

Palmetto Pride

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Happy Easter to everyone. We wish you a safe trip North. Have a wonderful summer and be healthy.

I want to take a minute to thank Jim Decker for all of his tireless hours and endless days, he has devoted to Palmetto Elks. He has kept us on our feet through the worst year ever. Please take a moment to thank him for all his hard work. Let me be the first, "THANK YOU JIM."

We need to keep moving forward. There really is no time to sit back. There are always bills to pay.

Let me tell you how very grateful I am to everyone, for the confidence you have shown me. I will try to live up to your expectations.

If we all work together we can make this a great year. It will take all of us to pull together.

Fraternally yours,

Sandra S. Mooney, ER



APRIL ACTIVITIES

Welcome April! We have a very busy month planned.

Mondays are still doing well. We are getting more new singers, which is fun. On the third Monday we have added Philly Steaks to the hamburgers, cheeseburgers, and hot dogs. Robin and Helen have volunteered to help on the third Mondays.

We have two meetings this month. The second and the fourth Tuesday.

On Wednesdays, our Spaghetti and Meatballs are selling out. We will be having music every Wednesday from 5:00-7:00.

Thursdays is Bar Poker. We have been starting at 2:30.

We have added music to Friday Fish Fry. Again it is running 5:00-7:00. Remember, we have more than fish on Fridays. We offer steak and chicken.

How lucky are we to have our Big Room rented every Saturday this month.

Our Birthday Pot Luck Celebration will be held on Sunday, April 11th. We open at 2:00 and we serve at 3:00. Marie plays music for us.

Fraternally yours,

Sandra S. Mooney, ER

Activities Chairman

Greetings Fellow Elks,

I'm Sharon Benedict, newly elected Secretary of Elks Lodge 2449.

First I would like to thank Kitty Flourney for all the time she has spent training me for my new position.

It's April and that means your 2021-2022 dues are due! You can mail them in or drop them off at the lodge. If everyone pays their dues on time, it will make the coming year so much easier.

The past year has been challenging with many Covid restrictions and the lodge's ability to stay open, but we did it! Now we can look forward to a new year and hopefully better times in our future.

I wish you safe travels during the coming months, and hope to see all of you back here in the Fall.

Fraternally Yours,

Sharon Benedict, Lodge Secretary

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

4/02	Wayne	Noall		4/13	Paul	Samuels		4/25	Paul	Cutway
4/03	Benito	Lopez		4/14	Madeline	Atwell		4/27	Sandra	Kinner
4/04	Stephen	Collopy		4/18	Robert	Bruner		4/28	Oscar	Fleury
4/04	Nick	Kostromin		4/19	Carlo	Didomizio		4/29	Douglas	Graham
4/10	Zelmon	Fuller		4/22	Sharon	Rawlins		4/29	Steve	Haywood
4/12	Tom	Gafner		4/23	Barry	Kastel		4/30	Jason	Pruss
4/13	Michael	McEvoy		4/24	Lawrence	Gunns				

AMERICANISM

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 2021-2022

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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Monday 10:00 am —1:00 pm

Also available by appointment

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MASKS ARE MANDATORY TO ENTER

Monday Serving

5:00-7:00

Karaoke 5-8pm

Hamburgers-\$8.00

Cheeseburger-\$9.00

Hot Dog-\$5.50 served

French Fries &

Cowboy Baked Beans

ORDERS MUST BE

PLACED BY 6:30pm

LODGE OPEN DAILY 2-8PM

Wednesday Spaghetti

5-7 pm

Large Order-\$8

Small Order- \$5

served with salad &

garlic bread

Every Friday 5:00-7:00

Fish Fry Dinner-\$10, Shrimp Dinner,-\$12,

Clam Dinner-\$10, Seafood Combo--\$12

Grouper Grilled or Blackened-\$17

Red Snapper—\$17

1/2 baked chicken, potato & veggies- \$12

8 oz. Rib Eye Steak, potato & veggies- \$15

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April 2021

Sun

Mon


Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

				1 Bar Poker Playing starts at discretion of the bartender.	2 Lodge Opens at 2-Fish Fry- 5-7 pm Music by Jeff Leonard	3 Open 2-8pm
4 Lodge Closed 	5 Hamburgers, Cheeseburgers, Hot Dogs 5-7 pm Karaoke with Marie 5-8 pm	6 MEETINGS: Trustees: 4:30 BOD: 5:00pm Business: 6:00pm	7 Spaghetti & Meatballs—5-7 Music by Jeff Leonard	8 Bar Poker Playing starts at discretion of the bartender.	9 Lodge Opens at 2-Fish Fry- 5-7 pm Music by Al Kitchen	10 Open 2-8pm
11 Birthday Celebration Pot Luck-2pm	12 Hamburgers, Cheeseburgers, Hot Dogs 5-7 pm Karaoke with Marie 5-8 pm	13	14 Spaghetti & Meatballs—5-7 Music by Al Kitchen	15 Bar Poker Playing starts at discretion of the bartender.	16 Lodge Opens at 2-Fish Fry- 5-7 pm Music by Jeff Leonard	17 Open 2-8pm
18 Open 2-8 pm	19 Hamburgers, Cheeseburgers, Hot Dogs , Philly Cheesesteak 5-7 pm Karaoke with Marie 5-8 pm	20 Business Meeting-6pm	21 Spaghetti & Meatballs—5-7 Music by Jeff Leonard	22 Bar Poker Playing starts at discretion of the bartender.	23 Lodge Opens at 2-Fish Fry- 5-7 pm Music by Al Kitchen	24 Open 2-8pm
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2021-2022 Officers

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Homer	Beall, Jr	1st Lt	US Army Reserve
John	Bargas	CW5	US Army-35 yrs
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			X Corp
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Scott	McComas		US Army
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Mike	Meronek	SP5	US Army
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the Elks Lately?

