

Palmetto  
Elks

# Palmetto Pride

Lodge  
#2449



**Benevolent and Protective Order of  
ELKS**



**Home Lodge of Past State President Dave Verguson**

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November 2006 No. 11



*Dear Lodge Members*

I am an Elk, but before that, I am a loyal friend, and we as Elks and friends we let Lenny down. In this process we lost two wonderful officers. It was certainly not our proudest day.

I have always stood before you and told you what is happening at your Lodge because I sincerely believe as members you need to know. I thought you also needed to read Lenny's resignation letter.

**"To Whom It May Concern**

Please be advised that this is my formal resignation as Exalted Ruler of Palmetto Lodge #2449. Circumstances prohibit me from continuing on as your Exalted Ruler. I could say that personal reasons have forced me to make this decision. That wouldn't be an accurate statement. What brings me to this decision is the fact of the discord in this Lodge. Certain good members, and Officers, find

it necessary to boycott all but a few Monday functions. They have gone to other venues and openly discussed the Officers and problems of this Lodge. There is not enough support from these people.

So in the best interest of this Lodge, I submit my resignation. I will not be held responsible for the loss of revenue and the losses accrued from the mistakes of others" Respectfully Submitted, Lenny Pruss

Now I would like to thank everyone who turned out for the meeting on October 10, 2006, in which I was elected as your new Exalted Ruler. I was overwhelmed and extremely humbled by the support I received.

As Elks we need to come together, because surely if we do not, we cannot succeed. Recognizing our responsibilities to veterans, the children and our Lodge's newest project, "Paws for Patriots", we cannot afford to fail.

I assure you that I will be here to lead, but this effort needs all of our collective support. Please join with your officers, committee persons and volunteers to put us on the road to success. There is no success without your total support.

Fraternally Yours

**Sandy Mooney,  
Exalted Ruler**



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## Officers for 2006—2007

<b>Exalted Ruler</b>	Sandra Mooney	729-3145
<b>Leading Knight</b>	Robert Vaccaro, PER	753-8603
<b>Loyal Knight</b>		
<b>Lecturing Knight</b>	Maggie Hildebrand	721-8290
<b>Secretary</b>	Robert W. Quinn, PDDGER	722-6940
<b>Treasurer</b>	Donald Wedge, PER	720-2027
<b>Tiler</b>	Al Skadan	722-5088
<b>Esquire</b>	James Mooney	729-3145
<b>Chaplain</b>	Judy Vergason	722-1329
<b>Inner Guard</b>	Gregory Harrod	776-9997
<b>Organist</b>		
<b>Alternate</b>	Craig Conklin, PER	729-4714
<u><b>Trustees</b></u>		
<b>Five-year</b>	Craig Conklin, PER	729-4714
<b>Four-year</b>	Glenn Davis, PER	737-3776
<b>Three-year</b>	David Vergason, PSP	722-1329
<b>Two-year</b>	Lawrence Hildebrand	721-8290
<b>One-year</b>	Thom Dillman, PER	758-5061
<u><b>Corporation Officers</b></u>		
<b>President</b>	Thom Dillman, PER	758-5061
<b>Vice President</b>	James Mooney	729-3145
<b>Sec./Treas.</b>		
<b>Members</b>	Craig Conklin, PER	729-4714
	William Bird	
	Maggie Hildebrand	721-8290
	Al Skadan	722-5088

## 2005-2006 Committee Chairs

Accident Prevent	Larry Hildebrand	721-8290
Americanism	Thom Dillman	758-5068
Auditing and Accounting	Dave Vergason	722-1329
Bulletin	Craig Conklin	729-4714
Community Activities	Judy Vergason	722-1329
Drug Awareness	Greg Harrod	776-9997
Flag Day	Glenn Davis	737-3776
Government Relations	Craig Conklin	729-4714
Harry Anna Trust	Open	
Hoop Shoot	Richard Horth	721-9936
Indoctrination	Bob Vaccaro	753-8603
Investigation	Maggie Hildebrand	721-8290
Lapsation	Open	
Lodge Activities	Sandy Mooney	729-3145
Mediator	Bob Vaccaro	753-8603
Membership	Maggie Hildebrand	721-8290
Memorial Sunday	Glenn Davis	737-3776
Mothers Day	Don Wedge	720-2027
National Foundation	Sandy Mooney	729-3145
Nat'l Veterans Service	Jim Hoey	721-9574
Presiding Justice	Francis Pozzi	358-0110
Public Relations	Open	
Relief	All Chair Officers	
Soccer Shoot	Open	
Visitation Coordinator	Jim Mooney	729-3145
Web Master	Jim Hoey	721-9574
Youth Activities	Open	
Youth Camp	Bob Vaccaro	753-8603

### Wanted and Desperately Needed!

Deodorant ▪ Paperback Books ▪ Playing Cards  
 Hobby Kits ▪ Table Games ▪ Writing Supplies  
 Stamps ▪ Disposable Razors ▪ Comfort Items  
 Toothpaste ▪ Denture Supplies ▪ Combs

These are items, that as Elks, we need to provide for our Veterans. "So long as there are Veterans, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks will never forget them.

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

## From the Desk of the Secretary

Office Hours: Tuesday 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.  
 Wednesday 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Phone 941-722-6937 Fax 941-722-6246

### Membership Changes

#### INITIATED INTO THE LODGE CANDIDATE

Karyn Rizzo	Diana Mangum
Connie Crist	Barb Jones
Don Jahns	William Bird
Arthur Connelley	Douglas Gifford
Judy Alf	Ronald Alf
Joan Herrod	Gregory Herrod
Chris Wainscott	Sandra Mooney
Lynelle Woolson	Sandra Mooney
Rockne McCorkle	Terry Dean

#### PROPOSED FOR MEMBERSHIP

<u>CANDIDATE</u>	<u>PROPOSER</u>
Scott T. MacAulay, Sr	Charles Glidden
Barbara Blackwell	Jerry Blackwell
Charles R. Andersen	Sandra Mooney
Donna Radziewicz	C. Brian Leonard

#### TRANSFER/DEMITTS

Jerry Blackwell

#### DECEASED

Harley Milliken

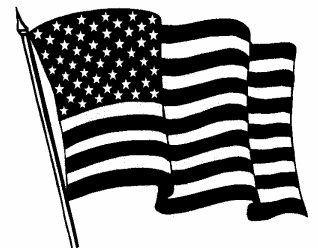
#### Aluminum Can Pull Tab Collection Program

Please bring in you aluminum can pull tabs. All tabs will be collected and used as a donation to the Ronald McDonald House. If you know of other organizations that will donate their pull tabs, let us know so we can include them as well.

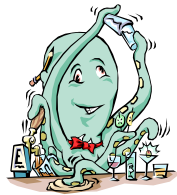
### *Good News!*

Our Web Site is up and running.  
 To view go to  
[palmettoelks.org](http://palmettoelks.org) .

Enjoy!



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# November 2006 Activity Calendar

## Palmetto Elks Lodge #2449

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Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

### Harvest Moon Dinner Dance

November 25, 2006

Music by **Seabreeze**

<p><b>Italian Night</b> November 8 and November 22 Music by Dave Harris and Nick @ Nite</p>		<p>1 Lounge Open 1:00 - 8:00 PM</p>	<p>2 Lounge Open 1:00 - 8:00 PM</p>	<p>3 Lounge Open 1:00 - ??? Fish Fry or Roast Pork 4:30 - 7:00 PM Music 6-9 PM 50/50 at 7:30 PM <b>Harmony</b></p>	<p>4 Lounge Open 1:00-8:00 PM</p>	
<p>5 Breakfast Buffet 9:00-12:00 \$5.00 All You Can Eat</p>	<p>6 Lounge Open 1:00 PM - ??? Food 5:00-7 PM Hamburger/ Cheeseburger <b>Karaoke</b> <b>Silver Sounds</b></p>	<p>7 Lounge Open 1:00-7:30 PM DD Visit Lodge Meeting 7:30 PM</p>	<p>8 Lounge Open 1:00 PM - ??? <b>Italian Night</b> 5:00 - 7:00PM All-you-can-eat \$5.50 <b>Music</b> <b>Dave Harris</b></p>	<p>9 Lounge Open 1:00 - 8:00 PM</p>	<p>10 Lounge Open 1:00 - ??? Fish Fry or Salisbury Steak 4:30 - 7:00 PM Music 6-9 PM 50/50 at 7:30 PM <b>Nick @ Nite</b></p>	<p>11 Lounge Open 1:00-8:00 PM</p>
<p>12 Boom-Ba Lunch 12:00 to 2:00 Music 2:00 to 4:00</p>	<p>13 Lounge Open 1:00 PM - ??? Food 5:00-7 PM Bar-B-Que Pork <b>Karaoke</b> <b>Dee's Karaoke</b></p>	<p>14 Lounge Open 1:00-7:30 PM  Lodge Meeting 7:30</p>	<p>15 Lounge Open 1:00 - 8:00 PM</p>	<p>16 Lounge Open 1:00 - 8:00 PM</p>	<p>17 Lounge Open 1:00 - ??? Fish Fry or Meatloaf 4:30 - 7:00 PM Music 6-9 PM 50/50 at 7:30 PM <b>Bobby Remp</b></p>	<p>18 Lounge Open 1:00-8:00 PM</p>
<p>19 CLOSED</p>	<p>20 Lounge Open 1:00 PM - ??? Food 5:00-7 PM Philly Steak <b>Karaoke</b> <b>C.J.'s Karaoke</b></p>	<p>21 Lounge Open 1:00-8:00 PM  Potluck 6:00 PM Indoctrination 7:00 PM</p>	<p>22 Lounge Open 1:00 PM - ??? <b>Italian Night</b> 5:00 - 7:00PM All-you-can-eat \$5.50 <b>Music</b> <b>Nick @ Nite</b></p>	<p>23 CLOSED  Thanksgiving Day</p>	<p>24 Lounge Open 1:00 - ??? Fish Fry or Roast Beef 4:30 - 7:00 PM Music 6-9 PM 50/50 at 7:30 PM <b>Silver Sounds</b></p>	<p>25 Lounge Open 1:00-8:00 PM <b>Harvest Moon</b> <b>DD</b> <b>Seabreeze</b></p>
<p>26 CLOSED</p>	<p>27 Lounge Open 1:00 PM - ??? Food 5:00-7 PM Meatball Subs <b>Karaoke</b> <b>Dee J. Creations</b></p>	<p>28 Lounge Open 1:00-7:30 PM Lodge Meeting 7:30 PM Initiation</p>	<p>29 Lounge Open 1:00 - 8:00 PM</p>	<p>30 Lounge Open 1:00 - 8:00 PM</p>	<p><b>Boom-Ba</b> November 12 Music by <b>Musical Memories</b></p>	

# Harvest Moon Dinner Dance

November 25, 2006

Cocktails 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM

Dinner 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM

Rock Cornish Hens & all the trimmings

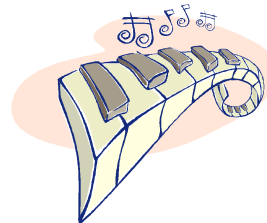
Music 6:30 to 9:30 by

**Seabreeze**

Price **\$10.00** per person

# BOOM-BA

Sunday, November 12, 2006



Lunch from  
12 to 2 pm

Music from  
2 to 4 pm



# 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



## Christmas Dinner Dance

Saturday, December 23, 2006  
Cocktails 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM  
Dinner 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM

Music 6:30 to 9:30 by

**Dave Harris**

## Fish Fry Friday

**All you can eat Fried Pollack for  
\$5.50**

**Also serving baked Pollack \$5.50,  
Half Baked Chicken or an  
additional Dinner Entrée \$6.50.**

**Every Friday**

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

## November 2006 Veterans Message

This is November, and that means Veterans Day is near, and that means the Elks Veterans Luncheon is near! Venice-Nokomis Elks are sponsoring the luncheon this year on Thursday, November 16. The Veterans will arrive around 11:00 AM. There is a sign-up sheet at the bar in the Lodge. Please sign up by November 10th if you intend to go. Also, we recommend car pooling to conserve travel costs. The same sign-up sheet will let you state your interest in riding or driving. The cost of the luncheon is yet to be determined. That information will be posted in our Lounge as soon as it is known.

And yes, we still need yarn. This will be donated to the group which makes blankets for those in need. Bring your leftover balls of yarn and/or purchase some for a donation. Just get us some yarn!

See you at the Venice-Nokomis Lodge

Jim Hoey, Veterans Service Chairman



## Highlights for November

- Friday Night Fish Fry
- Monday Night Karaoke - Belly Busters, Salads & Sandwich Specials
- Nov 5 - Breakfast Buffet 9:00 to 12:00
- Nov 8 - Italian Night, 5:00 to 7:00, Music - Dave Harris
- Nov 12 - Boom-Ba, 12:00 to 4:00
- Nov 22- Italian Night, 5:00 to 7:00, Music - Nick @ Nite
- Nov 25 - Thanksgiving DD, Music by Seabreeze

## Coming in December

- Friday Night Fish Fry
- Monday Night Karaoke- Belly Busters, Salads & Sandwich Specials
- Dec 3 - Breakfast Buffet 9:00 to 12:00
- Dec 10 - Trim-a-Tree Party at 4:00
- Dec 13 - Italian Night, 5:00 to 7:00, Music in Lounge
- Dec 16 - Children's Christmas Party
- Dec 23 - Christmas Dinner Dance
- Dec 27 - Italian Night, 5:00 to 7:00, Music in Lounge
- Dec 31 - New Year's Eve Dinner Dance

## 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 your meetings. Please contact one of your Trustee's for information and pricing on the rental of any of our facilities.

### Chaplain's Corner

Father in Heaven, we are a fraternal organization in which its members are called Elks, are willing to face life squarely to all its full significance. It means to be loyal to principles and to friends; earnest in purpose; reverent towards things holy; cheerful and ready to serve others; gracious in manner; impartial in judgment; eager in seeking true knowledge; dependable in small things; great and sincere at all times.

Father, that's what we are expected to be as Elks in our Lodges and communities. May we always be so! Amen

*A smile is the lighting system of the face  
And the heating system of the heat  
That helps Elks to practice Charity*

Judy Vergason, Chaplain

### 50/50 DRAWING

Every Friday at 7:30 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.

### ELK OFFICER OF THE YEAR 2005—2006 LAWRENCE HILDEBRAND

#### ATTENTION:

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

### Elk of the Year 2005 - 2006 Janice Dean

### 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.

Glenn & Alice Davis Douglas Hoffmann  
Wm & Pearl Corlew Dorothy & Len  
Shirley Bramley Wes Townsend  
Charles Gale

*Support your lodge  
Add your name to this  
List and Become a  
Bulletin Booster*

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 \_\_\_\_\_

# New Year's Eve Dinner Dance and Celebration

December 31, 2006  
Cocktails 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM  
Dinner 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM  
Prime Rib, Twice Baked Potato, Vegetable, Roll, Caesar Salad and Dessert

Open Bar 9:00 PM to 12:00 PM  
Party Favors, Champagne  
Pastries & Coffee at Midnight  
Dance Music From 8:00 PM to 1:00 AM by  
Silver Sounds  
Price \$40 per person

## Thanks to all of our Volunteer Bartenders.

As we get busier and busier as season approaches, say goodbye to all of our Volunteer Bartenders. Sandy Mooney, Thom Dillman, Bob Vaccaro and Lenny Pruss did a great job. They helped us keep our regular Lounge hours and still reduce expenditures while it was slow. I don't know who won the contest, but the Lodge won by their dedication.



Congratulations to our new Exalted Ruler Sandy Mooney. Rumor has it she cast a spell on the Lodge, but we aren't sure. Check out her Lodge picture and decide for yourself.

## Don't Forget our annual Children's Christmas Party

Saturday, December 16, 2006  
11:00 AM to 2:00PM



**GARAGE SALE**

Don't forget to **MARK YOUR CALENDAR** for the  
**ELKS 3rd ANNUAL GARAGE SALE**  
being held on

**Saturday, February 3, 2006.**

It's not too early to start gathering those unwanted items  
around the house and dropping them off at the ELK's.  
We hope to make the upcoming sale

**BIGGER AND BETTER THAN LAST YEAR.**

**Attention Ladies**

January 14, 2006

Doors Open at 11:00 AM with a cash bar  
Champagne Lunch at 12:00 PM  
Fashion Show at 1:00 PM

Tickets are

**\$12.00**



**Trim-a-Tree  
Party**

December 7, 2006  
4:00 PM

HO! HO! HO!

Come down and decorate our  
halls. Pizza will be served.

**A Special Thanks**

To Barbara Jones and her  
crew who kept our Lodge  
decorated all Season.

# Palmetto's Famous Breakfast Buffet

All you can eat for **\$5.00**

The first Sunday of every month. Serving our made to order omelets,  
as well as eggs benedict, scrambled eggs, biscuits and gravy, sausage,  
bacon, home fries, toast, newly added pancakes and waffles with fruit  
and whipped cream, orange juice and coffee.

Also serving Mimosa's, Bloody Mary's and Screwdrivers for \$1.00



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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



COMING FEBRUARY 14, 2007

SECOND ANNUAL EVENT HONORING THE MEMORY OF RAY EBERLE

AN EXTRAVAGANZA OF **BIG BAND MUSIC** FEATURING THE  
**SARASOTA BIG BAND JAZZ ENSEMBLE**  
A RENOWNED 25 PIECE ORCHESTRA

THE MUSIC WILL BE THAT OF RAY EBERLE AND THE GLENN MILLER ORCHESTRA

THIS EVENT WILL PROVIDE \$3000.00 IN SCHOLARSHIP MONEY FOR MUSICAL AND VOCAL STUDENTS PARTICIPATING IN THE RAY EBERLE VOCAL SCHOLARSHIP IN AFFILIATION WITH THE GLENN MILLER BIRTHPLACE SOCIETY SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION.

THIS WILL BE A FULL EVENING INCLUDING DINNER AND DANCING.

THE EVENING WILL BE HOSTED BY PALMETTO RESIDENT JAN EBERLE NELSON, DAUGHTER OF RAY EBERLE

SET ASIDE THIS DATE FOR AN EVENING OF OUTSTANDING ENTERTAINMENT.

TICKETS ARE ON SALE IN THE LOUNGE AT \$22.00 PER PERSON.

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT [WWW.GLENNMILLER.ORG](http://WWW.GLENNMILLER.ORG) OR [WWW.RAYEBERLE.COM](http://WWW.RAYEBERLE.COM) OR [WWW.JANEBERLE.COM](http://WWW.JANEBERLE.COM)