him.

Paul Deland, Jackie Appel and Wendy Hall outdid themselves on the set up and signage. The room looked great! Courtney Weil, Elizabeth Melendy, Pat Boyd and Christine Harris did an outstanding job on the food! No one left hungry! You rocked it! The food was both tasty and timely served, considering the size of the crowd. The wait staff consisted of Melissa, Stacy, Leigha, Nick, Mikaela, Diego, and Maddy. Our regular bartenders, Katrina and Elizabeth, worked well to keep the lines short and the drinks full. Outstanding job by all! Thank all of you for your hard work. And thank you to each member that attended. It was a good night!



Rudi and Dolly Masi  
DDGER



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from our webmaster and information distributor,  
**Marty Quire.**

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On Sept 26, 2014 the Tampa Elks Lodge participated in the Department of Veterans Affairs "Stand Down for Homeless Veterans."

All month Lodge members brought in individually wrapped toilet paper to distribute. Then, with the financial support of a Freedom Grant from the Elks National Veterans Service Commission, we purchased fresh fruit, yogurt, and juices for the breakfast bar, lettuce tomato and onion for the hamburgers served at lunch, and fleece blankets, reusable rain ponchos, and emergency blankets to distribute to the homeless. Albert Schnut and Lynn Brown helped wash the fruit and slice the vegetables so they were ready to use.

Jack Johnson showed up at 6:30 AM to load the 40 lb. boxes of supplies into his pickup. Forrest Pat Boyd and Rita Smith worked the entire day. John Brennan, Candi and Bob Suhrheinrich, Gail Greene, Jack Johnson, Courtney Weil, Nancy Keesler, PER, Denice Schnut and Brian Brantley, PER each showed up and worked a 2 1/2 hour shift; Elma Kelly and Elizabeth Melendy worked a double shift. We loaned Katrina Campanello, a trained stylist, to the St. Vincent de Paul Society to give free haircuts. After approximately 200 homeless Veterans had been served, our "leftovers" were donated to James A Haley VA hospital. This was an amazing opportunity for service!



## OFFICER OF THE MONTH

### Officer of the Month: Paul DeLand

Paul has been an Elk for more than 21 years. He has held many offices within the Lodge, some more than once. Currently he is chairman of the House committee. You can often find him troubleshooting software problems, making signs and posters for events, cooking in the kitchen or helping set up with a huge hall event. He is always willing to lend a helping hand. We thank him so much for being a huge asset to this lodge and organization.

Please congratulate him when you see him!



## ELK OF THE MONTH

### Elk of the Month:

#### Ralph Seng & Donna Cuesta

Ralph came to our lodge looking for another place to hang out and find comfort. He found it! Now he has Donna at his side. What's nice is that they jumped in with both hands (not feet) to help in our kitchen where it is truly needed. For those of you who don't know, Ralph is a chef at MacDill Air Force base. We are so lucky to have such talent! Their creative dishes bring happiness to our taste buds. The next time you see them please thank them for being awesome members!

### BUCCANEER TAILGATE SCHEDULE

**NOVEMBER 2 TAMPA BAY@ CLEVELAND - TAILGATE BY RITA SMITH**

**NOVEMBER 9 FALCONS @ TAMPA BAY- TAILGATE BY CANDY VENABLE**

**NOVEMBER 16 TAMPA BAY @ WASHINGTON DC - VOLUNTEER NEEDED**

**NOVEMBER 23 TAMPA BAY @ CHICAGO - TAILGATE BY JOHN WEIGOLD & BOB GREEN**

**NOVEMBER 30 CINCINNATI @ TAMPA BAY - TAILGATE BY DEBRA OSTERBROCK**

At the Elks, we eat the food popular in the region of the opponents home stadium. Our tailgates are at halftime for the early games. A donation basket is set up to prefund the next tailgate party. We enjoy viewing the game on a 135' inch screen.

Please come join us - win or lose - we have a good time!



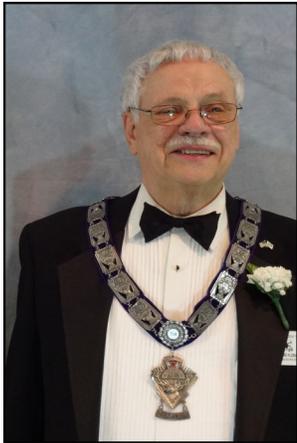
## What's the Buzz?

Did you know that YOUR Elks Lodge is the polling location for Precinct 111? There will be no line dancing on November 3rd as the Supervisor of Elections will have a crew setting up in the back hall. Parking on Election Day is also at a premium until 7 pm.

ELKS CARE~ELKS SHARE!



## AMERICANISM REPORT



Richard Florence  
Americanism Chairman

### PATRIOTISM, DEVOTION and TRADITIONS - For AMERICANS

The time draws near for all Americans - AND for all ELKS as well- to do our Patriotic duty- which is to "Cast your Vote" to determine who will be our Local, State and National Leaders for the next two years or more. Tuesday - November 4, 2014 is **Election Day** for all American citizens to have a say in our Nation's future.

As all Elks know- another patriotic duty - to salute, honor and revere all American Veterans who have served, protected, and preserved the freedoms that eternally continue to Echo all across our Lands and to the world beyond - America's rights to pursue Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness for ALL! Tuesday, November 11, 2014 is **Veteran's Day**.

In November of every year a third day comes to American Families- **Thanksgiving Day** - to honor, remember and revere -the uniquely American spirit of 'can-do' attitudes "from sea to shining sea"- that Thursday - November 27, 2014 Always brings. So, my fellow =Elks pay homage; be patriotic; be devoted to your families and celebrate America faithfully. Remember ELKS Live and Elks Give because Elks Care and ELKS share.

Richard Florence, PER, Lodge Americanism Chairman  
813-831-0518

### Drug Awareness / Youth Activities

By John Wayne

On Saturday, November 15, at 10 AM we will be conducting our yearly Soccer Goal and Basketball Hoop Shoots at the facilities of The Children's Home, 10909 Old Memorial Hwy Tampa FL 33635.



All children ages 7-13 are cordially invited to the Biggest Contest our Lodge 708 ever held.

**There is no charge to participate, lunch will be provided, and every child is a winner.**

Both contests will be held simultaneously, but each child may participate in both.

The most skilled in each of 6 divisions, upon providing proof of age, may advance to District, State and National level competitions. Details will be provided to those qualifying by the Program director.

This contest is not limited to children of Elks. Please invite your neighbors, your church's Sunday school, your child's baseball and soccer team to join us. Sign up sheets are available at the Lodge, or at the event.

**However, transportation is not provided.**



This will require a lot of Elks to monitor six divisions in both events. Additional help will be needed for registration and lunch preparation. This is an amazing opportunity to visit this facility and make a hands on difference to a child! Please see John Wayne to **volunteer** or call 813-837-4252.

## November among Elkdom's greatest months

Message from the Grand Exalted Ruler, JOHN D. AMEN

November is one of the most important months of the year in Elkdom. On the fourth Thursday we celebrate the second biggest family holiday of the year – Thanksgiving. Families across America travel for our traditional annual feast.

Another outstanding holiday this month is on November 11. That date was selected by a great Elk, General John “Blackjack” Pershing of New York Lodge No. 1, who set the date for signing the armistice to end the “Great War” – World War I – “the war to end all wars.” Brother John remembered that “with us, the hour of eleven has a tender significance,” and he set the signing of the documents for the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month, thus, memorializing our hour of remembrance. More significant than these dates are the things we, as Elks, do during this month of special recognition and support for our military and our veterans.

If you have a VA medical facility near your community, November is a great month to give support to our hospitalized veterans. Something as simple as a personal visit and chat with a hospitalized veteran will brighten his or her life. Many Lodges will even provide a special “thank you” meal for all veterans. Plan to do something for your Elks veterans as well as the veterans in your community who will exemplify our motto of “Elks Care – Elks Share,” and by so doing you will prove that we are: “*Elks: Elevating America.*” In addition, you will honor and care for our veterans and help satisfy our Elks’ pledge: “*So long as there are Veterans, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks will never forget them.*” Marcia and I wish you a happy and healthy Thanksgiving. Please take time to count your blessings, recognize our veterans, they deserve it, and give thanks that you live in America and have membership in the Elks.



# Tampa Elks -Bikers Run To The Children's Home



### Schedule:

**Registration-10am-12 Noon**

**Buffet Breakfast Available**

**10am - 12 Noon (\$5)**

**KICKSTANDS UP 1pm**

# Dec. 14th

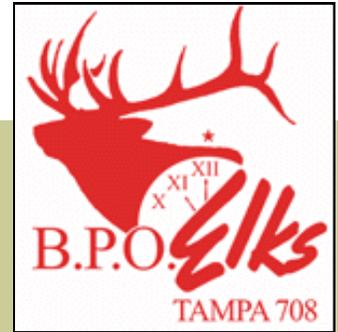
**We will be gathering at Tampa Elks Lodge #708, 3616 W. Gandy Blvd., Tampa, FL offer the children of The Children's Home a Christmas they will remember! Your registration for the event will be a new toy, or, because many of these children are teenagers, a \$10 gift certificate to Walmart, or similar generic store where these children could shop, or a \$10 fee.**

**Breakfast to be served buffet style including scrambled eggs, sausage patties, grits and a biscuit.**

**This ride, led by Santa on his Harley, will be particularly exciting as there has never been a toy run to The Children's Home and the kids will be especially excited to see and hear our arrival.....**COME JOIN THE FUN!****



# Tampa Elks Lodge #708 Calendar of Activities



## November 2014

Sun                  Mon                  Tue                  Wed                  Thu                  Fri                  Sat

Be sure to let the office know by Wednesday the 19th if you are attending the DD /VP Homecoming on the 22nd. Call Tracy @ 813- 831-4280

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|   |   |  |  |   |   | <p><b>1</b><br/><i>Hall in Use</i></p>                                      |
| <p><b>2</b> 8:30-12<br/><i>Breakfast</i><br/>1:00<br/><i>Bucs@ Browns</i></p> | <p><b>3</b><br/><i>Hall in Use</i><br/>8:00<br/><i>Movie</i></p>        | <p><b>4</b><br/><i>Hall in Use</i><br/><i>Election Day</i></p> | <p><b>5</b> 6:45 LOE<br/><i>Dinner</i><br/>7:30<br/><i>Meeting</i></p> | <p><b>6</b> 6:30<br/><i>Orientation</i><br/>7:30<br/><i>Initiation</i></p>      | <p><b>7</b> <i>Dinner</i><br/>6:30-8:30<br/><i>Dancing to A. Barcelo</i></p>        | <p><b>8</b><br/><i>Hall in Use</i></p>                                      |
| <p><b>9</b> 8:30-12<br/><i>Breakfast</i><br/>1:00 BUCS<br/>4:30 Wii</p>       | <p><b>10</b> 6:30 Line<br/><i>Dancing</i><br/>8:00<br/><i>Movie</i></p> | <p><b>11</b><br/><i>House Committee</i><br/>6:30</p>           | <p><b>12</b> 7:30<br/><i>Lodge Meeting</i></p>                         | <p><b>13</b> VETS<br/><i>Bingo -&amp;5:30 Spaghetti / 7:30 Loud n Proud</i></p> | <p><b>14</b> <i>Dinner</i><br/>6:30-8:30<br/><i>Dancing to Satin &amp; Lace</i></p> | <p><b>15</b><br/><i>Hall in Use</i><br/><i>Soccer &amp; Hoop Shoots</i></p> |
| <p><b>16</b> 8:30-12<br/><i>Breakfast</i><br/>1:00 Bucs<br/>4:30 Wii</p>      | <p><b>17</b> 6:30 Line<br/><i>Dancing</i><br/>8:00<br/><i>Movie</i></p> | <p><b>18</b></p>   | <p><b>19</b> 6-8<br/><i>Officers and BOD meet</i></p>                  | <p><b>20</b> \$.<br/><i>Trivia</i><br/>7:00</p>                                 | <p><b>21</b> <i>Dinner</i><br/>6:30-8:30<br/><i>Dancing to Kathy n Paul</i></p>     | <p><b>22</b> 6:00<br/><i>DD&amp;VP</i><br/><i>Visit St Pete</i></p>         |
| <p><b>23</b> 8:30-12<br/><i>Breakfast</i><br/>1:00 Bucs<br/>4:30 Wii</p>      | <p><b>24</b> 6:30 Line<br/><i>Dancing</i><br/>8:00<br/><i>Movie</i></p> | <p><b>25</b></p>   | <p><b>26</b></p>   | <p><b>27</b><br/>2-7 PM<br/><i>Thanks-giving</i></p>                            | <p><b>28</b><br/><i>Lodge's Decorating Night</i></p>                                | <p><b>29</b></p>  |
| <p><b>30</b> 8:30-12<br/><i>Breakfast</i><br/>1:00 Bucs<br/>4:30 Wii</p>      |   |  |  |   |   |   |

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## Friday Night Menus & Bands

Tampa Elks Lodge #708

Nov. 7

NY Strip Steak \$13  
Salad, Baked Potato,  
Veggie & Roll

OR

Chicken Parmesan \$8.  
Over Pasta, Salad & Roll

Dinner by:  
Paul & Wendy

Music by:  
Anthony Barcelo

Nov. 14

Pork Roast \$11  
with Stuffing, Gravy,  
Green Bean Casserole,  
Salad and Roll

OR

Beef Stew \$10  
over  
Mashed Potatoes,  
Salad and Roll

Dinner by Courtney

Music by:  
Satin N Lace

Nov 21

Fried Swai Fish, French  
Fries and Cole Slaw \$8.

Or

Rib Eye Steak,  
Salad, Baked Potato and  
veggies \$12

By Addison & Bob Green

Music by:  
Kathy & Paul

Nov 28

Dining Room Closed

Thanksgiving's Leftovers  
for volunteers who show up  
to help decorate the Lodge.  
(While supplies last)

