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ST. HELENS ELKS LODGE INVITES YOU TO OUR

ELKS FLAG DAY

COMMUNITY & ICE CREAM SOCIAL AND FLAG CEREMONY



SATURDAY, JUNE 14TH 2:00-3:30

FREE
FLAGS

FREE
ICE
CREAM

A HEARTFELT SALUTE TO OUR VETERANS, ACTIVE-DUTY MILITARY, AND FIRST RESPONDERS

LET'S COME TOGETHER TO CELEBRATE THE VALUES OF FREEDOM AND UNITY THAT OUR FLAG REPRESENTS. WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE!

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

INSPIRING FLAG DAY CEREMONY

LIVE MUSIC

FLAG RETIREMENT
(BRING YOUR OLD WORN FLAGS)

ICE CREAM SOCIAL

DOOR PRIZES!

THANKS TO OUR
GENEROUS SPONSORS



JOIN US FOR THIS SPECIAL EVENT TO HONOR OUR NATION'S SYMBOL AND ENJOY DELICIOUS ICE CREAM WITH FRIENDS AND FAMILY.



LOCATED: 350 BELTON RD. ST. HELENS
THIS EVENT IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

ALL YOU CAN EAT FATHERS DAY BUFFET

SUNDAY,
JUNE 15TH



11 AM TO
2:30 PM



CEREMONY
AT NOON

PORK SPARE RIBS
PULLED PORK
BRATWURST
BURGERS
MAC & CHEESE

BAKED BEANS
POTATO SALAD
COLESLAW
WATERMELON

BEER & WHISKEY FLIGHTS AVAILABLE

\$23.95 ADULTS
\$10.95 KIDS 5 TO 12

RSVP BY JUNE 12TH ONLINE OR AT THE BAR

ST HELENS ELKS LODGE MEMBERS & GUESTS ONLY



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*happy
Father's
Day*

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Bulletin Editor: Becca Bernard

MESSAGE FROM YOUR *Exalted Ruler*



“The End of a Chapter, and the Start of a New One”

This summer, for the first time in over half a century, the St. Helens Elks will not be serving at the Columbia County Fair & Rodeo Beer Garden.

For 52 years, this event stood as one of our Lodge’s most iconic traditions. It was more than a fundraiser—it was a full-community effort. Every July, more than 50 volunteers per day (more on Friday & Saturday) came together to make it happen. Some were there all week, sunup to sundown, giving their time and energy to support our mission. On rodeo nights, the beer taps flowed steadily, with the hum of teamwork, laughter, and service in the air.

The Beer Garden raised thousands of dollars annually to support Youth Activities throughout Columbia County. That legacy lives on in every ball team jersey we helped buy, every camp we helped send a child to, and every smile we helped make possible. And just as importantly, the Beer Garden was a shared experience—one that connected generations of Elks through hard work, fun, and purpose.

Yes, it’s sad to see it go. It’s the end of a chapter that so many helped write. But with every ending comes the beginning of something new.

This moment invites us to ask: What’s next? What new tradition can we build together? What new opportunity will define the next 50 years of service from this Lodge?

We already have the most important ingredients: dedicated members, a strong community, and a heart for giving. Let’s use the spirit and energy that made the Beer Garden a success and carry it forward into something new. A new signature event. A new fundraiser. A new story for our Lodge’s history.

To everyone who ever lent a hand at the Beer Garden—thank you. Your work mattered. And now, let’s take that same spirit and write the next great chapter together.



“Be an Active Elk”

Eric Michael

EXALTED RULER

The Secretary's Corner

MEMBERSHIP BY THE NUMBERS

Members: 956
Life Members: 75

Applicants: 14
Transfer In: 0
Reinstatements: 0

Delinquent Members: 231
Transfer Out: 0

BALLOTING
June 19th

ORIENTATION
June 25th

INITIATION
June 26th

Be an Active Elk!

Our Exalted Ruler's motto. I encourage all to exemplify Be an Active Elk! We have so many opportunities in the lodge to engage and help out, even for only a few hours a month YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE. We always need more volunteers. Here are a few suggestions;

Veterans Committee helps out with recognition of veterans and assistance for community members. See Alta Lynch with any questions.

Club Events. Our lodge is one of the most popular venues in the county to rent for special events but it takes a lot of hands to make these events happen. We always need people to assist with serving and bussing at events AND in our own restaurant each week. Having volunteers really cuts our overhead costs down, which allows us to have fewer increases of food and drink prices. Interested? Speak with Carrie McMahon.

Ladies of the Elks is open to all, not just Ladies! They execute special events and fundraisers for a variety of great causes. Judy Keller is your contact.

Tech Committee. This group runs all things tech related including the website, Bulletin, point-of-sale-system, social media and even beer menus. You don't have to be especially talented in technology as you can be trained in whatever role you choose. Contact Becca Bernard for more information.

Entertainment. This committee plans and executes many of the big events of each year, plus a lot of other fun activities. To be a part of the excitement contact Nikki Kaleta.

Membership. This committee works on recruitment and interviewing new candidates prior to voting and initiation. Dawn Gardner is your contact.

Stephanie Bremner

Secretary

Office Hours

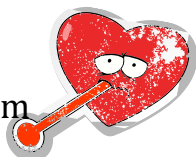
Mon - Wed 11:30 AM to 3:00 PM

Thursday: 5:30 PM to 7PM



SICKNESS & DISTRESS

- Kevin Dawe, Astoria Lodge
- Judd Yarbor
- Frank Bellinger's wife, Kasey
- Sandy Bennett (spouse of Paul Bennett)
- Keith Mills' Father in Law
- Alex Roller
- Don Jensen
- Pam Scoonover's
- Sister In Law's mom
- Don Cherry
- Dawn Gardner's brother, John
- Coeur d'Alene lodge ER



Lodge Maintenance. Well, this committee is pretty self-explanatory. We have an aging building that needs regular attention.

Fraternally,
Stephanie Bremner
Secretary

New Members Candidates

The name & information of each applicant for balloting on April 10th is posted in the Lodge, along with the name of their sponsor.



HIDDEN MEMBER NUMBER

In each bulletin, you will find a hidden member number in [brackets]. If it is your number, please let the bartender know to claim your prize.

CRYING CORNER

\$50 Finos Lunsford, #1758

\$10 John Chitwood, #4239

LUCKY STIFFS

#4869, Bonnie Baldwin

“From your Leading Knight”

At the heart of every thriving organization lies a dedicated group of individuals whose passion, commitment, and effort shape its success. I would like to take a moment to express my deepest gratitude to you—our valued members—for being the foundation of our journey and the driving force of our organization.

Over the years, your support has been more than just participation. It has been a testament to the strength of our community, a reflection of shared values, and a powerful reminder that together, we can achieve remarkable things.

With all the events we have planned and are planning to support our community, Veterans, children and students you are what keeps us going.

Whether you contributed through your volunteer hours, participated in our events, offered valuable insights, or simply stood by us as a supporter—you make a difference. It's your dedication that helps us grow stronger as a community and continue pursuing our shared goals. In a world where time is one of the most precious gifts, we are truly grateful that you've chosen to invest yours with us. Your involvement not only uplifts our community but also inspires others to do the same.

I look forward to continuing this journey together and building on the strong foundation you've helped us establish.

As we look to the future, I am excited about what we can achieve together. With your continued support, we know the best is yet to come.

Thank you for being an essential part of our journey.

FRATERNALLY,

Sundee Hamrick
LEADING KNIGHT



Wherever Elks may roam, whatever their lot in life may be, when this hour falls upon the dial of night, the great heart of Elksdom swells and throbs. It is the golden hour of recollection, the homecoming of those who wander, the mystic roll call of those who will come no more.

*To Our
Absent
Members*

Living or dead, Elks are never forgotten, never forsaken. Morning and noon may pass them by, the light of day sink heedlessly in the West, but ere the shadows of midnight shall fall, the chimes of memory will be pealing forth the friendly message, "to our absent members."

**PERCY
SMITH**
March 3, 1928
to
March 9, 2025



**ELKS ARE
NEVER
FORGOTTEN**

“From your Lecturing Knight”



As we move into the heart of the year, June gives us that perfect blend of sunshine, celebration, and renewed energy. It's also the time when our lodge calendar starts to fill with opportunities—not just to gather, but to grow stronger as a community.

One of the core principles of our Order is Brotherly Love, and this time of year gives us plenty of ways to put that into practice. Whether it's helping with an event, welcoming a new face, or simply checking in on someone we haven't seen in a while, these small moments matter more than we often realize.

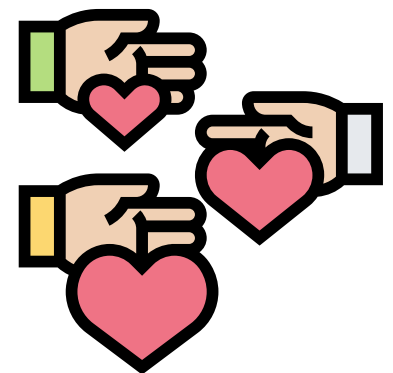
This month, we welcome new members to our lodge family. If you're new—thank you for joining us! And if you're a long-standing member, I encourage you to extend a handshake, a smile, or even a helpful tip to someone who's just finding their way. A strong lodge begins with strong connections.

We also look ahead to Flag Day, celebrated each year on June 14th. This important observance is a cornerstone of Elks tradition and patriotism. If you've never attended a Flag Day ceremony before, I hope you'll join us. It's a powerful reminder of our shared values and love for our country.

And of course, I would be remiss if I didn't acknowledge our volunteers. You show up early, stay late, run errands, carry boxes, wash dishes, bus tables, and do a hundred things behind the scenes without ever expecting thanks. Please know: you are appreciated. You are seen. You are the heartbeat of this lodge.

If you're wondering how you can get more involved this summer, here's a short Brotherly Love Lodge Checklist to get you started:

- ✓ Attend one lodge meeting this month
- ✓ Introduce yourself to a newer member
- ✓ Volunteer for a shift at an upcoming event
- ✓ Mark your calendar for Flag Day on June 14th
- ✓ Bring a guest to the lodge for a social night
- ✓ Share an idea or offer help on a committee
- ✓ Check in on a fellow Elk you haven't seen in a while
- ✓ Be the reason someone feels welcome here



Every check mark on this list is a step toward a stronger lodge and a more connected community.

Let's make the most of this season together—with kindness, laughter, and the kind of loyalty that defines the Elks.

Fraternally,
Jamie Sloan
Lecturing Knight



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Open for Lunch Monday thru Friday 11:30 am

Open at 2 PM

NEW MONTHLY
DRINK
SPECIALS START!
Click here to take a look at the new DRINK MENU!

Friendly reminder that the RV park will be closed from July 8th to 12th for annual cleaning, maintenance and the car show.

BULLETIN
Submit info for **JULY Bulletin** articles by Monday, **June 23rd ONLINE**
StHelensElks.org/Bulletin-Article-Submission

<p>1</p> <p>Open for Breakfast 9am - 1pm</p> <p>Poker- 1 pm</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Dinner Special: 5-7 PM Chicken Fried Steak</p> <p>Trustee Mtg 5:00 PM Ritual Practice 6:30 pm</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Interviews</p> <p>LOE MTG 6:30 pm</p>	<p>4</p> <p>PER Mtg 7:00</p> <p>BOD Mtg 7:30</p>	<p>5</p> <p>5-7 PM Top Sirloin</p> <p>Lodge Mtg 7:30 **LOE Dessert** Auction</p>	<p>6</p> <p>QUEEN OF HEARTS</p> <p>Dinner Special: 5-8:30 PM Surf & Turf</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Dinner 5-8:30 PM</p> <p>90's Trivia 6 PM</p>
<p>8</p> <p>Open for Breakfast 9am - 1pm</p> <p>Poker- 1 pm</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Ritual Practice 6:30 pm</p> <p>Dinner Special: 5-7 PM Theme Night: Chinese Beef & Broccoli</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Entertainment Committee Mtg 6 pm</p> <p>Tech. Comm. Meeting 6:30 PM</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Car Show Mtg 6:30 pm</p> <p>\$12 Per Person Spaghetti FEED!</p>	<p>12</p> <p>5-7 PM Top Sirloin</p> <p>Veterans Committee Mtg 6:30</p> <p>Lodge Mtg 7:30</p>	<p>13</p> <p>QUEEN OF HEARTS</p> <p>Dinner Special: 5-8:30 PM Mexican Lasagna</p>	<p>14</p> <p>FLAG DAY</p> <p>2:00 Open to Public CLICK FOR DETAILS</p> <p>Dinner 5-8:30 PM</p>
<p>15</p> <p>HAPPY Fathers Day</p> <p>RSVP Special Brunch Menu 11 to 2:30 pm</p> <p>Father's Day Ceremony at Noon</p> <p>CLUB CLOSSES AT 3:30 PM</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Ritual Practice 6:30 pm</p> <p>Dinner Special: 5-7 PM Swedish Meatballs</p>	<p>17</p> <p>5-7 PM TACOS AND BINGO!</p> <p>Click for Details</p>	<p>18</p> <p>6:00 PM Americanism Mtg</p> <p>6:45 PM Hayride Planning Mtg</p>	<p>19</p> <p>5-7 PM Top Sirloin</p> <p>PEY Mtg 6:30</p> <p>Lodge Mtg 7:30</p>	<p>20</p> <p>QUEEN OF HEARTS</p> <p>Dinner Special: 5-8:30 PM Pulled Pork Stuffed Mac & Cheese</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Kiwanis Parade Noon</p> <p>Highway Cleanup 10 am @ Lawrence Oil</p> <p>Dinner 5-8:30 PM</p>
<p>22</p> <p>Open for Breakfast 9am - 1pm</p> <p>Poker- 1 pm</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Dinner Special: 5-7 PM Meatloaf</p> <p>Bulletin Submissions Due</p> <p>Ritual Practice 6:30 pm</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Cigar Club 6:30</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Welcome! 6:30 PM Orientation</p>	<p>26</p> <p>5-7 PM Top Sirloin</p> <p>Lodge Mtg + Initiation 7:30</p>	<p>27</p> <p>QUEEN OF HEARTS</p> <p>Dinner Special: 5-8:30 PM Shepherds Pie</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Community Day In the Park</p> <p>7 PM Beltaine - Irish Band</p> <p>Dinner 5-8:30 PM</p>
<p>29</p> <p>Poker- 1 pm</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>St Helens Elks Lodge COLUMBIA SPORTWEAR PASS</p> <p>Valid Dates: May 30th - June 22nd! Brands: Enjoy new arrivals from Columbia, SOREL, Mountain Hardwear, and prAna</p> <p>Discount: 40% off storewide</p> <p>How to Use: Show the digital pass on your phone or bring a printed copy + proof of affiliation Guest Policy: Bring up to four guests per visit Note: For Employee Store access only (not valid online)</p> <p>EXCLUSIVE STORE ACCESS</p>				



ANOTHER DERBY DAY SUCCESS

On Derby Day, our lodge transformed into a vibrant celebration of all things Kentucky Derby, offering a delightful twist on tradition! Guests arrived in their finest Derby attire, ready to vie for top honors in our Best Suit and Best Hat contests. The competition was fierce, with sartorial splendor and millinery masterpieces adorning everyone.

A Race for the Ages

The "most exciting two minutes in sports" lived up to its name and then some! We were all on the edge of our seats as a long-shot contender pulled off a nail-biting victory. The roar from our lodge room could have rivaled the grandstands at Churchill Downs! It was a thrilling reminder that on Derby Day, anything can happen.

Beyond the Track: Elk Races and Games

To keep the excitement going between races, we introduced: Elk Races! These spirited contests provided a friendly competition throughout the afternoon. Throughout the day, guests also tried their luck at 456, a dice game that proved to be a fast favorite, keeping everyone entertained.



Culinary Delights and Sweet Endings



No Derby party is complete without delicious treats. Our spread included delectable bourbon cupcakes that perfectly captured the spirit of Kentucky, alongside an array of beautifully decorated cookies that were almost too pretty to eat. As the sun set and the last race was run, the Huckle Buck Band took the stage, filling the air with lively tunes that beckoned everyone to the dance floor. The night ended with joyful music and dancing, a perfect close to a truly memorable Derby celebration.

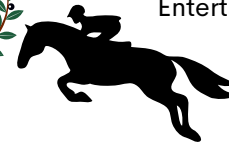


THANKS,



Nikki Kaleta

Entertainment Committee Chair



Ladies of the Elks Meeting Recap & Upcoming Events

This month the Ladies provided desserts for Mothers Day. Thank you to all the Ladies that donated desserts. We will also be providing desserts for the Fathers Day Bar-B-Que.

The Ladies will continue to meet during the summer and provide desserts at the 1st Lodge meeting of the month. We will also be helping with the Car Show and other events this summer. If you are interested in joining the Ladies look for our Red name badges or come to a meeting. We meet the 1st Tuesday of every month at 6:30 pm in the Lodge room and all spouses and members are welcome to join. We hope that everyone has a wonderful and safe summer.



LOE.

Thank you,

Judi Kellar

President, Ladies of the Elks

St Helens Rallied to Fix up Camp Meadowood over Memorial Day Weekend



Hello St. Helens Elk Family, What an amazing weekend at Camp Meadowood Springs. The weather was wonderful and so was the teamwork with all the Lodges. There were several other Lodges there helping with the maintenance and upkeep of the property and cabins.

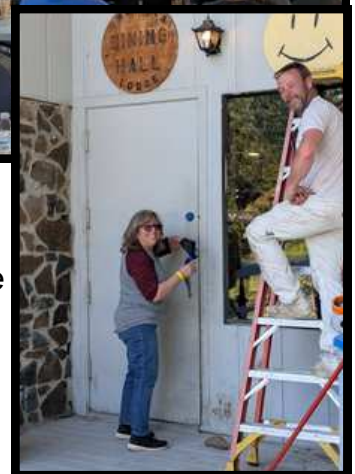
This year Dan and I were tasked with making sure all the curtains were removed, washed and put back up in the cabins and Buildings in area 1 and 3 and helping in the kitchen and serving meals. Dan left on day 2 to help Gene Scoonover with the lighting issues in the tool "barn" so everyone could see to get the correct tools. Eric Michael was, of course, helping with the many downed trees because of the weather. Lisa Michael was helping clean out and sort the storage container and other tasks. Jim and Judy Shelton were helping prep meals and doing dishes. Chelsea was busy removing brush and downed tree limbs to make the paths safe for the kids.

Jeremy J. and Jeremy A., with the help of Pam Schoonover and Alicia Garnes, got Umatilla Lodge/Office/Cafeteria prepped, taped and painted in less than two days. They worked long days and very hard to get that completed and it looks phenomenal. We even found an original tapestry with some familiar Lodge members' names from one of the early years of Camp Meadowood Springs.

There were other groups working on fixing ramps, decks and railings, plumbing, electrical, getting the water heaters back up and running and so much more. Thank you to everyone who attended and those who have been supporting this amazing cause. You are appreciated and I am so thankful to you all.

I always love attending the Memorial Day weekend at Camp Meadowood. Fresh air, new friends, great fun and making sure the camp is ready to support the kids attending Camp.

I hope you will consider attending the fun, comradery and great feeling of accomplishment.



FRATERNALLY,



Sundee Hamrick

NORTH DISTRICT MEADOWOOD CHAIR



TRUSTEE PUNCH LIST ELKS LODGE #1999

BRIAN BERNARD, ROB GOSHORN, RODGER HAWKINS,
ANDREW BREMNER, ANDY SCHRODER

Each month, the Trustees take on various activities related to the Lodge and the Club. Some of these duties are assigned, while others just happen to occur, and we get involved. Whatever the case may be, we strive to keep the Club and Lodge operating smoothly for the members. Here is a quick list (not inclusive of everything) of what has happened this month:

1. **Bathroom Work in the Game Room:** The floor is currently being grouted, and work on the floor should be completed soon. Additional work will be needed.
2. **Electrical Issue:** Related to the bathroom and the ice machine. This is being worked on.
3. **HVAC Systems:** Work had to be done due to noise and the smell of burning. The problem was resolved.
4. **Water Heater Replacement:** The water heater in the kitchen has been replaced. The work started at 6 am and finished at 12:30 pm. That evening, Spaghetti Wednesday had a record turnout and really tested the system. Hot water was not in short supply.
5. **Fire Extinguisher and Kitchen Fire Suppression System:** Annual fire extinguisher and semiannual kitchen fire suppression system re-certified. Follow-up work to be done here.
6. **Safe Combinations:** Changed with the change of officers/staff.
7. **Budget:** Submitted to the membership.
8. **Network and Camera System:** Work is being done to upgrade/consolidate equipment on our network to replace old and unsupported items.
9. **Mosquito Hatch Reported by Members:** Vector was notified, and traps were put out. Fogging occurs when results of traps are complete.
10. **Meetings with Club Manager:** Address and resolve operational issues that occur for the restaurant, bar, and kitchen. Reporting progress and/or needs to the Board of Directors for transparency.

Wow, April flew by and Summer is just around the corner, which means Banquet Season is too! We'd love to host your personal events (Birthdays, Weddings, Baby Showers, Retirement, Graduations, etc.), or your business events (Christmas Parties, Awards banquets, etc.). This is a great opportunity for friends and coworkers to see our Lodge and all that it has to offer...which may bring in great new members, as well!

**LODGE
UPDATE
FROM YOUR
CLUB MANAGER**



In the month of May we had the opportunity to host The Derby Party, Paid up Members Night, a Poker Tournament for the St. Helens Boosters, 2 Memorial Services, 1 Wedding Reception, 2 Birthday Parties, Mother's Day Brunch, Highway 30 Cruisers, Cigar Club, and the Tye Yacht Club! We've been busy and loving it! We already have Christmas Parties on the books, so get your date reserved today! As always, we would love to add you to our club volunteer list! These events take extra hands to help, as they usually are during our normal business hours. Please reach out to me, or sign up at the bar! Thank you for all your support to the club!

*We ♥ our
Volunteers*

MUCH LOVE,

Carrie McMahon

CLUB MANAGER

JUNE DRINKS



Blackberry Tequila Sour

Muddled lemons & limes, tequila, triple sec, blackberry puree & sweet & sour mix shaken with ice.

Blueberry Old Fashioned

Bourbon, blueberry simple syrup, & bitters, stirred and served over a large ice cube. Garnished with an orange wedge & blueberries.

Citrus Gin Fizz

Gin, simple syrup, & muddled lemons, topped with club soda. Garnished with a lemon.

Malibu Sun Berries

Coconut Rum, muddled strawberries, and orange juice, stirred and served over ice. Garnished with an orange.

Creamsicle (Orange, Strawberry, or Mango)

Whipped vodka or vanilla vodka, puree of choice, whipped cream, & orange juice shaken with ice, strained, and served chilled.

Beach Peach Lemonade

Crown peach, lemonade, 7-up, & grenadine, served over ice. Garnished with a peach candy.



All drinks listed \$7.00



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(NOT IN ORDER) Jeremy Drew Arnold, Blaire Cooper, Kimberly Groulx, Aaron Laitala, David Lauridsen, Martin McDonald, Karen Natale, Dave Natale, Collin Northern, Cynthia Shafer, David Roy Wigfield and ER Eric Michael.

Adopt-A-Highway Program Kickoff

It's time once again to get out there and help clean up our community! We've adopted the stretch of highway that goes through St. Helens. It's two miles long and goes from Lawrence Oil to Columbia River Motorsports.

This month we're going to schedule our clean-up on Saturday, June 21st. We are required to clean our stretch of highway

four times a year to maintain our active status and keep our section of highway neat and tidy. If you are interested in helping our community, join with your fellow Elks members in helping to keep our town clean, meet us at Lawrence Oil on Saturday June 21st at 10:00AM. We will have safety vests and trash grabber tools for everyone who shows up, although you may bring your own if you like. It usually takes two to three hours depending on how many people show up to help.



Be sure to dress appropriately in case of foul weather!

We hope to see you there!

JUNE 21st 10:00 AM
Meet at Lawrence Oil





MAY ELKS OF THE MONTH



OFFICER OF THE MONTH: ANDY SCHRODER

Behind the scenes, some of the most critical systems in the Lodge—our network and door access controls—require constant attention, technical expertise, and sound judgment. Since early this year, I've been working to hand off these responsibilities, and as of April 1st, Andy has taken over full management of these systems.

Andy brings professional-level experience in both IT and security, and he's already brought fresh insight, steady oversight, and a thoughtful approach to managing these tools. These systems are now firmly in his hands, and the Lodge technical infrastructure is in excellent shape because of it.

Thank you, Andy, for stepping into this important role and helping ensure the smooth, secure technical operations of our Lodge.

ELK OF THE MONTH: RODNEY SHIELDS

When the restroom floor near the game room gave out, Rodney didn't hesitate to step in. After the damaged floor was removed, he took the lead in replacing and refinishing the new surface—restoring both safety and functionality.

What I didn't realize at the time is that Rodney has quietly had a hand in just about all the flooring work around the Lodge over the years. His ongoing contributions, often behind the scenes, have made a big impact.

Thank you, Rodney, for your skill, dedication, and willingness to step up when needed!

VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH: GAVIN KALETTA

If you've been to an event hosted by our Entertainment Committee, chances are you've seen Gavin behind the scenes—quietly handling the setup, fixing last-minute issues, or pitching in wherever needed. While his wife, Nikki, serves as our Entertainment Chair, Gavin has been a constant and dependable presence in making those events a success.

His support, enthusiasm, and can-do attitude haven't gone unnoticed. Gavin doesn't just help—he shows up with a smile and a willingness to make things better.

Thank you, Gavin, for being such a valuable part of our Lodge family.

YOU MAKE A REAL DIFFERENCE!



PICTURES FROM THE PAST

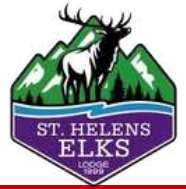
Compiled by
Alex Roller



Pictures from the past is officially up on our website! This is on the members only section of the website. <https://www.StHelensElks.org/PicturesFromThePast>

You can toggle through the years to see hundreds of pictures carefully scanned and captioned by Alex. If you have additional pictures that you think would be a good addition, connect with Alex. He will get them scanned and back to you as quickly as possible!

You have to be an approved site member to access this and other exclusive content to our site. All members in good standing are able to become members - you will have access to lodge history, archives, and other content that could be considered sensitive. Access must be granted manually, so please be patient. It may take a few days for approval.



ROWAN SMITH

Rowan is a student who exudes a cool and selfless confidence. He believes that confidence should be something that everyone should work to find within themselves so they can achieve their goals. He believes that higher education is an important thing for the future because of how it can lead people to better understand themselves and follow their dreams. Rowan has built up his confidence through involving himself with many activities such as Link Crew, FBLA, Leadership, he is the president of both the school's Theatre and STEM Clubs, and the vice-president of the GSA Club. He works for the school as a technician for the SHS auditorium, aiding the school's operation when events are hosted. He also works at Dairy Queen.



Rowan is the SHS representative for the Our Future program, the program works to empower young minds with a focus on advocacy for environmental law. The environment is close to Rowan's heart; he volunteers his time in a variety of ways: at Outdoor School as a counselor, at Tualatin Hills Parks and Recreation, where he plants native species of plants, and with Our Future to provide testimonies for environmental legislation.

Ever since Rowan was little, he dreamed of helping heal nature to its former glory. This passion for nature came from his cherished childhood memories of whitewater rafting and camping trips with his family. As he grew up, he noticed how a lot of these places he once held dear were being destroyed and forgotten due to the lack of regulations that were in place. So he plans on making a change, starting with getting an Associate's degree in applied science and a Bachelor's degree in environmental studies. This would allow him to reach his goal of becoming an environmental lawyer, where he can work to bring back what he cherished most as a kid and to preserve what we still have from nature. He is currently dual-enrolled in SHS and PCC and plans to transfer to the University of Oregon in the future.

"Rowan is super involved and is very supportive towards all his peers. He is one of the most reliable people and always does a great job. A great communicator and always willing to go outside his own comfort zone." - Ryan Poster (Business/Personal Finance/Photography Teacher)



JAXON BURGARD

When asked what his first thoughts were, Jaxon said, "I was honestly surprised and a little . shocked. It took a moment for it all to sink in, and then I felt proud and grateful. It's always a little exciting when you've been working hard and people recognize it."

Jaxon has been an outstanding leader and role model throughout his time at SHHS. He has been involved in numerous activities including Student Council, Lion Crew, AVID, Key Club, and National Honor Society. As a student athlete, Jaxon has competed in Cross Country and Track & Field all four years, serving as a team captain in both sports during his junior and senior years. He also participated in wrestling his sophomore year and has helped manage the girls wrestling team the past two seasons.



Jaxon's favorite subject is Language Arts, specifically Holocaust, Genocide, and Tolerance. He shares, "At first, I didn't think I was going to like the class, but it really opened my eyes. It helped me see how lucky I am and made me appreciate the opportunities I have." The teacher for the class, Ms. McCallum says, "He works diligently on all of his assignments and even when he doesn't like something—he handles the task with poise and aplomb."

When asked, he believes his best attribute is his determination in everything that he does. Burgard continues his response by explaining how running is what has driven him to give it his all everyday. A teacher from the high school shared, "Jaxon is a kind hearted person who listens to both praise and constructive feedback with open ears and humility." Outside of school and athletics, Jaxon has dedicated time to volunteering with the middle school track and cross country teams, and has consistently helped at summer track events. His passion for sports extends into his future plans—he has committed to attending Pacific University, where he will study Kinesiology and run for both their Cross Country and Track & Field teams. His goal in continuing his education is to eventually earn a Doctorate in Physical Therapy and work with athletes.

In his free time, Jaxon enjoys gaming, going to the movies with friends, and spending quality time with his family. "I'll never pass up the chance to go to Barnes and Noble with my mom," he states. He explains, "it's not just the hobbies, but the people he shares them with, that make those moments meaningful."

JUNE 14TH FLAG DAY CEREMONY AT THE ELKS LODGE! This is a very special ceremony so make sure to invite your friends and relatives!



JULY 12TH IS THE ELK'S ANNUAL CAR SHOW.

The Veterans Committee cooks the AWESOME BREAKFAST each year, and we are in need of some volunteers to assist with the breakfast - there will be a signup sheet at the lodge, or you can contact me directly.

We will be doing clean up and projects down at "CAMP FORSYTHE" property. We could do a little barbeque along with a work party, watch for information on this! If you are interested, please contact me.

We will have a **Veterans Committee Meeting Thursday June, 12th at 6:30 p.m. in the game room.** All all are welcome to attend, participate and contribute their ideas and concerns. You do not have to be a veteran to be on the committee or to participate at the farm!!

Don't forget the first Friday of every month is the "Armed Forces Breakfast" at the Moose Lodge (57317 Old Portland Rd. Warren, OR 97053) at 9:00 a.m. the event is **sponsored and hosted by Erin Nolan, Columbia County Veteran Services Officer. Great time to receive some information and to ask her questions (she will do this one on one)** Please tell your fellow veterans to join us with good food and conversation with fellow veterans!

Respectfully,

Alta Lynch
Veterans Chair
503-369-7635 (cell)



RED Friday

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AT THE ELKS 15

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Esquire	Chelsea Bonnett
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Becoming an **Elks Call Bulletin Booster** costs \$20 per year. If you would like more information on the program, please email bulletin@sthelenselks.org or see the Secretary.

Ron Summers #4411

"Always an Elk"

Jimmie Barber #3959

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All you can eat Spaghetti, garlic bread & salad bar. 4 different sauces!

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Children \$9

June 11th
5 pm to 7 pm



Tacos Tuesday + BINGO

Dinner Served
5 to 7 PM

JUNE 17TH

\$10 per Card

CASH PRIZES



Tacos - \$3 each

Ground beef, tomatoes, onions, queso with sour cream and salsa on the side. Choice of hard corn tortillas or flour.

Loaded Nachos w/
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Calling starts at 6 pm



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St. Helens Elks 17th Annual Car Show

July 12, 2025

Registration Fee \$25 per car

Gates open: 6am
Car show: 8am-2pm
Judging: 9am-11am
Awards: 1pm



Proceeds go to
Elks Youth
Eye Services

Breakfast and lunch available



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PAST EXALTED RULERS

(1) Past Elk of the Year (2) Past District Elk of the Year (3) Past OSEA State Elk of the Year (4) Past District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler (5) Past State President OSEA (6) OSEA Hall of Fame (7) Vice President OSEA (D) Deceased

1956-57: Everett Freytag (D)	1973-74: Bert Burr (1,4,D)	1990-91: Bob Medley (D)	2008-09: Rich Crandall (4,6)
1957-58: Bill Kampala (D)	1974-75: Ray Granger (D)	1991-92: Jerry Erkenbeck	2009-10: Buck Yarbor
1958-59: Harold Scharback (D)	1975-76: Gene Arntt (1,D)	1992-93: Buzz Shoemaker (4)	2010-11: Daryl Braught (D)
1959-60: Don Bemis (D)	1976-77: Steve Tupper (D)	1993-94: Tony Dewey	2011-12: David Backlund (7)
1960-61: Ab Hearing (1,D)	1977-78: Larry Cade (D)	1994-95: Pat Irish	2012-13: Marcus Gagnier
1961-62: Bill Rawlings (D)	1978-79: Chuck Opperman (D)	1995-96: Joel Yarbor	2013-14: Jeff Kemp (1)
1962-63: Lee Pennell (D)	1979-80: George LeMont (4,D)	1996-97: Alex Roller (1)	2014-15: Gary Bliefertnich
1963-64: Andy Knudsen (4,D)	1980-81: Tony Crawford (1,4,5,D)	1997-98: Bud Sook	2015-16: Tina Jennings (1)
1964-65: Doc Mason (D)	1981-82: Don Jensen (5,6)	1997-98: Bud Sook	2016-17: Gary Bliefertnich
1965-66: Doc Mason (D)	1982-83: Jerry Congrove	1999-00: Curt Moilan	2017-18: Gary Bliefertnich
1966-67: Jack Riesterer, Jr. (D)	1983-84: Rosie Baquera (1,D)	2000-01: Curt Gagnier	2018-19: Jim Barber
1967-68: Arlen Olson (D)	1984-85: Phil Dewey (D)	2001-02: Dwight Schwappe	2019-20: Matt Holmes
1968-69: Archie Wyland (D)	1985-86: Bill Parrish (D)	2002-03: Jim Jennings (1)	2020-21: Naomi Mikesell (1)
1969-70: Don Barnett	1986-87: OJ Meyer (D)	2003-04: Scott Waterman (1)	2021-22: Dan Biden
1970-71: Mack Ballard (D)	1987-88: Bud Evans (D)	2004-05: Leon Anderson (1)	2022-23: Dan McMahon
1971-72: Dan Linhares (1,2,3,4,D)	1988-89: Bob McMillan	2005-06: Toni Irish (1)	2023-24: Sean Williams
1972-73: Dan Linhares (1,2,3,4,D)	1989-90: Joe Errante (D)	2005-07: Dave Criswell	2024-25: Ron Summers
		2007-08: Harry Jennings	

Thank you for all you have done and continue to do!

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1958-59: No Elk of the Year	1979-80: Neil Willhoft (D)	1998-99: Gerry Chopping (D)	2015-16: Jeff Kemp (1)
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1969-70: No Elk of the Year	1988-89: Ken Eimer (2,D)	2006-07: Jim Jennings (1)	2021-22: April Burbank
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1973-74: Jim Livingston	1992-93: George Ricker (D)	2010-11: Richard Sherlock	2022-23: Sundee Hamrick
1974-75: Jack Carter	1993-94: Bob Simpson (1)	2011-12: Keith Forsythe	2022-23: Dean Lemire
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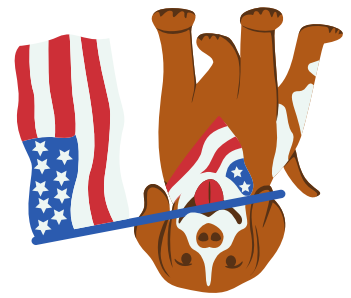
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Jennifer Swope	03
Dennis Widme	03
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Robert Vanderwerf	06
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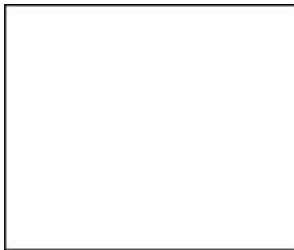
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Gordon Churchill	17
Kenneth Dykes	17
Sundee Hamrick	17
Brian Brust	18
Rich Crandall	18
Celeste Lambert	18
James Myers	18
Tami Nye	18
Erica Sherlock	18
Ronald Murray	19
Keith Sisco	19
Kathleen Bennett	20
Lorry Gustafson	20
Duane Neukom	20
Julie Spinden	20
Daniel Biden	21
Dorothy Gallowa	21
David Clarke	22
Jan Karp	22
Robert West	22
William Whisenhunt	22

Jessie Feathers	23
Eugene Humbert	23
Ashley Taylor	23
Chad Atnip	24
David Clark	24
Kim Gilliam	24
Kevin Chase	25
James Cure	25
Natasha Parvey-Leskowich	25
Jerry Congrove	26
Brian Dobbs	26
Henry Heimuller	26
James Nadeau	26
Larry Evenson	27
Caleb Hamnes	27
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Christin Gooding	29
Robert Peterson	29
Mike Sacry	29
Marci Sanders	29
Debbi Sisco	29
Richard Sisco	29
Kathy Wolfe	29
Helen Amick DeGrande	30
Cherrie Dodge-Van	30
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