

SPOTLIGHT



BPOE St. Petersburg Lodge No. 1224
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 Elks National Foundation
 Elks Children's Therapy Services
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February 2023

The Ladies of Elks invite you to a

HOLLYWOOD OSCAR PARTY

Saturday February 18th
6-9pm

Dress yourself and your table with your favorite movie theme
Prize for best table!

\$10 ticket food available to purchase

COME JOIN THE FUN!

Super Bowl LVII Party

SUNDAY FEB 12TH

PRE-GAME COVERAGE 6:00PM

11AM-1PM Polar Plunge
(See Bartender Mary F for details)

4:30 PM PRE-GAME ACTIVITIES & Cornhole Contest

KICK OFF 6:30PM

HAPPY PATTI'S KITCHEN
Will feature chili dogs, wings & tailgate specials along with regular menu

DRINK SPECIALS & Jell-O Shots

February 25th • 6:00 pm

Law & Order Night

DINNER and PROGRAM

\$10 Menu
Sliced Turkey Dinner & Dessert

Dinner @ 6:00pm
Program to follow

Honor the Men and Women of Law Enforcement & Fire Prevention

The dinner will be served by the Pinellas Park High School Criminal Justice Academy.

WELCOME...
 State Attorney's Office
 Sheriff's Department
 Police Departments:
 St. Petersburg • Kenneth City
 Gulfport Police • Pinellas Park
 Fire Departments:
 Pinellas Park
 St. Petersburg • St. Pete Beach

K-9 Demonstration will be done by the St. Petersburg Police K-9 unit.

Ladies of Elks Auxiliary present

Arts & Crafts Market

and
LOEA Bake Sale

Saturday
March 4th, 2023
9am - 1pm

Arts, Crafts, Local Vendors and Gifts

Parking Lot and Indoors
Open to Public
 St Pete Elks Lodge #1224
 2675 66th St N, St Petersburg

2022-2023 Officers, Directors, Committees & Chairs

OFFICERS							
Dan Masi ,PER	Exalted Ruler	Charlie Stroup	Boy Scouts	Ann Marie Bongiorno	Pool Monitor		
Heidi Green	Leading Knight	Brian Metzgar	Building	Alexandra Kaan	Presiding Justice of Forum		
Brian Haverfield	Loyal Knight	Rudy Masi, Sr., PDD	By-Laws	Virginia Warfield, LP	Public Relations		
Charlie Stroup	Lecturing Knight	Open	Children’s Christmas Party	Mark Mettetal, PER	Ritual		
Toni Goodrich, PDD	Secretary	Gina Wilkins	Christmas Baskets	Rick Marks	Safety		
Brian Polk	Treasurer	Heidi Green	Christmas Baskets Co-Chair	Tara McClintick	Scholarships		
Carol Barkalow	Esquire	Dawn Lieber, PER	Community Activities	Heidi Green	Sickness & Distress		
Kirk Martin	Chaplain	Brian Haverfield	Drug Awareness	Dawn Lieber	Soccer Shoot		
Adrienne Sproul	Inner Guard	Open	Elks Training	Johnny Miller	Grand Lodge VAVS		
Anne Marie Bongiorno	Tiler	Heidi Green	ENF Chair		Representative C.W. Bill Young		
		Linda Musgrave	Entertainment		Healthcare Center Bay Pines		
		Heidi Green	Flag Day Flag Retirement		Army of Hope/Veterans Chairman		
		Open	Funeral Services	John Gillis	VAVS Deputy Representative		
		Open	Golf Tournament	Gene Berry	VAVS Deputy Representative		
		Dolly Masi, PER	Government Relations	Heidi Green	Visitation		
		Dawn Lieber, PER	Grant Writer	Bonnie Barnes	Vol. Activity Coordinator		
		Open	Grill	Virginia Warfield	Webmaster		
		Brian Haverfield	Harry Anna	stpeteelks@bpoe1224.com			
		Open	Historian	Charlie Stroup	Youth Activities		
		Tracy Roy	Hoop Shoot				
		Heidi Green	Inter-Lodge Visitation				
		Kim Gano	Investigation Committee				
		House Committee	Kitchen				
		Toni Goodrich, PDD	Lapsation & Strays				
		Toni Goodrich, PDD	Law & Order				
		Rudy Masi, PSP	Law & Order Co-Chair				
		Dan Masi, PER	Liaison to the Ladies				
		Toni Goodrich, PDD	Lodge Advisor				
		Rob Davis	Maintenance Inside/Outside				
		Bob Pitney, PDD	Mediator				
		Toni Goodrich, PDD	Membership				
		Dan Masi, PER	Memorial Service				
		Brian Haverfield	Mother’s Day				
		Heidi Green	New Years Eve				
		PER’s Association	Old Timer’s Night				
		Heidi Green	Orientation				
		Dan Masi, PER	PER Association				
		Larry Romig	Photographer				
		Mark Mettetal, PER	Pool Maintenance				

BOARD OF DIRECTORS	
Rick Marks	5-Year Trustee
Brian Metzgar	4-Year Trustee
Mimi Reich	3-Year Trustee
Cathy Shriver, PER	2-Year Trustee
Gina Van Groesbeck	1-Year Trustee
Toni Goodrich, PDD, Dan Masi, PER	
Charlie Stroup, Brian Polk	
Heidi Green, Brian Haverfield	

HOUSE COMMITTEE	
Bonnie Barnes, PER, House Chair	
Joanne Matos PDD, Secretary	
Toni Goodrich, PDD, Gina Van Groesbeck	
Heidi Green, Brian Haverfield, Jan Musgrave,	
Charlie Stroup, Samantha Webb	
Ruth Green, Adrienne Sproul	

KITCHEN	
Happy Patty’s Kitchen	

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS	
Adrienne Sproul	Americanism
Johnny Miller	Army of Hope
Jan Giallourakis	Auditing
Sherrie McNeil	Bar Chair

COMING!
SATURDAY MARCH 4TH



Ladies for Liberty

Dinner and an evening of pure patriotism and vibrant entertainment!

Ladies for Liberty have been known for their renditions of 1940s, WWII, 1950s Korean War Era, and 1960s Vietnam War Era music. We are still presenting this program of the Andrew Sisters style of music through our own rendition of vocals, costumes, hairstyles and the spirit of patriotism reminiscent of the 1940s and 1950s.

Dinner served at 6PM
Showtime 7PM

\$20
Price includes dinner & show

Meatloaf Dinner
Served with Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Corn, Fresh Salad Roll w/Butter

St. Petersburg Elks #1224 Lodge 2675 66th St. North
FIND OUR MORE ABOUT THE LADIES FOR LIBERTY SCAN THE QR CODE OR VISIT...
www.ladiesforliberty.com

PRESENTED BY  **Elks Lodge #1224** **\$5 TO PLAY**
2675 66th Street N, St. Petersburg, FL 33710
SUNDAY FEBRUARY 12th 2-4pm

JUKEBOX MANIA

SING ALONG TO THE SONGS **THE MUSIC YOU LOVE TO HEAR!**

CAUTION! Jukebox Mania will expose you to music, which may cause sudden outbreaks of singing, joy, happiness, energy and fun! Attend at your own risk!



February proves to be a very integral month in the history of Elkdom. It is the anniversary month of the founding of our great Order. This year on February 16th, we will observe the 155th Birthday of The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks!

I believe the Founding Members of our Organization would be very impressed with all of the accomplishments of our Order.

During this month, our members will nominate and elect those officers who will be entrusted with leading our Lodge for the 2023-2024 year. The nomination and voting process begins on Tuesday, February 7th, "Old Timers Night", where Past Exalted Rulers and Officers conduct the meeting. This is not only a fun filled night, but it will also include the first nominations of officers. The other two meeting nights are February 14th and February 28th respectively. Please realize the importance of your presence at these meetings and plan to attend.

The February Quarterly is scheduled on February 10th and 11th at The Elks Youth Camp in Umatilla and provides all members with the opportunity to meet The Grand Exalted Ruler Bruce Hidley.

On February 12th come out and cheer for your favorite Superbowl Team. Activities will include a cornhole tournament, a pool Polar Plunge with a surprise jumper along with other pre-game fun!

Come join us on February 25th as we honor the best of the best who serve our community with a special awards dinner for our local police, firefighters and EMT's.

Finally, treat each day as though it is Valentine's Day and "love a little deeper, laugh a little harder and hold the ones you love a little tighter"!

Fraternally,

Dan Masi
Exalted Ruler

Virginia Warfield | LOEA President Message



The end of the 2022-2023 Elks year is soon approaching, but our Ladies Auxiliary is as active as ever, and I feel so honored to be part of such an amazing group of women and men!

The LOEA has some great events this month. First up is our Hollywood Oscar Party on the 18th. Pick a film, grab some friends, and dress yourselves and your table up with that movie theme.

On Sunday the 19th we are excited to support the Magic Yarn Project, which provides fun and comfy character wigs for children with cancer. Join us at 11:00am as we get the yarn ready to make the wigs.

Then on February 26th, we're hosting another Quarter Auction. There will be a great selection of items so you won't want to miss that one. Get your quarters and paddles ready!

March 4th is our next Arts & Crafts Market and LOEA Bake Sale. This is always a lively and successful day. Please see Sue Styx if you can help with the baked goods.

Congratulations to Sheila Chase, our December Lady of the Month. The next LOEA meeting will be February 13th. I hope to see all of you at our fantastic FUNdraising events and thank you as always for your continued support and participation!



The Magic Yarn Project Yarn Drive

Sunday, February 19th from 11:00 – 2:00

What is The Magic Yarn Project:

- Homespun wigs for little cancer fighters
- Medical hair loss leaves children's scalps tender & raw
- 100% volunteer powered
- We partner with hospitals all across the globe
- We've gifted over 30,000 wigs since 2015
- 30-character wigs for kiddos to choose from
- Check out who we are: <https://themagicyarnproject.com/>

What Is The Yarn Drive?

- Collecting specific yarn donations for character wigs
- All yarn needs to be dropped at the Elks #1224 before 11:00a.m. on 2/19/23.
- To preserve the quality of wigs, only specific yarn is used. Please use this registry link to order yarn off Amazon: <https://www.amazon.com/registries/custom/25QBLQOSFJV/guest-view>

What Is The Cutting Session?

- Sunday, February 19th from 11:00-2:00
- Each wig has different lengths of yarn, so we'll be cutting to size
- We'll have stations set up to cut the yarn. Stay as long or short as you can.
- For questions contact Trish Conrad, a Magic Yarn Project volunteer at 513-379-6529

Come help us make some MAGIC in the life of a little cancer fighter!



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!!!

St. Petersburg Lodge #1224 welcomed 25 new members on January 16th



PROPOSED CANDIDATES

CANDIDATE	SPONSOR	OCCUPATION
Stephen Passo	Toni Goodrich	Teacher-Hillsborough Cnty
Craig Brannan	James Vago	Retired Firefighter
James Brett	Wm Buzz Hoffman	Retired Product Specialist
Theresa Cassidy	Toni Goodrich	Mgr & Social Worker
Kenneth Codol	Jan Giallourakis	KCI Tech-Supervisor
Steven Couillard	Vincent Couillard	Retired SPPD
Dawn-Rae Crutchfield	Cliff Pugh	M/Care Ins Broker
L. Rich Deverell, Jr	Robert Mattern	Owner-Popular Greetings
Daniel Gibson	Cheryl Mooney	Retired
J. Timothy Holly	Michele Lord	Ilex Medical Inc
Joelle J. Jones	Mary Collet	Retired/Disabled
Margaret J. Jones	Mary Collet	Retired Honeywell
Gary Pogue	Toni Goodrich	Semi Retired
Raymond Schultz	Heidi Green	Retired
Jessica Sellett	Roy Brice	Bates Electric-Acct Exec
Charlotte Smith	Toni Goodrich	Retired

CERTIFICATE OF RELEASE

William Botelho
Barbara Eisenman
Richard Rich
Mark Taylor
Dennis Numer

FROM

Bradenton #1511
Hol Isles #1912
Waltham MA #953
Alma MI #1400
West Mifflin PA

*** LODGE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY ***

The Lodge is seeking to fill the Officer position of SECRETARY. The current Secretary, Toni, is stepping down after 13 years and the Lodge is seeking her replacement.

The candidate for Secretary has to be an Elk or be willing to be an Elk, have a strong understanding of accounting, be organized, motivated and have good people skills.

Nominations for Secretary are being taken again, starting December 1, 2022, until the position is filled.

It is very helpful if the Secretary knows Excel and WORD to prepare spreadsheets and reports and assist with budgets.

The Secretary attends Monthly Lodge Meeting with minutes being kept and also attends the monthly Initiation Sessions to issue cards and packets.

The Lodge pays for your attendance at State Officer Training sessions, the Mid-Year and State Conventions.

The Secretary salary is set by the Lodge By-laws, which is \$15 per hr; annual max salary of \$15,000.

The Secretary works closely with the Treasurer, ER and Board members and is a key player in the operation of the Lodge. This position is a very important, challenging and a rewarding one.

Training can start immediately after the Election of Secretary.

If interested, please contact Toni Goodrich in the Lodge Office (727) 344-6551 between 10-2 pm Monday thru Friday.

MEMBERSHIP RE-INSTATEMENT

If you are or know a former member who has dropped his/her membership (NO TIME LIMIT) tell the former member that you would like to sponsor them to rejoin (reinstate) at St. Petersburg Lodge #1224.

The process is simple and it involves submitting a reinstatement application to be read at our Lodge meeting and voted on.

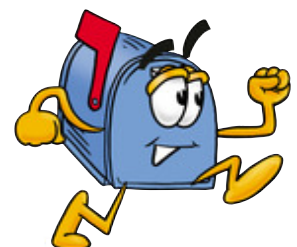
There is a \$25 fee with the application and the payment only of the current dues for the year. Depending on the date the reinstatement is made, the dues are pro-rated according to the number of months left in the current Lodge year.

Although a reinstatement is gaining back a former member, our Lodge is also gaining a new member!

We look forward to re-introducing you into ELKDOM

THANK YOU MAGNIFICENT MAILERS FOR THE JANUARY ISSUE

Patti Razor
Anne Marie Bongiorno
Phil Davies PER
Eileen Gamble
Janet Gens
Jan Giallourakis
Toni Goodrich PDD



Search for the QUEEN OF HEARTS

Drawing Sunday @ 4:00pm



Only 1 Ticket Drawn

You must be an Elk, an Elk Spouse or Widow of an Elk to enter.

Tickets Available at the Bar EVERY DAY

CONGRATULATIONS!

Nomination of Joanne Matos for Honorary Life Membership

Whereas, Joanne Matos was initiated into St Petersburg BPOE Lodge 1224 on February 26, 2013 and immediately became an active member and was May 2013 Elk of the Month and was Lady of the Month in September 2013.

And Whereas: Joanne worked in the kitchen for 20 years, doing Sunday Breakfasts and Thursday Night Italian Night dinners, as a spouse, long before she became an Elk.

And Whereas: Joanne Matos was voted Elk of the Year in our 2013-2014 year. Joanne Matos served 6 years on the House Committee from 2013-2014 and 2017 to present.

And Whereas: Joanne Matos served as Lecturing Knight and Loyal Knight in 2014; served as Leading Knight in 2015 and served as Exalted Ruler 2016 Lodge Year. Served as President of the Lodge PER Association in 2017.

And Whereas: Joanne Matos was District Chair of Orientation and advanced to State Chair of Orientation and WCD Harry Anna Chair in 2019

And Whereas: Joanne Matos served the West Central District as District Esquire in 2019 and nomination to District Vice President in May of 2020 and advanced to District Deputy for the West Central District July 2021-2022

And Whereas: Joanne Matos served, over the period of her time as a member, chaired many events: Christmas Food Baskets, Children's Christmas Party; Thursday night dinners, Sweetheart Ball, New Year's Eve, Flag Day, Memorial Day, Orientation and Inner Lodge Visitations.

And Whereas: Joanne Matos, by example, demonstrates the epitome of "Elkdom".

Therefore: We, the undersigned, do hereby propose Joanne Matos for Honorary Life Membership in St Petersburg BPOE Lodge #1224 for her true dedication and performance as a member in furthering the aims and goals of the Lodge and of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Jon L Goodrich P.D.
Paul Annetotal
John Hears
Bonnie Barnes
Michael "Doc" Cook
Dolly Masi
HJ Masi

Mark Beluvas
Philip Maires
George Povlitis
Donny Mon
Clarence Sney
Heidi K. G. re
John Marks

1/20/2023

Prayer Chain Requests



If you or someone you know is in need of prayers at a difficult time in their lives please call me and I will notify all the people on this prayer chain. Can you imagine how many prayers will be lifted up with just one call? Many of us are on or have prayer chains in our churches so the power of prayer will be magnified many times over.

If you have a calling to be a part this rewarding experience call me and sign up for the prayer chain. We are few but we are powerful. Please email me soon and sign up.

Dolly Masi, PER | masidoly@gmail.com

LOOKING FOR MORE PRAYER VOLUNTEERS!!! YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BE AN ELK.



Can you spare some change?

We're asking you to help "fill the piggy" at the bar. Your spare change will help our Florida Elks Children's Therapy Services provide physical and occupational therapies to Florida children who do not have easy access to these services.

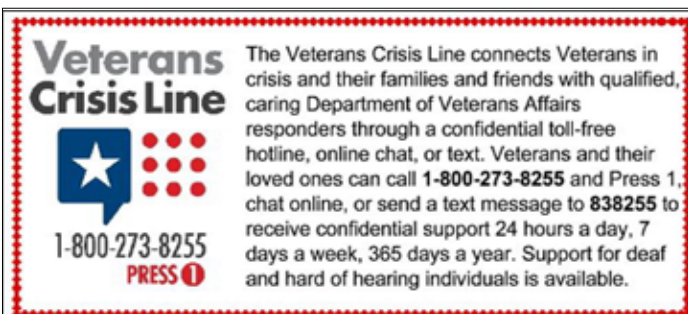
These services are provided in the patient's home without regard to the ability to pay. Florida Elks Children's Therapy Services strives to provide the highest quality services possible to this special population.

Thank you for your help in making it possible for the Ladies of Elks auxiliary to help these children.



The **NATIONAL SUICIDE PREVENTION LIFELINE** is a national network of local crisis centers that provides free and confidential emotional support to people in suicidal crisis or emotional distress 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

1-800-273-8255



St Petersburg BPOE # 1224 Deceased 2022-2023

Marsha Garrett	02/11/22
Emilien J. DeFresne	02/11/22
James W. Clemons, LM	02/26/22
Roland Riley	02/28/22
Albert L. Sigman, PDD	03/24/22
Gordon Isco LM	03/24/22
Judith Smith	04/01/22
Lyman Wheeler, PDD	04/18/22
Ernest Acebal	04/29/22
Allen Ambrose	05/29/22
Terry Wayne Steen	06/17/22
Theodore J. Zuppa	07/07/22
William Erskine	07/21/22
Sandra Ives	07/29/22
James G. Farkas, LM	08/09/22
Robert Costa	08/10/22
Bert H. Collom, LM	09/21/22
Louis Schorr	10/01/22
Sheila Mutascio	11/11/22
Roger D. Remy	11/12/22
Peter Privitera	11/18/22
John M Tondreault	01/09/23
Charles Bunker	01/12/23

Living or dead, Elks are never forgotten, never forsaken. Morning and noon may pass them by, the light of day sink heedlessly in the West, but ere the shadows of midnight shall fall, the chimes of memory will be pealing forth the friendly message, "To our absent members."

Platinum Spotlight Boosters

In Memory of Phyllis Povelitis	7/23
Blaine M. Russell	4/23
Doug Breyette	3/23
Wayne L. Everett	5/23
Benjamin Karnegie	3/23
In Memory of Al Goodrich	7/23
In Memory of William A. Schulz	11/23
In Memory of Stephen Prins	3/23

Gold Spotlight Boosters

Cathy & Carmine Casale	4/23
Bill Tennis PDDGER PSP VA #366	7/23
Alexandra Kaan	12/26

Silver Spotlight Boosters

Valerie & James Wells	4/23
Betts Roberts	12/26

BE A SPOTLIGHT BOOSTER

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

SILVER \$10 _____ **GOLD \$25** _____ **PLATINUM \$50** _____
OTHER \$ _____

Make checks payable to:
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Mail to:
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2675 66th Street North | St. Petersburg, FL 33710



Photo: Several of the 1224 Scalawags and Beauties in attendance.

PIRATE PARTY FUNDRAISER FOR VETERANS

Shiver me timbers! We had a great night at "Aarghh - it's a Pirate Party!" Saturday, January 21.

Over \$500 was raised in donations along with a giant box of essential clothing items -- all of which is going to the Veterans at Bay Pines!

Thank you to Adrienne for chairing and Farrah, Heather, and Karen for helping her. You guys did an amazing job!

Thank you to everyone who came out to support this event! And thank you to Batman, who stepped in to provide the music after the band we booked pulled out!



♠♥♣♦ ♠♥♣♦

Texas Hold'em Poker Tournament

YOUR \$20 DONATION GETS YOU A SEAT AND CHIPS
THERE ARE ONLY 20 SEATS AVAILABLE!
TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE BEHIND THE BAR.



1ST ANNUAL F.L.O.E. RV RALLY JUNE 2-4TH!

This is open to everyone!
Bring your fellow RV friends!

Going to be a FUN time camping with your Elk family and Friends at the Ocala RV Resort!

All proceeds for the Harry-Anna Trust Fund!
We are camping for the kids!!!

Questions, contact:

Becky Long, PSP FLOE text: (352) 572-6987
email: rebeccalong330@gmail.com




Scan the QR Code or log on to
www.floridaelks.org/floe/rv-rally
for more details

A weekend schedule of events
will follow soon!


LOEA

QUARTER AUCTION

Sunday ~ February 26th ~ 1-3 pm



Bring your quarters for an afternoon of fun!



Paddles Up!

How does a Quarter Auction work?

- \$5 entry fee gets you a paddle
- The number on your paddle matches a number in our drawing basket.
- Auction items will be showcased one at a time.
- When each item is shown the 'quarter' value will be determined.
- If you want the item, you put your quarter/s in the bucket and raise your paddle.
- If your number is drawn and your paddle is raised, you win the item!

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2675 66th St N ~ St Petersburg

Veterans Chairman Message



JOHNNY L. MILLER
Veterans Services
WC District Chair / Representative To VAMC
C.W Bill Young VAMC & Lee County VA
Outpatient Clinic

Email
johnnyleem@tampabay.rr.com

Phone
727-642-8004



VETERAN'S CORNER

I would like to start by thanking the Ladies Auxiliary for donating 2 checks totaling \$507 plus about \$1,000 in lady's and men's clothing for our veterans at Bay Pines. The Pirate Party, which was exclusively for our veterans, was definitely a success!

We are still having to wear the masks at Bay Pines.

The stand down on April 1st for our homeless veterans will be held in the courtyard behind volunteer services Bldg 2. Registration for a table doesn't start until February 14th.

Picked up more veterans caps thanks to a donation by Dave Barlow. It really makes the vets day when we hand them the cap!

If you have any questions call me. (727) 642-8004.

In Comradeship,
Johnny Miller
VAVS Representative



IS IT TIME TO DISPOSE OF YOUR WORN AMERICAN FLAG?

Reminder: The Lodge Provides Proper Flag Retirement. We have been providing a way to properly and respectfully retire one of the greatest symbols of our nation, our American Flag for many years. You'll find a special receptacle where worn flags may be placed inside a mailbox type container right outside of our Lodge front doors. St. Petersburg Lodge will retire these flags in a dignified way.




U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

VA HEALTH CARE FACILITIES

Medial Center and Northern clinics Phone Contacts:
C.W. Bill Young VA Medial Center (24hrs.) 727.398.6661
Bradenton 941.721.0649 Sarasota 941.371.3349
Palm Harbor 727.734.5276 St. Petersburg 727.502.1700

SOUTHERN CLINICS PHONE CONTACTS

Lee County HCC - 239.652.1800 Naples - 239.659.9188
Port Charlotte -941.235.2710 Sebring -863.471.6227

VA HEALTHCARE ELIGIBILITY AND ENROLLMENT

1.877.222.VETS(8387) Visit www.1010EZmed.va.gov
Or visit the Bay Pines VAHCS online at www.baypines.va.gov
In the event of a medical emergency, always dial 911!

VA benefits hot-line...

(800) 827-1000

Monday through Friday | 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. ET
go to: www.va.gov



Call VA's Caregiver Support Line toll-free today.

1-855-260-3274



YOUR DUES POWER PROGRAMS THAT HELP VETERANS EXIT HOMELESSNESS

Please contact your Lodge Secretary today

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

ELKS SOCIAL MEDIA NETWORK

Attention Veterans!

A copycat CHOICE program phone line has been set up to steal your credit card information



The OFFICIAL National CHOICE program line is:

1-866-606-8198



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The Power of Love

SATURDAY, APRIL 22, 2023
6-11 p.m.

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333 1ST STREET • SE. PETERSBURG, FL 33701

We cordially invite you to join us for an evening of glamour and philanthropy as we unmask autism spectrum disorder (ASD).

This year's gala will be held at the beautiful Hilton St. Petersburg Bayfront and will feature cocktails and a silent auction, a full-course dinner, entertainment, and an exciting program.



For more information scan the QR Code
or go to <https://unmaskingautism.com>

Join on us on the first
Wednesday of the month
for

*Ladies who
Lunch!*

12 pm at the Lodge Restaurant



Are you ready to roll?



3RD WEDNESDAY EVERY MONTH

Game starts at 6:30 pm


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2675 66th St N, St Petersburg

TRIVIA FREE TO PLAY With Prizes

TUESDAY

6:30pm

Every Tuesday except
Lodge meeting night



The Lodge Kitchen
will have
Taco Night until 8pm!

GOT IT!

MONDAYS at the Lodge

2:30pm





The support of caring people like you helps us to provide some of these following services....

ENF - Elk's National Foundation - When you give to the Elks National Foundation, you're doing more than funding the Elks National Drug Awareness and "Hoop Shoot" programs. You're doing more than supporting the Community Investments Program and providing Emergency Educational Grants to the children of deceased or totally disabled Elks. You're doing more than maintaining the Elks Veterans Memorial. You're doing all that, and you're supporting Elkdom in your state.

Restoration of Pool/Tiki Patio Areas, Mural, & Furniture

Yes, I wish to help my Lodge achieve their goals to help our Community, Elks Charities and Lodge. Please find enclosed my donation for the:

Please find a check in the amount of _____ as my donation.

ENF - Elk's National Foundation \$10 _____ \$15 _____ \$20 _____ Other _____

Restoration of Pool/Tiki and other areas \$10 _____ \$15 _____ \$20 _____ Other _____

Please remit your check to or bring to:
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 2675 66th Street North
 St. Petersburg, FL 33710

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MAKE A DIFFERENCE • MAKE SOME FRIENDS • HAVE FUN!

Your lodge needs you • please be a volunteer today!

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 ARE YOUR ASSETS WORKING FOR YOU?

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
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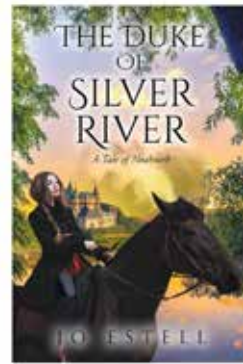
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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TIKI HOURS: SUNDAY - NOON WED & FRI - 5PM SAT - 3PM			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
5 Tiki Open – Noon Breakfast 10AM-1PM BBQ & BLUEGRASS <i>(Event Cancelled)</i> Queen of Hearts 4PM	6 Got It! 2:30PM	7 "Old Timer's Night " Meeting 7PM 1st Nomination for 2023-2024 Lodge Officers Board of Directors Meeting 6:30 PM	8 Tiki Open – 5PM Dart League 7PM	9 KARAOKE with Darby 5PM	10 Tiki Open – 5PM NO PER Meeting Tonight MUSIC 6:30-9:30PM by "Sounds of Yesterday"	11 Tiki Open – 3PM
12 Tiki Open – Noon Breakfast 10AM-1PM Jukebox Bingo 2-4PM Queen of Hearts 4PM SUPERBOWL Party: Polar Plunge 11AM-1PM Pre-Game Activities 4:30PM Kick off 6PM	13 Got It! 2:30PM LOEA Meeting 7PM	14 Lodge Meeting 7PM 2nd Nominations for Officers of the Lodge for 2023/2024 KITCHEN CLOSES AT 7PM	15 It's Bunco Time! 6:30PM Tiki Open – 5PM Dart League 7PM	16 KARAOKE with Darby 5PM	17 Tiki Open – 5PM MUSIC 6:30-9:30PM by "Al Ruggiero"	18 Tiki Open – 3PM LOEA Hollywood Oscar Party 6-9PM \$10 Ticket Prize for best table!
19 Tiki Open – Noon Breakfast 10AM-1PM Magic Yarn Event 11AM-2PM Queen of Hearts 4PM	20 Got It! 2:30PM Orientation/Initiation 6:30 PM	21 TRIVIA TUESDAY 6:30PM by Batman	22 Tiki Open – 5PM Dart League 7PM	23 KARAOKE with Darby 5PM	24 Tiki Open – 5PM MUSIC 6:30-9:30PM by "Happy Days"	25 Tiki Open – 3PM Law & Order Night Sliced Turkey Dinner \$10 6PM
26 Tiki Open – Noon Breakfast 10AM-1PM LOEA Quarter Auction 1-3PM Queen of Hearts 4PM Texas Hold'em 6:00PM	27 Got It! 2:30PM	28 Election of Lodge Officers for 2023/2024 <i>(if deemed necessary according to Grand Lodge Statutes)</i>	YOUR LODGE NEEDS YOU... Find out how you can get involved, call the lodge office today!			
NEXT MONTH: Saturday March 4th: • Arts & Crafts Market & LOEA Bake Sale 9AM-1PM • "Ladies for Liberty" Dinner & Show 6PM						
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Our Lodge is made up of members who “walk the talk” in helping our community. To name a few, we recently made donations of 333 food baskets, \$200 for Pinellas Lighthouse for the Blind, provided the Kind Mouse many toys, and gave \$2,500 to support the annual Autism Gala. We are proud of our Lodge, and YOU SHOULD BE PROUD!

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