



## State President's Official Visit to the South Southeast District

You are cordially invited to join the South Southeast District and host Lodge Boca Raton #2166 as State President Russell "Russ" Smith and First Lady Denise visit us on August 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Vice President at Large Michael "Mike" Chandler and his wife Caroline will be accompanying them.

The President's party will arrive at the Hampton Inn by Hilton in Delray Beach, at 5:00 pm on Friday, August 9, 2024. The Hospitality Suite will open at 4:00 pm, prior to the President's arrival with the presence of VPAL Mike Chandler and his wife Caroline. Join your fellow Elks at the front of the hotel at 5 pm to welcome State President Russ Smith and Denise. I encourage you to wear RED on Friday in support of our military. The Hospitality Suite will be open until 5:45 pm.

We will be departing from the hotel for Pompano Beach Lodge #1898, located at 4000 NE 10<sup>th</sup> Way, Pompano Beach, FL 33064, at approximately 6:00 pm. Dinner, consisting of Picanha (Brazilian Seared Steak) w/Chimichuri, Brazilian Beans & Rice, Caesar Salad, Dinner Roll, and Dessert, will be served at 7 pm. The cost of the dinner per person is \$15.00 and reservations must be made by August 3, 2024. Dress for the event is casual. Return to the hotel is at the State President's discretion.

On Saturday, August 10, 2024, the State President, VPAL and their party will travel to Hollywood West Lodge #2365, located at 7190 Davie Road Ext., Hollywood, FL 33024 to enjoy breakfast at 9:00 am. The cost of breakfast will be \$10.00, and reservations must be made by August 3, 2024.

After Breakfast we will be building Welcome Home Kits for Veterans exiting homelessness. These kits will be donated to Faith, Love, Hope Charities, a non-profit organization dedicated to ending veteran homelessness.

We will then travel to Oakland Park Lodge #2407, located at 240 Prospect Rd, Oakland Park, FL 33309 for a casual lunch at 1:00 pm. The cost of lunch will be \$10.00, and reservations must be made by August 3, 2024. After lunch, the party will return to the hotel for relaxation before the evening's festivities.

At 5:45 pm the President, VPAL and their party will depart the hotel for Delray Beach Lodge #1770 located at 265 NE 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Delray Beach, 33483, where host Lodge – Boca Raton Lodge #2166 - with the assistance of Delray Beach Lodge #1770 - will welcome the party for a formal dinner evening. Dress for the evening is jacket and ties for men and cocktail attire for women. Hors d'oeuvres and cocktails will be served at 6:00 pm with dinner following at 7:00 pm. Dinner will consist of cucumber tomato salad, French bread, Chicken Cordon Bleu, Creamy Dijon cheese sauce, buttered mashed potatoes, French green beans, and dessert, and will be at a cost of \$20.00 per person. Reservations must be made by August 3, 2024. Return to the hotel is at the discretion of the State President.