



Palmetto Pride

**Benevolent and Protective Order of
ELKS**



In Memoriam for Past State President Dave Vergason

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April 2011

No. 4



Hello to all my fellow Elk members. I hope everyone has had a very nice winter here in

Sunny Florida. Please take a moment to look over the calendar and plan to attend all the functions you can.

My attendance at this year's Exalted Ruler seminar in Orlando for three days was very informative. There was a lot of insightful and helpful information presented this year.

The installation of officers for the Elk year 2011-2012 was held on Sunday March 27th. The Officer of the year award was presented to Judy Alf. Congratulations Judy, you do a super job.

I am making an appeal to the Ladies of our Lodge. Can the Ladies Organization be brought back to our Lodge? They were an integral part of the Lodge before, and I personally miss all their support and help. Please contact me if you are interested in bringing back this very important supportive group to our Lodge.

We are making plans right now for summer activities. Please give us some suggestions and ideas that you would like to see happen this summer.

Please bear with us all as we are making some changes in the operations of the Lodge. We are trying to make it

profitable. We must pay the bills and fund our charity projects. If you have any thoughts, please bring them to me. I want to hear from you. I want to hear what you like and what your not happy with. I may not be able to please you on everything, but I assure you I will listen to every thought you have.

As always, I want to thank all of the volunteers and workers at this Lodge. You make us look good. Your pride in Elkdom shows.



Yours Fraternally;

Glenn Davis – Exalted Ruler

From the desk of the Secretary



H a p p y
New Year!

Thank you to those that call to let the office know of changes of address, phone numbers and deceased members. This was very helpful in updating our records.

I only received three undeliverable letters this year.

If you are reading this and you do not have a tan 2011-2012 card you are considered delinquent. Please send your dues in so your card can be sent to you immediately. If you do not have a current card you are unable to take part in the lodges activities and buy any beverages.

This time of year there are so many things to think of and this matter may have slipped your mind. Last year we were able to get our delinquent list down to twenty-three. I am hoping for a much lower number this year. With everyone working together we can make it work. Yes, we are beginning a new Elk Year.

A reminder for widows cards - the request must be made in writing and an Elk in good standing must sign off on it.

If you are an associate member and would like a new associate card, I must have a copy of your 2011-2012 Card and \$10.00.

If a member loses his card or if a duplicate card has to be made there will be a charge of \$5.00. If your card has been partially destroyed the remainder of the card is to be returned to the office.

Looking forward to serving you another year.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

Judy Vergason
Lodge Secretary



Officers for 2011 - 2012

Exalted Ruler	Glenn Davis, PER	737-3776
Leading Knight	John H. Daniel	776-3835
Loyal Knight	Alice Davis	737-3776
Lecturing Knight	Steven Baker	962-6853
Secretary	Judy Vergason	722-1329
Treasurer	Judy Alf	721-7069
Tiler	Dorathay Meade	807-6177
Esquire		
Chaplain	Katherine Chadwell	729-4913
Inner Guard	Chet Syjud	
Organist	David Radliff	813-641-2064
Alternate	Wes Townsend, PER	722-2551

Trustees

Five-year	Wes Townsend, PER	722-25514
Four-year	Frank Conseglia, PER	729-3145
Three-year	Sandy Mooney	729-3145
Two-year	Ron Alf	721-7069
One-year	Lenny Meade, PER	807-0173

2011-2012 Committee Chairs

Accident Prevent	Katherine Chadwell	729-4913
Americanism	Dorathay Meade	807-6177
Auditing & Accounting	Dale Daugherty	803-8172
Bulletin	David Schofield	224-9478
Community Activities	Craig Conklin, PER	776-5832
CPA	Gary Bischoner	
Drug Awareness	Katherine Chadwell	729-4913
Elks Nat'l Foundation	Wes Townsend, PER	722-2551
Flag Day	Dorathay Meade	807-6177
Government Relations	Judy Vergason	722-1329
Harry Anna Trust	Ron Alf	721-7069
Hoop/Soccer Shoot		
Indoctrination	Glenn Davis, PER	737-3776
Investigation	John H. Daniel	776-3835
	Alice Davis	737-3776
	Steve Baker	721-4015
Kitchen		
Lapsation	Dorathay Meade	807-6177
Lodge Activities	Craig Conklin	776-5832
Lounge	Wes Townsend, PER	722-2551
	Frank Conseglia, PER	531-3911
Mediator	Craig Conklin, PER	776-5832
Membership	Judy Vergason	722-1329
Memorial Sunday	Alice Davis	737-3776
Mothers Day	Dorathay Meade	807-6177
Nat'l Veterans Service	John H. Daniel	776-3835
PER Association	Leonard Meade, PER	807-0109
Presiding Justice		
Property Maintenance	Jim Gard, PER	729-0971
	Jim Allard	729-4566
Public Relations	Glenn Davis, PER	737-3776
Relief	All Chair Officers	
Visitation Coordinator	Glenn Davis, PER	737-3776
Volunteer	Ron Alf	721-7069
	Rose Sturgeon	
	Sarah Michaud	
	Jim Gard, PER	
Webmaster	Jim Hoey	323-5184
Youth Activities	Katherine Chadwell	729-4913
Youth Camp	Glenn Davis, PER	737-3776

From the Desk of the Secretary

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From 9 to 12
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Governing Body for 2011 - 2012

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Alice Davis	737-3776
Steven Baker	962-6853
Wes Townsend, PER	722-2551
Frank Conseglia, PER	531-3911
Sandy Mooney, PER	729-3145
Ronald Alf	721-7069
Lenny Meade, PER	807-0179

PER Association for 2011 - 2012

President	Lenny Meade	807-0179
Vice President	Wes Townsend, PER	722-2551
Secretary	Craig Conklin, PER	776-5832



Not pictured: Sandy Mooney

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 \$10.00 and receive a key card and the bulletin.

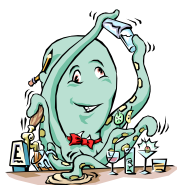
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April 2011 Activity Calendar

Palmetto Elks Lodge #2449

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 					1 Lounge Open Fish Fry Extra Meal Sals. Steak Music 6-9 PM Seabreeze	2
3 Breakfast Buffet 9:00 - 12:00 \$7.00	4 Lounge Open 1:00 PM - ??? Food 5:00-7 PM Full Menu Karaoke Reminisce	5 Lounge Open	6 Lounge Open	7 Lounge Open Pot Luck 5:30	8 Lounge Open Fish Fry Extra Meal St. Cabbage Music 6-9 PM Dee	9 D. D. Clinic Manasota Elks
10 Last Boom-Ba Food 12:30 to 2:30 Music 2:00 to 4:00	11 Lounge Open 1:00 PM - ??? Food 5:00-7 PM Full Menu Karaoke C. J.	12 Lounge Open Lodge Meeting 7:30	13 Lounge Open Italian Night Music 6-9 PM Bobby Remp	14 Lounge Open	15 Lounge Open Fish Fry Extra Meal St. Chix Breast Music 6-9 PM Dave Harris	16 Boat Smart
17 Breakfast Buffet 9:00 - 12:00 \$7.00	18 Lounge Open Food 5:00-7 PM Full Menu w/ Philly Steak Karaoke Dee	19 Lounge Open	20 Lounge Open	21 Lounge Open	22 Lounge Open Fish Fry Extra Meal Meat Loaf Music 6-9 PM Tony Boeing	23
24 Happy Easter	25 Lounge Open 1:00 PM - ??? Food 5:00-7 PM Full Menu Karaoke L. T. Connection	26 Lounge Open LODGE MEETING 7:30 Initiation	27 Lounge Open Italian Night Music 6-9 PM	28 Lounge Open	29 Lounge Open Fish Fry Extra Meal Fish Cakes Music 6-9 PM Dee	30 District Fund Raiser 1:00 to 4:00 Spaghetti Dinner

PRF



**Elks
National
Foundation**

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 _____

Payment
Method:

☐ 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 \$ _____
☐ 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: _____

Please indicate method of payment. (Make checks payable to **Harry-Anna Trust Fund**)

☐ Cash ☐ Check
☐ Credit Card Number: _____ Expiration Date: _____

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)
Series M: \$1000.00 (\$100 now & 9 Annual Payments of \$100)

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

A great time was had by all at our annual St.
Pat's celebration.



Aluminum Cans/Pull Tab Collection Program

Bring in your aluminum cans/pull tabs. Please dispose of your cans behind the Lodge in the enclosed area beside the trash dumpster. If you know of other organizations that will donate their cans and pull tabs, let us know so we can include them as well.

Thank you for your effort.

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DD SCHEDULE 2011

DD Clinic - Manasota (#2734)	4/9/2011 (9:30 AM)
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April Birthdays

2 Richard Emery	17 Peter McGee
3 Benito Lopez	Michael Wujcik
4 Conrad Hollencamp	18 Robert Bruner
Frank Veeder	19 Carlo Didomizio
5 Marilyn Doxey	Judy Rosa
Ralph Hajek, Jr.	20 Thomas Baum
6 Lars Bjurholm	Paul Fudally
Steven Harwick	Theodore Huesing
8 Pat Cuppennell	Thomas Wolff
9 Chester Grocki, Jr.	22 Leon Bateman
10 Zelmon Fuller	23 Barry Kastel
Marcel Grenier	24 Douglas Gifford
Paul Knepper	Glenn Vogel
11 Linda James	25 Paul Cutway
Charles Rhode	William Thomson
12 John Elkins	26 Anthony Santoro
Thomas Gafner	28 Oscar Fleury
Suzette McMahon	Walter Heim
13 James Alphin	Brian Leonard
Joseph Calore	29 Steve Heywood
Linda Fesh	
Michael McEvoy	
14 Donald Walker	
15 Jeannette Hafely	
16 John Rogue	

PROPOSAL TO CHANGE THE BY-LAWS OF PALMETTO LODGE # 2449 AS FOLLOWS (Vote will take place on March 8):

The amendment to ARTICLE IX: HOME, CLUB OR OTHER FACILITY

Section 1. (now reads)

The operation, management and control of the Home, Club or other facility owned and/or occupied by this Lodge shall be supervised and conducted by the Board of Directors of the Home (Club, etc) Corporation, incorporated under Section 16.030, of the Laws of the Order, consisting of seven members.

Section 1. (to be amended)

The operation, management and control of the Home, Club or other facility owned and/or occupied by this Lodge, incorporated under the provisions of Section 16.020, of the Laws of the Order, shall be managed, supervised and controlled by The Exalted Ruler, Esteemed Leading Knight, Esteemed Loyal Knight, Esteemed Lecturing Knight, and the five Trustees of the Lodge.

Attention PERs

If you are a member of Palmetto, 2449, and are a PER from this lodge or any other lodge and have not joined our PERs we would like to tap into your experiences by having you join us.

Palmetto's PERs sit in on the trustee's meetings on the first Tuesday of the month at 6:30 and will have a short PER meeting following the trustee's.

Please join us or call Len Meade, PER, (941) 807-0179 for more information.

BOOM-BA SCHEDULE

April 10, 2011--- Last of Season



Glenn Davis ER
presenting
Judy Alf Officer Of The Year award

Please join us in
welcoming these
three new
members!



John Posey



Rick Rocco



Tim Chaney

Highlights for April

- April 3 - Breakfast Buffet from 9:00 to 12:00
- April 7 - Pot Luck @ 5:30
- April 9 - Boom-Ba (Last of season)
- April 13 - Italian Night
- April 17 - Breakfast Buffet from 9:00 to 12:00
- April 24 - CLOSED - Happy Easter
- April 27 - Italian Night
- April 30 - District Fund Raiser (1:00 to 4:00 Spaghetti Dinner)

Coming in May

- May 5 - Cinco de May from 5:00 to 7:00

PROPOSED FOR MEMBERSHIP

CANDIDATE

PROPOSER

Rickey Eugene Rocco
Tim Ronald Chaney
William J. Gilbert

Robert Nichols
Sandra Mooney
Glen Dalton

Demit

Mike Meronek From Pinellas Park Lodge #2217
Bill George From Bradenton Lodge #1511

Proposed for Life Membership

Frank Luongo

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.

Barbara Blackwell, Rental Agent

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 _____

PALMETTO #2449 BULLETIN BOOSTERS 2010-2011

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.

Cal and Jean Hendrick
Ronald Heaney
Jean Strike
Wally & Pat Heim
Martha Lewis
Carlo Knight
Anita Tessler
Tom Nowak

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.

Thank you, Sandy Mooney, Lodge Activities



From left to right Tex and Stacy Rau community members of Tropic Isle and Blair Svihra Southwest District Army of Hope Chairman from Sarasota South Elks Lodge presenting Tropic Isle with an award.

The Southwest District of the Florida Elks Association held their Annual Army of Hope fund raiser at Sarasota South Elks Lodge this past weekend. Tropic Isle all timers club through their association with the Palmetto Elks Lodge was recognized for their continued support. Tropic Isle community collected funds throughout the year raising \$1,000.00 dollars. Stacy and Tex Rau said the community enjoys being part of Army of Hope projects because of what Elks do for our Military. Palmetto Elks also had Donations from the Ellenton Ladies Auxiliary of the VFW Post #9226 in the amount of \$250.00 and a donation from the American Legion Post #325 and the Sons of the Legion in the amount of \$100.00.

Army of Hope is a program of Florida State Elks Association which was established in 2008. Our mission is to provide aid and assistance to the families of deceased, disabled, and deployed members of the military in Florida. Examples of aid assistance are, school lunches, medical or dental emergencies, minor home repairs, auto repairs, phone cards and many much. Individual aid requests may be made by submitting a completed request form to your local Elks Lodge. Local Lodges will review the request and submit it to the district Veterans Services Chairman who will submit the request for final approval. Only families of Florida active duty military personnel, military reservists, Coast Guard, the National Guard and/or their dependents are eligible to apply. An active duty member stationed in Florida with his dependents would qualify as a Florida resident. Palmetto Elks thanks the community for their continued support. Helping our Veterans and children is what the Elks are all about. Because Elks Care Elks Share.

Gary Beschoner

Certified Public Accountant
Loan Officer
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Elks Care — Elks Share

Step Forward "Extend the Hand of Elkdom"

Italian Night

April 13 & 27

5:00 PM to 7:00 PM

Music from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM

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

\$6.00 (Salad - \$2.00)

Also serving **Palmetto's Combo Platters**

Three Combo - \$7.00

Stuffed Shells - \$7.00

Music - April 13
Bobby Remp

Music - April 27

Fish Fry **Friday**

All you can eat Fried Pollock for \$6.00

Also serving Baked Pollock, 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 - \$2.00

Every Friday

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