

Palmetto
Elks



Palmetto Pride

**Benevolent and Protective Order of
ELKS**

Lodge
#2449



In Memoriam for Past State President Dave Vergason

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March 2009 No 3



Dear Lodge Members

.Where has the time gone? It seemed to have slipped away. Two and a half years ago when I wrote my first message, I thought it would be my hardest one to write. How silly. This is going to be the hardest. How do I tell you all how grateful I am for your support. Thank you seems way too simple, but thank you it is. How do I tell you all how grateful I am for the confidence you have put in me. Thank you.

As I point out to our prospective members at indoctrination, I am proud to say during my time as an officer I have made some of the dearest friends. These people are loyal, true members who have walked tirelessly along side me as cooks, servers, bartenders, officers, cleaning crews, dish washers, kitchen cleaners, singers, repair people

and decorators. Of course our members who attend all of our functions. We have laughed together and cried together. We have grown together in the loss of some of the life blood and backbone of this Lodge. As officers we have stood together in tears as we did our best to send these members off with dignity.

Now it is time to pass the chalice. It is going to a very competent man who is a great friend. His first lady will be a blessing here.

Thank you all for allowing me to share these years as your Exalted Ruler. It has been the best time of my life. I will never forget this time together.

Enough about me, I just want to let you know that as of our new year in April, we will be having our Bulletin available on our web page. I know this will be inconvenient for some, but helpful to others who travel and want to keep up with us. It will a great savings to our Lodge in these trying financial times.

As always we will try and continue all of our programs throughout the summer. Thank you for your continued support. See you at he Lodge

Fraternally
Sandy Mooney
Exalted Ruler

PS. Thank you also to the love of my life for all his support and love.

Leading Knights Corner

Have you ever visited Boston, and gone to the site of the U.S.S. Constitution (Old Ironsides) Swaying majestically at her moorings at the Boston Navy Yard? If so you might be interested to know that the Elks played a big part in her preservation.

One of the first three naval vessels built in the United States, this 44 gun frigate with a solid oak hull and copper plating (courtesy of Paul Reveres Shop) first set sail in1797. She had defended the United States from that time well into the next century form defeating Pirates on the Barbary cost to her heroic feats in the War of 1812.

Twice our government was going to scrap this national treasure, once in 1830, but it was saved by the efforts of Oliver Wendell Holmes, and again in 1925. This time a prominent Boston Elk learned of the ships gloomy fate and enlisted the help of 1400 Lodges, dozens of radio stations, and the American School Children to save the ship. A total of \$537,000 was collected from this campaign of which the American youth collected \$136,436.79. Old Ironsides was saved and re-built, and is in residence at the Boston Navy Yard. Information by Mike Kelly, Grand Lodge Historian.

A reminder our Elks Bulletin will no longer be mailed after this issue. You may get the entire bulletin by Logging onto WWW.PalmettoElks.org. Click on the current month and hit the print icon. A few printed bulletins well be available at the Lodge as well.

Wes Townsend
Leading Knight

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Officers for 2008—2009

Exalted Ruler	Sandra Mooney	729-3145
Leading Knight	Weston Townsend	722-2551
Loyal Knight	Judd Connelley	721-3943
Lecturing Knight	Leon Bateman	722-7623
Secretary	Judy Vergason	722-1329
Treasurer	Judy Alf	721-7069
Tiler	Al Skadan	722-5088
Esquire	James Mooney	729-3145
Chaplain	Gregory Harrod	776-9997
Inner Guard	Charles Lewis	729-4851
Organist	David Radliff	813-641-2064
Alternate	Craig Conklin, PER	776-5832

Trustees

Five-year	Ronald Alf	721-7069
Four-year	Gerald Blackwell	531-4614
Three-year	Craig Conklin, PER	776-5832
Two-year	Glenn Davis, PER	737-3776
One-year	Hugh Igo, PDD	723-0193

Corporation Officers

President	James Mooney	729-3145
Vice President	Weston Townsend	722-2551
Sec./Treas.	Gregory Harrod	776-9997
Members	Ronald Alf	721-7069
	Charles Lewis	729-4851
	William Kuhar	721-1950
	Al Skadan	722-5088

2008-2009 Committee Chairs

Accident Prevent	Jim Mooney	729-3145
Americanism	Leon Bateman	722-7623
Auditing and Accounting		
Bulletin	Craig Conklin, PER	776-5832
Community Activities	Craig Conklin, PER	776-5832
Drug Awareness	Doris Huff	729-0079
Flag Day	Glenn Davis, PER	737-3776
Government Relations	Craig Conklin, PER	776-5832
Harry Anna Trust	Sandy Mooney, PER	729-3145
Hoop/Soccer Shoot	Doris Huff	729-0079
Indoctrination	Gregory Harrod	776-9997
Investigation	Barbara Blackwell	531-4614
Lapsation	Judy Vergason	722-1329
Lodge Activities	Sandy Mooney	729-3145
Mediator	Steve McGrath	
Membership	Judy Vergason	722-1329
Memorial Sunday	Glenn Davis, PER	737-3776
Mothers Day	Sandy Mooney	729-3145
National Foundation	Wes Townsend	722-2551
Nat'l Veterans Service	Charles Lewis	729-4851
Property Maintenance	Jim Gard, PER	729-0971
	Jim Allard	729-4566
	Roger Hirtzinger	723-0077
	Francis Pozzi	358-0110
Presiding Justice		
Public Relations		
Relief	All Chair Officers	
Visitation Coordinator	Jim Mooney	729-3145
Web Master	Jim Hoey	721-9574
Youth Activities	Doris Huff	720-0079
Youth Camp		

From the Desk of the Secretary

Office Hours: Monday 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Or by Appointment.
Phone 941-722-6937 Fax 941-722-6246

Membership Changes

INITIATED INTO THE LODGE CANDIDATE

Patricia Cuppernell
John Czebiniak

PROPOSED FOR MEMBERSHIP

CANDIDATE

PROPOSER

Phillip McKenna
James Collins
Robert Bracken
Glenn Virtues
Carol Lambert
Herbert Klanga

Sandra Mooney
Sandra Mooney
Daryl Hover
Daryl Hover
Frederick Burt
Sandra Mooney

TRANSFER DEMITS

RE-INSTATEMENTS

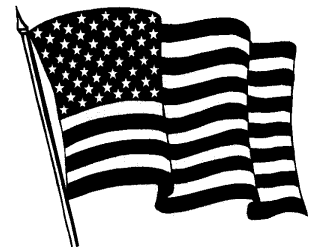
DEATHS

Milbourne McGrath
John Damvelt
Hugh Flynn

Good News!

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

Enjoy!



Aluminum Cans/Pull Tab Collection Program

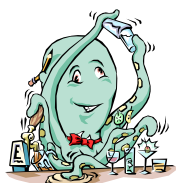
Please bring in your aluminum cans/pull tabs. All cans (clean) and tabs will be collected and used as a donation to a charity of our choice. If you know of other organizations that will donate their cans and pull tabs, let us know so we can include them as well.

March 2009 Activity Calendar

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Breakfast Buffet 9:00 - 12:00 \$7.00	2 Lounge Open 1:00 PM - ??? Food 5:00-7 PM Full Menu Karaoke Silver Sounds	3 Lounge Open 1:00-8:00 PM Bar Com. Mtg 6:00 PM Officers Mtg. 7:00 PM	4 Lounge Open 1:00 -8:00 PM	5 Lounge Open 1:00 - 8:00 PM Game Night 6:00 - 8:00 Horseshoes 4:00	6 Lounge Open 1:00 - ??? 4:30 - 7:00 PM Fish Fry w/ Ckn. Marsala Music 6-9 PM 50/50 Drawing Mus. Memories	7 Lounge Open 1:00-8:00 PM
8 Boom-Ba Lunch 12:00 - 2:00 Music 2:00 - 4:00	9 Lounge Open 1:00 PM - ??? Food 5:00-7 PM Full Menu Karaoke CJ's Karaoke	10 Lounge Open 1:00-7:30 PM LODGE MEETING 7:30	11 Lounge Open 1:00 - ??? Italian Night 5:00 - 7:00PM All-you-can-eat Spaghetti \$6.00 Music Bobby Remp	12 Lounge Open 1:00 - 8:00 PM Game Night 6:00 - 8:00 Horseshoes 4:00	13 Lounge Open 1:00 - ??? 4:30 - 7:00 PM Fish Fry w/ Stfd. Cabbage Music 6-9 PM 50/50 Drawing Seabreeze	14 Lounge Open 1:00-8:00 PM
15 Breakfast Buffet 9:00 - 12:00 \$7.00	16 Lounge Open 1:00 PM - ??? Food 5:00-7 PM Full Menu Karaoke Dee	17 Lounge Open 1:00-8:00 PM St. Patricks Day DD Music Musical Memories	18 Lounge Open 1:00-8:00 Trustee Mtg. 6:00 PER Mtg. 7:00	19 Lounge Open 1:00 - 8:00 PM Game Night 6:00 - 8:00 Horseshoes 4:00	20 Lounge Open 1:00 - ??? Fish Fry w/ Chop Suey. 4:30 - 7:00 PM Music 6-9 PM 50/50 Drawing Bobby Remp	21 Lounge Open 1:00-8:00 PM
22 Closed	23 Lounge Open 1:00 PM - ??? Food 5:00-7 PM Full Menu Karaoke LT's Karaoke Connection	24 Lounge Open 1:00 - 7:30PM LODGE MEETING Initiation 7:30	25 Lounge Open 1:00 - ??? Italian Night 5:00 - 7:00PM All-you-can-eat Spaghetti \$6.00 Music Bobby Remp	26 Lounge Open 1:00 - 8:00 PM Game Night 6:00 - 8:00 Horseshoes 4:00	27 Lounge Open 1:00 - ??? Fish Fry w/ Shrimp Scampi 4:30 - 7:00 PM Music 6-9 PM 50/50 Drawing Dave Harris	28 Lounge Open 1:00-8:00 PM
29 Installation of Officers 2:00 PM	30 Lounge Open 1:00 PM - ??? Food 5:00-7 PM Full Menu Karaoke Reminisce	31 Lounge Open 1:00 - 7:30PM	St. Patricks Day Dinner Dance Corned Beef and Cabbage or Shepherds Pie Music by Musical Memories			

PRF



Today's Date - -

LODGE AFFILIATION

Lodge Name _____

State _____

Lodge Number _____

Lodge Membership Number _____

Please Print: Mr Mrs Ms

Last Name _____ First Name _____ Middle Initial _____ Title (Check One) _____

Address _____ Street _____ Apt. No. _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____ Email Address _____

Gift Types:

Enclosed is my donation of \$50 \$100 (Peace) \$250 (Justice) Other \$ _____

I would like to pledge: \$ _____ (total amount) I have enclosed my initial payment of \$ _____

Please send me reminders: Annually Semi-Annually Quarterly Monthly for installments of \$ _____

I would like to make a tribute of: \$ _____ In Memory/Honor Of: _____

Notification Of Gift Should Be Sent To: Name _____ Address _____

I would like to make a monthly donation to the ENF by:

Charging my credit card the agreed monthly amount of \$ _____ (Enter card information below.)


Drafting my bank account monthly. (Please enclose a voided check for accuracy.)

Bank Draft Start Date _____ Monthly Draft Amount \$ _____

Payment Method: I have enclosed a check. Please Mail Checks Payable To: Elks National Foundation 2750 N. Lakeview Avenue, Chicago, IL 60614-2256

Please charge my credit card: Visa MasterCard Discover Account No. _____



Your Signature _____ Expiration Date _____



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

Crazy Carol Comedy Show

March 19, 2009

Tickets **\$6.50**

Available @ Bar

Doors Open 5:30
Show at 7:00

**Doris Waddel
DDGER**

2008-2009 DD
Visitation Schedule

DD Clinic Manasota
Apr 11, 2009,

**Associate
Membership**

Remember that we now offer associate memberships in the Lodge. All you need is to be a member in good standing in any Lodge in the Country. Please see the Secretary to submit your \$20.00 and receive a key card and the bulletin.

March Birthdays

- | | | |
|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| 2 Roy Lakanen | 15 Arnold Klein | 24 Raymond Carster |
| 3 Margery Pearson | 16 Paul Christie | Tom Nowak |
| David Radliff | James Hoey | 25 Eugene Frankie |
| Cecil Roth | Barbara Bird | 26 Ted Odlum |
| 4 Daryl Hover | Raymond Niles | 27 Herbert Cherry |
| Albert Landgrebe | Alan Skadan | William Laudert |
| 7 Dorothy Favorite | Donald Weyer | Leslie Swadling |
| 8 Patrick Woods | 18 Bert Blanchard | 28 Deborah Corbin |
| 9 John Daneilowicz | Richard Nielsen | 29 William Corlew |
| Samuel Fuller | 19 Marjorie Kerr | Joyce French |
| 10 Herman Roth | Rudolph Racine | Robert Hubbard |
| 12 Howard Hinkle | 20 Louis Celli | 30 Gary Brown |
| 13 Lorraine Baker | James McNtosh | John Maniskas |
| Marjorie Baldwin | James Rozell | Dan McCauley |
| 14 James Gard | 22 Giles Keifer | 31 Robert Bickert |
| Leonard Meade | 23 Joseph Remillard | Ann Parisen |
| Robert O'Neil | Ivan Skaggs | |

Installation of Officers

March 29, 2009
2:00 PM

This is a great time to come out and meet your new officers and perhaps some that you already know that are moving up in the chairs. Please bring an appetizer to share

Breakfast Buffet

March 1 and 15,
2009

9:00 AM to 12:00
PM

All you can eat including scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, home fries, biscuit and gravy, eggs benedict, omelet's, pancakes, waffles, toast and English muffins, juice and coffee.

\$7.00

St. Patrick's Day

March 17, 2009

Dinner 4:30 to 7:00
Choice of
Corn Beef and Cabbage
Or
Shepherds Pie

\$12.00

Music by

Musical Memories

State President's Southwest District Visit

June 5th and 6th
Details to Follow

Carol Siriani, VP - Endorsed

Highlights for March

- Friday Fish Fry with Specials
- Monday Night Karaoke- Belly Busters, Salads, Hamburgers/Cheeseburgers & Sandwich Specials
- Mar 1 - Breakfast
- Mar 8 - Boom-Ba
- Mar 11 - Italian Night
- Mar 15 - Breakfast
- Mar 17 - St. Patrick's Day DD
- Mar 19 - Crazy Carol Comedy Show
- Mar 25 - Italian Night
- Mar 29 - Installation of Officers, 2:00 PM

Coming in April

- Friday Fish Fry with Specials
- Monday Night Karaoke- Belly Busters, Salads, Hamburgers/Cheeseburgers & Sandwich Specials
- Apr 5 - Breakfast
- Apr 8 - Italian Night
- Apr 12 - Closed Easter, No Boom-Ba
- Apr 19 - Breakfast
- Apr 22 - Italian Night
- Apr 26 - Boom-Ba, Last of Season

Hall Rentals

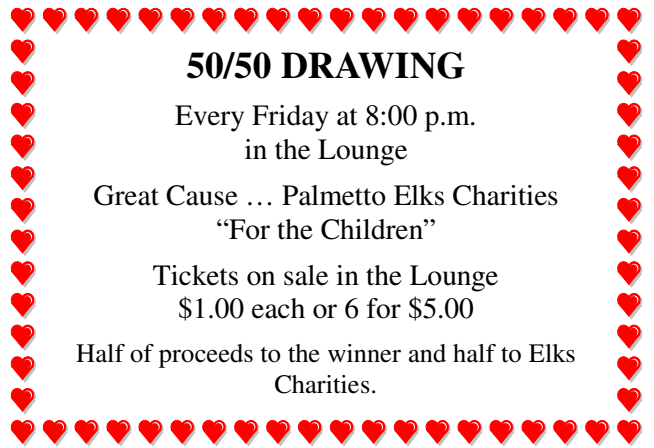
Your hall is for rent to both members and non-members for weddings, parties and anniversaries, or other special events. We also would be glad to host you business meetings. Please leave your name, phone number, and a brief message regarding the event, with the bartender on duty. She/he will call me with the information and I will call you as soon as possible as to when we can meet and discuss the rental at length.

Wanted and Desperately Needed!

Deodorant ■ Paperback Books ■ Playing Cards ■ Hobby Kits ■ Table Games ■ Writing Supplies ■ Stamps ■ Disposable Razors ■ Comfort Items ■ Toothpaste ■ Denture Supplies ■ Combs ■ New Socks (13) ■ New Men's Briefs (S,M,L) ■ New Tee Shirts (L & xL) ■ No Mouthwash or Aftershave ■ Clothes Washing Soap Powder only.

These are items, that as Elks, we need to provide for our Veterans. 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 8:00 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 Members

Beginning in April our Bulletin and Calendar will be available on-line only. Please go to our web site at WWW.PalmettoElks.org to read or print off your copy. We will notify you each month by email when the Bulletin is posted to the web site. Please ensure that you provide your email address to the Secretary, Web Master or Bulletin Editor. A small number of Bulletins and Calendars will be available at the Lodge

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.

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| K.E. McCollough - 0308 | Jean Strike - 0708 | Wes Townsend - 0309 |
| Rayleen McCollough - 0308 | Martha Lewis - 0708 | Dan Webber - 0309 |
| Larry Cook - 0308 | Carlis Knight - 0708 | |
| Anita Tissier - 0408 | June Ogert - 0908 | |
| Elaine Mosso - 0408 | Hugh & Ruth Igo - 0908 | |
| Cal Hendrick - 0408 | Doris Huff - 0908 | |
| Bob & Connie Greenwood - 0408 | Harry & June Barker 1008 | |
| Duane George - 0508 | Bill Corlew - 1008 | |
| Dorothy Nack - 0508 | Ron Heaney - 1108 | |
| Len & Dorathey Meade - 0508 | Louise Keney - 1108 | |
| Jeanne Larson - 0508 | Anthony Santoro - 1108 | |
| | Joseph Rogers (2) - 1/09 | |
| | John Daniel - 0209 | |

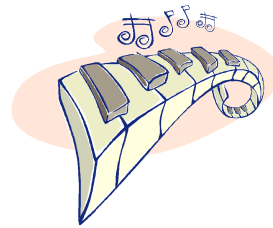
YES, I, (we) pledge a donation of \$10 per person per year to support the publication of our bulletin. Enclosed is my (our) donation in the amount of \$ _____.
Name (s) _____
Address _____
City, State, Zip _____

BOOM-BA

Sunday, March 8, 2009



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



Thank you to everyone who showed up to help clean the kitchen. It is a lot of hard work, but has to be done. Like with everything else, if you keep up with it, it stays in pretty good shape.

Sandy

Thank you to everyone who turned up to celebrate the Installation of Officers. The support you showed our new officers helps them get off on the right foot.

Sandy Mooney, PER

Fish Fry Friday

All you can eat Fried Pollack for \$6.00

Also serving baked Pollack, Fried Clam Strips or Fried Shrimp \$7.00

Combination of Fish, Clams and Shrimp \$8.00,

Half Baked Chicken \$8.00,

or an additional Dinner Entrée \$7.00.

Soup or Salad Bar \$1.00

Every Friday

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

From the Secretary's Desk

Greetings,

It is hard to believe that another Elk year is almost over. I hear so often, Where does the time go? I would like to thank you for all the help you have given me this past year. As a reminder if you move or change your Phone number please let the office know so we can keep our records up to date.

By this time you have received your dues notices. If for some reason you have not received it please let me know. I have received some back because the address is wrong. A reminder if you have not paid you dues you will be delinquent as of 04/01/2009. I urge you to pay your dues right away. Don't wait. Once I receive your dues I will get you your new card in a timely manner.

Those wishing to renew your associate membership I need a copy of your 2009-2010 card along with \$20.00.

For those of you wishing a widow's card please put it in writing. I do not send these cards out automatically. If you have moved please include your new address and phone number.

I look forward to serving you for the year 2009-2010.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,
Judy Vergason, Lodge Secretary

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



Italian Night

March 11 and March 25, 2009
5:00 PM to 7:00 PM

All you can eat spaghetti and meatballs. Also serving Lasagna or Four Cheese Pasta
with Garlic Bread and Dessert. Salad \$1.00

\$6.00

Also serving Palmetto's Combo Platter's

Three Combo - \$7.00 Stuffed Shells \$7.00

Music

March 11 and 26 - Bobby Remp