

Palmetto
Elks



Palmetto Pride

Benevolent and Protective Order of ELKS

Lodge
#2449



In Memoriam for Past State President Dave Verguson

4611 4th Avenue E. ▪ P.O. Box 272 ▪ Palmetto, FL 34220-0272 ▪ PH. (941) 722-6937 ▪ Fax (941) 722-6246
December 2007 No. 12



Dear Lodge Members

What an incredible Halloween Party we had. The music was great and the costumes were terrific. Thank you for also helping out for our ENF Charities. Everyone worked very hard to make the evening a success.

We are into our second month of the season and our second Breakfast and Italian Night are doing very well. It seems that people are very happy that we added these to our calendar.

Bob O'Brien put together our first annual Blood Drive. It was

very well attended. Thank you Bob! We will be planning another one.

The month is going to be busier than ever. This year we have 31 needy families. We will be sending out our first holiday baskets for Thanksgiving. 25 will go to Big Brothers/Big Sisters and 6 will go to Tidewell Hospice. We will still be accepting donations for the the same people for Christmas. Thank you to everyone who has already donated.

We also still have our children to by presents for. Our Children's Christmas Party is December 15, from 11:00 to 2:0. If any of our members have children visiting, please feel free to bring them along with a present, wrapped, that Santa can hand out.

New Years Eve tickets are moving very fast. Please get your money and orders in by December 8. We need to get our food ordered.

Don't forget our new Sing-Along.

Check your calendar for the dates. Bring your instruments to jam along with the ladies and the drummer. Bring your voices as well.

I would like to take this time to wish you and your families a very "Merry Christmas and a healthy Happy New Year" from Jim and myself. Thank you for a wonderful, exciting and busy year.

Fraternally Yours
Sandy Mooney, ER

Leading Knights Corner

My message this month will be short. Part of my indoctrination is to explain how, as members of Palmetto Elks #2449, we acquire extended families.

This past April those words really proved me right. Carol was called home and because of my EXTENDED family, through cards, telephone calls and visits, you all made her leaving so much easier for me.

To all of you, I say Thank You and for all of you who knew here she would want you to have the best possible holiday and a great New Year. Thank you all again and have a safe and great new year.

Bob Vaccaro, PER
Leading Knight

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Officers for 2007—2008

Exalted Ruler	Sandra Mooney	729-3145
Leading Knight	Robert Vaccaro, PER	753-8603
Loyal Knight	Barbara Bird	722-3362
Lecturing Knight	Weston Townsend	722-2551
Secretary	Judy Vergason	722-1329
Secretary Emeritus	Robert Quinn, PDDGER	722-6940
Treasurer	Judy Alf	721-7069
Tiler	Al Skadan	722-5088
Esquire	James Mooney	729-3145
Chaplain	Barbara Blackwell	531-4614
Inner Guard	William Bird	722-3362
Organist	David Radliff	813-641-2064
Alternate	Craig Conklin, PER	729-4714

Trustees

Five-year	Gerald Blackwell	531-4614
Four-year	Craig Conklin, PER	729-4714
Three-year	Glenn Davis, PER	737-3776
Two-year	Hugh Igo, PDD	723-0193
One-year	Lawrence Hildebrand	721-8290

Corporation Officers

President	James Mooney	729-3145
Vice President	Greg Harrod	776-9997
Sec./Treas.	Thom Dillman	758-5061
Members	Al Skadan	722-5088
	Wes Townsend	722-2551
	Bill Bird	722-3362
	Jerry Blackwell	531-4614

2007-2008 Committee Chairs

Accident Prevent	Bob Vaccaro	753-8603
Americanism	Thom Dillman	758-5061
Auditing and Accounting	Thom Dillman	758-5061
Bulletin	Craig Conklin	729-4714
Community Activities	Craig Conklin	729-4714
Drug Awareness	Open	
Flag Day	Glenn Davis	737-3776
Government Relations	Craig Conklin	729-4714
Harry Anna Trust	Open	
Hoop Shoot	Bob Nelson	776-5836
Indoctrination	Bob Vaccaro	753-8603
Investigation	Barbara Blackwell	531-4614
Lapsation	Barbara Bird	722-3362
Lodge Activities	Sandy Mooney	729-3145
Mediator	Bob Vaccaro	753-8603
Membership	Barbara Bird	722-3362
Memorial Sunday	Glenn Davis	737-3776
Mothers Day	Sandy Mooney	729-3145
National Foundation	Wes Townsend	722-2551
Nat'l Veterans Service	Jim Hoey	721-9574
Property Maintenance	Jim Gard	729-0971
	Jim Allard	729-4566
	Roger Hirtzinger	723-0077
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

Aluminum Can Pull Tab Collection Program

Please bring in your 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.

From the Desk of the Secretary

Office Hours: Tuesday 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Wednesday 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Phone 941-722-6937 Fax 941-722-6246

Membership Changes

INITIATED INTO THE LODGE

CANDIDATE

Joann Cady
Hanna Regal
Margery Pearson
Shirley Hamrick
Alfred Costa
Joana Santucci
Rita Wolfer
Charles Lewis
Rachel Ward
Darrell Fair
Raymond Kezelowicz
Linda Fesh
Ronald Pryor

PROPOSED FOR MEMBERSHIP

CANDIDATE

Louis Arcolesse
C. Wesley Ford
Leon Thacker
Michael Stewart
Katherine Chadwell
George Bateman
Edward Jackson
Betty Pendley
David Valle
Robert Terlau
William Wayman
Paul Bianca
Robert Aziz
Ronald LeBlanc

PROPOSER

John Rogue
Giles Kiefer
Sandra Mooney
Sandra Mooney
Weston Townsend
Sandra Mooney
Jerry Blackwell
Troy Pendley
William Clark
Bernard Ciganek
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TRANSFER DEMITS

Thomas Baum
Gerald Szczygiel
Frank Coseglia

REINSTATEMENT

Thomas Plunkett

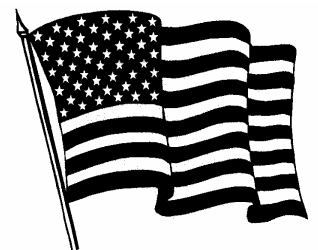
Good News!

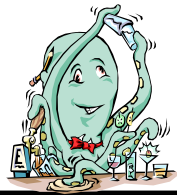
Our Web Site is up and running.

To view go to

WWW.PalmettoElks.org

Enjoy!





December 2007 Activity Calendar

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Monday Night Karaoke Now serving every Monday night, specialty sandwiches, along with Grilled Chicken Salad, Hamburgers, Cheeseburgers, BLT's and Belly Busters						1 Lounge Open 1:00-8:00 PM Big Brother/ Big Sister Private Party
2 Breakfast Buffet 9:00 - 12:00 \$6.00 Memorial Service 2:30PM	3 Lounge Open 1:00 PM - ??? Food 5:00-7 PM Meatball Sub Karaoke Reminisce	4 Lounge Open 1:00-8:00 PM Bar Comm. Mtg. 6:00 Officers Meeting 7:00	5 Lounge Open 1:00 - 8:00PM	6 Lounge Open 1:00 - 8:00 PM	7 Lounge Open 1:00 - ??? 4:30 - 7:00 PM Fish Fry w/ Music 6-9 PM 50/50 at 7:30 PM Musical Memories	8 Lounge Open 1:00-8:00 PM Power Squadron Private Party Hoop Shoot 8:00AM Boys/Girls Club
9 Boom-Ba Lunch 12:00 - 2:00 Music Musical Memories 2:00 - 4:00	10 Lounge Open 1:00 PM - ??? Food 5:00-7 PM Chicken Tenders Karaoke CJ Karaoke	11 Lounge Open 1:00-7:30 PM Trustee Mtg 6:00 LODGE MEETING 7:30	12 Lounge Open 1:00 - ??? Italian Night 5:00 - 7:00PM All-you-can-eat \$5.50 Music Silver Sounds	13 Lounge Open 1:00 - 8:00 PM	14 Lounge Open 1:00 - ??? Fish Fry w/ Salisbury Steak 4:30 - 7:00 PM Music 6-9 PM 50/50 at 7:30 PM Silver Sounds	15 Lounge Open 1:00-8:00 PM Children's Christmas Party 11:00 - 2:00
16 Breakfast Buffet 9:00 - 12:00 \$6.00	17 Lounge Open 1:00 PM - ??? Food 5:00-7 PM Bar-B-Que Karaoke Dee	18 Lounge Open 1:00-7:30 PM LODGE MEETING 7:30 Initiation	19 Lounge Open 1:00 -8:00 PM Jam Session & Sing-Along w/Dorathay & Lorraine 6:00 - 8:00	20 Lounge Open 1:00 - 8:00 PM	21 Lounge Open 1:00 - ??? Fish Fry w/ Ham Music 6-9 PM 50/50 at 7:30 PM Bobby Remp	22 Lounge Open 1:00-8:00 PM Christmas Potluck with Mini-Golf
23 CLOSED	24 Lounge Open 1:00 PM - 6:00 Christmas Eve	25 CLOSED Merry Christmas	26 Lounge Open 1:00-??? Italian Night 5:00 - 7:00PM All-you-can-eat \$5.50 Music Nick @ Nite	27 Lounge Open 1:00 - 8:00 PM	28 Lounge Open 1:00 - ??? Fish Fry w/ Meatloaf Music 6-9 PM 50/50 at 7:30 PM Dave Harris	29 Lounge Open 1:00-8:00 PM Super 50/50 Drawing 7:00
30 CLOSED	31 Lounge Open 1:00-8:00 PM New Years Eve 6:00pm - 1:00am \$42.00/person Music by Silver Sounds	New Years Eve Celebration and Dinner Dance 6:00pm to 1:00am \$42.00 per person Serving Prime Rib, Teriyaki Salmon or 1/2 Baked Chicken Open Bar 9:00pm to 12:00pm Party Favors, Champagne and Midnight Snacks Music by Silver Sounds				

Halloween Party Winners



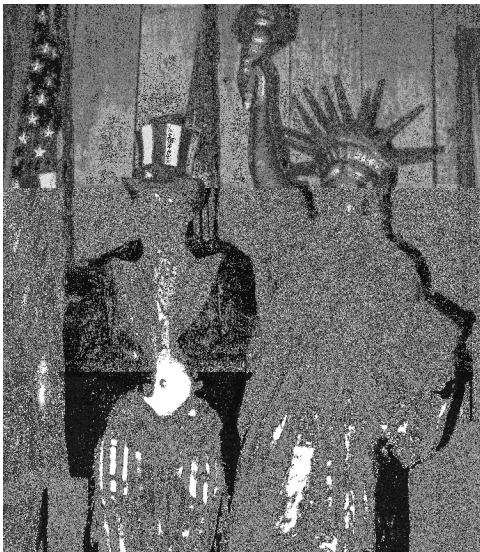
Little Red Riding Hood with Grandma
First Place
Ruth and Bill Guinta



Marilyn Monroe with a Pirate
Second Place
Stacy and Tex Rau



Sonny & Cher
Third Place
Rocky and Pat McCorkle



Crazy Carol

Wednesday,

January 16, 2008

Open Seating, Doors Open 5:00 PM
Show Starts at 7:00 PM

Come and see a very funny comedian with her all new show.

Tickets on sale in the Lounge

\$6.00 per person

Chaplains Corner

Sincerely
Barbara Blackwell, Chaplain

PS. You may contact me at ladyblackwell2@yahoo.com

From The Secretary's Desk

There are 54 members whose dues have not been paid as of yet. The list is getting smaller, but there are still way too many. Some cards were sent out and returned because they could not be forwarded, this also happened with delinquent notices. If you have changed your address, please notify the office so we can change it in the computer, as well as with Grand Lodge.

Last month I introduced you to the Magic Number. After Initiation in November, we will need 21 more. Just because we are getting close to our number does not mean we can stop getting new members.

Remember, everyone is on the Membership Committee. With all of us working together we can make the year 2007-2008 a banner year and we will also watch our membership increase.

Judy Vergason, Lodge Secretary

Highlights for December

- Friday Fish Fry with Specials
- Monday Night Karaoke- Belly Busters, Salads, Hamburgers/Cheeseburgers & Sandwich Specials
- Dec 2 - Breakfast Buffet
- Dec 9 - Boom-Ba
- Dec 12 - Italian Night
- Dec 15 - Children's Christmas Party
- Dec 16 - Breakfast Buffet
- Dec 22 - Christmas Potluck
- Dec 26 - Italian Night
- Dec 31 - New Years Eve

Coming in January

- Friday Fish Fry with Specials
- Monday Night Karaoke- Belly Busters, Salads, Hamburgers/Cheeseburgers & Sandwich Specials
- Jan 6 - Breakfast Buffet
- Jan 9 - Italian Night
- Jan 13 - Boom-Ba
- Jan 16 - Crazy Carol
- Jan 20 - Breakfast Buffet
- Jan 23 - Italian Buffet

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.

DD Visitation Schedule for
Dan Hutchinson, DDGER

01/12 DD Clinic at Palmetto
02/02 Quarterly
04/12 DD Clinic at Venice- Nokomis

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

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.

ATTENTION:

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

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 Judy Vergason, Secretary to be added to the E-mail list, or fill the form below and give to a Bartender. The bulletin is also available every month on our Lodge web site at WWW.PalmettoElks.org

Please remove me from the Mailing List and E-Mail my Bulletin

Name: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

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.

Leonard Kruger -1106	Bill Bellejack - 0907
Fred & Jean Sustman — 0307	William Corlew - 0907
Bob & Connie Greenwood - 0307	Douglas Hoffman - 1107
Wes Townsend-0407	Francis & Marvel Metzger - 1207
Cal Hendrick - 0407	
Sandy Mooney - 0507	
Jim Mooney - 0507	
Jean Strike - 0507	
Martha Lewis - 0607	
Carlis Knight - 0607	
Hugh & Ruth Igo - 0907	

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 _____



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



Christmas Potluck

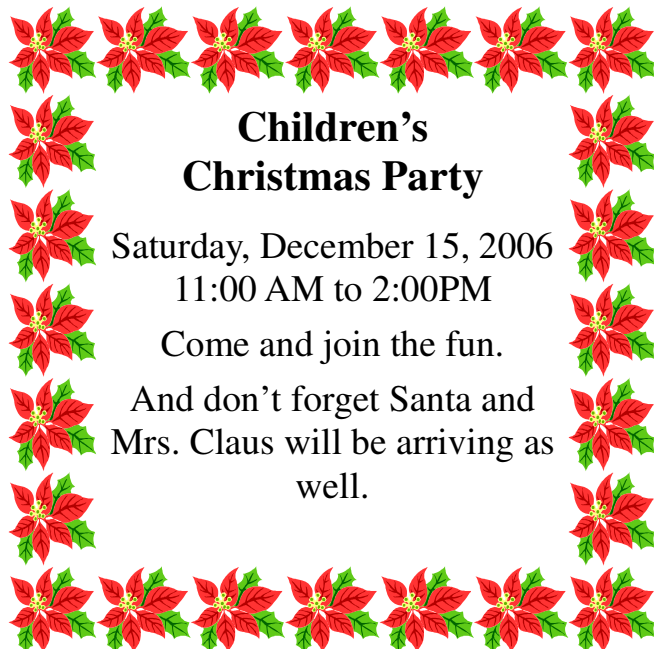
Saturday, December 22, 2007
Starts at 2:00 pm

Mini-Golf - See Sandy for a Tee Time

Christmas Carols

Price **\$3.00** per person

Bring a Dish to Share



Children's Christmas Party

Saturday, December 15, 2006
11:00 AM to 2:00PM

Come and join the fun.

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

December 2007 Veterans Message

Dear Lodge Members

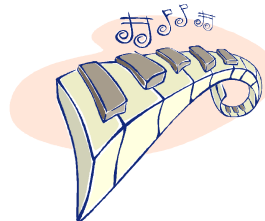
As the holidays get ever closer, I would like to bring your attention to a program started to help our active veterans call home. The Freedom Calls Foundation has set up state of the art communications so our men and women can call home. And more importantly, this program is "free". There is a host of information available on www.freedomcalls.org and I hope you will go there and learn all about this vital service. On a closer note, we recently had our district dinner for veterans at Bay Pines. It was well attended by our district and a good time was had by all. Our veterans are grateful for our concern for them. We also made our regular donation (this time in the amount of \$3,500.00). Keep your donations coming. Have a happy holiday season.

James Hoey, Veterans Service Chairman



BOOM-BA

Sunday, December 9, 2007



Lunch from
12 to 2 pm
Music from
2 to 4 pm

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 \$.75

Every Friday

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

News Release

The Manatee Sail and Power Squadron (MSPS) is an organization of 150 boating enthusiasts that meet at 7:00 pm the first Tuesday of each month at the Palmetto Elks Lodge, #2449. MSPS is very active in boating education and safety programs, civic services and enjoys a reputation of being the "Fun Squadron". That reputation is due in part to the many boating, social activities and events the MSPS conducts throughout the year.

MSPS is impressed with the many civic service programs that Palmetto Elks are involved in. Civic service is one of the benchmarks that define MSPS. MSPS recently received a national first place "Distinguished Civic Service Award". This award was based upon competition among 450 squadrons nationwide. It is our hope that Palmetto will join forces with us on a few programs to expand the contributions to the communities we serve.

We encourage you to visit our web site at www.manatee-squadron.org. Please check out our monthly news letter, the Helm Station. We cordially invite all Elk members to attend any of our monthly meetings and speak with any of our members.

We look forward to partnering with you soon.

December Birthdays

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|----------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1 Tony Renkert | 14 Dale Meyers | Fred Steele |
| 2 Richard Lessard | 15 Geraldine Liebknecht | Rose Sturgeon |
| 4 Cloyd Click | 17 Robert Bowling | 24 Joanne Swift |
| Frank Hartley | John Daniel | 26 Sue Ann Cragg |
| 5 Ronnel Hatinger | Larry Jividen | 27 Ken Siders |
| 9 Walter Rinus | Marvin Kalkbrenner | Donald Wedge |
| 10 William Alexander | James McAuliffe | 28 Rudy Cox |
| H.D. Flynn | 18 Paula Conaway | Michael McConough |
| Larry Hopkins | John Dean | 29 Thomas Cole |
| James Wolfe | Herman Wilson | 30 Harold Schaschneider |
| 11 Charles Brethauer | Earl Wooddring | Robert Wilcox |
| Louise Drayton | 19 Joel Skinner | 31 Ninfa Bailey |
| Terrance Richmond | 20 John Donnelly | Lawrence Champion |
| 12 Frank Casalaina | Peter Griepsma | |
| James Ordish | William Kuhar | |
| 13 Rosemarie Krauss | 23 Walter Herrington | |

Ad Tabs/Pull Tabs

We are asking our members to save all losing tickets. They have a gift on them for a free telephone call. If you don't use it, we will donate the tickets to the Mary Martha House to help them defer their costs. Just turn in your tickets into our bartenders.

Thanks for your help.

Hoop Shoot

Saturday December 8
Palmetto Boys/Girls
Club

Registration at 8:00 AM

Contest at 9:00 AM

Elks Memorial Day

Sunday, December 2
 2:30PM

Please come and help us honor the memory of those Elks who are no longer with us.

Refreshments after the memorial.



New Year's Eve Dinner Dance
and Celebration

December 31, 2007
 Cocktails 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM
 Dinner 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM
Prime Rib, Teriyaki Salmon or 1/2 Baked Chicken
Twice Baked Potato, Vegetable, Roll, 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 \$42 per person

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 \$5.00 each

Help us sell 100 tickets each month with \$250 going to the
winner and \$250 going to the Lodge.

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	<i>FOR PALMETTO ELKS LODGE</i>
	Prize Claimed at 4611 4th Ave. E Entry Fee Constitutes Source for Cash Award
	NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN PRIZE
	CASH SUPER 50/50
	MONTHLY DRAWING - 4TH SAT. AT 7:00 PM IN COMPLIANCE WITH FL STATUTE 849-0935
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NAME _____
ADD _____
CITY _____
PH _____

Wednesday

Sing-Along

With

Dorathey and Lorraine

December 19 and
January 30

5:00 to ???

Bring along your instru-
ments and Jam
Drummer provider

Or just bring your Voice and
Sing

Italian Night

December 12, 2007 and December 26, 2007

5:00 PM to 7:00 PM

All you can eat spaghetti and meatballs. Also serving
Lasagna, Four Cheese Pasta or Rigatoni w/Vodka Sauce.
With Salad, Garlic Bread and Dessert

\$5.50

Also serving **Palmetto's Combo Platter**, a sampler of each for **\$6.50**

Music

December 12 - Silver Sounds

December 26 - Nick @ Nite

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Advise Secretary of Changes to your Permanent Address for:
the Bulletin and the Elks Magazine



COMING FEBRUARY 13, 2008

THIRD ANNUAL EVENT HONORING THE MEMORY OF RAY EBERLE

AN EXTRAVAGANZA OF **BIG BAND MUSIC** FEATURING THE
SARASOTA BIG BAND JAZZ ENSEMBLE
A RENOWNED 20 PIECE ORCHESTRA

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

THIS EVENT WILL PROVIDE \$4000.00 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, DAUGHTER OF RAY EBERLE

SET ASIDE THIS DATE FOR AN EVENING OF OUTSTANDING ENTERTAINMENT.

TICKETS ARE ON SALE IN THE LOUNGE AT \$25.00 PER PERSON.

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