



ARCADIA ELKS LODGE 1524

<>SEPTEMBER 2020 Newsletter <>

BROTHERHOOD RIDE FUND RAISER Saturday, September 12 (RSVP by September 9)

FUNDRAISER
BROTHERHOOD RIDE
2020

JOEY SANTOS
DESOTO COUNTY
SHERIFF'S OFFICE

RICKY MERCER
DESOTO COUNTY
FIRE RESCUE

JOIN US SEPTEMBER 12th 2020

Joey Santos and Ricky Mercer will be representing the DeSoto County Sheriff's Office and DeSoto County Fire Rescue in this year's Brotherhood Ride honoring fallen officers and first responders. Joey & Ricky are riding in memory of one of DeSoto's own, Firefighter/EMT Brad Gregich. Fundraiser proceeds will benefit equipment expenses and program participation.



The 2020 Ride will be dedicated to 25 Fallen Heroes from Florida who died in the line of duty in 2019. We will honor them by riding through the state of Florida for 7 days, covering over 500 miles. The ride will begin on October 1, 2020 in Fort Myers, FL and finish on October 7, 2020 in Live Oak, FL.

Where: Arcadia Elks Lodge #1524 | 1028 W. Oak Street, Arcadia
50/50 RAFFLE | SILENT AUCTION | CHINESE AUCTION
Smoked Pork Sandwich with Baked Beans & Coleslaw • \$10 Adults/\$5 Kids under 12
PLEASE RSVP BY SEPTEMBER 9th
Doors open at 5:00pm • Dinner starts at 6:00pm

To RSVP, donate, or for more information, contact
Jackie Hughes: 941-214-0464

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

SEPTEMBER EVENTS

12th – Brotherhood Ride Fund Raiser 5:00 pm
17th – Lodge Meeting 7:00 pm

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 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

We're Back!

Even with restrictions we have to abide by, it feels good to back open. We are excited to see those members we've not had the opportunity to interact with, and attempt to get things back to as normal as we can.

As E.R. I've never asked anyone to do anything that I haven't done, or was willing to do. I've been truly blessed with volunteers that have truly stepped up and went above and beyond this year. But if we want the ability to continue with the amazing projects we do as Elks, we need your support more than ever in just showing up and taking part in our events.

Thank you, be safe, 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

LODGE SECRETARY

Hello all! It’s nice to be open again. We are still at 50% capacity and are practicing social distancing. Masks are not required but can worn at your discretion. There will be no congregating at the bar area or moving of bar stools or chairs. We must follow the guidelines we have been given. We are looking forward to seeing all of you again! Please be sure to check the website and Facebook for upcoming events.

An update on membership...we have 57 members that are delinquent giving us a lapsation rate of 18.75%. If you have not paid your dues, please do so.

Fraternally,
Kelly Mercer

Members All:

At our next meeting on September 17, 2020, we will be having our membership vote on the following:

Due to the increased responsibility of the treasurer with the new FRS reporting system, we need you, the membership, to vote on an increase in salary. Currently, the treasurer receives \$150/month for the position. We would like to increase the salary for the treasurer to \$450/month.

We would like our members to attend and vote on this matter. Thank you in advance.

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, Allan Burtscher, Lathan Chambers, Beuford Cross, David Costner, Stanley Crews, Michael Dennison, Thomas Dolan, Ronald Freeman, Corey Fussell, James Fussell, Carl Gause, Loren Gibson, Tim Goodell, Sheila Groover, Don Hall, Angela Harrell, Ernest Hewett, Ronald Jones, Justin Keene, Donald Knoche, John Lipe, Deke Livingston, Tim Martin, Joseph McClenithan, William McGavic, Pat Mercer Jr, Kelli Metcalf, James Milliman, Rodney Morgan, Jerry Morris, William Nagy, Phillip Nedley, Adam Nelson, Richard Perez, Cassranda Pishioneri, Gerald Rajska, James Rider, Robert Rose, Alyssa Santos, Anita Selkowitz, Kenneth Shatney, Carrie Skinner, Russell Summers, Ashley Timbang, Carl Watts, Dolores Whidden, Shon Whidden, Brian Williams, Dan Wilson, Kale Wyant

Stay informed!

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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. **To learn how you can support these great programs and become a sustaining monthly donor (any amount), go to www.floridaelks.org**



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Royal	R	Olsen		09	01
Willis	Bill	Peacock		09	01
Anita		Selkowitz		09	01
Brenda	M	Bucci		09	03
Byron		Jarnagin		09	03
Jodie	L	Petrulo		09	05
Allen		Svihlik		09	07
William	Pat	Mercer		09	08
George		Wadsworth		09	08
Jacqueline	W	Tucker	PER	09	09
David	F	Welch		09	10
Don	T	Hall	PER	09	11
Carrie		Skinner		09	12
Warren		Cornell		09	13
Douglas		Haines		09	13
Billy	G	Robison		09	14
George	Randy	Lee		09	16
Timothy		Vowels		09	16
Phil		Turner	Jr	09	18
Glenn		Higgins		09	19
David		Skiver		09	19
James		McManus		09	22
James	A	Rider		09	22
James		Bushouse		09	23
James		Fussell		09	23
Rex	E	Harper		09	23
Gene		Field	Jr	09	24
Destiny		Eisenmann		09	25
Richard	Dickie	Mercer		09	25
Patricia	W	Anthony		09	29
Walter	Don	Myers		09	30
Buck	R	Wilson		09	30

Happy Birthday!