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4 YEAR TRUSTEE - Shelagh Gombarcik, PER
5 YEAR TRUSTEE - Wendy Hall, PER

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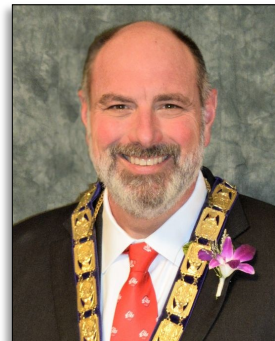
Club Hours:

Mon - Thursday 4:00pm - 11:00pm
Friday 4:00pm - 12:00am
Saturday 4:00pm - 11:00pm
Sunday 12:00am - 9:00pm

Lodge Secretary email:

tampa708secretary@outlook.com

A Message From your Exalted Ruler, T-Michael Boyle



September was a busy and exciting month at Tampa Elks Lodge 708! We were honored to begin the month with a visit from State President Mike Chandler as he toured the Wonderful West Central District. It was a great opportunity to showcase the energy and dedication of our members.

We also celebrated the 5th birthday of Monday Night Bar Bingo, which drew a fantastic crowd and proved to be a huge success. A major milestone for the lodge was the long-awaited repair of our roof, finally completed after last year's hurricane damage. This project ensures our lodge remains strong and welcoming for years to come.

Another highlight was the initiation of 13 new members—welcome to our growing Elk family! In addition, our Sunday Bottomless Mimosa and Bloody Mary Brunch was another success, bringing members and friends together for food, fun, and fellowship.

Looking ahead, we encourage all members to get involved in our many social activities and charitable committees. There are countless ways to help, and no contribution is too small. Whether it's lending a hand at events, volunteering for community projects, or simply sharing ideas, your participation makes a difference.

Remember, the lodge is open on Friday and Saturday nights, even when no events are scheduled—so stop by, see friends, and enjoy your lodge. Don't forget Sundays! Join us to watch football and enjoy our popular 1st quarter tailgate potluck.

Together, we make Tampa Elks Lodge 708 stronger every day!

Your 2025-26 Committee Chairs

708 Board of Directors - Chairman of the Board Laura Jones, T-Michael Boyle, ER, Chris Ragusa, Wendy Hall, PER, Shelagh Gombarcik, PER, Paul DeLand, PER, Norm Benzing, Ruth Levin, Cindy Allen

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Orientation - Laura Jones.....	(laj6687@gmail.com)
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Soccer Shoot - Patty Volpe	(pattyandmrfox@gmail.com)
Veterans' Services Committee - Chris Ragusa.....	(ragusachristopher@gmail.com)
Wills & Bequests - Richard Florance, PER	(rhflorance10@gmail.com)
Youth Activities - Jackie Jacobs	(jackie.jacobs1986@gmail.com)



WCD VETERANS FUND BARBEQUE SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25TH, 2025

Noon to 4:00pm | \$15.00 - Price includes: Entry fee, BBQ Chicken platter, soda, or water. Beer & Wine available for purchase.

Entertainment by Kris Pierce

Basket Raffle | 50/50 Drawing

Vendors Welcome | Vender Cost \$20

LARGO ELKS LODGE #2159

810 16TH AVE SE, LARGO, FL 33771

Bring your chair, umbrellas, and pop-ups!

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT YOUR LODGE

QUESTIONS: JOHN WILSON, PER 727-417-1608

A Warm Welcome to Our Newest Members



Aaron Murphy
Sponsored by
Jamie Poole



Amy Rowe
Sponsored by
Marc Maseman



Brenda Britt
Sponsored by
Rae Ann Boyle



Carol M Bugh
Sponsored by
Christina Schaefer



Gail (Underwood) Maseman
Sponsored by
Marc Maseman



Jerdan Prosser
Sponsored by
Jamie Poole



Staige D Hoffman
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Jamie Poole



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Sponsored by
David Reno



Randi Ruble
Sponsored by
David Reno



Robert Scott Miller
Sponsored by
David Miller



Shane Murphy
Sponsored by
Jessica Hood



Will Fields
Sponsored by
T-Michael Boyle, ER



HAPPY HALLOWEEN



Enjoying your Lodge

Invite a Friend to join...the more the merrier!

October Recognitions

ELK OF THE MONTH...ROSANNE GARCIA

As a fairly new member, Rosanne has jumped right in and proved herself to be a dedicated Elk, committed to our community enrichment programs. Her exceptional leadership as Chair of the Drug Awareness Committee and her involvement in the Madison Middle School, Motivated Mustang Club has made a tremendous impact on our lodge and community. Thank you, Rosanne, for your dedication, energy, and the passion you bring to this important work!



OFFICER OF THE MONTH...NORM BENZING

Norm and his wife Kim are 3 year members. He is always ready to lend a hand with Lodge repairs, set up and breakdowns and is a huge help with Queen of Hearts. Both he and his wife have become a real asset to our Lodge and jump in wherever needed. We could use several more of him. His hard work and positive spirit make a big difference for all of us—thank you, Norm!"



Grant Reports and Information

**TIME TO SIGN UP FOR THIS YEAR'S
ELKS SOCCER & HOOP SHOTS
TO BE HELD SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11TH - 10AM
AT FOSTER PARK**

**4700 S. CLARK
TAMPA, FL 33611**



SOCCER GOAL SHOTS

BOYS AND GIRLS AGES 1 - 15

HOOP SHOTS

BOYS AND GIRLS AGES 8-13

**WINNERS ADVANCE TO DISTRICT
TEAM COMPETITIONS**

FOR MORE INFORMATION EMAIL

pattyandmrfox@gmail.com

**WE ARE LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS TO ASSIST WITH THIS EVENT.
IF YOU ARE INTERESTED PLEASE CONTACT PATTY AT**

pattyandmrfoxmail@gmail.com





Chaplain's Corner by our chaplain, Tracy Horrell, PER:

Let's remember to love one another. We can agree to disagree, but love one another
Matthew 5:9- "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God"
Prayer Request: Tommy Moore and Paul DeLand, who is recovering from surgery

Lodge Support Group



Ladies of the Elks:

Buckle up people, the LOE is ready to start off the second half of our year!

Executive Board

Jacquie LoCicero, PLP - President
Shelagh Gombarcik, PER, PLP - Vice President
Cindy Allen - Secretary
Laura Jones - Treasurer
Suzanne Moore, PLP - Chaplain
Ruth Levin - Parliamentarian

Football season is in full swing! The Bucs are off to a great start. Could we be seeing a playoff spot or even a Super Bowl appearance in our future? Fingers crossed. The Ladies are here to help you support your team. Take a look at our LOE board and you will see a way to support your team while also supporting your LOE. The Ladies have Bucs door hangers for you. We have two sizes. The larger one is available for a donation of \$20 and the smaller one for \$15. To get your Bucs door hanger, call/text me at 813-245-6458.

Stepping ahead to the holidays, yes, the holidays! They will be here fast and furious. On December 4th and 5th, the LOE will once again have their annual LOE Christmas Bazaar. Here is where you can be a part of the fun. This year we will continue to have baked goods, if you have baking skills and would like to bake something for our bazaar, please let me know. Keep in mind that your baked goods should be wrapped and ready to sell. The Ladies are mixing it up a little this year, we will be having a silent auction starting on November 1st and running through our last bazaar day. We will auction themed baskets (think Gasparilla, Christmas, pets and more).

Be on the lookout starting on Nov 1st in the social quarters.

Downton Abbey fans (and we know there are many of you) be on the lookout for our BIG movie night. More information to come.

See you around the lodge
Jacquie LoCicero, PLP
President, Ladies of the Elks

OCTOBER Birthdays

Bonnie Atwood 10/18 Patty Jankiewicz 10/10

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Madison Middle School Motivated Mustangs

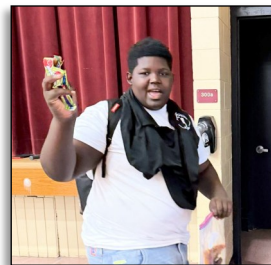
Motivated Mustangs Club at Madison Middle school is the Tampa Lodge project funded by the ENF Beacon Grant, and it is now in its second year. Tampa Elks Patty Volpe, the Project Manager, does the heavy lifting on this endeavor, and the volunteers just show up and follow her lead. This year the Club is meeting on a Wednesday each month during second lunch, and there are two planned field trips. The school sponsor is the school's social worker Tessa Hunziker. She chooses the students who need extra support to succeed and invites them to the Club. The students are being pulled out of class, so they need permission slips for that and for photographs, we expect the club to grow as those filters are in.



At the October meeting the theme was "getting to know you". As the students arrived they checked in, provided their T shirt size, and received a raffle ticket. Once the students were seated, they were invited to eat Papa John's pizza and dessert, with sodas or water. We were in the school cafeteria with a lot of tables available, and they were spread out on three tables. First, Patty asked each student to stand up and introduce themselves, tell us their grade and what high school they planned to attend next year. Then the volunteers joined the students at one table and were challenged to name each person at the table to earn snacks. Then the volunteers moved to the next table, and the game continued until each student succeeded and earned their snacks. The meeting lasts less than an hour, so we gave each student a gallon baggie and let them have another round of pizza "to go," followed by the raffle drawing for a \$25 Walmart gift card. As they prepared to leave, each student was given a fistful of Air Heads candy to take home. Leftover Pizza and drinks were sent to the teacher's lounge,

This school year, Elks have set up a snack pantry in the guidance office for club students who miss free breakfast or lunch due to arriving late. This month's volunteers (L-R) were Program Manager Patty Volpe, Elks Rosann Garcia, Carolyn Miller, PER Rita Smith, PTA President Laura Bell and PER Shelagh Gombarcik.

There is no such thing as too many volunteers! Register with the Hillsborough County School Board; approval usually takes a few days. Then email your name and phone number to Patty at



Grant Reports and Information

Lodge Veterans Committee Report



On Friday, September 12th, the Lodge Veterans Committee hosted 10 veterans from the Salvation Army Red Shield Center for Courtney's spaghetti/meatballs and chicken alfredo lasagna dinner. We also gave them two donated (by Susie Harlow) men's business suits for their sheltered veterans to use for interviews, etc.

For our Fun Boat Ride for veterans, Rita Smith, PER communicated at the General Membership that we were able to get our preferred date of Saturday, November 1. The Freedom Grant-funded Fun Boat excursion and Rick's on the River lunch will launch at 10:00am that day, and we'll shoot for a 12:00pm lunch at Ricks.

West Central District Veterans BBQ Fundraiser is on Saturday, October 25th at the Largo Elks 2159 lodge. It runs from 12:00pm - 4:00pm, and the donation is \$15. You can get your tickets from Chris Ragusa or Rick Schneider, PER.

The LVC will have our second annual Veterans Day Weekend Dinner for our Tampa Elks 708 Lodge veterans and their guests. The LVC will be cooking dinner for our veterans on Friday, November 7th. The meal will be free for our veterans, and members and/or their guests will pay a modest fee of \$20 for the meal. The menu will be finalized at our meeting on Monday, October 27, but the consensus is that we ask Tommy Pate to cook ribs and turkey breasts for this event - ribs to eat and turkey breasts to sell as a fundraiser.

Our next meeting is on Monday, October 27th at 6:30pm in the lodge banquet hall.

October is Veteran Suicide Provention Month

Whether you're a Veteran or a friend or family member concerned about one, confidential assistance is only a call, click, or text away.

For more information about the Veterans Crisis Line, visit VeteransCrisisLine.net.
For more information about VA's mental health resources, visit www.mentalhealth.va.gov.



U.S. Department
of Veterans Affairs



Confidential crisis chat at VeteransCrisisLine.net/Chat or text **838255**

Grant Reports and Information



Elks
National
Foundation

All Great Programs Start The Same Way: WITH A DREAM!

In 1928, the delegates at the Grand Lodge Convention established the Elks National Foundation with an initial grant of \$100,000 because of a dream. Then-National President John F. Malley envisioned that the ENF would “unite the forces of the Order into a mighty army for the service of mankind.”

Malley’s dream inspired decades of charitable work through the ENF, but it wasn’t until more than 70 years later when his dream of a charitable army started to come into fruition. The very first seeds of the Community Investments Program were sewn at an ENF Board of Trustees meeting in July 2001. Unfortunately, 9-1-1 changed everyone’s focus, and the program stalled. That changed in October 2004 with the arrival of new Programs Manager Debbie Kahler Doles. “Debbie jump-started the program,” ENF Director O’Kelley says. “She helped us define community and state our purpose.”

The Community Investments Program launched in July at the Convention in Reno with two components worth \$200 each: the Promise Grant, which the ENF had been funding through the Drug Awareness Program since 1999, and the Gratitude Grant, which would be available to Lodges that achieved the National President’s per-member-giving goal for the ENF. “The board was tentative at first,” O’Kelley says, “but the trustees saw what Lodges were able to do with those \$200 grants, and they’ve been expanding the program ever since.”

For 2025-26, when the CIP will mark its 20th anniversary, the program’s budget is nearly \$18 million, meaning the board has increased funding by more than 5,000 percent since that first year.

Elks National Foundation is the charitable arm of the Elks, and donations are tax deductible. You can designate which ENF program you would like to support or ask that your donation go straight into the Endowment Fund. Donate at ENF.ELKS.org

Please Join us for our **ENF EXPO** **DINNER PROGRAM**

Sat, October 11th, 6:30pm

Music by Alex Martinez

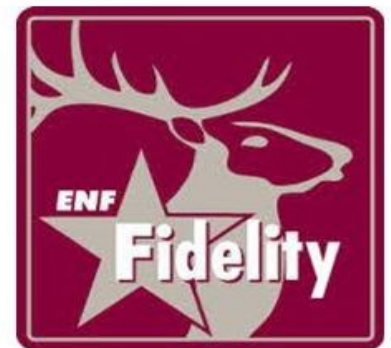
Dinner Menu: Salad, London Broil, or 1/4 Baked Chicken,
Rosemary Roasted Potatoes, Mixed Veggies & Dessert

**Tickets: \$22 in advance
\$25 at the door or**

**Free to all Tampa ELKs Fidelity Club Members
as of Sept. 30th**

October is ENF Month!

[\$10 of your ticket price is your donation to ENF]



Upcoming Events and Projects

Rockabilly Party



AT 708

OCTOBER 18TH

6:30 TO 10:30PM

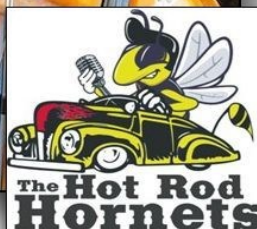
LIVE MUSIC, DINNER,

PIN UP MODELS, AND DANCING

50/50, RAFFLE BASKET

\$20.00

DRESS IN YOUR BEST 50S ROCKABILLY STYLE



**MENU: MEATLOAF,
MASHED POTATOES
& GRAVY, GREEN
BEANS AND DINNER
ROLL
CHOCOLATE CAKE
FOR DESSERT**

**(PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT
THE LODGE)**

Upcoming Events and Projects



LET'S DO DINNER AT THE LODGE WITH COURTNEY

OCT 3RD


Friday Dinner
October 3rd
Chicken
Cacciatore
Mashed
Potatoes &
Green Beans \$12.00

Or
Coconut Shrimp Basket
\$13.00

Ask about our Appetizer
and Dessert of the Evening

Serving 6:00 to 8:00

Sign up by emailing 708meals@gmail.com,
 or on the Lodge Bulletin Board by Thurs night.

If you'd like to receive a reminder email each
 Wednesday, please send your email address to
georgiahilficker@gmail.com

OCT 10TH


Friday Dinner
October 10th
Carl Williamson's
Country Fried
Steak

with House Salad, Mashed
Potatoes & Gravy,
Green Beans and a Roll
\$13.00

***Ask about our Appetizer and**
Dessert of the evening.

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OCT 17TH


Friday Dinner
October 17th
BASKET
NIGHT

Chicken Tenders
Beer Boiled Brats
Fried Mushrooms
Jalapeno Poppers

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Dessert of the Evening

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OCT 24TH


Friday Dinner
October 24th
Stuffed
Cabbage
w/Mashed
Potatoes
Or

Pork Schnitzel
w/Potato Salad-Both \$13

Ask about our
Appetizer and
Dessert of the Evening

Serving 6:00 to 8:00

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OCT 31ST


PLEASE SIGN UP AT 708MEALS.COM OR ON THE LODGE BULLETIN BOARD TO ASSURE YOUR MEAL!
ONLY A FEW EXTRA MEALS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR WALK-INS.

WANT TO GET ON THE REMINDER EMAIL LIST? SEND YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS TO [GEORGIAHILFICKER@GMAIL.COM](mailto:georgiahilficker@gmail.com)
DINNER SERVED FROM 6:00PM TO 8:00PM

BAR BINGO

Served Mondays 6pm to 7:30pm

Oct 6th - Tuna Salad Sandwich & Chips
\$7 or Tuna Melt \$9 with chips

Oct 13th - Gyro \$9 or Greek Salad \$8

Oct 20th - Ruben \$9

Oct 27th - Grilled Cheese w/Tomato
Soup \$9 or Meatball Sub \$9



QUEEN OF HEARTS

Donation by 6:45pm
Drawing at 7pm

Thursday Nights
Served 6pm to 7:30

***Oct 2nd - Dee's Open Grill Night**

***Oct 9th - LOEPOTATO BAR-\$8.50**

***Oct 16th - Jamie Pool Grill Night**

***Oct 23rd - Kristi's Pasta Night**

***Oct 30th - Kristi's Chili Night**

Upcoming Events and Projects



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SAVE THE DATE!

Friday, November 7, 2025
Veterans Day Weekend Friday
Night Dinner for Tampa Elks
708 Veterans

We'll kick off a weekend of gratitude for and recognition of our veterans on Friday, November 7, 2025, when the Tampa Elks 708 Lodge Veterans Committee honors our member veterans with a complimentary meal. Tampa Elks 708 members in good standing (current on dues) who have honorably served in the US Military are invited to join us for a fantastic BBQ meal. Veterans are encouraged to wear their uniforms if you can still fit in it!

Non-veteran members and guests of our veterans will pay a modest price of \$20 for their meal. Unfortunately, takeout orders will not be available for this meal.

We'll also be raising funds for our veteran-focused activities by selling smoked turkey breasts that day. Elk and Navy veteran Tommy Pate will have his famous pig tank in the parking lot preparing baby back ribs for dinner, and turkey breasts for sale at \$25 each.

There will be sign up sheets in the lodge for both the dinner and to order the turkey breasts. You can also RSVP and place your turkey breast order by emailing the LVC at tampaelks708vetscommittee@gmail.com.

FROM:



Drawing December 12 at
 Tampa Lodge Christmas Party
Need not be present to win!

**WIN
 THIS
 SCOOTER!**



**Tickets
 from any
 Tampa Elk
 Rider, or at
 the bar!**

\$20 each

Ice Bear Hawkeye
 PMZ150-3C 150cc with
 front disc brake, Cargo
 Box, Electric Start!



**Join Tampa 708 at our
 BUCs
 Tailgate Parties**

Great Food Buffet

Ready during first quarter

Free Drink Raffles

and join other fans as you

**Wave Flags and
 Cheer on the Bucs**

If you'd like to host a tailgate party
 please sign up on the sheet posted
 at the Lodge.

Upcoming Events and Projects

HALLOWEEN

Dinner & a Movie Night

DOUBLE FEATURE

6 pm

BEETLEJUICE

8 pm

BEETLEJUICE

TUESDAY
OCTOBER 28

THEMED DINNER
& COCKTAILS

FREE POPCORN - \$2 Theater Box Candy - TRICKS 'N' TREATS

KRISTI'S CHILI NIGHT

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 30TH
6PM - 8PM

CHILI 5-WAY

CONFEY



FRITO PIE

AND MORE ..



Bucs Season AT 708

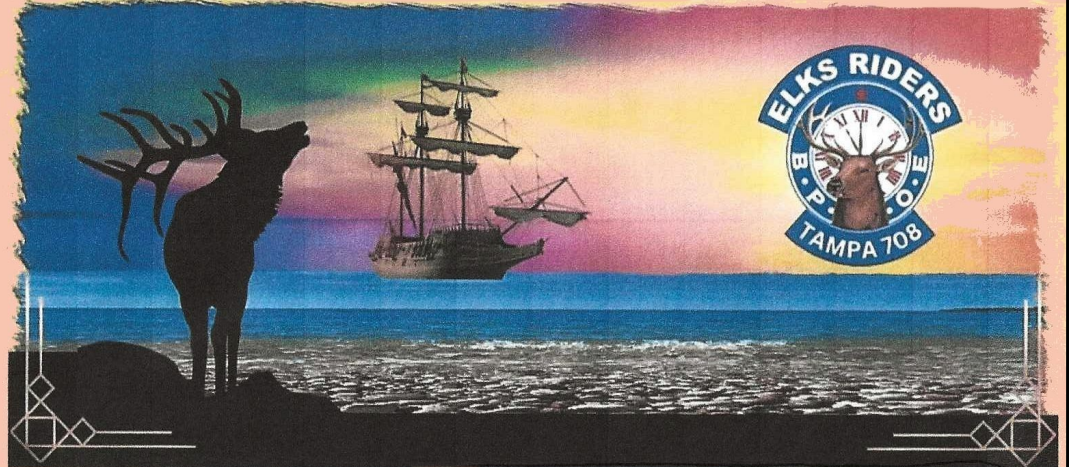
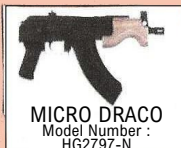
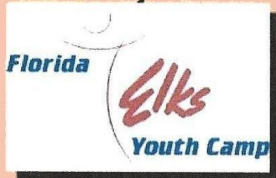


BIG SCREEN - COLD BEER - TAILGATING!

SUNDAY, OCT. 5.....	SEATTLE.....	4:05PM
SUNDAY, OCT. 12.....	SAN FRANCISCO	1:00PM
MONDAY, OCT. 20.....	DETROIT	7:00PM
SUNDAY, OCT. 26	NEW ORLEANS	4:05PM
SUNDAY, NOV. 9.....	NEW ENGLAND.....	1:00PM
SUNDAY, NOV. 16	BUFFALO.....	1:00PM
SUNDAY, NOV. 23.....	LOS ANGELES.....	8:20PM
SUNDAY, NOV. 30.....	ARIZONA	1:00PM
SUNDAY, DEC. 7	NEW ORLEANS	1:00PM
THURSDAY, DEC 11	ATLANTA	8:15PM
SUNDAY, DEC. 21.....	CAROLINA.....	1:00PM
SUNDAY, DEC 28.....	MIAMI	1:00PM

Lodge Business and Projects

YOUR TICKET PURCHASE HELPS
SUPPORT THESE GREAT CHARITIES



GUN RAFFLE

OCTOBER 4TH
4PM TO 6PM
at Tampa 708

ELKS LODGE 708
3616 W. GANDY BLVD
TAMPA, FL 33611
813-344-7050 OR 813-839-8928

RAFFLE TICKETS \$25.00

WINNER SUBJECT TO BACKGROUND CHECK

EXALTED RULER



- Big shout out to Rick Schneider, PER for not only overseeing our roof repair but also keeping the Lodge running smoothly with his tireless administrative work. Thank you Rick!
- A huge thank you to Jacquie LoCicero and the LOE for their generous \$1,500 donation to Harry Anna and for making our Lodge shine during the State President's visit.
- Cheers to Patty Volpe and Shelagh Gombarcik as well as the other generous volunteers for pulling off another amazing Motivated Mustangs event - your energy keeps our programs thriving!

OCTOBER LODGE MEETING SCHEDULE

- 1st - LOE General Meeting 7pm Dinner 6:15
- 8th - Elks General Meeting - 7:30
- 15th - New Member Orientation - 6:30
- 16th - BOD Meeting - 6:30
- 21st - House Committee Meeting - 6:30
- 22nd - Elks General Meeting - 7:30
- 27th - Lodge Veterans Meeting - 6:30

DID YOU KNOW?

The Elks National Foundation awards 500 [Most Valuable Student](#) scholarships annually, with award amounts for the top 20 recipients being \$30,000 over four years and the 480 runners-up receiving \$4,000. They also offer other programs, such as [Legacy Awards](#) for family members of Elks and [Emergency Educational Grants](#) for children of deceased or disabled Elks members, though these numbers vary.

Tampa Elks Lodge #708

OCTOBER 2025

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 LOE GENERAL MEETING 7PM LOE DINNER 6:15PM	2 Dee's Open Grill Night QUEEN OF HEARTS DONATIONS by 6:45PM DRAWING at 7PM	3 Friday Dinner October 3rd Chicken Cacciatore Mashed Potatoes & Green Beans \$12.00 Or Coconut Shrimp Basket \$13.00 Ask about our Appetizer and Dessert of the Evening Serving 6:00 to 8:00 Sign up by emailing 708meals@gmail.com, or on the Lodge Bulletin Board by Thurs night. If you'd like to receive a reminder email each Wednesday, please send your email address to georgiahflicker@gmail.com	4
5 BUCS V SEAHAWKS 4:05PM	6 TUNASALAD W/ CHIPS \$7 OR TUNA MELTW/ CHIPS \$9 BAR BINGO 6:30PM \$3 DONATION	7 7PM TO 9PM IMPROVAHALICS REHEARSAL	8 7:30PM GENERAL MEETING	9 LOE POTATO BAR \$8.50 QUEEN OF HEARTS DONATIONS by 6:45PM DRAWING at 7PM	10 Friday Dinner October 10th Carl Williamson's Country Fried Steak with House Salad, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Green Beans and a Roll \$13.00 *Ask about our Appetizer and Dessert of the evening. Serving 6:00 to 8:00 Sign up by emailing 708meals@gmail.com, or on the Lodge Bulletin Board by Thurs night. If you'd like to receive a reminder email each Wednesday, please send your email address to georgiahflicker@gmail.com	SOCCER & HOOP SHOOT SEE PG 4 Please join us for our ENFEXPO DINNER PROGRAM Sat. October 11th, 6:30pm Live Music Dinner: Tickets: \$22 in advance \$25 at the door or Free to Fidelity Club Members October is ENF Month! (\$10 of your ticket price is your donation to ENF) FIDELITY CLUB
12 BUCS V 49ERS 1:00PM	13 GYRO \$9 OR GREEK SALAD \$8 BAR BINGO 6:30PM \$3 DONATION	14 7PM TO 9PM IMPROVAHALICS REHEARSAL	15 6:30PM NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION INITIATION TO FOLLOW.	16 7:00PM BOD MEETING JAMIE POOLE GRILL NIGHT QUEEN OF HEARTS DONATIONS by 6:45PM DRAWING at 7PM	17 Friday Dinner October 17th BASKET NIGHT Chicken Tenders Beer Boiled Brats Fried Mushrooms Jalapeno Poppers Ask about our Appetizer and Dessert of the Evening Serving 6:00 to 8:00 Sign up by emailing 708meals@gmail.com, or on the Lodge Bulletin Board by Thurs night. If you'd like to receive a reminder email each Wednesday, please send your email address to georgiahflicker@gmail.com	18 Rockabilly Party AT 708 OCTOBER 18TH 6:30 TO 10:30PM LIVE MUSIC, DINNER, PIN UP MODELS, AND DANCING 50/50, RAFFLE BASKET \$20.00 DRESS IN YOUR BEST 50s ROCKABILLY STYLE MENU: MEATLOAF, MASHED POTATOES & GRAVY, BEER BEANS AND BINDER ROLL, CHOCOLATE CAKE FOR DESSERT IF YOU'D LIKE TO RESERVE YOUR SEAT!
19	20 BUCS V LIONS 7:00PM RUBEN \$9 BAR BINGO 6:30PM \$3 DONATION	21 HOUSE COMMITTEE MEETING 6:30PM 7PM TO 9PM IMPROVAHALICS REHEARSAL	22 7:30PM GENERAL MEETING	23 KRISTI'S PASTA NIGHT QUEEN OF HEARTS DONATIONS by 6:45PM DRAWING at 7PM	24 Friday Dinner October 24th Stuffed Cabbage w/Mashed Potatoes Or Pork Schnitzel w/Potato Salad - Both \$13 Ask about our Appetizer and Dessert of the Evening Serving 6:00 to 8:00 Sign up by emailing 708meals@gmail.com, or on the Lodge Bulletin Board by Thurs night. If you'd like to receive a reminder email each Wednesday, please send your email address to georgiahflicker@gmail.com	25 WCO VETERANS FUND BBQ LARGO LODGE SEE PAGE 2
26 BUCS V SAINTS 4:05PM	27 6:30PM LODGE VETERANS COMMITTEE MEETING GRILLED CHEESE & TOMATO SOUP \$9 OR MEATBALL SUB \$9 BAR BINGO 6:30PM \$3 DONATION	HALLOWEEN Dinner & a Movie Night DOUBLE FEATURE 6pm REFERENCE 8pm THURSDAY, OCTOBER 28 FREE POPCORN - \$2 Theater Box Candy - TRICKS 'N' TREATS 7PM TO 9PM IMPROVAHALICS REHEARSAL	29	30 HOLIDAY CHILI NIGHT THURSDAY, OCTOBER 30TH 6PM FRIED AND MORE... QUEEN OF HEARTS DONATIONS by 6:45PM DRAWING at 7PM	HALLOWEEN PARTY OCT 31st - 7PM KARAOKE w/3 POT LUCK DINNER COSTUME CONTEST SPOOKY DRINKS PRIZES AWARDED FOR MOST CREATIVE DISH AND BEST COSTUME LET'S PARTY!	

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