

# Palmetto Pride

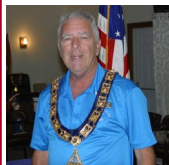
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Hello to all and welcome to a new Elks year. As your Exalted Ruler this year, I would first like to thank all the members, officers and volunteers who made last year so successful. I will continue the efforts made by Len Meade, Sandy Mooney, Frank (Sully) Sullivan cooking our special meals, and many others, as they have worked tirelessly to ensure we grow and prosper. I will also rely heavily on them, as well as other officers and members, in the coming year.

We are an organization of volunteers. Each has their own skills to bring to bear in the Lodge. We work best when those skills are blended into a team. Allow those with specific skills to guide you in our endeavors, and you to guide others in your skill areas. Sandy has worked hard to ensure there is no dissention, which is the downfall of all teams. My door is always open and I will respond quickly to any concerns. Let us be proper Elks and work out any disagreements immediately and not let them become problems and continue to be a superior team.

The Board has decided upon several initiatives for the Lounge operation this coming year. First and foremost, in order to remain open on Saturday and Sunday, we will rely on volunteer bartenders. We will teach you what you need to know, and don't worry about specialty drinks. If we can get a core of 8 to 10 volunteers, you will only need to work a few hours once a month. Also beginning in April, we will have cheese and crackers available in the Lounge on Tuesday, Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday. During the summer months the kitchen will be closed except for special functions. That doesn't mean it won't be used for snacks or special meals. We will continue to strive to entertain all.

We say goodbye to Pete, Lenny and Anna who have been doing our karaoke for many years. They will all be missed and I personally thank them for all they have done for us on Monday night. Starting in May, Bob Dunn will be doing our karaoke. Many of you know Bob, and also know that he provides a quality singing experience. I invite you all to come and support him and our Lodge starting in May.

Upcoming events include a combination Cinco De Mayo/Derby Day on May 5, our Mother's Day brunch on May 13, and a Sunday barbeque on May 27. We will continue to have Friday fish and music through April, in the big room if enough people attend.

Fraternally Yours

Craig Conklin, PER  
Exalted Ruler.



**IF YOU HAVE NOT PAID YOUR DUES YOU ARE  
DELINQUENT! PLEASE PAY NOW**

Happy New Year!

Thank you to those that call to let the office know of changes of address, phone numbers and deceased members. This was very helpful in updating our records. I received fourteen undeliverable letters this year.

If you are reading this and you do not have a tan 2018-2019 card you are considered delinquent. Please send your dues in so your card can be sent to you immediately. If you do not have a current card you are unable to take part in the lodges activities and buy any beverages.

This time of year there are so many things to think of and this matter may have slipped your mind. Last year we were able to get our delinquent list down to 37. I would really like to get the delinquent number much lower this year.

Yes we are beginning a new Elk Year.

A reminder for widows card: the request must be made in writing and an Elk in good standing must sign off on it.

Associate members if you would like a new associate card, I must have a copy of your 2018-2019 Card and \$20.00.

If a member losses his card or if a duplicate card has to be made there will be a charge of \$5.00. If your card has been partially destroyed the remainder of the card is to be returned to the office.

Looking forward to serving you another year.

*Fraternally Yours,  
Judy Vergason, Lodge  
Secretary  
722-1329  
javjav42@yahoo.com*

As the newly appointed Veterans Chairman for our Lodge, I would like to introduce myself to those members who may not know me.

I have been an Elk at Palmetto 2449 for 17 years. I am a Navy Submarine veteran, and very proud to have served. My qualification sub was the USS Sam Houston SSBN-609. I am a Vietnam Veteran too. After the Navy, my corporate working years were in the Pulp & Paper industry. I enjoyed wearing many career hats such as computer engineer, process control engineer, project manager, service manager, and Radiation Safety Officer. I still consult in that later field.

As your Veterans Chairman I will support the Veterans National Service programs of our Grand Lodge. We will primarily provide services to the veterans at the Bay Pines Medical Center in St Petersburg, FL. My notes in future publications in our Bulletin will give you some details of the projects we can all work on together.

Jim Hoey

## 2018—2019 Officers



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# March Menu

## Menu

Every Monday or the Special listed below

2 Hot Dogs, FF \$6.00

Tossed Salad with Grilled Chicken \$8.00  
Ranch, Blue cheese, Italian, French, Russian,  
Honey mustard

### Specials

April 2 Meatball Subs \$6.00

April 9 Chef Special \$6.00

April 15 Hot Turkey Sandwich \$6.00

April 23 Pork Fitter Sandwich \$6.00

April 30 Corn Beef Reuben \$6.00

2st Sunday

April 8

11:00 to 1:30

Brunch Buffet

\$12.00

Every Thursday

Bar Poker

4:00 pm

After Bar Poker

6:00pm

Spaghetti and Meatballs

Small Salad

\$8.00

Hamburger \$ 6.00

Cheese Burger \$7.00

Music Bobby Remp



Every Friday Or the Special listed below

Fried Fish, FF, Coleslaw, Hush Puppies \$8.00

Seafood Combo, Fried Fish, 3 Shrimp,  
Clam Strips, FF, Coleslaw, Hush Puppies \$10.75

Clam Dinner, FF, Coleslaw, Hush Puppies \$9.00

Grouper Blacken or Grilled, Coleslaw, Hush Puppies  
FF \$9.50

Shrimp Dinner \$9.50

Tossed Salad with Grilled Chicken \$8.00  
Honey Mustard, Ranch, Blue cheese, Italian, French,  
Russian,

### Specials

April 6 French Dip, Cheesy Potatoes, Veggie \$9.00

April 13 Roast Turkey , Dressing, Mashed Potatoes  
& Gravy \$9.00

April 20 Meat Loaf, Mashed Potatoes, Veggie \$9.00

April 27 Lasagna, Garlic Bread, Sm Italian Salad \$9.00



# APRIL BIRTHDAYS

03 Benito Lopez	13 Paul Samuels	25 Pete Cutway
04 Stephen Collopy	14 Madeline Atwell	26 Robert Minter
04 Nick Kastromin	18 Robert Bruner	27 Sandra Kinner
06 Lars Bjurholm	20 Thomas Wolff	28 Oscar Fleury
10 Zelmon Fuller	22 Sharon Galuszka	29 Steve Heywood
12 Thomas Gafner	23 Barry Kastel	30 Jason Pruss
13 Michael McEvoy	24 Lawence Gunn	

## Kitchen and Activities

We have decided to add a note from the Kitchen and Activities Chairman. This will let you know what is going on during the month and any upcoming events in the future.

For April, we have a brand new band coming in on the 6th. Also our Brunch will be on April 8. We serve from 11:00-1:30. The cost is \$12.00, for all you can eat.

Bobby Remp will be with us through the month, on Thursday nights, while we are serving Spaghetti and Meatballs or Hamburgers or Cheeseburgers.

We have moved our Lodge meeting to April 17. This is so we may initiate some new members.

Moving to May, our Brunch will be May 13th, on Mother's Day. We will also do our Mother's Day program.

On May 27th, Sunday, we will have a Bar-B-Que Party. It will be from 2-5 and the cost is \$12.00, for all you can eat.

Our Kitchen will be closed for the Summer after that. We will reopen on September 2nd.

On June 10th, we will celebrate Flag Day and this will be the last Brunch, until the fall. We will be having our Flag Day Service that day also.

We are working on some other events, so stay tuned for the details.

Fraternally yours,  
Sandy Mooney, P.E.R.

## PALMETTO #2449 BULLETIN BOOSTERS 2016—2017

To help us in defraying the cost of our bulletin, your Lodge is asking you to become a Bulletin Booster. For a donation of \$10.00 per person, your name

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James Woods			

YES, I, (we) pledge a donation of \$10 per person per year to support the publication of our bulletin. Enclosed is my (our) donation in the amount of \$

Name (s) \_\_\_\_\_



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## Weekly Lounge Activities

Open Saturday 11:30 Sunday 12:30

Monday - Friday 3:00pm

**Happy Hour Daily 3:00 to 6:00**

**Bar to close at the discretion of the bartender**

Lodge Secretary—Treasurer  
Hours  
Monday 8:00 to 12:00  
Also available by appointment  
Call 941-722-6937

### Every Monday

2 Hot Dogs, FF \$6.00  
Tossed Salad with Grilled Chicken \$8.00

### Every Friday

Fried Fish, FF, Cole Slaw, Hush Puppies \$8.00  
Combo, 1 Fried Fish, 3 Shrimp, 4 oz Clam Strips, FF,  
Cole Slaw, Hush Puppies \$10.75  
Clams, FF, Cole Slaw, Hush Puppies \$9.00  
Tossed salad with Grilled Chicken \$8.00  
Grouper, Blacken or Grilled \$9.50  
Shrimp \$9.50

## April 2018

**Sun**

**Mon**

**Tue**

**Wed**

**Thu**

**Fri**

**Sat**

1	2 Karaoke 6:00 to 9:00 Meatball Subs Food 5:00-6.45	3 Lodge Open 3:00	4 Lodge Open 3:00	5 Bar Poker 4:00 Spaghetti & Meatballs Hamburgers Music by Bobby Remp 6:00	6 French Dip 5:00 to 6:45 Music 6-9 Jay-C	7
8 Brunch 11:00 to 1:30 \$12:00	9 Karaoke 6:00 to 9:00 Chief Special Food 5:00-6.45	10 Lodge Open 3:00	11 Lodge Open 3:00	12 Bar Poker 4:00 Spaghetti & Meatballs Hamburgers Music by Bobby Remp 6:00	13 Roast Turkey 5:00 to 6:45 Music 6-9 Brain Ashley	14
15	16 Karaoke 6:00 to 9:00 Hot Turkey Sand- wich Food 5:00-6.45	17 Lodge Open 3:00 BOD 6:30 Meeting 7:30	18 Lodge Open 3:00	19 Bar Poker 4:00 Spaghetti & Meatballs Hamburgers Music by Bobby Remp 6:00	20 Meat Loaf 5:00 to 6:45 Music 6-9 Lynns Spins	21
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William	Corlew	Cpl 1st CAV	US Army X Corp
John "Tom"	Donnelly	M/Sgt	US Army
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James	Hill		US Army
Donald	Kichline		US Army US Navy
Frank	Locicero	PFC	US Army
Steve	McColm	SP4	US Army
Len	Meade	SP5	US Army
Mike	Meronek	SP5	US Army
Gordon "Gordie"	Raymond	SSgt E-6	US Army National Guard
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Herman	Roth	PFC	US Army
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Stephen	Collopy		US Air Force
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Frank	Roy		US Air Force



**Every Monday—Tuesday—Wednesday —Thursday—Friday**

**3:00 to 6:00**

**Wine—\$2.00**

**Well Drinks—\$1.50**

**Domestic Draft Beer \$1.50**

**Bottle Beer—\$2.00**

**Miller Light, Bud, Bud Light, Coors Light**



**Elks Brew \$1.50 16oz**



**FOR SALE**

IN THE LODGE

**ELKS HATS FOR SALE: \$10.00**  
**WHITE, PURPLE, BLUE**

**ELKS SHIRTS FOR SALE: \$20.00**

Blue V-neck, short sleeve——size medium

Red V-neck, short sleeve——size large

Black with heart, short sleeve ——size medium

Burgundy collared

1 – size

Medium

2—size

Large

5—size

XL Large

Brown,  $\frac{3}{4}$   
sleeve, V-neck ——  
size large

Black, round neck, sleeveless——size large

White, round neck, sleeveless——size large

# Monday Nights

Lounge Opens 3:00

6:00 to

**Karaoke**

9:00



## Friday Night

Lounge Opens 3:00

Music

6:00 to 9:00

  
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the Elks Lately?**

