



ARCADIA ELKS LODGE 1524

<>April 2022 Newsletter <>

INSTALLATION OF 2022-2023 LODGE OFFICERS



Front l-r: Trustee Mary Kay Burns, Lecturing Knight Kelly Mercer, Exalted Ruler Nancy Higginbotham PDDGER, Loyal Knight Sandy Mansfield, Treasurer Terry Lynn Clinard, Secretary Jackie Hughes PER

Back l-r: Esquire Robert Vaughn PER, Trustee Ricky Mercer PER, Keith Keene PDDGER, Leading Knight Troy Hughes PER, Trustee Alfred Higginbotham, Brian Burns PSP, Tiler Bill May (Chaplain Marilyn May not present)

APRIL EVENTS

5th – Lodge Meeting 7:00 PM
19th – Lodge Meeting 7:00 PM

LODGE SCHEDULE

SUNDAY & THURSDAY –
CLOSED

MONDAY-WEDNESDAY-
FRIDAY-SATURDAY
Open 4:00 pm

TUESDAY-Closed (except for
Lodge Meetings)

1st & 3rd TUESDAY
7:00 pm Lodge Meeting

MONDAY

Hunting Season/Burgers 6:00

TUESDAY

Lodge Meeting 7:00
1st & 3rd Tuesdays

WEDNESDAY

Bar Poker 6:00; Wings 6:30

THURSDAY

Closed

FRIDAY

Steak & Seafood 6:30
Karaoke 7:00
Queen of Hearts 7:00

SATURDAY

Bar Poker 5:00

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EXALTED RULER

Members All,

As everyone knows, this is the first month of our new lodge year. Here's to a new and prosperous year to come. I've have accepted the Exalted Ruler's chair for my second time and hope to be able to enlist member volunteers to take committee chairs and promote ELKDOM throughout the lodge.

We will be working toward obtaining our Elk National Foundation grants, to provide service and gratitude to our community.

The lodge has been struggling in locating members to help cook and serve during the week. But, keep in mind, if no one steps up to volunteer, we will not be able to serve food at the lodge. This could be detrimental to the income for the kitchen. If a schedule is prepared for a couple of months in advance, with several members volunteering, you may only need to cook once a month or so. I have full faith that we will overcome this issue.

It have always been fun as members coming together to provide a take-out BBQ. In order to keep us, the lodge, solvent during the lean summer months, BBQs are in order. I ask that we all as members, help pre-sell tickets and, if possible, offer to help pack and deliver dinners.

Florida State Elks Youth Camp is currently accepting application for summer camp for children ages 9 to 13. If you have questions, contact the lodge secretary for guidance.

Our first District Deputy Clinic is scheduled to be held at the Arcadia Lodge #1524 on Saturday morning, April 16th at 11:00 am. Any and all members are invited to attend. By doing so, you can learn what is going on in our district, allowing you to be able to give us suggestions of making our district better. A light lunch (donations appreciated) will be provided immediately following the meeting.

Please help me make this a special year for us ALL!!!!!!

See everyone at OUR LODGE.....

Nancy Higginbotham, PDDGER, Exalted Ruler and Lodge Advisor

INITIATION OF NEW MEMBERS – March 5 & 16, 2022



ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION


During the past program year the Arcadia Elks Lodge has contributed \$7000 in direct charitable works here in DeSoto County. We have been able to do this service in our community because of grants to the lodge from the Elks National Foundation. Your dues help support the Elks National Foundation, but additional contributions to the Foundation allow for grants to be provided to lodges. A small lodge such as Arcadia Lodge 1524 can do this level of service only because we receive these grants. Please consider making contributions to the Foundation.



Pre-Christmas Food Distribution-December 2021



Pre-Easter Food Distribution-March 2022



Suds n' Stories

Join us in sharing our love for reading!


The Arcadia Elks Lodge #1524 is proudly offering a morning of **FREE LAUNDRY and STORYTELLING**

Bring your child to enjoy a book while you wash your clothes for free!

Saturday, February 12

10:00 am - until 250 loads are washed and dried

Supermatt Laundry - 609 East Hickory Street



Free Laundry provides for the first 250 WASH/DRY combos or until the funds are depleted.

February 2022

Stay informed!

Regularly visit our lodge webpage

Benevolent & Protective Order of Elks



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www.ElksArcadia1524.com

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Harry Anna Investment Fund

Of everything that the Florida Elks do, perhaps nothing is more important than our work with the state's youth. Sowing the seeds of accomplishment and commitment through our **Florida Elks Children's Therapy Services** and **Florida Elks Youth Camp** programs, children are given the opportunity to grow and learn beyond their wildest imaginations.

The trust fund started in 1951, was named after Harry and Anna Miller who donated land and a building to establish the original Florida Elks Hospital for Crippled Children. Its purpose was, and continues to be, the collection of donations and the acceptance of endowed gifts. Donate at the Lodge or on-line.

The trust fund is restricted, which means that only the income derived from it may be used to support our major projects: the Florida Elks Children's Therapy Services and Florida Elks Youth Camp programs. **To learn how you can support these great programs and become a sustaining monthly donor (any amount), go to www.floridaelks.org**

