



Members,

I thank you in advance for the opportunity you have given me to be the Exalted Ruler of Palmetto Lodge #2449. I am following in the footsteps of many faithful members as the lodge ER. I also thank in advance the men and women who have agreed to be officers in the lodge. I look forward to working with each of them.

Thank you also for the great job and the outstanding amount of work Craig Conklin, our past exalted ruler. He has spent an inordinate amount of hours in the lodge this past year. Also, Sandy Mooney our kitchen manager, Sully Sullivan, our kitchen assistant, and Linda Conklin our official bar manager.

As you can see many volunteers are continuing on this next year. Please review this issue of the Pride and see who your officers will be.

I am also asking that each of you consider participating in some type of volunteer position in the coming year. We can always use kitchen help throughout the year. Stop and talk to Sandy Mooney or Dorathey Meade. We can use help on the Audit Committee if you have some experience in accounting or using quicken. We can also use help in lodge maintenance.

Thanks in advance.

Jim Decker
Exalted Ruler



Dear Bother/Sister Elk,

**IF YOU HAVE NOT PAID YOUR DUES YOU ARE
DELIQUENT! 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 blue 2019-2020 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 0. I would really like to get the delinquent number down to 0 again 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 2019-2020 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.

Judy Vergason
Lodge Secretary
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From the Desk Of The Veterans Chairman– Jim Hoey

The new Elks year is upon us, the arrival of Spring has happened, and our northern friends will soon be leaving us. In the midst of all this we are actively planning some exciting events to help support out veterans at Bay Pines. We will host an afternoon BBQ at our Palmetto Lodge. Bay Pines will bring a group of veterans here by bus. There will be good food, good music & entertainment, and most importantly good camaraderie. The date for this event is not yet set; we will notify everyone when it is.

The event will be free for the Bay Pines veterans. Tickets for the rest of us will be available several weeks in advance. For our Elk brothers & sisters who head north, and may miss the above event, we would appreciate it if you could leave a small donation with us in advance



APRIL ACTIVITIES

Congratulations to all our new and returning Officers. Together we will make a new and exciting year. We are planning to all work very hard to make that happen.

This month, our Brunch will be held on April 14th. We serve from 11:00- 1:00. The cost is \$12.00 for all you can eat. Our menu for this Brunch, is in the Bulletin and hanging on the board. Please use our sign up sheet so we can plan our purchase of food accordingly.

We are going to try something new on Sunday, April 28th. We are going to have a Men's Lunch with NASCAR races on our three TVs. We will serve lunch at 2:00. Cost is \$10.00. This race is being held at Talladega. The lunch is open to all. Not just men. There will be a sign up sheet and I will be selling tickets.

We are going to be serving Swiss Steak, Mashed Potatoes, and Corn.

For those who missed our Skin Care Lunch, we are going to have a do-over. It was very informative and the wonderful Chicken Caesar Salad was free. We have set the date for May 18th at 11:30. So mark your calendars.

As our Season winds down, I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who helped to make this a wonderful year. We work very hard, but we have a great time. Have a wonderful Summer. Travel safely.

Fraternally yours,

Sandra S. Mooney, P.E.R.
Activities Chairman

2019—2020 Officers



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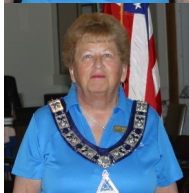
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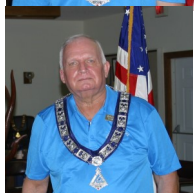
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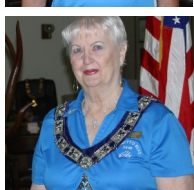
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APRIL MENU



Every Monday
1/4 lb. Frank/fries-\$7
w/chili or sauerkraut-\$9
Hamburgers-\$8, w/cheese -\$9
Salad with Grilled Chicken -\$9

SPECIALS

April 1-Sloppy Joes
 April 8-Chicken Quesadilla
 April 15-Philly Cheese Steak
 April 22- Meatloaf Dinner
 April-29-Fried Pork Fritters

Every Thursday

Bar Poker
4:00 pm

5:30 pm

Spaghetti & Meatballs with small salad-\$8.00
 Pasta/ Meatballs-\$8.00
 Hamburgers with fries-\$8.00
 Cheeseburgers with fries-\$9.00

Brunch- Sunday, April 14—11-1 pm-\$12

CHEESY OMELETTES, BACON, SAUSAGE
 LINKS, HOME FRIES WITH PEPPERS AND
 ONIONS, PANCAKES, CHICKEN SALAD ON
 MINI CROISSANT ROLLS,
 BEEF STROGANOFF, SALMON WITH RAS-
 BERRY BOURBON SAUCE, CARVED LEG OF
 LAMB, BISCUITS, SAUSAGE GRAVY, BEEF
 GRAVY, SYRUP, FRESH FRUIT,
 ASSORTED DESSERTS



Every Friday

Fish Fry \$9.00
 Seafood Platter \$12.00
 Shrimp Dinner \$11.00
 Clam Dinner- \$10.00
 Grouper Grilled or Blackened
 w/baked potato \$14.00
 Garden Salad with Grilled Chicken-\$9.00
 Garden Salad with Shrimp—\$11.00

SPECIALS

April 5 –Roast Turkey, Mashed Potatoes,
 Bread Dressing, Cranberry Sauce

April 12- Stuffed Peppers, Baked Potatoes

April 19– Roast Pork, Sauerkraut, Scalloped
 Potatoes

April 26- Beef Stroganoff, Buttered Noodles

ALL SPECIALS SERVED WITH VEGETABLES

Please Call & Reserve a Meal 941-722-6937

Extra plate charge is \$1.00

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

03 Benito Lopez	13 Paul Samuels	25 Pete Cutway
04 Stephen Colopy	14 Madeline Atwell	27 Sandra Kinner
04 Nick Kostromim	18 Robert Bruner	28 Oscar Fleury
06 Lars Bjurholm	20 Thomas Wolff	28 Walter Heim
10 Zeller Fuller	22 Sharon Galuszka	29 Steve Heywood
12 Thomas Gafner	23 Barry Kastel	30 Jason Pruss
13 Michael McEvoy	23 Lawrence Gunn	

AMERICANISM - Craig Conklin

April has arrived and here are two patriotic holidays to celebrate.

Credit to Diana Rudeen, VFW Auxiliary National Americanism Ambassador, for this great information.

Gold Star Spouses Day – April 5

On April 5, 1945, a group of four widows met in New York City. One week later, President Franklin D. Roosevelt died and shortly after, First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt joined the organization. Gold Star Wives of America, Inc. was chartered as a non-profit organization in December 1945.

Gold Star Wives Day was first commemorated on December 18, 2010, through a Senate resolution with support from the Gold Star Wives of America, Inc. It is a day to remember and pay respect to the surviving husbands and wives of the Fallen of the U.S. Armed Forces and thank them for all they've given. Since 2012, the Senate has passed a resolution designating April 5 as Gold Star Wives Day. Per recent guidance by the Department of the Army, this day is now observed as Gold Star Spouses Day.

Remember the spouses of the fallen by sending a card, making a phone call or visiting them in person. Treat them to coffee and ask them to share stories about their spouse who gave their life for us and our nation.

Arbor Day – Last Friday in April (April 27)

Arbor Day (arbor – Latin word meaning tree) is the holiday in which individuals and groups are encouraged to plant trees. In 1970, President Nixon proclaimed National Arbor Day the last Friday in April (Arbor Day falls on April 27, 2018 this year). Today, 24 states and Washington, D.C. recognize that date. Most state holidays are observed in the spring but dates vary to coincide with climate and the best tree planting weather. The observance began in 1872 when Nebraska settlers and Homesteaders were urged to plant trees on their largely treeless plains. More than a million trees were planted on April 10, 1872. By 1907 every state in the union observed Arbor Day, principally through school programs. Through these celebrations school children were urged to plant trees as a patriotic event as well as a sound investment and a contribution to the community. (Source: Wikipedia)

Craig Conklin, PER

PALMETTO #2449 BULLETIN BOOSTERS

2018-2019

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 will be listed in every Bulletin for a period of one year. Please make your check payable to the lodge and give to the Secretary. Thank you for your support.

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Donald	Kichline		US Army/US Navy
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Weekly Lounge Activities
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Lodge opens Monday - Friday 3:00pm

Happy Hour Daily 3:00 to 6:00

Bar to close at the discretion of the bartender

Every Monday

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w/chili or sauerkraut-\$9

Hamburgers-\$8 w/cheese -\$9

Salad with Grilled Chicken -\$8

Every Friday 5:00-6:45

Fish Fry Dinner-\$9, Shrimp Dinner,-\$11, Clam Dinner,-\$10

Seafood Platter-\$12

Grouper Grilled or Blackened-\$14

Salad with Grilled Chicken-\$9, Salad with Shrimp -\$11

Specials-\$10

Extra plate charge—\$1.00

April 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Lodge opens 3 pm Sloppy Joes Karaoke 6-9 Dave Martin	2 Lodge opens 3 pm	3 Lodge opens 3 pm	4 Lodge opens 3 pm Bar Poker 4pm Pasta/meatballs or Burgers Bobby Remp	5 Lodge opens 3 pm Roast Turkey/ potatoes/stuffing Melanie	6 Lodge opens 3 pm
7 Lodge opens 3 pm	8 Lodge opens 3 pm Chicken Quesadilla Karaoke 6-9 Dave Martin	9 Lodge opens 3 pm 6:30- Board Meeting 7:30-Meeting	10 Lodge opens 3 pm	11 Lodge opens 3 pm Bar Poker 4pm Pasta/meatballs or Burgers Bobby Remp	12 Lodge opens 3 pm Stuffed Peppers/ Baked potatoes Lani C & Co.	13 Lodge opens 3 pm
14 Lodge opens 11 am Sunday Brunch 11-1pm	15 Lodge opens 3 pm Philly Cheese Steak Karaoke 6-9 Dave Martin	16 Lodge opens 3 pm	17 Lodge opens 3 pm	18 Lodge opens 3 pm Bar Poker 4pm Pasta/meatballs or Burgers Bobby Remp	19 Lodge opens 3 pm Roast Pork/ sauerkraut Holly Rae	20 Lodge opens 3 pm
21 Lodge Closed 	22 Lodge opens 3 pm Meatloaf Dinner Karaoke 6-9 Dave Martin	23 Lodge opens 3 pm	24 Lodge opens 3 pm	25 Lodge opens 3 pm Bar Poker 4pm Pasta/meatballs or Burgers Melanie	26 Lodge opens 3 pm Beef Stroganoff/ Buttered Noodles Bobby Remp	27 Lodge opens 3 pm
28 Lodge opens 2 pm Men's Lunch/ NASCAR 2-5 PM-\$10	29 Lodge opens 3 pm Fried Pork Fritters Karaoke 6-9 Dave Martin	30 Lodge opens 3 pm				

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IN THE LODGE

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Burgundy collared

1—size

Medium

2—size

Large

5—size

XL Large

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

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**Have you asked someone to join
the Elks Lately?**

