



ARCADIA ELKS LODGE 1524

<>JUNE 2020 Newsletter <



Friday, June 5 – Italian Night Special

Friday, June 12 – Surf & Turf

Sunday, June 14 – **FLAG DAY CEREMONY**

Saturday, June 27 – BBQ Chicken, Potato Salad, Baked Beans

(All meals are carryout until further notice)

LODGE SCHEDULE

IN COMPLIANCE
WITH COVID-19
RESTRICTIONS
SOCIAL QUARTERS
ARE CLOSED
UNTIL FURTHER
NOTICE

Lodge Meeting
June 4
June 18
at 7:00 PM

Check Lodge FB page
& webpage for
carryout meal
schedule & menu

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EXALTED RULER

When I thought of being Exalted Ruler for another year I thought of how great our lodge has done in the last few years. Thoughts of the amazing accomplishments we've made, and the recognition on the State level for our hard work and dedication. Never once did i think of the challenges we would face, and this major obstacle we would have to overcome. What I had faith in was the folks that have come together and stepped up to make sure we will get through this as strong as we have. Our board and committees are working as hard as ever to ensure we will not fail, and show proof of our strength in numbers. Not just for our lodge but for our community. We are still giving while times are tough, we are still sharing because we are always caring. We hope to see everyone soon, our prayers are with you every day.

With love,

Troy Hughes PER
Exalted Ruler

- EXALTED RULER Troy Hughes PER
- LEADING KNIGHT Joey Santos
- LOYAL KNIGHT Ricky Mercer
- LECTURING KNIGHT Mary Kay Burns
- SECRETARY Kelly Mercer
- TREASURER Kelli Santos
- TILER Duvane Ross
- CHAPLAIN Marilyn May
- ESQUIRE Robert Vaughn PER
- INNER GUARD David Beardsley
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- TRUSTEE Jackie Hughes PER
- TRUSTEE Nancy Higginbotham PER, DDGER
- TRUSTEE Buddy Mansfield
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- HOUSE COMMITTEE
- Joey Santos, Chairman
- Ricky Mercer
- Kelly Mercer
- Kelli Santos
- Angie Wilson
- Buck Wilson
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- LODGE ADVISOR Brian Burns PER, PSP

LODGE SECRETARY

Hello all! I hope you all are doing well and staying healthy. Although we are off to a rough start, we are planning many exciting things for the year as soon as we can safely open. Please be sure to check our Facebook page and our website for updates. We cannot wait to see you all as we have missed you.

Currently, we have 81 members that have not paid their dues. This gives us a lapsation rate of 26.64%. If you have not done so already, please get your dues submitted. I am at the Elks on Friday night when they are making to-go dinners. I am also at the BBQ's they have the last Saturday of each month if you prefer to pay them in person. You may also mail them to:

Arcadia Elks Lodge 1524
1028 W Oak Street
Arcadia FL 34266

Fraternally,

Kelly Mercer

LODGE ADVISOR

Members All,

Well I hope next time I write a message I can recap our progress in opening Our Social Quarters. Some Lodges are having “soft” openings with limited service. I have been in touch with Our State Senator and Representative about changing Elks and other Fraternal Organizations category and not having us put in the “Bar” category. The distinction comes from income. We are 60% alcohol and 40% food which keeps us in this category. There is no mention of 501C8 or all the charitable work we do that is given any consideration. Besides that we serve Members only!

I want to thank the many Volunteers who have been doing to go orders and keeping our regular bills paid. I'm sure they can use your help soon to clean and organize our Lounge and dining area to meet required standards. Please contact any Board or House committee members for a chance to “make a difference”.

See you at Your Lodge! Brian Burns, PSP FSEA

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.



ARCADIA ELKS LODGE 1524

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FLAG DAY CEREMONY

It is a tradition for all Elks Lodges to have a Flag Day Ceremony each year. We invite you and your family to attend and the public is also invited.

Sunday, June 14th beginning at 6:00 p.m.

Arcadia Elks Lodge 1524

1028 West Oak Street

Hot Dogs, Chips, Drinks and dessert will be served following the ceremony

For more information call 863-993-0083

*Troy Hughes
Exalted Ruler*

*Jackie Hughes, PER
Chairman*





Brandon	Windsor	06	04
Lynn	Lord	06	06
Lloyd	McGee	06	06
Justin	Keene	06	09
Jackie	Hughes	06	10
Michael	Kurek	06	13
Robert	Meador	06	13
John	Shutt Sr	06	15
Richard	Taylor	06	15
Robert	Lakey	06	16
Sandra	Mansfield	06	16
Jeri	Bennett	06	18
Durward	Smith Jr	06	20
Sue	Fay	06	21
Stanley	Crews	06	24
Kathy	Jarnagin	06	24
Mark	Ruston	06	24
Woodrow	Cornell	06	26
Noel	Cuevas	06	26
Thomas	Damron	06	26
Penny	Pringle	06	26
Joseph	Santos	06	29
Brenda	Stewart	06	30