

<>October 2020 Newsletter <>

BROTHERHOOD RIDERS WELCOME & DINNER

Thursday, October 1st (RSVP)

This Thursday!! Doors open at 2:00. Come help us line the streets in support of our heroes. Dinner will be available for purchase and donations to cover the riders' dinners will be appreciated. Dinner will be meatloaf, mashed potatoes, green beans, and a roll for \$10.00. Please RVSP



OCTOBER EVENTS

- 1st Brotherhood Riders Welcome & Dinner 2:00 pm
- 1st Lodge Meeting 7:00 pm
- 15th Lodge Meeting 7:00 pm
- 24th 30th Red Ribbon Week

LODGE SCHEDULE

SUNDAY & THURSDAY– CLOSED

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

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

MONDAY Hunting Season/Burgers & Bar Pizza 6:00

TUESDAY Tacos 6:30

WEDNESDAY Bar Poker 6:00; Wings 6:30

THURSDAY Closed Lodge Meeting 1st & 3rd Thursdays 7:00

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

SATURDAY Bar Poker 5:00

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LODGE LEADERSHIP

I'm excited to announce that we are open at full capacity, and happy to see so many of our family and friends returning to the lodge.

We have great things going on in October, the return of The Brotherhood Ride will be stopping off on its six hundred mile tour the 1st of October. We're asking all our members to come out and welcome the riders into Arcadia, and feel free to invite your friends and neighbors. In these troubled times it is a chance as Elk members to show our support to our first responders and the families of those that have fallen in the line of duty protecting and serving their communities. I'm proud to say we have our "Esteemed Leading Knight" Joey Santos, and "Loyal Knight" Ricky Mercer riding again this year which brings it even closer to home for all of us. If I don't see you there, I hope to see you soon.

Thank you, and God Bless.

Troy Hughes PER Exalted Ruler



LODGE OFFICERS

EXALTED RULER Troy Hughes PER LEADING KNIGHT Joey Santos LOYAL KNIGHT Ricky Mercer LECTURING KNIGHT Angie Wilson SECRETARY Kelly Mercer TREASURER Terry Lynn Clinard TILER Duvane Ross CHAPLAIN Marilyn May ESQUIRE Robert Vaughn PER INNER GUARD David Beardsley DIRECTOR Nancy Higginbotham PER, DDGER DIRECTOR Jackie Hughes PER DIRECTOR Buddy Mansfield LODGE ADVISOR Brian Burns PER, PSP

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LODGE SECTRETARY

Hello all! It's great to be getting things back to normal at the lodge. Please be sure to check the website and Facebook for upcoming events. We just finished our DD/VP Visitation and Inspection and did great! We had a nice turnout for dinner.

An update on membership...we have 309 members and of those 55 are delinquent. If you have not paid your dues, please do so. At our September 17th meeting, we welcomed 4 new members: Martha Faul, Brenda Fulton, Brandon Hutson, and Geraldine Vaughn.

Fraternally,

Kelly Mercer



INITIATION SEPTEMBER 2020



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LODGE ADVISOR

Members All,

WE ARE OPEN! What a great feeling! NOW, let's not mess this up. Please use common sense. If you feel sick, stay home. If you've been exposed to someone with covid or in a group in question, take a break from the Lodge. Especially if you are involved in the operation.

That being said, October is our half way point in the Lodge year. We have a long way to go to make up for lost time with our Charities. In Harry-Anna trust which funds our State programs, Arcadia has a long way to go to meet our Obligations. In ENF, our National Fund we also are not doing well. Please consider becoming a sustained Donor in each fund. You can find Links on the Florida Elks Website. Our Children, Veterans, and the less fortunate thank you.

We are excited to again host the Brotherhood Ride on October 1, 2020. The greatest thing is to have two of our own involved riding for this great cause especially honoring one of our Local Firefighters who is gone too soon! Thanks to Joey Santos and Ricky Mercer for their dedication. We all admire you!!

See you at Your Lodge! Brian Burns, PSP FSEA



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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 <u>sustaining monthly donor</u> (any amount), go to <u>www.floridaelks.org</u>





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Brian		Т	Burns		PSP	10	01	
Ronald			Freeman			10	01	
Carlton		D	McKettrick	Jr		10	01	
James	Sam	E	McLeod			10	06	
Kenneth		J	Shatney	Jr		10	06	
Dale		Μ	Johnson			10	07	
Alyssa			Santos			10	07	
Corey			Fussell			10	10	
Troy		L	Hughes			10	10	
Debbie			Vickers			10	12	
Bart			Plymale			10	13	
Forrest			Erickson			10	14	
Joseph		R	Swinney			10	14	
Terrence			Griffith			10	19	
Rex			Smith			10	20	
Steve			Hickox			10	23	
Irene			Pooser			10	24	
Dennis		W	Albritton			10	25	
Н		Allen	McClelland			10	25	
Thomas		Ν	Ranta			10	26	
William		Е	Smith			10	26	
Whit			Cornell			10	28	
Terry		Lee	Welles			10	28	
Steven			Eggers			10	29	
David		W	Montgomery			10	29	
David			Costner			10	30	
Raymond		А	Flewelling	Sr		10	30	
Ronald			Neads		PER	10	31	

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