

Palmetto
Elks



Palmetto Pride

**Benevolent and Protective Order of
ELKS**

Lodge
#2449



In Memoriam for Past State President Dave Vergason

4611 4th Avenue E. ▪ P.O. Box 272 ▪ Palmetto, FL 34220-0272 ▪ PH. (941) 722-6937 ▪ Fax (941) 722-6246
February 2009 No 2



Dear Lodge Members

What a wonderful January. Were so busy working hard to keep everyone happy, we also had a good time. Please remember all these people who you see working are all our volunteers. They do their best to see to all your needs. As I mentioned, but want to put it in writing, where can you go and watch 250 people served dinner in the amount of time that we do it in?

Our Elk year is quickly coming to an end. During the month you will be receiving your new dues notice. You will see an increase of \$3.00. Please understand that this increase IS NOT fo our Lodge. This money will go directly to Grand Lodge. The increase was voted on during National Convention in July. It raised quite a ruckus. I voted against the raise because if feel

that in this economy we are being hit with too many increases.

Saturday, February 28, Thom will be hosting Palmetto Downs. These are the same races we do on Derby Day. If you have not attended before, this is a great chance to have a fun filled afternoon. Check your bulletin for further details. Right behind Valentines Day we are planning a St. Patrick's Day feast. Your will have a choice of Corned Beef and all the trimmings or Shepherd's Pie. Again, please get your tickets early. When buying these tickets, please let the bartenders know which meal you would like to have.

Please mark your calendars for Sunday, March 29, 2009 at 2:00PM. This is the day your new officers will be installed. It is not a long program, but it is very informative and it shows your support. After the program we will have a few snacks for your pleasure. If you are planning to attend, please bring an appetizer to share. We have some of the best cooks in the Lodge and it is a good way for you to sample their wares.

When you see Ron Alf or Wes Townsend, please be sure to thank them for the wonderful job they have done on the ceiling tiles in the Lounge. Thank you.

Fraternally
Sandy Mooney
Exalted Ruler

Leading Knights Corner

The next time you get behind the wheel of your automobile, you can thank the Elks for our modern day traffic laws, traffic control devices, and roads designed to keep us safe.

From the first recorded traffic fatality in 1899 the annual toll continued to rise to 39,643 in 1937. Deeply concerned with the tragic aspects of automotive travel, the Order of Elks took the bold step of conducting a media blitz for 13 continuous weeks. Safe driving messages were broadcast over a third of the nation's radio stations from November 1,1937 through the holiday season. The campaign heightened public awareness, led to vastly improved laws and promoted safer road and automobile planning.

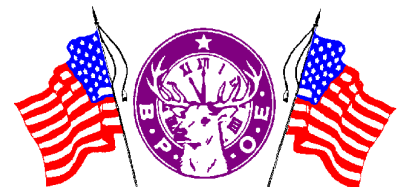
This wake-up call to the American public was immediately apparent as a 27 percent drop in fatalities over the preceding year was recorded. The Elks received praise from major newspapers and President Franklin Delano Roosevelt.

Having seen the need for change the Elks took decisive action. The next time you get behind the wheel and fasten your seat belt, remember that the Elks were thinking of your safety long before you were. Please drive safely. From Elks.org website/history, By Mike Kelly, Grand Lodge Historian

Wes Townsend
Leading Knight

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Officers for 2008—2009

Exalted Ruler	Sandra Mooney	729-3145
Leading Knight	Weston Townsend	722-2551
Loyal Knight	Judd Connelley	721-3943
Lecturing Knight	Leon Bateman	722-7623
Secretary	Judy Vergason	722-1329
Treasurer	Judy Alf	721-7069
Tiler	Al Skadan	722-5088
Esquire	James Mooney	729-3145
Chaplain	Gregory Harrod	776-9997
Inner Guard	Charles Lewis	729-4851
Organist	David Radliff	813-641-2064
Alternate	Craig Conklin, PER	776-5832

Trustees

Five-year	Ronald Alf	721-7069
Four-year	Gerald Blackwell	531-4614
Three-year	Craig Conklin, PER	776-5832
Two-year	Glenn Davis, PER	737-3776
One-year	Hugh Igo, PDD	723-0193

Corporation Officers

President	James Mooney	729-3145
Vice President	Weston Townsend	722-2551
Sec./Treas.	Gregory Harrod	776-9997
Members	Ronald Alf	721-7069
	Charles Lewis	729-4851
	William Kuhar	721-1950
	Al Skadan	722-5088

2008-2009 Committee Chairs

Accident Prevent	Jim Mooney	729-3145
Americanism	Leon Bateman	722-7623
Auditing and Accounting		
Bulletin	Craig Conklin, PER	776-5832
Community Activities	Craig Conklin, PER	776-5832
Drug Awareness	Doris Huff	729-0079
Flag Day	Glenn Davis, PER	737-3776
Government Relations	Craig Conklin, PER	776-5832
Harry Anna Trust	Sandy Mooney, PER	729-3145
Hoop/Soccer Shoot	Doris Huff	729-0079
Indoctrination	Gregory Harrod	776-9997
Investigation	Barbara Blackwell	531-4614
Lapsation	Judy Vergason	722-1329
Lodge Activities	Sandy Mooney	729-3145
Mediator	Steve McGrath	
Membership	Judy Vergason	722-1329
Memorial Sunday	Glenn Davis, PER	737-3776
Mothers Day	Sandy Mooney	729-3145
National Foundation	Wes Townsend	722-2551
Nat'l Veterans Service	Charles Lewis	729-4851
Property Maintenance	Jim Gard, PER	729-0971
	Jim Allard	729-4566
	Roger Hirtzinger	723-0077
	Francis Pozzi	358-0110
Presiding Justice		
Public Relations		
Relief	All Chair Officers	
Visitation Coordinator	Jim Mooney	729-3145
Web Master	Jim Hoey	721-9574
Youth Activities	Doris Huff	720-0079
Youth Camp		

Aluminum Cans/Pull Tab Collection Program

Please bring in your aluminum cans/pull tabs. All cans (clean) and tabs will be collected and used as a donation to a charity of our choice. If you know of other organizations that will donate their cans and pull tabs, let us know so we can include them as well.

From the Desk of the Secretary

Office Hours: Monday 8300 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.
Or by Appointment.
Phone 941-722-6937 Fax 941-722-6246

Membership Changes

INITIATED INTO THE LODGE CANDIDATE

Earl E. Hampsher
Robert Lorenzi
Douglas Havens
Richard Emery
Dale Daugherty
Linda James
Frederick Crooker
Tom Smilowski

PROPOSED FOR MEMBERSHIP

CANDIDATE

PROPOSER

Patricia Cuppernell
John Czebiniak

Sandy Mooney
Robert Riling

TRANSFER DEMITS

Oscar Fluery
William McManus

RE-INSTATEMENTS

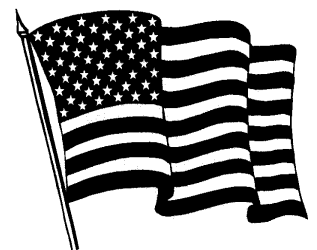
George Stinson

DEATHS

Good News!

Our Web Site is up and running.
To view go to
WWW.PalmettoElks.org

Enjoy!

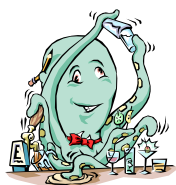


February 2009 Activity Calendar

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Breakfast Buffet 9:00 - 12:00 \$7.00	2 Lounge Open 1:00 PM - ??? Food 5:00-7 PM Full Menu Karaoke	3 Lounge Open 1:00-8:00 PM Bar Com. Mtg 6:00 PM Officers Mtg. 7:00 PM	4 Lounge Open 1:00 -8:00 PM	5 Lounge Open 1:00 - 8:00 PM Game Night 6:00 - 8:00 Horseshoes 4:00	6 Lounge Open 1:00 - ??? 4:30 - 7:00 PM Fish Fry w/ Beef Stew Music 6-9 PM 50/50 Drawing	7 Lounge Open 1:00-8:00 PM
8 Boom-Ba Lunch 12:00 - 2:00 Music 2:00 - 4:00	9 Lounge Open 1:00 PM - ??? Food 5:00-7 PM Full Menu Karaoke	10 Lounge Open 1:00-7:30 PM LODGE MEETING 7:30	11 Lounge Open 1:00 - ??? Italian Night 5:00 - 7:00PM All-you-can-eat Spaghetti \$6.00 Music	12 Lounge Open 1:00 - 8:00 PM Game Night 6:00 - 8:00 Horseshoes 4:00	13 Lounge Open 1:00 - ??? 4:30 - 7:00 PM Fish Fry w/ Red Snapper Music 6-9 PM 50/50 Drawing Dave Harris	14 Lounge Open 1:00-8:00 PM Valentine's Day DD Music L&L
15 Breakfast Buffet 9:00 - 12:00 \$7.00	16 Lounge Open 1:00 PM - ??? Food 5:00-7 PM Full Menu Karaoke	17 Lounge Open 1:00-8:00 PM Trustee Mtg. 6:00 PER Mtg. 7:00	18 Lounge Open 1:00-8:00	19 Lounge Open 1:00 - 8:00 PM Game Night 6:00 - 8:00 Horseshoes 4:00	20Lounge Open 1:00 - ??? Fish Fry w/ Salisbury Stk. 4:30 - 7:00 PM Music 6-9 PM 50/50 Drawing Dee	21 Lounge Open 1:00-8:00 PM
22 Closed	23 Lounge Open 1:00 PM - ??? Food 5:00-7 PM Full Menu Karaoke	24 Lounge Open 1:00 - 7:30PM LODGE MEETING Initiation 7:30	25 Lounge Open 1:00 - ??? Italian Night 5:00 - 7:00PM All-you-can-eat Spaghetti \$6.00 Music	26 Lounge Open 1:00 - 8:00 PM Game Night 6:00 - 8:00 Horseshoes 4:00	27 Lounge Open 1:00 - ??? Fish Fry w/ Ham w/pineapple 4:30 - 7:00 PM Music 6-9 PM 50/50 Drawing Dee	28 Lounge Open 1:00-8:00 PM Palmetto Downs Horsercing 2:00 - 5:00

**PALMETTO DOWNS HORSERACING
TO BENEFIT
HARRY - ANNA**

Come place your bets with Palmetto Tout Thom Dillman

Special Human Racing as well

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 _____

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 \$ _____

Payment Method: 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: _____

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)

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

Cash Check

Credit Card Number: _____ Expiration Date: _____

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

**Valentine's
Day Dinner
Dance**

Saturday February 14, 2009
Doors Open 5:00, Dinner 6:00
Music 6:00 to 9:00

Music by

L&L

Stuffed Chicken, stuffed potato, salad,
veggie and strawberry shortcake

\$10.00

St. Patrick's Day

March 17, 2009

Dinner 4:30 to 7:00

**Choice of
Corn Beef and Cabbage
Or
Shepherds Pie**

\$12.00

Music by

Musical Memories

**Doris Waddel
DDGER**

2008-2009 DD
Visitation Schedule

Quarterly
Feb 2009
DD Clinic Manasota
Apr 11, 2009,

**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 \$20.00 and receive a key card and the bulletin.

February Birthdays

1	David Ferlage	8	Dorris Ward	21	Katherine Chadwell
	Deborah Leonard	9	Don Jahns		Sam Hart
	Raymond Robinson		Dennis Wood	22	William Burke
	David Valle	10	Charles Boisvert		Daisy Cohen
2	Dorothy Johnson		Edward Edick		Thomas Plunkett
	Darwin Lowe		Chester Long	23	Ronald Alf
	Robert Mosby	12	Richard Markin		Shirley Johnson
	William Noling	13	Harry Clavey	24	George Cope
	Carl Wineiger	14	Linda Mathews		Rockne McCorkle
3	Dorothy Bennett		Merrill St uut		Bruce William
	Clifford Hess	15	Edward Dacheff	25	John Baudendistel
	James Hill		Louis Fisler	26	Barbara Amicone
4	Lawrence Hildebrand		Scott Macaulay		Jerry Blackwell
	Pasquale Longarzo		Raymond Zufall		Richard Dirschell
5	Charlie Brunner	17	William Bochicchio		Estell Hannah
	Howard Kane		Shelia Huxted		Dawn Turgeon
6	Fred Hamilton	18	Carlis Knight	27	Charles Zerkle
	Jack Schuiteman	19	Hugh Igo	28	John Damvelt
7	Dominic Femia		Jim Weaver		William Komph
	Michael McBride	20	Manny Gutierrez		Louis Wilson
8	Robert Tousignant		Carolyn Selner		

Installation of Officers

March 29, 2009
2:00 PM

This is a great time to come out and meet your new officers and perhaps some that you already know that are moving up in the chairs. Please bring an appetizer to share

Breakfast Buffet

February 1 and 15, 2009

9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

All you can eat including scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, home fries, biscuit and gravy, eggs benedict, omelet's, pancakes, waffles, toast and English muffins, juice and coffee.

\$7.00

NOTICE

We had a table near the coffee machine that we used for coffee setups. This table was borrowed before Christmas and has not been returned. Your Lodge has no problem loaning out items, but we need them to be returned promptly.

Thank you for your help.

Sandy Mooney, ER

The staff and guests at the Mary & Martha House are so grateful for your generosity and graciousness displayed year after year at our annual Christmas party with your organization. Many of our guests are going through dark and desperate times when they enter our doors and it is such a blessing to know that there are people such as yourselves that put forth an incredible effort to make this season as beautiful as it is meant to be.

May God richly bless your and keep you in the palm of His hand & grant you peace.

Lauri Kepler

Highlights for February

- Friday Fish Fry with Specials
- Monday Night Karaoke- Belly Busters, Salads, Hamburgers/Cheeseburgers & Sandwich Specials
- Feb 1 - Breakfast Buffet
- Feb 8 - Boom Ba
- Feb 11 - Italian Night
- Feb 14— Valentine's Day Dinner Dance
- Feb 15 - Breakfast Buffet
- Feb 25 - Italian Night

Coming in March

- Friday Fish Fry with Specials
- Monday Night Karaoke- Belly Busters, Salads, Hamburgers/Cheeseburgers & Sandwich Specials
- Mar 1 - Breakfast
- Mar 8 - Boom-Ba
- Mar 11 - Italian Night
- Mar 15 - Breakfast
- Mar 17 - St. Patrick's Day DD
- Mar 19 - Crazy Carol Comedy Show
- Mar 25 - Italian Night
- Mar 29 - Installation of Officers, 2:00 PM

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.

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) ▪ No Mouthwash or Aftershave ▪ Clothes Washing Soap Powder only.

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

50/50 DRAWING

Every Friday at 8:00 p.m.
in the Lounge

Great Cause ... Palmetto Elks Charities
"For the Children"

Tickets on sale in the Lounge
\$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00

Half of proceeds to the winner and half to Elks Charities.

ATTENTION:

Please take note that for health and safety issues, only authorized persons are permitted in the kitchen.
Thank you for your cooperation.

Notice to our Members

In an effort to reduce costs and increase member satisfaction, we will be allowing members to start receiving their Palmetto Pride Bulletin by E-mail rather than by mail. Contact Craig Conklin, Bulletin Editor or Judy Vergason, Secretary to be added to the E-mail list, or fill the form below and give to a Bartender. The bulletin is also available every month on our Lodge web site at WWW.PalmettoElks.org

Please remove me from the Mailing List and E-Mail my Bulletin

Name: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

PALMETTO 2449 BULLETIN BOOSTERS

2006 -2007

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.

K.E. McCollough - 0308	Jeanne Larson - 0508	John Daniel - 0209
Rayleen McCollough - 0308	Jean Strike - 0708	Martha Lewis - 0708
Larry Cook - 0308	Carlis Knight - 0708	June Ogert - 0908
Wes Townsend - 0408	Hugh & Ruth Igo - 0908	Doris Huff - 0908
Anita Tissier - 0408	Harry & June Barker 1008	Bill Corlew - 1008
Elaine Mosso - 0408	Bob & Connie Greenwood - 0408	Ron Heaney - 1108
Cal Hendrick - 0408	Duane George - 0508	Louise Keney - 1108
Bob & Connie Greenwood - 0408	Dorothy Nack - 0508	Anthony Santoro - 1108
Bob & Connie Greenwood - 0408	Len & Dorathy Meade - 0508	Joseph Rogers (2) - 1/09

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 _____

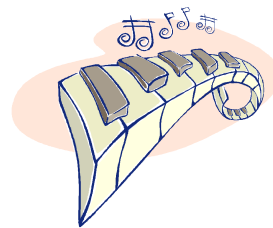
City, State, Zip _____

BOOM-BA

Sunday, February 8, 2009



Lunch from
12 to 2 pm
Music from
2 to 4 pm



Crazy Carol Comedy Show

Coming
March 19, 2009

More Details to
follow next
month.

Fish Fry Friday

All you can eat Fried Pollack for \$6.00

**Also serving baked Pollack, 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 \$1.00

Every Friday

**Check you calendar to see what
extra entrée we are serving.**

From the Secretary's Desk

Greetings,

Here we are in the month of February. It is hard to believe how fast this year is going. This month I would like to address our delinquent members. There are still 39 that have not renewed their membership for various reasons. Your dues are very important to the continuation of our Elk programs. For instance a portion of your dues goes to the Elks National Home for the upkeep of the home for retired Elks. More of your dues are used to help our Children Therapy Services. We have 20 therapists that travel all over the state to help children with physical therapy, occupational therapy and speech therapy, all free of charge. Many of these families can't afford the professional help these children need. Another of our children's program is the Elks Youth Camp. Through you 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 cant turn the clock back, but you can sure wind it up again."

By this time you are all aware of the Magic Number. Our Magic Number is 76. I have posted in the Lounge that we need 12 more to reach our magic number. I know we will be over and above through a lot of hard work.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,
Judy Vergason, Lodge Secretary

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Permit No. 61

Seasonal Address Changes Not Allowed:
Advise Secretary of Changes to your Permanent Address for:
the Bulletin and the Elks Magazine



Italian Night

February 11 and February 26, 2009
5:00 PM to 7:00 PM

All you can eat spaghetti and meatballs. Also serving Lasagna, Stuffed Shells or
Four Cheese Pasta with Garlic Bread and Dessert. Salad \$1.00

\$6.00

Also serving **Palmetto's Combo Platter's**

Three Combo - \$7.00 Four Combo \$8.00

Music

February 11 and 26 - Bobby Remp