

Palmetto
Elks



Palmetto Pride

**Benevolent and Protective Order of
ELKS**

Lodge
#2449



In Memoriam for Past State President Dave Vergason

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December 2010

No. 12



Dear Lodge Members

Hello to all who have returned and I hope to see you all soon that are still up north. Your lodge has been plodding along without you and it will be great to see you all back.

The fall and winter seasons are going to be great with all of the things that we have planned for you.

So make sure you read your lodge bulletin to keep up with things and most important don't forget to attend the many functions we are planning. It is you that make the lodge what it is.

The lodge would like for you to bring a photo of you in front of a lodge you may have visited so we can post them and start a wall of members showing off their skills of finding the lodges in the many cities they visit.

Don't forget to stop in and look

around and see some of the new additions that have taken place over the summer. Let us know what you think and if you have any other ideas on what we can do to make our lodge a better place, a place you are proud of and want to spend time at.

If you would like to get something going, maybe a pet project of yours, or would like to help with a project, let us know. We are always looking for new things to do to make money for the lodge or to help out around the town. So don't be a stranger and don't be afraid to let your voice be heard. Remember we are only as good a lodge as you want us to be.

Jud Connelley
Exalted Ruler

From the Secretary's Desk

OUR MAGIC NUMBER IS 79.

What is a magic number? It is the number of new, affiliated or reinstated members we need to have in order to have a plus in membership. As of today we have 20. We still need at least 59 more members.

The Increases are:

Initiated - 15
Affiliated - 3
Reinstated - 2
Total - 20

The Decreases are:

Dropped - 27
Transferred out - 8
Absolute Dimit - 0
Death - 7
Total - 42

Delinquent - 24

As you can see we have a lot of work ahead of us to have a plus in membership.

If you know of some one who has not paid their dues reach out and ask them to reconsider. We are all part of a team. We are a team that is here to help other. We help our children with a variety of different programs. We help at Thanksgiving by giving baskets to needy families. At Christmas we turn our attention to the children for their party and every year the list gets longer and longer. Again we give baskets to needy families. We help our Veterans by sending toiletries, books, clothes and money for what they need. We can only do this as a team and with everyone's help. It is your dues that let us give to others. We need you to be a part of the team.

If you know of someone who would care to join bring them in so they can meet our team. Ask them to join. The biggest comment that people have is nobody asked me. Let's start spreading the new about the Elks. I pray you have yours will have a healthy and Blessed Christmas.

Judy Vergason
Lodge Secretary
From the Secretary's Desk

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Officers for 2010—2011

Exalted Ruler	Jud Connelley	721-3943
Leading Knight	Glenn Davis, PER	737-3776
Loyal Knight	John H. Daniel	776-3835
Lecturing Knight	Steven Baker	962-6853
Secretary	Judy Vergason	722-1329
Treasurer	Judy Alf	721-7069
Tiler	Open	
Esquire	James Mooney	729-3145
Chaplain	Katherine Chadwell	729-4913
Inner Guard	Alice Davis	737-3776
Organist	David Radliff	813-641-2064
Alternate	Sandra Mooney, PER	729-3145

Trustees

Five-year	Frank Consegia, PER	531-3911
Four-year	Sandra Mooney, PER	729-3145
Three-year	Ronald Alf	721-7069
Two-year	Open	
One-year	Craig Conklin, PER	776-5832

Corporation Officers

President	Sandra Mooney, PER	729-3145
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Sec./Treas.	Gregory Harrod	776-9997
Members	Glenn Davis, PER	737-3776
	Ronald Alf	721-7069
	Alice Davis	737-3776

2010-2011 Committee Chairs

Accident Prevent	Jud Connelley	721-3943
Americanism	Katherine Chadwell	729-4913
Auditing & Accounting	Gary Bischoer	926-9509
Bulletin	David Schofield	224-9478
Community Activities	Craig Conklin, PER	776-5832
Drug Awareness	Katherine Chadwell	729-4913
Elks Nat'l Foundation	Wes Townsend, PER	722-2551
Flag Day	Glenn Davis, PER	737-3776
Government Relations	Leonard Meade, PER	807-0179
Harry Anna Trust	Sandra Mooney, PER	729-3145
Hoop/Soccer Shoot		
Indoctrination	Gregory Harrod	776-9997
Investigation	Glenn Davis, PER	737-3776
	John H. Daniel	776-3835
	Steve Baker	721-4015
Lapsation	Judy Vergason	722-1329
Lodge Activities	Sandy Mooney	729-3145
Mediator	Craig Conklin, PER	776-5832
Membership	Judy Vergason	722-1329
Memorial Sunday	Glenn Davis, PER	737-3776
Mothers Day	Sandy Mooney, PER	729-3145
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	James Mooney	729-3145
Webmaster	Jim Hoey	323-5184
Youth Activities		
Youth Camp	Jud Connelley	721-3943

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.

From the Desk of the Secretary

Office Hours: Monday 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
or by Appointment.
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PROPOSED FOR MEMBERSHIP

CANDIDATE

PROPOSER

Elmer McSkimmeny	Benito Lopez
Judy Helper	James Decker
L. Sam Thompson	James Decker

Carol Sirianni, DDGER

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DD SCHEDULE (2010-2011)

Manasota (#2734)	Wed., 12/15/2010 (7:00 PM)
DD Clinic - Venice/ Nokomis (#1854)	1/15/2011 (9:30 AM)
Quarterly	2/3 - 2/5/2011
DD Clinic - Manasota (#2734)	4/9/2011 (9:30 AM)

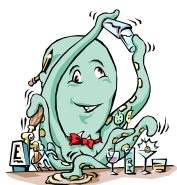
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December 2010 Activity Calendar

Palmetto Elks Lodge #2449

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>Santa came early! Their names are Stacey and Tex. They hosted a huge feast at their community and asked for donations. Our Christmas Baskets will look beautiful.. Our thanks to two very special people.</p> <p>We wish you both a Merry Christmas!</p>			<p>1 Lounge Open 1:00-8:00</p>	<p>2 Lounge Open 1:00 - 8:00 Pot Luck 5:30 Music w/ Lenny</p>	<p>3 Lounge Open 1:00 - ??? Fish Fry Extra Meal Stuff. Cabbage Music 6-9 Squirrel</p>	<p>4 Lounge Open 1:00-8:00 Decorate Lodge</p>
<p>5 Breakfast Buffet 9:00 - 12:00 \$7.00 Elk's Memorial Service @ 3</p>	<p>6 Lounge Open 1:00 PM - ??? Food 5:00-7:00 Full Menu Karaoke Lenny</p>	<p>7 Lounge Open 1:00-8:00 Bar Com. Mtg Trustees/ P.E.R.S Officers</p>	<p>8 Lounge Open 1:00-? Italian Night 5:00 Seabreeze</p>	<p>9 Lounge Open 1:00 - 8:00 PM</p>	<p>10 Lounge Open 1:00 - ??? Fish Fry Extra Meal Lemon Chicken Music 6-9 Musical Mem</p>	<p>11 Lounge Open 1:00-8:00 Indoctrina- tion & Inves- tigation</p>
<p>12 Boom - Ba Food 12-2 Music 2-4</p>	<p>13 Lounge Open 1:00 PM - ??? Food 5:00-7 :00 Full Menu Karaoke Bob Dunn</p>	<p>14 Lounge Open 1:00-7:30 Lodge Meeting 7:30</p>	<p>15 Lounge Open 1:00 - 8:00</p>	<p>16 Lounge Open 1:00 - 8:00 PM</p>	<p>17Lounge Open 1:00 - ??? Fish Fry Extra Meal Salisbury Steaks Music 6-9 Dave Harris</p>	<p>18 Lounge Open 1:00-8:00 Children's Christmas Party 11:00 - ?</p>
<p>19 Breakfast Buffet 9:00 - 12:00 \$7.00</p>	<p>20 Lounge Open 1:00 PM - ??? Food 5:00-7:00 Full Menu w/ Philly Steaks Karaoke Reminisce</p>	<p>21 Lounge Open 1:00-8:00</p>	<p>22 Lounge Open 1:00 - ? Italian Night 5:00 Seabreeze</p>	<p>23 Lounge Open 1:00 - 8:00 PM Christmas Cocktail Party @ 4:00 (See Ad)</p>	<p>24 Lounge Open 1:00 - 4:00 Christmas Eve Close @ 4:00</p>	<p>25 Closed Merry Christmas</p>
<p>26 CLOSED</p>	<p>27 Lounge Open 1:00 PM - ??? Food 5:00-7:00 Full Menu Karaoke C.J.'s Karaoke</p>	<p>28 Lounge Open 1:00 - 7:30 Lodge Meeting w/ Initiation 7:30</p>	<p>29 Lounge Open 1:00-8:00</p>	<p>30 Lounge Open 1:00-8:00</p>	<p>31Lounge Open 1:00 - ??? New Years Eve Party (See ad)</p>	

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**Elks
National
Foundation**

Today's Date - -

LODGE AFFILIATION

Lodge Name

State

Lodge Number

Lodge Membership Number

Please
Print:

Last Name First Name Middle Initial Title (Check One) ☐ Mr ☐ Mrs ☐ Ms

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: _____

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

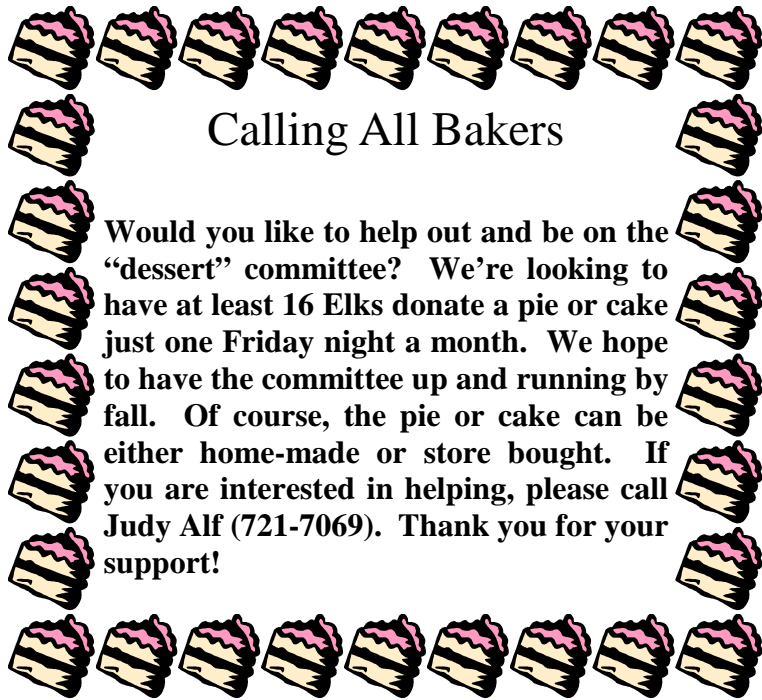
Series C: \$100.00 (\$20 now & 4 Annual Payments of \$20)

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



Calling All Bakers

Would you like to help out and be on the "dessert" committee? We're looking to have at least 16 Elks donate a pie or cake just one Friday night a month. We hope to have the committee up and running by fall. Of course, the pie or cake can be either home-made or store bought. If you are interested in helping, please call Judy Alf (721-7069). Thank you for your support!

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.

DEAR MEMBERS

You will see these signs at our Lodge:
You must have an Elks Card to be served in our Lodge.

This is not only an Elk's rule, it's the law. If we do not follow this regulation, we will lose our liquor license. Only an Elk member with a valid membership card will be served alcoholic beverages. No guest can purchase any alcoholic beverages in this Lodge.

This is for all Lodge functions.

Members: Do not give your card to your guest or spouse to purchase alcoholic beverages!

YOU COULD LOSE YOUR CARD!

December Birthdays

1 Tony Renkert	19 Joel Skinner
Kenneth Sanborn	20 John Donnelly
4 Frank Hartley	Peter Griepsma
5 Ronnal Hatinger	William Kuhar
10 Thomas Gibson	Donald Steiger
11 Charles Brethauer	23 Walter Herrington
Louise Drayton	Fred Steele
12 Frank Casalaina	Rose Sturgeon
James Ordish	24 Joanne Swift
13 Shirley Brewer	26 Sue Ann Craggs
Rosemarie Krauss	27 Ken Siders
14 Dale Meyers	28 Michael McDonough
15 Geraldine Liebknecht	29 Thomas Cole
17 John Daniel	30 Harold Schatschneider
James McAuliffe	Robert Wilcox
18 Paula Borrero	31 Lawrence Champion
John Dean	
Herman Wilson	

Children's Christmas Party Saturday, December 18 (11 - 2)

We need help. Adopt a child or donate money for us to shop.

Italian Night

December 8 & 22
5:00 PM to 7:00 PM

All you can eat spaghetti and meatballs.
Also serving Lasagna or Four Cheese Pasta
with Garlic Bread and Dessert.
Salad - \$2.00

\$6.00

Also serving **Palmetto's Combo Platters**

Three Combo - \$7.00
Stuffed Shells \$7.00

BOOM-BA SCHEDULE

December 12, 2010

January 9, 2011

February 13, 2011

March 13, 2011

April 10, 2011--- Last of Season

Manufacturer Coupons

Cut and save all manufacturer coupons and bring to the Lodge. They are sent to our Veterans overseas.

Thanks: J.D. Veterans Lodge Chairman

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.

Anyone interested in forming a chapter of "Elk's Riders U.S.A.", please contact:

Bill Harrington at 941-962-3273.

Highlights for December

- December 2 - Pot Luck @ 5:30
- December 3 - Fish Fry
- December 4 - Decorate Lodge
- December 5 - Breakfast Buffet (9 - 12)
- December 5 - Elks Memorial Service @ 3:00 (See Ad)
- December 8 - Italian Night
- December 10 - Fish Fry
- December 11 - Investigation / Indoctrination
- December 12 - Boom-Ba (12 - 4)
- December 17 - Fish Fry
- December 18 - Children's Christmas Party
- December 19 - Breakfast Buffet (9 - 12)
- December 22 - Italian Night
- December 23 - Christmas Cocktail Party @ 4:00 (See Ad)
- December 24 - Closing @ 4:00
- December 25 - Closed - **"MERRY CHRISTMAS"**
- December 31 - New Years Eve (See Ad)

Note - no line dancing practice for the month of December

Coming in January

Line dancing classes on Thursday nights

January 19 - Powder Puff Review (6 - 9)

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.

We hope you will support this worthwhile cause.

Notice to Members

Our Bulletin and Calendar will be available on-line only. Please go to our web site at www.PalmettoElks.org to read or print off your copy. We will notify you each month by email when the Bulletin is posted to the web site. Please ensure that you provide your email address to the secretary, webmaster or Bulletin Editor. A small number of Bulletins and Calendars will be available at the Lodge.

Powder Puff Review January 19, 2011

Competitions include:

Swimwear
Casual Wear
Evening Wear

Prizes Awarded

Tickets - \$5.00 * Doors open at 5:00
Show @ 6:00

Bring your own snacks! Still looking for volunteers

Please call the Lodge to sign up!

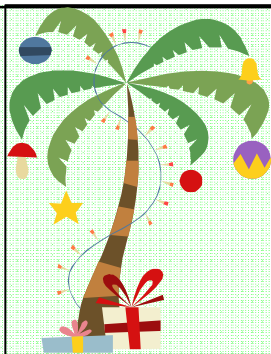
Thank You

A special thank you to everyone who donated food and money for our ten family Thanksgiving baskets. We were able to make ten lovely baskets with turkeys and we still had \$10 left.

Thank you!

Sandy Mooney
Activities Chairman

Leading Knights Corner



Let me say it again, welcome back to all our members. We have lots of activities & programs planned for your enjoyment.

Sunday December 5, 2010 at 3 PM is the annual Memorial Service here at the lodge. Please plan to attend this very special & honorable service for our pasted members. It only takes about 45 minutes.

The summer was slow & the economy has not been good to our lodge. However, with the help of our good Elk members, we will pull through these hard times.

One of our goals this year is to recruit new members & to make sure we let our long time members know how much we appreciate them. Without you, we would not have a lodge.

Your officers' would like to see more of you attend the meetings. We want to hear your ideas to better your lodge & offer some of your life experiences to help your lodge to prosper.

We need to start lining up people for the different committees, for the next Elk year April 2011- March 2012. The committees are listed in the bulletin, usually on the 2nd page. Please let me know if your are interested in heading up or being part of a committee. There are many areas for you to volunteer. You do not have to have previous experience on any committee; your life experience is the greatest asset you have.

Here is a shout out to all you volunteers. You are the BEST. You make every event special. Without you, we would not be able to do what we do. Thanks for giving of your time, energy & a whole lot of hard work. Because of your efforts, we are able to help in our community, our state & even the national Elks programs.

Hope to see lots of you this season.

Yours Fraternally, Glenn Davis-Leading Knight
2010-1011

Thought for the Month



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Christmas Cocktail Party

Thursday

December 23, 2010

4:00 to 8:00

Bring an hors d'oeuvres to share*

Carols Sung, Cookie Exchange*

Gift Swap*

All Welcome

Hors D'ouveres are the cost

***Bring 1 1/2 dozen cookies. Take home some samples**

***Bring a wrapped universal gift if you wish to participate**

ELKS MEMORIAL SUNDAY - First Sunday in December

Another outgrowth of our shared beliefs, our shared drives and our shared friendship, is the significance we place on the loss of our Elk associates with respect to Rituals and Lodge observances. At the time of death, proper last respects are given in the deceased member's home Lodge, and a special service is performed during funeral rites. You are urged to join in these whenever possible.

Once each year, however, in recognition of those who have died in the preceding year and before, each Lodge conducts a program of remembrance. Its message of hope, against a backdrop of music and poetic radiance, ensures that every deceased Elk will be remembered as long as Elkdom lives.

Please join us on Sunday

Please join us on Sunday, December 5 @ 3:00.

Breakfasts Buffets in December

December 5 & 19

9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

All you can eat including scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, home fries, biscuit and gravy, eggs Benedict, omelets, pancakes, waffles, grits, toast and English muffins, juice and coffee.

\$7.00

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.

Pot Luck is Back

December 2

January 6

February 3

March 3

April 7

Don't forget to mark your calendar
on the first Thursday of each month
5:30 PM

**Good Food - Good Friends
Good Music**

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

Spend New Year's Eve at Our Elks

Music by The Squirrels

There are ***three plans*** to choose from:

#1 (\$15.00)

Choice of Beef Tenderloin or Stuffed Chicken

Dinner Only!!

Served from 4:30 to 6:00 Only!!!!

#2 (\$25.00)

Open Bar (9:00 to 12:00)

Dinner Not Included

Includes Music, Champagne, Favors and Pastries

#3 (\$35.00)

Includes Choice of Beef Tenderloin or Stuffed Chicken

Dinner Served (7:00 to 9:00)

Open Bar (9:00 to 12:00)

Favors, Champagne, and Pastries

Reservations Only

Please call 447-9424 to reserve your
table and choice of meals