



# PALM COAST ELKS LODGE #2709, INC

## News Release

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### **Palm Coast Elks September 11<sup>th</sup> Memorial Ceremony**

PALM COAST, FL – On Sunday September 11<sup>th</sup>, the Palm Coast Elks Lodge #2709 commemorated the 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the September 11<sup>th</sup> 2001 attacks on our Country.

The ceremony opened with the presentation of colors by the Coastal Florida Police & Fire Pipes and Drums Color Guard in front of the monument built to remember the events of Sept. 11, 2001. The monument's main element is constructed of two steel pieces from the World Trade Center; a steel floor joist from Tower 1 and a support column from Tower 2 on a pentagon shaped base. A plaque is attached to each side of the base, creating a visual timeline of the events of 9/11, the World Trade Center, the Pentagon, the United Flight 93 crash in Pennsylvania.



Rendering salutes to the presentation of colors Left to right: Far row Lodge Officer Jack Lyons, mid row Master of Ceremony Mark Fontana, Palm Coast Mayor Jon Netts, Palm Coast Mayor Elect Milissa Holland, Florida State Elks Association President John Harris, Palm Coast Fire Department Battalion Commander Ron Petrillo, Flagler County Sheriff's Office Commander Mark Carman, and foreground Florida State Elks Association Past State President Vic McClellan.

Over 200 attended the 90 minute ceremony. During the ceremony over a dozen September 11, 2001 first responders were recognized for their service during the rescue and recovery operations that followed the attacks.

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The ceremony included a Wreath Laying by many organizations, including the Palm Coast Elks Lodge #2709, the Palm Coast Ladies Auxiliary, Retired FDNY, Retired NYPD, Retired EMS, Retired New York Corrections, Florida State Elks Association, Flagler County Sheriff's Agency, Palm Coast Fire Department, Fraternal Order of Police, Blue Knights, Red Nights and Boy Scout Troop 270.

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