

Palmetto Pride

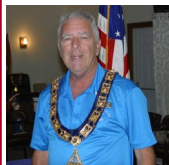
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Members

I am traveling for the next three months, but I am always available by phone, email or text if needed. The Lodge is in capable hands while I'm gone. Make sure to give Len Meade and Sandy Mooney your support.

As we have come north, we've stayed at other Elks Lodges where possible. I am dismayed by what we've encountered. A Lodge so dilapidated I couldn't tell that it was active. A web site said they were, but I guess in name only. Another nice Lodge that has given ¾'s of its building to a restaurant. The only activity that I could see was bingo in the Lodge. Another Lodge with superb facilities, but it's membership is slowly dying. I asked various members and officers what they were doing to try and improve. And they all had the same answer. Business as usual. Here's a partial quote by Rich Gathen, Grand Lodge Membership and Marketing Manager. "...our most challenging roadblock towards growing membership is pessimism and fear of change that dominates the thinking in some Lodges. A pessimistic Elks leader looks out on a bleak future and has no idea what to do, which gets the Lodge stuck in a slow motion crisis. Pessimistic leaders want to kick the can down the road and react to events as they happen, and hope things don't get worse. ... the Elks won't sell itself and membership won't grow without embracing change and enthusiastically working at it".

This Lodge has embraced change and it's working. Your last two Exalted Rulers, Len Meade and Sandy Mooney, have worked diligently to find things that work and grow membership. They have done a great job. I hope to continue in their footsteps. But remember one thing above all else, not everything works like we think it should. We will make mistakes, but will learn from them and continue to grow. And you are part of that change. Tell us what works and what doesn't, I promise that you will be listened to. There's a management axiom that indecision and failure to act is worse than acting and making a mistake. We are acting and our members are responding. Thank you all for your support.

Fraternally Yours

Craig Conklin, PER
Exalted Ruler.



There is an old song "June is busting out All Over"! That is true here in Florida. Many of our Northern Neighbors have left. It is always sad to see them go. As we see their Tail lights we look forward to when we see the head lights.

As of this writing we have 267 active members.
237 have paid their dues for 2018-2019.
There are still 30 that have not paid their dues.
We have called many of you
personally some we have not been able to reach because of bad telephone numbers, it would be great to see the delinquent number be 0.
With your help we can do it

A reminder if you have moved or changed your phone number please contact the office I need this information to inform Grand Lodge so they can continue to send you your Elks Magazine. Since we are sending our bulletins via email please make sure we have your correct email. When sending in your email make sure that you also include your name.

If I can be of assistance all you need to do is either call, write or send me an email I will try to assist you in any way I can.

*Fraternally Yours,
Judy Vergason, Lodge
Secretary*

From the Desk Of The Veterans Chairman

I can't believe it's June already! Safe travels to our members & friends who went north. To those of you who remain here all year I have a request:

There have been some generous donations made for our Veterans support program. I will be organizing and documenting the items we received for delivery to the VA center at Bay Pines. If you can assist with this it would be appreciated. Call me at 941-323-5184, or email at webmaster@palmettoelks.org (Yes I wear that hat too...:-).

Our Veterans with injuries have many needs, and health is a concern for many. Hospitalized, home-bound, and elderly Veterans may have little support. The care kits, clothing, and supplies we produce are always needed. Personal contact is also needed and much appreciated.

Want to have some FUN this summer? Busch Gardens Tampa Bay is giving all Veterans and Active Military free tickets to the park. Click on this link for details:

[https://buschgardens.com/tampa/tickets/veteran-discount/?utm_source=Silverpop&utm_medium=Email&utm_campaign=717093.BGT.Memorial.Day.5-24-18%20\(MilitaryOfferOnly\)%20\(Pass\)&utm_content=DIGITAL&xtor=-\[717093.BGT.Memorial.Day.5-24-18%20\(MilitaryOfferOnly\)%20\(Pass\)\]--\[Military_4\]-&bxid=\[ODY3MDYzMzU5OTQS1\]--&spMailingID=13575312&spUserID=ODY3MDYzMzU5OTQS1&spJobID=1402215225&spReportId=MTQwMjIxNTIyNQS2](https://buschgardens.com/tampa/tickets/veteran-discount/?utm_source=Silverpop&utm_medium=Email&utm_campaign=717093.BGT.Memorial.Day.5-24-18%20(MilitaryOfferOnly)%20(Pass)&utm_content=DIGITAL&xtor=-[717093.BGT.Memorial.Day.5-24-18%20(MilitaryOfferOnly)%20(Pass)]--[Military_4]-&bxid=[ODY3MDYzMzU5OTQS1]--&spMailingID=13575312&spUserID=ODY3MDYzMzU5OTQS1&spJobID=1402215225&spReportId=MTQwMjIxNTIyNQS2)

Jim Hoey
Veterans Chairman

Activities

As our Season has come to an end, I always hesitate to use a negative word, but we will again not be serving food from the kitchen this summer. Our bartenders have stepped up and will be offering food on Mondays and Fridays. We all had a great time this Season working together, but we need a much needed break. Some of our help has already gone North for the Summer. I hope you all enjoyed the many get togethers we had this Season.

We are already in the planning stage for our next Season. We are hoping to keep you all busy and enjoying your Lodge. If you have any suggestions or ideas, please let us know.

We will be having one more Sunday Brunch. It will be on June 10th. We serve from 11:00-1:30. The cost is \$12.00 for all you can eat. Scott has not disappointed us yet and I don't see that happening this time. After the Brunch we will be having our Flag Day Service. It is a very nice and informative Service. Hopefully you will all stay to see it. There may be an interesting surprise.

Mark your calendars for September 2, for that is going to start our new Season. We will be having a Labor Day festivity. That is a Sunday from 2:00-5:00. We will then be back to our regular schedule. Karaoke will be continuing through out the Summer.

Let me take this opportunity to thank all of the Volunteer, who came together and worked so hard to turn us around. The laughter and good times is contagious. What a difference everyone has made. Thank you.

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

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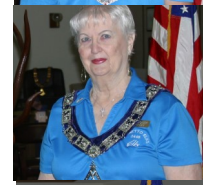
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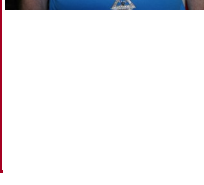
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June Menu



Every Monday
2 Hot Dogs, Chips
\$5.00

Every Thursday
Bar Poker
4:00 pm

June 10
Sunday Brunch 11-1:30
\$12.00



Specials

June 1	Thanksgiving Sandwich, Panini Turkey, Stuffing, cranberry chips, Dessert	9.00
June 8	Pizza	
June 15	Home made Swedish meatballs with egg noodles, green beans and Dessert	9.00
June 22	Tacos	
June 29	Homemade Chili with homemade corn muffins and Dessert	9.00

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

01 Thomas Hanley	12 Bruce Bryan	20 Gertrud Clarke
01 Harald Nickel	13 William Flacco	24 Charles Lewis
02 James Hill	13 David Wetmore	24 Suzanne Tyler
06 Ricky Koepke	14 James Allard	25 Alfred Costa
06 Robert Lindquist	14 Homer Huston	26 JoAnn Vandivier
07 George Boedgieff	15 Robert Miller	26 Robert Vickery
08 Steven Baker	17 Leonard Pruss	30 Mike Meronek
09 Gary Atwell	18 Bernard Pulsifer	30 Sandra Mooney
09 Edward Lawrance		

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Weekly Lounge Activities

Open Saturday & Sunday 2:00pm-5:00pm

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



Every Monday

2 Hot Dogs, Chips

\$5.00

Every Friday

Food by the Bar Tenders

June 2018

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

					1 Lodge Open 3:00 Thanksgiving sandwich Panini turkey, stuffing,	2 Lodge open 2-5
3 Lodge open 2-5	4 Lodge Opens 3:00 Karaoke 6-8 Dave Martin Hot dogs & Chips	5 Lodge Open 3:00	6 Lodge Open 3:00	7 Lodge Open 3:00 Bar Poker 4:00	8 Lodge Open 3:00 Pizza	9 Lodge open 2-5
10 Lodge open 2-5 Sunday Brunch 11-1:30 \$12.00	11 Lodge Opens 3:00 Karaoke 6-8 Dave Martin Hot dogs & Chips	12 Lodge Open 3:00 Board meeting 6:30 Meeting with Initi- ation 7:30	13 Lodge Open 3:00	14 Lodge Open 3:00 Bar Poker 4:00	15 Lodge Open 3:00 Swedish meatballs with egg noodles, green beans	16 Lodge open 2-5
17 Lodge open 2-5	18 Lodge Opens 3:00 Karaoke 6-8 Dave Martin Hot dogs & Chips	19 Lodge Open 3:00	20 Lodge Open 3:00	21 Lodge Open 3:00 Bar Poker 4:00	22 Lodge Open 3:00 Tacos	23 Lodge open 2-5
24 Lodge open 2-5	25 Lodge Opens 3:00 Karaoke 6-8 Dave Martin Hot dogs & Chips	26 Lodge Open 3:00	27 Lodge Open 3:00	28 Lodge Open 3:00 Bar Poker 4:00	29 Lodge Open 3:00 Homemade Chili Corn muffins	30 Lodge open 2-5



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Ricky	Koepke	E4	US Air Force
Stephen	Collopy		US Air Force
Michael	McBride	Sgt	US Air Force
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?**

