

The Beacon Bonita Springs Estero Elks #2753 MAY 2018



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And
Our Troops



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EXALTED RULER MESSAGE



People may forget what we say, but they never forget how we make them feel”.

I have had guests from other Elks Lodge’s inform me that they like visiting our Lodge because of being made to feel like they are a part of our family. This is truly a compliment to our members.

Many of our “Snow Birds” are leaving us at this time of year. We wish them a safe journey on their way home. We will be waiting for you to return in the fall!!

Plans are being made to have a nice celebration for Mother’s Day at the Lodge on May 13. There will be a special tribute to mothers as suggested by the Grand Lodge. Tickets may be purchased at the bar at this time.

We will be having a Memorial Day event at the Lodge on May 28 from 11:00 A.M. until 2:00 P.M. Please make plans to attend this event.

Let me encourage all members to come to our Lodge Meetings. It is important that everyone be informed about what is taking place as far as the business side of the Lodge. The Officers would like to have your input.

Fraternally yours,
Dianne Wilhelm
Exalted Ruler

Heard round the house.....

Annual Mother’s Day Brunch – May 13th 11am-to 1pm join us for a buffet brunch with omelet station, fruit, sausage, bacon, waffles, pastries, home fried potatoes, biscuits and gravy. All for \$20 a person. Where else can you take Mom out and not wait for a table. Make reservations for parties larger than 4. Get your tickets now, they will go fast. Call the office or come to the bar to purchase tickets.

Memorial Day Pot Luck- May 28th-Come join your Elks family for a good food and friends celebrating our veterans. More information to follow on the website www.bpoe2753.com .

August is our turn to have the District Vice President to our lodge for a spectacular dinner. Please stay tuned to our website for additional information on that as well. We invite all to come, tickets available soon.

We offer a great banquet facility for weddings, birthdays, graduations, showers, almost any event. We have very competitive rental rates for non-members and members. Call to speak with Nancy Schmucker regarding availability.

Amy Fitzgerald, House Committee Chair



From the Secretary –

We initiated 10 new members in April which finally got us to our goal of over 1000 members. We currently have 1002 members. We still have 195 members on the delinquent list so that number of 1002 may be short lived! I certainly hope not. Please send in your dues monies and keep Bonita Springs Estero Elks Lodge #2753 as a strong 1000+ member Lodge! United we stand!

One of my biggest headaches is when our members move north but don't leave a forwarding address with me. Grand Lodge continues to send your ELKS magazine to whatever address I have on file for you but after a certain point the Post Office no longer forwards your mail. Please, if you have a change of address, let me know. It is less work in the long run to change it in the system ahead of time than to have to hear it from the Grand Lodge! I so appreciate your help in this matter.

We were recently awarded this MAKING A DIFFERENCE SPECIAL CITATION!



In order to qualify for this award, we had to participate fully in 6 of 11 programs over the course of the year– none easy! We are happy to have this nice honor on display!

We also received \$500 from the State President's Grant Program in recognition of outstanding charitable work in our community.

I recently read a booklet entitled "Sometimes God has a Kid's Face". It contained this little short story:

On the street I saw a girl, cold and shivering in a thin dress, with little hope of a decent meal. I became angry and said to God: "Why do you permit this? Why don't you do something about it?" For a while God said nothing. That night He replied quite suddenly: "I certainly did do something about it. I made YOU".



In Fraternal Friendship,
Barbara Kneer, Secretary
Happy Mother's Day!

2018-2019 Lodge Officers

Exalted Ruler

Esteemed Leading Knight
 Esteemed Loyal Knight
 Esteemed Lecturing Knight
 Secretary
 Treasurer
 Esquire
 Tiler
 Inner Guard
 Chaplain
 Mediator

Dianne Wilhelm

Maria Trapasso
 Amy Fitzgerald
 Frank Scandale
 Barbara Kneer
 Benjamin Mazzoccoli
 Pete Thompson
 Paulette Cooke
 Mary Maher
 Trevor Kopczka
 Ravis Prueitt

Lodge 2753-Past Exalted Rulers

Steve Cicak	2015-2018
Paul Perl	2014-2015
Pete Godshaw	2013-2014
Jeff Morse	2012-2013
Paul Carr	2011-2012
Ravis Prueitt	2010-2011
Maria Trapasso	2009-2010
Richard Cooke	2007-2009
Ronald Cumming	2006-2007
John Baumann	2003-2005
Charles Prindle	2002-2003
Robert J Tuyls	2001-2002
Elenor Leoce	2000-2001
Roy Conrad	1999-2000
Carl Hoke	1998-1999
Elenor Leoce	1997-1998
James Douglas	1994-1995
Robert Distlecamp	1993-1994
Greg Grothe	1991-1993
E Brent Snodgrass	1990-1991
Rex Sims	1990-Interm

Committee Chairs

Activities Committee

House Committee	Amy Fitzgerald
Drug Awareness	
Accident / Prevention	Dean Pratt
Hoop Shoot//Soccer /Youth Act.	Susan Baurer
Public Relation	Jim & Judith MacGregor
Lodge Activities	Shirley Thompson
Scholarships	Peter Ong

Auditing & Accounting Committee

Auditing & Accounting Chair	Carole Kassi
Auditing & Accounting Member	Jack Boyd

Fraternal Committee

Flag Day	Pete Thompson
Membership	Amy Fitzgerald
Elk's Memorial Day Program	Pete Thompson
Elk's National Foundation Program	
Elks' National Veterans Services	Pete Thompson
Veterans Outreach	Jack Walsh
Americanism Essay Contest	Rhonda Moore
Grand Lodge Representative	Steve Cicak
State Major Project Chair	Deanna Wiggin

Trustees

1 Year	Wayne Godsey
2 Year	Ken Brown
3 Year	Dan Croft
4 Year	Dean Pratt
5 Year	Steve Cicak

Following are Past Exalted Rulers from other lodges

And are now members of Lodge #2753

PER ORGANIZATION CHAIR

Reginald Fillman	Deanna Wiggin
Frank Poirier	PDDGER Life Member
William Lucek	1978
Darwin Mueller	1982
Robert E Stanton	1984
Wayne B. Faux	2003
Deanna Wiggin	1995
David Wiggin	2009
Dr. Robert Sloat	2007
Jammie Sayger	1989
Armond Belisle	1995
	1964



Our Deepest Sympathy goes to
 PER Ravis Prueitt and family
 for the loss of his beautiful wife
 Margaret Eloise 4/16/18



	DOB	Init.	DOD
Gaye Bethea	3/23/32	11/22/98	4/618

BEACON BOOSTER THIS MONTH OF MAY

William Ribble

THANK YOU!

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Jack Walsh at 239 200 5032
Or Pete Thompson 239 949 9165

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Any Joker: \$200

Queen of Hearts Minimum \$1000.

**Thank you to all that contribute to the Veterans Box
by the door in the lounge. You have donated year to
date \$896.27**





Sunday May 13, 2018

Mothers Day Brunch

11:00 AM—1:00 PM

\$20.00

Tickets at Bar

Special Notice to be presented on the floor

During the past three years our lodge Secretary has also occupied the office clerk position. It was the only way I could get her the salary she needed by accepting both responsibilities. Our bylaws limit the Lodge Secretary position to \$50.00 per week so I am now requesting Lodge approval for \$2000. Per month as Lodge Secretary, understanding she will continue to occupy both positions at that pay level. Barb is the best we have ever had and is a tireless employee and devoted Elk. It is in the best interest of our lodge to approve this by law change.

The board of directors approved this change and also \$1,000 for Treasurer.

B.O.D

**Monday May 28th
Memorial Day Service**

And Picnic

11:00 — 2:00 PM

Hamburgers and Hot Dogs
provided

Bring a side dish to share

11:00 AM Flag Ceremony

11:45 AM Speeches

12:30 PM Picnic



Office Hours

Mon– Fri 9 AM—1 PM

Lounge Hours

Tues ONLY 11 AM—11 PM

Wed– Sat. 4 PM—11 PM

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MAY 2018

Reservations are required for Dinner and will only be held for 15 minutes. Also remember the dress code and remind your guest. The entire lodge is smoke free,

Lunch at the Lodge

Tues ONLY

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Dinner 5-8 PM Karaoke 5:30-9:00 PM	2 Dinner 5-8 PM Juke Box Night	3 Dinner 5-8 PM Karaoke 5:30-9:00 PM QUEEN OF-HEARTS	4 Full Dinner Menu Entertainment by Harry Boyle 6:30– 9:30 PM Resv. Required	5 Full Dinner Menu Entertainment by Joe Turner 6:30– 9:30 PM Resv. Required
6 LODGE CLOSED Singles Dance 7 PM	7 LODGE CLOSED	8 Dinner 5-8 PM Karaoke 5:30-9:00 PM	9 Dinner 5-8 PM Birthday Bash Night	10 Dinner 5-8 PM Karaoke 5:30-9:00 PM QUEEN OF-HEARTS	11 Full Dinner Menu Entertainment by Nevada 6:30– 9:30 PM Resv. Required	12 Full Dinner Menu Entertainment by Ron Spataro 6:30– 9:30 PM Resv. Required
13 Mothers Day BRUNCH 11:00-1:00 Ticketed Singles Dance 7 PM	14 6 PM Orientation 7 PM Meeting 6:30 PER Meeting	15 Dinner 5-8 PM Karaoke 5:30-9:00 PM	16 Dinner 5-8 PM MIC Night	17 Dinner 5-8 PM Karaoke 5:30-9:00 PM QUEEN OF-HEARTS	18 Full Dinner Menu Entertainment by Joe Sassarini 6:30– 9:30 PM Resv. Required	19 Full Dinner Menu Entertainment by Harry Boyle 6:30– 9:30 PM Resv. Required
20 LODGE CLOSED Singles Dance 7 PM	21 LODGE CLOSED	22 Dinner 5-8 PM Karaoke 5:30-9:00 PM	23 Dinner 5-8 PM Italian Night	24 5-8 PM Karaoke 5:30-9:00 PM QUEEN OF-HEARTS	25 Full Dinner Menu Entertainment by Jerry Dycke 6:30– 9:30 PM Resv. Required	26 Full Dinner Menu Entertainment by Jerry Dycke 6:30– 9:30 PM Resv. Required
27 LODGE CLOSED Singles Dance 7 PM	28 MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE & PICNIC 11:00-2:00 No Meeting	29 Dinner 5-8 PM Karaoke 5:30-9:00 PM With Jack Walsh	30 Dinner 5-8 PM	31 Dinner 5-8 PM Karaoke 5:30-9:00 PM With Jack Walsh QUEEN OF-HEARTS		

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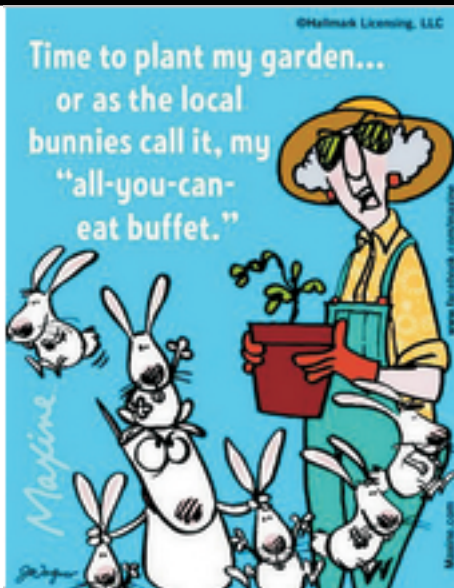
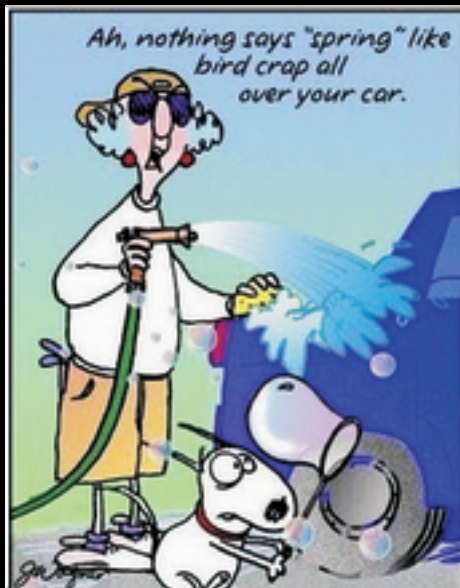


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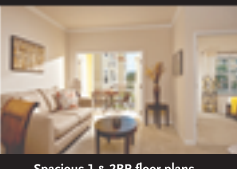
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