

SPOTLIGHT



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SCHOOL'S OUT PARTY!
DC LEAGUE OF
SUPERPETS
IS OUR FEATURE MOVIE TONIGHT

DIVE-IN
MOVIE NIGHT

POP CORN

SATURDAY
JUNE 10TH
7:30PM

June 11 | **SUNDAY** | **NOON**

FLAG DAY
Service

Program with
Boy Scout Troop 209
starts promptly at 12:00PM

FATHER'S DAY
Sunday | June 18th

Chill Poolside
WITH DAD!

TOOL CHEST RAFFLE!

Tiki & Grill
Open Noon

HOT LEGS CONTEST!

NOON - 5PM

MUSIC 1-5PM

Ice Cream
OPEN 1-4

LOEA
PRESENTS

SATURDAY
JUNE 17TH
6-9PM

Prizes for
best 80s
costume

AWESOME
80s
PARTY!

MUSIC BY
DJ BATMAN

2023-2024 Officers, Directors, Committees & Chairs

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New Member Meet & Greet

Sunday, June 25th 2-3pm

New members and Seasoned Members are invited! Join your Exalted Ruler & LOEA President at the lodge to make new friends and learn about what the lodge does and has to offer!



It's what we DO!



LOEA
Casual Meetings
June 12th 6:30pm
July 10th 6:30pm
August 14th 6:30pm

Stay connected and join us for fun, snacks, news updates and social time!



Hello Members All,

Here we are in June already. It doesn't seem possible that we are halfway through 2023. This month we celebrate Father's Day. It's a holiday for honoring fatherhood and paternal bonds, as well as the influence of fathers in society. I saw a definition recently that just about sums it up. It said "Dad n. 1. Informal word for father. 2. Guardian, mentor, listener, provider, friend, grill-master, protector, teacher, handyman, fort builder, supporter, coach, spider catcher, monster slayer, role model, superhero. 3. The best." (Inner Circle)

I remember as a teenager when it came time to date the young man had to come and meet my Dad first. He had to be sized up and put through a series of questions to be judged responsible and trustworthy. This memory brings me to our next cardinal principle Justice.

Even handed justice is one of the great hallmarks of our order. Do unto others as we would, they should do unto us.

If you must judge then judge with a forgiving spirit. Acknowledge the difference between an excuse and an explanation.

I'd like to thank all those that donated items to the Military Mom-mies Baby Shower. It was a wonderful day with over 40 new and expectant mothers receiving much needed supplies.

Our June calendar is filled with activities for all ages.

The children's Schools Out dive in pool movie June 10th is always a fun family night.

Boy Scout Troop # 209 will be presenting the flags at our Ceremony on June 11th.

Father's Day the 18th will find us pool side again with music and activities. The drawing for the tool chest will be that day so you don't want to miss it.

Lastly, I'd like to wish everyone a safe and happy summer. If you are traveling I pray you make it safely to your destination and back home again to your Elks family.

Fraternally,
Heidi Green
Exalted Ruler

Farrah Pileggi | LOEA President Message



It can be hard to understand a decade until it is over. The iconic music, teased hair, bright colors, and Saturday Morning cartoons are epic monuments from the 1980's. Gifts from a time now forty years ago!

"Gag me with a spoon!" "Eat my shorts." "Where's the beef?" The Rubik's Cube, Neon everything, Madonna, hair bands and cans upon cans of Aqua net! Why am I running down my childhood?

The LOEA is hosting a Totally Tubular, Absolutely Awesome 80's Party June 17th 6-9 PM!

\$10 Tickets are available at the bar. Big hair & costumes optional but encouraged. Food is available for purchase from HPK! DJ Batman at the turntables spinnin' rocking tunes! Get your tickets now! Reserved seating, buy a whole table!

Last year the LOEA raised \$25,000 through fundraising. We did this with fun events like these! This year we hope to reach that goal or pass it. YOU can help by attending events and inviting friends to join you! The more the merrier, just remember to sign non-members in and buy their drinks.

Thanks to your help, the LOEA was able to give money to BPOE #1224, Florida Elks Children's Therapy Services, Florida Elks Youth Camp and local charities like Heaven on Earth and The Kind Mouse. YOU did that! And YOU can continue to do that by attending events and supporting the Lodge & its LOEA. We appreciate YOU!

June starts our casual summer meetings the 2nd Monday through the summer. Join us June 12th at 6:30 PM for dinner and a fun time! These meetings are less structured, often involve a fun event, and all are welcome! If you are thinking about joining the LOEA, check out this meeting to learn more about what we do. We also have Bunco on the 21st, Meet & Greet on the 25th at 2 PM and of course, Ladies who Lunch on June 7th!

If you would like to learn more about how you can help with events, fundraising and the organization please reach out to me or any of your officers. You can always email us at 1224ladies@gmail.com with questions and suggestions. If you see us at the lodge, don't hesitate to ask in person. Like a flock of flamingos, we stand taller together. Don't be shy, flamingle with other members. Remember, you are flamazing!

PROPOSED CANDIDATES

CANDIDATE	SPONSOR	OCCUPATION
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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!!!

St. Petersburg Lodge #1224 wELKomed 25 new members in May



MEMBERSHIP RE-INSTATEMENT

If you are or know a former member who has dropped his/her membership (NO TIME LIMIT) tell the former member that you would like to sponsor them to rejoin (reinstate) at St. Petersburg Lodge #1224.

The process is simple and it involves submitting a reinstatement application to be read at our Lodge meeting and voted on.

There is a \$25 fee with the application and the payment only of the current dues for the year. Depending on the date the reinstatement is made, the dues are pro-rated according to the number of months left in the current Lodge year.

Although a reinstatement is gaining back a former member, our Lodge is also gaining a new member!

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SUNDAY JUNE 11th
2 - 4pm



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Music & Games

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WHAT THE blank?





SATURDAY JUNE 3rd
FUN STARTS AT 6pm

DINNER SPECIALS AVAILABLE



GAME SHOW NIGHT

A range of interactive games, including:
One Punch, Speed Trivia, the Eliminator and Speed Survey

SATURDAY JULY 1ST
FUN STARTS AT 6PM

DINNER SPECIALS AVAILABLE

PRESENTED BY 

SUNDAY JUNE 25TH
STARTING AT 6PM SHARP

Texas Hold'em Poker Tournament

YOUR \$20 DONATION GETS YOU A SEAT AND CHIPS
THERE ARE ONLY 20 SEATS AVAILABLE!
TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE BEHIND THE BAR.



SUNDAY JUNE 25TH
STARTING AT 6PM SHARP

Prayer Chain Requests



If you or someone you know is in need of prayers at a difficult time in their lives please call me and I will notify all the people on this prayer chain. Can you imagine how many prayers will be lifted up with just one call? Many of us are on or have prayer chains in our churches so the power of prayer will be magnified many times over.

If you have a calling to be a part this rewarding experience call me and sign up for the prayer chain. We are few but we are powerful. Please email me soon and sign up.

Dolly Masi, PER | masidoly@gmail.com

LOOKING FOR MORE PRAYER VOLUNTEERS!!! YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BE AN ELK.



Can you spare some change?

We're asking you to help "fill the piggy" at the bar. Your spare change will help our Florida Elks Children's Therapy Services provide physical and occupational therapies to Florida children who do not have easy access to these services.


These services are provided in the patient's home without regard to the ability to pay. Florida Elks Children's Therapy Services strives to provide the highest quality services possible to this special population.

Thank you for your help in making it possible for the Ladies of Elks auxiliary to help these children.



The **NATIONAL SUICIDE PREVENTION LIFELINE** is a national network of local crisis centers that provides free and confidential emotional support to people in suicidal crisis or emotional distress 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

1-800-273-8255



Veterans Crisis Line

The Veterans Crisis Line connects Veterans in crisis and their families and friends with qualified, caring Department of Veterans Affairs responders through a confidential toll-free hotline, online chat, or text. Veterans and their loved ones can call **1-800-273-8255** and Press 1, chat online, or send a text message to **838255** to receive confidential support 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. Support for deaf and hard of hearing individuals is available.

1-800-273-8255
PRESS 1

St Petersburg BPOE # 1224 Deceased 2022-2023

Terry Wayne Steen	06/17/22
Theodore J. Zuppa	07/07/22
William Erskine	07/21/22
Sandra Ives	07/29/22
James G. Farkas, LM	08/09/22
Robert Costa	08/10/22
Bert H. Collom, LM	09/21/22
Louis Schorr	10/01/22
Sheila Mutascio	11/11/22
Roger D. Remy	11/12/22
Peter Privitera	11/18/22
John M. Tondreault	01/09/23
Charles Bunker	01/12/23
Lorna (Bunny) Ennis	01/24/23
Philip E Taranto, PER, LM	01/24/23
John A. Morris	02/01/23
Sheila Carnes	02/27/23
Yolanda Crespo	03/12/23
Gail Camerson	03/28/23
Margaret Magno	04/23/23
Lawrence C. Lynch, LM	04/29/23

Living or dead, Elks are never forgotten, never forsaken. Morning and noon may pass them by, the light of day sink heedlessly in the West, but ere the shadows of midnight shall fall, the chimes of memory will be pealing forth the friendly message, "To our absent members."

Platinum Spotlight Boosters

In Memory of Phyllis Povelitis	7/23
Blaine M. Russell	5/24
Wayne L. Everett	5/23
In Memory of Al Goodrich	7/23
In Memory of William A. Schulz	11/23
In Memory of Stephen Prins	3/24

Gold Spotlight Boosters

Robert Casero	4/24
Cathy & Carmine Casale	4/24
Bill Tennis PDDGER PSP VA #366	7/23
Alexandra Kaan	12/26

Silver Spotlight Boosters

Betts Roberts	12/26
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Join on us on the first Wednesday of the month for

Ladies who Lunch!

12 pm at Happy Patti's Kitchen



LOEA presents

Summer Nights

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You're the ones that we want - Ooh ooh ooh

Be cool and wear your fun 50s attire!

Tickets \$10

Music by BitterSweet

Saturday, July 15th
6 to 9 pm






Are you ready to roll?



It's **Bunco Time!**

3RD WEDNESDAY EVERY MONTH

Game starts at 6:30 pm

SUNDAY Breakfast IS BACK!

9AM TO NOON

All your breakfast favorites the way you like it:

- French Toast • Hot cakes •
- Eggs & Omelettes •
- Biscuits & Gravy •



KARAOKE NIGHT

every Thursday

STARTS AT 5:00PM



LET'S PLAY

Wine-o Bingo!

SECOND THURSDAY OF THE MONTH
12:30PM

W	I	N	E	O

\$1.00 per card
Have fun and win prizes!

PROCEEDS BENEFIT LOEA CHARITIES



Veterans Chairman Message



JOHNNY L. MILLER
Veterans Services
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Outpatient Clinic

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727-642-8004



VETERAN'S CORNER

It's the same old story (You can take a horse to water but you can't make them drink). There is at least better news for veterans with mental conditions. As of January 17th all veterans can access emergency mental care free of charge at any Department of veterans affairs or non-VA health care facility, regardless of whether you are enrolled in the VA health care system. This new policy applies to all veterans with any separation status except a dishonorable discharge. This is regardless of whether you qualify for othe VA medical services.

This is great news but I am still a believer that all veterans should call 3986661 press 0 and ask the operator for eligibility.

On Sunday, June 11, our lodge commemorates the birth of our flag. This is mandatory for our officers. It would be nice to see a good turnout and learn about our US Flag. By the way the number to dial for the veterans crisis line is 988 and press 1. I am available at (727) 642-8004.

In Comradeship,
Johnny Miller
VAVS Representative

IS IT TIME TO DISPOSE OF YOUR WORN AMERICAN FLAG?
Reminder: The Lodge Provides Proper Flag Retirement. We have been providing a way to properly and respectfully retire one of the greatest symbols of our nation, our American Flag for many years. You'll find a special receptacle where worn flags may be placed inside a mailbox type container right outside of our Lodge front doors. St. Petersburg Lodge will retire these flags in a dignified way.



VA HEALTH CARE FACILITIES

Medial Center and Northern clinics Phone Contacts:
C.W. Bill Young VA Medial Center (24hrs.) 727.398.6661
Bradenton 941.721.0649 Sarasota 941.371.3349
Palm Harbor 727.734.5276 St. Petersburg 727.502.1700

SOUTHERN CLINICS PHONE CONTACTS

Lee County HCC - 239.652.1800 Naples - 239.659.9188
Port Charlotte -941.235.2710 Sebring -863.471.6227

VA HEALTHCARE ELIGIBILITY AND ENROLLMENT

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1-866-606-8198

JUNE OBSERVANCES

D-Day June 6th Observance

On June 6, 1944, Allied soldiers bravely stormed the beaches of Normandy, France. The Normandy beaches were chosen because of the range of air cover, and it was the shortest distance from Great Britain. Five landing beaches were selected for the assault: Utah, Omaha, Gold, Juno, and Sword. As dawn broke, the largest armada assembled began its assault on the beaches of Normandy. By the end of the day, the Atlantic Wall, (which took the Germans years to build), had fallen and the invasion was a success. The events of D-Day forged partnerships and reinforced trans-Atlantic bonds that remain strong today. D-Day will be commemorated on Tuesday, June 6, 2023, the 79th anniversary of D-Day also known as the Allied Invasion of Normandy.

Flag Day 2023

Flag Day is celebrated by Americans on June 14 each year and commemorates the adoption of the Stars and Stripes as the official flag of the United States. Many Americans celebrate Flag Day by displaying the Red, White and Blue in front of homes and businesses. Some communities, schools and veterans' organizations hold Flag Day parades, essay contests, ceremonies and picnics. Presidents have also issued proclamations for National Flag Week. Flag Day will be celebrated this year on Wednesday, June 14, 2023. Flag Week is celebrated the week of June 14th, every year.

US Army Birthday

The official birthday of the United States Army is June 14, 1775. It's easy to assume that this date implies the creation of a fully realized standing army, but the truth is that when the first shots were fired in the American Revolution, the troops involved in fighting the British could be compared to a guerrilla force; colonists from a variety of militias in the area banded together to fight the "Redcoats."

The U.S. Army operates with close to half a million active-duty soldiers. The service has come a long way since it was created approximately a year prior to the signing of the Declaration of Independence.

Coast Guard Auxiliary Birthday

The U.S. Armed Forces are made up of Active Duty components supplemented by Reserve forces such as the Army Reserve, Air Force Reserve, etc., but a non-military and unpaid civilian auxiliary exists for two branches: the Air Force and Coast Guard.

The Coast Guard is considered military service but is not part of the Defense Department, which is an important distinction from its' Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps counterparts.

The Coast Guard Auxiliary is, as mentioned above, an unpaid force of volunteers who perform duties similar to or in support of the regular Coast Guard. Legislation passed in the mid-1990s authorized the Auxiliary to support any Coast Guard missions not involving law enforcement or real-world military operations. Further legislation realigned the Coast Guard, Reserve, and Auxiliary under the Department of Homeland Security. Prior to that, it was considered part of the U.S. Department of Transportation.

The Coast Guard Auxiliary mission involves many activities that promote and support maritime safety, recreational boating safety, fighting pollution, even rescues. The Coast Guard Auxiliary Birthday will be Friday, June 23, 2023.



Scan the QR code or go to veteran.com for more information on Military Calendar, Holidays, Events, Observances

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Restoration of Pool/Tiki Patio Areas, Mural, & Furniture

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ENF - Elk's National Foundation \$10 _____ \$15 _____ \$20 _____ Other _____

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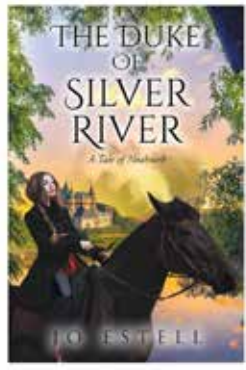
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4 Breakfast 9AM-Noon Tiki Open – Noon Grill Open - Noon-6PM Ice Cream Parlor 1-4PM Music 1-5PM by "Farley" Queen of Hearts 4PM	5 Got It! 2:30PM	6 Board of Directors Meeting 6:30 PM TRIVIA TUESDAY 6:30PM by Batman	7 Tiki Open – 5PM "Ladies Who Lunch" Noon Dart League 7PM	8 Wine Bingo 12:30pm KARAOKE with Darby 5PM	9 PER MEETINGS TO RESUME SEPTEMBER 12th @ 6PM Tiki Open – 5PM MUSIC 6:30-9:30PM by "Dazler"	10 Tiki Open – Noon Grill Open - Noon-6PM School's Out Dive-in Movie & Pool Party 7:30 Feature: "DC League of Super Pets"
11 Breakfast 9AM-Noon Tiki Open – Noon Flag Day Ceremony @ Noon Grill Open - Noon-6PM Ice Cream Parlor 1-4PM Mixtape Bingo 2-4PM Music 1-5PM by " Big Bang Theory" Queen of Hearts 4PM	12 Got It! 2:30PM LOEA Casual Meeting 6:30PM	13 Lodge Meeting 7PM	14 Tiki Open – 5PM Dart League 7PM FLAG DAY	15 KARAOKE with Darby 5PM	16 Tiki Open – 5PM MUSIC 6:30-9:30PM by "Al Ruggerio"	17 Tiki Open – Noon Grill Open - Noon-6PM LOEA "Awesome 80s Party" 6-9PM MUSIC by "DJ Batman"
18 Breakfast 9AM-Noon Tiki Open – Noon Grill Open - Noon-6PM Ice Cream Parlor 1-4PM Music 1-5PM by " Mike Albright" Queen of Hearts 4PM FATHER'S DAY	19 Got It! 2:30PM Orientation/Initiation 6:30 PM	20 TRIVIA TUESDAY 6:30PM by Batman	21 It's Bunco Time! 6:30PM Tiki Open – 5PM Dart League 7PM	22 KARAOKE with Darby 5PM	23 Tiki Open – 5PM MUSIC 6:30-9:30PM by "Ralph Rogers"	24 Tiki Open – Noon Grill Open - Noon-6PM
25 Breakfast 9AM-Noon New Member Meet & Greet 2-3PM Tiki Open – Noon Grill Open - Noon-6PM Ice Cream Parlor 1-4PM Music 1-5PM by "Bittersweet" Queen of Hearts 4PM Texas Hold'em 6:00PM	26 Got It! 2:30PM	27 TRIVIA TUESDAY 6:30PM by Batman	28 Tiki Open – 5PM Dart League 7PM	29 KARAOKE with Darby 5PM	30 Tiki Open – 5PM MUSIC 6:30-9:30PM by "Bittersweet"	SAVE THE DATE: 1st - Game Show Night 4th - Pool Party 15th - "Grease" Party <i>Stay informed</i> <i>visit the lodge's Website</i> www.bpoe1224.com

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Our St. Petersburg Lodge Prayer Line is filled with prayerful Elks who in the words of St. Paul "Do not grow slack be fervent in Spirit" when it comes to praying for those in need. Presently, 40 members led by PER Dolly Masi offer up daily prayers believing in faith that prayers will be answered. The results have been amazing! Prayer Line Team, thank you! We are proud of you, and YOU SHOULD BE PROUD!

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