



Miami Messenger

January 2012



Miami Elks 948

Calendar of Events January 2012

- 2 Junior Orange Bowl Parade
- 4 Regular Meeting
- 6 Garden Feast
Music - DJ Nelson
- 7 Surf & Turf
Music - Walt Cordle
- 9 Investigation
- 10 Orientation
- 11 Initiation Meeting
- 13 Hearty Meals
Music - Steven McGrath
- 14 Elvis tribute, David Morin
Prime Rib in Dining Room
- 18 Regular Meeting
- 20 Beefeaters Dinner Specials
Music - Kim Bankston
- 21 Wine Tasting
- 27 Surf and Turf
Music - Michael Wainwright
- 28 Talent Show
Dining Room Specials

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of Cesar Guerrero

Ending a Year of Accomplishment

Dear Members and Friends,

As we begin 2012, my wife Ramona and I would like to wish our members, and their families at Miami Lodge #948 a Happy and Prosperous New Year. We had a "December to Remember," with all the activities, entertainment, and holiday festivities, music and dancing every weekend. A special thanks to our hard working 'behind the scenes' members.



My Sincere Thanks for the hard work and dedication of all my officers, committees, volunteers, and employees. Thanks also to our Elkettes for their ambitious projects and successful completion. Our Trustees have also been busy taking on and completing much needed repairs at our lodge; they deserve to be sincerely thanked by all our members for their accomplishments. During the past year, I have come to admire and appreciate all that our hardworking Yard Crew does for our lodge, and how much we are indebted to them.

Much was accomplished at our Lodge in 2011, and none of this would have been possible had it not been for our members at #948. We should be proud that we as Elks accomplish so much together in our own community. I challenge our members who are not actively participating to get involved in all the noble work to which our order is so dedicated. Like myself, you'll be glad you did. Together "Elks Care...Elks Share."

We live in the greatest country of all. Our thoughts and prayers go out to all the men and women in uniform. We thank them and our veterans for their sacrifices and efforts in serving and protecting our country, and giving us the greatest gift of all... Our Freedom. May God Bless our troops, veterans, and their families, all our members and their families, and may "God Bless America!"

Fraternally, *Louis Stanford DeSouza, ER*

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 Auditing & Accounting - Leman Murray
 Blood Drive - Angela Maltzman, Theresa Beno
 Bulletin - Marie Grime
 By-Laws - Ron Riley
 Community Activities - Milt Muller PER
 Drug Awareness - Ron Simpson
 Elks National Foundation - Nivia Myers
 Flag Day - Joe Llanes
 Government Relations - George Moro, PDDGER
 Harry-Anna Trust Fund - Delfin Mule'
 Hoop Shoot - Wade Fisk
 Hospital Visitations - **Open***
 House Committee - Jack Lopez
 Indoctrination - Louis DeSouza
 Inter-Lodge Visitation - Mary Rust PER
 Investigation - Marcie Arrendale
 Justice Sub. Forum - Nat Barone, PDDGER
 Lapsation - Mary MacArthur
 Lodge Activities - Cristina Lopez
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 Major Projects, 2 year - Jack Lopez PER
 Mediator - Jack Finn
 Membership - Nivia Myers
 Memorial Day - **Open***
 Memorial Service - Delfin Mule'
 Nat'l Veterans Services - **Open***
 Officer Attendance - Ginger DiCristafaro
 Officer of the Day - Allen Carr
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 PER Association - Jack Lopez
 Publicity/PR - Glenn Tekerman
 Ritual Coordinators - George Moro, PDDGER
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 Scholarships - Virginia Hunter, Trina Bailey Del Valle
 Soccer Shoot - **Open***
 Sports Coordinator - Brad Schwartz
 VAVS Coordinator - Rosalie Walfish
 Visiting Committee - **Open***
 Youth Activities - **Open***

***Will you chair an open committee? Contact ER Louis DeSouza.**

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Apologies to Carol Pastusak, omitted last month for her Memorial Service article.

Marie Grime, Editor (MGrime6300@aol.com)

Time to Celebrate January Birthdays!



- 1 Mervyn Ames
Donna Penny
Raymond Renouf
Dudley Wells
- 2 Allen Carr
Rodney Knisely
Douglas Valle
- 3 Gene Brewer
Kevin Buchwald
Pat Howard
Tom Palma PER
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- 4 George Cosgrove
Patricia Hassell
Frank Lopez
- 5 John Martin, Jr
- 6 Grace Howell
Joyce Natter
Joan Pallidine
Mercedes Varela
- 7 Edward Callahan
Harry Childs
William Maer
Edward Nelson
Renee Pasquarella
- 8 Ron Riley
- 9 Elizabeth Hightower
- 10 Britt Parker
Israel Perez
Lawrence Peterson
- 11 Norman Caldera
Hortensia Reynaldos
Wayne Rumbaugh
Ellen Sprankle
- 12 Roland Ordenes
- 13 Linda Fowler
Jeff Kaplan
- 14 Robert Fulcher
Kathy Howell
Barry Jordan
Marta Vila
- 15 Norma Buttrill
Nick Lamis
Jaci Minton
Sunny Whitelock

- 16 John Fuerth
Steve Pristas PER
Albert Ray
Michael Wexler
- 17 Stephen Ezell
Ramon Gonzalez
Franklin Perez
Wallace Stevens
- 18 Rob Blanco
Daniel Marmorstein
Laura Sierra
Charlie Williams
- 19 Bert Caplan
Sylvia Isern
Felipe Munoz
- 20 Elina Blanco
Shelia Lipitz
Sandy Schwartz
George Stelle
- 21 Nat Barone PDD
Lisa Del Monte
Jim Haney
John McLane
Agnes Pozsonyi
Steven Tudor
- 22 Judith Mollengarden
- 23 Larry Anderson
Albert LaChance

- 24 Joseph Dureiko
Oscar Lopez
D. Scott Shaver
Sammy Sinquefield
- 25 William Gold
Judith Pollock
Edward Wall
- 26 Eugene Mitchell
Benn Mullins
- 27 Irwin Futerfas
Tony Martin
Wendy Robbins
- 28 Paulette Bailey
James Blizzard
Marie Davis
William Imhof
Gus Joanides
John Kent
Charles Manning
Carol Nobles
Frank Obregon
Dennis Rostant
- 29 Edward Disch
James Gardner
George Imhoff
Douglas Hassell
- 30 George Imhoff
- 31 Douglas Hassell

BIRTHDAY COUPON
Good for:

- a free well drink or
- a free domestic beer; and
- 10% off your meal.

If your birthday is this month, bring the birthday coupon to the lodge, anytime within the month, along with your ID.

OOPS! Did We Goof?

If we missed,
or mis-spelled
your name,
got the date
wrong, etc.
please email
your correction
to
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and
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Membership News

ICE Your Cell Phone

Your very first New Year's resolution should be to put ICE on your cell phone. ICE stands for In Case of Emergency. Whatever your age, health, or condition, a life can shift into total reverse in a split second, and stay in that reverse for a few hours, days, weeks.

You want to stay optimistic and live as enjoyable a life as is possible for you. But you want insurance, too. Consider ICE as a form of insurance.

Here's how you do it:

- Notwithstanding a first responder, start with the **first person in your life** who should be called if something were to happen to you. Your spouse, significant other, child, roommate, neighbor?
- What is that person's relation to you?
- Even if that person is already in** your cell phone directory or on a speed dial set-up, put "ICE" in the directory, add the relation (i.e. ICE son), then
- program that number** under that designation.

Should something happen to you, and you're unable to communicate, first responders, hospital workers, etc. will be able to check for ICE on your phone and rely on the person at that number for information and instructions.

You're not alone if you don't know how to program a number into your cell. If this is the case, ask someone more tech-savvy to do this for you. And right away, please!

Lodge of Sorrow

Patrick G. Hourihan

Born: February 28, 1938

Initiated: October 17, 1990

Died: November 20, 2011

Noel Brown

Born: December 24, 1926

Initiated: November 1, 2011

Died: November 25, 2011



Applications for Membership

Applicant	Occupation
Adelina Baldizon-Vigilante	Teacher
Sponsor: DD Jeff Muehlfeld	
Charles L Evers	Building Inspector
Sponsor: Charles L Evers Sr.	



Lucy Arisitizabol	Edgar Pierce
Catherine Gilewicz	Dean Smith
Cesar Lastra	Joan Tepper
Danielle Norado	Sunny Whitlock

Dining and Dancing

Weekend happiness is a great meal, then some great music to dance by so we can work it off. Check out January's schedule:

Day	Date	Dinner	Music
Fri	.....6th.....	Garden Feast.....	DJ Nelson
Sat	.....7th.....	Surf and Turf	Walt Cordle
Fri	.....13th	Hearty Meals.....	Steven McGrath
Fri	.....20th	Beefeater Dinners	Kim Bankston
Fri	.....27th	Surf and Turf	Michael Wainwright



Member News

■ Charity

Let's Do This For Our Loved Ones



You probably have lost someone you love to Cancer. Or, if you're lucky, someone in your family or circle of friends is a survivor. It may be you. In March 2012, Relay for Life (R4L) will be a one-day effort to root out Cancer and the devastating effects it can have on our lives.

Please join us in this. Join us for your parents, your siblings, your children, aunts and uncles, cousins, in-laws. Join us for all our departed friends who succumbed to Cancer.

Cancer drugs and cancer treatments have already improved, cancer survival has already increased since people like us began to fight the disease with the American Cancer Society.

Please go to this computer link and look for our team Miami Elks Lodge Wheel of Fortune.

http://main.acsevents.org/site/TR?pg=entry&fr_id=37343

Follow the link and register under our team "Miami Elks Lodge 948 Wheel of Fortune Team," make a donation on our lodge's behalf. We thank you so much for your generosity.

If we raise \$5,000 this month, the R4L organization will put Miami Elks Lodge 948 on the official R4L t-shirts worn by all participants. So few people in South Florida know what a generous, giving, active lodge we are, and this will help to put our name out in public.

Nivia Myers - Marie Grime



■ Americanism Contest

"Why I am Proud to Pledge Allegiance to Our Flag"

The title for the 2011/2012 Americanism Essay Contest is "Why I am Proud to Pledge Allegiance to Our Flag."

The contest will be held in two divisions and the essay length is not to exceed 250 words. Division I is for students enrolled in the 5th/6th grades, and Division II is for 7th/8th grade students.

Prizes awarded by the Florida State Elks Association for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winning essay in both divisions will be announced at the State Convention in Orlando in May 2012. The 1st place winners in both divisions will then compete in the National contest and those winners will be announced at the Grand Lodge Session in Austin, TX, July 1 - 5, 2012.

The Grand Lodge winners will receive a U.S. Patriot Savings Bond for \$1,000, \$500 and \$250 respectively.

Contest applications are available in the Lounge/Dining area hallway and the essays should be returned to me no later than January 19, 2012. For questions call me at 305-772-5114, or email MajorNL@aol.com to receive a contest form online.

Nick Lamis, Jr.

Elks Care - Elks Share

Elkettes Page

Ladies Auxillary

President's Message

Dear Elkettes and Elks,

On behalf of the Officers and Members of the Elkettes, I wish you a happy and healthy New Year!

Thanks you to all who attended the Yard Sale on December 4th and supported the Elkettes sale.



We appreciated your participation. We also thank everyone who helped sell donated items and those who donated items for our sale. We especially want to thank the following Elks who helped set up a tent and tables and assisted us on this project: Ralph Chislett, Paul Shepard, Charlie Williams, Ben Jackson, Felix Sensale and John Castro.

We are looking forward to seeing you all on February 11th for our Annual Sweetheart Ball. See details opposite and order your tickets as soon as possible, as we expect a sell-out!

Lee Williams

January Events

- 4 ~ Business Meeting
- 11 ~ Game Night
- 18 ~ "Personal Finances" by Bill Wallace

Happy Anniversary!

18.....Isabel Renouf



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| 05.....Janet Barone | 23.....Louella Calvin |
| 11.....Marie Muir | 24.....Patricia Hartnett |
| 12.....Agnes Kidd | 24.....Dorothy Schaffer |
| 13.....Carolyn Fetherlin | 27.....Suzanne Elmore |
| 15.....Jaci Minton | 28.....Joyce Clayton |
| 23.....Bernice Hufford | |



The Elkettes Sweetheart Ball will take place on Saturday, February 11, 2012. Tickets are \$40 per person and MUST be purchased in advance. NO tickets will be sold at the door. Deadline is Saturday, February 4th.

Cash Bar - Cash Bar - 6 to 7 pm
Complimentary Cheese & Crackers

Dinner - 7 pm

Dancing - from 7 pm to 11 pm
to the music of the Swingables

Menu

- Pork Tenderloin with Mushroom Bourbon Sauce
- or
- Sea Bass with a Lobster Sauce
- Chef's Choice Salad
- Roasted Parsley Potatoes
- Caramelized Carrots
- Warm Rolls with Sweet Butter
- Tiramisu for Dessert
- Fresh Brewed Coffee & Decaf

Please call Lee Williams at 305-661-5933 to purchase your tickets. Checks should be made payable to Elkettes of Miami #948 and mailed to 915 Andora Avenue, Coral Gables, FL 33146-5933. Please indicate which entree is requested for each guest.

Honey Baked Ham - Order Blank

Please send me the following gift cards:

- ___ @ \$10. = ___
- ___ @ \$25. = ___
- ___ @ \$35. = ___
- ___ @ \$50. = ___
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Elkettes of Miami 948

Mail to:
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Membership News

INVESTMENT COMPATIBILITY OF SILVER TO GOLD

Investors looking for a safe place to store their wealth are moving more and more investment dollars into precious metals since the 2008 Crash.

In the last three years, fear and uncertainty in the global markets has increased investor demand for precious metals. The safe haven appeal of gold and silver has sky rocketed.

Silver's investment popularity is now on par with that of gold, which is very much in line with developing trends of worldwide gold and silver investing. Compare silver's price increase to nearly \$50 an ounce - a 172% increase by April 2011, over that of the previous year. During the same period of time, gold rose 26%. Silver by far is the less expensive alternative to gold with a much higher potential return.

The top eight silver producing states in the US have peaked in their production and while demand for physical silver predominately comes from the industrial sector, investment demand has been the primary source for soaring silver prices. Global silver investment has risen 40%. Eric Sprott, a Canadian billionaire and hedge-fund manager, has just announced that he will purchase 1.5 billion US Dollars of silver. Trading in physical silver has the potential of enhancing your financial portfolio, as Eric Sprott no doubt believes.

Good news for silver is expected in the 1st quarter of 2012.

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We are having a free 1-hour presentation on "Protect Your Wealth with Precious Metals" on January 19, 2012 at 6:30pm in the Elkettes Room. Come join us and we'll be happy to answer any questions you might have.

For more information visit our website at www.bullionadvisorygroup.com or call us toll free at 888-259-8758.

Lina Lopez, The Bullion Advisory Group

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The Must-Have Elks Shirt

Do you have the newest – the very newest – Elks shirt? It's sexy black, soft to the touch, cool and breathable; an easy care 50/50 blend of cotton and polyester knit, with a small, classic "clock" chest logo (shown above), ribbed knit collar and cuffs.

We're selling this shirt as a Harry-Anna Trust Fund (HATF) fund-raiser for \$20, and it comes in a wide variety of sizes, in limited quantity but sizes from Small to 3 XL. See or contact Nivia Myers (ncarta63@yahoo.com, 305 274 5521) for a new shirt.



Salute to JOB

Miami Elks 948 is proud to be a partner to the Junior Orange Bowl Parade.

If you're free Monday morning, January 2nd, try to make it to downtown Coral Gables in time to find yourself a good viewing spot by 3 pm.

Yes, as you watch the parade, you may see a few fellow Elks in the mix, our stalwart Drug Awareness Committee. But most important, you'll see many examples of why we are proud to be a part of this wonderful program, and why we have been involved with the Junior Orange Bowl Committee for a lot of years.

What's Going On ???

■ Editor's Message

The Importance of Letting Us Know

Dave and Irma Riley were once a big part of 948's active volunteers and patrons. David Riley had come to 948 from Homestead. Our past Trustee Ron Riley liked to joke with him and speak of him as "My son." They were friends, but no actual kin.

Dave and many of their friends eventually scattered, moving as South Floridians so frequently do, to points north. The Rileys moved to North Carolina but he kept his membership here and stayed interested in his lodge from afar.

In this computer age, one problem with records is that any error committed in computer entry can stay in the system for a long, long time.

When she learned of Dave's passing, Ginger dutifully sent the Lodge of Sorrow notice to me, copying the spelling she saw in the permanent records, and I carefully copied it for the newsletter. I know how my husband spells David, but I've already known a couple of Daveeds, and unusual last names are even more the rule, in a melting pot like Miami, than the exception.

On the birthday page, I've always asked that you let me know if I misspelled or omitted your name, date, etc. It is especially disturbing, however, to learn that I made, not one, but two errors on someone's name in the Lodge of Sorrow.

Irma contacted me afterward, and his Lodge of Sorrow ran corrected in December's issue.

As I told her, the Lodge of Sorrow is meant to comfort the bereaved, not to further upset them. I am very sorry that Irma, and everyone else who loved Dave, had to be distressed by this error. I hope Irma can forgive us, and can remember that to err is human.

And dear readers, please always let the current editor know when an error is made.

Let Ginger know, too, if there is a possibility that the error originated from the membership office. It's the only opportunity she has to correct most errors. Almost 1,200 people are a lot to keep up with, and on a job this size we need all the help we can get.

Marie Grime

■ HC Chairman's Message

State of the Club



Members all,

The Miami Elks Lodge 948 Club Operations suffered a net loss during the month of September. Thanks to the large number of Crystal Room rentals, we broke even during October. November is on track to not lose any money.

The lodge officers, trustees and PER's need to set an example in the lounge and dining room, making sure that the bartenders and/or servers do not over-pour drinks, and doubles are charged accordingly; that every drink they have is accounted for in their bill and that these same guidelines are used regarding the food served in the dining room and/or lounge.

As you all know, the only way a business can survive is with customers. You are our customers and the Lodge Operations cannot succeed without your participation. As a business our Club needs to make a profit to survive; it can no longer depend on subsidies from the Lodge savings.

We do not want to take additional measures to reduce our overhead but we need your participation. During January please come to our dining room and support your Club.

Fraternally,
Jack Lopez, PER



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Getting Down to Business

TaxTips

Not Always Bad News

Have you ever gotten a pang of fear when you receive a notice in the mail from the IRS? You may as well go ahead and open it, because it is not always bad news.

The IRS has supposedly redesigned its notices to make them clearer to the taxpayer on why he or she is receiving the letter. In the notices I've seen from my clients, I see a slight improvement, but I doubt that whoever wrote them majored in journalism.

The notice could have good news, such as the taxpayer made a miscalculation and more money is due to the taxpayer. Or, it could be the opposite, where the taxpayer owes more money.

It could be good news, such as the taxpayer may be eligible for an additional child tax credit, or something neutral, such as the taxpayer left out a form or a Social security number.

Even if it is the bad news of an audit, it may only be a correspondence audit that is required, so you wouldn't have to meet the auditor face to face--unless you insist.


Do not ignore any letter you receive. The IRS is not the type of organization that will simply go away. Either correspond with them or call them on the toll-free number they should provide. For calling, you should have the least amount of wait time between 7 and 8 in the morning.

If all this appears to be too much for you to handle, contact a tax advisor to get an explanation of the letter and advice on what action to take. If you see a tax advisor for the first time, you may possibly get a free initial consultation.

Please call (305) 596-1933 for further information on these or other matters.

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HC and LAC Activities

■ HC

We All Go for BOGOH

Elvis Would Have Loved “**Chef**” **Bob’s Prime Rib** – Succulent Meat, all the usual delicious sides. See Details on Back Cover.

What Is a BOGOH, Anyway?

B BOGOH stands for a “**Buy One Get One Half**” offer. BOGOH is ongoing on Wednesday nights for pre-meeting dinners in the lounge. Now, back by popular demand, we have BOGOH for Tuesday night pasta dishes in the dining room.

H So why dine alone when you can bring a companion along for such great prices?

And for a real bargain, remember, a pasta dinner is free to any Blood Drive donor, Elks member or not.



Attention, Monday Night Regulars, also those who would be if we offered something more than hot dogs. A new Monday night menu is forthcoming. Watch for it here or in your email message box.



What?!?! You’re **Not on Our Email List**? You don’t know what you’re missing. Being on this list is the best way to keep abreast of what’s going on at the lodge that might interest you. To get on the list, email jmfeld@comcast.net to give Jeff your address.



Still Cooking with Hot Salsa! Tuesday nights still rock to a salsa beat in the ballroom. Salsa Lessons by David, Tuesday evenings in the ballroom, \$10 per person. Beginner classes start at 7 pm, advanced classes at 8. If “more exercise” is one of your New Year’s resolutions, here’s one way it will be easier to keep.

Super Bowl Party – Save the Date, **February 8**. Spend Super Bowl with your friends! Great Food, Great Friends, Great Football = Great Fun.



■ LAC

Way Too Much Fun

Sat., Jan. 14, **We’ll Never Forget Elvis**, and with entertainers like David Morin, why would we want to? Details on back cover.



Sat., January 28, at 7 pm, **Talent Show**: Don’t like to brag, but we’re a talented group of people! We can sing, we can dance, we can do comedy... We can put on a show you won’t forget. \$10 per person, show only; meal not included, but watch for dining room specials. Tickets on sale now. Contact Chickie for tickets and tables.

And if you’d like to participate, there’s still time to join us if you hurry. Anyone interested in performing in the show, please get in touch with Cristina or Nivia ASAP.



Thurs nights, 7:30: **Do You Win at Bingo** Much? If you go to a large bingo parlor, you probably don’t get to say “Bingo!” often, the odds are overwhelmingly against you. But at your own friendly Elks Club on Thursday nights, the odds are on your side.

Our players are welcoming, our meals are delicious, our bartenders are accommodating, our cards win. Often. Enough people to have satisfactory prize banks, enough fun to make it more than a game, and it’s a sufficiently intimate environment that the odds are with you getting to yell “Bingo” occasionally. If you’re really unlucky, we even have a booby prize now and then by ending the session with a rotten card contest.







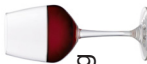




Relay For Life, March 24, Baptist Hospital. We need the membership support to get our name out in the community. With \$5,000 our lodge name will be on every tee shirt worn by Relay supporters. We need to make our name known for who we are and for what we do. Go online and contribute.



Thanks to all the generous hearts who contributed to **Lisa and Nicholas**. We raised \$1000+ for them, plus food and certificates. Bless you for your kindness.

January: HAPPY NEW YEAR!

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
1 LODGE CLOSED 	2 JR. ORANGE BOWL PARADE  Shuffleboard 7pm	3 BOGOH Pasta Night 5 - 7:30 pm Salsa Lessons	4 Regular Meeting BOGOH dinners in lounge	5 Dinner 5-8 pm S'board 7 pm Bingo 7:30 pm 	6 Garden Feast 5 - 10 pm DJ Nelson	7 Happy Hour Open to Close Surf & Turf Night Walt Cordle 	
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HOURS OF OPERATION

LOUNGE	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	CLOSED	3 - 11 pm	11:30 am - 11 pm	5 - 11 pm*	11:30 am - 11 pm	11:30 am - Midn	3 - 11 pm
DINING ROOM	9 am - 1pm	CLOSED	5 - 8 pm	CLOSED	CLOSED	5 - 10 pm	CLOSED

*LOUNGE CLOSED DURING GENERAL MEETINGS

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Important Dated Material

Saturday, January 14th

5 to 9 p.m.

\$20. per person

Prime Rib



Saturday

The Menu

*Tender Prime Rib cut to order
simmered in herbed au jus
Horseradish sauce
Steaming Chefs Special Soup
Salad Bar w/Assorted Dressings
Fresh Baked Potato
Seasonal Vegetable
Warm rolls & wrapped butter
Coffee, Decaf or Tea*



Reservations Only for Prime Rib - Call Chickie at 305-271-5257

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ELVIS & THE T.C.B. BAND

Featuring David Morin



Dance to all those great Elvis Songs

January 14th 7:30 – 11:30 PM

In The Crystal Room

ADMISSION - \$15 p/p

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Purchase a whole table for a preferred location