

# Palmetto Pride

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JULY2019**



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Members,

My year as ER is flying along.

As most of you know, I have property in Michigan and I have taken a few days to check on my house. I am sitting looking out the back door at the spring weather trying to break into summer. Feels good. I still can't get the changing of the seasons out of my system.



You know, the BPOE is required to have various celebrations throughout the year and one of them is Flag Day. On June 9 we had a wonderful celebration to honor the history of the flags of the United States. We had an honor guard from the Boy Scouts of America to present the flags and lodge officers reading the history of each. It was an impressive ceremony. Thank you to all who participated.

Remember, the lodge is open each day and we welcome your visits. Read your calendar for daily hours and activities.

Jim Decker,  
Exalted Ruler

## Happy Fourth of July!



This is the day we celebrate the freedoms earned for us by every Vet who has served our country in the military.

I am proud to be one of them. Enjoy the BBQs, cookouts, and fireworks. Keep in mind those who cannot attend such celebrations.

I thank all of you who have donated items in the past month for delivery to Bay Pines. We have sufficient items to justify for such a trip up there in July.





## ***JULY ACTIVITIES***

As we Move into July, I hope you are all enjoying our summer schedule and our Friday night Crock Pot meals. Don't forget we are always open for suggestions on new things to serve.

During June, we packed about 200 backpacks for the reading program we are involved with through the Anna Maria Oyster Bar. This program is in it's third year and Palmetto Elks has been helping with the backpacks for two years. We have Volunteers who take part in reading to the third graders Monday through Friday in the month of June. The last two years we have packed the backpacks to be given out to the children at the end of June. It is a great way to get them started in the new school year.

If reading to children is something that appeals to you and you are here during the month of June, please talk to Jim Hoey. He and Jeanne have been with the program since the beginning and they have all the information about the program. This program has grown over the past three years, and I expect it will continue to do so.

In mid July, we will be doing some work in our kitchen. We will be cleaning, scrubbing, painting, and putting down a new floor. If you would like to help, please let me know. It is a great way to get involved and make new friends. Also, many hands make light work. Our kitchen is a representation of all of us. Thank you in advance.

Fraternally yours,

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

# FLAG DAY CELEBRATION





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Dorathey Meade shared the wonderful story of the changes in our flags beginning with the Pine Tree Flag in 1775, the Snake Flag in 1777 used by the Southern States, The Continental Colors Flag referred to as The Grand Union, the 13 Colony Flag in 1777, the Ranger Flag in 1778. Stars were added as states joined, and the flag we have today in 1960 was finished after adding a star for Hawaii.

We thank scouts Carter Krahnert & Clay Hirst who help present the flags.

ER Jim Decker and our officers did a wonderful job at this Flag Day Presentation, and when it was all done, everyone enjoyed pizza!



Before I begin my letter, you know I have had a difficult year, with going through cancer and then a broken foot. I have experienced firsthand Elks Care Elks Share. Words cannot express my thank you for all you have done for me. THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU

Can you believe we are already entering the heat of the summer? This is the time of year we are looking forward to seeing all the wonderful fireworks. Working with membership I am looking forward to fireworks also. We still have 60 members that have not paid their dues.

You know I would like to take each and every one of you back to when you were asked to become an elk. Why did you join? It was because you had a generous and giving heart and you wanted to share it with other people that also had generous and giving hearts.

Your generous hearts are giving right now to help the needy children with school supplies and I thank each and every one of you personally. We still need more donations please don't stop. We have not reached our goal yet. By paying your dues your generosity helps our veterans. It helps to get the little necessities that they need. Just think if they hadn't given for us where would we be.

Your generosity helps our Children's therapy services help children that would otherwise be left on the wayside because they have no insurance. Your generosity continues to spread to send children to camp when their families cannot afford to send them.

Elkdom is about giving hearts. Generous hearts are also forgiving hearts. If the reason you have not been back to our lodge is because of hurt feelings, or misunderstandings or some petty incident. Let the generous heart that you had the day you took your oath to become an elk soften and come back. We miss you! We want you! We need you! We love you!

Judy Vergason  
Secretary

### ***JULY BIRTHDAYS***

5	Frank	Grasso Jr.		14	Anthony	Horman		23	Gordie	Raymond
5	Gary	Mink		14	Russell	Ingraham		25	Judy	Ballenger
6	Doris	Long		14	Louise	Keney		26	Fred	Rickner
6	Thor	Olsen		15	Annette	Whitner		26	John	St.Laurent
6	Steven	Olson		16	Clarence	Krebs		28	William	Goebel
7	Richard	Schwartz		16	Delores	Rudolph		28	Dannie	Whiteman
9	Cherie	Klepek		18	Lois	Chaney		30	Windi	Hernandez
12	Robert	Burnside		20	Clifford	VanDervort		30	Gerard	Szczygiel
13	James	Frank		21	David	Enos		31	Charles	Booth
14	James	Bretherick		23	Ed	Benedict				

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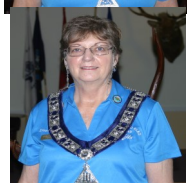
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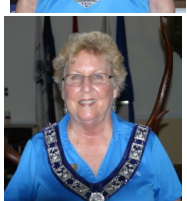
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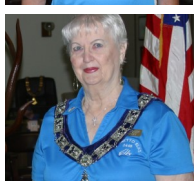
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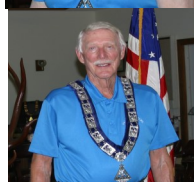
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# **JULY MENU**



## **FRIDAY SPECIALS-\$6.00**

**July 5 - Beef Stroganoff**

**July 12 - Lasagna**

**July 19 - Pulled Pork**

**July 26 - Beef Stew**

**Please Call & Reserve a Meal 941-722-6937**

Extra plate charge is \$1.00



# Americanism

As we celebrate our Independence Day, reflect on the Code of Americanism from the American Heritage Academy (AHA).

AHA believes in America's greatness, goodness, and freedoms. AHA believes and supports Public Law 84-140 adopted July 30, 1956, known as the National Motto of the United States, and reaffirmed by Congress in 2003, as "In God We Trust."

AHA was specifically formed to promote the teachings and opinions of the Founding Fathers. President John Adams said: "Our Constitution was made only for a moral and religious people. It is wholly inadequate to the government of any other." AHA encourages the teaching of morals and virtue as a support of our form of government. It encourages families to be actively involved in religious organizations of their choice.

The Declaration of Independence carries the central story and core belief of AHA. It teaches its students the same principle.

This is an American public school and American public schools were created to make better Americans. Therefore students at AHA will respect its flag, its pledge, and the National Anthem.

AHA teaches and believes that the United States Constitution is the greatest document of liberty ever written in the history of mankind. AHA is committed to defending the Constitution and its Principles.

AHA holds to American's motto: e pluribus Unum – "from many, one." Thus the only identity this academy will foster is American. AHA focuses on what makes America great and unified.

Learning has been a sacred endeavor from the beginning of this nation. The Academy will reflect the elevated status that institutions of learning must receive and will not tolerate behavior or action that is illegal or degrading. Students are expected to respect themselves, others and facilities.

Let us strive to espouse this in our everyday dealings.

Craig Conklin, PER

## **PALMETTO #2449 BULLETIN BOOSTERS 2018-2019**

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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Weekly Lounge Activities  
**HAPPY HOUR ALL DAY SATURDAY & SUNDAY**  
Lodge opens **Monday - Friday 3:00pm**  
**Happy Hour Daily 3:00 to 6:00**  
**Bar to close at the discretion of the bartender**  
**FRIDAY SPECIALS-\$6.00**

## July 2019

**Sun      Mon      Tue      Wed      Thu      Fri      Sat**

	1. Lodge opens at 3  Karaoke 6-9 Dave Martin	2 Lodge opens at 3	3 Lodge opens at 3	4 Lodge Closed  Happy 4th of July!	5 Lodge opens at 3  Beef Stroganoff	6 Lodge opens at 3
7 Lodge opens at 3	8 Lodge opens at 3  Karaoke 6-9 Dave Martin	9 Lodge opens at 3  BOD Meeting-6 Meeting-7	10 Lodge opens at 3	11 Lodge opens at 3  Bar Poker-4pm	12 Lodge opens at 3  Lasagna	13 Lodge opens at 3
14 Lodge opens at 3	15 Lodge opens at 3  Karaoke 6-9 Dave Martin	16 Lodge opens at 3	17 Lodge opens at 3	18 Lodge opens at 3  Bar Poker-4pm	19 Lodge opens at 3  Pulled Pork	20 Lodge opens at 3
21 Lodge opens at 3	22 Lodge opens at 3  Karaoke 6-9 Dave Martin	23 Lodge opens at 3	24 Lodge opens at 3	25 Lodge opens at 3  Bar Poker-4pm	26 Lodge opens at 3  Beef Stew	27 Lodge opens at 3
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1—size

Medium

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Large

5—size

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sleeve, V-neck—  
size large

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**Music**

**6:00 to 9:00**

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the Elks Lately?**

