



## Benevolent and Protective Order of ELKS



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

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February 2012

Volume 2

### From the Exalted Ruler



Another year has passed in our lives; we all hope that 2012 is a better year. I hope you feel the same way about your Lodge. We have struggled a lot this year but you all came forward and supported your lodge, this is what Elkdom is all

about.

We have a lot of events coming up in February, and we are always looking for volunteers. Please give some of your time, a very good way to meet new friends and members. Please remember that the people who wait on you are members volunteering to serve you, if you have a concern; please put it in writing and submit it to the Board of Directors.

The New Year's party was great, thank you for making this event happen, Sully and his crew did a wonderful job as always, food was great and it is really nice to celebrate the new year with your friends.

We are going to have a Super Bowl party February 5th at 5pm. Bring a dish and enjoy the game with your friends on our new TV's that Charlie installed

A very short letter this month, but always remember our charities, give from your heart what you can, and I know they will love you for that. Elks Care-Elks Share.

Fraternity,

John Daniel  
Exalted Ruler

*Elks Care - Elks Share*



*Classic Cruising  
With  
Jim and Ron  
Car Show*

*Sunday February 26, 2012*

*1:00 to 4:00*

*\$5.00 entry fee*

*See JD for information*



Welcome our New Members

Wayne Forler  
Donald Kozlowski  
Thomas M. Funk  
Raymond Martel  
Pat Murphy

Photos not available

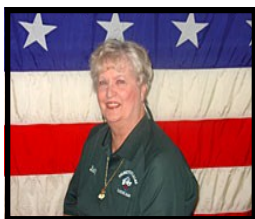
HAPPY 144 BIRTHDAY ELKS

2/12/1868 - 2/12/2012



**CREDIT CARD MACHINES  
Now Available in the Lodge**

## From the desk of the Secretary



Here we are in the Month of February it is hard to believe how fast this year has gone. This month I would like to address the delinquent members. There are still 46 that have not renewed their membership for various reasons. Your

dues are very important to the continuation of our Elk Programs. The Elks National Home for instance a portion of your dues goes to the upkeep of the home for retired elks. More of your dues are used to help our Children Therapy Services. We have 20 Therapist that travel all over to help children with physical therapy, occupational therapy and speech therapy free of charge. Many of these families can't afford the professional help their children need. Another one of our children programs is the Elks Youth Camp. Through your dues we are able to send children to the youth camp. And let us not forget our veterans. A statement was made many years ago as long as there is a veteran in the hospital there will be an elk to help them.

So you see how important your dues are. Thanking you in advance for reconsidering to renew your membership.

I would like to leave you with a thought a friend of mine gave me one day when I was talking about the "good old days". He said, "You can't turn the clock back, but you can sure wind it up again."

Judy Vergason  
Lodge Secretary

### Attention Friday Night Bakers

If you are unable to bring your desert on Friday night please give me a call.

Thanks,  
Judy Alf,  
941-721-7069



## February 14th Officer Nominations



## February 18th Officer Elections

Exalted Ruler	JD Daniel	776-3835
Leading Knight	Chet Syjud	721-4284
Loyal Knight	Alice Davis	737-3776
Lecturing Knight	Steve Baker	962-6853
Secretary	Judy Vergason	722-1329
Treasurer	Judy Alf	721-7069
Tiler	Dorathay Meade	807-6177
Esquire	Mike Wujcik	962-3682
Chaplain	Katharine Chadwell	729-4913
Inner Guard	Rose Wujcik	962-5475
Organist	David Radcliff	813-641-2064
Five Year	Wes Townsend, PER	722-2551
Four Year	Frank Coseglia, PER	531-3911
Three Year	Sully Sullivan	813-641-3592
Two Year	Ron Alf	721-7069
One Year	Len Meade, PER	807-0179
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	776-5832
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
Indoctrination	JD Daniel	776-3835
Investigation	JD Daniel	776-3835
Kitchen Management	Bill Herrington - Sully Sullivan	962-3273— 813-641-3592
Lounge Management	Wes Townsend, PER Frank Coseglia, PER	722-2551 531-3911
Lapsation	Dorathay Meade	807-6177
Lodge Activities	Craig Conklin, PER	776-5832
Mediator	Craig Conklin, PER	776-5832
Membership	Judy Vergason	722-1329
Memorial Sunday	Alice Davis	737-3776
Nat'l Veterans	JD Daniel	776-3835
PER Association	Len Meade, PER	807-0179
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	Chet Syjud	721-4284
Volunteer		
Web Master	Chet Syjud	721-4284
Youth Activities	Katharine Chadwell	729-4913

# Palmetto Pride



## Lounge Hours

Sun: Closed

Mon: 3 Open menu / Karaoke

Tue: 3 Meetings

Wed: 3 Spaghetti 2nd & 4th Thu: 3 Socialize

Fri: 3 Fish Fry

Sat: 3 Socialize

Bar to close at the discretion of the bartender



# February 2012

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

<p><b>Come on in and try our new games! Bar Poker and Dice Game.</b></p> 			<p><b>1</b> Closed</p>	<p><b>2</b> Open 3:00 Pot Luck 5:30 Line Dancing 7:00</p>	<p><b>3</b> Open 3:00 Fish Fry 4:30 Meat Loaf Music 6-9 Dee</p>	<p><b>4</b> 1:00 Horseshoes Wii Bowling w/ Dorathey</p>
<p><b>5</b> 9:00—11 :30 Breakfast  Super Bowl Party</p>	<p><b>6</b> Open 3:00 Food 5:00-7 Full Menu Karaoke Reminisce</p>	<p><b>7</b> Open 3:00 PER Meeting 6:00 6:30 BOD</p>	<p><b>8</b> Open 3:00 5:00—7:00 Spaghetti Bobby Remp</p>	<p><b>9</b> Open 3:00  Line Dancing 7:00</p>	<p><b>10</b> Open 3:00 Fish Fry 4:30 Stuffed Chicken Music 6-9 Musical Memories</p>	<p><b>11</b> 1:00 Horseshoes Wii Bowling 5:00 Sock Hop Harry Anna Fundraiser</p>
<p><b>12</b> Happy Birthday Elks! 12:00—2:00 Food 2:00—4:00 Boom Ba</p>	<p><b>13</b> Open 3:00 Food 5:00-7 Karaoke CJ</p>	<p><b>14</b> Open 3:00 6:30 P.E.T.S. 7:30 Lodge Meeting Officer Nominations</p>	<p><b>15</b> Closed</p>	<p><b>16</b> Open 3:00  Line Dancing 7:00</p>	<p><b>17</b> Open 3:00 Fish Fry 4:30 Beef Burgundy Music 6-9 Dave Harris</p>	<p><b>18</b> 1:00 Horseshoes Wii Bowling</p>
<p><b>19</b> 9:00—11 :30 Breakfast</p>	<p><b>20</b> Open 3:00 Food 5:00-7 Philly Cheese Steak Karaoke Bob Dunn</p>	<p><b>21</b> Open 3:00  Mardi Gras 7:00 to 10:00</p>	<p><b>22</b> Open 3:00 5:00—7:00 Spaghetti Bobby Remp</p>	<p><b>23</b> Open 3:00  Line Dancing 7:00</p>	<p><b>24</b> Open 3:00 Fish Fry 4:30 Shrimp Creole Music 6-9 Seabreeze</p>	<p><b>25</b> 1:00 Horseshoes Wii Bowling 5:00 Country Western Dance</p>
<p><b>26</b> 1:00-4:00 Harry Anna Car Show \$5 per Car</p>	<p><b>27</b> Open 3:00 Food 5:00-7 Full Menu Karaoke Dee</p>	<p><b>28</b> Open 3:00 7:30 Lodge Meeting Officer Election</p>	<p><b>29</b> Closed</p>	<p><b>Bring this coupon to the bar to receive 500 points for every \$10.00 you add to your card</b></p>		



## National Patriotism Week

National Patriotism Week affords all Americans a special opportunity to consider the meaning of an honorable term which has sometimes been misunderstood and misused.

True patriotism is a love of country, but it must be an intelligent love and not blind devotion to one's nation without regard to its ideals. Abraham Lincoln recognized this when, speaking in tribute of Henry Clay, he said: "He loved his country partly because it was his own country, but mostly because it was a free country; and he burned with a zeal for its advancement, prosperity and glory, because he saw in such, the advancement,

prosperity and glory, of human liberty, human right, and human nature."

The patriotism of Clay, Lincoln, and generations of Americans was of this nature. They loved their country because it was theirs but even more because it was a land where liberty, justice, and opportunity flourished. They did not love it because of its government but because of its people; not because of the role its government played in world affairs but because of the inspiration the very idea of America gave to every person, great and small, who made this blessed land his home, and to every person in the less fortunate lands of the world who, amid oppression, tyranny, and injustice—as in Poland today—looked to America as the land of freedom.

Americans today should dedicate themselves again to that true patriotism. We should dedicate ourselves again to the enduring values of family, neighborhood, work, peace, and freedom which have characterized our country these past two centuries. Let us do this, and our patriotism will be strong and fulfilling.

The Congress, by joint resolution (SJ. Res. 34), designated the week commencing with the third Monday in February of 1982 as "National Patriotism Week" and requested the President to issue a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States to commemorate that week with appropriate celebrations and observances.

Now, *Therefore, I, Ronald Reagan*, President of the United States of America, do hereby designate the week beginning February 15, 1982, as National Patriotism Week.

I invite all primary and secondary schools to conduct programs of study which are dedicated to those bedrock principles of national greatness devoted to rekindling the patriotic flame in all Americans.

I call upon all citizens of the United States of America to commemorate National Patriotism Week with appropriate celebrations and observances.

*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand this thirteenth day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and eighty-two, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and sixth.

*Ronald Reagan*

Dorathey Meade, Americanism

Have you seen the new TV's that Charlie set up in the lodge? It's the perfect place to watch the Super Bowl Game and March Madness.

Come on in and check it out!!



New games daily at the bar!



Bar Poker  
\$1.00 Five Card Poker  
Highest Hand Wins

Dice Game

\$1.00 for 2 rolls of the dice  
4 of a kind - win a free drink  
5 of a kind - win the jackpot  
Minimum jackpot \$100.00  
Maximum jackpot \$500.00  
See bartender for rules



*Elks* Care - *Elks* Share



## February Birthdays

01	David	Valle
02	Dorothy	Johnson
02	Darwin	Lowe
02	Robert	Mosby
02	William	Noling
03	Dorothy	Bennett
03	Clifford	Hess
03	James	Hill
04	Pasquale	Longarzo
05	Howard	Kane
05	Robert	Lorenzi
06	Donald	Foslo
06	Fred	Hamilton
06	Jack	Schuiteman
06	Mike	Schultz
07	Dominic	Femia
07	Michael	Mc Bride
08	Calvin	Hendrick
08	Robert	Tousignant
09	Don	Jahns
09	Dennis	Wood
10	Charles	Boisvert
10	Chester	Long
14	Linda	Mathews
14	Dori	Sargent
17	William	Bochicchio
17	Shoee	Ruiter
18	Carlis	Knight
18	Lee	Kuhfuss
19	Shirley	Clarkson
19	Hugh	Igo
19	Jim	Weaver
20	Manny	Gutierrez
21	Katherine	Chadwell
21	Sam	Hart
22	Thomas	Plunkett
23	Ronald	Alf
23	Shirley	Johnson
24	George	Cope
24	Rockne	Mc Corkle
24	Bruce	Williams
26	Barbara	Amicone
26	Richard	Dirschell
26	Estell	Hannah
26	Dawn	Turgeon
28	William	Komph
28	Louis	Wilson

On January 13, 2012 I was invited to Tropic Isles park for a fund raiser for the Army of Hope. It made my heart pound for what the residents did for our veteran's. With the hard work of Stacy and Tex Rau and the residents they raised over \$2000.00. They also contributed many can foods and etc. to give away at Thanksgiving to the needy.

Myself, the Board and the Veteran Representatives would like to thank Tropic Isles for their dedication to our Veteran's. Helping our Veterans and children is one of the many charities we support.

Without your help we could not support our charities. So please remember, just give a little. Elks Care-Elks Share

***"So long as there are Veterans, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks will never forget them"***

Veterans Chairman

John Daniel

776-3835



## PER Country Western Dance

February 25, 2012

5:00—Cocktails

6:00—Dinner

7:00 Music by Cass

\$10.00 per person

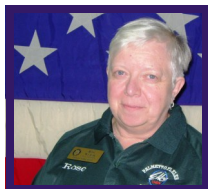


## Hall Rentals



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.

Craig Conklin, PER 776-5832



## P.E.T.S.

If you are wondering what the P.E.T.S. are, we are the Palmetto Elks Team Socializers. A group of volunteers, both men and women, that come together to plan the activities that are held at the lodge. This month we have two activities that include the Valentine Sock Hop and the Mardi Gras celebration. If you are interested in joining our group, the meetings are on the second Tuesday of the month at 6:30. Feel free to contact me if you have any questions or fun ideas that we can use.

Rose Wujcik, Chairman  
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## 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.

**Cal and Jean Hendrick**  
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**Joseph Calore**  
**Jean McAndrews**  
**Joseph Rogers**  
**Mike & Rose Wujcik**

**Ronald Heaney**  
**Wally & Pat Heim**  
**Carlo Knight**  
**Tom Nowak**  
**Jim Hill**  
**JD Daniel**  
**Jim & Barb Gard**  
**Mickey Stinson**

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 \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

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## PALMETTO ELKS 2449 FRIDAY NIGHT FISH FRY MENU

Three pieces of Pollack	Fried or Baked	\$7.00
Baked Potato or French Fries		
Two Hush Puppies		
Cole Slaw		
Panko Breaded Shrimp (7)		\$8.00
Baked Potato or French Fries		
Two Hush Puppies		
Cole Slaw		
Half of Baked Chicken		\$8.00
Baked Potato or French Fries		
Cole Slaw		
Mixed Greens Salad		\$2.00
Soup & Large Mixed Green Salad		\$5.00
Ice Tea or Coffee		\$1.00
Special Meal		\$8.00

### Palmetto Has a Chef!



**Our chef is Frank 'Sully' Sullivan. You are missing out on some great food if you haven't tasted any of his cooking. Come and join us for Friday fish fries and all of the Elks special events and savor some fun.**

## Karaoke Fun



### 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) ▪
- Clothes Washing Soap, Powder Only.
- No Mouthwash or Aftershave

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.

### Gary Beschorner

*Certified Public Accountant  
Loan Officer*  
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## Monday Nights



**Lounge Opens 3:00**  
**Come out and join**  
**Chef Bill**  
**Food 5:00-7 Full Menu**  
**Karaoke 6 to 9**



**2nd and 4th**  
**Wednesday**  
**Spaghetti Night**  
**5:00 to 7:00**  
**Music by Bobby Remp**

## Valentine Sock Hop February 11, 2012

**5:00 Cocktails**  
**6:00 Dinner**  
**7:00 to 10:00 Music**  
**By Nickels and Dimes**  
**\$10.00 per person**  
**Tickets available at the bar**



**Masquerade**  
**Mardi Gras Party**  
**February 21, 2012**  
**7:00 to 10:00 Music by**  
**Taylor and Taylor**  
**\$7.00 per person**  
**Bring your own snack**  
**Tickets available at the bar**

