



## Benevolent and Protective Order of ELKS



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

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### From the Exalted Ruler



Thank you, for electing me as your Exalted Ruler. I will do my best to continue Glenn's goals and the new goals set by our membership. This will take TEAM WORK and I know that we have the best team to do that. When members come forward and take on responsibility, filling vacate chairs, chairing committees, offering to do meals you know they have

their Lodge in their heart. Thank you to Chet Syjud for taking on the Leading Knight, Sully Sullivan as the 3<sup>rd</sup> Year Trustee, Rose Wujcik as the Inner Guard, and Carol Smilowski for taking on the Wednesday Spaghetti Nights. It is not going to be an easy task for your Officer's and you as a member, but we can do it together, all it takes is TEAM WORK.

Some of the changes we have made in our meals and activities are to try and cut the waste down while trying to keep our prices reasonable. So I hope you understand, and if you have any ideas bring them forward, as your Board of Directors are open to new ideas. This is Your Lodge and your input is important.

Again the P.E.T.S. committee did a great job as Lorraine and Steve Baker got the horseshoe tournament going and it was a great day and lots of fun at the Palmetto Elks Lodge. Again team work making a difference.

Charlie will be hosting the horseshoe activities and Dorathey Wii Bowling every Saturday starting at 1:00 so come out and join in on the horse shoe fun.

I have been getting a lot of comments on the food we serve and we salute Sully, Bill and Carol for all they have done, what a great job. It's about all of our volunteers who work so hard as a team and do this for the betterment of our lodge. When your waitress brings you your meal to you, smile and say Thank You, as they are volunteering their time to make your visit to the lodge just a little nicer.

We had a very good report from our District Deputy Jim Lamb, he is proud of how everyone is working together as a Team! And he reminds us about the importance of bringing in new members and retaining our members which will allow us to do more for our community and Veterans.

By the time you read this our volunteer appreciation dinner will be over. I know that a lot of you will come forward as you have in the past. We are trying to change things in the lounge to make it more comfortable. Our outstanding carpenter/bartender Charlie has some good ideas and he will need your help as we implement these ideas. So come out, bring a friend, a neighbor and see the changes, only you can make your lodge move forward with your participation. We have extended our hours and need you to stop in and say hello to Barb and Charlie and enjoy the new activities.

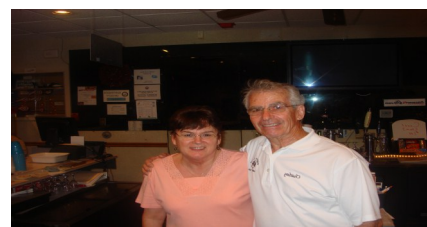
A special welcome back to all of our Northerners I know you will continue to enjoy yourself as you have in the past.

I am looking forward to seeing you soon.

Fraternally Yours,

John J.D. Daniel, Exalted Ruler

Check out the new Lounge hours. Stop by and visit



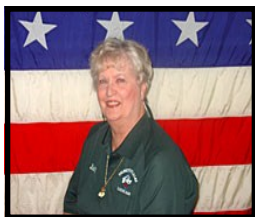
### Food Donations Needed For Thanksgiving and Christmas Baskets

Any non-perishable food items are needed for baskets for ten needy families  
There will be a drop off box located in the foyer of the Lodge.

Please be generous with your offering!



## From the desk of the Secretary



I would like to thank those of you who took the time to bring our records up to date.

As of now we have 48 whose dues have not yet been recorded.

You know our dues is \$75.50 for members and \$32.75 for life members. There are still way too many delinquents. If you have not paid your

dues I would appreciate you filling out the form below and returning it to me.

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, I am enclosing my dues for Palmetto 2449

\_\_\_\_\_ I have demitted my membership to Lodge # \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I have rejoined another Elk Lodge # \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ NO, do not wish to be an Elk member anymore. Please do not contact me again.

\_\_\_\_\_ I have moved out of the area

\_\_\_\_\_ I am no longer interested in being an Elk

\_\_\_\_\_ Other

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My e-mail address is: \_\_\_\_\_

I would really appreciate all your help in decreasing the number of delinquent members.

Thanking you in advance for all your help.

Judy Vergason  
Lodge Secretary

### A Call for Friday Night Deserts

Once again we are calling on a few members to provide a cake or pie for Friday night dinners. It would involve providing dessert just ONE Friday night a month. Thank You to all who continue to contribute their goodies. Hopefully we can count on you once again. We hope to have three desserts each week. If you could help by baking or buying one of your favorite deserts, please call me.

Thanks,  
Judy Alf,  
941-721-7069



<u>Exalted Ruler</u>	JD Daniel	776-3835
Leading Knight	Chet Syjud	721-4284
Loyal Knight	Alice Davis	737-3776
Lecturing Knight	Steve Baker	962-6853
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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
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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
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Harry Anna Trust	Ron Alf	721-7069
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	Frank Coseglia, PER	531-3911
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	Jim Allard	729-4566
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Volunteer	Nola Sanborn	721-3397
Web Master	Jim Hoey	323-5184
Youth Activities	Katharine Chadwell	729-4913



# November 2011

## Activity Calendar



### 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: 1 Horseshoes with Charlie and Wii Bowling with Dorathey

**Bar to close at the discretion of the bartender**

**Sun**

**Mon**

**Tue**

**Wed**

**Thu**

**Fri**

**Sat**

		1 Open 3:00	2 Open 3:00	3 Open 3:00	4 Open 3:00 Fish Fry 4:30 Chicken Marsala Music 6-9 Dave Harris	5 1:00 Horseshoes w/ Charlie Wii Bowling w/ Dorathey
6 9:00—11:00 Breakfast  Daylight Savings	7 Open 3:00 Food 5:00-7 Full Menu Karaoke CJ	8 Open 3:00 6:30 P.E.T.S.  7:30 Lodge Meeting	9 Open 3:00  5:00—7:00 Spaghetti Bobby Remp	10 Open 3:00	11 Open 3:00 Fish Fry 4:30 Beef Brisket Music 6-9 Musical Memories	12 1:00 Horseshoes w/ Charlie Wii Bowling w/ Dorathey
13 2:00—4:00 Boom Ba	14 Open 3:00 Food 5:00-7 Full Menu Karaoke Reminisce	15 Open 3:00  6:30 BOD	16 Open 3:00	17 Open 3:00	18 Open 3:00 Fish Fry 4:30 Cabbage Rolls Music 6-9 Seabreeze	19 1:00 Horseshoes Harvest Dance 5:00 to 9:30
20 9:00—11:00 Breakfast	21 Open 3:00 Food 5:00-7 Philly Cheese Steak Karaoke Bob	22 Open 3:00  7:30 Lodge Meeting	23 Open 3:00  5:00—7:00 Spaghetti Bobby Remp	24 	25 Open 3:00 Fish Fry 4:30 Shrimp Creole Music 6-9 Dee	26 1:00 Horseshoes w/ Charlie Wii Bowling w/ Dorathey
27 	28 Open 3:00 Food 5:00-7 Full Menu Karaoke Lorraine	29 Open 3:00	30 Open 3:00	<b>Sunday Breakfast</b> <b>1st and 3rd Sunday</b> <b>New Menu</b> <b>Volunteers Needed</b>		



## WHAT IS AMERICANISM

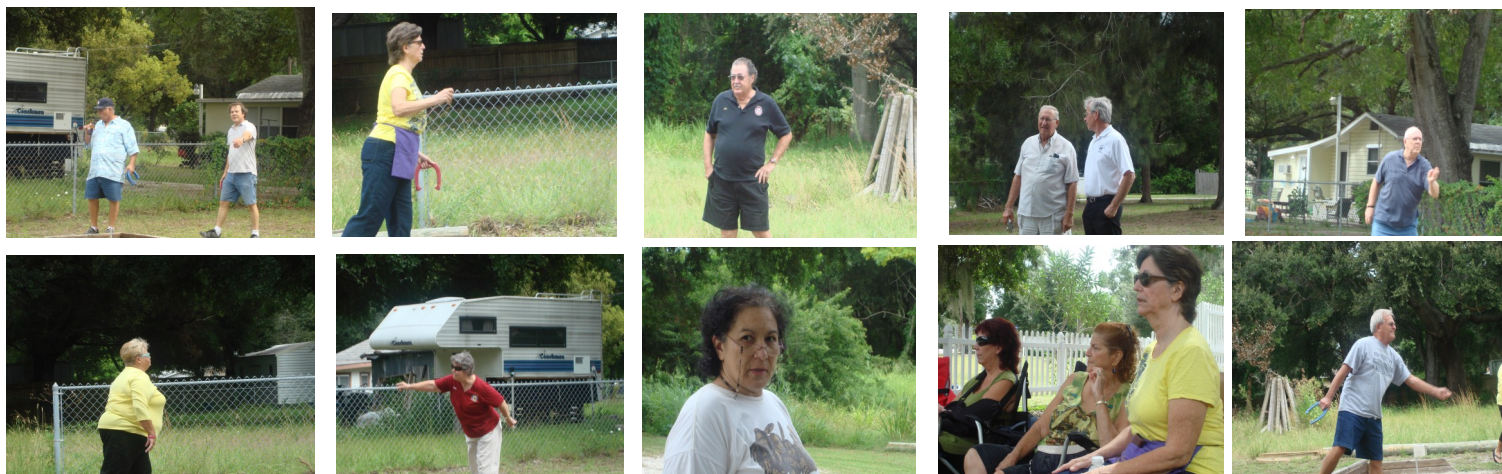
Excerpted from an unsigned essay



“These are times that try men’s souls. The summer soldier and the sunshine patriot will, in this crisis, shrink from the service of his country. But he that stands it now, deserves the love and thanks of man and woman.” Thomas Paine 1776. What forceful words, their eloquence matched only by their power! But what is Americanism? It’s much more than patriotism alone, and it’s more sincere than attitudes of self-righteousness. Americanism is the guardian of our Constitution. It’s the driving force behind America’s desire to prosper as a free nation. We notice this intense love of our country most during eras of crisis. At such times, Americanism urges our countrymen to action, rallying them into a single, strongly united force. However, this special emotion isn’t something that’s whipped up in a moment’s notice. It’s something that thrives in the souls of true patriots every day. The foremost characteristics of Americanism are the willingness of so many of our citizens to make sacrifices, as individuals...for the good of our nation’s people, as a whole. Patriotism is another trait of Americanism. But true patriotism goes beyond the waving of our country’s flag and the singing of our National Anthem. These are important gestures to be sure, but true patriotism demands loyalty to the ideals that lie *behind* those gestures. It calls forth loyalty to the traditions, the institutions and the courage that made our country great. We are a great nation today, not only because of our vast natural resources, but also because of our great national character. Americanism is the willingness to make personal sacrifices for the good of all of our nation’s people. And, in the depths of our souls, it’s the feeling of devotion that overwhelms us as we place our hands over our breasts during our National Anthem. God Bless each of you. And God bless this wonderful nation of ours, America!

Dorathey Meade, Americanism Chairman

### The Horseshoe Tournament was a great Success! Thanks to all who Participated



#### Winning Teams

1st place : Mark Wyman & Jerry Gray  
2nd place: Charlie McIntosh & Russell Manchester  
3rd place: Steve Baker & Sheila McIntosh



## November Birthdays

01	Weston	Townsend
02	Marvin	Manning
03	Kenneth	Stanek
04	Earl	Hampsher
04	John	Posey
05	Roy	Hobbs
05	Maurice	Leblanc
06	Joan	Harrod
07	Robert	Reter
08	Daniel	Sullivan
10	Yvonne	Pruss
11	Kent	Carder
11	Robert	Jaroscak
11	Joseph	Murray
12	Earnest	Arnold
12	James	Decker
12	Gordon	Diselrod
12	Frederick	Gottman
12	Robert	Riling
12	Rickey	Rocco
12	William	Woods
13	Thomas	Michalski
14	Sandra	Coseglia
14	Carlotta	Wedge
15	Donald	Becker
15	William	Sousa
16	Frank	Sharpless
16	Florian	Turczyk
17	Edward	Hammersley
18	Francis	Kaminski
18	Russell	Nealey
20	Richard	Harrison
21	Cecelia	Brugger
21	Douglas	Drayton
21	Henry	Fishwick
22	Phillip	McKenna
23	Doris	Piazza
25	Daniel	Guth
25	Ronald	Harmon
27	Terry	Schwarz
28	Max	Johnson
29	Alice	Davis
30	Josef	Garbowski
30	C	Shaw
30	Rose	Wujcik

Bay Pines Picnic Nov. 6 Please be ready to support your Veterans and their families here and away.

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

Veterans Chairman  
John Daniel  
776 3835

**New Spaghetti Night Crew  
Come and Check Them Out!**



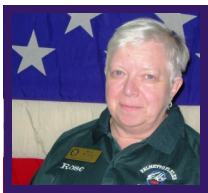
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### Hall Rentals



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.

Thank You to all who came out for the First Annual Horseshoe Tournament. A special Thank You to Lorraine and Steve Baker, Craig Conklin and Charlie McIntosh for their hard

work in getting the horseshoe court ready.

By now the Halloween / October Fest is over but again a great big Thank You to Barbara Inglese and Carol Smilowski for their hard work in preparing this feast.

We have more events coming your way with the Harvest Dinner this month, Christmas Parties next month and of course our big New Year's Eve party. Plan on coming. If you haven't been to one of our events yet you don't realize how much fun you are missing.

See you all there!

Rose Wujcik, Chairman



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### 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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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 Elks Lodge 2449**  
**News Year's Eve Party 2011**  
**December 31, 2011**  
**6 PM to 7 PM Appetizers**  
**7 PM to 8 PM Dinner**  
**9 PM to 11 PM Open Bar**

**Surf and Turf**  
**(6 oz Filet of Beef and 3 Grilled Shrimp)**  
**Or**  
**Salmon Filet with Lemon Butter Sauce**

**Loaded Baked Potato**  
**Green Been Medley**  
**Desert**

**8 PM to 12:01 AM**  
**Music and Dancing by Dee**

**Hats and Party Favors**  
**Champaign Toast to 2012**  
**Coffee and Pastries**

**\$40.00 per person**  
**Tickets Available at the bar**



## Friday Fish Fry 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.

Place in box located in lodge foyer.

Veterans Chairman  
John Daniel

**Gary Beschorner**

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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**

## Harvest Dance

**November 19th**

**5:00 Happy Hour**

**6:00 Turkey Dinner Buffet**

**\$10.00 per person**

**6:30—9:30 Music Lynn Spinns**

**Tickets available at the bar**

**Bring a Toy for Toys for Tots**



## Adult Christmas Party

**December 10th**

**5:00 Cocktails**

**6:00 Dinner**

**6:30—9:30 Music by Mercy**

**Tickets available soon at the bar**

