



## Benevolent and Protective Order of ELKS



**In Memoriam for Past State President Dave Vergason**

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January 2013

Volume 10

### From the Exalted Ruler



We had a very busy December, our PER Christmas party went really well and I want to thank everyone who came out and supported it, and of course Sully and his volunteers who did an outstanding job. All I heard all night was great comments from

everyone. We should all be proud of the hard work that our volunteers do, I am.

Then we had the kids Christmas party and the surprise visit from Santa, Pete Cutway and his wife Judy, for her face painting. I do believe the kids enjoyed themselves and the gifts they received. Thanks to all the volunteers that made this a great success. A great job by Jim Lamb PDDGER, for his program "Toys for Tots".

We had our End of the Year Gala, it was something new, I hope all had a good time with their ELK friends and guests at the end of the year party.

If you or a friend go to Gordon Food Service (GFS) tell them that you are an ELK member of Palmetto Elks 2449 and they will credit our Harry Anna charity fund with a % of your bill.

Please remember that the people that serve you are volunteers so please respect them, we are having a hard time getting volunteers, because of the way they are spoken to or treated. Volunteers are always needed. So if you can help please get in touch with Dorathey Meade.

Our Palmetto Elks District Hoop Shoot winner Kayla Bell won 1<sup>st</sup> Place in the Girls 12-13 age group and will go the Regional Competition in Lake Placid January 19<sup>th</sup>. We wish her the best of luck.

We are having a town hall meeting Tuesday, February 5, 2013 at 6:30 PM so please plan on attending this; we need to know your concerns and how we can do better.

My remarks are short this month but hope everyone has a good year in 2013.

Fraternally,  
Exalted Ruler  
JD Daniel

The Mighty Southwest District is pleased to announce that District Vice President Patrick Gallagher from the Manasota Lodge has been Endorsed as District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler and David Manning from the Bradenton Lodge has been Endorsed as District Vice President for the coming year.

I am sure that both Patrick and Dave will be a big asset for the District. Please congratulate them when you see them.

Danny E Tabor  
District Leader Mighty Southwest District



Town Hall Meeting  
February 5, 2013  
In the lodge.  
Starting at 6:30  
Please Plan on Attending

Congratulations to Kayla Bell,  
This years Hoop Shoot Winner.  
Pictured here with Lu Smith, DDGER.  
For winning the District Finals  
On December 8, 2012.  
Now on to the Regional Finals  
In Lake Placid, Florida  
January 19, 2013.

GOOD LUCK KAYLA!



## From the desk of the Secretary



During this past month some of you have been called to remind you that as of yet your dues have not been received. I would like to thank all those who gave of their time to make the calls. There are a number of the members that could not be contacted

because the telephone numbers had been changed. There were those that said they never received a notice because their address has been changed. Please if you have changed your phone number or address please let the office know. We cannot keep you abreast of the communications if we do not have current information.

In January I will be sending out the official notice informing you that if your dues are not paid by March 31, 2013 your name will be dropped from the roles.

Toward the end of January I will be sending out the new dues notices for 2013-2014. Some of you think this is early. Since we have a large number of members that go back north for the summer I need to get the notices out so they will have their card. Also if you pay by April I do not have so many new notices to send out and phone calls to make.

Any widow that wishes to receive a current card must request it in writing. It should also be signed by an active Elk member. I do not send out cards automatically.

Judy Vergason  
Lodge Secretary



**Support our Veterans**

### **Wanted and Desperately Needed!**

- New Men's and Women's Underware (S,M,L) ▪
- New Tee Shirts (L & XL) ▪
- New Socks (13)

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.

Exalted Ruler	JD Daniel, PER	776-3835
Leading Knight	Chet Syjud	721-4284
Loyal Knight	Rose Wujcik	962-5475
Lecturing Knight	Steve Baker	962-6853
Secretary	Judy Vergason	722-1329
Treasurer	Judy Alf	721-7069
Tiler	Carol Smilowski	729-6474
Esquire	Mike Wujcik	962-3682
Chaplain	Lorraine Baker	962-6853
Inner Guard	Bonnie Pruss	721-4699
Organist	David Radcliff	813-641-2064
Five Year	Lenny Pruss, PER	721-4699
Four Year	Wes Townsend, PER	722-2551
Three Year	Frank Coseglia, PER	531-3911
Two Year	Sully Sullivan	813-390-8814
One Year	Ron Alf	721-7069
Accident Prevention	Katharine Chadwell	729-4913
Americanism	Dorathay Meade	807-6177
Auditing Accounting	Dale Daugherty	803-8172
Bulletin	Rose & Mike Wujcik	962-3682
Community Activities	Craig Conklin, PER	447-1836
Drug Awareness	Katharine Chadwell	729-4913
Elks Nat'l Foundation	Wes Townsend, PER	722-2551
Government Relations	Judy Vergason	722-1329
Harry Anna Trust	Ron Alf	721-7069
Hoop Shoot	Mike Wujcik	962-3682
Investigation	Lenny Pruss, PER	721-4699
Indoctrination		
Kitchen Management	Bill Herrington - Sully Sullivan	962-3273— 813-390-8814
Bar Management	Lenny Pruss, PER	721-4699
Lapsation	Dorathay Meade	807-6177
Lodge Activities	Craig Conklin, PER	447-1836
Mediator	Craig Conklin, PER	447-1836
Membership	Judy Vergason	722-1329
Memorial Sunday		
Nat'l Veterans	Pat Murphy	729-2876
PER Association	Craig Conklin, PER	447-1836
P.E.T.S. Activities	Rose Wujcik	962-5475
Presiding Justice	John Redding	813-258-4401
Property Maintenance	Jim Gard, PER Jim Allard	729-0971 729-4566
Public Relations	Rose Wujcik	962-5475
Volunteer	Dorathay Meade	807-6177
Web Master	Chet Syjud	721-4284
Youth Activities	Dorathay Meade	807-6177

# Palmetto Pride



## Weekly Lounge Activities

Sun: NFL Football

Mon: Open menu / Karaoke

Tue: Meetings

Wed: Spaghetti 2nd & 4th

Thu: Dance Lessons

Fri: Fish Fry

Sat: Football



Bar to close at the discretion of the bartender

Come on in and try our games! *Bar Poker - Dice Game - Queen of Hearts*

# January 2013

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

		1 Closed 	2 Closed	3 Open 3:00 Pot Luck 5:30 Dance Lessons 7:00 - 9:00	4 Open 3:00 Fish Fry 4:30 Beef Tips Music 6-9 Dee	5 Open 1:00-4:00 Bar Poker Dice Game  Private Party 4:00 - 12:00
6 NFL Football 12:30 Bring a snack Hot Dogs 50 cents	7 Open 3:00 Food 5:00-7:00 Full Menu Karaoke Bob Dunn	8 Open 3:00 P.E.T.S Meeting 6:30 Lodge Meeting 7:30	9 Open 3:00 5:00—7:00 Spaghetti Bobby Remp	10 Open 3:00 Dance Lessons 7:00 - 9:00	11 Open 3:00 Fish Fry 4:30 Cabbage Rolls Music 6-9 Musical Memories	12 Open 1:00-4:00 Bar Poker Dice Game
13 NFL Football 12:30 Bring a snack Hot dogs 50 cents Boom-ba Food 12 - 2 Party 2 - 4	14 Open 3:00 Food 5:00-7:00 Karaoke Lenny Pruss	15 Open 3:00 PER Meeting 6:00 BOD 6:30	16 Closed	17 Open 3:00 Dance Lessons 7:00 - 9:00	18 Open 3:00 Fish Fry 4:30 Chicken Parm Music 6-9 Nickels & Dimes	19 Open 1:00 - 4:00  Army Of Hope 6:30
20 NFL Football 12:30 Bring a snack Hot Dogs 50 cents	21 Open 3:00 Food 5:00-7:00 Philly Cheese Karaoke C.J.	22 Open 3:00 Lodge Meeting 7:30 Initiation	23 Open 3:00 5:00—7:00 Spaghetti Bobby Remp	24 Open 3:00 Dance Lessons 7:00 - 9:00	25 Open 3:00 Fish Fry 4:30 Swiss Steak Music 6-9 Seabreeze	26 Open 1:00-4:00 Bar Poker Dice Game  Private Party 4:00 to 12:00
27 NFL Football 12:30 Bring a snack Hot Dogs 50 cents	28 Open 3:00 Food 5:00-7:00 Full Menu Karaoke Nola	29 Open 3:00	30 Closed	31 Open 3:00 Dance Lessons 7:00 - 9:00	Saturday and Sunday Drink Specials \$2.00 Well Drinks \$6.00 Pitcher of Beer	



January starts a new year to promote Americanism in our community. The Heritage Corner in the hallway toward the large dining room has information regarding the Bill of Rights, Declaration of Independence, Elks Resolution on Law and Order, Elks Declaration of American Principles, The Constitution, the Monroe Doctrine and the Gettysburg Address. Another bulletin board has the Flag-Flying Calendar. Next time you are at the lodge look over the papers that are the foundation for our country and promote Americanism whenever possible.

Dorathey Meade  
Americanism Chairperson

Elks Care - Elks Share

Volunteers are always needed  
If you can help  
Contact Dorathey Meade  
807-6177



January 19, 2013  
ARMY OF HOPE  
FUND RAISER

6:30

Hosted by  
Stacy and Tex Rau

Come and Support  
Our Military Families



Bar Poker  
\$1.00 Five Card Poker  
Highest Hand Wins



Dice Game

\$1.00 for 1 roll of the dice  
Full house - win a free well drink  
4 of a kind - win a free well drink  
5 of a kind - win the jackpot  
Minimum jackpot \$100.00  
Maximum jackpot \$500.00  
See bartender for rules



Queen of Hearts Started December 1st  
Drawing every Friday at 7:30  
Rules Posted in Lounge



## January Birthdays

01	George	Helmer
01	Sharon	Nealey
01	Carl	Welch
02	Frank	Coseglia
02	Terrance	Hamlin
02	Robert	Powers
02	Carol	Russo
03	Robert	Dunn
04	Thomas	Elwell
06	William	Allard
06	David	Aurich
08	Nicholas	Curcio
08	Ruth	Edwards
08	Richard	King
08	Douglas	McRae
12	William	Rogers
12	Me	Stewart
14	Allan	Collins
15	Larry	Riegle
15	Betty	Sheridan
17	Robert	Huey
18	Arnold	Coates
18	Bernard	VanDerlaan
18	Joseph	Wilson
19	Robert	Steidle
21	Ronald	Leblanc
21	George	Levers
22	Eike	Perreault
23	Herbert	Farrand
23	Richard	Klein
23	L	Thompson
24	Richard	Smith
25	Larry	Turgeon
26	James	Hutchison
26	George	McLaughlin
26	Chet	Syjud
27	Theodore	Walkowiak
28	Homer	Beall- Jr
28	Sheila	McIntosh
30	Alvin	Zimmer
31	Gary	Lamotte

## Volunteers Of The Month



**Steve and Lorraine**

Welcome our New Members  
Frances Leboeuf, Merlyn Fish  
Jerry Buchanan, Will Nuttle



## Hall Rentals



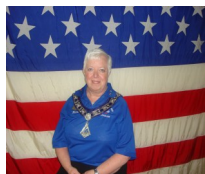
Your hall is for rent to both members and non members for weddings, anniversaries, parties, or other special events. We would be glad to host your business meetings. Please leave your name, phone number, and a brief message regarding the event, with the bartender on duty. They will call me with the information.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

Judy Vergason, 722-1329  
Craig Conklin, PER 447-1836  
Frank Coseglia, PER 531-3911

***Support ENF and Harry Anna charities***



## P.E.T.S.



A BIG THANK YOU to all who volunteered for the Kids Christmas Party. Dorathey did a fantastic job in getting the volunteers, Mike for doing a great job in getting them all

organized, Sully, Carol and Tom for keeping the hotdogs coming out of the kitchen. Another Thank You goes to Pete Cutway for his role of Santa, and Judy Cutway for her face painting. Robert Bolt from the Peace Keepers brought over 150 people including, the kids, parents, a group of cheerleaders, and the Palmetto Police Chief, Rick Wells.

Not one child left there without a toy thanks to Jim Lamb, PDDGER from the Sarasota Lodge 2495, and the Toys for Tots. We had so much fun we are already starting to plan for next year.

Here's wishing you all a very Happy New Year! Hopefully we will see you all in the coming year's events.

Rose Wujcik, Chairman  
rmwujcik@yahoo.com

## PALMETTO #2449 BULLETIN BOOSTERS 2012-2013

To help us in defraying the cost of our 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. Please make your check payable to the lodge and give to the Secretary. Thank you for your support.

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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) \_\_\_\_\_

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## Sully's Corner Friday \$8.00 Specials

01/04/2013 Beef Tips and Noodles, Vegetables

01/11/2013 Cabbage Rolls, Mashed Potatoes,  
Vegetables

01/18/2013 Chicken Parmesan, Rotelle Pasta,  
Vegetables

01/25/2013 Swiss Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Vegetables

Started September 1st a sales tax was added to all meals served at the lodge.



Looking for something new to do.  
Dance Classes will meet every  
Thursday. 7:00pm - 9:00pm

Cost \$5.00 per person. Come out  
and learn a new style of dancing  
with friends.



## Christmas Fun



**Jim Hoey**

President

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MARDI GRAS PARTY

FEBRUARY 12, 2013



Watch for the February Bulletin  
For more details

## Palmetto Elks Lodge Hall Rental

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PER COUNTRY WESTERN DANCE

FEBRUARY 23, 2013

Serving  
Ham or Shrimp  
Music by  
Cass  
\$12.50 pp



Plan on attending for a good time

With friends and neighbors

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## Monday Nights



**Lounge Opens 3:00**

**Food 5:00-7:00**

**Full Menu**

**Karaoke 6 to 9**



**2nd and 4th  
Wednesday  
Spaghetti Night  
5:00 to 7:00**



**Friday Fish  
Fry**

**4:30 - 7:00**

**Music**

**6:00 - 9:00**



**Manatee County Fair**

**January 17 to 27**

**Come by and stop at the Elks Booth**