



# ARCADIA ELKS LODGE 1524

<>MARCH 2020 Newsletter <



- ✓ **Lodge meeting** at 7:00 pm on March 5<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>
- ✓ **St. Patrick's Day Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner**  
(Harry Anna Trust Fund event to support Florida Elks Youth Camp and Florida Elks Therapy Services) on Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm
- ✓ No "Taco Tuesday" on March 17<sup>th</sup>
- ✓ **Officer Installation & Member Appreciation Lunch** on Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm
- ✓ **BINGO** every Wednesday

Thank you, Exalted Ruler Jackie Hughes, for an excellent 2019-2020 lodge year. It's great to be an Arcadia Elk!



## LODGE SCHEDULE

SUNDAY – CLOSED  
 MONDAY – open 4:00 pm  
 TUESDAY – open 4:00 pm  
 WEDNESDAY – open 4:00  
 THURSDAY – CLOSED except meeting nights open 6:00  
 FRIDAY – open 4:00 pm  
 SATURDAY – open 4:00 pm

**MONDAY**  
 Hunting Season/Burgers 6:00

**TUESDAY**  
 Wings & Tacos 6:30

**WEDNESDAY**  
 BINGO 6:00 (5:15 card sales)

**THURSDAY – CLOSED**  
**except for meeting nights**  
 Lodge Meeting  
 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays 7:00 open at 6:00 pm

**FRIDAY**  
 Steak & Seafood 6:30  
 Queen of Hearts 7:00  
 Music 6:30

**SATURDAY**  
 Bar Poker 4:30

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### EXALTED RULER

I can't believe my year as Exalted Ruler is almost over. The lodge has prospered and grown so much. The energy is unreal! All of this because members, committee chairs and officers have come together to make Arcadia the best. How much fun we have had! The personal growth, understanding and fellowship as to what Elks do. I have truly loved this year and everyone who helped me through. I can't thank everyone enough for all of your hard work. Watching the lodge thrive is truly our best accomplishment. 100% team effort and what a team! So proud to be an Elk! This coming up year we have some great officers that will continue to keep us on our path of growth.

Thankful for the trust that was put into me as Exalted Ruler. I hope I've done Arcadia Elks Proud.

Thank you and see you at the lodge.  
Jackie Hughes ER

### LODGE LEADERSHIP

<u>EXALTED RULER</u>	Jackie Hughes
<u>LEADING KNIGHT</u>	Joey Santos
<u>LOYAL KNIGHT</u>	Ricky Mercer
<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; Troy Hughes PER, Ricky Mercer, Buck Wilson
<u>LODGE ADVISOR</u>	Brian Burns PSP

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### LODGE SECRETARY

From the Secretary's Desk...

As March approaches, that means our year is coming to an end. In February, we nominated and elected our new officers. We will be sending out our dues notices the first week of March. Don't forget they are due on April 1, 2020.

Currently, we have 332 members. Only 31 are past due giving us a lapsation rate of 9.3%. We are continuing to work on improving those numbers. We currently have 4 members awaiting induction.

We have many events planned in the coming months. Be sure to check the calendar, our Facebook page, or the website often to see what we have planned.

Fraternally,

Kelly Mercer

#### Members Awaiting Induction:

Kevin Joens	Proposed By: Troy Hughes
Tara Olson	Proposed By: Debbie Rallo-Perez
Donna Ott	Proposed By: Buster Hall
Daniel Shortman	Proposed By: Richard Perez

#### Newly Elected Officers:

Exalted Ruler	Troy Hughes PER
Esteemed Leading Knight	Joey Santos
Esteemed Loyal Knight	Ricky Mercer
Esteemed Lecturing Knight	Angelia Wilson
Secretary	Kelly Mercer
Treasurer	Kelli Jo Santos
Tiler	Duvane Ross
Trustee	Jackie Hughes
Trustee	Buddy Mansfield

#### Appointed Officers (by Exalted Ruler-Elect Troy Hughes):

Chaplain	Marilyn May
Esquire	Robert Vaughn PER
Inner Guard	TBA

*Stay informed!*

*Regularly visit our lodge webpage*

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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 ADVISOR**

Members All,

We have had a very busy February. Many of our members went to the FYEC and got to meet our National President and his wife. They had a great time visiting with other Elks and enjoying Receptions, a group of young adults supported by the Elks who go around the country visiting and performing for our veterans. What a fantastic group of dedicated youth!

Then at Arcadia Lodge we enjoyed a great Valentine’s dinner and an evening of entertainment and fun. At our meetings we had nominations and election of our new officers. Looks like we have another great group to carry on the successes of this year! Please jump in and help our new officers work our programs.

Lastly we had the State President’s visit at Arcadia for the first time since 1993 and the best part; it was President Tom and Joyce Ludwick’s homecoming to the SWC District! Our own DVP Nancy Higginbotham and all her volunteers did an awesome job planning, organizing, and executing the events of the weekend. Everyone had a great time.

Look for our officer installation and plan to attend. It’s a fun event.

See you at Your Lodge! Brian Burns, PSP FSEA



ST. PATRICK'S DAY FUNDRAISING DINNER

ST. PATRICK'S DAY CORNED BEEF & CABBAGE DINNER

TUESDAY, MARCH 17, 2020

6:00 PM - 7:30 PM



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\$12.00

PRE-PURCHASE  
REQUIRED  
MARCH 2-16

No "Taco Tuesday"  
on March 17

"50/50" available  
on March 17

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THIS IS A FUND RAISING EVENT  
FOR THE HARRY ANNA TRUST FUND  
TO SUPPORT FLORIDA ELKS YOUTH CAMP  
& FLORIDA ELKS THERARY SERVICES

**"Together WE are  
Making a Difference"**

**THE ELKS DO!**



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**STATE PRESIDENT VISIT – February 22**



MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Jason	Coker	March	01
Shawn	Barney	March	03
Patricia	Moore	March	05
Reece	Welch	March	05
Buddy	Mansfield	March	06
Tim	Albritton	March	07
Donald	Sargent	March	07
Kimberly	Moye	March	10
Adrienne	Pion	March	11
Loren	Gibson	March	12
Phillip	Keene	March	12
Bonnie	Molloy	March	14
Robert	Zabrowski	March	15
William	Martin	March	16
Ward	Kanode	March	19
Ronald	Root	March	21
Raymond	Quave	March	26
Tyler	Edwards	March	27
William	Head	March	27
Tobi	McCaffery	March	27
Rowdy	Sullivan	March	27
Linda	Allbritton	March	28
Barney	Cook	March	31
Cassandra	Pishioneri	March	31

