



ARCADIA ELKS LODGE 1524

<>December 2019 Newsletter <>



Join us every Wednesday!

Card sales begin at 5:15

Bingo starts at 6 pm

Food and Drinks available for purchase

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

18+ to play

Months with a 5th Wednesday are open to all ages.

LODGE SCHEDULE

SUNDAY – CLOSED

MONDAY – SATURDAY

Open 4:00 pm

1st & 3rd THURSDAYS

7:00 pm Lodge Meeting

MONDAY

Hunting Season/Burgers 6:00

TUESDAY

Wings & Tacos 6:30

WEDNESDAY

Seafood, burgers, hotdogs, bar pies; BINGO 6:00 (5:15 card sale starts)

THURSDAY

Lodge Meeting

1st & 3rd Thursdays 7:00

FRIDAY

Steak & Seafood 6:30

Queen of Hearts 7:00

Karaoke 6:30

SATURDAY

Bar Poker 4:30

DECEMBER EVENTS

- 5th – Lodge Meeting
 - 6th – Celebrity Bartenders & Ugly Sweater Contest
 - 8th – Private Party
 - 9th – “Special People” Christmas Party
 - 14th – Lodge Christmas Dinner (Potluck Carry-In)
 - 16th – Kids Christmas Party
 - 19th – Lodge Meeting
 - 21st – Celebrity Bartenders
 - 24th – 25th – 31st
- Lodge is closed on Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, New Year’s Eve, and New Year’s Day

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LODGE CHRISTMAS

**CARRY-IN "POTLUCK CHRISTMAS DINNER
FOR MEMBERS
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14TH
6:00 PM**

**KIDS CHRISTMAS PARTY
MONDAY, DECEMBER 16TH**

LODGE LEADERSHIP

<u>EXALTED RULER</u>	Jackie Hughes
<u>LEADING KNIGHT</u>	Joey Santos
<u>LOYAL KNIGHT</u>	Lindsay Wyatt
<u>LECTURING KNIGHT</u>	Mary Kay Burns
<u>SECRETARY</u>	Kelly Mercer
<u>TREASURER</u>	Terry Lynn Clinard
<u>TILER</u>	Duvane Ross
<u>CHAPLAIN</u>	Marilyn May
<u>ESQUIRE</u>	Robert Vaughn PER
<u>INNER GUARD</u>	Buddy Mansfield
<u>TRUSTEE</u>	Troy Hughes PER, Alfred Higginbotham, Nancy Higginbotham PER/District Vice President
<u>HOUSE COMMITTEE</u>	Joey Santos, Chairman; Brandon Bierman, Troy Hughes PER, Ricky Mercer, Marvel Purvis
<u>LODGE ADVISOR</u>	Brian Burns PSP

Stay informed!

Regularly visit our lodge webpage

Benevolent & Protective Order of Elks



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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.



LODGE SECRETARY

From the Secretary's Desk...

We have been working hard to improve our membership. We have had a great response with our letters.

Currently, we have 312 members. Only 34 are past due giving us a lapsation rate of 11.45%. We are continuing to work on improving those numbers. We have 20 new members awaiting induction.

Our busy season is approaching along with the holidays. We have many events planned for December. Be sure to check the calendar, our Facebook page, or the website often to see what events we have planned.

Fraternally,

Kelly Mercer

MEMBERS FOR REINSTATEMENT

Robert Browning - Proposed by Ricky Mercer
Kimberly Moye - Proposed by Lindsay Wyatt

ELECTED TO MEMBERSHIP (PENDING INITIATION)

Cynthia Beardsley - Proposed by Buster Hall
David Beardsley - Proposed by Buster Hall
Tara Olson - Proposed by Debbie Rallo Perez
Alyssa Santos - Proposed by Kelli Jo Santos
Daniel Shortman - Proposed by Richard Perez



DISTRICT VICE PRESIDENT

To all members,

I would like to personally thank everyone who participated in my Homecoming Visitation at our lodge on Saturday, November 23, 2019. The lodge was so beautifully decorated and presented for all to enjoy.

Here's hoping we all had a "Happy Thanksgiving" with our family and friends, paying it forward when possible. This month will be filled with comfort and joy, as we are in the Christmas spirit. Be sure to look around and provide well wishes to our fellow members and look to bring new members into our lodge. After all, retaining old members and obtaining new members is vital to keep our lodge alive and well.

I will be continuing to prepare for our State President Tom Ludwick's Visitation scheduled for February 21st and 22nd, 2020. You will receive more information in the new future and on the FSEA website.

Thanks again and I hope to see everyone at all our social holiday festivities.

Fraternally,

Nancy Higginbotham
SWC District Vice President



DD/VP VISIT 11/21/2019

25th Annual

“CHRISTMAS DINNER
FOR THE SPECIAL PEOPLE”

The Christmas Dinner will be held:

Date: Monday, December 9, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

Place: Arcadia Elks Lodge 1524
1028 West Oak Street (on Highway 70)

A Christmas Dinner is being planned by the Service and Fraternal Organizations and our Business Community. There will be a dinner, program, presents, Santa, and more. We are looking to the community for help to purchase gifts and food for the dinner. Any donation will be greatly appreciated.

It can also be in the way of products. Please make any donations or checks to: “Christmas For The Special People.”

For more information contact Jackie Tucker at 993-0083.

Send all donations to:
Christmas For The Special People
P.O. Box 2996
Arcadia, Florida 34265

Jackie Tucker Troy Hughes
Co-Chairman Committee

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

01 – Buster Hall

06 – David Buchholz

10 – Steven Bates

16 – Robert Switzer

18 – Robert Rose

31 – Gary Larson

03- Joe Varnadore

06 – Yvetter Singletary

12 – Jessica Hildebrand

17 – Melvin Carr

21 – Timothy Brewer

04- Russell Summers PER

07 – Michael Dennison

14 – Alice Ames

18 – Charles Harrison

31 – Carl Gause PER

