

“Newsletter” – 08/29/26”

Did you know?

Last week I mentioned past Presidents that were Elks. This week let's look at some celebrities, entertainers and sports legends that have been Elk members. Can you name a few?

Prominent sports figures feature – Babe Ruth, Arnold Palmer, Mickey Mantle, Vince Lombardi and Eli Manning. Entertainers and Icons such as Clint Eastwood, Ben Affleck, Harry Houdini, Will Rogers, Jack Benny, Gene Autry and Irving Berlin also join the list.

This past week we had three new people join our lodge. Let's all extend a warm “welcome” to our newest members! Make sure we have updated contact information on file, so you don't miss out on anything! Please join our Facebook page Palmetto Elks Lodge No. 2449 for updates, monthly calendars, daily specials, charity events and much more! Next new member orientation is September 8th.

The DVP Hawaiian Luau was nothing short of “Kupaianaha” (fantastic)!! From the decorations to the food to the attendance to the speakers – it was all **over and beyond** anything anyone has ever put on! Serving over 120 people the pork and chicken dinner, broccoli, salad, Hors d'oeuvres table and desert tables satisfied even the pickiest palate. Vice-President Matt Carter spoke on the continued importance of supporting the Harry-Anna Investment Fund. In attendance at the head table were:

Danny Tabor, PSP (wife Rachel)
Joe Cooper, PSP (wife Allie)
Frank Malatesta, Jr., PSP (wife Sally)

Rose Wujcik, DDGER (husband Mike)
Matt Carter, DVP
Curt Mahoney, ER (wife Ann)
Judy Vergason

Let's make sure we give the following a great big "mahalo" "(thank you)" for putting on this wonderful event. None of this would have happened without all of you. Diane Gowarty: Cook/Set-up/serve/decorations/clean-up, Heather Gowarty-Fauland: Set-up/serve/decorations/clean-up, Edie Gowarty-Fauland: Set-up/serve/decorations, Theresa Wendel: Set-up/registration/decorations, Pam Frysinger: Registration/serve, July Alf: Serve/cleanup, Jackie Sosville: Serve/Clean-up, Matt Burdette: bartender/serve/clean-up, Trina Wayman: bartender, Ashley Barish: 50/50 tickets/serve, Ron Duquet: Serve/clean-up, Ann Mahoney: Clean-up, Jeff Albritton: Mow/serve, Deb DeSpirito: 50/50 tickets/registration, Pat Mahoney: Serve/clean-up.

Please continue to look at your local thrift stores/garage sales for young adult and children's hoodies, sweatshirts or coats. We have plenty of coats for adults but are in need of children and teenagers. Coat drive is coming up in October so that is not far away!

Continue to support your lodge. We are open daily at 2:00 pm. There is always something fun and exciting going on. Meals, entertainments and games! Check your calendar for dates and times. The Facebook page always has a plethora of information on it. Palmetto Elks Lodge No. 2449.