

SPOTLIGHT

BPOE St. Petersburg Lodge No. 1224
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Elks National Foundation
Elks Children's Therapy Services
Elks Youth Camp

**** ALL AMERICAN LODGE • DIVISION VI • 2020-2021 1ST PLACE ****

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OCTOBER 2026



HELD AT
ST. PETE ELKS LODGE #1224

PRE 90'S Car Show

VEHICLES 1990 AND OLDER
CLASSIC. ICONIC. TIMELESS.
Bringing the Classics Together!
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

TRUNK OR TREAT
FUN FOR THE KIDS!

SATURDAY 10/31/26
9AM - 1PM

\$20.00 ENTRY FEE

LIVE DJ
COME FOR THE CARS, STAY FOR THE FUN!

RAFFLES • BENEFITING FLORIDA ELKS CHARITIES • ALL MAKES • ALL MODELS • ALL WELCOME!



ST. PETE ELKS LODGE
FRIENDS • COMMUNITY • ALWAYS A WELCOMING PLACE

HALLOWEEN PARTY

SATURDAY OCTOBER 24
7 - 10 PM

COSTUME CONTEST
PRIZES FOR BEST COSTUMES!

\$10 TICKETS

OPEN TO ELK MEMBERS AND THEIR GUESTS
GOOD TIMES • GREAT PEOPLE • LASTING MEMORIES



ST. PETERSBURG ELKS LODGE #1224

POOL Cardboard BOAT REGATTA!

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18TH
1:00 PM

4 Fun Races!

- RACE 1 KIDS FLOAT RACE**
Ages 5 - 8 Years Old
Find your favorite float and race away!
- RACE 2 KIDS BOAT RACE**
Ages 9 - 16 Years Old
Show your creativity and see who crosses the finish line first!
- RACE 3 ADULT BOAT RACE**
Ages 17 Years and Older
Our annual adult race! Build it, bring it, and race it!
- RACE 4 SURPRISE RACE**
A fun final race for all to enjoy!

SEE BULLETIN BOARD FOR SIGN UP AND RULES

OPEN TO ELK MEMBERS AND THEIR GUESTS

GOOD FRIENDS • GOOD TIMES • GREAT MEMORIES



St Petersburg Ladies of Elks Auxiliary

Arts & Crafts Market and LOEA Bake Sale

Saturday
October 3rd, 2026
10am - 2pm

Arts, Crafts, Local Vendors and Gifts

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

SEE PAGE 2 FOR REGATTA RULES

2026-2027 Officers, Directors, Committees & Chairs

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		PER Association	Old Timer's Night
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PRESENTED BY
ST. PETERSBURG ELKS LODGE
THE MELLENEHEADS
A JOHN MELLENCAMP TRIBUTE BAND
7 PIECE BAND!

SATURDAY OCTOBER 3
7 PM - 10 PM

TICKETS ONLY \$15
GET YOURS TODAY!

RAFFLES 50/50
ASSIGNED SEATING

Open to ELK MEMBERS AND THEIR GUESTS

Benefiting FLORIDA ELKS CHARITIES

Classic Songs. Great Music. Great Night!

ST. PETERSBURG ELKS LODGE #1224
POOL
Cardboard BOAT REGATTA!
Float Paddle Race... Good Times at 1224!

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18TH
1:00 PM | ST. PETERSBURG ELKS LODGE #1224 | POOL

GENERAL RULES
 All boats must be made out of cardboard and duct tape only. (No gun, paint, wood, plastic, Styrofoam or wax).
 All boats must be registered by 12:45 PM on race day.
 Boats cannot be longer than 7 feet long by 4 feet wide and must have sides (no surfboard style).
 All participants must sit or kneel inside the boat.
 PFD (Personal flotation device) is encouraged for all race participants.
 All boats must be inspected and approved before racing.
 No interfering with other boats during the race.
 Participants must be 17 years or older for the adult race. Children ages 9-16 for Race 2. Race 1 is for kids ages 5-8.
 Participation is at your own risk. St. Petersburg Elks Lodge is not responsible for injury or accident.
 Be creative, have fun, and show your Elks spirit!
Build It ★ Decorate It ★ Race It!

THE RACES

RACE 1 KIDS FLOAT RACE
 Ages 5 - 8 Years Old
 Find your favorite float and race away!

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 Show your creativity and see who crosses the finish line first!

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RACE 4 SURPRISE RACE
 A fun final race for all to enjoy!

PRIZES
 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in each race
 Fastest times
 Most creative
 And more!

SEE BULLETIN BOARD FOR SIGN UP SHEET AND ADDITIONAL DETAILS.
 OPEN TO ELK MEMBERS AND THEIR GUESTS.

Good Friends ★ Good Times ★ Great Memories



Fellow Elks,

Six months, it's hard to believe that six months have gone by since I became Exalted Ruler of this great lodge. I have gotten to know so many great people through the Elks and I hope to continue meeting many new people. In these first six months I have learned and relearned many different things. Being a leader just isn't a title that someone gets. Being a leader is something that is earned, being a leader is something that should not be taken for granted. I started my journey as

the lodge's Inner Guard and started learning about the inner workings of the lodge. As the years went on and I became Exalted Ruler I have learned that running this lodge takes teamwork, it takes many people countless hours and the people that commit themselves to the betterment of the lodge are many times in the shadows. They don't do it for the praise, the glory, they do it because they want to make their little part of the world a better place, and I commend and applaud you for your commitment.

October will start bringing our friends from up north back down and we welcome them back, I look forward to hearing your summertime stories and greeting you at the lodge. We have many fun events coming up in October, make sure you look at the Spotlight calendar. On 3 Oct there is a WC District barbeque at Largo Elks, in the afternoon you will have a chance to dunk myself and other district leadership in a dunk tank.

I look forward to seeing everyone at one of these events or at another event hosted by us or the LOEA this month. Stay safe and remember to be a good human.

"Help me leave behind some reasons to be missed." – Linkin Park

Fraternally yours,
Adrienne Sproul
Exalted Ruler
BPOE 1224

Kerrie Green | LOEA President Message



Hello October! This year is moving right along! Fall is my absolute favorite time of the year. It's all about pumpkins, football, and spending time with friends and family. I love the first taste of cooler weather, sipping hot coffee on a walk by the water, or sitting by a small fire with our loved ones. Crockpot meals, Dips, the start of baking season, and let's not forget the shopping!

September was a busy month! We started with Labour day, I hope everyone got a bit of time to relax and spend time doing absolutely nothing.

We took time out to remember those lost on 9/11 we will never forget, We welcomed our State President Lenny DiLorenzo and First Lady Lauren for a wonderful dinner at our lodge, We danced the night away to the sounds of Bandstand at our "Studio #1224" Event, and some of us went to the FLOE (Florida Ladies of Elk) conference in Daytona Beach. We shared a wonderful weekend meeting ladies from other Auxilleries, learning new ways to support our charities, and just having fun! Always one of my favorite things to do each year.

Our ice cream parlor had an amazing season! Thank you to all who volunteered their time and thank you to Cathy Sosa who is also our "Lady of the month" for all of your hard work keeping things running smoothly, helping our volunteers, and keeping smiles on everyone's faces, and of course for all that you do for our Ladies!

Come visit us on 10/03 for our "Fall Market And Bake Sale" from 10am-2pm. It's a perfect time to start shopping for upcoming holidays and take home some yummy goodies for yourself. Lot's of wonderful vendors and of course all of our baked goods from the LOEA Ladies!

Don't forget to check the Ladies FaceBook page for a vote on where we go to lunch in October. Always the first Wednesday of each month we get together for "Ladies Who Lunch" at 12pm.. Please if you are interested in getting more information about the LOEA just ask one of us! We would be happy to help.

Let's have a wonderful October filled with Laughter, Friendship, And Pumpkins. There has to be Pumpkins!!

10/03 - Fall Market & Bake Sale 10-2 Free to attend
10/07- Ladies Who Lunch (TBD) 12pm

"Autumn shows us how beautiful it is to let things go."
- F. Scott Fitzgerald

Kerrie Green
LOEA President 1224
727-831-3958



On Sunday, September 30th three Veterans recieved a "Quilt of Valor." Lodge members Johnny Miller. VAVS Representative along with 30 Year member Ross Gordon were among the three. The Quilt of Valor Foundation, is a nonprofit organization that makes and presents personalized quilts to veterans touched by war. This event was hosted by our LOEA.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!!!

St. Petersburg Lodge #1224 wELKomed 20 new members in SEPTEMBER



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

PROPOSED CANDIDATES

CANDIDATES	SPONSORS	OCCUPATION
Robert Bumiller	Robert Peterson	Maintance Tech
Carolyn Duvall	Michelle Root	Flight Attendant
Sharon Fendler	Cary Wimer	Speech Language Pathologist
Evelyn Hernandez	Jennifer Lumsden	Hospitality JW Marriott
Cherilyn Herzhauser	Laura Coffman	Teacher
Consuela Monty	Jennifer Lumsden	Nurse
Kristen Shockley	Todd Dourm HI #1912	HVAC Owner
Matthew Trent-Weekley	Lisa Easterhay-Steward	Administrator
Alison VanSweden	Jennifer Lumsden	Analyst
Richard Willis	Terra Boldt	Purchasing
Clayton Wittstruck	Amy Newman	Office Manager
Elizabeth Yarber	Todd Dourm HI #1912	Medical Exec

REINSTATE

Thomas Toon #011211 Milagrus Raheb #013290

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, spouses 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.**

SPOUSE ID CARDS

*** * * LODGE BYLAW * * ***

A VALID MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE is required in order for the office to release a spouse card beginning with the Elks calendar year 2026/2027.

You may either show a photo of it or bring a copy of the *certificate to the office so we can verify it.

***We will not copy or store your certificate.**

SPOTLIGHT NEWSLETTER MONTHLY PRESS SCHEDULE

**ALL *INSERTIONS DUE
ON THE 20TH OF THE MONTH
ON PRESS 25TH @ NOON**

*All advertising, editorial and calendar items.
For more information or deadline extension, contact the Editor.
cbressler59@live.com

"Timing is everything. What good is finding the RIGHT thing if it's the WRONG time?" — Mandy Hale

IDENTIFICATION CARDS AKA “SPOUSE CARDS” PROPOSED CHANGE ON HOUSE RULE #1 ON THE PURCHASE OF ALCOHOL

The Lodge Will Be Voting At The Next Meeting Tuesday October 13, 2026 7PM

CURRENT HOUSE RULE #1:

A current Membership or Identification Card must be shown in order to obtain service in the Club. Alcoholic beverages must be served only to bonafide Elk Members or their guests. The payment for such services and distribution must be made only by bonafide Elk Members. The only exception to this rule is in an area of the Club, which has been opened to the public by appropriate authority. Under no circumstances will unauthorized individuals be allowed to purchase alcoholic beverages.

PROPOSED CHANGE TO HOUSE RULE #1:

A current Membership or “Identification” Card must be shown in order to obtain service in the Club. Alcoholic beverages must be served only to bonafide Elk Members, their spouses with a valid Elks spouse “Identification” card and guests. The payment for such services and distribution must be made only by bonafide Elk Members or their spouse with a valid spouse “Identification” card and are only valid at their home lodge. The only exception to this rule is in an area of the Club, which has been opened to the public by appropriate authority. Under no circumstances will unauthorized individuals be allowed to purchase alcoholic beverages.



LODGE HALL BOOKINGS

Weddings, Anniversaries,
Parties, Meetings,
Luncheons
Whatever you can think up,
we'll work with you!!!

Splash!

OR BOOK YOUR NEXT
POOL PARTY HERE!
CONTACT: Ruth Green
(727) 480-7500



C. VALENTINE BATES MEMORIAL HOPE SCHOLARSHIP

Presented by Florida State Elks Association

SCHOLARSHIPS RANGE FROM \$3,000 to \$20,000 per recipient

OUR MISSION
The mission of the Florida State Elks Association C. Valentine Bates Memorial HOPE Scholarship is to provide financial support for the educational needs of Florida high school seniors without which they would not be able to achieve their educational goals.

ELIGIBILITY
• High School Seniors
• Resident of Florida
• United States Citizen

SCHOLARSHIP TARGETS STUDENTS WITH 2.30 - 3.59 UNWEIGHTED G.P.A.

SCAN HERE

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO APPLY, PLEASE VISIT
FLORIDAELKS.ORG/HOPE-SCHOLARSHIP

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 | masidolly@gmail.com
H. Tom Shriver, PDD | tomcat1224bpoe@aol.com

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

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

St Petersburg BPOE # 1224 Deceased 2025-2026

Elizabeth Balcombe	07/25/25
Rachel Schumacher	07/25/25
Fern Scanzelli	08/25/25
Doug Breyette, LM	11/05/25
Bobbie Wycoff	11/17/25
Douglas Lalino	12/24/25
Cathy Shriver, PER	01/19/26
Joseph O'Brien, PER, LM	04/03/26
Nan Galloway	05/31/26
Daniel Bowker	06/04/26
Deborah Williams	06/04/26

*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

In Memory of Al Goodrich	7/27
In Memory of William A Schulz	12/26
In Memory of Phyllis Povelitis	5/27
In Memory of George Povelitis PER	5/27

Gold Spotlight Boosters

Alexandra Kaan	12/26
Robert Anderson	8/26

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:
St. Petersburg Lodge No. 1224
Mail to:
BPOE St. Petersburg Lodge No. 1224
2675 66th Street North | St. Petersburg, FL 33710

VOLUNTEERS UNITE!

MAKE A DIFFERENCE • MAKE SOME FRIENDS • HAVE FUN!

Your lodge needs you • please be a volunteer today!

Contact the Lodge office for opportunities 344-6551

St Petersburg Elks Lodge #1224

SURVEY SAYS... LET'S PLAY

BATMAN MEDIA'S FRIENDLY FEUD

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25TH 1:00PM

EVERYONE GETS TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS FUN TWIST ON THE POPULAR GAME!

Presented by 

Open to Elks members and their guests

\$5.00 to play benefiting Florida Elks Charities



WE ARE WAIVING THE \$100 INITIATION FEE FOR THOSE HOLDING A CURRENT 2026-2027 ST. PETE LODGE IDENTIFICATION (SPOUSE) CARD

September 28 through October 26th, the lodge has agreed to waive the \$100.00 initiation fee for those who hold a current St. Petersburg Lodge Identification (Spouse) card. You would only be responsible for pro-rated dues of \$68.25 from November through the end of March 2027.

Regular annual dues thereafter beginning with the new lodge year April 1, 2027.

Membership applications may be picked up in the lobby or the lodge office during office hours.

PRESENTED BY 

Elks Lodge #1224
2675 66th Street N,
St. Petersburg, FL 33710

2nd SUNDAY every month 1-3pm

MIXTAPE

Bingo

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

Open to Elks members and their guests

\$5.00 to play benefiting Florida Elks Charities

St Pete Elks Lodge #1224

Open to Elk Members and their Guests

GOT IT

♥♣♦♠♥♣♦♠

Monday 2:30pm

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Benefiting Florida Elks Charities



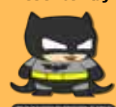
St Petersburg Elks Lodge #1224

MIXTAPE

Bingo

An evening of FUN at the Lodge

TUESDAY OCTOBER 27TH 6:30PM

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

St Petersburg Elks Lodge #1224

2nd SUNDAY every month 1-3pm

MIXTAPE

Bingo

4th SUNDAY every month 1-3pm

BATMAN MEDIA'S FRIENDLY FEUD

4th TUESDAY every month 6:30pm

MIXTAPE

Bingo

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Open to Elks members and their guests

\$5.00 per person to play benefiting Florida Elks Charities





JOHNNY L. MILLER
Grand Lodge Representative
Bay Pines VA Healthcare
System VAVS REP.

Email
johnnyleem@tampabay.rr.com
Phone : 727-642-8004



VETERAN'S CORNER

In September we were honored to have Florida State Elk's President Lenny DiLorenzo and First Lady Lauren vitiate our WCD. While here the holiday Isles and Largo Lodges were participating in a barbecue at the Community Living Center at Bay Pines for the veterans. Our State President and First Lady enjoyed visiting with the veterans and also getting a tour of our Elks office located at Building 2 on campus.

John Wilson and Robert Behn plus all of the volunteers made the veterans feel at home and fed at least 250 veterans.

On September 30th I was able to have 12 veterans at our lodge for lunch and then to the bowling alley. We still can't have the veterans in the evenings as of yet. It requires 2 staff members to accompany them and we are still experiencing a shortage of staff members. I am asked all the time when the veterans are coming back. All I can tell them it's not the Elks Lodge, It's the VA.

As always any questions you have with regard to the VA, I will try and get answer for you.

In Comradeship
Johnny Miller
(727) 642-8004



Florida State Elks President Lenny Di Lorenzo and First Lady Lauren visiting one of our veterans at the Community Living Center at Bay Pines.

VA

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

**VA
Caregiver
Support**

Call VA's Caregiver Support
Line toll-free today.
1-855-260-3274

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

**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

Veterans
Crisis Line

1-800-273-8255
PRESS 1

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.

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RECEIVE UP TO DATE
COMMUNICATIONS FROM US!**
Subscribe at: www.bpoe1224.com

WE WANT TO KNOW...

For questions or comments, go to www.bpoe1224.com just hit reply on the Officers Update. Return responses will be handled in the order received.

DON'T MISS A THING!

Visit our website or scan the QR CODE
www.bpoe1224.com

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

If you don't have a Facebook account,
you can easily create one!



REMINDER!

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



Day of the Deployed is a day to honor our deployed troops and their families for their bravery and the sacrifices they are making for our country. Supporters of the military are urged to get personally involved in activities that send care packages, offer messages of encouragement, and other morale-boosting activities to those currently deployed overseas and the military families of the deployed.

Day Of The Deployed Day of the Deployed will be observed on Monday, Oct. 26, 2026.

**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 •



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.*



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,
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EVERY WEDNESDAY

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LINEUP

1ST THURSDAY *Got It* AT **6:30 PM**

2ND THURSDAY *KARAOKE* @ **5:00 PM**

3RD THURSDAY *BINGO* AT **6:30 PM**

4TH THURSDAY *BUNCO & LODGE POKER* AT **6:30 PM**

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FIRST THURSDAY OF THE MONTH

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OCTOBER

- 2TH • **Ralph Rogers**
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No game is scheduled in December

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WEDNESDAYS 7:00PM

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OCTOBER 2026

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Office: 344-6551 • Lounge: 344-6553 LOUNGE HOURS Mon-Thur 11AM–10PM • Fri-Sat 11AM–11PM • Sunday 11AM-9PM OFFICE HOURS (Member Services) Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri *11AM–2PM • Thur 3–7PM ***NO FRONT DOOR KEY CARD ACCESS UNTIL 11AM *** POOL: Open Mon-Sat 7AM–10PM • Sunday 7AM-9PM			HAPPY PATTI'S KITCHEN Monday – Thursday 11AM to 9PM Friday and Sat 11AM-10PM Sunday 11AM to 8PM Sunday Breakfast: 2nd & 4th Sunday of the month 9AM to Noon	1 House Committee Meeting 6:30PM Got It 6:30PM	2 Tiki Open – 5PM MUSIC by "Ralph Rogers" 6:30-9:30PM	3 Tiki Open – Noon Arts & Crafts Market and LOEA Bake Sale 10AM-2PM MUSIC by Mellenheads 7-10PM Mellencamp Tribute Band \$15 Assigned Seating
4 Tiki Noon Queen of Hearts 4PM	5 Got it! 2:30PM	6 Karaoke with Darby 80's Until Now 7-10PM Margarita & Taco Night	7 Tiki Open – 5PM Tiki Bar Poker 6PM Board of Directors Meeting 6:30PM Trivia Night 6:30PM Dart League 7PM	8 KARAOKE 5:30PM	9 Tiki Open – 5PM MUSIC by "Dazler" 6:30-9:30PM	10 Tiki Open – Noon
11 Breakfast 9-Noon Tiki Noon Mixtape Bingo 1PM Queen of Hearts 4PM	12 Got it! 2:30PM LOEA Meeting 7PM	13 Lodge Meeting 7:00PM	14 Tiki Open – 5PM Tiki Bar Poker 6PM Trivia Night 6:30PM Dart League 7PM	15 Bingo 6:30PM	16 Tiki Open – 5PM MUSIC by "Al Rugeiro" 6:30-9:30PM	17 Tiki Open – Noon
18 Tiki Noon Queen of Hearts 4PM Cardboard Boat Regatta Poolside 1PM	19 Got it! 2:30PM Orientation/Initiation 6:30PM	20 Karaoke with Darby 80's Until Now 7-10PM	21 Tiki Open – 5PM Tiki Bar Poker 6PM Trivia Night 6:30PM Dart League 7PM	22 Game Night & Bunco 6:30PM	23 Tiki Open – 5PM MUSIC by "Surfin Raccons" 6:30-9:30PM	24 Tiki Open – Noon Halloween Party 7PM MUSIC by JenaRations Costume Contest!
25 Breakfast 9-Noon Tiki Noon Friendly Feud 1PM Queen of Hearts 4PM Texas Holdem 5PM	26 St. Pete Elks Movie Night Presentation: "HARRY POTTER" 6:30PM Got it! 2:30PM	27 Mixtape Bingo 6:30PM	28 Tiki Open – 5PM Tiki Bar Poker 6PM Trivia Night 6:30PM Dart League 7PM	29 KARAOKE 5:30PM	30 Tiki Open – 5PM MUSIC by "Tom Davis" 6:30-9:30PM	31 Tiki Open – Noon Pre 90's Car Show 9AM-1PM

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Our Lodge hosted State President Lenny & Lauren DiLorenzo and his Entourage Sept 12 for dinner and Sept 13 for breakfast before they headed out to Elks Day at the Rays. The Lodge was decorated beautifully inside and landscaped beautifully outside. This doesn't happen by chance. It takes strong and committed leadership to plan the work and gather up volunteers to work the plan. This was the 8th out of 14 State President Visits around Florida and by all accounts it was the best. Hat's off to St. Petersburg Lodge Wonderful West Central District Vice President Bonne Barnes, St. Pete Lodge #1224 ER Adrienne Sproul, SEC Carol Bressler, LOEA President Kerrie Green, Deseray Masi, Rob Davis, Happy Pattie's Kitchen, Luis Breingan, Yvette & Bartending Team, and each volunteer who stepped up to support this effort. Our Lodge was Looking Good! We are proud of you, and YOU SHOULD BE PROUD!

St. Pete #1224 is one of 8 Lodges in our Wonderful West Central District. The other Lodges are Dunedin-Clearwater #1525, Holiday Isles #1912, Largo #2159, New Port Richey #2284, Seminole #2519, Tampa #708, and Tarpon Springs #1719. Each of these Lodges are different with their own uniqueness. Our members are bonded together with other FL Elks and Elks around the nation by the Oath we took when becoming an Elk. During our State President Visitation to our WWCD Sept 11-13, our 8 Lodges collaborated together to raise \$50,630.00 to support our FL Elks Charities. This was the most amount raised all year! Thank you! We are proud to belong to the Wonderful West Central District, and YOU SHOULD BE PROUD!