

COCOA ELKS NEWS

MAY 2008

COCOA ELKS LODGE #1532

Exalted Rulers Message

As you will no doubt note when you go through this month's bulletin we have hit the ground running this new year. (A quick thanks to Brother Chris Fafard for putting out the Bulletin.) The new bar area has generated quite a buzz and some other nice upgrades to the other areas have drawn some attention.

If you missed the Installation Dinner last month you missed a good time. The food that Lee and crew put out was great and the dancing was fun. Thanks to everyone (they don't give me enough space to name everyone) who pitched in to make it such a great success. If I were you I wouldn't miss anymore of these functions.

Shameless promotion of the facilities by our social guru Donna Stamatakis, and others, has resulted in a marked increase in the number of private parties being booked at the Lodge. These are proving to be very profitable and I would like to see these continue and even increase. I encourage everyone to talk up the availability of the facilities to your friends and family. As we begin to book more and more parties, however, it becomes more difficult to manage. To ensure we don't over book the facilities, all requests for bookings need to go through Ms. Donna. Thank you for your support in this matter.

We already have several new members coming on board in May. Last month I set a goal of 100 (net) new members for this lodge year. I am confident we can do this. There is a poster on the Bulletin Board in the bar area that is designed to track the number of new members. You have heard this before -- If everyone just brought in one new member -- well you know its right. It can happen. Anyone game for a little competition? Line up your recruits. Next months message will reveal a scheme to reward the Member with the most new Members.

I have been encouraged, already, by the amount of support and help we are getting from members who have been willing to step up and help with a number of things. Again, as you will see in the Bulletin we have a lot of Lodge activities on the calendar for May and June. And the rest of the year will be just as busy. We have placed sign up sheets on the bulletin board for some of these activities and need more people to help. Please try to find some time in your otherwise busy schedules to help out.

There is also a need to fill some of the Committee positions that remain vacant. If you see me coming to talk to you please don't run. We need you!!!!!!

Secretary Beth Davis has been working very hard to get new cards out to the dues paying Members. These first two months are hectic. Thank you Beth for hanging in there. Keep up the great work.

At the time of this writing, however, I have noticed that a number of Members have not yet sent in their dues for the 2008 - 2009 Lodge year. If you haven't been down in awhile, please take the time to come and see the changes and bring your dues check with you. We think you will like what you see and with all the fun activities we are planning, we hope this will encourage you come around more often.

I think I'm about out of space so I'll close by saying that Betty and I are excited about this coming year and all the promise we see for making it a great one. Oh!!!! And one last thing -- Petey, I think you've milked this thing long enough. Back to work. We miss you.

ER Mike

Kentucky Derby Day

Annual Run for the Roses from Churchill Downs
May 3rd Saturday
Noon until Closing

All the usual events
Elks Horse Races
The real Horses run around 6PM

Mint Juleps Specials

Come Down and Cheer for your favorite Horse

BAR Grand Opening/ Petey Benefit

Sunday May 18th
Noon until Closing

50/50s
Raffles
Auctions

Please donate items by contacting the Lodge
631-1434

A GREAT time to see the new Bar and have a
fun raising money for a good Cause.

\$1 Mimosas

See you soon Petey

Mother's Day Breakfast

Sunday May 11th
8AM—11AM

Family Style Breakfast

Scrambled Eggs, Pancakes, Biscuits, Sausage or Bacon

Let the Elk's do the cooking

Cinco De Mayo Party

Stating the Obvious
Monday May 5th
4 until Closing

\$1 House Margarita Specials

Nancy's Nearly-World-Famous Tacos

Bring your favorite Mexican Dish
If you wish

EVENTS—MAY

Kentucky Derby/Cinco De Mayo Day —
May 3rd

Mother's Day Breakfast — May 11th

Bar Grand Opening/ Petey Benefit — May
18th

State Convention — May 23rd start, all
weekend

Steak Night—Steak Shoot

Saturday June 7th

Steak Night
The usual trimmings
By Dave Pemberton and Lee Fink
6-8PM

Due to a potential Ordering Shortage - Please pur-
chase Pre-order Tickets at the bar to insure your
steak on Saturday Night

Steak Shoot
After Dinner around 8:30PM
Win some Awesome Meat!!!

MAY 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Regular Meeting 7:30PM	2 Private Party in the dining room	3 Kentucky Derby Day* Noon 'til closing time Queen of Diamonds 8PM
4 Open 12-6	5 Cinco De Mayo 4pm 'til closing time	6 Singles Dance 7:00PM	7 Bingo 6:45 pm Need Caller	8 Holding Corp 7:30PM	9	10 Queen of Diamonds 8PM
11 Open 12-6 Mother's Day Breakfast* 8- 11AM	12	13 Singles Dance 7:00PM	14 Bingo 6:45 pm Bonnie	15 Regular Meeting 7:30PM	16 Private Party in the dining room	17 Queen of Diamonds 8PM Private Party in the dining room
18 Bar Grand Opening Petey Benefit Open 12-6	19	20 Singles Dance 7:00PM	21 Bingo 6:45 PM Mike Spencer	22 House Committee 7:30PM	23 Private Party in the dining room	24 Queen of Diamonds 8PM
25 Open 12-6	26	27 Singles Dance 7:00PM	28 Bingo 6:45 pm Need Caller	29 Regular Meeting 7:30PM	30	31 Queen of Diamonds 8PM
JUN 1 Open 12-6	JUN 2	JUN 3 Singles Dance 7:00PM	JUN 4 Bingo 6:45 pm Bonnie	JUN 5 Holding Corp 7:30PM	JUN 6 Private Party in the dining room	JUN 7 Steak Night and Steak Shoot* Queen of Diamonds 8PM

* see Page 2 for details

SECRETARY'S CORNER

The dues are coming in slowly, please remember to send in you dues as soon as possible. We currently have over 200 members who have not paid their dues. We are working hard to input the data into the computer system and send out cards in a timely manner. Please be patient.

If you've received your new card and you feel something is incorrect (i.e. years, office held, name misspelled or stickers missing), please bring your card personally down to the lodge and we will try to make amends.

If you received a green key card, please bring your card and we will swap the green card for an orange card. We apologize in advance for the inconvenience.

Respectfully

Beth Davis PER

Secretary

FUTURE EVENTS

Steak Night and Shoot — June 7th

Father's Day Breakfast — June 15th

District Deputy Visitation — June 21st
Luau Theme - Hawaiian Dinner

Friday Night Dinners are BACK—need volunteers, sign up at the bar

Sickness & Distress

Our prayers are with you and your families.

Petey MaCain is at home recovering from surgery.

Beth Scarborough's sister passed away.

To Our Absent Members....

Frank Berger passed away on March 30th

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

MAY BIRTHDAYS

4	MELVIN J CAMPBELL	1925
5	ROBERT J BROWN	1943
8	BARRY J MURRAY	1943
12	RUSSELL L GRAY	1940
13	RONALD HUMPHRIES	1950
16	MICHAEL DAHM	1964
17	RALPH KENNEDY	1956
18	DAVID C KLEEBAUER	1969
20	JOHN F EDWARDS	1937
24	STEPHEN C HOUSER	1955
25	TRACY HARRELL	1971
27	BARBARA Y POWELL	1938
29	JOE T CARUSO	1940
	CHARLES T MURRAY	1941
	THOMAS A WHITE	1947
30	STEPHEN MACEARHERN	1955

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

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BINGO

WEDNESDAY NIGHT **BINGO**

NEW PRICING & FORMAT

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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.

Bulletin NOTES

The bulletin is going through some renovations.

We would like for you to critique our work—please send in suggestions and comments

We would like to try a classified ad section \$5 per month to run a personal ad

We need pictures from around the lodge or happenings involving members of the lodge in digital format—Please e-mail to cocoaelks@cfl.rr.com

If you currently have a business card ad in the bulletin please renew your \$25 subscription to keep the ad running for the new year—fees not received by May 15th will be dropped from June's edition

Thank You
Editor/Publisher

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Regular Bar Hours

MON.,TUES.,WED. 3-10PM
THURS.,FRI.,SAT 3-11PM
SUN Noon-6PM

Bartenders will have some flexibility at closing time, not before closing time.

Special Events times will be posted in the bulletin.

THE SHADOW KNOWS.....

Wow! What a hectic month. The bar was a wreck, but it looks GREAT now. If you haven't been around to watch the progress, I believe you will be impressed.

We had the ER dinner and welcomed Mike Spencer as our new ER and we said our farewells to Wayne Wilson. We had a birthday party for Chris Fafard and boy did he get roasted. We also had 2 wedding reception, 2 private parties and we gave our annual dinner for the Meals on Wheels volunteers. Whew was that a hectic evening, as we also had bingo going on. Thanks to Dave Pemberton, Nancy Walker, Krista AKA (peaches) Tommy Holland, Kay Kelly, Lee Fink, Donna Stamatakis, Mike and Betty Spencer and Gladys Miller for all your help. They served over 100 meals. Good job folks!

We had the Softball tournament the 25-27 but as of this printing I don't know our team's status. The dues renewals keep coming in. Thank You to all our members.

We have some fun event coming up. May 3rd the Kentucky Derby with races, food, prizes, Etc. also the same day we will celebrate Cinco De Mayo! So folks bring in your best Beans and rice, tacos, dips flan whatever JUST BRING IT IN. lets all join in and make this a great event. Our special bar drinks will be Mint Juleps and Margaritas. Please join us.

May 18th will be the Bar Grand Opening and a benefit for Petey, we can use items to auction off, we will have 50/50s. We can use any donations from dinners, gifts so check your closets see what you can give us. HELP. Hope to see ya'll there.

The Elks convention is in Orlando the 23rd -25th of May if you would like to attend call the lodge for info. This year we are having a Mothers day and Fathers Day Breakfast 8:00 to 11:00 A.M So folks let us **do the cooking.** (May 11th and June 15th)

We are REALLY leasing the dining room for private parties a lot now. We will be having a **clean-up paint** party soon. We will have a sign-up sheet available. Anything you can do will be greatly appreciated. We are having the District Deputy visit June 21st the theme is Hawaiian. We want to impress them.

That's all I can think of for now folks
See you next month
The Shadow

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Next Month If Not Paid!

BULLETIN BOOSTER APPLICATION

- Renewal
 New

NAME _____
Member/Wife Name

Send to Lodge #1532

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The lodge has many private party booked for the near future. We can accomplish these only because of our wonderful facility. It takes time and money to maintain our beautiful monstrosity. All proceeds from private party bookings are being allocated for Lodge improvement. If you would like to donate to this worthy cause please feel free.

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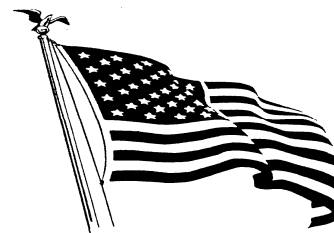
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