



ARCADIA ELKS LODGE 1524

<>December 2021 Newsletter <>



LODGE CHRISTMAS PARTY

Friday, December 17th, 6:00 PM

Ham & Turkey provided; please bring a side dish

KARAOKE

(Kitchen is closed this evening)



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Mondays – HUNTING SEASON

Wednesdays – BAR POKER

Thursdays - BAR BINGO

Fridays – QUEEN OF HEARTS

Saturdays – BAR POKER

DECEMBER EVENTS

4 th – District Visitation (Lake Placid Lodge)
5 th – Elks Memorial Service 10:00 am
7 th – Lodge Meeting 7:00 pm
17 th – Lodge Christmas Party 600 pm
21 st – Lodge Meeting 7:00 pm
24 th -25 th –Lodge Closed
31 st –Jan 1 st –Lodge Closed

LODGE SCHEDULE

SUNDAY– CLOSED

MONDAY-WEDNESDAY-
THURSDAY-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

Bar Bingo 6:00
Chili Hotdogs 6:30

FRIDAY

Steak & Seafood 6:30
Karoke 1st & 3rd Friday 7:00
Queen of Hearts 7:00

SATURDAY

Bar Poker 5:00

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EXALTED RULER

Members All:

Our lodge will be doing some great things with the grants that we have received. To continue receiving these grants, we need to be sure our ENF and Harry-Anna donations continue. I have signed up to become a sustaining donor for ENF and Kelly chose to support Harry-Anna. If you have not signed up, you should consider it.

With the holiday season approaching, be sure to check in on family, friends, and fellow members. It has been a rough year for many.

We are still looking for a few people to help cook on Friday nights. If you are interested in volunteering, please see Troy Hughes so we can get you on the calendar!

I am at the lodge a few nights a week. If you have any questions, concerns, or would like to help with any of our activities let me know. It is going to take us all working together to continue to make this a successful year.

I hope you and your family have a Merry Christmas!

Ricky Mercer
Exalted Ruler



LODGE OFFICERS

EXALTED RULER S. Ricky Mercer
LEADING KNIGHT Joseph Santos
LOYAL KNIGHT Mary Kay Burns
LECTURING KNIGHT Jackie Tucker PER
SECRETARY Kelly Mercer
TREASURER TerryLynn Clinard
TILER Bill May
CHAPLAIN Marilyn May
ESQUIRE Robert Vaughn PER
INNER GUARD Sandy Mansfield
DIRECTOR (1 Year) Jackie Hughes PER
DIRECTOR (2 Year) Alfred Higginbotham
DIRECTOR (3 Year) Troy Hughes PER
LODGE ADVISORS Nancy Higginbotham PER, PDD

LODGE ADVISOR

Members All,

We had our Mid-Year Convention a couple of weeks ago at the Hilton University of Florida Conference Center in Gainesville. Attendees may think they will not learn anything by attending these conventions, but I assure you, if you go with an open mind, and listen to the speakers, you will pick-up on new thoughts and success stories and may be able to share our ideas with others.

I commend the volunteers in the lodge who worked extremely hard on our Veteran’s Day dinner. Veterans of all ages enjoyed the love they received from the Elks.

As everyone knows, our personal lives are very busy, because the holidays are in full swing. We all are thinking of our loved ones and what special gift we can give to bring joy in their lives. However, we cannot lose sight of our Major Projects, needing funds for children, veterans, and the community. Our funds remain less than our goals needed to meet our requirements, in order to receive our “free” money from grants.

Florida State Elks Youth Camp will begin accepting registration for summer camp 2022 on December 1, 2021. If you have a child age 9 through 13 who is interested in the program, please contact our lodge for additional information. Camp applications will be available soon.

Safe travels to all during the holiday season. Be sure to look for the coming events and plan to attend. Come join us at the lodge and share our fun.

Remembering the REASON For The SEASON,

Nancy Higginbotham, PDDGER
Lodge Advisor

VETERANS DINNER – NOVEMBER 14TH



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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. **To learn how you can support these great programs and become a sustaining monthly donor (any amount), go to www.floridaelks.org**



LODGE SECRETARY

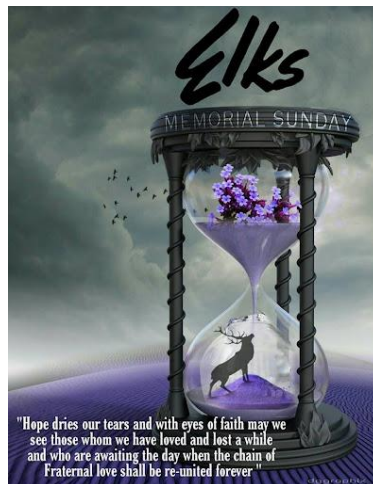
From the Secretary's Desk...

It's the most wonderful time of the year! There is nothing better than the gift of giving. As Elks, we pride ourselves on giving back to our community.

We currently have 292 members with 24 of them delinquent which gives us a lapsation rate of 8.51%.

Don't forget, we are now open on Thursday and will be having Bar Bingo! Please be sure to check out our Facebook page or the calendar on our website for upcoming events.

Kelly Mercer, Secretary



Arcadia Elks Lodge

Memorial Service

Sunday, December 5, 2021

10:00 am

*All members are invited
to attend the service
to honor our absent members.*

*Donald Harshfield
Robert W. Lakey
Juril "Buddy" Mansfield
David Skiver
John "Bo" Young*

BIRTHDAYS



Buster Hall	12	01
Joseph Varnadore	12	03
Russell Summers, PER	12	04
David Buchholz	12	06
Yvette J Singletary	12	06
Michael Dennison	12	07
W Steven Bates	12	10
Jessica Hildebrand	12	12
Robert A Switzer	12	16
Melven J Carr	12	17
Charles W Harrison Jr	12	18
Robert J Rose Jr	12	18
Bruce Miller	12	27
Carl B Gause, PER	12	31
Gary J Larson	12	31



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