



Brooksville Lodge No. 2582
BENEVOLENT AND PROTECTIVE ORDER OF ELKS
A FRATERNAL ORGANIZATION

THE HERNANDO HERD
Monthly Newsletter of
Brooksville Elks Lodge #2582

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Stars & Stripes
God Bless America

December 2020



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PHIL RAFFERTY
EXALTED RULER

LODGE OFFICERS – 2020-2021

EXALTED RULER	PHIL RAFFERTY
LEADING KNIGHT	RICH GRIFFITHS
LOYAL KNIGHT	RICHARD LEGER
LECTURING KNIGHT	TERRY CAMPBELL
SECRETARY	LARRY WHITE, P.E.R.
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CHAPLAIN	ROB YOUNG
ESQUIRE	BILL RUNDGREN
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FIVE YEAR TRUSTEE	MEL HAINES
FOUR YEAR TRUSTEE	ROBERT HEIN
THREE YEAR TRUSTEE	SCOTT MACKEIL
TWO YEAR TRUSTEE	JOHN DEMAS
ONE YEAR TRUSTEE	MIKE HUGHSON

LODGE SECRETARY HOURS:

5:00 – 9:00 p.m. Monday & Wednesday 12:00 p.m. -- 4:00 P.M. Saturday
Please call Larry's Cell Phone: 219-201-7278.

Please call our chaplain Rob Young at 727-741-3175 or email him at you7rob@aol.com with any information if someone is ill, hospitalized or deceased.

A Message from your Exalted Ruler

Hello everybody! I hope this note finds you in good health and spirits. I want to let you know that the first Sunday in December is our annual Elk Memorial Day. There will be a ceremony at 1 pm with a luncheon to follow. Please join us for this very touching rite.

In other news, your new member entrance door is almost complete. We are just waiting for the “special-order” door to come in. We also have changed the old member entrance metal door slab with a new one (donated by the late Dennis Craven) and now it simply serves as a fire exit.

I would like to take a moment and give a huge shout out to the House Committee and their spouses for the tremendous job they have done this year. Without them, we would not be able to enjoy all the Friday night dinners and other activities they make possible. THANK YOU!... Cindy, Rich, Mike, Nora, Scott, Sherry, Bill, Donna, Brian, Rob, Bonnie, Rich Leger, Bob & Diane Hein, Bob Eade and others. If I forgot anyone I apologize. Your time and effort is greatly appreciated!

As members, please remember that our Lodge depends solely on membership participation. If you, or someone you know would like to volunteer in this Lodge, please, by all means tell them to join in. No permission is needed to just come volunteer. We try to never turn down volunteers. Also, if your wanting to help the Lodge financially but don't want to physically come out due to the virus, please feel free to make a monetary donation to the Lodge. Every little bit helps.

In closing, I would ask that you continue to support your local Elks Lodge in all the good works they do. This year, our children's Christmas party for the foster kids is going to be phenomenal. There are still angels on the Christmas tree. This year we are asking for monetary gifts or prepaid gift cards. Contact the Lodge for details.

One last thing, we would like to start a food collection bank to help needy families in the community. Nonperishable items can be dropped off at the Lodge any time even if we are not open by simply leaving them on one of the tables in the back screened in room. We will only be running this for a short period of time but any help will be greatly appreciated. Thank you in advance. Wishing you all the best... God Bless.

Phil Rafferty - ER

A Message from your Leading Knight

Greetings my fellow Elks. It is with a heavy heart that I am informing everyone about the passing of Lew Eastman, a Lifetime member of Brooksville Elks Lodge #2582. Lew was a true gentleman who would always greet you with a hand shake and a smile. He will be greatly missed. Our Condolences to his wife Rose and all his family.

We hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving and are doing well. Please check the December Herd for all the activities that will be going on and don't forget our New Year's Eve Party. No tickets will be sold at the door; you must purchase them at the Lodge before December 15th.

Cindy and I both would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year.

God Bless,

Rich Griffiths, Leading Knight

HOUSE COMMITTEE MESSAGE

Well we made it to December, thanks to all the hard work our House Committee and all the Volunteers have put in! We hope everyone had a Happy Thanksgiving. We have a busy month ahead of us, hope you can find time to come out and support your Lodge!!

While we are aware that COVID-19 has changed the way in which we do a lot of things we are trying our best to keep everyone safe! We encourage the use of masks when possible, but we do not require it! We have changed the way we serve dinners and only have one table at a time to be served! The dancers have all been doing very well at keeping their distance as much as possible!

We have our Annual Foster Children's Christmas party on 12/13 from 12-3:00 pm. As of this date we have 105 children this year. If you would like to pick an Angel from the tree, we are asking either gift cards or donations this year and need it back no later than 12/4. Thanks to everyone for your generosity!

Just a run down of what is happening this month:

12/2. Decorating Lodge 10:00 am

12/4. Dinner Dance with Angelo

12/4. Last day to donate to the Angel tree

12/5. Foster kids gift wrapping 9:00 am

12/5. Steak Shoot 3-5

12/6. Elk's Memorial Service 1:00 pm. Lite Lunch following

12/11. Annual Christmas Party with The Retro's. Cocktails & Hors d'oeuvres 4:00-5:00 pm

Dinner 5:00 pm, Dancing 6:00-9:00 pm

12/14. B.O.D. 6:30 & H. C. Meeting 6:00 pm

Lodge Meeting 7:00 pm

12/18. Trivioke 6:30 pm

12/31. New Year's Eve Party (Tickets must be purchased before Dec. 10th)

**Cocktails & Hors d'oeuvres 5:00-6:00 pm, Dinner 6:00 pm, Dance the New Year in 7:00 till....
Coffee & pastries after Midnight!**

Lodge Closed 12/21-12/26 for Christmas!

We are also having a food drive from now until Christmas for the less fortunate; if you would like to donate non-perishable items for this you can drop them off at the Lodge anytime. If the Lodge is not open, you can leave them in the screen area in back and someone will check that often! Thank you so much for your help!

As always, we want to give a “Big Thank You” to all our wonderful Volunteers who work tirelessly around the Lodge and in the kitchen. (Mike & Nora Hughson, Scott & Sherry MacKiel, Carr & Jane Hussey, Bob & Diane Hein, Rob & Bonnie Young, Bill Rundgren, Rich Leger, Brian Ward and, last, but not least, my Husband Rich Griffiths). You guys are the best and are the glue that holds this Lodge together!! Thank you so much!!!

We wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a much better New Year for 2021.....

Your House Committee, Cindy Griffiths, Nora Hughson, Sherry MacKeil, Bonnie Young, Diane Hein, Bill Rundgren, Carr Hussey, Jane Hussey & Phil Rafferty.

KARAOKE TUESDAYS

WITH

CLAY & SHEILA

2:00-5:00 PM

Lunch 1:00-3:00 pm



LUNCH MENU

- Hamburger with Fries\$6.00**
- Cheeseburger with Fries.....\$6.50**
- Twin Hot Dogs with Fries.....\$6.50**
- Ham or Turkey Sub with Fries\$6.00**
- Chicken Tenders with Fries..... \$6.50**
- Chicken Salad Sandwich w/Fries.....\$6.00**
- Philly Cheese Steak with Fries \$6.50**
- Crispy Chicken Salad.....\$6.50**
- Wings with Fries\$6.50**
Hot/Mild/BBQ/Garlic/Blackened
- Side Salad\$2.00**
- Basket of Fries\$2.50**
- Basket of Onion Rings\$5.00**
- Pizza:\$6.00**

(Pepperoni or Supreme)

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