

COCOA ELKS NEWS

DECEMBER 2007

COCOA ELKS LODGE #1532

Exalted Rulers Message

Happy Holidays to everyone! We've been having some great events and good times at the lodge so far this year and I hope each and every one of you has a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! Also, please be extra careful in your travels this holiday season as we want it to be a safe one.

Dale Cox will be serving up his famous Egg Nog on December 12th. This is one of the Cocoa Elk's all time favorite events so I'm hoping all of you can attend and help me spread the Yule Tide! There will be great food and a special visit from the Spacecoast Barber Shop Choir. Also, we can't forget about the kids as Santa will again be visiting the Cocoa Elks on December 9th for the Children's Christmas Party!

We will be closed on Christmas Day but you can sure come visit all your friends and share the spirit of the holidays including Christmas eve.

I would like to say special thanks to all of the officers and bar staff for helping me so much this year. Also thanks to the members because without you, there wouldn't be the Cocoa Elks! Sorry my message is short this month but wait til next year!

Again, everybody be safe and have a great holiday season.

ER Wayne

**Happy Holidays
To All Our Families & Friends**



**From
Wayne R. Wilson, JR.
Exalted Ruler**

EGG NOG PARTY

Wednesday December 12th
6:00 PM

DALE COX's Famous Recipe
EGG NOG

SPACECOAST BARBERSHOPPERS
will be singing

Please bring an hors d'oeuvres.
We are family,
lets celebrate the Holidays together

Come Spread The Yule Tide!

Open Sundays

**THE LODGE WILL OPEN ON SUNDAY
NOON—until your money runs out**

**NFL TICKET
ALL THE GAMES
CHEER FOR YOUR FAVORITE TEAM
COLD LIBATIONS**

**GUEST BARTENDER
5 TVs, one in HD —YOUR CHOICE OF NFL,
NASCAR, GOLF, BASEBALL, HOME SHOP-
PING NETWORK OR WHATEVER**

EVENTS—DECEMBER

Children's Christmas Party— Dec 9th

NFL TICKET

SINGLES DANCE

QUEEN OF DIAMONDS

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

SUNDAY
DECEMBER 9TH

1:00 PM

GAMES/FOOD/FUN

PLEASE BRING A WRAPPED \$10 GIFT FOR
YOUR CHILD

SANTA WILL BE IN TOWN!

A SIGN UP SHEET IS POSTED ON THE
BULLETIN BOARD IN THE LODGE.

COCOA ELKS WEBSITE

We're back ON-LINE
Haven't received your bulletin yet! Don't fret!
All the info is on the website
www.cocoaelks.com

HOUSE COMMITTEE

The Bar Area will soon be under going renovations, to include replacing the floor, possibly replacing sub-floor joists, fixing the sub-floor plumbing and a new bar itself. We are looking for help in setting up a temporary bar in the pool room or dining room. Ideas are needed and welcome, along with elbow grease from any willing participant. The Bar is in desperate need of TLC, and this project is long over due, so please be patient and understanding during this trying time for the Lodge.

Remember, it's your Lodge!

Cocoa Elks Calendar

DECEMBER 2007

Highlights!

NFL Sundays

NFL MNF

Singles Dance

Tuesdays

Regular Meeting

1st & 3rd Thursdays

House Committee

4th Thurs

Holding Corp

2nd Thurs

Bingo every

Wednesday

Queen Of Dia-

monds Drawing

Every Saturday

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FOR DETAILS

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
							1 Queen of Diamonds 8PM
	2 NFL TICKET 12-? Guest bar- tender ER -Wayne	3 NFL MNF	4 Singles Dance 7:00PM	5 Bingo 6:45 pm Need Caller	6 Regular Meeting 7:30PM	7	8 Queen of Diamonds 8PM
	9 CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY 1:00PM** NFL TICKET	10 NFL MNF	11 Singles Dance 7:00PM	12 EGG NOG PARTY** Bingo 6:45 pm Bonnie	13 Holding Corp 7:30PM	14 PRIVATE PARTY	15 Queen of Diamonds 8PM
	16 NFL TICKET 12-? Guest bar- tender ER -Wayne	17 NFL MNF	18 Singles Dance 7:00PM	19 Bingo 6:45 PM Need Caller	20 Regular Meeting 7:30PM	21	22 PRIVATE PARTY Queen of Diamonds 8PM
	23 NFL TICKET Open 12-? Guest bar- tender ER -Wayne	24 NFL MNF	25 Christmas LODGE CLOSED	26 Bingo 6:45 pm Mike Spenser	27 House Com- mittee 7:30PM	28	29 Queen of Diamonds 8PM
	30 NFL TICKET Guest bar- tender ER -Wayne	31 NFL MNF LODGE OPEN	JAN 1 NEW YEAR LODGE CLOSED	JAN 2 Bingo 6:45 pm Need Caller	JAN 3 Regular Meeting 7:30PM	JAN 4	JAN 5 Queen of Diamonds 8PM

SECRETARY'S CORNER

Please join me in welcoming our newest members: Clare Sharpe, Cindi Thomas, Brad Hanson, and Sheldon Stevens. We also have 2 candidates who missed last months initiation and 1 new applicant (Kristen Reily) at press time. We still have 32 members who are delinquent in their dues. Please pay your dues and save us the delinquent notices next month! We miss you and need you back.

As of December 1st our membership statistics for this year are as follows: 304 Active members, 32 delinquents, 3 Dimits into our lodge, 3 Dimits out of our lodge, 4 reinstatements, and 3 members deceased.

Happy Holiday's To Everyone... We'll see you at my favorite Elks Event – The Egg Nog Party on December 12th – Come Spread The Yule Tide!

Randy Hunter (PER)
Secretary

FUTURE EVENTS

HOOP SHOOT— JANUARY
CONTACT BOB BACKUS FOR DETAILS

Sickness & Distress

Our prayers are with you and your families.

To Our Absent Members....

*Our deepest sympathy to your family and friends.
They will be missed by all.*

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Austin Mansberry	12/01/1943
Sylvia Fallen	12/03/1958
Wendell Harrison	12/04/1940
A.B. Morse	12/04/1952
Donald Helms	12/07/1930
Richard Shotwell	12/09/1946
Robert Ebersbach	12/11/1945
Wesley Clark	12/13/1931
Robert Barnini	12/15/1934
Wesley Houser Jr.	12/15/1951
Daniel Bryan	12/17/1944
Charles Provost	12/17/1936
Charles Reed	12/17/1926
Kathryn Brown	12/18/1951
Linda Adriansen	12/21/1952
Robert Dubose	12/22/1920
Arlan Ropp	12/22/1934
James Davis II	12/26/1964
Jack Moore Jr.	12/27/1950
Wendy Goldacker	12/29/1965
Frank Spotts III	12/30/1955
Dana Ferrell	12/31/1966
Debra Payne	12/31/1953

*Can you find this month's eldest member
Congrat's **ROBERT***

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BINGO

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NEW PRICING & FORMAT

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BONUS CARD = ONE EXTRA CARD, PLAYABLE ALL GAMES, ALL NIGHT, FOR AN ADDITIONAL \$1.00 (ONE TIME CHARGE)!

PLAY WILL BE FOR A MINIMUM OF 10 GAMES, WITH THE LAST GAME BEING THE **JACKPOT*!**

(* MUST PLAY ALL GAMES FROM THE 7TH GAME ON TO QUALIFY FOR THE JACKPOT GAME! STARTING AROUND 6:30-6:45PM IN THE BAR AREA.

House Committee By-Laws Revision

COCOA ELKS #1532 BY-LAWS PROPOSED CHANGES

MEMBERS – The By-Law Committee has reviewed our current By-Laws and has proposed the following changes for the Lodge year of 2008-2009. Please read the proposed changes carefully and consider attending the meeting on December 6th, 2007, where these changes will be voted on for adoption, in whole or in part.

ARTICLE III (Life Membership)

Section 2: States, Lodge may vote (2/3) to elect a member into life membership who have paid dues for 30 years, not less than the last 10 with this lodge, and who have attained the age of 65 years. Total life membership for the lodge will not exceed 10% of the total membership. In the event 10% Life Membership is attained, members who are eligible and voted for into Life Membership will be placed on a waiting list until such time that they can be placed into the life membership. Current Life Members will be “grandfathered.”

Proposed New Language - Lodge may vote (2/3) to elect a member into life membership who have paid dues for 30 years, not less than the last 10 with this lodge, and who have attained the age of 65 years.

ARTICLE X (Fees & Dues)

Section 2. States dues as \$100.00/year plus \$10.00 “lodge admin fee”

Proposed New Language – Change to \$100.00/year flat fee inclusive of lodge admin fee and State and Grand lodge assessments”

The verbage for the ritual team is still being formulated, but will consist of a ritual team for initiation except for the DDGER inspection.

Remember, It's your Lodge!

“What Is An American”

ESSAY CONTEST

*Sponsored by Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of
The United States of America*

RULES:

1. Eligible participants must be Students enrolled in the 5th, 6th, 7th or 8th grade at the time of the contest.
2. Essay length is not to exceed 250 words.
3. Essay must be typed or legibly printed in ink.
4. Essay must be submitted for judging to the Elks Lodge nearest to the address of the entrant.
5. Participant must be identified by name, grade, school attending and sponsoring Elks Lodge on the Essay.

AWARDS:

Prizes awarded by the Grand Lodge for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Place for National winning essays in Division I and Division II will be announced at the Grand Lodge Session in Anaheim, CA, July 6-10, 2008 as follows:

Division I {5th & 6th Grades}

Division II {7th & 8th Grades}

1st Place \$500 US Savings Bond

2nd Place \$300 US Savings Bond

3rd Place \$200 US Savings Bond

ENTRY DATE:

Essay should be submitted to local Elks
Lodge on/before January 10, 2008.

*The Essay Contest Cover Sheet must be completed for each
level of competition and remain attached to the Essay.*

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