

The **Elks** Tale

Punta Gorda, Florida
Elks Lodge #2606



Letter from our Exalted Ruler

2019 is underway and the lodge is very busy. If you've come to chicken night or breakfast you know what I'm talking about. To all our snowbirds, we're so happy you're back.

The Christmas party was very successful and we were able to donate many gift cards to St. Vincent de Paul and CARE. I hope you enjoyed it as much as I did. The New Year's Eve party was also very well attended and, as usual, lots of fun.

The Army of Hope will be held February 9th at the Rotonda Lodge. Loyal Knight Dahleen Hendrickson and her committee will be representing our Lodge. Please attend this worthwhile event which supports families of deployed service personnel.

The PER's spaghetti dinner is February 12th. Tickets are on sale and you know it sells out fast. Come and support our PER association.

Lobsterfest is February 17. Get your tickets early as they sell out fast. You don't want to miss out on this fun filled day.

The Corporate board is working on a new venue for March— in place of Big Band Weekend. Look for details.

We're still working on plans for the addition. Sorry it's so slow but these things take time, more than anticipated. We're trying to add to the building fund! Contribute \$25.00 or more and get lovely ELK'S logo Tervis Tumbler with cover. Help Out! Everyone needs a glass for a cold beverage.

The end of March is the end of my year as Exalted Ruler. I've enjoyed this year very much. Thanks for the support and I'll see you around the lodge.

Walt Lacombe ER

LODGE OFFICERS & DIRECTORS

Exalted Ruler	Walter LaCombe
Leading Knight	Timothy Pohto PER
Loyal Knight	Daleen Hendrickson PER
Lecturing Knight	Linda Bridegroom
Secretary	Pete Vaphiades PDD
Treasurer	Vic Turner
Tiler	Bill Gurnick
Esquire	Eric Rolston PER
Chaplain	Ambrose Yelovich PER
Inner Guard	Helen Marcinkowski
Organist	Open
Presiding Justice	Hal Wotitzky Esq
Sub Forum Mediator	Bill Jameson PER

TRUSTEES

*1 year	Michael Grizzle
*2 Year	Charles Moores
*3 Year	Joe Campbell PER
*4 Year	Judy Nuetzel PER Chmn
*5 Year	Charles Troike

LODGE BOARD OF DIRECTORS*ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE:**

Walter LaCombe	
Janice MacKenzie	
Betty Campbell	
(VACANT)	
Brenda Hughes	
Walter LaCombe	
Anthony (Bud) Bell	
(VACANT)	
Ambrose Yelovich PER	

FRATERNAL COMMITTEE:

Daleen Hendrickson PER	
Joe Campbell PER	
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Bob Hahn PER	
Exalted Ruler	
Vickie Hahn	
Mike & Mary Lou Grizzle	
Walter LaCombe	
Julie Avers PER	

PUBLIC RELATIONS:

Joanne Sutton	
Ambrose Yelovich PER	

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Auditor	Robert Hahn PER
Auditor	Tyrone MacKenzie PDDGER

STATE MAJOR PROJECTS: BILL JAMESON PER

- * Harry Anna-Trust Fund
- * Florida Elks Youth Camp
- * Florida Elks Children's Therapy

PUNTA GORDA ELKS, INC.**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

President/Bar Director	Joe Campbell PER
Vice President	Anthony (Bud) Bell
Sec./Sever & Cabin Director	Helen Marcinkowski
Picnic Director	Charles Moores
Treas./Chicken Night Director	Mike Grizzle
Director	Charles Troike
Maintenance Director	Eric Rolston
Gen. Manag./Kitchen Supervisor	Jenny Austin

MEETINGS

Lodge: 1st & 3rd Tuesday Monthly 7:00pm, **Lodge Board of Directors:** 1st & 3rd Tuesday Monthly 6:00pm
(Except 1st Tuesday in July and 3rd Tuesday in August)

Corporation Board of Directors: 3rd Saturday 9:00am; **PER Association:** 1st Thursday Monthly 7:00pm

Elkettes: 4th Tuesday Monthly 7:00pm

Elks Care**Elks Share****ELKS BELIEVE IN GOD**

PAST EXALTED RULERS					
1980-81	Don Roll PDDGER (D)	1994-95	Gordon Schmidt (D)	2010-11	George Kretschman (D)
1981-82	Wayne Arnold (D)	1995-96	David Koch (D)	2011-12	John Lennon
1982-83	Gordon Keller (D)	1996-97	Gerald Philbrick	2012-13	Ann Jameson
1983-84	Tony Maresca (D)	1997-98	Fred Campau (D)	2013-14	Greg Czarnecki
1984-85	Sam Cavalier (D)	1998-99	Vic Bellows	2014-15	Joe Campbell
1985-86	Jim Christman (D)	1999-00	Martin Jordan	2015-16	Julie Avers
1986-87	Jay Stewart	2000-01	Tom Gorman	2016-17	Bill Dryburgh
1987-88	Barry Carmichael	2001-02	Robert Townsend	2017-18	Judy Nuetzel
1988-89	George Lamb (D)	2002-03	George McCloughan (D)		
1989-90	Art Doran (D)	2003-04	Carl Rehling		
1990-91	Charlie Hauka (D)	2004-05	Tyrone MacKenzie PDDGER		
1991-92	Ron Sorrentino PDDGER (D)	2005-06	Tom Gorman		
1992-93	Darrell Hughes	2006-07	Bob Hahn		
1993-94	Phillip Sansosti	2007-08	Charles Warren		
		2008-09	William Jameson		
		2009-10	Patricia Schmidt		

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CHAPLIN'S CORNER



A PENNY FOR YOUR THOUGHTS

A man searching for the meaning of life climbed to the top of a high mountain and shouted to the Heavens – “GOD, what is a million years to you?” “A minute,” came the frankly unexpected reply. Awed and excited, the man asked – “And what is a million dollars?” GOD’s reply: “A penny.” WOW the man thought. “Could you give me a penny, then?” “Sure...in a minute.”

There’s an old story that goes something like this: A fisherman is drowning. He prays to GOD to save him. A boat comes and offers him a rope. “No, GOD will save me” he says. Another boat comes. “GOD will save me” he repeats. A third boat, same thing. Finally, he drowns. When he gets to heaven he’s upset. He asks GOD “Why didn’t you save me?” and GOD says “I sent you three boats.”

Chaplain Ambrose Yelovich, P.E.R.

BLOOD DRIVE REPORT

December 13th was the last of the Blood Drives for the year 2018. We had a total of six drives, for a total of 219 pints of life saving blood. A total of 318 hours, which equates to \$7,851.42. Also, 3,300 miles driven = \$1,815.00. Our heroes saved 657 lives. On behalf of Lori O’Brien (member) One Blood.org Coordinator, and our Lodge, a big THANK YOU to you all.

All “new” donors will receive a T-Shirt and all donors a complimentary \$10.00 Gift Certificate for our Dining Room.

Charlie Parsons, Blood Drive Co-Chairman

Ambrose Yelovich, Chairman

IN VAIN WE CALL,

TO OUR ABSENT

MEMBERS

*Their faults are written in the sand,
Their virtues upon the
tablets of love and memory.*

*Passed
October through November*

Grant Barnes 1934–2018

Thomas Larkin 1933–2018

Dennis Gifford 1953–2018

Dennis Neumann 1935–2018

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE

Have you stopped to smell the flowers and noticed how our lodge grounds look??? A small group of volunteers help to accomplish this project. Every Tuesday morning 8:00 AM – 10:00 AM, these herds get this job done. I call it our S.W.A.T. team. This stands for “Seeds, Weeds and Trash.” The lodge thanks the following: Joe Smyly, Scott Kist, Mary Yeoman, Joel Zemke and Tom & Kathy Fixmer. Also, Dick Fry and M.I.C. Gary Barb.

As Bogie said, “We’ll always have Paris.” I’ll paraphrase by saying, “We’ll always have leaves.” Now my favorite quote: “I wondered why somebody didn’t do something. Then I said, I am somebody.” If you see this S.W.A.T. team about give them a shout. Thank you. Ambrose Yelovich PER

PLEASE PUT YOUR CIGARETTE BUTTS IN THE PROPER RECEPTACLES, DO NOT PUT THEM IN THE PARKING LOT. YOU DON’T DO IT AT HOME, DON’T DO IT HERE!

Share Your Story. Share Your Power. Save Lives.

BLOOD DRIVE

“Blood donors helped me survive after I was attacked and stabbed 32 times. Thank you from the bottom of my heart.”
—Melissa

To watch Melissa’s story or to share your story visit oneblood.org

WHO IS YOUR REASON FOR GIVING?

Elks USA

Thursday 8am-1pm

Feb. 14, 2019

April 11, 2019

June 13, 2019

Aug. 15, 2019

Oct. 17, 2019

Dec. 12, 2019

Donors will receive a \$10 gift certificate for use in the dining

*checkup including blood pressure, temperature,
iron count, pulse and cholesterol screening!*

Help us better serve you! Make an appointment online at www.oneblooddonor.org and use sponsor code #20244

1.888.9.DONATE (1.888.936.6263)
oneblood.org

ID required

oneblood
Share your power.

We have a new app!

Introducing the Donor Space app! Donor Space is a FREE, interactive appointment app created exclusively for blood donors.

donorspace

Available on the App Store and Google play



Secretary's Corner

Membership notices have been sent in January. Please let the office know of any address changes or you will not receive one.

If you want to know what is going on at the Lodge, check our great WEB site at www.puntagordaelks.org.

The Calendar, News Letter, Entertainment, Dining Room and Menus are listed there. It is updated constantly.

Check it out and enjoy the fun at YOUR Lodge.

Peter Vaphiades PDD Secretary

LOBSTER FEST
SUNDAY FEBRUARY 17TH FROM 2-5pm

ADVANCE TICKETS ONLY-ENDS FEB. 11TH

LOBSTER \$28 & STEAK \$18
TIKI BAR OPENS AT NOON
MUSIC BY SUNSETS 2-6PM
(PLEASE REMEMBER, NO FOOD OR DRINKS BEYOND FENCE)



**PUNTA GORDA ELKS LODGE
12TH ANNUAL BOCCIE
TOURNAMENT SIGN UP**

WHEN: SATURDAY, FEB. 16TH, 2019 @9am (Register at 8am)
LOCATION: PUNTA GORDA ELKS LODGE
DONATION: \$12.00 (Includes Food and Drinks)
PROCEEDS: DONATED TO FLORIDA ELKS CHILDREN'S THERAPY SERVICE
RAFFLE & PRIZES: TO BE HELD THE AFTERNOON OF THE EVENT
FOR INFO CALL: "COACH" @ 941-661-0573

THE ELKS BREAKFAST

Eggs to order
Custom-made omelets
Sausage gravy biscuits
Pancakes, Bacon, sausage
Cottage fries, Toast, juice and coffee

\$8.00

Breakfast will be served on the second and fourth Sunday of each month from 8:00 a.m. until noon.

**Bloody Mary or Mimosa \$1 (cash)
With Breakfast**

SUNDAY AT THE TIKI SUNDAY

**SUNDAY 2-5pm
FEBRUARY SCHEDULE
FEBRUARY 3RD MIXED UP DUO
FEBRUARY 10TH TIDAL WAVE
FEBRUARY 24TH JEFF HUGHES
MARCH SCHEDULE
MARCH 10TH WOLFIE & ROBERT
MARCH 31ST JEFF HUGHES
BAR FOOD AVAILABLE 2-5pm**

TIKI TUESDAY!

February Tiki Tuesday 1-6pm
Feb. 5th food 2-5 music by Michael Hirst 2-5PM
Feb. 12th music by Bill Fredericks 2-5pm (no food)
Feb. 19th food 2-5pm music by Tiki Tom 2-5pm
Feb. 26th music by Gary & Kerri 2-5pm (no food)
March tiki Tuesday 1-6pm
March 5th food 2-5pm music by Jersey Vic 2-5pm
March 12th food 2-5pm music by Lee James 2-5pm
March 19th food 2-5pm music by Tiki Tom 2-5pm
March 26th food 2-5pm music by Gary & Kerri 2-5pm



February 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	Last day to buy Lobster Fest tickets is Monday Feb. 11 th	Pig Roast Tickets on Sale Feb. 1 st Last day to buy tickets is Feb. 22 nd .	Steak Roast Tickets go on sale February 28 th . Last day to buy tickets is March 26 th		1 11am-2pm Lunch 2pm Tiki bar open 5-8pm Dinner 6:30-9:30pm Music by TaT 2	2 11am-2pm Lunch 12pm Tiki bar open 5-8pm Dinner 6pm Queen of Hearts 6:30-9:30pm Music by Verceal
3 12pm Bar & Tiki open 2-5pm Funday Sunday 2-5pm Music by Mixed Up Duo	4 11am-2pm Lite Lunch 2pm Tiki bar open 4-7pm Music by Michael Hirst 4:30-7:30pm Chicken Night 7-10pm Karaoke with Billy G	5 11am-2pm Lunch 1-6pm Tiki Tuesday 2-5pm Bar food & Music by Michael Hirst 6pm L.B.O.D. Meeting 7pm Lodge Meeting	6 11am-2pm Lunch 2pm Tiki bar open 5-8pm Dinner 6:30-10pm Karaoke with Ron Geisler	7 11am-2pm Lunch 2pm Tiki bar open 5pm Tiki Trivia 5-8pm Dinner 5pm P.E.R. Social 6:30-9:30pm Charity Bar Bingo	8 11am-2pm Lunch 2pm Tiki bar open 5-8pm Dinner 6:30-9:30pm Music by Escape	9 11am-2pm Lunch 12pm Tiki bar open 5-8pm Dinner 6pm Queen of Hearts 6:30-9:30pm Music by Tidal Wave
10 8am-12pm Breakfast 12pm Bar & Tiki open 2pm Orientation & Initiation 2-5pm Funday Sunday Music by Tidal Wave	11 11am-2pm Lite Lunch 2pm Tiki bar open 4-7pm Music by Michael Hirst 4:30-7:30pm Chicken Night 7-10pm Karaoke with Billy G	12 11am-2pm Lunch 1-6pm Tiki Tuesday 2-5pm Music by Bill Fredericks 4:30-7:30pm P.E.R. Italian Night	13 11am-2pm Lunch 2pm Tiki bar open 5-8pm Dinner 6:30-10pm Karaoke with Ron Geisler	14 8am-1pm Blood Drive 11am-2pm Lunch 2pm Tiki bar open 5pm Tiki Trivia 5-8pm Dinner 6:30-9:30pm Charity Bar Bingo	15 11am-2pm Lunch 2pm Tiki bar open 5-8pm Dinner 6:30-9:30pm Music by Tim & Rosanne	16 8am Bocce Tournament 9am C.B.O.D. Meeting 11am-2pm Lunch 12pm Tiki bar open 5-8pm Dinner 6pm Queen of Hearts 6:30-9:30pm Music by Boomers
17 12pm Bar & Tiki open 2-6pm Lobster Fest 2-5pm Food 2-6pm Music by Sunsets Advance tickets only	18 11am-2pm Lite Lunch 2pm Tiki bar open 4-7pm Music by Michael Hirst 4:30-7:30pm Chicken Night 7-10pm Karaoke with Billy G	19 11am-2pm Lunch 1-6pm Tiki Tuesday 2-5pm Bar food & Music by Tiki Tom 6pm L.B.O.D. Meeting 7pm Lodge Meeting	20 11am-2pm Lunch 2pm Tiki bar open 5-8pm Dinner 6:30-10pm Karaoke with Ron Geisler	21 11am-2pm Lunch 2pm Tiki bar open 5pm Tiki Trivia 5-8pm Dinner 6:30-9:30pm Charity Bar Bingo	22 11am-2pm Lunch 2pm Tiki bar open 5-8pm Dinner 6:30-9:30pm Music by Mixed Up Duo	23 11am-2pm Lunch 12pm Tiki bar open 5-8pm Dinner 6pm Queen of Hearts 6:30-9:30pm Music by Wolfe & Robert
24 8am-12pm Breakfast 12pm Bar & Tiki open 2-5pm Funday Sunday Music by Jeff Hughes	25 11am-2pm Lite Lunch 2pm Tiki bar open 4-7pm Music by Michael Hirst 4:30-7:30pm Chicken Night 7-10pm Karaoke with Billy G	26 11am-2pm Lunch 1-6pm Tiki Tuesday 2-5pm No food available Music by Gary & Kerri 6pm Ellette Board Meeting 7pm Ellette General Meeting	27 11am-2pm Lunch 2pm Tiki bar open 5-8pm Dinner 6:30-10pm Karaoke with Ron Geisler	28 11am-2pm Lunch 2pm Tiki bar open 5pm Tiki Trivia 5-8pm Dinner 6:30-9:30pm Charity Bar Bingo		



March 2019



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
March 3 rd Pig Roast Tickets available at the bar, Last day to purchase tickets is Friday February 22 nd .	March 31 st Steak Roast Tickets available at the bar. Steak \$18 or Hamburger \$8 Last day to purchase tickets is March 26 th .	Elkettes "A Garden Tea Party" March 23 rd Tickets available at the bar or Thrift Shop cost is \$20				
12pm Bar & Tiki open 1-4pm Pig Roast 2-6pm Music by Mixed Up Duo Ticket only event	3 11am-2pm Lite Lunch 2pm Tiki bar open 4-7pm Music by Michael Hirst 4:30-7:30pm Chicken Night 7-10pm Karaoke with Billy G	4 11am-2pm Lunch 1-6pm Tiki Tuesday 2-5pm Bar food & Music by Jersey Vic 6pm L.B.O.D. Meeting 7pm Lodge Meeting	5 11am-2pm Lunch 1-6pm Tiki Tuesday 2-5pm Bar food & Music by Jersey Vic 6pm L.B.O.D. Meeting 7pm Lodge Meeting	6 11am-2pm Lunch 2pm Tiki bar open 5-8pm Dinner 6:30-10pm Karaoke with Ron Geisler	7 11am-2pm Lunch 2pm Tiki bar open 5pm Tiki Trivia 5-8pm Dinner 5pm P.E.R. Social 6:30-9:30pm Charity Bar Bingo	8 11am-2pm Lunch 2pm Tiki bar open 5-8pm Dinner 6:30-9:30pm Music by Escape
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8am-11am Breakfast 12pm Bar & Tiki open 2-5pm Funday Sunday No Food 6-9pm Music by Tim & Rosanne 4pm ER Installation 5pm Cocktails 6pm Dinner	24 11am-2pm Lite Lunch 2pm Tiki bar open 4-7pm Music by Michael Hirst 4:30-7:30pm Chicken Night 7-10pm Karaoke with Billy G	25 11am-2pm Lunch 1-6pm Tiki Tuesday 2-5pm Bar food & Music by Gary & Kerri 6pm Elkette Board Meeting 7pm Elkette General Meeting	26 11am-2pm Lunch 1-6pm Tiki Tuesday 2-5pm Bar food & Music by Gary & Kerri 6pm Elkette Board Meeting 7pm Elkette General Meeting	27 11am-2pm Lunch 2pm Tiki bar open 5-8pm Dinner 6:30-10pm Karaoke with Ron Geisler	28 11am-2pm Lunch 2pm Tiki bar open 5pm Tiki Trivia 5-8pm Dinner 6:30-9:30pm Charity Bar Bingo	29 11am-2pm Lunch 2pm Tiki bar open 5-8pm Dinner 6:30-9:30pm Music by Three of a Kind
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From the Elkettes

*To touch the past - lend a hand to our Veterans. –
To touch the present - lend a hand to our community.
To touch the future - lend a hand to our children.*



It doesn't seem possible that almost a year has passed since the 2018-19 Elkette Officers were installed.

Elkettes have been busy all year with fund raising events, charitable donations and activities.

Each endeavor fell under our commitment to lend a hand to Our Veteran's, Our Community and Our Children.

As outgoing Elkette President, it has truly been an honor and a privilege to serve the hard working and generous Punta Gorda Elkettes and to be able as well to support the Punta Gorda Elks Lodge and Elks Major Projects.

Our Elkette year ends March 31st; before it ends there are a couple of upcoming events:
Saturday, March 23rd is our Annual Elkette Tea/Hat Contest and Silent Auction. Tickets are \$20 and are available at the bar or from Carol Naken. The Elkette 2019-20 Officer Installation is on March 26th @ 7:00 PM. All are welcome to join us in these events.

The Punta Gorda Elkette Organization is open to Lady Elks, Spouses and Widows of Elks. Applications are available in the Lodge and Thrift Shoppe.

Elkette meetings are held at the lodge on the 4th Tuesday of each month @ 7:00 PM.
Please come as a guest to our next meeting on February 26th.

Respectfully Submitted,
Pam Snyder, President

PUNTA GORDA ELKETTES 2606

Thrift Shop

Shop, Donate, Volunteer

25538 Shore Dr, Punta Gorda

Cabin #1

PO Box 551598

Punta Gorda, FL 33951

Thrift Shop Hours

2nd & 4th Sunday's from 8:30 AM—12:00 PM

Monday's 4:00 PM—7:00 PM

Wednesday—Friday 11:30 AM—2:00 PM

Thrift Shop donations of men's & women's Clothing,

Accessories, books, misc. items, and crafts.

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Punta Gorda Elkette Officers 2018-2019

President
1st Vice President
2nd Vice President
Secretary
Assistant Secretary
Treasurer
Assistant Treasurer
Sergeant At Arms
Chaplain

Pam Snyder
Charlene (Chick) LaCombe
Mary Gail Phillips
Betty Campbell
Renee Johnson
Carol Milroy
Carol Naken
Jeanie Critten
Joan Cromeenes

Chairpersons 2018-2019

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Communication
Conference
Decorations
Drug Awareness
Flag Day Ceremony
FLOE Monthly Meeting
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Membership
Monday Pies
Pull Tabs
Raffles
Scholarships
Thrift Shop
Veterans Parade
Youth Camp
Ways & Means

Sandy Blackhurst
Charlene LaCombe & Bette Campbell
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Mary Gail Phillips & Judy Schall
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Margo Meyer
Janice MacKenzie
Laura Pugh & Maria Vasconcelos
Mary Mullenex & Sandy Clements
Carol Bemister
Betty Campbell & Renee Johnson
Carol Naken
Margo Meyer, Bobbi Salak & Lois Todd
Betty Campbell & Mary Gail Phillips
Carol Milroy
Margo Meyer & Charlene LaCombe
Joan Cromeenes & Pam Snyder
Judy Schall & Sandy Blackhurst

PIG ROAST SUNDAY MARCH 3rd



FOOD 1-4pm

MUSIC BY MIXED UP DUO 1-5pm

**TICKETS \$20, MUST BE PURCHASED IN
ADVANCE. AVAILABLE AT THE BAR UNTIL
FEB. 22nd**

A BUILDING
FUND
FUNDRAISER

PUNTA GORDA ELKS LODGE PER Association presents the

29th Annual Spaghetti Night



Tuesday, February 12, 2019

One Seating 4:30 - 7:30 PM

Donation \$10.00

Complimentary Glass of Wine With Meal

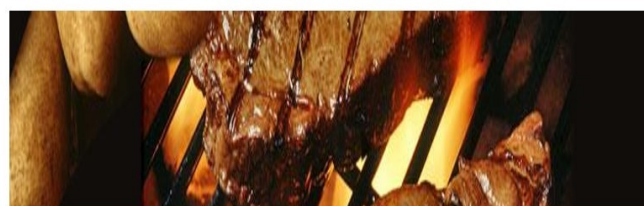
Entertainment by "Barb Mendillo"

**Tickets Available In Lounge/Lodge Office
Reservations Available**

VOLUNTEER PICNIC SATURDAY MARCH 9TH FROM 11AM-1PM



(HAMBURGERS, HOT DOGS, HOUSE WINE, DRAFT
& DOMESTIC BEER & WELL DRINKS)



ANNUAL STEAK ROAST

SUNDAY MARCH 31ST

FOOD 2-5pm

MUSIC BY

JEFF HUGHES 2-6pm

STEAK \$18

HAMBURGER \$8

LAST DAY TO BUY TICKETS

MARCH 26th

ELKS TALE BOOSTERS

FEBRUARY—March 2019

Carol & Joe Milroy
Larry & Sally Kemp
Daniel & Deanna Housfeld
Mary Ann Twarkins
Pat Russell in memory of

Tom Russell

Wanda L Royer
Robert & Donna Dolar
Joanne Sullivan

APRIL—MAY 2019

Jean Forrest
Mary Elinsky
Bette-Jean Locke
Hugh A Havlik
Joan Hoffman
Dr Ronald Foreman
AM Chicken Crew
Joanne Sullivan
Roger & Willa Olszanowski
Gary & Terry Ryan
Barbara Turri

In Memory of Charles Turri

JUNE—JULY 2019

Nancy Overman
Louisa Pauck
J. Jack Laine
Pete & Marci Vaphiades
Joanne Sullivan
Helen Marcinkowski
Patsy Holsomback
Linda Gagne
In Memory of Donald Durst
Harry Pierson
Blanch Bensch
Sandy Blackhurst
Fred & Nancy Cwynar
Wanda L Royer
Charles Troike
Elizabeth Millard
Vara Lou Scott
In Memory of S. Walter Scott
Dick & Linda Fry
David & Roberta Lott
Joanne Sullivan
Kelly & Chuck Dean
Lois Todd

AUGUST—SEPTEMBER 2019

Joanne Sullivan
Richard & Joy Scott
Patricia Spalla
Marilyn Counter
Helen Bowers
Gail Green
Daniel & Deanna Housfeld
Wanda Royer
Margo Matra in memory of
Frank Matra

OCTOBER—NOVEMBER 2019

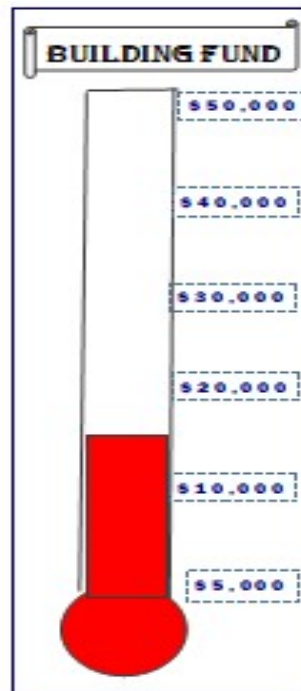
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Eleanor "Mike" Gold
Joanne Sullivan

DECEMBER—January 2020

Joanne Sullivan
Tom & Alfie MacKinnon
Keith & Debra Scholle
Carol & Joe Milroy
Wanda Royer

JUNE—JULY 2020

Harry Pierson



Building Fund Donations

We need a new Roof

Yes, I would like to donate to

The Building Fund.

ENCLOSED \$ _____

Name _____

Address _____

City, St Zip _____

SEND TO:

Punta Gorda Elks #2606

P.O. Box 511598

Punta Gorda, FL 33951

THANK YOU

Yes, I/we would like to join the **PUNTA GORDA ELKS BOOSTERS**

Enclosed is \$10.00 or \$ _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____

Zip _____

Yes, I would like to receive the Lodge Bulletin and the weekly information "Blast" by EMAIL instead of by Postal Mail. Send to the Lodge Secretary. (Please Print Clearly)

PRINT NAME & MEMBER NUMBER

Email address: _____

FROM THE CORPORATION PRESIDENT

It is hard to believe we are into the last 2 months of our year. February and March will be our busiest time. Our upcoming events are Spaghetti Night Feb. 12th 4:30-7:30pm, get your tickets before they sell out, Lobster Fest on February 17th from 2-6pm, sign up for the 12th Annual Bocce Tournament on February 16th, March 3rd is a Pig Roast from 1-4pm, March 9th is our Volunteer Picnic from 11am-1pm, and our Annual Steak Roast is on March 31st. Mark the dates on your calendar.

Bill Jameson will be providing the music for the Volunteer Picnic and the C.B.O.D. and Lodge officers will cook & serve. The many wonderful volunteers that help to keep our lodge the best lodge in SW Florida. Feb 17th is Lobster Fest. We will serv 1 1/4lb Maine lobster or NY strip steak get your tickets early, it sells out fast. March 3rd is our first Pig Roast in a long time. It will come with 4 sides and will be served from 1-4pm. Great music by Mixed Up Duo. The Installation of Officers will be held on March 24th. Our Annual Steak Roast will be held on March 31st from 1-4pm with music by Jeff Hughes. Enjoy a NY strip steak or a hamburger.

This is a very busy time at the lodge and again I remind you to please be patient and respectful of everyone, including our staff. They are working very hard every day to make your visit to the lodge an enjoyable visit. It has been my pleasure to serve as President of the C.B.O.D. for this year. I would like to thank the directors & office staff that supported me throughout this year. This is my last year as a corporation director/President. I will continue to work with the building committee with our upcoming projects. We have made many repairs to the lodge and the cabins. The committee for the addition is having plans drawn for the 2,000 square foot room. There will be many fundraisers, so please help in any way that you can.

Joe Campbell, Pres. C.B.O.D. and P.E.R.

Just a few friendly reminders: There is no saving seats in the bar or at the bar, all members of your party must be present before you are seated in the dining room, only members may purchase food and/or drinks, all dinner orders received in the bar (to be consumed on the premises) will be served in a to go box & there is nothing that is served in the bar that is free (when you would like a water, it will be a bottle of water that costs \$1). There are no exceptions to these rules and when they are enforced, please do not give our employees a difficult time. There are no exceptions. Thank you in advance for your understanding and cooperation in these matters.

Jenny Austin, General Manager

ELKS SUMMER CAMP 2019

ATTENTION ATTENTION ATTENTION

Once again, Punta Gorda Elks 2606 is providing a week of summer camp, to boys and girls age 9 thru 13. Camp week will be from June 9-15, 2019. There is no charge to campers and Punta Gorda Elks 2606 will be providing transportation to the camp located in Umatilla Fl. Deadline for applications is March 1, 2019. All must apply on line @www.feyc.org and click on "parents".

**PUNTA GORDA ELKS
 “CHUCK BLACKHURST MEMORIAL”
 16th. ANNUAL CHARITY
 GOLF TOURNAMENT
 APRIL 20th. 2019**

DEEP CREEK GOLF CLUB

ALL PROCEEDS to be donated to the “Fl. Elks Children’s Therapy Services Inc.”

ENTRY INCLUDES:

Donuts & Coffee
 Green Fees & Cart
 Luncheon
 Awards
 Door Prizes
 Goody Bag
 Beverages, (2) on the course
 (Beer or Soda)
 Complimentary Driving Range Balls

CONTEST & PRIZES:

Hole # (7) ALL Hole in one’s win a Two (2) Year
 Lease on a NEW FORD FUSION
 Sponsored by: DON GASGARTH CHARLOTTE
 COUNTY FORD
 PORT CHARLOTTE FLORIDA
 LONGEST DRIVE
 CLOSEST TO PIN
 CLOSEST TO LINE
 TEAM PRIZE: 1ST. PLACE, 2ND. PLACE
 & 3RD. PLACE LOW GROSS.

**LUNCHEON @ PUNTA GORDA ELKS LODGE
 @ 1:00 P.M. RAIN OR SHINE**

**SATURDAY APRIL 20th. 2019
 REGISTRATION @ 7:30 A.M.
 SHOT GUN START @ 8:30 A.M.
 FORMAT: FOUR PERSON SCRAMBLE**

ENTRY FEE: \$65.00 PER. PERSON-----\$260.00 PER. TEAM

**LIMITED TO FIRST 36 FOUR PERSON TEAMS.
 ENTRY FORM MUST BE RECEIVED BY APRIL 10th. 2019 TO BE ELIGIBLE.**

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**REGISTRATION FORM
 PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY!!!!**

PLAYER NO. (1) _____	PHONE NO. _____
PLAYER NO. (2) _____	PHONE NO. _____
PLAYER NO. (3) _____	PHONE NO. _____
PLAYER NO. (4) _____	PHONE NO. _____

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED:\$ _____ DATE: _____

**MAKE CHECK’S PAYABLE TO: PUNTA GORDA ELKS #2606 AND MAIL TO: MR. PAUL
 WHITE, 26315 STILLWATER CIRCLE, PUNTA GORDA FL. 33955. (PHONE 941- 575-7989)**

Punta Gorda Lodge #2606
PO Box 511598
Punta Gorda, FL 33951-1598

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Permit No. 245

The Elks Tale

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“ELK’S WEEK AT A GLANCE” E-MAIL

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