

Palmetto Pride

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



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From the Exalted Ruler

Dear Fellow Members,

Boy has this month gone in a hurry. It was a very busy month. We had a yard clean up, got the carpets cleaned and started cleaning up the Kitchen. In the next week I hope to have the new parking lot lights up. This is something that has been needed to be done for a long time. I know most of us won't be seeing this change till next fall, when it starts to get dark a lot earlier, but for many moons at night the parking lot has been a very scary place. Boo!!!

Ed Benedict and I attended the State Convention this last weekend. We attended several meetings that had to do with the Business of running the Lodge. Some of it very informative, and some a little redundant, but necessary for people that are new to their positions, especially ER's. The award's ceremony was excellent. The State Elks Honored, Scholarship winners from across the state and those who went on to win National Scholarships. Also Honored were First Responders from various groups. Americanism Essay winners, using the theme, "What does it mean to Love Your Country". Drug Awareness poster and Essay's on, "The Best Me is Drug Free". There were several others that were Honored, too many to include in this post. As Elks we need to be Proud of who we are and what the Elks Stand for. This was Very prevalent in the Ceremonies and Presentations that the Florida State Elks Association put on this last Saturday afternoon, and those they Honored.

As always stay safe, especially while on the road.

Fraternally Yours,

Jack Peace

Exalted ruler

JUNE ACTIVITIES



I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who helped with the yard work. We had many hands on deck. It looks good. Also, I want to thank the Manatee Power and Sail for their donations to our hall. We have also had all our carpets cleaned last Tuesday.

Thank you Tom.

This month we have our Flag Day Service, on Sunday, June 12th at 2:00. This is one of two mandatory services required by the Elks. This a very interesting service. It gives us the history of all the Flags that have represented our Country.

We will continue our great night of Karaoke with Marie on Mondays and Thursday we will still have bar poker in the afternoon.

This month starts my Vice President's visits to our other Lodges, in this District. There actually 7 Lodges in this District. My first visit is to the Sarasota South Lodge, on 5680 Rosin Way, on June 11th. Next up is Venice/Nokomis Lodge on 1021 Discovery Way, on June 25th. It would be great if our Officers and members would put these dates on their calendars and plan to attend.

Please remember that we really need help with our Private Parties. If we share the work no one is left feeling like all the work is on one person's shoulders. Renting the Hall is our way of making money, for the Lodge, during the Summer. If you would like to help, please let Steve Baker or myself know. We would really appreciate your time.

Fraternally yours,

Sandra S. Mooney, PER

SW District Vice President

JUNE



Thanks to all the members who recently brought their dues up to date. The summer are lean months for our lodge and it helps if every member could be paid up.

We have several candidates who will be coming in this month and it is really great to see our lodge family grow. We have several committees that are chaired by the same people. Please let me know if there is a committee you would be interested in helping with such as “Drug Awareness”, “Americanism”, “Veterans”. We are also looking for someone to take over publishing Palmetto Pride Newsletter

Sharon Benedict, secretary

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





FLAG DAY CEREMONY

JUNE 12TH

2:00 PM

PIZZA WILL
BE SERVED

PLEASE SIGN UP AT THE LODGE



**YOUR ELKS FAMILY WISHES YOU A
HAPPY JUNE BIRTHDAY**

Harald Nickel	06/01
James Hill	06/02
David Knott	06/04
Ricky Koepke	06/06
Robert Lindquist	06/06
George Boedgieff	06/07
Steve Baker	06/08
Gary Atwell	06/09
Edward Lawrence	06/09
Denise Tappe	06/09
James Baldic	06/11
Terry Fullum	06/11
Terry Graham	06/11
David Wetmore	06/12
James Allard	06/14
Doris (Kitty) Flourney	06/15
Robert (Bob) Miller	06/15
Daniel Freeman	06/15
David Davis	06/17
Bernard Pulsifer	06/18
Gordon Schultz	06/19
Marcia Michalski	06/20
Charles Lewis	06/24
Suzanne Morrison	06/24
Alfred Costa	06/25
Jeffrey Lee	06/25
Elizabeth Trent	06/29
Kenneth Fisher	06/30
Sandy Mooney	06/30
Robert Shultz	06/30



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Lodge Secretary—Monday-9:00-12:00
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LODGE OPENS AT 2 DAILY

ALL PIZZA 10" - \$10
THIN CRUST PIZZA-
SUPREME, MEAT LOVERS OR PEPPERONI
RISING CRUST PIZZA-
4 CHEESE OR PEPPERONI

ALL BEEF ANGUS DETWEILER ¼ POUND HOT DOGS -\$5.00
W/ CHILI \$5.75 ADD CHIPS FOR \$.75


JALAPENO CHEDDAR SMOKED SAUSAGE, \$5.00 –
ADD CHIPS FOR \$.75

SAUERKRAUT & CHEESE TOPPINGS AVAILABLE
(American, PepperJack, Monterey Jack, Baby Swiss)

ENJOY!!

SERVED DAILY

June 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 Bar Poker 2:30pm	3	4
5	6 KARAOKE Queen of Hearts	7	8	9 Bar Poker 2:30pm	10	11 Lodge Visitation- Sarasota South
12 Flag Day Ceremony 2 pm- Pizza will follow	13 KARAOKE Queen of Hearts	14 BOD-5:00 Business- 6:30 	15	16 Bar Poker 2:30pm	17	18
19	20 KARAOKE Queen of Hearts	21	22	23 Bar Poker 2:30pm	24	25 Lodge Visitation- Venice- Nokomis
26	27 KARAOKE Queen of Hearts	28	29	30 Bar Poker 2:30pm		



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



QUEEN OF HEARTS TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

8 FOR \$5.00

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



AMERICANISM

Letter to Mrs. Bixby

In the autumn of 1864 Massachusetts Governor John A. Andrew wrote to President Lincoln asking him to express condolences to Mrs. Lydia Bixby, a widow believed to have lost five sons during the Civil War. Lincoln's letter to her was printed by the Boston *Evening Transcript*. Later it was revealed that only two of Mrs. Bixby's five sons died in battle, Charles and Oliver. Of the remainder, one deserted the army, one was honorably discharged, and another deserted or died a prisoner of war.

The authorship of the letter has been debated by scholars, some of whom believe it was written instead by John Hay, one of Lincoln's White House secretaries. Apparently the original letter was destroyed by the newspaper editor after publication or by Mrs. Bixby, who may have been a Confederate sympathizer and disliked President Lincoln. Copies of an early forgery have been circulating for many years, causing some people to believe they possess the original letter.

**Executive Mansion,
Washington, Nov. 21, 1864.**

Dear Madam,--

I have been shown in the files of the War Department a statement of the Adjutant General of Massachusetts that you are the mother of five sons who have died gloriously on the field of battle.

I feel how weak and fruitless must be any word of mine which should attempt to beguile you from the grief of a loss so overwhelming. But I cannot refrain from tendering you the consolation that may be found in the thanks of the Republic they died to save.

I pray that our Heavenly Father may assuage the anguish of your bereavement, and leave you only the cherished memory of the loved and lost, and the solemn pride that must be yours to have laid so costly a sacrifice upon the altar of freedom.

Yours, very sincerely and respectfully,

A. Lincoln



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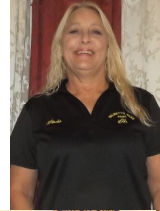
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