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Exalted Ruler's Message

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HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!!!

May is a month of honoring those in our lives... living and deceased. First we celebrate the unconditional love our mothers will always have for each of us. Join us on May 13th at 1 p.m. for our tribute to all mothers with a light buffet to follow. This month we also acknowledge the dedication of our military who gave the ultimate for our country with remembrance of Memorial Day. The Elk's State Convention begins on May 24th...come see us at Disney and support your Ritual Team on Saturday. Visit other district hospitality rooms, attend some meetings and renew old friendships of Elks you haven't seen for a while.

The E.R. Ball was spectacular. I was very pleased to have many of our district dignitaries share the evening with us. Once again, Peggy and the kitchen crew did an outstanding job. The turkey dinner was fabulous and my greatest "thanks" to all who attended. Special appreciation to our masters of hors d'oeuvres...the Elkettes, the selection was incredible. Thanks to Lady Grayson for a wonderful selection of music and thanks to the officers who helped set up for the gala on Friday night. Thanks to our great bartenders and special thanks to Linda Evans for making the beautiful corsages and boutineers for everyone. The evening was wonderful and I will cherish the memory for a lifetime.

The Elk of the Year was presented to Scoti McAllister, a lady who just keeps on giving without question.

Officer of the Year was given to Betty Elmore PER who is always ready to take on any assignment.

Citizen of the Year was awarded to Lenny Smallacombe PDD for his continued passion for the Presidential Memorial Certificate Program and

Elkdom.

Grand Lodge Recognition Awards were presented to Bibo Irizarry and Gary Coddington for their dedication to the B.P.O.ELKS.

Congratulations to all the award winners!!!

I would again like to thank all those involved in the benefit for Wanda Rohn. This great lodge raised over \$22 thousand dollars. Outstanding effort!!!

The Luck of the Irish Raffle was a huge success...see details later in this letter.

BK Dorsey held the Flag Retirement Ceremony at the lodge. He did a great job organizing this event and it gives us great pride to see this ceremony performed with such pride by these young Explorers. Thank you.

We had a large turnout for our Children's Easter Egg Hunt. Thanks to Joey Simari and his crew for the great job. Joey is retiring from his position and deserves a big round of applause for his many years as Youth Activities Chairman and will be missed. Easter dinner was served and those who attended were served a savory meal.

The Theatre-Go-Round performance of "Disco Divas" was also a very enjoyable show and dinner. Thank you to everyone who made these events successful. This lodge is full of so many great volunteers. The list keeps getting longer. Your devotion and reliability is hugely admired. Fort Pierce Lodge #1520 truly is the best!!!

Hope to see you at the convention.

Fraternally,
Barbara Smallacombe
Exalted Ruler

Thought for the Month:

Celebrate another Elk Day, everyone is a factor in fun.