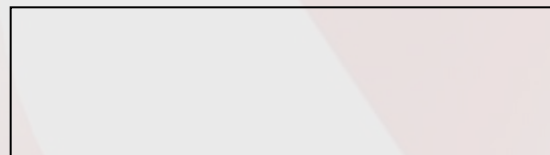




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# House Committee News

The House Committee has several events planned for the summer and fall. We will continue Bingo through the summer. If you are interested in helping please contact Jan Lindsey or the office, or just come in on a Tuesday for Bingo. The lodge is open on Thursday and Friday nights in the social quarters except for the 2nd and 3rd due to the holiday weekend. Join in the fun.

- 7/02 & 03** No social quarters due to the holiday weekend
- 7/08** No lodge meeting
- 7/09 & 10** Social quarters are open
- 7/14** Bingo
- 7/28** Bingo
- 7/31** Friday dinner 250th birthday celebration for America. We will BBQ smash burgers and have potluck for the sides and desserts

## Future Events in the Works

- 8/28** Friday dinner seafood/low country boil
- 9/18** Friday dinner to be determined
- 10/3** Elktoberfest
- 10/30** ENF Dinner - Jan Lindsey will handle this.

The House Committee will start looking into a possible Children's Therapy, Battle of the Bands at another location. It was thought if we teamed up with a local bar or event location and "sponsor" the event then we would be able to focus on donations for the bands. Details pending.

The committee is looking into getting guest sign-in books for building A and building C. This is something you see at other lodges and it would be nice to have something with replaceable pages. Suggestions for what information we should include can be given to Jane Nordling.

I hope your summer is fantastic and look forward to connecting with you all at the events we have planned!



# *Happy Birthday America!*



***Friday dinner to celebrate America's 250th year birthday!***

**When: Friday July 31st in building C.**

**Cost: \$15 per person**

**Doors/bar at 5pm.**

**Dinner served 5:30 to 7:00pm.**

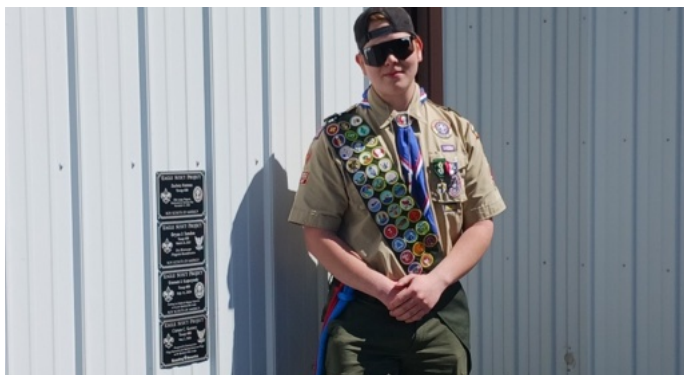
**Smash burgers to be served. Bring a side dish, or dessert.**

**50/50 raffle drawing.**



***Wear your best "Celebrate America" shirt  
or hat and win a prize!***

Our Flag Day presentation on Sunday June 14th was well supported at the lodge with several scout troops presenting the Flags. Our Americanism Chair, Devin McCauley narrated the flag presentations that included musical accompaniment. The new Eagle Scout that built our flag retirement box was part of the flag presentation and unveiled his own plaque on our Eagle Wall of Fame, following the ceremony.



**Our Americanism Chair, Devin McCauley presented the first flag to a Gold Award recipient in recent memory. This was done at the Girl Scout headquarters in Downtown Spokane. Holding her flag is Melody Barker, along with her sister, Ainsley - a future Gold Award winner!**





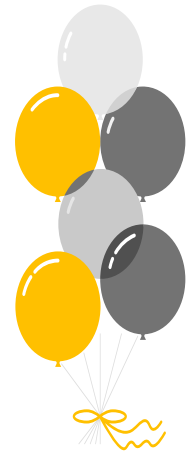
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Mon - Fri 10:00am - 6:00pm  
Saturday 10:00am - 5:00pm  
Sunday Closed

Sad news: 2 members have lost their homes in the Upriver fire last week. Donations are being collected for Chris and Andren Moyer and their family



## July Birthdays



Blair Ashley	03
Scott Miller	06
Gary Holmes	08
Theron Lewis	17
Scott Nelson	18
Jeff Jones	19
Terry McAleer	20
Brian Rolshoven	21
Keith Slater	21
Phyllis Porter	23
Leslie Albert	24
Robin Moritz	27
Edward Crosby	28
Jerry Ferraro	29
Louis Rhodes	29



# I am an ELK

I am an ELK because an ELK saw something in me that would allow me to be a good ELK

When asked I eagerly joined my local lodge and embraced its greatness

We became ELKS because our organization is meaningful, powerful and important to our country, our community, our friends and our family

We remain ELKS because we EMBRACE our mission, our duty and our members

We patronize our lodge because brotherhood and fellowship are a cornerstone of who ELKS are

Working Together We can accomplish great things

Being an ELK is not about self, we are a group of individuals with many ideas countless skills and inexhaustible desire to serve

ELKS are not about what an individual can extract from membership It is what needs to be done to support it

We rejoice at being ELKS because We take pride in the successes of the children, our Veterans and the communities we serve

We practice being ELKS by being there when needed stepping up when asked and volunteering our time and resources when necessary

I cannot be a good ELK without my fellow ELKS  
We are a Team





Recently, several members of Oak Harbor, Port Townsend and Sequim Elks Lodges traveled to Spokane to welcome, and "Patch-In" members of our new motorcycle group - "Elk Riders Lodge #228". The riders took ferries and endured rain, wind and miles of highway construction along the way to get here in time. Our lodge treated them to a great social hour, followed by the ceremony and a terrific BBQ rib dinner. We now have 14 members of our lodge riding for charity. The Port Townsend Lodge donated \$500 seed money to our riders for future projects!

**Lastly, remember our bartenders are all volunteers, including our bar manager and Exalted Ruler, Warren Stout. Please remember to tip them for their time and service. While cash is always appropriate, Warren has set up several other avenues for tipping, including venmo, Cash App and PayPal.**

# Bingo News

July 2026

Bingo will be on the 14<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> of July. Come out and try your luck. We have food and beverages to serve and our Black Out game is still waiting to be won. You will win \$1100 if you get a Blackout in 55 numbers or less. If the “Big” Blackout is not won we have a consolation prize. Last Bingo night the consolation prize was \$ 80.00.

We are going to keep Bingo running through the summer, so if you can come on down and help out or play.

We will be playing a fun opening game. This game is free to all players and you will win a prize.

We really could use some more volunteers. If you can give just a couple hours from 5:30 to 7:30, we have a job for you. None of the volunteer positions are difficult. Lots of times we just need someone to go around and verify the bingos by calling the numbers back, or helping serve the food in the kitchen.

**THIS IS ONE OF THE EVENTS THAT MAKE MONEY FOR THE LODGE. SO PLEASE SUPPORT IT. YOU DON'T HAVE TO VOLUNTEER EVERY TIME WE DO BINGO, YOU CAN PICK THE EVENING THAT WORKS FOR YOUR SCHEDULE.**

If you can find the time to help, please text or call me at 509-770-1309.

Hope to see you there.

Jan Lindsey, PER



## Poker and Games

WOW! Poker is picking up. At our June 11th session we had twelve players, enough for two tables of six! Keep coming folks; if we get more, we'll just set up another table.

I just received an order of a dozen new decks of ‘Bee’ Poker Cards and have plenty of chips, so we should be good to go.



The July dates for Poker are the 9th and 23rd, starting at 6:00 PM and ending around 9:00.



We play a modified version of Texas Hold-Em, with a \$5 buy in and betting stakes being nickel, dime, quarter, with a limit of 3 raises for each betting round.

ER Warren, our volunteer bartender always takes good care of us, and someone often brings snacks, so join us for a fun evening!

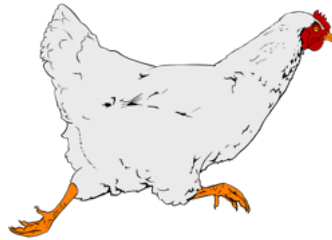
As one of our regular players likes to say: “You won’t have more fun for \$5, anywhere in town!”

Hope to see ya there!

Jim Parman  
Poker Draftee

# ***Winner, Winner Chicken Dinner!***

**BBQ chicken dinner**



**When: This Friday June 26th in building C.**

**Cost: \$15 per person**

**Doors/bar at 5pm.**

**Dinner served 5:30 to 7:00pm.**

**50/50 raffle drawing.**



**Warren's new trivia game to follow dinner.**



## July Funny

### Cowboy's Stolen Horse

A cowboy rode into town and stopped at a saloon for a drink, Unfortunately, the locals always had a habit of picking on strangers, which he was.

When he finished his drink, he found his horse had been stolen. He went back into the bar, handily flipped his gun into the air, caught it above his head without even looking and fired a shot into the ceiling.

"Which one of you sidewinders stole my horse?!" he yelled with surprising forcefulness.

No one answered.

"Alright, I'm gonna have another beer, and if my horse ain't back outside by the time I finish, I'm gonna do what I dun in Texas! And I don't like to have to do what I dun in Texas!"

Some of the locals shifted restlessly.

The man, true to his word, had another beer, walked outside, and his horse has been returned to the post.

He mounted up and started to ride out of town.

The bartender wandered out of the bar and asked, "Say partner, before you go... what happened in Texas?"

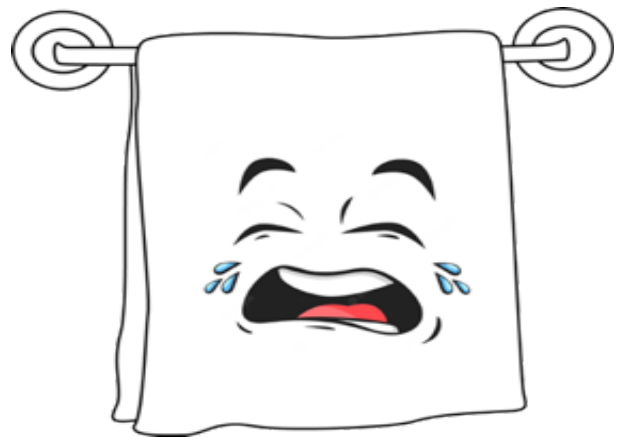
The cowboy turned back and said, "I had to walk home."



### Hillbilly Wisdom

his Month's Hillbilly Wisdom comes from a quote by John C. Maxwell, pastor, and author of books on Leadership:

"He who thinks he leads, but has no followers, is only taking a walk."



***CRYING TOWEL –  
\$100 DRAWING***

#### **June 10 Lodge Meeting**

Timothy Behan Carlyn Leaf

#### **June 24 Lodge meeting**

Robert Marvel

No Crying : Jane Nording

Donated back to the Moyer family

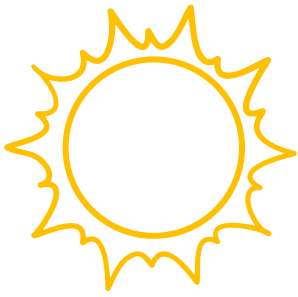
Warrens New Thang

Trivia night-

\$5.00 per round-- cash payout

Fridays after the Thursday poker

And after July 31<sup>st</sup> dinner



# JULY 2026



July 2026						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 Social Quarters Open 5:00 - 9:00	3 Social Quarters <b>Closed</b>	4 Avenues Private Rental 12:15 to 9:00 PM – UCG
5	6	7 Scouts – 5:00 PM	8 No Lodge meeting	9 Social Quarters Open 5:00 - 9:00 PM Poker and Games 6:00 - 9:00 5:00 - 9:00 PM Master Class Big Band 6:00PM Avenues Bldg	10 Social Quarters Open 5:00 - 9:00 PM <b>Trivia night</b>	11 Avenues Private Rental 12:15 to 5:15 PM - UCG
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19	20	21 Scouts – 5:00 PM	22 Pre-Lodge Meal - 5:30 Lodge Meeting - 6:30 PER Meeting Following Lodge <b>Deadline for newsletter articles</b>	23 Social Quarters Open 5:00 - 9:00 PM Poker and Games 6:00 - 9:00 5:00 - 9:00 PM	24 Social Quarters Open 5:00 - 9:00 PM <b>Trivia night</b>	25 Avenues Private Rental 12:15 to 5:15 PM - UCG
26	27	28 Scouts – 5:00 PM Bingo - Doors Open 5:30 PM First Number - 6:30 PM	29	30 Social Quarters Open 5:00 - 9:00 PM	31 Friday night dinner 5:30 <b>Triva</b>	

Hello, Lodge 228- Paul Ryan here

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no later than the 22<sup>th</sup> of the previous month in order to get it in that month  
looking forward to keeping the lodge informed. *Thanks*

