



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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**Lodge Telephone: (352) 799-7148**



*Stars & Stripes*  
*God Bless America*

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**January 2021**



**PLEASE VISIT AND JOIN OUR LODGE WHERE GOOD FRIENDS MEET**

*Elks Care - Elks Share*



**PHIL RAFFERTY**  
**EXALTED RULER**

**LODGE OFFICERS – 2020-2021**

<b>EXALTED RULER</b>	<b>PHIL RAFFERTY</b>
<b>LEADING KNIGHT</b>	<b>RICH GRIFFITHS</b>
<b>LOYAL KNIGHT</b>	<b>RICHARD LEGER</b>
<b>LECTURING KNIGHT</b>	<b>TERRY CAMPBELL</b>
<b>SECRETARY</b>	<b>LARRY WHITE, P.E.R.</b>
<b>TREASURER</b>	<b>SHERRY MACKEIL</b>
<b>CHAPLAIN</b>	<b>ROB YOUNG</b>
<b>ESQUIRE</b>	<b>BILL RUNDGREN</b>
<b>INNER GUARD</b>	<b>CHARLIE WALTER</b>
<b>TILER</b>	<b>DIANE HEIN</b>
<b>FIVE YEAR TRUSTEE</b>	<b>MEL HAINES</b>
<b>FOUR YEAR TRUSTEE</b>	<b>ROBERT HEIN</b>
<b>THREE YEAR TRUSTEE</b>	<b>SCOTT MACKEIL</b>
<b>TWO YEAR TRUSTEE</b>	<b>JOHN DEMAS</b>
<b>ONE YEAR TRUSTEE</b>	<b>MIKE HUGHSON</b>

**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](mailto:you7rob@aol.com) with any information if someone is ill, hospitalized or deceased.**

## **A Message from your Exalted Ruler**

Hello all my fine friends, well, here it is, another new year. The days and months seem to be passing faster and faster all the time. It seems just yesterday I became your Exalted Ruler and here it is, nearing the end of my second term. WHEW!

All that said, I'd like to re-cap some of our many accomplishments over the past two years. The interior of the Lodge got a new paint job, a new bar, a new floor, a new member's entrance door, a new A/C unit, two new convection ovens for the kitchen, a new dishwasher, two new exit doors, new LED lights throughout, a new floor in the men's room, eight brand new toilets, two new air hand dryers and.... Well, you get the idea. None of this could have been accomplished without the help and dedication of many members. Hours and hours, hundreds of them, were spent working together endlessly to get the job done. THANK YOU ALL!

This brings me to my next point. We have many new and exciting things planned for the Lodge but, as with anything, it takes time, money and patience. For instance, in the very near future, we are going to be getting hooked up to municipal water and sewer system, thanks to you, our members for allowing us to negotiate a land deal with Avalon.

That deal also will lead to a new fiber optic system in the Lodge, many unwanted trees removed, a new privacy barrier between us and them, and an access road leading to our parking lot. That's progress!

Now, let's talk about our future. Currently, we are open as usual...that is to say; we are generally open if we have an event planned. We don't know what the future holds for us as far as COVID-19 is concerned but be aware; we may have to plan accordingly. This recent surge in cases is alarming but the powers that be have not yet mandated any necessary precautions. I would suggest erring on the side of caution and be prepared to wear a mask if needed when you come visit us, just to be safe.

In closing, please support your Lodge the best you can. A simple monetary donation or a personal visit is always welcome. God Bless you all.

**Phil Rafferty - ER**

## HOUSE COMMITTEE MESSAGE

Happy New Year Everyone,

We hope you enjoyed your Holidays and Santa was good to each and every one of you. We hope and pray that 2021 is better for everyone as we go forward.

The Foster Children's Christmas Party went very well considering. We had to make a lot of changes due to Covid but the children still seemed to have a great time. A big Thank You to all our wonderful volunteers. You guys did an awesome job as usual; what would we do without you? I would list you all by name but would be afraid I would mistakenly leave someone out and I would not want that. I would, however, like to send a Great Big Thank You to Roger & Donna (Simple Seed) who provided the children with their wonderful songs once again. They always do a great job and the children love listening and dancing to all their music.

Please check periodically on the web and/or Facebook page for any changes that may be made to the calendar.

We look forward to seeing you in the New Year, so please stay safe and well.

God Bless,

Your House Committee

**Cindy Griffiths, Nora Hughson, Sherry MacKeil, Diane Hein, Bonnie Young, Carr Hussey, Jane Hussey, Bill Rundgren and Phil Rafferty**

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## MESSAGE FROM YOUR CHAPLAIN

My name is Rob. I'm the new chaplain for the Elks Lodge #2582. I need the help of Lodge members. If you know of a member who is ill or deceased, please let me know. I'll need the name & address of the ill or deceased. You can call or text to [727 741 3175](tel:7277413175), e-mail to [you7rob@aol.com](mailto:you7rob@aol.com) or call [352 777 4602](tel:3527774602) & leave a message, or phone # to call you back.

Thanks.

Rob Young, Chaplain

**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)**

**DAILY SPECIALS**

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