

The Beacon Bonita Springs/Estero Elks Lodge #2753

March 2020



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Could it possibly be March already? It is getting close to the time to hand over the gavel to a new regime with new ideas and, I'm sure, great abilities and enthusiasm.

On February 10th, we Elks, nominated Wayne Godsey as Exalted Ruler, Darlene Seachrist as Leading Knight, Dale Sayset as Loyal Knight, Tom Lane as Lecturing Knight, and Frank Toner as 5 year Trustee. We kept Dean Pratt as secretary and Ben Mazzocchi as Treasurer. I hopefully will be appointed as Esquire, a job I previously had and loved. I am not ready for the rocking chair yet.

Also during our February 10th meeting, I awarded Elk Of The Year to Brother Russ Brown, Officer Of The Year to Sister Angeles Gagnon and Outstanding Service Award to Brother Frank Toner, all of whom greatly deserved recognition for their contributions of time and energy to our lodge.

I raved about our Elvis show in the last Beacon and I must rave about our 30th Anniversary Extravaganza with Cahal Dunne. Once again our entertainment chair person, namely Shirley Thompson, with the assistance of Florence Poggi, organized and produced an exciting and fun filled evening. Additionally, a great deal was done for Valentine's Day and Mardi Gras.

As eventful as February was, March is even more exciting, featuring our Reverse Raffle, Saint Patrick's Day Dinner, and Country and Western Dinner Dance. I would not advise you to miss any of these block buster events. See our Calendar, Blast, Website and/or Flyers for dates, times and cost. All the reverse raffle tickets have been sold. However, there may still be time to purchase tickets to other events so don't delay.

Since this will be my last article, I want to thank those who made me feel as though I was doing a great job as Exalted Ruler and overlooked any mistakes that I made (Yes, I made mistakes). Thanks to our volunteers who made our lodge look good, and run smooth and made my year great. THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU! Please support the new regime as you have supported me.

Faternally,

Pete Thompson ER (future PER)



2019-2020 Lodge Officers

EXALTED RULER	Pete Thompson
Leading Knight	Wayne Godsey
Loyal Knight	Angeles Gagnon
Lecturing Knight	Darlene Seachrist
Treasurer	Ben Mazzocchi
Secretary	Dean Pratt
Esquire	Amy Fitzgerald
Tiler	Paulette Cooke
Inner Guard	Ken Grogan
Chaplin	Marc Gagnon
Mediator	Rex Sims

TRUSTEES

1 year	Frank Poirier
2 year	Dan Croft
3 year	Frank Scandale
4 year	Steve Cicak
5 year	Dianne Wilhelm

Lodge #2753 Past Exalted Rulers

Dianne Wilhelm	2018-2019
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 Cook	2007-2009
Ronald Cummings	2005-2007
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	1996-1997
Jimmie Sayger	1995-1996
James Douglas	1994-1995
Robert Distlecamp	1993-1994
Greg Grothe	1991-1993
E Bent Snodgrass	1990-1991
Rex Sims	1990-interm

PER'S from other Lodges now Members at #2753

Armond Belisle	1964
Wayne Faux	1995
Reginald Fillman	PDDGER
William Lucek	1982
Darwin Mueller	1984
Frank Poirier	1978
Jammie Sayger	1995
Dr Robert Sloat	1989
Robert Stanton	2003
David Wiggin	2007
Deanna Wiggin	2009
Mike Adamski	2002

COMMITTEES**Auditing & Accounting**

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Jack Boyd

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Soccer Shoot

Carol Marchell
Sandra Stead

Drug Awareness

Amy Fitzgerald
Eileen Wolfe
Nancy Bloodgood
Bea Segl

Fraternal CommitteesAmericanism

Rhonda Moore
Christine Gray

Scholarships

Linda Duncan
Mike Adamski

Elks National Foundation

Judith & Jim MacGregor

Flag Day

Pete Thompson & Officers

Elks Memorial DayMembership

Amy Fitzgerald
Pete Thompson

Investigating Committee

Dale Sayset

Ken Grogan

Tom Lane

Veteran Services

John Seachrist

Accident Prevention

Frank Scandale

PER Association

Dianne Wilhelm
Maria Trapasso

Standing Relief

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Wayne Godsey

Dean Pratt

Peter Thompson

Frank Poirier

Dan Croft

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Steve Cicak

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Public Relations

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OtherState Major Project

Pete Thompson

BY-LAWS

Wayne Godsey

House Committee

Shirley Thompson Chairperson

Ken Grogan

Nancy Bloodgood

Marc Gagnon

Tom Lane

Dale Sayset

Florence Poggi

Mike Adamski

Darlene Seachrist

Beacon Booster

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For Lodge Information please press 1

For Dinner Reservations please press 2

For the event room manager please press 3

For the Secretary please press 4

For the Treasurer please press 5

For the Bar please press 6

For the Exalted Ruler please press 7

For information regarding events please press 9

STORIES & SONGS

Thursday, March 5, 2020 6:30 - 9:00

Stories & Songs, a dynamic performance by three completely different kinds of performers, will take you back to places and times you hold dear, enlighten you with new stories, and generate beautiful memories that will stay with you long after this incredible evening!

Performers: Carlene Thissen, Tim McGeary, and Dianna Fox

Tickets will be \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door. See www.carlenethissen.com/schedule for more information.



Carlene Thissen



Tim McGeary



Dianna Fox

Queen Of Hearts Drawing every Thursday Night
Promptly at 8:30 pm ticket sales end at 8:15 pm

Tickets on sale all week

1 Ticket	\$1.00
6 Tickets	\$5.00
12 Tickets	\$10.00
25 Tickets	\$20.00



Draw any numbered card,
 #2 through 10, Jack or King

Any Ace:	\$25
Any other Queen	\$60
Any Joker	\$100
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Feeding the Senior Population through the Café of Life Program
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 Crochet and Sewing Projects / Mah Jongg on Wednesday's at 1 pm

CALL US and see how YOU can get involved!

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Web site: www.christusvictorfl.org Email: christusvictor@cylcfl.org

Bonita Springs Estero Elks #2753

Present the Ever Popular & Anticipated REVERSE RAFFLE

***GRAND PRIZE: \$10,000.00!!**

***Plus additional prizes throughout the evening**

Saturday, March 7th, 2020

Entry fee donation of \$100.00 - Covers 2 Guests

Only 300 Tickets will be sold

Don't delay – get yours before they're gone!

4-6 PM Open Bar

Well Drinks, House Wine, Draft Beer

6:00 PM Buffet dinner:

Meatballs w/ Marinara

Italian Sausage w/ Peppers & Onions

Baked Pasta Alfredo

Green Beans

Italian Bread & Butter

Dessert

Please Note: You do not have to be an Elk to win and you do need not to be present to win.

Entertainer in the Lounge: Rick Norris

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Open Mic Night
Bonita Springs Estero Elks Lodge #2753

We hope you will join us for an evening of creativity, culture, and community. Come show us what you've got or enjoy our very own local talent and our revolving door of performers and entertaining guests.

Open Mic Night is a live show at which audience members who are amateur performers or professionals who want to try out new material or plan an upcoming show are given the opportunity to perform onstage. Performers include musicians, singers, actors, poets, magicians, puppeteers, comedians, speakers, dancers, ...whatever!

This is surely a night not to miss!
Third Wednesday each month 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Open Mic Night Hosts - Marc and Angeles Gagnon

Elk Members & Qualified Guests ... *come on in and join the fun!*

★☆☆☆ *(once you know - everybody wants to be a star)*

Come One! Come All!

"Bean Bag Toss Competition"

****Every Fourth Wednesday of the Month.****

Gift Certificates will be awarded for
1st and 2nd Place Winners to be used, in house,
toward food and/or cocktails.

1st Place Team: (4) \$5 Gift Certificates
2nd Place Team: (2) \$5 Gift Certificates

Hope to see YOU for some fun, fun, fun
here at the Lodge ...

GAME ON!!!!

TO INCREASE MEMBERSHIP

BE A PROPOSER

PROPOSE A FRIEND FOR MEMBERSHIP

WE LIKE YOU,

WE'LL LIKE YOUR FRIENDS

Applications are available in the
Secretary's office 239 947 2753

DRESS CODE

Discouraged during the day and not permitted evenings

Hats, Caps, tee shirts, tank tops,

cargo shorts and cargo pants for men

Hats, caps, tee shirts, short shorts for women

Jeans may not be worn on Friday or Saturday evenings

PRIME RIB RAFFLE

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GET YOUR TICKET

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NOTE: Need not be present to win.



Tuesday March 17th
St Patrick's Dinner Dance
Two halls Two Entertainers
Dinner Served 5-8 PM
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Rick Norris
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