



Carl Ledig, VP North District, Florida State Elks Association, Visits and Speaks to Perry Elks Lodge

Perry, FL (PRBuzz) July 16, 2010 -- As part of his five Lodge visitation schedule, Carl Ledig, VP North District, Florida State Elks Association, visited and addressed Perry Elks Lodge #1851 on July 13, 2010. Mr. Ledig's visitation started with an Officers meeting to review the Lodge's recent community and charitable activities, as well as their future endeavors. The meeting was followed by dinner in the Lodge dining room prepared by the Lodge Chef.

After dinner, Past State President of the Florida State Elks Association, W. Larry Henley, performed a dedication ceremony for Perry's newly completed Lodge Room with the assistance of four past District Director Grand Exalted Rulers (DDGER) and the current DDGER from the Perry Lodge, Carol Cruce. A Lodge meeting followed the dedication.

After the Lodge meeting, Mr. Ledig made a presentation to the members on behalf of James E. Hurst, Jr., State President of the Florida State Elks Association, including his background and his 2010-2011 goals for increased membership, support of the State's major projects - FSEA Youth Camp and Therapy Service through donations to the Harry Anna Trust Fund and continued support of Veterans and active duty military, and his plans for increasing spirit and fellowship among Elks.

As VP of the North District, Mr. Ledig visits each of the five Lodges in the North District; his first visitation began June 14 in Marianna, followed by Live Oak on June 15 and Perry on July 13. The next visitation will be Lake City on July 21 and the finale will be his homecoming to Tallahassee on August 3.

Mr. Ledig said, "Thus far Elks have shown great warmth and fellowship on my visits to each Lodge and State President Jim Hurst's message has been well received. I am looking forward to my next two visits to carry President Hurst's message to other Elks in the North District." Mr. Ledig continued, "It has been quite an experience discovering the varied individual benevolence and charitable community works each Lodge does on their own - helping veterans, awarding scholarships, and contributing to Elks National Foundation and Florida Elks Charities."

Tallahassee Elks Lodge #937 <http://www.tallahasseeelks.org>

The Tallahassee Elks Lodge #937 takes the principles of the National BPOE of Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity together with the recognition of a belief in God, the

promotion of the welfare and happiness of its Members, the encouragement of the spirit of American patriotism, cultivating good fellowship and utilizing its structure as a fraternal organization to serve its local government, the people and community of Tallahassee, demonstrating that Elks Care and Elks Share.

Florida State Elks Association <http://www.flelks.org/>

The Florida State Elks support its two charities, the Florida Elks Youth Camp and the Florida Elks Children's Therapy Services. The Florida Elks Youth Camp is located on 385 acres of rolling hills, forests, lakes and open space in Marion County, Florida. The camp has a ratio of one counselor and one counselor in training for every seven campers and is accredited by The American Camping Association as a safe camping environment for children. Each therapist sees an average of fifteen patients per week.

The Florida Elks Children Therapy Services provides physical therapy and occupational therapy to Florida children with 20 mobile units consisting of both Physical and Occupation Therapists. They treat children all over the state of Florida who do not have easy access to therapy as a result of financial consideration without regard to the ability to pay for such services.

The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks [[url=http://www.elks.org/](http://www.elks.org/)] www.elks.org

Mission statement: To inculcate the principles of Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity; to recognize a belief in God; to promote the welfare and enhance the happiness of its Members; to quicken the spirit of American patriotism; to cultivate good fellowship; to perpetuate itself as a fraternal organization, and to provide for its government, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America will serve the people and communities through benevolent programs, demonstrating that Elks Care and Elks Share.

The Elks National Foundation, established in 1928, has distributed over \$3 billion in cash, goods and services to the nations youth, its veterans, the disadvantaged and handicapped and in support of patriotic and civic programs. The Elks National Foundation mission is "helping Elks build stronger communities." We do this by providing tomorrow's leaders, our youth, with a healthy beginning, by providing more scholarships than any organization besides the U.S. Government.

Carl Ledig

Carl Ledig is the Florida State Elks Association, North District, Vice President. He has been a member of the Tallahassee Elks Lodge #937 since 2001 and has held the following offices: Inner Guard, Chaplain, Loyal Knight, Leading Knight, ER. Mr. Ledig won Lodge Officer of the Year twice, Lodge Elk of the Year and the Jolly Cork Award as Loyal Knight. He has been State Inter Lodge Visitation Vice Chairman, State Government Relations Chairman, State Ritual Vice Chairman and Chairman.

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Mr. Fugler is the FSEA, North District Publicity and Public Relations Co-Chair and has been a member of the Tallahassee Elks Lodge #937 since 2006 where he has been extremely active behind the scenes supporting Lodge leadership and Lodge Committees and has spent a tremendous amount of time consulting with and advising members of the Lodge and volunteering at the Lodge, District and State levels.

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