

Palmetto Pride

**Benevolent and Protective Order of
ELKS
APRIL 2022**



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From the Exalted Ruler

Fellow Lodge Members,

Well needless to say this is a new deal for me.

For those who haven't been to the Lodge for a while, my name is Jack Peace. I dimitted to Palmetto Lodge 2449 last year to fill in as Esquire and was later appointed to that position when the previous Esquire resigned due to relocating.

Since then I started the Queen of Hearts Drawing. I also have brought in the Video Games in the game room for lodge members to enjoy.

I have been discussing the move up to Exalted Ruler with other officers for a long time. They all felt that it was a good move for me and the Lodge, so here I am.

My plans for the 2022-2023 year is to continue to increase our membership and look for more ways to work with our community and support them. I also want to continue to meet our ENF and Harry Anna goals so we can continue to receive grants for the groups we support each year.

One of my other goals is to show the public that the Elks are more than a social club or a place to go to drink with our friends. People need to know of the organizations we support and the help we provide to Veterans, children through the Florida Children's Camp in Umatilla Fl.. and the 30 vans with trained therapists who go help those in need.

I hope all the volunteers we have will continue to help us and we are looking for many more to join us to help us reach our goal. Volunteers are the heart and sole of any Lodge and without them Lodges cannot survive.

This month we will have two meetings a month. I invite all members to come and join us. You might enjoy watching me as I navigate this new course as Exalted Ruler. I'm sure the first few meetings could be interesting, especially if we have initiations.

As always,
Fraternally Yours,
Jack W. Peace, ER

ACTIVITIES



Our year is coming to an end. We have had a good year. Remember, that your new cards will not work in the door, until April 1st. Please be sure to sign them. Thank you to all of you for your patience when we have run into some minor and major problems.

This month will be short for the kitchen. Our last Fish Fry is going to be on April 15th. As always, we will be closing our kitchen for the summer. Our volunteers, are already heading North. I wish them a safe trip and a wonderful summer.

During our down time, we will be deep cleaning, painting, and repairing the kitchen.

Karaoke, will continue throughout the summer, on Monday nights. Please feel free to bring in some food.

All that being said, we will open on Saturday, July 16, for dinner and to welcome our new State President, Mark Thompson, to the Mighty Southwest District. Please make plans to attend this dinner. We will have more information as soon as possible.

Thank you again to all of our wonderful Volunteers.

Fraternally yours,

Sandra S. Mooney PER

Activities Chairman

APRIL



I want to thank all members who have already renewed their dues. Our purple key cards arrived late. I will be sending the purple cards out to those who paid really early tomorrow so let me know if don't get yours. After April 1 you will need to have the purple keycard and the purple membership card.

Safe travels to all heading north for the summer months. If you don't get our newsletter or blasts, send me an email or a text and I will be sure to add you to the distribution list.

We have sent in a Bylaws Change to the grand lodge to move our business meetings to start at 6:30. We will tell you when they are approved. For now the start time is 6pm on the second Tuesday of every month.

Sharon Benedict, secretary

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**GIVE US YOUR TIRED YOUR
TORN. WE WILL
SEE THAT THEY
ARE DISPOSED
OF PROPERLY**



SUNDAY MARCH 26, INSTALLATION DAY



Jack Peace, Exalted Ruler



Jack Peace & his Queen of Hearts
Janet Mann



Sandra Shadwell was given
the Elk of the Year Award.



Jack Cantwell, District Deputy, with officers Barbie Nolan, Steve Baker, Brady Brethauer, Sandy Mooney, Jack Peace, Janet Quick, Ed Benedict, Jim Decker, Judy Verguson, Bill Britt, Linda Beck, Len Meade and Lodge Advisor Joe Cooper.
Thank You to Janet Mann for taking the pics in my absence— Sharon Benedict



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Lodge Secretary—Monday-9:00-12:00
Treasurer Hours-Tuesday 9:00 to 12:00
Also available by appointment
Call 941-722-6937

LODGE OPENS AT 2 DAILY

MONDAY

Hamburger/fries	\$9.00
Cheeseburger/fries	\$10.00
Hot Dog	\$6.00
Onion,Kraut,Chilli, fries .50 ea	
First & Third Monday- Philly Cheesesteak with fries	\$12.00

WEDNESDAY

Full order spaghetti / 2 large meatballs	\$10.00
Half order spaghetti/ 1 large meatball	\$ 7.00
Large Meatballs	\$4.00 ea

FRIDAY

3 Fish Fillets, hush puppies, slaw & fries - \$12.00
Seafood Platter-Fried fish, shrimp, fried clams, slaw, fries, hush puppies-\$15.00
Clam dinner-fries, slaw, hush puppies-\$14.00
Grouper, blacken or grilled, fries, veggie, hush puppies, salad-\$20.00
Half baked chicken, potato, veggie, salad- \$14.00
Shrimp dinner-Fried, blacken, grilled, Fries, slaw, hush puppies-\$14.00
Order of fries-\$5.00

April 2022

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

					1 Fish Fry Jeff Leonard	2
3	4 Philly steak & burgers Karaoke Queen of Hearts	5	6 Spaghetti & Meatballs Tony Squirrel	7 Bar Poker 2:30 pm	8 Fish Fry Jeff Leonard	9
10	11 Burgers, Karaoke, Queen of hearts	12 Meeting	13 Spaghetti & Meatballs Jeff Leonard	14 Bar Poker 2:30 pm	15 Fish Fry Tony Squirrel	16
17	18 Karaoke Queen of Hearts	19	20	21 Bar Poker 2:30 pm	22	23
24	25 Karaoke, Queen of Hearts	26 Meeting	27	28 Bar Poker 2:30 pm	29	30



I have stepped down from the position of Veterans Chairman for our lodge after about 15 years of service in that position. We are looking for someone or some few members who would like to step up and take over the services to our Veterans.

There is a small cache of toiletry items ready to be transported up to the Bay Pines VA center. If someone is interested in helping I will be available to train & assist with this project.

Fraternally yours, Jim Hoey

We are looking for someone to take over writing the Americanism article for the newsletter for Craig Conklin who is also retiring from writing after doing it many, many years.

Finally, we are looking for someone to take over putting together the Newsletter. I did it as a volunteer for several years, but now the secretary's job is taking up a lot of my time and I would like to pass the job of newsletter writer on. Contact me if interested.

Sharon Benedict



APRIL BIRTHDAYS

YOUR ELK FAMILY HOPES YOU HAVE A GREAT DAY

JANET MANN	04/02
WAYNE NOALL	04/02
STEPHEN COLLOPY	04/04
NICK KOSTROMIN	04/04
NORENE KURTH	04/04
ZELMON FULLER	04/10
JULIE DENNERLINE	04/11
TOM GAFNER	04/12
MICHAEL MCEVOY	04/13
PAUL SAMUELS	04/13
JEFF WINNERY	04/13
MADDY ATWELL	04/14
CHENETTA DUNLAP	04/16
ROBERT BRUNER	04/18
CARLO DODOMIZIO	04/19
JAY HENRY	04/20
SHARON RAWLINS	04/22
BARRY KASTEL	04/23
SANDRA KINNER	04/27
OSCAR FLEURY	04/28
DOUGLAS GRAHAM	04/29
STEVE HEYWOOD	04/29
JASON PRUSS	04/30



QUEEN OF HEARTS TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

8 FOR \$5.00

**DRAWING EVERY MONDAY
AT 7:30 PM**

2022-2023 Officers



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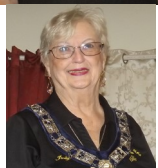


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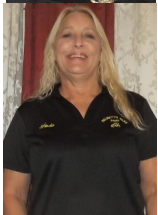


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JOE COOPER-LODGE ADVISOR

PER BOD VOTE ON 3/22/22 and a vote at the General meeting 03/22/22 the following change will be made. Per our By-Laws under Article IV- Section 2 will be changed to read, "The regular hour of the general meeting shall be at 6:30pm". The Board of Directors will meet at 5:30 pm.



Homer	Beall, Jr	1st Lt	US Army Reserve
John	Bargas	CW5	US Army-35 yrs
William	Corlew	Cpl 1st CAV	US Army
			X Corp
John "Tom"	Donnelly	M/Sgt	US Army
Richard	Ernst	Sgt	US Army
Robert	Ernest	SP4	US Army
Oscar	Fleury	PFC (E-3)	US Army
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
Marvin	Rice	Sgt E-6	US Army
Larry	Riegle	Sp4	US Army
Herman	Roth	PFC	US Army
Paul	Samuels	Cpl	US Army
Walter	Schneider	E5	US Army
John	Searles Jr.	SP4 E4	US Army National Guard
Charles "Gil"	Shaw	Sgt	US Army Air Force
Chet	Syjud	Spec 5	US Army Reserves
Carl	Webber		Army Air Corp
Elmer	Wurst	E5	US Army



Charles	Booth	Sgt SSgt	USMC US Air Force
Carl	Maddox	Sgt	USMC
Gary	Mink	Sgt	USMC
Armand	Barrieault		US Army/USMC
James	Scheidler		USMC

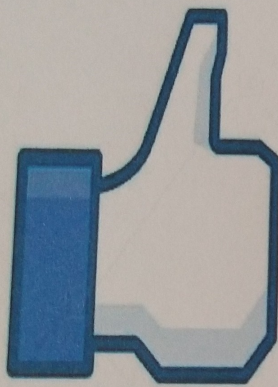
Jack	Bach	ML2	US Navy
Joseph	Best	Boatswain Mate	US Navy
Frank	Campbell	YN2	US Navy
Craig	Conklin	MM1(SS)	US Navy
Russell	Doerr Jr	SK2	US Navy
Jay	Henry	CPO	US Navy
Robert	Hintze Sr	IC2	US Navy
Jim	Hoey	ETR2 (SS)	US Navy
Anthony	Horman	FTGSN	US Navy
Wardie (Giles)	Hunnings Jr.	RM1	US Navy
John	Julian	LS	Royal Canadian Navy
Robert	Lanoue	3rd Class BT	US Navy
Richard	Moody	GM2	US Navy
Gerald	Ray	CPO E-7	US Navy (Retired)
Clifford	VanDervort	FC3	US Navy



Chuck	Billings	E5	US Coast Guard
Paulla	Billings	E3	US Coast Guard
Jim	Decker	B.M. 3	US Coast Guard
Thomas	Emanuello	P/O 3rd Class	US Coast Guard



David	Allen	MSgt	US Air Force (Retired)
Al	Cetrone	A1C	US Air Force
Richard	Dirschell	2nd Class	US Air Force
Harry	Fishwick	SAC	Royal Air Force
Donn	Frey	1st Lt.	US Air Force
Thomas	Gafner	A3C	US Air Force
Ricky	Koepke	E4	US Air Force
Stephen	Collopy		US Air Force
Michael	McBride	Sgt	US Air Force
Frank	Roy		US Air Force
Michael	Stewart	Major	US Air Force (Retired)
James	Kurlinski		US Air Force



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