

Palmetto
Elks

Palmetto Pride

Lodge
#2449



**Benevolent and Protective Order of
ELKS**



Home Lodge of Past State President Dave Verguson

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December 2006 No. 12



Dear Lodge Members

It's amazing, a month has passed and we are moving ahead in leaps and bounds.

I wish to thank everyone for all of your support. It has been overwhelming. So many people in our great Lodge have come forward to offer help and as always, ideas and recommendations.

We had our first food meeting on November 15. I wish to thank K'Lynn Martel for making all of the calls. We had a very good turnout and some new volunteers. If we missed anyone else who would like to come out and help at our Monday Sandwich night, Wednesday Italian, Friday Fish Fry, Sunday Breakfast and any of our functions, I encourage you to contact me. We have a good time, work hard, and make good friends.

As you may have noticed, we have added the

Salad Bar back to the fish fry on Friday nights. We are selling bowls at the door for \$.50. We also have someone serving the salad. To answer your questions about why we have a salad server, it has to do with new state regulations regarding sanitation and cross contamination. It is designed to help keep illness out of our Lodge.

I want to thank everyone who worked so hard for our Lodge during the month of November. We had a very busy start to our season. Without our volunteers we would be lost.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you all.

Fraternally Yours

**Sandy Mooney,
Exalted Ruler**

Notice of Palmetto Lodge #2449 By-Law Change

Article X: Fees and Dues, Section 4.

Amend by addition of the following at the end of section 4. During the months of November and December of any Lodge year, the Lodge may, with the approval of the Lodge by a vote on the Lodge floor, reduce reinstatement fees to \$1.00 for the purpose of reinstating Elks into the Lodge.

Postal Regulations

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Officers for 2006—2007

Exalted Ruler	Sandra Mooney	729-3145
Leading Knight	Robert Vaccaro, PER	753-8603
Loyal Knight	Barbara Jones	722-3362
Lecturing Knight	Maggie Hildebrand	721-8290
Secretary	Robert W. Quinn, PDDGER	722-6940
Treasurer	Donald Wedge, PER	720-2027
Tiler	Al Skadan	722-5088
Esquire	James Mooney	729-3145
Chaplain	Judy Vergason	722-1329
Inner Guard	Gregory Harrod	776-9997
Organist		
Alternate	Craig Conklin, PER	729-4714

Trustees

Five-year	Craig Conklin, PER	729-4714
Four-year	Glenn Davis, PER	737-3776
Three-year	David Vergason, PSP	722-1329
Two-year	Lawrence Hildebrand	721-8290
One-year	Thom Dillman, PER	758-5061

Corporation Officers

President	Thom Dillman, PER	758-5061
Vice President	James Mooney	729-3145
Sec./Treas.	Craig Conklin, PER	729-4714
Members	Gregory Harrod	776-9997
	William Bird	722-3362
	Maggie Hildebrand	721-8290
	Al Skadan	722-5088

2005-2006 Committee Chairs

Accident Prevent	Larry Hildebrand	721-8290
Americanism	Thom Dillman	758-5068
Auditing and Accounting	Dave Vergason	722-1329
Bulletin	Craig Conklin	729-4714
Community Activities	Judy Vergason	722-1329
Drug Awareness	Greg Harrod	776-9997
Flag Day	Glenn Davis	737-3776
Government Relations	Craig Conklin	729-4714
Harry Anna Trust	Open	
Hoop Shoot	Richard Horth	721-9936
Indoctrination	Bob Vaccaro	753-8603
Investigation	Maggie Hildebrand	721-8290
Lapsation	Open	
Lodge Activities	Sandy Mooney	729-3145
Mediator	Bob Vaccaro	753-8603
Membership	Maggie Hildebrand	721-8290
Memorial Sunday	Glenn Davis	737-3776
Mothers Day	Don Wedge	720-2027
National Foundation	Sandy Mooney	729-3145
Nat'l Veterans Service	Jim Hoey	721-9574
Presiding Justice	Francis Pozzi	358-0110
Public Relations	Open	
Relief	All Chair Officers	
Soccer Shoot	Open	
Visitation Coordinator	Jim Mooney	729-3145
Web Master	Jim Hoey	721-9574
Youth Activities	Open	
Youth Camp	Bob Vaccaro	753-8603

Wanted and Desperately Needed!

Deodorant ▪ Paperback Books ▪ Playing Cards
 Hobby Kits ▪ Table Games ▪ Writing Supplies
 Stamps ▪ Disposable Razors ▪ Comfort Items
 Toothpaste ▪ Denture Supplies ▪ Combs

These are items, that as Elks, we need to provide for our Veterans. "So long as there are Veterans, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks will never forget them.

If you can help with any of these items, please drop them off at the Lounge so we can gather them together and deliver them. Magazines must be less than three months old.

Thank you, Sandy Mooney, Lodge Activities

From the Desk of the Secretary

Office Hours: Tuesday 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
 Wednesday 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
 Phone 941-722-6937 Fax 941-722-6246

INITIATED INTO THE LODGE CANDIDATE

Scott T. MacAulay, Sr
 Barbara Blackwell
 Charles R. Andersen
 Donna Radziewicz
 Paul Bittner
 Donald Wagner
 Robert Brunner

PROPOSED FOR MEMBERSHIP

CANDIDATE

PROPOSER

Richard Bloomfield
 David Harding
 Debra Leonard
 Michael LeFrois

Sandra Mooney
 Jan Dean
 C. Brian Leonard
 John Hoisington

TRANSFER DEMIT

Harry T. Clavey

DEATHS

Judy Erwin

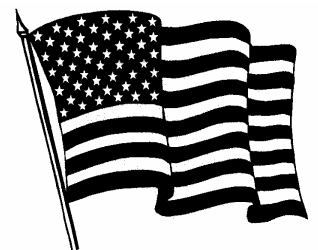
Aluminum Can Pull Tab Collection Program

Please bring in you aluminum can pull tabs. All tabs will be collected and used as a donation to the Ronald McDonald House. If you know of other organizations that will donate their pull tabs, let us know so we can include them as well.

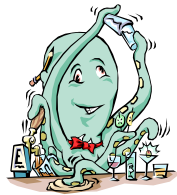
Good News!

Our Web Site is up and running.
 To view go to
palmettoelks.org .

Enjoy!



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December 2006 Activity Calendar

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Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Christmas Dinner Dance Cocktails 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM Dinner 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM Music by Dave Harris						1 Lounge Open 1:00 - ??? Fish Fry or Salisbury Steak 4:30 - 7:00 PM Music 6-9 PM 50/50 at 7:30 PM Bobby Remp	2 Lounge Open 1:00-8:00 PM
3 Breakfast Buffet 9:00-12:00 \$5.00 All You Can Eat	4 Lounge Open 1:00 PM - ??? Food 5:00-7 PM Grilled Ham & Cheese Karaoke Dee	5 Lounge Open 1:00-8:00 PM Officers Meeting 7:00	6 Lounge Open 1:00 - 8:00 PM	7 Lounge Open 1:00 - 8:00 PM Trim-a-Tree Party 4:00	8 Lounge Open 1:00 - ??? Fish Fry or Shish Kabobs 4:30 - 7:00 PM Music 6-9 PM 50/50 at 7:30 PM Musical Memories	9 Lounge Open 1:00-8:00 PM	
10 Boom-Ba Lunch 12:00 to 2:00 Music 2:00 to 4:00	11 Lounge Open 1:00 PM - ??? Food 5:00-7 PM Reubens Karaoke Lynn's Spins	12 Lounge Open 1:00-7:30 PM Lodge Meeting DD Visit 7:30	13 Lounge Open 1:00 PM - ??? Italian Night 5:00 - 7:00PM All-you-can-eat \$5.50 Music Dave Harris	14 Lounge Open 1:00 - 8:00 PM	15 Lounge Open 1:00 - ??? Fish Fry or Meatloaf 4:30 - 7:00 PM Music 6-9 PM 50/50 at 7:30 PM Night Lights	16 Lounge Open 1:00-8:00 PM Childrens Christmas Party 10 - 2	
17 CLOSED	18 Lounge Open 1:00 PM - ??? Food 5:00-7 PM Philly Steaks Karaoke Dee J. Creations	19 Lounge Open 1:00-8:00 PM Potluck 6:00 PM Indoctrination 7:00 PM	20 Lounge Open 1:00 - 8:00 PM	21 Lounge Open 1:00 - 8:00 PM	22 Lounge Open 1:00 - ??? Fish Fry or Pot Roast 4:30 - 7:00 PM Music 6-9 PM 50/50 at 7:30 PM Nick @ Nite	23 Lounge Open 1:00-8:00 PM Christmas DD Dave Harris	
24 CLOSED	25 Closed Merry Christmas	26 Lounge Open 1:00-7:30 PM Lodge Meeting 7:30 PM Initiation	27 Lounge Open 1:00 PM - ??? Italian Night 5:00 - 7:00PM All-you-can-eat \$5.50 Music Nick @ Nite	28 Lounge Open 1:00 - 8:00 PM	29 Lounge Open 1:00 - ??? Fish Fry or Ham 4:30 - 7:00 PM Music 6-9 PM 50/50 at 7:30 PM Bernie & Joe	30 Lounge Open 1:00-8:00 PM	
31 New Years Eve DD 6:00 - 1:00	New Years Eve Dinner Dance Prime Rib Dinner Open Bar, Champagne, Party Favors Music by Silver Sounds						

Christmas Dinner Dance

Saturday, December 23, 2006
Cocktails 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM
Dinner 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM

Ham, Sweet Potato, Peas, Salad, Rolls & Dessert

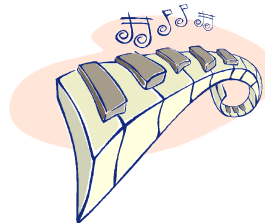
Music 6:30 to 9:30 by

Dave Harris

Price **\$10.00** per person

BOOM-BA

Sunday, December 10, 2006



Lunch from
12 to 2 pm

Music from
2 to 4 pm



Florida State Elks Association Major Projects Founder's Certificate Subscription Harry -Anna Trust Fund



I, (we), subscribe to a Founder's Certificate in the Harry-Anna Trust Fund, Series _____ and submit the initial payment of \$ _____
 Automatically bill my credit card annually Sent a statement annually

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____
Lodge Name : _____ Lodge Number : _____
Billing Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Series Options
Series L: \$50.00
Series C: \$100.00 (\$20 now & 4 Annual Payments of \$20)
Series D: \$500.00 (\$50 now & 9 Annual Payments of \$50)

Please indicate method of payment. (Make checks payable to **Harry-Anna Trust Fund**)
 Cash Check
 Credit Card Number: _____ Expiration Date: _____

If you are unable to purchase a subscription, but would like to make a donation: \$20 \$40 \$60

Cooperation

The adjective cooperate means to act or work together with another or others. Synonyms are unite, combine, help, contribute and support. Being open-minded means being open to new ideas, being unprejudiced.

Mature adults don't have to like someone to be able to work with them. A Lodge can't be a success with members constantly fighting and arguing over whose idea is best. A smart, successful man one said "There is always at least three ways to do something and they are all right." No one is perfect except God; life is a learning lesson; you can either complain that rose bushes have thorns, or rejoice that thorn bushes have roses.

Submitted by Craig Conklin, PER and Trustee

Fish Fry Friday

All you can eat Fried Pollack for
\$5.50

Also serving baked Pollack \$5.50,
Half Baked Chicken or an
additional Dinner Entrée \$6.50.

Salad Bar \$.50

Every Friday

Check you calendar to see what
extra entrée we are serving.

December 2006 Veterans Message

November was a good month in terms of Veterans support. We enjoyed a really nice luncheon at the Venice-Nokomis Elks Lodge on the 16th. Quite a few Palmetto Elks made the journey. The food was great, and the local Elks even entertained the crowd with some sing-a-long numbers. On the 9th Sandy, Jim, and I took two carloads of donated goodies up to Bay Pines. I then had a tour of the Vets nursing home there. They do take care of our guys & gals really well; and they certainly appreciate generosity. Please keep on giving.

The VA center at Bay Pines let us know that a lot of the Vets there could use extra pairs of under garments; both male & female styles. Underwear... do we need underwear? Yes, we need underwear! Now remember: no "used" under garments will be accepted! Just pick up a new package next time you happen to be shopping and have some extra cash in your pocket. ;-)

Jim Hoey, Veterans Service Chairman



Highlights for December

- Friday Night Fish Fry
- Monday Night Karaoke - Belly Busters, Salads & Sandwich Specials
- Dec 3 - Breakfast Buffet 9:00 to 12:00
- Dec 7 - Trim-a-Tree Party at 4:00
- Dec 10 - Boomba
- Dec 13 - Italian Night, 5:00 to 7:00, Music Dave Harris
- Dec 16 - Children's Christmas Party
- Dec 23 - Christmas Dinner Dance
- Dec 27 - Italian Night, 5:00 to 7:00, Music Nick @ Nite
- Dec 31 - New Year's Eve Dinner Dance

Coming in January

- Friday Night Fish Fry
- Monday Night Karaoke- Belly Busters, Salads & Sandwich Specials
- Jan 7 - Breakfast Buffet 9:00 to 12:00
- Jan 10 - Italian Night, 5:00 to 7:00, Music in Lounge
- Jan 14 - Boomba
- Jan 17 - Rod Stewart Impressionist
- Jan 24 - Italian Night, 5:00 to 7:00, Music in Lounge
- Jan 27 - Senior Prom Dog Benefit, Silver Sounds

Hall Rentals

Your hall is for rent to both members and non-members for weddings, parties and anniversaries or other special events. We also would be glad to host your meetings. Please contact one of your Trustee's for information and pricing on the rental of any of our facilities.

Chaplain's Corner

Father in Heaven, we sit around these banquet tables enjoying the fellowship of these Brothers with who we have labored in the vineyards of Elkdom for so many years. Bless us all for those many years together. Through Your Divine inspiration, we have noticed that middle-age and more, is that time of life when everything starts to wear out, fall out, or spread out. But Lord, what matter.....because the turkey waiting on that platter makes one first think thin and then look fatter! Amen

*A living is made by what we get,
A LIFE is made by what we GIVE!*

Judy Vergason, Chaplain

50/50 DRAWING
 Every Friday at 7:30 p.m.
 in the Lounge
 Great Cause ... Palmetto Elks Charities
 "For the Children"
 Tickets on sale in the Lounge
 \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00
 Half of proceeds to the winner and half to Elks Charities.

ELK OFFICER OF THE YEAR
2005—2006
LAWRENCE HILDEBRAND

ATTENTION:
 Please take note that for health and safety issues, only authorized persons are permitted in the kitchen.
 Thank you for your cooperation.

Elk of the Year
2005 - 2006
Janice Dean

PALMETTO 2449 BULLETIN BOOSTERS
2006 -2007

Due to increased costs for the bulletin, your Lodge is asking you to become a Bulletin Booster. For a donation of \$10.00 per person, your name will be listed in every Bulletin for a period of one year.

- Glenn & Alice Davis-04 Leonard Kruger -11
- Wm & Pearl Corlew-04
- Shirley Bramley-04
- Dorothy & Len-06
- Douglas Hoffmann-06
- Wes Townsend-06
- Charles Gale-06
- Chuck & Yvonne Bernhardt-06
- Zelmon Fuller-10
- Anita Tessier-10
- Glen & June Ogert-10

YES, I, (we) pledge a donation of \$10 per person per year to support the publication of our bulletin. Enclosed is my (our) donation in the amount of \$ _____.

Name (s) _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____



New Year's Eve Dinner Dance and Celebration

December 31, 2006

Cocktails 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM

Dinner 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Prime Rib, Twice Baked Potato, Vegetable, Roll, Caesar Salad and Dessert

Open Bar 9:00 PM to 12:00 PM

Party Favors, Champagne

Pastries & Coffee at Midnight

Dance Music From 8:00 PM to 1:00 AM by

Silver Sounds

Price \$40 per person



Children's Christmas Party

Saturday, December 16, 2006
10:00 AM to 2:00PM

Come and join the fun.

We will be joined by the dogs of Southeastern Guide Dogs with entertainment by a Clown.

And don't forget Santa and Mrs. Claus will be arriving as well.

Starting in December
Our new

Super Monthly 50/50

For the revitalization of our Lodge.
Drawing to be held on the last Saturday of each month at 7:00 pm.

Tickets \$20.00 each

Help us sell 100 tickets each month with \$1000 going to the winner and \$1000 going to the Lodge.

Notice to our Members

In an effort to reduce costs and increase member satisfaction, we will be allowing members to start receiving their Palmetto Pride Bulletin by E-mail rather than by mail. Contact Craig Conklin, Bulletin Editor or Bob Quinn, Secretary to be added to the E-mail list. The bulletin is also available every month on our Lodge web site at www.palmettoelks.org



Trim-a-Tree Party

December 7, 2006

4:00 PM

HO! HO! HO!

Come down and
decorate our halls.
Pizza will be served.



Senior Prom Night Dog Benefit Dinner Dance

January 27, 2007

5:00 to 9:30

Music Donated by

Silver Sounds

Come and see how Southeastern Guide Dogs and you can make a difference to our men and women veterans with the "Paws for Patriots" program .

Palmetto's Famous Breakfast Buffet

All you can eat for **\$5.00**

The first Sunday of every month. Serving our made to order omelets, as well as eggs benedict, scrambled eggs, biscuits and gravy, sausage, bacon, home fries, toast, newly added pancakes and waffles with fruit and whipped cream, orange juice and coffee.

Also serving Mimosa's, Bloody Mary's and Screwdrivers for \$1.00

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Seasonal Address Changes Not Allowed:
Advise Secretary of Changes to your Permanent Address for:
the Bulletin and the Elks Magazine



COMING FEBRUARY 14, 2007

SECOND ANNUAL EVENT HONORING THE MEMORY OF RAY EBERLE

AN EXTRAVAGANZA OF **BIG BAND MUSIC** FEATURING THE
SARASOTA BIG BAND JAZZ ENSEMBLE
A RENOWNED 25 PIECE ORCHESTRA

THE MUSIC WILL BE THAT OF RAY EBERLE AND THE GLENN MILLER ORCHESTRA

THIS EVENT WILL PROVIDE \$3000.00 IN SCHOLARSHIP MONEY FOR MUSICAL AND VOCAL STUDENTS PARTICIPATING IN THE RAY EBERLE VOCAL SCHOLARSHIP IN AFFILIATION WITH THE GLENN MILLER BIRTHPLACE SOCIETY SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION.

THIS WILL BE A FULL EVENING INCLUDING DINNER AND DANCING.

THE EVENING WILL BE HOSTED BY PALMETTO RESIDENT JAN EBERLE NELSON, DAUGHTER OF RAY EBERLE

SET ASIDE THIS DATE FOR AN EVENING OF OUTSTANDING ENTERTAINMENT.

TICKETS ARE ON SALE IN THE LOUNGE AT \$22.00 PER PERSON.

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT WWW.GLENNMILLER.ORG OR WWW.RAYEBERLE.COM OR WWW.JANEBERLE.COM