

Tampa 708 Elksize

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Mon - Thursday 4:00pm - 11:00pm

Friday 4:00pm - 12:00am

Saturday 4:00pm - 11:00pm

Sunday 12:30pm - 9:00pm



As a lodge, we start each year with the task of supporting our first major function, the Florida Elks State Convention. This year the convention is titled "FECON 2017" and it offers some exciting new options for you to choose from. The location is the first of these changes as the convention will be held at the Marriot World Center outside of Disney in Orlando. We will have our Tampa Pirates Den Hospitality room as usual, but in addition there will be an attraction on the Convention Hall floor. There will be Music, Food, Beverages, Booths to show off your Lodge, and videos with the latest information regarding our State Projects. Plus all the fun and fellowship you could possibly enjoy.

If you have never attended a state convention and would like give it a try, you now have the option of taking a one day bus trip sponsored by the State Association. (There is a \$20 wristband fee and you must be registered by May 5th.) This offers you the opportunity to be with us all day Saturday and attend the celebration in the Convention Hall. You will experience and all things Florida Elks has to offer.....Youth Camp, Therapy Services and more. For those that have never experienced the Original Ritual, you can attend one presented by a Ritual Team.....believe me its extremely impressive. Information regarding this bus trip is available at the lodge or you can go to FSEA.org and look for FECON 2017 for more information.

Courtney's Table is up and running and has been very well received. We had a wonderful Easter Brunch and we are looking forward to the Mother's Day Prime Rib Brunch with a Free Champagne or Mimosas for the Mums. Thank you for your support of this new venture as an additional membership benefit.

There are lots of Volunteer Opportunities available for members that would like to become more involved with helping our lodge help our Community. Please see the article inside. We are still in need of help with our monthly Elksize. If you have computer skills in Publisher, or like program, please reach out to Shelagh or the Lodge Secretary, Rick Schneider.

We have planned some fun events for May....Starting with a Kentucky Derby Party on the 6th of May, the Hilarious Improv-a-holics Comedy Musical on the 13th of May, and followed by May 20th Karaoke with our Leading Knight KJ Dee Cisneros. Mark your calendar and come enjoy your friends or bring a friend to our house, Tampa Elks #708!

Fraternally yours, Shelagh Gombarcik, ER

Your 2017-18 Committee Chairs

Bert Newbill

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**Bonnie Atwood, Jackie Apple
And Melissa Bertoch**

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Web Calendar

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Drug Awareness
Grand Lodge Youth Programs

Not filled as of printing

Army of Hope
Inter-lodge Visitation

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House Committee:

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Bar Manager

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Bert Newbill

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Assistant Bar Manager

2017-18 CALENDAR EVENTS

VICE PRESIDENTS VISITATIONS:

JUNE 3 TARPON SPRINGS # 1719
JUNE 10 DUNEDIN/CLEARWATER # 1525
JUNE 17 NEW PORT RICHEY # 2284
JULY 8 LARGO LODGE # 2159
JULY 29 ST. PETERSBURG # 1224
AUGUST 5 SEMINOLE LODGE # 2519
AUGUST 12 HOLIDAY ISLES # 1912
AUGUST 19 TAMPA # 708 (HOMECOMING)

OTHER EVENTS

AUGUST 5 DD CLINIC 9:00AM ST. PETE # 1224
SEPT 15-17 STATE PRESIDENT VISIT TO THE WCD
SEPT 17 ELK'S DAY AT THE RAYS
JULY 16-19 GRAND LODGE CONVENTION - RENO, NV
SEPT 22-24 FLOE CONVENTION - MAITLAND, FL.
NOV 10-12 MIDYEAR CONVENTION - PLANTATION INN AT CRYSTAL RIVER, FL.
FEB 9-11, 2018 QUARTERLY MEETING - UMATILLA, FL. (FEYC)
MAR 16-18, 2018 OFFICER TRAINING - WORLD CENTER MARRIOTT, ORLANDO
APRIL 7, 2018 DD CLINIC ST. PETERSBURG LODGE - 9:00AM
MAY 25-27, FECON '18 WORLD CENTER MARRIOTT, ORLANDO

Theresa L. Matthews, Tampa Lodge 708

A Warm Welcome To Our New Elk



Kelly Ray
Sponsored by
Bert Newbill



Greg Livingston
Sponsored by
Bert Newbill



Peggy Smith
Sponsored by
Rita Smith



Rob Meekins
Sponsored by
Bert Newbill



Bert Newbill, our Lecturing Knight is the Recruiter of the month!

Enjoy your parking space Bert!

May Elk Recognition

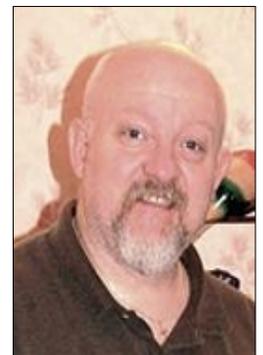
OFFICER OF THE MONTH: BERT NEWBILL

Bert is a retired Army Lieutenant Colonel from US Special Operations Command with more than 23 years of distinguished service to our Nation. With his leadership skills from his years of service in the Military, he is going to help lead our lodge into the future. Bert is also a member of the Freemasons and consequently knows what it means to be in the leadership line of a Fraternal Order. Bert is currently a Basketball coach and also serves on the Advisory Board of the South Tampa YMCA. Since joining our lodge, he has been active in many areas including mentoring with the Club Chivalry Program and he is now chairing the Hoop Shoot and Soccer Shoot. Bert made the decision to start his journey through Elkdom and is serving as our Lecturing Knight



ELK OF THE MONTH: MARTY QUIRE

Marty is the son of PER Larry Quire and is a second generation Elk. A Systems Analyst for Raytheon Corporation, Marty travels all over working on flight simulators. He currently serves as our Webmaster and I'm sure you will agree that the Tampa Elk's Website is one of the finest in Elkdom. He also send out the weekly updates, blasts and anything that needs to be brought to the attention of our members. If you're not receiving updated information please email Rick, our Lodge Secretary to get on his list and receive the Elksize this way and save the paper and post. Marty volunteered to photograph our incoming officers and has done so in the past, so the photos in our lobby are usually due to him. When Marty is not busy keeping us updated he morphs into one of our DJ "MARDONIX", he spin the discs and boy can he sing. His expertise enables him to work on the Lodge's audio/visual equipment keeping it up to date. We appreciate all you do for us.



VOLUN "ELK" OF THE MONTH: BERNI TURPIN

BERNI TURPIN is a Past Lady President of the LOE and a supporter of all things LOE and Elkdom. Whenever she is asked to volunteer for a task she is 100% in and that is what she has done with the 365 Club. The little house that you see and many take home with you to put your spare change in goes directly to the FECTS Florida Elks Children's Therapy Services, the mobile therapy service that delive4rs this much needed service to children throughout the State. Bernie has collected a tremendous amount of change over the years and it has all been donated on behalf of Tampa 708 Ladies Auxiliary. Thank you for your dedication to making sure that we are promoting and supporting FECTS.



Supporting Reports



And we're off.... the new lodge year is starting with a bang, the LOE is having a Kentucky Derby Horse Race on May 6th. This is a family friendly event, food, drink specials, hat contest and more. Courtney's Table will be serving a wonderful menu starting at 5:30, betting windows open at 6pm with the first race at 7pm. Horses can be bought for \$10 each, see your bartender to make your purchase. Hope to see you there.

Hope all who attended the Easter had a wonderful time. This year the LOE gave out goodie bags filled with treats to the children and paid for their brunch.

Thank you to Sharon Ford for your generous donation to the LOE to help with the Easter goodie bags.

Like us on Facebook: LOE Tampa Lodge 708
 Email: LOETampa708@yahoo.com

Jacquie LoCicero, Ladies of the ELK President

"Every day may not be good, but there is something good in every day."

LOE May Birthdays submitted by Carolynn Breit:



5th - Robert Orcutt, 12th - Rita Smith, 12th - Brenda Stokking - 28th
 James Harlow - 28th - Datha Sirmans, 31st-Jannette Bennett



365

Hello Fellow Members,

I went to the lodge and found several members that don't come often. When they saw me emptying our houses, they pulled out their donations. Remember guys we are doing this for a great cause. If you can't come in often please consider taking a house home and bring it in when you come. You can also give your donation to a Lady Officer. I am ever so grateful to all that contribute. Here are this month's donors.

Wendy Woo, Robert Summers, Frank Palladini, and Donna Halsey.
 We also collected from bar and tables.

Thank you to all who helped and I hope more will join.

Committee Communications

The Drug Awareness Program along with our Community Affairs Program had the pleasure to partner with the South Tampa Chamber of Commerce on April 2nd for the Chambers annual Taste of Tampa held at the Women's Garden Club. There was plenty of great food and beverage for everyone. There were about a thousand people that attended. Over 75 merchants giving away their samples. I would like to thank the following Elks whom help set up/tear down and manned the booth: Bryan Brantely. Bryan and Rebecca Sullins Great job, Thank You. Also thanks to Courtney's Kitchen for donating 100 delicious cookies that we gave visitors as they walked around. We distributed Drug Awareness Literature on the dangers of drugs and promoted our Lodge and our ever popular Kids Summer Camp, Gave out info and application for membership. Thanks also to all of the Elks who attended. Our Lodge pairing with the Taste of Tampa has really put us out there in our community.

Fraternally Yours, Tommy Moore, Drug Awareness Chairperson



**YOUTH
EVENTS**

Committee Communications Continued



Hello everyone Just wanted to let everyone know that for this year (2017/2018 I will be replacing Shelagh as Elk National Foundation Chairman. I have big shoes to fill as Shelagh has done a terrific job in taking care of the ENF donations for several years now. She will continue to help me get my feet wet and hope I can do what she has for our Lodge. If anyone wishes to make a donation, please contact me(831-1017) or Lodge Secretary. Thank You for your support.
 ENF Chairperson Tommy Moore

Elks Youth Camp -Summer Camp

We are still accepting applications for the Youth Camp and if you have children interested in attending one of the summer sessions please go to FEYC.org for the applications. We are pleased to announce that we have 3 Young People from our Lodge that will be councilors this summer.

Taylor Taylor and Mallory Benzing will be returning counselors and Jeremey Elksins will be a counselor in training. Fraternally yours, *John Wayne*, PER, Youth Camp Chairman




Club Chivalry Report

On the 24th of March, 32 Club Chivalry students and 5 Elk chaperones attended a Career Fest sponsored by Hillsborough County Schools and the Technology Department at Hillsborough Community College. The Elks chaperones were the School Sponsor, Kristina Chowning, Loyal Knight Tommy Moore, Lecturing Knight Bert Newbill, Inner Guard Madison Benzing, and our brand new 21 year old member, Mallory Benzing. The bus for the field trip was provided, at no charge to the Club or the Elks, by the Hillsborough County School Board! Prior to that tremendous gift, we were looking at a bus bill of about \$700.00. There were no charter busses available in our area to be found for that day- we would have had to pay for one to drive down from Orlando. We are very grateful for that tremendous donation, and excited to know that the school board is even aware of our Club Chivalry project. Hillsborough County School Board is the 6th largest in the country. The students and our two male chaperones boarded the bus at about 8 AM. We provided juice and pastry for the trip, so things got off to a sweet start. Our three female chaperones drove in a private car to make more bus seats available for students. There were kids from every high school at the career fest, and the students were free to move around through the areas at their own pace. They met back up for lunch, which was a boxed lunch by chic fil et. At the end of the Career Fest, Elks provided chips and sodas for the students as they boarded the bus. Though I didn't attend, our Officers tell me this was an excellent and educational field trip that the students will not soon forget.

Rita Smith Club Chivalry Project Manager



Last Month's Fantastic Festivities & Events



Bill Edwards, PER, PLP, installs our new ER, SHELAGH GOMBARCIK

2017-18 OFFICER INSTALLATION CEREMONY

This year's installation ceremony went off without a hitch. Our new officers were installed with all the pomp and circumstance they rightfully deserve. The offices they have agreed to accept will be work intensive and selfless, and we truly appreciate their dedication and their resolve to make our lodge prosperous and safe.

Though the office of Leading Knight was not filled at the time of installation, it has been filled now by Dee Cisneros, who will be leaving his position as Tiler. Brian Brantley, PER has agreed to accept the vacated Tiler post.

I know I speak for everyone when I wish our new officers, board of directors and trustees all the best for the coming year.



2017-18 LOE OFFICERS INSTALLED

Following the Lodge installation came the installation of this years Lady of the Elk officers. These ladies are the back bone of our lodge and they play a large part in keeping us solvent. This year's Lady President, Jacquie LoCicero is a committed, organized and enthusiastic lady, excited to make her mark on the position. Her board of directors are: Vise President, Suzanne Moore, PLP, Secretary, Devoney Bedami, Treasurer, Robert Bordonaro. Chaplin,Carolynn Breit, Parliamentarian, Bonnie Atwood.

2017 Easter Brunch Buffet

This year's Easter Brunch was a roaring success! Over 160 guests were served and our LOE paid for children under 12 years of age. Not only did Courtney's Table put out an outstanding buffet, but the guests were impressed with our lodge and many asked how they might join. Needless to say, our ER Shelagh Gombarcik was there to offer assistance. The bar enjoyed a good day as well and everyone is looking forward to the Prime Rib Mother's Day Buffet to be held on Mother's Day, May 14th.



Last Month's Fantastic Festivities & Events

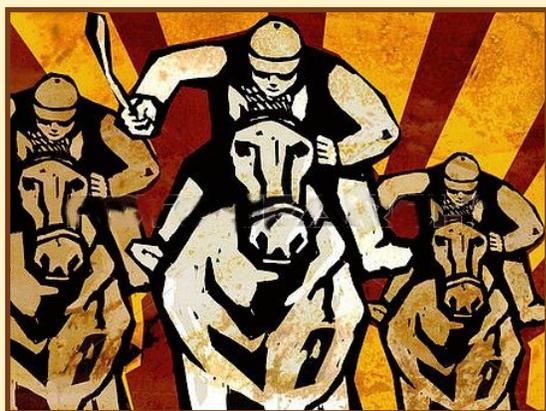


Great Showing at this year's STCOC TASTE OF SOUTH TAMPA

The Taste of South Tampa enticed a record number of attendance. We were able to introduce Elkdom to many interested people and Courtney's Table provided yummy homemade cookies for us to offer the attendees. Tommy Moore, Bryan Brantley, PER, and Becky Sullins maned our booth and our ER joined them to help educate the public.



Upcoming Events and Projects



LADIES OF THE ELK HORSE RACE May 6th

BUY AND ENTER YOUR HORSE TODAY ONLY \$10.00

**BETTING WINDOWS OPEN
AT 6PM...START TIME 7PM**

**Family Friendly Event
Adult and children's hat contest
See Bartender, Sue Moore or Jacquie LoCicero
To Purchase Your Horse**

**Dinner Available from Courtney's Table at 708
Offering an authentic Derby Menu!
From 5:30pm to 7:30pm
Come support your LOE!**



SERVING AN AUTHENTIC TRADITIONAL KENTUCKY DERBY MENU!



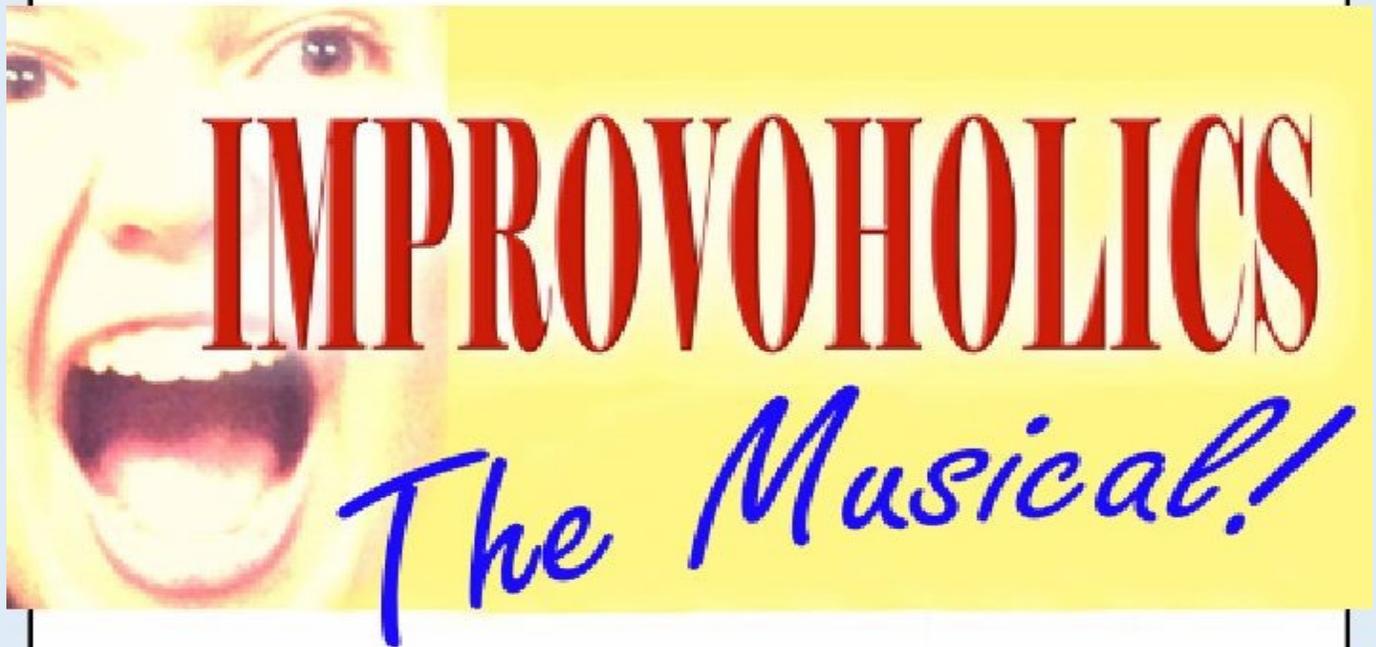
Upcoming Events and Projects

Tampa  Lodge



**ACT OUT!
IMPROV**

P R E S E N T



Yes, they're funny...
But can they sing?

Saturday, May 13th ~ 7:00pm

Tampa Elks Lodge ~ 3616 W Gandy Blvd

Cash donation of \$10 is suggested for admission.

Proceeds benefit the Ladies of the Elks, who support Florida Elks Children's Therapy Services.

Free hors d'oeuvres available at 6:00, with SHOWTIME at 7:00

**Please be aware that this performance is for open-minded
adults only, and is not appropriate for children!**

Upcoming Events and Projects



Courtney's Table at 708

Mother's Day Brunch

Sunday, May 14th - 10am to 2pm
3616 Gandy Blvd., Tampa

\$19.95 Adults - \$7.00 Children under 12

Reservations requested for parties over 10: 813-484-0123

Carving Station:

Slow Roasted Prime Rib w/au jus & horseradish sauce
Garlic Rosemary Grilled Pork Loin

Breakfast Classics:

Scrambled Eggs
Blueberry Blintz
Sausage Patties
Buttered Grits
Buttermilk Biscuits

Quiche
Crisp Bacon
Gourmet Cheese Grits
Potato Casserole



Luncheon Selection:

Chicken Marsala
Honey Glazed Carrots
Corn Casserole
Shrimp Bisque
Krab Salad
Parfait Bar

Deviled Eggs
Parmesan Potatoes
Strawberry & Spinach Salad
Chicken Tortellini Salad
Assorted Fruit
Yeast Rolls



Sumptuous Dessert Table
FREE MIMOSA FOR MOM

Sorry no to go boxes.



Upcoming Events and Projects

Your Exalted Ruler Presents:

Saturday Night Karaoke!



Starting Saturday, May 20th - 7pm
Repeating each month, every 3rd Saturday.
Drink Specials, Music, Games, and Competitions!
Join us for Fun, Fun, Fun!



Calling All Epicurean Elks

May 21, 2017 at 5:00 pm

Come join us as we

"Mangiare Italiano"

Bring us your impressive dishes or just come with an appetite and a donation

BUS TRIPS TO FECON '17

FLORIDA ELKS STATE CONVENTION

LIMITED TO 55 PASSENGERS - BOOK & PAY EARLY TO RESERVE SEAT



WHEN: May 27th, 2017 & Bus will depart at 8:15 a.m.!
WHERE: Bus will depart from Tampa Elks Lodge
HOW: Signup sheet located on bulletin board
DEPARTS: Orlando at 4:30 p.m.!
TRIP COST: Wristband purchase only - Due May 5

Bring Your Kidz & Grandkidz to



\$20.00

FECON '17 Wristband is Required! Cost is \$20 Per Person



New Member Candidates come get initiated at FECON '17!



MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY

MAY 30TH AT 11AM

Frank Palladini, PSP, PDDGER, Shelagh Gombarcik, ER, And George Hilficker, Esquire will participate in the laying of a wreath in honor of our nation's heroes. Ceremony to take place at American Legion #5 Kennedy and Dale Mabry Highway All Welcome

SAVE THE DATE

Please make plans to support our annual Veteran's Committee Fundraiser.

SATURDAY, JULY 1ST - 4PM

Family Friendly Event featuring BBQ Ribs, Live Music, a Cakewalk and More!
Only \$17 for Adults, \$7 under 12

COMING IN JUNE

Let's kick off the Summer with a splash
Bring a friend or 2
Family Friendly Fun, Food and Games for all ages



Upcoming Events and Projects

MAY 25-28 - ORLANDO WORLD CENTER MARRIOTT



FEGON '17

FLORIDA ELKS STATE CONVENTION

**Celebrate Florida Elkdom on the Convention Floor
and Meet Members from Across the State.**

**Presentations, Vendors & Exhibits,
Food/Beer/Wine/Activities and CROSS COUNTRY BAND**

\$20.00

Convention Floor Party

**with Hospitality Room Type Food/Treat Stations:
Food Carts 11am-1pm with Ice Cream, Donuts, Pop Corn,
Wraps, Salad; 1-5pm Wraps and Salad;
HAPPY HOUR - Wings, Pretzels, Egg Rolls Brats.
7 - 9pm Sliders, Dogs and Fries.**



**Join Tampa 708 Elks Very Own Pirate Fest
in there Hospitality Room and at Convention Booth,
Featuring Tampa Specialties, along with Booty,
Treasure and a whole lot of Fun!**

**FEGON
KidZONE!**

**Activities Include: Manga (Gaga) Ball, Capture the Flag,
Card & Board Games, Kickball, Gator Ball, Archery,
Arts & Crafts, Movie Night**

To Join Us For all This and More!

Go to floridaelks.org and Register

On Going Calendar

Courtney's Table at 708
Sunday Brunch
 Quiche
 Omelets
 Eggs Benedict
 Croissants Sandwiches
 Breakfast Classics
 Banana's Foster French
 Toast
 And More
 10am to 2pm



Third Sunday GOURMET CLUB

May 21st, 5pm
 Join this fun group of Elks and cook up a storm, or enjoy their fabulous creations and lots of fun trivia!

BINGO
 6:30pm every 1st and 3rd Monday
 Buy-in Packs \$20
 Specials \$1 each or \$5 for 6
 Bonanza \$1 Each or \$5 for 6
 Exchanges Allowed
 Short Order Grill is Open

MONDAY GRILL NIGHT AT Courtney's Table AT 708
 OPEN 5:30PM TO 8PM
 Burgers, Pattie Melts, Italian Sausage Hoagie, Fried Chicken Sandwich, Chicken Salad Plate
 French Fries, Onion Rings
 And more

MOVIE NIGHT
 Tuesday Night Movie
 7:30 pm
 With Popcorn

WEDNESDAY MEETING NIGHTS
Courtney's Table AT 708
 Burgers, Hot Dogs, BBQ Pork Sandwich,
 Mojo Pork on Cuban Bread w/Grilled Onions and Swiss, Fries, Onion Rings, Potato Salad, Cole Slaw and More.
 BOD MEETING WED 6PM - 9PM
 GENERAL MEETING WED 5PM -7PM AND 9PM - 11PM



Courtney's Table AT 708



THURSDAY NIGHT BASKETS
 One Dish Meal with Salad, Veggie, Roll
 Baskets:
 Shrimp Basket with Fries & Cole Slaw
 Chicken Tenders Basket with Fries and Cole Slaw
 Wing Basket with Fries and Cole Slaw
 Greek Salad with Potato Salad
 Basket of Fries
 Basket of Onion Rings
 6PM TO 9PM

Triv?d NIGHT

3rd Thursdays after Queen of Hearts.
 \$2.00 to play
 All proceeds go to offset the cost of the Veteran's meals. Fabulous prizes & Great Fun!
 Multiple Choice Questions.
 Hosted this month by:
 Lisa Snyder & Sandra Lake

Friday Dinner
 Dinner at *Courtney's Table AT 708*
 Early Bird 5pm to 6pm
 Dinner 6pm to 9pm
 Dancing from 7pm to 11pm
 MENU ON PAGE 14

Lodge Business and Programs



Partners in Progress or PIP

Platinum Investors 100+

In Memory of Vern Pickenpaugh from the Reids 3/17
 Also from the Pickenpaugh Family 4/17
 Walbart, Mark 6/17
 Suhrheinrich, Robert & Candice 6/17
 Fennell, Pat & Marilyn 6/17
 In Memory of Jerrye & Patrick Fennell 6/17
 Speach, Michael 6/17
 With sincere thanks for the transportation
 Schneider, Rick & Jan 6/17
 Appel, Jackie 6/17
 In Memory of Tom Stanton
 From Mrs. Helen M. Stanton 9/2017
 Florance, Richard 9/2017
 Osterbrock, Debbie 5/18

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

Gold Investors \$51-\$99
 Bordonaro, Robert 7/2017

Silver Investors \$21-\$50
 James, Howard 3/2018

Bronze Investors \$10 - \$20
 Your Name Here?

Lodge Business and Programs

A Word From The House Committee:

... the membership card, which will be presented to you by the Secretary, is a means of identification. It shows that you are a member in good standing in this lodge. You should carry it with you at all times. You are required to present it in order to gain admission to this lodge, and without it you cannot gain admission to another lodge. . . . Excerpted from Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks Initiation adopted by the Grand Lodge in 1979.



We are in the middle of the transition from one Lodge year to the next. The green membership cards no longer allow access to the social quarters or Lodge meetings. Rather, the 2017-18 purple card is required. In order to be compliant with our charter and the laws governing our organization you must prove member-in-good-standing status in order to gain entrance and/or buy a drink. All of this lead up is to ask for your understanding and cooperation as we strive to ensure Lodge rules are being properly applied and followed.

To this end our bartenders have been given the following very specific instructions:

- ◆ If a single person enters via key card access no inquiry is necessary.
- ◆ If multiple people enter together via key card access the bartender must ascertain whether it is multiple members or a member & guests and respond accordingly.
- ◆ If the bartender is required to ‘buzz’ someone in the bartender **must** ask to see membership card(s) before taking any drink order(s) or starting a tab.

In other words please proudly display your purple membership card every time you visit!

Laura Jones, House Committee Chairman



WE HAVE A WINNER! \$1,310

Our very own Ralphie, Ralph Shep finally captured the lovely lady and won himself a healthy jack pot! CONTRATULATION RALPHIE! She’s on the run again so come in and buy a chance to catch her!

Thursdays, tickets sold till 6:45pm - Drawing at 7pm

Pot is already over \$600!



———— Berni’s Household Help ————

Help with Shopping, Doctor’s Appointments, Cleaning, Watching Older Parents or anything to make life easier. References Available upon Request.

813-831-4270 or 813-244-9867

This is a paid advertisement.

Buy an Elk Tee Shirt

Tee Shirts \$15.00



Show Your Elkdom!



Ask your bartender.

MAY LODGE MEETING SCHEDULE

3rd - LOE Meeting 630pm

3rd - BOD Meeting 6:30pm

4th - House Committee Meeting 7:30pm

10th - Officer Meeting 7:00pm

10th - General Elk Meeting 7:30pm

16th - VA Meeting 6:30pm

25th to 27th - State Convention

Courtney's Table AT 708

Friday Night Menu



5PM TO 6PM - \$6.50

- . MEATLOAF WITH HOUSE SALAD, MASHED POTATOES, AND YEAST ROLL
- . SPAGHETTI AND MEAT BALLS WITH HOUSE SALAD AND GARLIC BREAD
- . SALAD PLATE - CHOICE OF TWO SALADS, CHICKEN, TUNA, OR EGG
- . FISH AND CHIPS WITH COLESLAW AND HUSH PUPPIES
- . **PLUS A DAILY SPECIAL**

FRIDAY NIGHT MENU 6PM TO 9PM

STARTERS

- . FRIED MUSHROOMS W/RANCH OR AIOLI SAUCE..... \$4.25
 - . FRIED ZUCCHINI W/RANCH OR AIOLI SAUCE..... \$3.95
 - . FRIED RAVIOLI W/MARINARA SAUCE \$4.50
 - . LOADED FRIES, FRIES SMOTHERED IN CHEESE SAUCE & BACON \$4.95
 - . 1/2 LB PEEL & EAT SHRIMP W/COCKTAIL SAUCE \$9.95
- **ASK YOUR SERVER ABOUT THE SOUP OF THE DAY...**

SALADS

- . WEDGE SALAD W/BALSAMIC GLAZE DRESSING, BLUE CHEESE CRUMBLES & BACON BITS \$4.50
****REPLACE HOUSE SALAD WITH WEDGE.....\$1.95 EXTRA****
- . CHEF SALAD W/EGG, HAM, CHEESE, TOMATOES, CUCUMBERS, PEPPERS, ONIONS \$7.25
- . HOUSE SALAD W/LETTUCE, TOMATO, CUCUMBER, ONION \$2.50
- . CAPRESE SALAD, MOZZARELLA, RIPE TOMATO, CHOPPED BASIL, BALSAMIC VINEGARETTE \$5.25

ENTREES

- SERVED W/HOUSE SALAD, VEGGIE OF THE DAY AND YOUR CHOICE OF BAKED, MASHED, FRENCH FRIED POTATOES OR RICE PILAF, AND YEAST ROLLS. (Loaded Potato, Sour Cream, Bacon & Cheese \$.50)
- . 1/4 CHICKEN \$7.95
 - . CAPI'S HOMEMADE MEATLOAF..... \$8.95
 - . COUNTRY FRIED STEAK W/WHITE OR BROWN GRAVY..... \$9.50
 - . ROSEMARY GARLIC PORK TENDERLOIN \$9.95
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- . FRIED FISH WITH FRENCH FRIES, COLESLAW & HUSH PUPPIES \$8.95
****SIDE OF 5 HUSH PUPPIES.....\$1.99****
 - . SHRIMP PASTA W/HOUSE SALAD & GARLIC BREAD..... \$9.75
 - . GEORGIA'S CHICKEN PICATTA W/PASTA HOUSE SALAD AND GARLIC BREAD..... \$8.95
 - . ITALIAN SAUSAGE PASTA W/HOUSE SALAD AND GARLIC BREAD \$8.95

ASK YOUR SERVER ABOUT THE DAILY SPECIAL & STEAK OF THE DAY.

DESSERT

- . COURTNEY'S LARGE HOMEMADE COOKIE A LA MODE \$3.95
- . HOMEMADE BROWNIE A LA MODE \$4.50
- . COLE'S HOMEMADE CHEESECAKE \$4.95
- . VANILLA ICE CREAM W/OR WITHOUT CHOCOLATE SAUCE \$2.50

KIDS MEALS

- SPAGHETTI & MEAT BALL...\$4.50 MEATLOAF W/MASHED & VEGGIE.....\$4.50 HOT DOG W/FRIES.....\$2.50
 DRINKS: SWEET & UNSWEET TEA, COFFEE.....\$1.75 COKE, DIET COKE OR SPRITE.....\$1.75





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MAY 2017

CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
	<p>1 <i>Open Grill</i> 5:30PM TO 8PM</p> <p>BINGO 6:30PM</p>	<p>2 STCOE Military Affairs <u>Meeting 3:00pm</u></p> <p>Improv Class <u>6:30</u></p> <p>LOE BOARD <u>MEETING 7PM</u></p> <p>Movie Night 7:30pm</p>	<p>3  LOE Dinner 6:45</p> <p><u>LOE MEETING 7:30</u></p> <p>BOD Meeting 6:30pm</p> <p><i>Meeting Night Grill</i> 6PM TO 9PM</p>	<p>4 <i>Basket Night</i> 6PM TO 9PM</p> <p>House Committee <u>7:30</u></p> <p> Queen of Hearts Drawing</p>	<p>5 <i>Dinner</i> Early Bird 5pm to 6pm Dinner 6pm to 9pm Dancing from 7pm to 11pm MENU ON PG 14</p> <p>MUSIC CAROL & PAUL</p>	<p>6 LOE KENTUCKY DERBY HORSE RACE 6PM</p> <p></p>
<p>7 Open Arms Feeding the Homeless 7:30am</p> <p>Sunday Brunch 10AM TO 2PM</p>	<p>8 <i>Open Grill</i> 5:30PM TO 8PM</p>	<p>9 Improv Class <u>6:30</u></p> <p>Movie Night <u>7:30pm</u></p>	<p>10 Officer Meeting 7pm</p> <p>Elks General Meeting 7:30pm</p> <p><i>Meeting Night Grill</i> 5PM TO 7PM & 9pm to ?</p>	<p>11 <i>Basket Night</i> 6PM TO 9PM</p> <p> Queen of Hearts Drawing</p>	<p>12 <i>Dinner</i> Early Bird 5pm to 6pm Dinner 6pm to 9pm Dancing from 7pm to 11pm MENU ON PG 18</p> <p>MUSIC KATHY & PAUL</p>	<p>13 LOE IMPROVA-A-HOLIC THE MUSICAL 6PM</p> <p></p>
<p>Open Arms Feeding the Homeless 7:30am</p> <p><i>Mother's Day Brunch</i> 10am to 2pm</p>	<p>15 <i>Open Grill</i> 5:30PM TO 8PM</p> <p>BINGO 6:30PM</p>	<p>16 Improv Class <u>6:30</u></p> <p>Movie Night <u>7:30pm</u></p>	<p>17 <i>Meeting Night Grill</i> 6pm to 9pm</p>	<p>18 <i>Basket Night</i> 6PM TO 9PM</p> <p>House Committee <u>7:30</u></p> <p> Queen of Hearts Drawing</p>	<p>19 <i>Dinner at</i> Early Bird 5pm to 6pm Dinner 6pm to 9pm Dancing from 7pm to 11pm MENU ON PG 18</p> <p>MUSIC KARAOKE</p>	<p>20 KARAOKI SATURDAY! MUSIC GAMES DRINK SPECIALS! 3RD SATURDAY UNLESS ANOTHER EVENT</p>
<p>21 Our Kitchen at Open Arms Feed the Homeless 7:30am</p> <p>Sunday Brunch 10AM TO 2PM</p> <p> ORIENTATION & INITIATION 12PM</p> <p>Gourmet Club 5pm</p>	<p>22 <i>Open Grill</i> 5:30PM TO 8PM</p>	<p>23 Improv Class <u>6:30</u></p> <p>Movie Night <u>7:30pm</u></p>	<p>24 Elks General Meeting 7:30pm</p> <p><i>Meeting Night Grill</i> 5PM TO 7PM & 9pm to ?</p>	<p>25 <i>Basket Night</i> 6PM TO 9PM</p> <p> Queen of Hearts Drawing</p> <p>STATE CONVENTION</p>	<p>26 KITCHEN CLOSED DUE TO CONVENTION</p> <p>STATE CONVENTION</p>	<p>27 STATE CONVENTION</p>
<p>28 Open Arms Feeding the Homeless 7:30am</p> <p>Sunday Brunch 10AM TO 2PM</p>	<p>29 MEMORIAL DAY LAYING ON OF THE WREATH AT AMERICAN LEGION#5</p> <p><i>Open Grill</i> 5:30PM TO 8PM</p>	<p>30 Improv Class <u>6:30</u></p> <p>Movie Night <u>7:30pm</u></p>	<p>31 <i>Meeting Night Grill</i> 6pm to 9pm</p>			

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