

# SPOKANE ELKS LODGE #228



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May 2026 Newsletter

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**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE**

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# Lodge 228: annual dues past due

Should I or shouldn't I renew this year?

Leave your membership doubts behind

When it's time to renew your Elks membership, a question may cross your mind: Does my membership really matter?

Yes. It does. So leave your doubt at the door.

When you walk into your Lodge, you walk into a place where veterans are honored, children are protected, and communities are lifted. You stand shoulder to shoulder with Elks across this nation—past, present, and future—who believe in service, compassion, and doing the right thing.

Your membership is not symbolic. It feeds families. It funds scholarships. It supports veterans. It changes lives.

You may not always see the impact—but it's there, every day, in every community we serve.

Being an Elk means showing up. It means caring. It means belonging to something bigger than yourself.

So, renew with pride. Move forward with confidence. You are an Elk. And that matters. Leave your doubt at the door.

Renew online Quick and easy



# Register for an Elks.org account!

If you're a member of the Elks but don't yet have an account on Elks.org, don't delay! Your account will provide you with dozens of members-only features and benefits, and will take just a moment to create. (Remember, if you'll be serving as Lodge Secretary or District Deputy, an Elks.org account is mandatory.) **Here's how to register:**

**Step 1.** Visit the Elks.org home page, [www.elks.org](http://www.elks.org), and click the "Register" link in the upper right-hand corner of the page.

**Step 2.** Read over the Terms of Service, and click the link labeled, "I accept these terms please proceed to registration."

**Step 3.** Submit the form. Since your account belongs to you and not the lodge, please provide a personal email address that belongs to you alone. If you forget your password later, reset instructions will be emailed to this address.

**That's all there is to it! Your account will be effective immediately. Questions? Contact us at**



## B.P.O. Elks Members Only Registration Form

The designated fields are required in order to submit your registration.

### About You

First Name:

Middle Initial:

Last Name:

Elk Titles:

Interests:  0 of 180 characters

Show in Directory:  Yes

### Your Account

Lodge Number:

Membership Number:

Desired username:

**Secretaries:** Please register with your **own** email address, **not** the lodge email address. Using your own address will prevent many common problems when it comes time for your lodge to appoint a new secretary.

Password:

Confirm Password:

Email Address:

Confirm Email:

Home Phone:

Work Phone:

By registering, you are agreeing to the [Terms of Service](#).

[Create My Elks.org Account](#)

**PER's**  
**Horse/Elk Bingo Racing & Dinner**  
**50/50 Raffle**

**What a Deal!**

**Doors Open @ 5:PM**

**BBQ Steak Dinner @ 6PM- \$18**

**Side dish, Baked Beans, Rolls and Dessert**

**Horse/Elks Bingo Racing**

**Date: Friday, 05/08/2026**

**"Avenues" Bldg C**

**Reservation Required**

**Racing Time: 7:00 PM**

Races are \$1  
per bet, 10  
races with 5  
Elks Racing,  
Odds deter-  
mined with  
each race

Spokane Elks Lodge #228  
Spokane Valley WA

RSVP Required by 5/6/26 Due to  
cost of steaks needed to be ordered

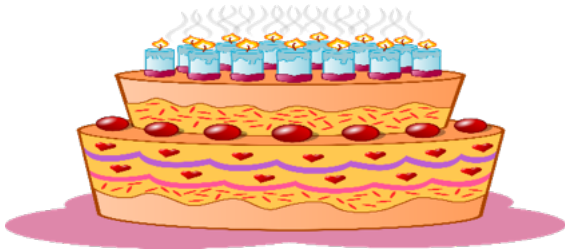


# BINGO

## Bingo News May, 2026

Bingo will be on the 5th and the 19th of May. 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 \$180.00.

We will be playing a fun opening game. This game is free to all players and you will win a prize. We are also handing out raffle tickets to everyone, so come and win a prize. We open the doors at 5:30 and the first number is called at 6:30.



Birthdays for the month of May:

Donald Kartevold  
John Cannon  
Dale Kramer  
Christopher Conrad  
William Entel  
George Cain  
Seneca Hill  
Shannan Marrs  
David Purtil  
Emmett Carper  
Clyde Sincere  
James Conigliaro  
Terence Tombari  
Rod Hendrickson  
Richard Parman

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



Hillbilly Wisdom

**“He’s about as useful as a screen door on a submarine.”**

From: [letslearnslang.com/hillbilly-sayings](http://letslearnslang.com/hillbilly-sayings)

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**Call the office for more information(509) 926-2328**



## OUR KIDS

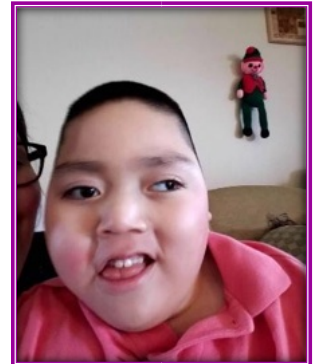
### Washington Elks Therapy Program for Children, Inc.

### Our State Major Project



Several years ago, when Jose was referred to the Elks Therapy Program by his sister, a caregiver to another one of “Our Kids”, the referral seemed like any other. Jose has developmental issues stemming back to his traumatic birth a decade earlier. As it turns out, Jose had been served by the therapy program when he was an infant.

During his first year of life, Jose had been receiving palliative care. It was that team who reached out to the Elks to see if Jose might qualify for services. Jose required supplemental oxygen, and he had a feeding tube through which food was delivered continuously throughout the day and night. This made transporting him difficult. As a part of his treatment at the time, his “Elks’ therapist” assisted the family in obtaining Jose’s first wheelchair, one that could accommodate not only Jose, but also his oxygen tank and his feeding pump.



Fast forward a dozen years. Jose is now 13 and he has outgrown his current wheelchair. His healthcare needs are even more complex now than they were when he was first helped by the program. Transporting teenage Jose is even harder. He now has a tracheostomy, and he requires frequent suctioning to manage his oral secretions. Jose is transported to/from his medical appointments, often hours away from his home, in his wheelchair in the family’s van.

Jose’s scoliosis and subluxed hips have necessitated more than a standard seat and back cushion for this current wheelchair. Jose’s therapist arranged for the durable medical equipment vendor to come to Jose’s house to create a custom molded back and seat cushion for his new wheelchair.

Jose’s mom is so thankful to the Elks membership for having an amazing program that can accommodate her son’s complex medical needs.

*Thank you, Elks!!*

During the custom molding process Jose is seated in a special bean bag-like chair. Air is then extracted, creating a cast for his new seat cushion. Then the mold is scanned using special software. This will be fed to the computer that will create his seat and back cushions.





## Poker and Games

As we continue our twice monthly Poker and Game nights, we find that our attendance continues to grow! Our first April date on the 9th netted us ten players, which pretty much filled up our current Poker Table. Just a couple more will enable us to go to two tables!

A memorable round occurred at that April 9th session. There were at least two, perhaps three, full houses being held by the players. A brisk series of betting occurred as the cards were turned up. Large bets (for our quarter limit games) and several raises were put forth as the players vied for the substantial pot.

I'll not name names here, but the full house holders were all aced out by a player who remained VERY lucky that evening. The holder of FOUR KINGS won that pot!



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. One of our modifications is doing away with the 'big' blind and the 'small' blind. Instead, all players just start each hand with a nickel ante. This avoids any argument about who is 'blind' for this hand, so we now argue about who has anteed and who hasn't!

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

## PER Activities for May, 2026

Please check the Bulletin for information about the great up and coming Dinner, that the PER's are putting on May 8th.

There will be Steak, salads, and Dessert. Please plan on attending. The Bulletin will have all the particulars and specific times.

Another reminder for all PER's is that we have a meeting every month after the last Lodge meeting to talk about things we can help with at the Lodge. If you have not had a chance to attend one, please plan on attending the one on May 27th.

This is also our month to renew our dues for the PER association. You can bring them to the meeting or drop them in the mail to the Lodge office during business hours. They are \$20.00.

Sincerely,

PER Association



**CRYING TOWEL - \$100  
DRAWING**

**April 8th Lodge Meeting**

Keith Slater- Caroline Entel

**April 22 Lodge meeting**

Chris Martinson-MaryBeth Bronowski

5-1-2026

To the Members of Spokane Elks Lodge #228,

It is with great humility and excitement that I write to you today as your newly installed Exalted Ruler for the upcoming year. My name is Warren Stout, and I am deeply honored to have the opportunity to lead this wonderful Lodge. As an Elk, I have always believed in the power of fellowship, community service, and the bonds we share as members.

As we embark on this new fraternal year together, my primary goal is simple: to ensure that being an Elk in Spokane remains a rewarding, meaningful, and enjoyable experience. Our lodge has been a pillar in the Spokane community since 1892, and it is with great anticipation that I will work hand-in-hand with our officers and members to continue building on the successes we've already achieved.

To that end, I warmly invite each of you to be more active participants in our Lodge life. Whether it is joining us for our regular Lodge meetings to stay informed on our important business or gathering around the table for our Lodge dinners. It's through these gatherings that we share ideas, celebrate successes, and strengthen the bonds that make us a true family. Your presence matters, and I welcome anyone who may not be attending regularly to join us now more than ever!

We have an incredible month ahead of us! Please join us for these exciting May events:

May 2nd. Uncle Sams Flag Shop Customer Appreciation day: Come and check out the store that supports the Elks Mission and provides flags our for many ceremonial uses

· May 10<sup>th</sup> Mother's Day Tea & Cookies: Join us for refreshments featuring tea and delicious cookies. We will be holding a beautiful ceremony to honor the wonderful mothers in our lives and recognize their vital role in our families and community. 2:00-3:00 social quarters

· May 5<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> Public Bingo: Get ready for some excitement! Our Public Bingo nights are about twice a month on Tuesdays, and we are thrilled to announce a large blackout jackpot that you won't want to miss. Bingo is open to the public, so bring your friends and see if fortune is on your side! Open at 5:30 for snacks and first number 6:30pm sharp.

May 5<sup>th</sup> Cinco De Mayo Celebration: We will be celebrating the week of Cinco De Mayo with a hand crafted drink special in social quarters. Come raise a glass with us!.

· May 8<sup>th</sup> PER steak dinner 6:00

May 25<sup>th</sup> Memorial Day Service: To honor those who have served, we will be hosting a solemn Memorial Day service at Spokane Memorial Gardens. It is important that we gather as a Lodge to pay our respects and remember the sacrifices made by our veterans. 10:00

As your Exalted Ruler, I am committed to working hard to ensure that every Elk feels valued. I will endeavor to foster an environment that is not only fun and social but also deeply rooted in our mission of charity, justice, brotherly love, fidelity, and community service. I invite you all to reach out if you have ideas for activities or ways we can improve our presence in Spokane.

Thank you for your trust, your support, and your dedication to the Elks. I look forward to seeing you all around the Lodge very soon. Together, we will continue to make a positive impact right here in Spokane. Let's make 2026 an Elks year to remember!

Fraternaly yours,

Warren Stout

Exalted Ruler

Spokane Elks Lodge #228



April flowers bring May Flowers  
 Mayflowers bring Pilgrims

# MAY 2026



May 2026						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				Social Quarters Open 5:00 - 9:00 PM	<b>1</b> Social Quarters Open 5:00 - 9:00 PM	<b>2</b> Avenues Private Rental 12:15 to 9:00 PM - UCG Uncle Sams Flag
<b>3</b>  <b>Bloomsday</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> Scouts – 5:00 PM  Bingo - Doors Open 5:30 PM First Number - 6:30 PM Cinco De Mayo	<b>6</b> Board of Directors Meeting 5:30 PM	<b>7</b> Social Quarters Open 5:00 - 9:00 PM Master Class Big Band 6:00PM Avenues Bldg	<b>8</b> Social Quarters Open 5:00 - 9:00 PM <b>PER dinner 5:00 Ave. Bld</b>	<b>9</b> Avenues Private Rental 12:15 to 5:15 PM - UCG
<b>10</b> Mothers Day Mimosas and Desert 2:00-3:00 social Quarters	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> Sc outs – 5:00 PM	<b>13</b> Pre-Lodge Meal - 5:30 PM Lodge Meeting - 6:30 PM	<b>14</b> Social Quarters Open Poker and Games 6:00 - 9:00 5:00 - 9:00 PM Master Class Big Band 6:00PM Avenues Bldg	<b>15</b> Social Quarters Open 5:00 - 9:00 PM	<b>16</b> Avenues Private Rental 12:15 to 5:15 PM - UCG
<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> Scouts – 5:00 PM Bingo - Doors Open 5:30 PM First Number - 6:30 PM	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> Social Quarters Open 5:00 - 9:00 PM House Comm. Meeting	<b>22</b> Social Quarters Open 5:00 - 9:00 PM <i>Deadline for newsletter articles</i>	<b>23</b> Avenues Private Rental 12:15 to 5:15 PM - UCG
<b>24</b>  <b>31</b>	<b>25</b> Memorial Day Tribute Spokane Memorial gardens 10:00 Cheney/Spokane Rd	<b>26</b> Scouts – 5:00 PM	<b>27</b> Pre-Lodge Meal - 5:30 PM Lodge Meeting - 6:30 PM PER Meeting Following Lodge	<b>28</b> Social Quarters Open 5:00 - 9:00 PM Poker and Games 6:00 - 9:00 PM	<b>29</b> Social Quarters Open 5:00 - 9:00 PM	<b>30</b> Avenues Private Rental 12:15 to 5:15 PM - UCG

Hello, Lodge 228- Paul Ryan here: Wandering Knight  
 Please send in your articles to

[newsletter@spokaneelks.org](mailto:newsletter@spokaneelks.org)

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*

