

Gainesville Elks 990

Making Florida Elks Shine by reaching out to help

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Holiday season is upon us. Let us find cheer and Happiness to share with all as members of 990



We now have full illumination on our outside sign
Looks Awesome



Elks 990 Growth Chart

Applications in process

Christopher Larsson

Wilma Turnbull

Robert Baumann

Margaret Foster

Shane Stubblefield

Wayne C Johnson

Home to
Robert Grafton PGER
and the late
C. Valentine Bates PGER

990 Lodge Officers

Exalted Ruler	Bobby Andreu
Est. Leading Knight	Dan Fiebelkorn PER
Est. Loyal Knight	Lynne Meyers
Est. Lecturing Knight	Dina Atalig
Chaplain	vacant
Esquire	Jeanette Sexton
Inner Guard	Susan Beckett Young
Tiler	vacant
Treasurer year 2023-24)	Bonnie Mott (Officer of the
Secretary	Terry Shelley
Lodge Advisor	Glen Gardner PDD

Lodge meeting!

Dec 4th at 7pm

Dec 18th at 7pm

House Committee

Cory Veley	Chairman
Becky Criswell	Secretary
DK Tomlinson	Bar manager
Butch Ford	Cathy Smith
Kathy Yacovelli	Joe Lentz
Max Danford	PER
Becky Spence	PER
Bernie Porterfield	(Elk of the Year 2023-24)

Trustees

Tim Pohlman	5yr
Bill Senterfitt	4yr
Najwa Liscombe	3yr
Kevin Gutierrez	2yr
Louis Mallory	PER 1yr

Mission Statement I believe "To spread the principles of Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity; to recognize a belief in God; to promote the welfare and enhance the happiness of its members." Our Lodge exists because of the hardworking members and their charitable contributions and time and effort. They support our state's major projects and that in turn allows us to have a Lodge and social quarters to have a friendly place to gather.

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Americanism Committee has been busy

Our 990 Veterans Day Celebration was very well attended. 25 veterans were in attendance representing both members and non-member guests. The program included a “Quilts of Valor” presentation to our own Bernie Porterfield. She is a U.S. Navy Veteran.

BPOE 990 member Susan Holloway as well as chapter members Beverly Keene and Bette Kohn represented the local chapter of the National “Quilts of Valor” organization and made the presentation. All three ladies participated in making the quilt that was given to Bernie. The handmade quilts are presented to Veterans who have been touched by combat during their military service. Any Veteran can be nominated. We were also entertained with a medley of Patriotic Songs by the ladies from the “Gainesville Harmony Show Chorus.”

Each veteran was then presented with a Beautiful “Thank You for Your Service” keepsake coin and then served refreshments prepared by our wonderful Americanism Committee members. Stay tuned for other upcoming events organized by our Americanism Committee. We invite you to join the committee.

The Gainesville Harmony Show Chorus is putting on this Chorus. They were so gracious to sing for us at the last minute. They are not a commercial group. They are all volunteers.

This is a benefit. The admission fees are to cover their donation to “STOP CHILDREN’S CANCER”



Line dancing will resume next door on Tuesday's from 2:30 to 4:30 as the weather cools. We are working on updating the AC and heat next door but must incorporate fundraisers to accomplish this in a timely manner.

BARBERGATORS CHORUS AND
GAINESVILLE HARMONY SHOW CHORUS
PRESENT:

Holiday Harmonies

A Musical Celebration

Saturday, December 14th
Two shows: 3pm and 6pm

Unitarian Universalist
Fellowship of Gainesville
4225 NW 34th St
Gainesville, FL 32605

Donations to benefit



Premium Seating—\$35
General Admission—\$20
Students/Seniors—\$15

Tickets available at :
GainesvilleChorus.com
Barbergators.com



FLEFMG - East Forest Meadows Cemetery
3700 SE Hawthorne Rd
Gainesville, FL 32641, United States

Ceremony Time: From 12/14/24 at 12:00 pm to

Placement Time: Immediately Following Ceremony

No limitations, please bring as many family members and friends as possible

Join the Riders of 990 as we place wreaths though out the cemetery.



★ **December 14, 2024** ★
National Wreaths Across America Day

Toys for Tots Cheer

ALACHUA & TRI-COUNTY US MARINE CORPS

OUR GOAL IS FOR THE 2024 CHRISTMAS SEASON TO BE JUST AS MEMORABLE FOR ALL OF OUR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS IN THE ALACHUA, GILCHRIST, DIXIE & LEVY COUNTIES.

THE GIFT OF A SHINY NEW TOY SHOWS A CHILD THAT THEY ARE CARED FOR, REMEMBERED, AND NOT LEFT OUT DURING THE HOLIDAY SEASON. TOYS FOR TOTS MAKES A MEANINGFUL IMPACT ON THE LIVES OF LESS FORTUNATE CHILDREN IN OUR COMMUNITY, EMBODYING THE BELIEF THAT EVERY CHILD DESERVES A LITTLE CHRISTMAS.

ELKS CARE - ELKS SHARE



PLEASE ENSURE TO BRING YOUR UNWRAPPED TOYS TO THE DROP-BOX IN THE LODGE BY **DECEMBER 15TH.**



Ritual Revival Clinic Date is set for January 10-12, 2025, at The Florida Elks Youth Camp

The tentative schedule will include Friday night visitation with dinner. Saturday schedule will include breakfast, lunch and dinner. Sunday breakfast as well

In the morning a clinic will be held for judge certifications and those who want to come and learn what it is all about.

Ritual clinic is 9-12pm Saturday

Ritual team performance for the clinic starts at 1pm for judging certification

A team will perform the ritual in competition format for all to watch

In the later afternoon we will unite together and share thoughts, stories and ideas of what ritual once was and what it will become in the future.

It will be a weekend of fun, knowledge and refueling for the passion that rituals can bring to Elkdom.

We have a limited amount of space for lodging. So, make a decision to be a part of this great event.

We have double occupancy rooms available for \$40.00 per night (limited to 32 rooms and 12 executive cabins) food included

Hospitality will be set up Friday and Saturday (hospitality times will be set with BYOB status) mixers and dry snacks provided. Contact Bill Senterfitt to reserve a room bsenterfit@gmail.com



Dec. 2024

02 Charles Luckhardt

03 Alice Roark

03 Ben Robinson

04 Frank Davis

06 James Latour

06 Kevin Porterfield

06 John Schiffli

08 Thomas Larkin

08 Chuck Taylor

09 Marlene Holman

10 Susan Floyd

11 Inez Linton

11 Tracy Tanner

12 Susan Shannon-Sapp

18 Sam Wright

21 James Anderson

21 Andrew Kaufman

24 Ken Clements

24 Bill Oxendine

27 Angie Smith

27 Monty Williams

28 Rick Eddie

29 Keith Chapman

29 Lowell Garrett

30 Crawford Price

30 Claudette Smith

31 Mike Hill Sr

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