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Welcome to December

I am sure we were all thinking we would not make it this far. This Covid 19 is making a mess of things. Please keep yourself safe. We have been working on that factor here in the lodge.

The lodge is open for your enjoyment. Remember, we are open daily from 2 until 8 with Karaoke with food on Mondays, Pasta night on Wednesdays, and Fish Fry on Fridays. Check the bulletin for serving times. By the way, if you know someone who is not getting the monthly bulletin, please call the lodge to get it started.

As a reminder, the end of the calendar year is coming to an end and if you need to do a little donating, please keep your lodge in mind. As a reminder, the only way we take in funds is by having the lodge and bar open for the benefit of our members. If only the same members show up, it makes it hard to keep floating. This is your lodge.

This coming Sunday, December 6, 2020 we will have our monthly brunch from 11:00 to 1:00. Lots of good food for your pleasure. Following the brunch will be the Lodges annual Memorial Service to honor the members who have passed during the previous year. This past year we have lost 13 members. Please come out and honor them.

The Board made it mandatory to wear your mask when entering the building and when you are out of your seat. Covid safety.

I want to wish you and your families a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Jim Decker, ER

Palmetto Elks Lodge 2449



DECEMBER ACTIVITIES

I hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving, and that you all stayed safe.

Please notice that we have changed a few things at the Lodge. You **MUST** have a mask on in order to enter the building. Whenever you leave your seat, your mask **MUST** be on. Please do not add more chairs around the bar. We want everyone to be safe. We also do not want to have to close again. But we must have the co-operation of everyone in order to stay open and healthy.

December 6, is going to be our Sunday Brunch. We serve from 11:00-1:00. This day is also our Elks' Memorial Service. It will follow the Brunch. For anyone not familiar with this Service, this is where we honor our Members who have passed away during the year. It is a wonderful way to say Good-bye. I urge you all to attend.

Marie is back every Monday Night with Karaoke, from 5:00-8:00. We are serving Hamburgers, Cheeseburgers, and Hot Dogs from 5:00-7:00.

Wednesdays are our Spaghetti and Meatball night. Again we serve from 5:00-7:00.

Thursdays we are back with Bar Poker.

Fridays, we have our Fish Fry and we will also have a special, that is not fish.

On Saturday, December 19, 2020, we are going to have a Pot Luck. We will also be celebrating everyone who has a Birthday in the month of December. Marie will be with us providing music. We open at 2:00 and we will start the Celebration at 3:00. Please bring a dish to share.

We will be closed again this year for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Also closed on New Year's Eve and New Year's Day.

I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy, New Year. If we all work together, we will all get through this mess safely.

Fraternally yours,

Sandra S. Mooney, PER

Activities Chairman



Secretary letter

Hi to all. 2020 is almost gone. Hopefully, 2021 will be better for all of us. I pray that the Covid 19 virus will be gone, and we can hug each other like we used to. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you all. And thank you for making me feel like one of your Elk family.

Your secretary, Doris C (Kitty) Flournoy

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

12/1	Don	Kozlowski	12/11	Pamela	Barger	12/18	Betty	Kerschner
12/1	Anne	Littlefield	12/11	Charles	Brethauer	12/18	Patrick	Short
12/2	John	Bargas	12/12	Tim	Hutchinson	12/20	Peter	Greispma
12/2	Harley	Lewis	12/15	James	Kurlinski	12/20	William	Kuhar
12/2	Emil	Peters	12/15	Rosalie	Moser	12/22	Bruce	Hoover
12/3	Bob	Ernst	12/15	Buddu	Powers	12/23	Fred	Steele
12/5	Ronnal	Hattinger	12/15	Tom	Sechler	12/25	Dave	Klukow
12/5	Diane	Schetrompf	12/16	Charles	Gallagher	12/28	Miles	Gee
12/7	Judy	Hepler	12/16	Len	Mulligan	12/29	Mark	Gardipee
12/7	Eugene	Laube	12/17	Ted	Valentine	12/29	Thomas	Sayer
12/10	Frank	Kimble	12/18	Leann	Hintze	12/30	Robert	Sager

AMERICANISM—DECEMBER

What is more American than our Bill of Rights. These amendments protect our most fundamental rights—freedom of speech, protest, and conscience, and guarantees our equal protection under the law.

I discovered that the Bill of Rights Day is observed on December 15 which *commemorates the ratification of the first ten amendments to the U.S. Constitution. Let's take a look back at the origins and history of that day.* On December 15, 1791, the first 10 amendments to the Constitution, later known as the Bill of Rights, were ratified.

During the 150th anniversary commemorations in 1941, Congress passed a joint resolution authorizing the President, "to issue a proclamation designating December 15, 1941, as Bill of Rights Day, calling upon officials of the Government to display the flag of the United States on all Government buildings on that day, and inviting the people of the United States to observe the day with appropriate ceremonies and prayer." In November, President Franklin D. Roosevelt issued a proclamation dedicating December 15, 1941, as Bill of Rights Day. In his message he referred to the document as "the great American charter of personal liberty and human dignity."

President Truman observed this day in 1946 and again in 1952. Since 1962, the President has acknowledged Bill of Rights day every year.

Craig Conklin, PER

Americanism Chairman

PALMETTO #2449 BULLETIN BOOSTERS 2019-2020

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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Name (s) _____

Drug Awareness Points to Remember

- ✦ Drug addiction is a chronic disease characterized by drug seeking and use that is compulsive, or difficult to control, despite harmful consequences.
- ✦ Brain changes that occur over time with drug use challenge an addicted person's self-control and interfere with their ability to resist intense urges to take drugs. This is why drug addiction is also a relapsing disease.
- ✦ Relapse is the return to drug use after an attempt to stop. Relapse indicates the need for more or different treatment.
- ✦ Most drugs affect the brain's reward circuit by flooding it with the chemical messenger dopamine. Surges of dopamine in the reward circuit cause the reinforcement of pleasurable but unhealthy activities, leading people to repeat the behavior again and again.
- ✦ Over time, the brain adjusts to the excess dopamine, which reduces the high that the person feels compared to the high they felt when first taking the drug—an effect known as tolerance. They might take more of the drug, trying to achieve the same dopamine high.
- ✦ No single factor can predict whether a person will become addicted to drugs. A combination of genetic, environmental, and developmental factors influences risk for addiction. The more risk factors a person has, the greater the chance that taking drugs can lead to addiction.
- ✦ Drug addiction is treatable and can be successfully managed.
- ✦ More good news is that drug use and addiction are preventable. Teachers, parents, and health care providers have crucial roles in educating young people and preventing drug use and addiction.

This is part of an article put out by National Institute on Drug Abuse
The more we know about drug abuse, the more we can help others.

Dorathey Meade

Drug Awareness committee chairperson

PALMETTO ELKS ALL YOU CAN EAT BRUNCH-\$13

December 6th, 11-1 pm



**Scrambled Eggs, Bacon,
Sausage Links
Waffles, Biscuits & Gravy
Rib, Smoked Turkey,
Cod Fingers
Roasted Potatoes
Steamed Broccoli & Cauliflower
Fresh Fruit
Brownies**



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WEEKLY LODGE ACTIVITIES




Monday
Serving 5-7 pm
Music 5-8pm

Every Friday
5 PM—7 PM
FISH FRY

LODGE OPEN DAILY FROM 2-8 PM

December 2020

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

		1 Open 2-8	2 Spaghetti/ meatballs-\$8.00 1/2 order-\$5.00 5-7pm	3 Bar Poker Game starts at the discretion of the bartender	4 FISH FRY Meatloaf & trimmings	5 Open 2-8
6 BRUNCH 11-1PM -\$13 Elks Memorial Service - 2pm	7 Hamburger-\$8 Cheeseburger-\$9 Hot Dog-\$5 Karaoke- 5-8pm	8 Meetings: Trustees-4:30pm Directors-5:00pm Business -6:00pm	9 Spaghetti/ meatballs-\$8.00 1/2 order-\$5.00 5-7pm	10 Bar Poker Game starts at the discretion of the bartender	11 FISH FRY Roast Pork & Trimmings	12 Open 2-8
13 Open 2-8	14 Hamburger-\$8 Cheeseburger-\$9 Hot Dog-\$5 Karaoke- 5-8pm	15 <i>Bill of Rights Day</i> 	16 Spaghetti/ meatballs-\$8.00 1/2 order-\$5.00 5-7pm	17 Bar Poker Game starts at the discretion of the bartender	18 FISH FRY Chicken Piccata & Trimmings	19 Open 2-8 Pot Luck Birthday Celebration-3pm
20 Open 2-8	21 Hamburger-\$8 Cheeseburger-\$9 Hot Dog-\$5 Karaoke- 5-8pm	22 Open 2-8	23 Spaghetti/ meatballs-\$8.00 1/2 order-\$5.00 5-7pm	24 CLOSED <i>CHRISTMAS EVE</i>	25 CLOSED 	26 Open 2-8
27 Open 2-8	28 Hamburger-\$8 Cheeseburger-\$9 Hot Dog-\$5 Karaoke- 5-8pm	29 Open 2-8	30 Spaghetti/ meatballs-\$8.00 1/2 order-\$5.00 5-7pm	31 CLOSED 		

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