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Monthly Newsletter of Brooksville Elks Lodge #2582



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JANUARY 2020



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Please call our chaplain Brad Dunham at 352-600-8280 or email him at JUJU316@HOTMAIL.COM with any information if someone is ill or hospitalized.

A Message from your Exalted Ruler

Happy New Year everyone! This note will be short but important. By now, you should have received your invitation to the January 13th regular meeting in which we will be taking the very important vote on whether to sell or not to sell a portion of our property to the Avalon Corp.

Please be aware, every single vote is important as yes votes count as yes votes, no votes count as no votes and abstinence votes (people that don't vote) are also counted as no votes. It's **very important** you vote one way or the other.

Next month we will be making nominations for chair officers and such. If you're interested please attend the February meetings and make your desires known. At this time, I'd like to thank each and everyone of you for participating in the dinners and other things that were held throughout the year. We wouldn't survive if it weren't for all of your patronage.

In closing, I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and I wish all of you a happy and prosperous New Year!

Fraternally Yours,

Phil Rafferty E.R

HOUSE COMMITTEE MESSAGE

Happy New Year Everyone,

Hope you all had a wonderful Holiday season and ready to start the New Year. We have been very busy at the Lodge with all the parties, etc. We are looking forward to a more positive New Year but we will need your help.

As you have already heard we had to cancel out New Year's Eve Celebration due to a lack of participation from our members! As I have said in the past we cannot depend on non members all the time to pick up our slack, and our Lodge cannot survive without our members. Hopefully the New Year will bring us some luck!! If you have any suggestions or ideas we would love to hear from you.

Starting this month, with our Dinner/Dance on the first Friday with Angelo, we are returning to our Dinner/ Dances at the old time of 5:00 pm till 9:00 pm. We tried the 6:00-10:00 but didn't really get any more participation from that, so back to 5:00 pm. dinner times. We are also discontinuing our Spaghetti Dinner after the Steak Shoot on the first Saturday of the month due to a lack of people attending. We can only try different things to make our Lodge better but nothing is written in stone. Hope you can attend at least some of our functions. We have such a great time and we would like to see everyone else have a great time as well

The Foster Children's Christmas Party was wonderful! We had 120 plus kids this year and they had a blast!! It is always heartwarming to see all those children having such a great time and so appreciative of everything. A GREAT BIG "THANK YOU" to all our volunteers, what a great job you all did.

We would love to have some new volunteers especially in the kitchen or to work functions as well as the house committee. So if you can cook or want to help out please let us know. Our people and our volunteers are the heart of this lodge. Check the calendar often as things may change.

**Have a Blessed and Happy New Year.
Your House Committee,**

Cindy Griffiths, Nora Hughson, Sherry MacKeil, Diane Hein & Gin Poisson

A NOTE from your LEADING KNIGHT

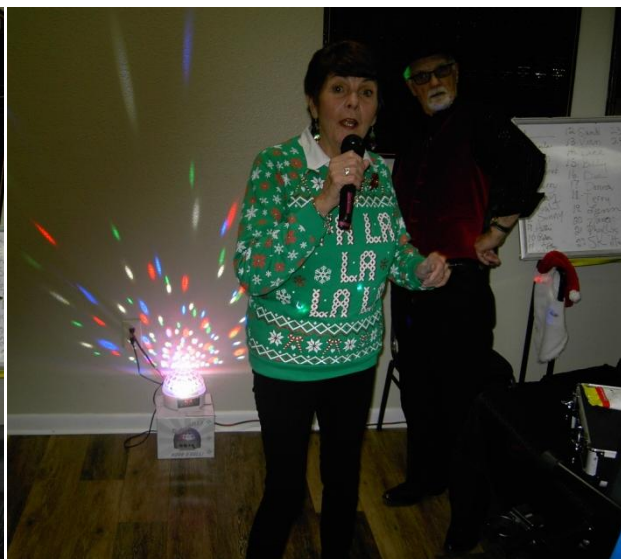
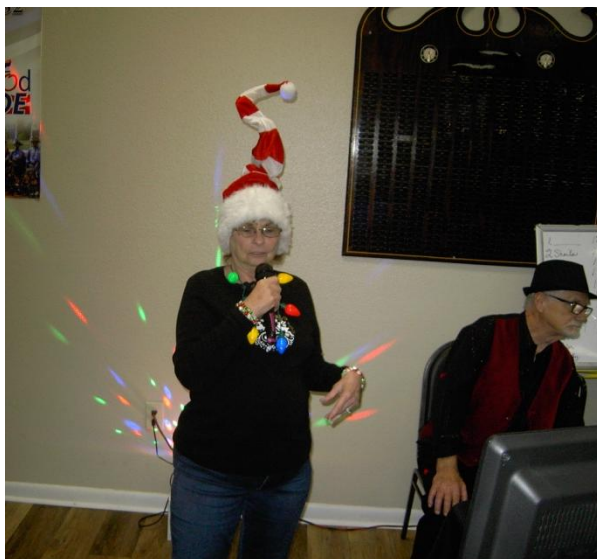
Happy New Year to all! Hope everyone had a Merry Christmas. The holidays have come & gone again; what a fast year it was. Sad to say, but we had to cancel our New Year's Eve party due to a lack of support from our members. We didn't sell enough tickets to cover the entertainment, not to mention the cost of food, maybe next year.

I would like to thank the House Committee (who put so many hours into the Foster Children's Christmas Party); it was a great success and all of the children had a wonderful time. Also, thank you to all the volunteers who helped; we couldn't have done it without all of you.

Here's to looking forward to a great New Year at our Lodge, hope to see all of you there!

**God Bless,
Rich Griffiths, Leading Knight**

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