



ARCADIA ELKS LODGE 1524

<>JULY 2020 Newsletter <

**LODGE IS OPEN ON FRIDAY
JULY 3RD**

DOORS OPEN AT 4:00 PM

STEAK DINNER MENU

(DINE IN OR CARRY OUT)

Lodge is closed on Saturday July 4th



Thursday, July 16 – Lodge Meeting

Saturday, July 25 – Monthly BBQ (pick-up)

MENU: Pork Steak, Collard Greens, Grilled Potatoes & Onions

- ✓ Check Lodge Facebook Page & Website for other carry-out meals

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers needed (to call) for all-member canvas to acquire updated email addresses for the newsletter and other lodge communications. Respond: Elks.Arcadia@yahoo.com

LODGE SCHEDULE

SOCIAL QUARTERS
OPEN WITH STRICT
ADHERENCE TO
COVID-19
GUIDELINES

Lodge Meeting
July 16
at 7:00 PM

Check Lodge FB page
& webpage for
information about
lodge schedule
updates

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LODGE LEADERSHIP

EXALTED RULER Troy Hughes PER
LEADING KNIGHT Joey Santos
LOYAL KNIGHT Ricky Mercer
LECTURING KNIGHT Angie Wilson
SECRETARY Kelly Mercer
TREASURER TerryLynn Clinard
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
Ricky Mercer. Chairman
Joey Santos
Kelli Santos
Angie Wilson
Buck Wilson

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LODGE ADVISOR Brian Burns PER, PSP



Nancy Higginbotham, SW Central District 2020/2021 Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler

LODGE ADVISOR

Members All,

Well we are experiencing some “new” normal. I hope things continue to improve and Our Lodge can once again be full of great Members and prosper!

The FSEA held a limited State Convention at the Rosen Centre. Arcadia was honored to have our own Nancy Higginbotham sworn in as DDGER because there will be no National Convention. ER Troy Hughes took on the position of State Vice Chairman of the Sports Committee. I wish both of them a great year!

I was elected president of the Harry-Anna Investment Trustees. I am very humbled by the great Elks I am following and will do my best to protect and increase our Investments for our programs.

Please remember that we need new money every year to remain the Trust Fund and keep our tax status. Please consider becoming a sustained donor. Just go to Our State webpage and click “Donate” it will let you set any amount you desire to come out of your credit card each month.

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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Elks Care - *Elks* Share

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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.



EXALTED RULER

Welcome to a hot July everyone!

As we finally were able to open our doors we find ourselves back to take out only. We appreciate those that came out in support, and even more the members that have been so patient and have participated in our to-go nights. We are still chugging along, and doing our best in these trying times in hopes the end is near. As a friendly reminder, if you haven't paid your dues please contact our secretary Kelly Mercer at your earliest convenience. Until the next time, be safe and God bless.

Thank you,

Troy Hughes PER
Exalted Ruler

LODGE SECRETARY

Hello all! I hope you all are doing well and staying healthy. We have had to close the lodge again but will continue with take-out orders. Please be sure to check our Facebook page and our website for updates. We cannot wait to see you all again as we have missed you.

Currently, we have 304 members with 69 of those members delinquent. This gives us a lapsation rate of 22.7%. If you have not done so already, please get your dues submitted. You may mail them to:

Arcadia Elks Lodge 1524
1028 W Oak Street
Arcadia FL 34266

Fraternally,

Kelly Mercer

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A reminder for those who have not paid 2020/2021 dues yet. Annual dues are \$102.00 (Life Members: \$67.00)

Dennis Albritton, Tim Albritton, Linda Albritton, William Arnott, Allen Block, Benjamin Boone, Arthur Brown, Allan Burtscher, Lathan Chambers, George Coleman, Beuford Cross, David Costner, Stanley Crews, Thomas Damron, Michael Dennison, Thomas Dolan, Ronald Freeman, Corey Fussell, James Fussell, Carl Gause, Loren Gibson, Tim Goodell, Sheila Groover, Don Hall, Thomas Hanson, Angela Harrell, Ernest Hewett, Ronald Jones, Justin Keene, Donald Knoche, John Lipe, Deke Livingston, Tim Martin, Joseph McClenithan, William McGavic, Robert Meador, Pat Mercer, Kelli Metcalf, James Milliman, Bonnie Molley, Rodney Morgan, Jerry Morris, William Nagy, Phillip Nedley, Adam Nelson, Dianne Pelham, Richard Perez, Raymond Quave, Gerald Rajski, Debbie Rallo-Perez, James Rider, Robert Rose, Alyssa Santos, Anita Selkowitz, Kenneth Shatney, Carrie Skinner, Daniel Strickland, Russell Summers, Ashley Timbang, Carl Watts, Reece Welch, Dolores Whidden, Shon Whidden, Brian Williams, Dan Wilson, Kale Wyant, Lindsey Wyatt

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Florida Elks Youth Camp Autism Awareness
Florida Elks Children's Therapy Services
Scholarships Veterans/Army of Hope
Local Community Projects

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ELKS: "To promote and practice the four cardinal virtues of Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity; to promote the welfare and enhance the happiness of its members; to quicken the spirit of American Patriotism and cultivate good fellowship."

Photo by @pandy vaibhav

The graphic features a dark orange background with a silhouette of an elk and its reflection. The text is arranged in a structured layout, with the main title at the top, followed by a list of community projects, the Elks USA logo, the Arcadia Elks Lodge 1524 information, a quote about the organization's mission, and a photo credit at the bottom.

JULY BIRTHDAYS

Albert		Funari	07	03
Lane		Nott	07	05
Debbie		Rallo-Perez	07	07
Carl	M	Watts	07	07
Lenny		Lempenau	07	08
Shirley	A	Shore	07	09
Duvane	C	Ross	07	10
Mary	Kay	Burns	07	11
Peter		Nicholas	PER	07
Keith		Keene	PDDGER	07
James	W	May	07	13
Thomas	A	Hanson	07	14
Nancy		Higginbotham	07	14
Angelia	M	Wilson	07	17
Jerry		Hunt	07	18
Larry	G	Furr	07	19
Sheila	K	Groover	07	20
Brandon	M	Lynch	07	20
Matthew		Plymale	07	20
Kelly	C	Mercer	07	22
R	Phillip	Nedley	07	22
John		Young	07	22
Dennis		Johnson	07	23
Mitchell	Edward	Mercer	07	23
S	Ricky	Mercer	07	23
Angela		Harrell	07	24
William		McGavic	07	24
John	F	Court	07	25
Sam		Edwards	07	26
Jimmy		Barrera	07	31