



# ARCADIA ELKS LODGE 1524

<>January 2022 Newsletter <>

**CALLING ALL ELKS**

YOU are needed to serve as an officer of YOUR lodge

February is election of new officers. Please attend the lodge meetings on February 1, 8, & 15 and become involved.



**Mondays – HUNTING SEASON**  
**Wednesdays – BAR POKER**  
**Thursdays - BAR BINGO**  
**Fridays – QUEEN OF HEARTS**  
**Saturdays – BAR POKER**

JANUARY EVENTS
4 <sup>th</sup> – Lodge Meeting 7:00 PM
18 <sup>th</sup> – Lodge Meeting 7:00 PM

## LODGE SCHEDULE

**SUNDAY**– CLOSED

**MONDAY-WEDNESDAY-THURSDAY-FRIDAY-SATURDAY**  
Open 4:00 pm

**TUESDAY**-Closed (except for Lodge Meetings)

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> **TUESDAY**  
7:00 pm Lodge Meeting

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

**TUESDAY**  
Lodge Meeting 7:00  
1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays

**WEDNESDAY**  
Bar Poker 6:00; Wings 6:30

**THURSDAY**  
Bar Bingo 6:00  
Chili Hotdogs 6:30

**FRIDAY**  
Steak & Seafood 6:30  
Karoke 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday 7:00  
Queen of Hearts 7:00

**SATURDAY**  
Bar Poker 5:00

**EXALTED RULER**

Members All:

Happy New Year! I hope you all enjoyed the holidays as much as I have.

Looking back at December, I am proud of our lodge. With a grant, we were able to provide 200 families with food for Christmas Dinner. There is no better feeling than helping those in need.

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.

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,

Here's hoping everyone had a heartwarming Christmas and was able to share with family and friends.

In looking forward to the Happy New Year and making our resolutions, please assess our individual attitudes and include getting along with our fellow members for the betterment of our lodge. I believe we all tend to forget the fact that we volunteer to enable our lodge to maintain and grow.

We have completed the third quarter of our elk year and are short on our charity goals. Remember to consider becoming a sustaining monthly donor to Harry-Anna and/or Elks National Foundation.

As I mentioned in last month's newsletter, the Florida State Elks Youth Camp has opened the application process for summer camp 2022. We received ten (10) camper scholarships, of which several have been filled. If you have a child between the ages of nine (9) and thirteen (13) that wants to attend, please contact our lodge secretary, Kelly Mercer, and she will give you the details and instructions to apply online directly to FSEYC.

Make a resolution to "Come see us at the Lodge" in the New Year.

Nancy Higginbotham, PDDGER, Lodge Advisor

**Harry Anna Investment Fund, Inc. ---- Together We Can Do Great Things**

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 dreams.

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.

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, and our State Sponsored Scholarships

Also from this fund comes the Matching grant money for Lodges that get an ENF grant for community projects.

The Harry Anna Investment Fund is guided by Seven Trustees and a Legal Advisor. The Trustees are aided by our Investment advisors Florida Atlantic. The President of the Trustees is currently our own PSP Brian Burns.

We have a sustained donor program which is the simplest way to give a little every month automatically. Any amount is fine. We base it on \$19 per month suggested.

*Stay informed!*

*Regularly visit our lodge webpage*

Benevolent & Protective Order of Elks



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**LODGE SECRETARY**

From the Secretary's Desk...

Happy New Year! I hope everyone enjoyed the holidays with family and friends.

There are only a few more months left in this elk year. Currently, we have 294 members with 24 of them delinquent. In December, we welcomed three new members: Laura Finley, Kathy Lakey, and Kyle Limoges.

Next month, we will be looking to nominate and elect new officers. If you are interested, please let one of the current officers know.

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

Kelly Mercer, Secretary

**Membership is crucial to the lodge. It is important to present qualified people for membership. Involvement by members is what makes the lodge successful. If you have not paid your dues for this year, please do so now.**

Delinquent Members

Bucci, Brenda; Bursa, Hans; Carmel, Perry; Carter, Jerry  
Edwards, Tyler; Frymyer, Rickard; Fulton, Brenda; Griffith, Terrence  
Haines, Douglas; Johnson, Richard James; Larson, Gary J  
Lynch, Brandon; McCaffery, Tobi; Meador, Robert (Bo)  
Nemeth, Ashley; Pelham, Dianne; Rallo-Perez, Debbie  
Shore, Shirley; Singletary, Yvette; Sunday, W Robert  
Svihlik, Allen; Vaughn, Geraldine; Via, Danny; Welch, David F

BIRTHDAYS

January 2022

Jimmy Knight	01	03
Paul C Cook	01	04
Roseanne Collins	01	05
Larry B Fradd	01	06
William T Trawick, Jr	01	07
Raymond J Bradshaw	01	10
John David Dill	01	10
Renee D Otto	01	11
Robert Vaughn, PER	01	12
Charles W Hampton	01	13
W Robert Sunday	01	13
Leslie Thompson	01	13
Kye Bishop	01	14
Douglas Deal	01	16
Nicole Crews	01	17
Perry Carmel	01	21
Daniel DeHaven	01	22
Bill Blocker, PER	01	24
Nadia K Daughtrey	01	24
Gilbert Coan	01	25
Byron Barney, PER	01	26
Benjamin Tyler Boone	01	26
Terrance Stewart	01	26
James S Parker	01	27
Carolyn Payne	01	28
Daniel Butch Strickland, Jr	01	29
Kevin J Callanan	01	30
Tim Kilkelly	01	30