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Greetings All

I couldn't believe it when I was asked for the May message. April has flown.

I want to address an issue that puzzles me. Namely, members who pay their dues, but never, or seldom come to our Lodge. We need all of our members to be a vibrant organization. As a Lodge we are deprived of crucial support when you don't come. We need ideas for activities and events from everyone, as well as your support at these activities. I am making a commitment to support all our members to ensure the Lodge meets your needs. Let me know what keeps you away. If you have issues, contact me. If you have ideas, contact me. I can be reached through the Lodge, or at craig@craigconklin.com. Let me know why you don't come. Make a commitment to attend an event even once a month. You are the key to our continued growth.

As we bid farewell to our visitors, we are not giving up on those who stay. We will continue to have Friday night food and entertainment through May in the big room. Karaoke will continue throughout the year on Monday's. We say goodbye to Lenny, Pete and Anna, our KJ's for the past several years. What a great job they have done. In their place starting in May is Bob Dunn. Bob has been a KJ for many years and you will continue to have a great time singing at the Lodge. We will also continue to be open every Saturday and Sunday throughout the year from 2:00 to 5:00 PM. We are using volunteer bartenders, so come and support them and find out what surprises we have in store for you. Sandy has some great events planned as well including Cinco de Mayo/Derby Day on the 5th, Mothers Day brunch on the 13th and a farewell BBQ on the 27th.

Fraternally Yours

Craig Conklin, PER Exalted Ruler.

From the Desk of the Secretary



Greeting,

The year 2018-2019 is off to a good start. As of writing this for the May bulletin there are still 45 members that have not paid their dues. Just a gentle reminder that you will not be able to partake in the events of the lodge until you have a current membership card.

Another reminder as we were going through the list of delinquent membership there are so many disconnected numbers, wrong numbers, wrong email address, wrong address. If you are one of these members that have changed your phone number, email address or home address in the past 6 months or so please informed the office so we can keep in touch with you.

You might be saying I can't do much for the lodge because of my age and health situation but by paying your dues you are doing your part in the team to help others. Please pay your dues. We love each and every one of you as a member of our team. Your dues is very important to the success of our lodge and our programs. Your dues help to send children to camp it also helps us to give to our Children's Therapy Services.

Through you dues we can also give to the veterans what they need. Thanking you in advance for helping us to help others.

One last thing have you been in the lodge to see the changes yet. There has been quite a number of changes. We also need you ideas to help us grow as you know by now we are open 7 days a week from 3 to 6? We can only do this with your help with participation and ideas. Let's get Palmetto to grow.

To our Associate Members we need a copy of your 2018-2019 and \$20 to issue you a new Associate's Card.

Widow's Cards must be requested in writing and be signed by an Elk.

Thank you for you understanding standing and support this past year I am looking forward to serving you again this year.

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

I attended the Army of Hope event at Lakewood Ranch Elks last month. Great time was had by all. Their new lodge is beautiful. Raised lots of \$\$ for our local Veterans programs too. We will host the same event at Palmetto Elks this fall. Stay tuned for details, and how you can help.

If you are a Veteran do you have a Veterans sticker on your Elks membership card? If not they are available at the lodge.

Donated items are needed for the Vets at Bay Pines. Please continue to bring in toiletry items such as tooth brush & tooth paste, shampoo, non-alcoholic mouth wash, brushes and combs, new socks and underwear (both male & female).

FYI: does Anzac Day ring any bells for you? It is Australia's day of remembering their World War One vets.

Jim Hoey Veterans Chairman **Americanism**. I shall use the words of others to express Americanism this year. They will do a far better job than I.

What the United States Flag Stands For

By Angela Bell, a 12th grade student at Centennial High School in Peoria, Arizona.

She was crafted in the hands of liberty and washed in the name of justice. She

is saluted by the bravest heroes to walk this earth and a wretched curse to her foreign enemies. She is flown over battlefields as a symbol of victory and in remembrance of those she lost. Like a mourning mother, she weeps and drapes herself over her fallen soldiers' coffin, for they paid the ultimate price in her name. Their sacrifice gives her life. She watches over the future leaders of this nation as they gain knowledge in her classrooms. She resides along the bright stars as she gazes down at her loved one from her mount on the moon. She is the United States Flag and she is revered by her people.

Since the inception of organized civilizations, societies have adopted symbols to represent their virtues and distinguish them from others. In this sense, America is no different. Founding father, revolutionary general and first U. S. President George Washington defined the flag as such: "We take the stars from heaven, the red from our mother country, separating it by white stripes, thus showing that we have separated from her, and the white stripes shall go down to posterity representing liberty." Along with Washington's definition are countless others; each differently embodies the nature of the star -spangled banner and what it stands for. It stands for freedom and a democratic government by the people. It stands for the blood, sweat and tears of the nation's bravest soldiers. It stands for the trials and tribulations that a unified country overcame, against all odds. And it stands for the wildest dream of the youngest, purest American child. Those stars and stripes are a beacon of hope for men, women and children of all nations; may the flag forever fly over a free people and may the United States never forget the cloth from which she was cut.

AmericanismChairman Craig Conklin

We are winding down our Season. Our Kitchen Staff is heading home. We are trying to end May with some activities to keep you all busy. We start off with Cinco de Mayo Party. It is Saturday, May 5th. Scott will be putting on a Mexican Buffet from 11-1:30. We will then start our Derby Day Party. It should be a great day. We have tickets available now. Please plan to make reservations so we do not over buy, on the food.

At this time I would like to take a minute to thank Len, Pete and Anna for all the wonderful Monday Karaoke Nights. They gave us a chance to keep Mondays going. They are taking a well needed rest. But...we need to welcome Bob Dunn. He will be starting with us on May 7th. Welcome Bob and thank you for taking the time.

We will be continuing with our Thursday Night Spaghetti and Meatballs, Hamburgers, or Cheeseburgers. Bobby Remp has gone back North. We will be have canned music.

Fridays, we will continue with meals for this month. We are still in the progress of getting two more bands. But we have Jay-C, who has just become a new Member, on May 4th. Brian Ashley will be with us on May 25th.

On Sunday, May 27th we are having a Bar-B-Que. Scott has loaned us his grill. He has a great menu planned. Again, please get your tickets ahead of time. The cost is \$12.00. We will be serving from 11-1:30.

We will NOT be serving meals after our Bar-B-Que. Our cooks that are left are taking a well deserved brake. You may bring food in and we will have our carry in food menus available.

We will do one more Brunch on June 10th to observe Flag Day. We will get the menu out ASAP.

I wish you all a wonderful summer. You will see some of the cooks behind the bar, volunteering. Please stop in and visit us.

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

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May Menu



2st Sunday
May 13
Mother's Day
Brunch Buffet
11:00 to 1:30
\$12.00
Call for Reservations
722-6937

May 27
Bar-B-Que Party
\$12.00
Call for Reservations
722-6937

Every Thursday
Bar Poker
4:00 pm
After Bar Poker
6:00pm
Spaghetti and Meatballs
Small Salad



APRIL BIRTHDAYS

01 Deborah	Renault	13	John	J <mark>ulian</mark>	21 David	Allen
05 Robert 🥤	Kelly	15	Abigail	Peck	26 George	Helmer
06 Thomas	Emanulleo	17	Frederich	Sustman	26 Harry	Laney
10 Linda	Gray	18	Wayne	Boyle	28 Ken	Gravitt
11 Lili	Rose	18	Frank	Sullivan	29 Kenneth	Natzke
12 Daniel	Gelinas	18	Thomas	Townsend	31 Frank	Lockero
12 Courtnay	Hami <mark>lton</mark>	19	Charles	Taylor	31 Robert	Maclarty
13 Ann	Blair		11 1			

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Tue



Weekly Lounge Activities

Open Saturday & Sunday 2:00pm 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

Sat

Fri

Every Monday

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

Sun

Mon

Every Friday

Wed

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

Thu

May 2018

		Lodge Open 3:00	2 Lodge Open 3:00	3 Bar Poker 4:00 Spaghetti & Meatballs Hamburgers Music by Bobby Remp	Cabbage Rolls 5:00 to 6:45 Music 6-9 Jay-C	Cinco de Mayo Party 2-5 Tickets \$12.00
6	7 Karaoke Bob Dunn 6:00 to 9:00 Meatball Subs Food 5:00-6.45	8 Lodge Open 3:00 BOD 6:30 Meeting 7:30	9 Lodge Open 3:00	10 Bar Poker 4:00 Spaghetti & Meatballs Hamburgers Music by Bobby Remp	11 Chicken Cordon Blue 5:00 to 6:45 Music 6-9 TBA	12
Mother's Day Brunch 11-1:30 \$12.00 Call 722-6937 for Reservations	Karaoke Bob Dunn 6:00 to 9:00 Reubens Food 5:00-6.45	15 Lodge Open 3:00	16 Lodge Open 3:00	17 Bar Poker 4:00 Spaghetti & Meatballs Hamburgers Music by Bobby Remp	Meatloaf 5:00 to 6:45 Music 6-9 TBA	19
20	Karaoke Bob Dunn 6:00 to 9:00 Pork Fritters Food 5:00-6.45	Lodge Open 3:00	23 Lodge Open 3:00	24 Bar Poker 4:00 Spaghetti & Meatballs Hamburgers Music by Bobby Remp	Pork with Sauer- kraut 5:00 to 6:45 Music 6-9 Brain Ashley	26
27 Bar-B-Que Party 11-1:30 \$12.00 Call 722-6937 for Reservations	28 Kitchen Closed	29 Lodge Open 3:00	30 Lodge Open 3:00	31 Bar Poker 4:00 Kitchen Closed Bring your food Or Order In		







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Homer	Beall, Jr	1st Lt	US Army Reserve
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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



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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, 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





Friday Night

Lounge Opens 3:00 Music 6:00 to 9:00





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