

Hollywood west Elks Lodge
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**Hollywood West Elks Lodge
Annual Charity Golf Tournament**

On October 9, 2021, the Hollywood West Elks Lodge held our annual Charity Golf Tournament at the Seven Bridges at the Springtree Golf Club in Sunrise, Florida. Thanks to the sponsors, community merchants, volunteers and golfers, this event was a huge success! After the tournament, golfers visited our lodge for a pork loin dinner and a presentation of trophies and door prizes donated by our community sponsors. This was an enjoyable event that left golfers talking about and planning their participation in next year's tournament.



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Veterans Committee continued support to our veterans at the Sandy Nininger Veterans Nursing Home

On November 7, 2021, Chairman George Caffrey of the Hollywood West Elks Veteran's Committee received two(2) music sound systems from Devoted Health Plans to be donated to the Sandy Nininger Veterans Nursing Home. A special thank you to the Devoted Healthcare System for these generous gifts. Residents gathering in the nursing home's dining room area will especially enjoy listening to music from such a generous gift. The dining room is not only used for dining, it is used for a wide range of functions and events to include our Lodge's Veteran's Committee sponsored monthly birthday parties. Chairman Caffrey and members of the veteran's committee for years have been providing cake and ice cream at these monthly celebrations. Residents look forward to these celebrations as many don't have family to make them feel special or to just wish them a happy birthday. Honoring these men and women for their service will remain a priority to our lodge and our veteran's committee. "As long as there are Veterans, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks will never forget them".

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Veterans Committee attends Veterans Day Celebration event at the Sandy Nininger Veterans Nursing Home

On Veterans Day, November 11, 2021, our Lodge's Veterans Committee Chairman George Caffery and committee member Shelley Sarros attended a Veterans Appreciation Day at the Sandy Nininger Veterans Nursing Home. The outside event was open to the public and was designed to recognize and show appreciation for the dedication and devotion of the Nursing Home staff and volunteers that care for our veteran residents housed at the Nursing Home. In attendance was the Mayor of Pembroke Pines along with members from the Pembroke Pines Police and Fire Department and approximately 200 attendees from the nursing Home and our community. The two-hour ceremony included a parade throughout the facility. It was an unforgettable tribute thanking those that take care of our Veterans day in and day out. A special thank you to Chairman Caffrey and our veterans committee for their attendance and for their commitment to our Elks pledge; "as long as there are Veterans, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks will never forget them".



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Teaming up with our local Hope Outreach Center to feed our neighbors in need at Thanksgiving

On November 22, 2021, Exalted Ruler Ed Scanlon along with members of our lodge teamed up with our local partner, the Hope Outreach Center to deliver Publix Grocery gift cards and thanksgiving food to needy families in our community. A drive-up station was set up at the Hope Outreach Center to disperse the goods to pre-registered families seeking aid. Despite the rain, our lodge members and Hope Outreach volunteers loaded the goods into the trunks of cars as families graciously received items needed to feed their families on Thanksgiving Day. Thank you to the Hope Outreach Director, the staff and volunteers for making this worthwhile distribution possible. A special thank you to the Elks National Foundation along with Exalted Ruler Scanlon and our lodge members for their assistance and devotion in helping those in our community who may not have had food on their tables without this event. Our lodge membership will continue to honor our Elks commitment; Elks care, Elks Share.

