

SPOTLIGHT



BPOE St. Petersburg Lodge No. 1224
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JAN 25 | SATURDAY | 8PM



COMEDY NIGHT



Featuring: GARY DELENA

Gary DeLena is a triple-threat showman... A singing impressionist, an accomplished musician and a comedian. His show mixes musical parodies, good-natured clowning and the ability to befriend the room by simply chatting.

Performing from 8-9:30 PM

Dinner \$20 | 6PM | Entree Choice

Shepherd's Pie	Fried Chicken
Salad	Mashed Potatoes,
Roll n' Butter	Corn Salad
OR	Roll n' Butter


LOEA

QUARTER AUCTION

Sunday ~ February 2nd ~ 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!

St Pete Elks Lodge #1224
 2675 66th St N ~ St Petersburg

ST PETERSBURG ELKS LODGE #1224 PRESENTS



Chase away the winter blues

All aboard for a fun evening

Cruise Party

SATURDAY, JANUARY 18
6-9PM

WEAR YOUR FUN CRUISE ATTIRE AND DANCE TO YACHT ROCK SOUNDS WITH

TICKETS \$10




ST PETERSBURG LADIES OF ELKS PRESENTS

WILD WEST COUNTRY NIGHT

SATURDAY JANUARY 11
6-9PM

yee haw!

LOCK UP THE VILLAINS

KICK UP YOUR HEELS

SALOON

MUSIC BY KRIS PIERCE

\$10




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**SUNDAY JANUARY 26TH
STARTING AT 5PM SHARP**

*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.**

**SUNDAY JANUARY 26TH
STARTING AT 5PM SHARP**

PRESENTED BY **Elks Lodge #1224** \$5 TO PLAY

2675 66th Street N,
St. Petersburg, FL 33710

**SUNDAY JANUARY 12th
2-4pm**

MIXTAPE

Bingo

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

CAUTION! Excessive singing will expose you to noise, which may cause exhaustion of stamina, impatience, energy and fuel! Attend at your own risk!



Happy New Year!

The New Year is an exciting time, full of joy and celebration. Friends and families get together on the last night of December to celebrate and bring in the New Year .

In January we let go of the old and welcome in the new. It's a special time for setting goals and pursuing our dreams. Some of us start the new year off by making New Year's resolutions - only to break them a few days later!! (I was always good at doing that, sometimes I would last two days.)

December was an amazing month for the ladies. The craft market was a great day and Vice President Kim Laskey did a fantastic job organizing it all. Our Bake Sale set a record high in sales - thank you everyone for your baked goods and helping us achieve this and also to Susan Dill for doing such a great job running it.

Bonnie Barnes chaired our Ugly Sweater Party and what a fantastic fun night that was there was lots of singing, dancing and laughter.

Now let's take a look at what's coming in January:
Ladies who Lunch will be the second Wednesday this month on January 8th, so mark your calendars for this date change.

January 11th is our Wild West Country Night, music will be by Kris Pierce, so get your cowboy hats out and let's do some boot scootin. Get your tickets it's going to be a fun night!

January 13th is our LOEA meeting

January 15th is Bunco time at 6:30 and you all know that's a lot of fun.

January 30th The last Thursday of the month we have added - Wine Bingo - starting at 6:30 so come out and join the fun and win some wine.

Here's a Sneak Peek at a couple events coming in February:
February 2nd is our Quarter Auction from 1 to 3, so Paddle Up.

February 8th is our Gong Show - looking forward to seeing some great acts - Sign up sheet is on the Bulletin Board or you can see Adrienne or Janet.

Remember:
"How beautiful a day can be, when Kindness touches it"
- George Ellison



Hello Members All,

Happy New Year. I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas Holiday with family and friends.

Thanks to everyone who helped with our community events in December. Loyal Knight, Adrienne and her team did a wonderful job assembling over 300 Christmas food baskets for families in our area. Leading Knight, Buzz and his team knocked it out of the park with the Children's Christmas party that was FANTASTIC! The children and adults both had a blast. We had a wonderful New Years Eve party listening and dancing to the sounds of "Magic" that helped us issue in a new year.

Reflecting on the past year, the Board has done a great job with projects around the lodge. The new floors look amazing, along with the fresh paint. Look forward to other projects this coming year.

The House Committee has done a great job keeping the Calendar full of activities. They have the rest of the Elk year full of fun events.

The LOEA has also helped keep our lodge busy with great events. So, remember to check the Spotlight, posters, and social media for all the upcoming events in this new year.

"We are only as strong as we are united, as weak as we are divided." - J.K. Rowling

Thank you for your support.

Brian Haverfield
Exalted Ruler 2024-25

St Petersburg Elks Lodge #1224 Presents

Bill and Karen Shepherd

Saturday January 4
6-9pm

Playing your favorites
Country, Motown, Jazz, Rock and Blues
NO CHARGE TO ATTEND

**As a reminder, the
St Petersburg Elks Lodge #1224
is a members-only organization.**

**In accordance with Florida liquor laws
and Elks statutes, the sale of
alcoholic beverages is limited to
members in good standing.**

**Non-members and guests may NOT purchase
alcoholic drinks from any of the Lodge bars.**

You may be asked to show your current, signed membership card at any time.

POOL RULES

**SHOW MEMBERSHIP CARD TO
POOL MONITOR OR BARTENDER
GUESTS AND MEMBERS OF OTHER
LODGES MUST PAY \$5.00**

**PARENTS/GUARDIANS ARE RESPONSIBLE
FOR THEIR CHILDREN**

NO OUTSIDE COOLERS, FOOD OR DRINKS



**APPROPRIATE SWIM ATTIRE ONLY - NO
CUTOFFS, SPEEDOS OR 'T-BACK' SWIMSUITS**

NO GLASS IN THE POOL AREA

NO DRINKS IN THE POOL

NO DIVING IN THE MAIN POOL

NO SWIMMING IN DIVING AREA

NO RUNNING OR HORSEPLAY

**WARNINGS MAY RESULT IN EXPULSION
FROM POOL AND BUILDING**

FOR FULL LIST OF POOL RULES PLEASE SEE MAIN BOARD BY POOL GATE

REMINDER!

**Political clothing, slogans,
hats, discussions and
comments are NEVER
allowed at the Lodge**

PROPOSED CANDIDATES

CANDIDATES	SPONSORS	OCCUPATION
Edward J Abraham	Anthony Rubino	Retired Musician
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FROM

Hol Is #1912
Seminole #2519
Seminole #2519
Hol Is #1912

REINSTATEMENT

Joanne Bowman

MEMBER

Mem #13525

CERT OF RELEASE

Lesia Porter
Thomas Morrow

FROM

Hol Is #1912
Zephyrhills #2731

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

ST PETERSBURG ELKS LODGE PRESENTS

DOUBLE M BAND

LIVE AT THE LODGE!

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 1ST
6:30-9:30PM

TICKETS \$10

ROCKIN' YOUR RADIO AND PARTY FAVORITES
FROM THE 60s TO THE PRESENT




ST PETERSBURG ELKS LODGE PRESENTS

ELVIS

IN THE HOUSE!

Saturday, February 15
6-9pm

\$10

TRIBUTE SHOW WITH **BILLY LINDSEY**




LOEA PRESENTS

THE GONG SHOW

JOIN US FOR A NIGHT OF FUN AND LAUGHS!

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 8TH ~ 6-9PM

Tickets \$10

ZANY CONTESTANTS
CRAZY TALENTS
will they get
the applause or
the gong?




SATURDAY • APRIL 12 • 4-7PM

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\$50.00
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1ST PRIZE \$1,000.00
2ND & 3RD \$500.00 EACH
4TH -8TH \$200.00 EACH
9TH -13TH \$100.00 EACH

MUSIC by
ROCKIN ROBBY-D.J

FOR TICKET INFO CALL DOUG BREYETTE 518-569-0571

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.**

St Petersburg BPOE # 1224 Deceased 2023-2024

Robert Campbell	03/19/24
Peter Binge, LM	03/20/24
Paul F Dittbrenner Jr	04/15/24
Larry Romig	05/07/24
Janice Kock	06/24/24
Karen Noyers PER	07/09/24
Eva Szabo	07/12/24
Larry T Lynch	08/02/24
Thomas Wislowsky LM	08/20/24
Donald Antonewitz	08/23/24
Marlene Faust	08/25/24
Luida Williams	09/06/24
Alex Curry	10/18/24
Barbara Middleton	11/02/24
"Boston Bob" Davis LM	12/22/24

*Living or dead, Elks are never forgotten, never forsaken.
Morning and noon may pass them by, the light of day sink heed-
lessly 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

Wayne L Everett	5/25
In Memory of Al Goodrich	7/25
In Memory of William A Schulz	12/24
In Memory of Phyllis Povelitis	12/24
In Memory of Frank Harding	3/25
In Memory of Don Peach	3/25

Gold Spotlight Boosters

Alexandra Kaan	12/26
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Silver Spotlight Boosters

Betts Roberts	12/26
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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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The Piggies are hungry!

Your spare change at the bar 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.

Thank you for contributing to the Ladies of Elks 365 Club to help these children

NATIONAL SUICIDE PREVENTION LIFELINE
1-800-273-TALK (8255)
suicidepreventionlifecycle.org

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

Veterans Crisis Line

The Veterans Crisis Line connects Veterans in crisis and their families and friends with qualified, caring Department of Veterans Affairs responders through a confidential toll-free hotline, online chat, or text. Veterans and their loved ones can call **1-800-273-8255** and Press 1, chat online, or send a text message to **838255** to receive confidential support 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. Support for deaf and hard of hearing individuals is available.

1-800-273-8255
PRESS 1

LET'S PLAY

Wine-o Bingo!

THURSDAY
JANUARY 30
6:30PM

W	I	N	E	O

Have fun and win prizes!

\$1.00 per card
(cards have wine or cocktail names instead of numbers!)

CORNHOLE NIGHT!

THURSDAY
JANUARY 23RD
STARTS AT 6:00PM

DOUBLE ELIMINATION

ALL AGES WELCOME AT THIS CASUAL FUN EVENING

\$5 PER PERSON

WIN CASH PRIZES

OPEN TO LODGE MEMBERS ONLY

2ND & 4TH SUNDAY of the Month

9AM TO NOON

ENJOY SUNDAY BREAKFAST

All your breakfast favorites the way you like it:

- French Toast • Hot cakes •
- Eggs & Omelettes •
- Biscuits & Gravy •

FRIDAY NIGHT Unwind

MUSIC 6:30 - 9:30PM

JANUARY

- 3RD • Mike Calzone
- 10TH • Bittersweet
- 17TH • Farley
- 24TH • Coyote Moon
- 31ST • Al Rugeiro

KITCHEN OPEN

Happy Patti's Kitchen
OPEN 'TIL 8PM

GOT IT!

AT NIGHT!

FIRST THURSDAY OF THE MONTH
6:30PM

MOVED TO 2ND WEDNESDAY FOR JANUARY

Join on us on the first Wednesday of the month for

Ladies who Lunch!

12 pm at Happy Patti's Kitchen

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

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727-642-8004





VETERAN'S CORNER

First I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas. Let's all pray for a great 2025!

I read an article in my VFW magazine that I need to bring to the attention of the veterans who have (Other-Than-Honorable Discharges). The VA, in October, announced a new program aimed at helping veterans with this problem to seek upgrades to their discharge status. This program provides funds to the service organizations that assist veterans with applying for VA benefits. It would be worth your while to try to get your eligibility to the VA Changed.

The VFW has an office in the Dept of veterans affairs office on the Bay Pines campus. Jason Smith should be your contact and the phone number is 727-319-7483. Over 57,000 individuals have been granted to eligibility thru this program. Things happen while we are serving our country and everyone's case is different. This itself may help to turn a veterans life around

In Comradeship,
Johnny Miller
VAVS Representative


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

MILITARY AND VETERAN DISCOUNTS

Military And Veteran Discounts Lists From National Brands, Chain Locations And Online Stores To Local Area Mom And Pop, Single Location Establishments.



Scan the QR code or go to:
veteran.com/military-and-veteran-discounts/



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.

Search for the QUEEN OF HEARTS Drawing EVERY Sunday this month @ 4:00pm



Tickets Available through our automatic ticket dispensing machine

Only 1 Ticket Drawn
You must be an Elk, an Elk Spouse or Widow of an Elk to enter.



MONTHLY EUCHRE TOURNAMENT

Third Sunday of the Month

@ 5pm

\$5 to join the fun!



PRIZES BASED ON NUMBER OF PLAYERS

GOT IT!

MONDAYS AT THE LODGE

2:30PM



St Petersburg Elks Lodge #1224
 2675 66th St N, St Petersburg

TRIVIA TUESDAY



6:30pm

Every Tuesday except Lodge meeting night



THURSDAY NIGHTS AT THE LODGE



January

- 2. Got It!**
- 9. Karaoke**
- 16. Karaoke**
- 23. Cornhole**
- 30. Wine-O Bingo**

KARAOKE NIGHT

2ND AND 3RD THURSDAY

STARTS AT 5:00PM





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Elks1224events@yahoo.com



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See more of Elks Lodge #1224 and log on to Facebook. Message us, learn about upcoming events and more.

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HARRY-ANNA TRUST FUND FUNDRAISING CHAIR

HARRY-ANNA FAST FACTS FOR CHAIRS

THE HARRY-ANNA TRUST FUND

- Funds the Florida Elks 123 Major Prosthetic Florida Elks Children's Therapy Services & Florida Elks Youth Camp.
- All donations for Harry-Anna become a part of the Harry-Anna Trust and are never spent. All the interest earned from the investments of the Trust is used to support our projects and programs.
- Our programs are forever growing and changing. We are currently training over 500 children each week with 127 of our staff and over 200 kids each year in a safe learning experience at our youth center.

ENCOURAGE

- A \$10 monthly donation to the Trust is a great way to help.
- Gifts in memory of an Elks member.

Donate 24/7 by visiting donate.elks.org/donate.
You don't have to have an account!
Contact us at donations@elks.org

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 _____

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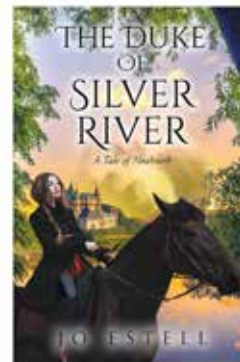
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January 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Tiki Open – Noon Queen of Hearts 4PM	Got It! 2:30PM	Board of Directors Meeting 6:30 PM Trivia Tuesday 6:30PM	Ladies Who Lunch 12:00pm Tiki Open – 5PM Dart League 7PM	KARAOKE 5PM	Tiki Open – 5PM MUSIC 6:30-9:30PM by "Bittersweet"	Tiki Open – 3PM Wild West Country Night 6-9PM / \$10 MUSIC by "Kris Pierce"
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Breakfast 9-Noon Tiki Open – Noon Mixtape Bingo 2:00PM Queen of Hearts 4PM	Got It! 2:30PM LOEA Meeting 7PM	Lodge Meeting 7PM	Tiki Open – 5PM Bunco 6:30PM Dart League 7PM	KARAOKE 5PM	Tiki Open – 5PM MUSIC 6:30-9:30PM by "Farley"	Tiki Open – 3PM Love Boat Cruise Party 6-9PM
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Tiki Open – Noon Queen of Hearts 4PM Euchre Tournament 5:00PM	Got It! 2:30PM Orientation/Initiation 6:30 PM	Trivia Tuesday 6:30PM	Tiki Open – 5PM Dart League 7PM	Cornhole 6:00PM	Tiki Open – 5PM MUSIC 6:30-9:30PM by "Coyote Moon"	Tiki Open – 3PM Comedy Night Featuring Gary Delena 8-9:30 PM
26	27	28	29	30	31	
Breakfast 9-Noon Tiki Open – Noon Queen of Hearts 4PM Texas Hold'em Poker 5:00PM	Got It! 2:30PM	Trivia Tuesday 6:30PM	Tiki Open – 5PM Dart League 7PM	Wine-O Bingo 6:30PM	Tiki Open – 5PM MUSIC 6:30-9:30PM by "Al Ruggerio"	COMING IN FEBRUARY: 2/1 Double M Band Live 2/2 LOEA Quarter Auction 2/8 LOEA Gong Show 2/15 Elvis Night

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In May, St. Petersburg PER Association conducted our annual Kentucky Derby Day at the Races. Our Lodge PER Association continues to be an Advisory BOD and guiding Light to our Lodge. We are proud of you, and YOU SHOULD BE PROUD!

Last September, State President Russ & Denise Smith arrived for his visit to our Wonderful West Central District. St. Pete Elks hosted a fabulous sold out Friday evening dinner banquet for Russ & Denise attended by Elks from all over Florida. We are proud of you, and YOU SHOULD BE PROUD!

St. Petersburg area Members and Residents were hit hard by Hurricanes Helene and Milton costing many their homes

and some went almost 2 months w/o power. Our Lodge was a beacon to members and the community opening up for those needing shelter, a place to charge their phones, while providing food/beverages and free hurricane recovery supplies. We are proud of our Officers, our Members, and our Lodge and everyone of us SHOULD BE PROUD!

During 2024, our Lodge was very active in the community serving our Veterans, Active Duty Military, needing families, assisted with fostering at risk Children's education, helping the blind, hosting one of the largest Children Christmas parties on the Suncoast, and providing way to many goods and services to be listed here. Reflect yourself as we begin 2025. Ask yourself what can I do to help pay it forward. Let your Lodge Officers become aware and do it. We are proud of you, and YOU SHOULD BE PROUD!