



Palmetto Pride

**Benevolent and Protective Order of
ELKS**



In Memoriam for Past State President Dave Vergason

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From the Leading Knight



There have been a lot of new faces coming into the Lodge which means our Northerners are coming back and the word is out on our new adventures. If you have not asked a friend or a neighbor to join your Lodge please think about inviting them to see what we have to offer. This is the only way we become more solvent and allows us to help those less fortunate. The Elks is

committed to the ideals of Charity and Patriotism, which I feel is the upmost reason to support your Lodge. Please do your part by inviting friends, co-workers and neighbors to visit our Lodge and let them see for what we have to offer.

There was a great round up of Elks this past weekend. Over 1135 Elks were at the Tampa Bay Rays and Boston Red Sox games. This event benefited our Lodge as a portion of every ticket sold was donated to Harry Anna Foundation. There was 35 Elks from Palmetto Elks attending plus a group from Manasota of 71, we all had a great time. It is nice when we associate with our other Lodges, have fun and raise money for our Children and Veterans at the same time.

We need your HELP!! We're going to try something new by opening our Lodge on Saturdays & Sundays. Plans are to watch Sunday football, play slots and just socialize with our members. Saturdays we are looking at starting Horseshoe contest and Wii bowling look for information in our news letter for all the details. So make plans to spend your Saturdays & Sundays with the greatest bartender in town, Charlie. If you would like to bring a snack to share that would just make things better. Don't forget we also have WI-FI in the lodge. If you have any ideas that you would like for us to try, submit them to Charlie. Lets make Palmetto Elks a place to be. Remember this is your Lodge! Are you thinking of a having a PARTY!! Well think no more and host that special event at our Lodge. We can provide food, drinks and all the set-up work for you. This way you enjoy your party with friend's family and neighbors. Contact Craig for more information and to set up your next PARTY!!! I am looking forward to seeing more of our Northerners as they return for our winter hospitality. See you at the lodge.

John Daniels
Leading Knight

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NEW CLUB HOURS!

Sun	Closed
Mon	3 Open Menu/Karaoke
Tue	3 Meetings
Wed	3 2nd & 4th Spaghetti Night
Thu	3 Socialize
Fri	3 Fish Fry
Sat	3 Horseshoes/Wii bowling



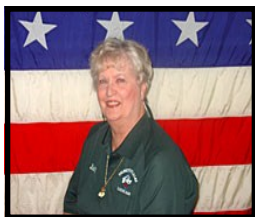
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From the desk of the Secretary



Dear Brother/Sister Elk,

The homeless and hospitalized veterans and our active duty military personnel that we support need your help: the physically and mentally challenged children of Florida whom we provide for need your help; and those less fortunate and in need of our assistance nationwide and

throughout our local communities need your help.

Elks of Palmetto Lodge are proud of our meals, functions and activities that we provide at the lodge and within and outside of the federal health care facilities for our homeless and hospitalized veterans at Bay Pines Veterans' Medical Center in St. Petersburg. This is in keeping with our long time commitment that "As long as there are veterans, the Elks will never forget them."

Nationwide we are the third largest provider of college scholarships to high school seniors. Our Hoop Shoot (free throw) contest had over 3 million contestants last year. The American Essay contest and Soccer Shot Outs attracts hundreds of thousands of participants last year.

Our professionally trained physical and occupational therapist employees are currently treating over 300 physically and/or mentally challenged children per week at the parent's residences and numerous others with major hearing impairments are being related on a contact basis. We provide these services free of charge to families who have no insurance and are unable financially to afford professional treatment.

We have developed far and beyond one of the finest youth camps in the USA. Each year we provide camping experience and other facility usage for thousands of children and adults to include physically and/or mentally challenged children, sever burn victims and free camping to children whose families are unable to afford such service. Our swimming pool has a special ramp where wheelchair confined children can be lowered into the pool to join their parents and siblings. "No Man Stands As Tall As He Who Stoops to Help A Child.

For these reasons I urge you to renew your Elks membership. It is easy just put a check in the mail for \$75.50 send it to:

Palmetto Lodge 2449

PO Box 272

Palmetto, FL 34220-0272

If you have any questions you can call me at the lodge 722-6937 - Home 722-1329

I know you have had many good times at the lodge we look forward to seeing you again. Remember Elks are never forgotten, Elks are never forsaken. Bring a friend and invite them to join.

Judy Vergason
Lodge Secretary

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Youth Activities	Katharine Chadwell	729-4913

October 2011 Activity Calendar



Palmetto Pride Join the Fun



Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat



**October is ENF Month
Fund Raiser at the October 29th Event**

						1
2	3 Open 3:00 Food 5:00-7 Full Menu Karaoke Lenny Pruss	4 Open 3:00	5 Open 3:00	6 Open 3:00	7 Open 3:00 Fish Fry 4:30 Beef Burgundy Music 6-9 Musical Memories	8 12:00—4:00 Horseshoe tournament
	10 Open 3:00 Food 5:00-7 Full Menu Karaoke Lorraine	11 Open 4:00 6:30 P.E.T.S. 7:30 Lodge Meeting	12 Open 3:00 5:00—7:00 Spaghetti Lenny Pruss	13 Open 3:00	14 Open 3:00 Fish Fry 4:30 Meat Loaf Music 6-9 Tony Boeing	15 1:00 Horseshoes w/ Charlie Wii Bowling w/ Dorathey
16	17 Open 3:00 Food 5:00-7 Philly Cheese Steak Karaoke Dee	18 Open 3:00 6:30 BOD	19 Open 3:00	20 Open 3:00	21 Open 3:00 Fish Fry 4:30 Stuffed Cabbage Music 6-9 Dave Harris	22 1:00 Horseshoes w/ Charlie Wii Bowling w/ Dorathey
23 Drug Awareness Week 	24 Open 3:00 Food 5:00-7 Full Menu Karaoke Just Us	25 Open 3:00 7:30 Lodge Meeting	26 Open 3:00 5:00—7:00 Spaghetti Lenny Pruss	27 Open 3:00	28 Open 3:00 Fish Fry 4:30 Salsbury Steak Music 6-9 Seabreeze	29 Open 1:00 Halloween October Fest 5:00
30	31 Open 3:00 Food 5:00-7 Full Menu Karaoke Dave Harris	 <div> Horseshoes with Charlie Wii Bowling with Dorathey Saturdays at 1:00 </div> 				



Red Ribbon Week

10/23—10/29



Enrique (Kiki) Camarena was born on July 26, 1947 in Mexicali, Mexico. He graduated from Calexico High School in Calexico, Calif., in 1966. After graduation he joined the U.S. Marines where he served for two years. After his military service, Kiki joined the Calexico Police Department and later moved to the El Centro Police Department. In 1974, he became part of the Drug Enforcement Administration. Seven years later he was assigned to the resident office in Guadalajara. He worked out of this office for four and a half years and was close to exposing a major drug trafficking operation. On February 7, 1985 Kiki was kidnapped. That was the last time he was seen alive. He was 37 years of age. Shortly after Kiki's death, U.S. Congressman Duncan Hunter; his wife Lynne Hunter; Calexico High School classmate, Henry Lozano; and Calexico City Councilman and educator, David Dillon launched the Calexico High School Kiki Camarena Club in Kiki's hometown of Calexico, California. On April 20, 1985 over one hundred Kiki Camarena Club members pledged to lead drug free lives.

Interest from school districts in other cities in California's Imperial Valley afforded Henry Lozano, then-Executive Director of Imperial Valley Teen Challenge, to create Kiki Camarena Clubs in Holtville, Brawley, and El Centro, California with the support of the Benevolent and Protective Order of the Elks.

In 1986, Henry Lozano, as a member of the Board of Directors of Californians for Drug-Free Youth, Inc., created a statewide coalition comprised of the Elks, Lions, Rotary, California Narcotics Officers Association, California Drug Enforcement Administration and drug prevention parents groups who worked together to establish the first statewide Red Ribbon Week celebration in October.

In 1988, the National Federation of Parents for Drug-Free Youth championed the first national Red Ribbon Week campaign with Honorary Chairman President Ronald Reagan and First Lady Nancy Reagan. That same year, congress officially established Red Ribbon Week.

Now, at the end of every October, millions of Americans dawn red ribbons in memory of Drug Enforcement Administration Special Agent Enrique "Kiki" Camarena.

The Elks are proud to be a part of such an important tradition.

Dorathey Meade, Americanism Chairman



October Birthdays

1	CRAIG	CONKLIN
1	GEORGE	COONS
1	THOMAS	WALTERS
1	NEAL	WOOLSON
2	ROSE	PICTOU
3	GARY	BAGLEY
3	LADD	MICHAEL
4	CHRIS	WAINSCOTT
5	DANIEL	IEZZI
5	RONALD	STEPHAN
5	ROBERT	TERLAU
6	JAMES	CARMODY
6	DIANE	DOYLE
6	DONN	HIGGINS
6	ANITA	TESSIER
6	JUDY	VERGASON
7	ROBERT	PENDLEY
7	WILLIAM	WAYNE
8	JAMES	COLLINS
9	ANN	BROERMAN
10	MELVIN	BALDWIN
10	RICHARD	HUGHES
10	RICHARD	JOHNSON
10	MARIANN	KELLEY
10	KENNETH	KONRAD PER
13	DANIEL	GREGAN
14	NANCY	LENEGAR
14	DORATHEY	MEADE
15	AL	DAVIS
18	OAKLEY	NORMAN
20	FRANK	INGLESE
21	FREIDA	SHERIDAN
22	JOHN	CHANEY- SR
22	CHARLES	LYONS
23	ROBERT	BRUNK
24	RICHARD	MERCER
25	ROBERT	JOHNSON
28	RALPH	BAIRD
28	RAYMOND	HUEY
29	ROBERT	VANDERVEEN
30	HANNA	REGAL
31	CORNELIUS	WOOLSON

New Member



Welcome to our member

Patricia Houle

Take Me Out to the Ball Game

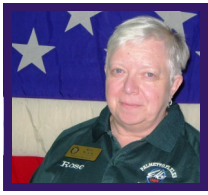


Hall Rentals



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
Hall Rental Chairman



P.E.T.S.

A great big thank you to all who participated in the South Hilsborough fashion show. Once again it was a roaring success. Interest has now been shown for us to bring the fashion show to Sarasota South and possibly Lakewood Ranch. A \$50 donation for Harry Anna will be requested for all the areas that we bring the show.

Thanks also to the wonderful help and support by all who participated in the VP dinner. What a wonderful turn out! We received great reviews from all present.

You may have noticed the leafs on the mirror in the lodge. These leafs are purchased by donation only and proceeds will go to the lodge building fund. Please stop by the lodge and purchase a leaf. Thanks to Lorraine Baker for this idea.

Check your calendar for the new events to take place.

Rose Wujcik, Chair
Fraternally Yours



PALMETTO #2449 BULLETIN BOOSTERS 2010-2011

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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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 will start October 7 th		\$8.00

News Flash!

The District PER Association is sponsoring a Flea Market/Bazaar to support Dan Tabor's campaign for Florida State President. The event will be held Nov. 5th at 7am—1pm, at 3900 N. Lockwood Ridge in Sarasota. (old 1511 lodge). Bazaar tables are available for \$15 to anyone who wishes to sell new and/or craft items. Please save your gently used items for the flea market. Drop-off times at Lockwood Ridge will be Nov. 3rd and 4th from 9am—noon. We also need help pricing, sorting, and displaying Nov. 3rd and 4th and working the day of the event. We'd like to have people from all our District's lodges participate. If you can spare a couple hours on any of these days, or if you have any questions, please call Mary Bilkie at 753-5902 or Kay Thorson at 981-5726. Let's all help to make this a great District Event.

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Our Lodge at Play



We had another great gathering of Elks. September 17 our District Vice President Lu Smith made her official visit to our Lodge. I want to thank everyone from the bottom of my heart for coming out and showing your respect to her and supporting your Lodge.

I want to thank Sully and his crew, the P.E.T.S. organization and everyone for the hard work you did and the outstanding donations of hors d'oeuvres and deserts. I received so many comments on how the Lodge looked and the outstanding hors d'oeuvres, deserts and our potato bar. Team work can makes things happen and this is what makes your Lodge and Elkdom.

John Daniels,
Leading Knight

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

Horseshoe Tournament



October 8th
12:00—4:00
\$5.00 per Team

Hotdogs / Hamburgers available for purchase
Tickets available at the bar



Halloween / German Fest

October 29th
5:00 Cocktails
6:00 Dinner
\$10.00 per person



6:30 Music by Lenny Pruss
Tickets available at the bar