Palmetto Elks

Palmetto Pride

Lodge #2449



Benevolent and Protective Order of ELKS



In Memoriam for Past State President Dave Vergason

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From the Exalted Ruler



The Lodge sent 5 delegates to the State convention May 24 and 25th; it was a very good training experience for all. This is where important issues are discussed and decisions made regarding the organization.

Since the bulletin has to be out before we get back I will put what happen in the July bulletin, but if I feel the members need to know something urgent I will have it put in the shorts.

The Derby Party went well thanks to Joni, Greg, Shelia, Judy A and all the rest who pitched in to make this get together a gathering of Elks a great success, showing your Brotherly Love.

We now have direct TV and you will be able to watch 3 different channels. Also we will have the football package this fall, so you can watch 3 different games at one time, so come out and support your lodge.

We are also looking for volunteers this summer for all events, which include Saturday and Sunday. If you can give up some of your time and socialize with your Elks just leave us your name and number.

We have new line dancing going on called the West Coast Swingers, it is from 1 pm to 4 pm on Saturdays, we also have bar poker the same time.

Members, we ask that when you bring a non-member to your lodge that you have your guest sign the guest book along with you sponsoring this guest. We are under a non-profit status and by not doing this requirement we could get cited. So please we asked for your cooperation. Thank You

Our children and our veterans need you to renew your membership, so please continue to support your lodge and our charities.

Fraternally, John JD Daniel Exalted Ruler





June 15, 2010

Come and meet the Florida
State Elks President,
Sean D. Magurie
and First Lady Barbara.
Along with VPAL
Brian T. Burns
and Mary Kay.
Welcome reception at 6:00
with dinner to follow
Please come
and show your support



My Fellow Elks and friends,



I am honored to have the opportunity to serve as the President of the Florida State Elks Association for the ensuing Lodge year 2012-13. Barbara and I, along with our Endorsed Vice President at Large Brian Burns and his lovely wife Mary Kay and the entire Membership Engagement Team, look forward to visiting our great organization throughout the state witnessing, first hand, what the Florida Elks achieve in their local communities for our youth, Military Veterans, and our neighbors in need.

I would like to take just a minute to congratulate and thank Frank and Linda Hayes for the wonderful job they did during Frank's year as President. They were wonderful ambassadors for our not sorted a draighty. Parkers and I therewelly original their company the root year and a helf and

State Association and served admirably. Barbara and I thoroughly enjoyed their company the past year and a half and look forward to an enduring friendship.

My slogan this year will be "The Key to Elks success, Membership Engagement". I am sure you have heard many times that you get out of Elks what you put into it. By becoming engaged in the programs of our Lodges, one can get much out of Elkdom. I feel confident that most of us did not join the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks because we wanted to see just how hard we could work at the lodge or how many consecutive nights we could spend there. We joined because we heard of all the good deeds of the local Elks who worked unselfishly for the benefit of others. From this beginning, we became engaged in a project or a committee within the lodge and our dedication grew. Through your engagement in activities around the Lodge, your commitment to the lodge has flourished. You may have become a member of that "choir" which we find ourselves preaching to so often. You, and many before you, have lead the way in engagement in the principal we hold so dear within the Elks, "the faults of our members we write upon the sand, their virtues upon the tablets of love and memory". When members are engaged in the workings of the lodge, they have less time to find fault of those who are working to make the lodge a success.

I challenge each Elk to become engaged in an activity within your lodge and strive to make it a success. No matter how simple or how difficult the task may be, do it to the best of your ability. Do it with passion. Invite your friends and neighbors who share your passion to become involved as an Elk. Encourage members, new and old, to become engaged in an activity that interests them immediately and ask that they bring friends within our fold who have similar interests in these activities. Their interest in the successes of the lodges will help grow our membership, grow our participation, and grow our success.

Our membership numbers will improve if we give the members a reason to participate in their lodge. Engage them in a committee or function that they have a passion for. This passion will guide them to be proud to be called a Florida Elk. I look forward to being a carrier of the good news of Florida Elks as I travel the state and learn of the wonderful successes of our engaged membership. Each and every Elk in this state is the key to our success. As you think about your membership in our great association, think about ME- Membership Engagement- and how important you individually are to our success.

Please continue your support of our Harry-Anna Trust Fund to finance our wonderful major projects throughout the state and in your local communities. Through your support we are able to support our Children's Therapy Services, Youth Camp, Hope Scholarships, Army of Hope, and all we do in support of our military veterans.

Again, I look forward to a successful year working with 14 wonderful District Vice Presidents and the great districts they represent.

God Bless You, God bless our military wherever they may serve, and God bless the United States.

Sincerely,
Sean D. Maguire,
State President of the Florida State Elks Association.



Welcome our New Members Bob Huey, JR Benzing, Georgia Drakopoilos



Florida South East Guide Dogs will be at the President's dinner on June 15th. Along with a member of the Wounded Warriors that received a dog.







Convention High Lights: Patrick Gallagher is installed as the 2012-13 District Vice President serving The Mighty Southwest District. Madeline & Gary Atwell show Florida State what a Hospitality room is all about doing an outstanding job again this year.

Palmetto Lodge #2449 received a plaque for Top Performing Lodge in Division III. The Plaque was presented to Judy Vergason. Michael Wujcik also received an award for Youth Activities. Wes Townsend presented the awards for Officer Attendance







Conference Fun





From the desk of the Secretary



There is an old song "June is busting out All Over"! That is true here in Florida. Many of our Northern Neighbors have left. It is always sad to see them go. As we see their tail lights we look forward to when we see their head lights.

As of this writing we have 481 active members. 376 have paid their dues for 2012-2013. There are still 105 that have not paid their dues. We have called many of you personally some we have not been able to reach because of bad telephone numbers, it would be great to see the delinquent number be 0. With your help we can do it. I don't have the "Magic Number" from the State yet but when I receive it, it will be posted in the Lodge. A reminder if you have moved or changed your phone number please contact the office I need this information to inform Grand Lodge so they can continue to send you your Elks Magazine. Since we are sending out bulletins via email and snail mail if we do not have your email address and wish to receive your bulletin on line please send your email address also include your name as well. If you have changed your email address please send the corrected address. Thanking you in advance for all your help.

If I can be of assistance all you need to do is either call, write or send me an email I will try to assist you in any way I can.

Fraternally, Judy Vergason Lodge Secretary





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Exalted Ruler	JD Daniel, PER	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	Raymond Martel	721-7344	
Esquire	Mike Wujcik	962-3682	
Chaplain	Lorraine Baker	962-6853	
Inner Guard	Rose Wujcik	962-5475	
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	813-641-3592	
One Year	Ron Alf	721-7069	
Accident Prevention	Katharine Chadwell	729-4913	
Americanism	Dorathey 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	
	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	Greg Harrod	776-9997	
Kitchen Management	Bill Herrington -	962-3273—	
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Lounge Management	Wes Townsend, PER Frank Coseglia, PER	722-2551	
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Lapsation	Dorathey Meade	807-6177	
Lodge Activities	Craig Conklin, PER	447-1836 447-1836	
Mediator	Craig Conklin, PER		
Membership	Judy Vergason	722-1329	
Memorial Sunday	Alice Davis	737-3776	
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			
Web Master	Chet Syjud	721-4284	
Youth Activities	Dorathey Meade	807-6177	
			

Palmetto Pride



Lounge Hours

Mon: 3 Open menu / Karaoke Tue: 3 Meetings Fri: 3 Fish Fry

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

Sat: 3 Socialize

Bar to close at the discretion of the bartender



Come on in and try our new games! Bar Poker and Dice Game

June 2012

Thu Sun Mon Tue Wed Fri Sat

		e President's D June 15, 2012 6:00 - 8:00	inner		1 Open 3:00 Fish Fry 4:30 Salmon Fillet Music 6-8 Seabreeze	Open 1:00-4:00 Bar Poker Dice Game Swing Dance
3 9:30—12 :30 Breakfast	4 Open 3:00 Food 5:00-7 Full Menu Karaoke Lorraine	5 Open 3:00	6 Closed	7 Closed	8 Open 3:00 Fish Fry 4:30 Meat Loaf Music 6-8 Lee & Char	Open 1:00-4:00 Swing Dance 3:00 June Birthday Anniversary
10 Closed	Open 3:00 Food 5:00-7 Karaoke Nola	Open 3:00 7:30 Lodge Meeting	Open 3:00 5:00—7:00 Spaghetti	14 Closed	15 Open 3:00 Fish Fry 4:30 Stuffed Cabbage Music 6-8 Lenny Pruss President Dinner	Open 1:00-4:00 Bar Poker Dice Game Swing Dance
Father's Day Breakfast 9:30 - 12:30 Flag Day Celebration	18 Open 3:00 Food 5:00-7 Philly Cheese Steak Karaoke Lenny	Open 3:00 PER Meeting 6:00 6:30 BOD	20 Closed	21 Closed	Open 3:00 Fish Fry 4:30 Pork Loin Music 6-8 Lorraine	Open 1:00-4:00 Bar Poker Dice Game Swing Dance
24 Closed	25 Open 3:00 Food 5:00-7 Full Menu Karaoke Bob Dunn	Open 3:00 7:30 Lodge Meeting Initiation	Open 3:00 5:00—7:00 Spaghetti Lasagna	28 Closed	29 Open 3:00 Fish Fry 4:30 Chicken Marsala Music 6-8 Musical Memories	Open 1:00-4:00 Bar Poker Dice Game Swing Dance

Fast American Revolution Facts

ORIGINS OF FLAG DAY

The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks is an active patriotic organization.

In 1898, a resolution to be forwarded to the President of the United States was proposed by the Past Grand Exalted Ruler (National President) Ned Hay.

The Elks were the first <u>and only</u> order in the United States to make the observance of Flag Day mandatory. The Elks' influence, in fact, was powerful in getting attention for Flag Day, both in the Congress and across the country. Please join us on June 17, Sunday at 1pm, palmetto Elks Lodge for this beautiful and educational tribute to the symbol of our Nation. All are welcome.

Dorathey Meade, Americanism



June 17, 2012 Flag Day Celebration at 1:00



The Mighty Southwest District Official Visitation Lu Smith, DDGER & Patrick Gallagher, DVP



June 2nd Lakewood Ranch - Sarasota 2855

July 14th Palmetto 2449

July 28th South Sarasota 2495

August 11th South Hillsborough 2672

August 18th Bradenton 1511

Sept. 15th Venice Nokomis 1854

Sept. 29th Manasota 2734 Homecoming

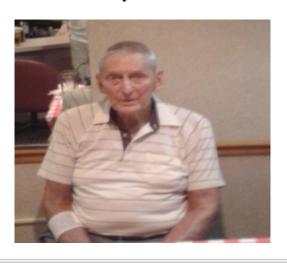
June Birthdays

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01	Harald	Nickel
02	James	Hill
03	Nathan	Blum
03	Donald	Hands
04	Α	Fazio
04	James	Hager
05	Robert	Upton
07	George	Boedgieff
07	Α	Tucker
80	Steven	Baker
09	James	Kirk- II
09	Edward	Lawrance
09	Luz	Trevino
11	Roger	Donald
12	Connie	Crist
12	Frederick	Crooker
12	Robert	Killock
12	Frank	Schopper
13	William	Fiacco
14	James	Allard
14	Homer	Huston
14	Henry	Ward Jr
15	Dale	Daugherty
16	John	Chandler
17	Harold	Crapo
17	Ed	Prins
17	Leonard	Pruss
18	Bernard	Pulsifer
19	Richard	Garrison
19	Pat	Murphy
21	William	Neuhaus
21	William	Pfister
21	Floyd	Polzin
22	Roger	Brate
23	William	Rau
24	Charles	Lewis
25	Alfred	Costa
25	Ronald	Spendlove
26	Carl	D'Aveta
27	Thomas	Duchano
27	Gretchen	Johnson
29	Margaret	Winney
30	Mike	Meronek
30	Sandra	Mooney



Volunteer Of The Month

Billy Bob





Support ENF and Harry Anna charities

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 447-1836

P.E.T.S.



It has been a very successful season for the P.E.T.S. We promise to have an exciting 2012-2013 season so plan on attending. We will be taking the summer off from meetings starting up

again in August. Hope to see you all then.

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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Lois Chaney

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 _____



Yard Sale



Looking for something new to do. The West Coast Swing Class will meet on Saturdays, 1:00 - 4:00 Cost \$5.00 per person. Come out and learn a new style of dancing with friends.





Support our Veterans

Derby Hats





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.

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Charity

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Elks Care — Elks Share

Step Forward "Extend the Hand of Elkdom"

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



Friday Fish

Fry 30 - 7:

4:30 - 7:00 Music 6:00 - 8:00 June 9, 2012

June Birthday / Anniversary Party

If you have a birthday or celebrating an Anniversary Come and join us at 3:00 Bring a snack to share

Cake will be provided

