SPOKANE ELKS LODGE #228





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TO A VERY IMPORTANT ELK

September 2025 Newsletter

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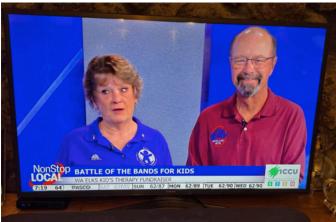
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Exalted Ruler's Message

Things are heating up for the fall! We have several events coming up in the next month including our 1st "Battle of the Bands", benefitting our state's major project, the Children's Therapy Program. This will happen on September 7th, with the doors at noon. Parking will be on the hotel side of the fence with the gate open to our parking lot.

Sharon Collins, our program chair and I visited Q6 on a recent Saturday morning with Haley Gunther to help get the word out for the Battle of the Bands. It is amazing how many people saw that broadcast!



Sharon and Jaye on KHQ Channel 6

Our Valleyfest / Elks float will be in the last parade of the season for Valleyfest Parade, on September 19th. If you are able, please consider escorting the float the short route between University and Pines.

Also, we always need volunteers to man our great booth at Valleyfest the following two days, Sept. 20th and 21st. It really shows us supporting our lodge in the community.

We just had a terrific turnout for our Friday night Luau dinner with great food, real hula dancers and an authentic Hawaiian entertainer singing and playing Ukelele and guitar. A couple of tropical door prizes were drawn and we look forward to more fun Friday night dinners in the future!

A great thanks to our house committee and our intrepid kitchen manager, Lori Blake, along with our BBQ pit man, Jason Kamp for making the evening a success.



Here is an attractive Aloha family participating at the Luau!



The Hula Dancers in Action



Jesse Tinsley – Our Singer

Jaye Nordling Exalted Ruler



Secretary's Message

On August 23rd the officers attended the District Deputy's clinic in hopes of helpful ideas to help the lodge. All of our officers are volunteers and spend a lot of hours trying to help our lodge. Thank them when you see them.

The PER's steak dinner and horse races will be September 12. If you have not tried the horse races you are missing out.

(See Flyer (pg 10) for more information)

On a more serious note, we are looking for some new officers for next year please let Jaye or myself know if you are interested.

Fraternally,

Jim Bedard CLU,ChFC,RHU
PDDGER East District # 9240
Wa State Elks Accident Prevention Chairman
Secretary Spokane Elks Lodge 228



Hillbilly Wisdom

Politicians and Diapers need to be changed often...and for the same reason

Seen on a Tee Shirt in the hills of rural Missouri



CRYING TOWEL - \$100 DRAWING

Not much crying this month! Two Winners!
August 13 Meeting
Rose Doulas - NOT present
Peter Rainbolt - \$100.00 Winner!
August 13 Meeting
Phyllis Porter - \$100.00 Winner!



Poker and Games

Our Poker games continue to build momentum, both in number of players and the outlandish prevarications that are routinely offered throughout the evening.

Perhaps I tend to laugh too readily at the lies and forget to concentrate on the Poker game. This may be the reason my stacks of chips seem to disappear at an alarming rate at each session!

If you saw the look on Frankie's face in the picture in the August Newsletter, you know he was having fun!

Seriously, we do have a great time, good conversation and, Jan brings snacks that are a hit every time.



We have had as many as 11 people crowded around the poker table we've been using. If we can up that number to one or two more, we have another poker

table that is on 'standby' to broaden our games.

Poker dates for September are the 11th and 25th from 6:00 to 9:00 PM. Join us! We promise you'll have a good time.

Jim Parman

Poker Draftee

This Month's Funny

Goats in School

At a high school in Northwest Missouri, a group of students played a prank. They let three goats loose inside the school.

But before turning them loose, they painted numbers on the sides of the goats: 1, 2 and 4.

School Administrators spent most of the day looking for No. 3

Special screening package for \$129 for our members includes:

- Carotid Artery Disease Screening
- Atrial Fibrillation Screening
- Peripheral Artery Disease Screening
- Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm Screening

Call to schedule an appointment near you! 800-324-9458 and use code: HABC001







Board of Directors News

Hello again. If fall is really here, why is it so danged hot?? Oh well, before we can blink, we'll be complaining because it's too cold or the snow's too deep!

At Summer Convention in Pasco the Lodge received a \$750.00 grant. At our August Board meeting, we voted to donate that money to the next Honor Flight to Washington, DC. What a great experience for the Veterans!

As we await finding a buyer for our property, we continue to explore other ways of generating revenue.

We are waiting for information from another church who may be interested in renting the Avenues Building for their Sunday Church Services. We also have had an auction company hold a Sunday auction in late July, which generated a few bucks.

We still have a significant number of members who have not paid their current year's dues. As a dollars and cents matter, this has a significant impact on our finances.

The Lodge has already paid the Grand Lodge per capita on each of those delinquent members, so it becomes a total net loss if those members ultimately decide to not renew. There will be a list of those delinquent members elsewhere in this Newsletter.

As mentioned in the Lodge Secretary's message, four of us attended the latest District Deputy clinic in Colville on August 23rd. Jaye Nordling-Exalted Ruler, Warren Stout-Leading Knight, Jim Bedard-Lodge Secretary, and me-Board Chairman were attendees along with Bim Lindsey, in his capacity of District Leader and presenter at the clinic.

Let me add my encouragement to members to attend the Battle of the Bands function on September 7th.

Remember that Board meetings are open to any member, so feel free to join us to keep up to date on what's going on in your Lodge.

The September Board meeting will be on September 3rd in the south room of the Social Quarters.

Jim Parman
Board Chairman



House Committee News

I hope all are having a great summer. As we move into fall September brings some exciting events for the Lodge.

Battle of the Bands is a benefit for the Elk's Children's Therapy program on Sunday, September 7th. Doors will begin at noon, bands start at 1 PM. There is no entry fee but bring your dollars to donate money to your favorite band. We will have 5 bands competing to win the battle.

Recently Jaye Nordling, ER and Sharon Collins, Tall Elk Chairperson appeared on Q-6 news to promote the event.

(See Photo in ER article)

This appearance generated a lot of buzz among the bands and the community. Our event post on Facebook has had over 100 views already and some of the bands are challenging others. We even had a couple other bands ask how they could get involved.

All of the bands are donating their time and as we get closer to the date, we hope the bands promoting the event will generate getting the word out to their followers.

The band totaling the most dollars will win the battle and a trophy; with all funds going to the state Elks Children's Therapy.

Each band will play one set each about 40-45 minutes. This event is open to the public so bring your friends and join us for a day of music.

Put on your Elks hat and help with the event setup, work the event and tear down, ask me how you can get involved.

(See Flyer at end of this message)

This membership drive event will serve food, drinks, popcorn, pumpkin donuts, burgers, hot dogs, and chips at reasonable prices. we will have a 50/50 raffle for the lodge and a raffle for a beach set.

Our children's therapist for our area, Lila Zander, will be inviting a bunch of the therapy families, so let's support them!

On Friday, September 26th we will have a hoedown. Doors are at 5 PM with dinner being served from 5:30 to 7:00 PM. Cost is \$15 per person. Wear your best boots and be ready for some great ribs, baked beans, scallop potatoes, salad, rolls and apple crisp. We will have a real fiddle player.

Lori Blake, our kitchen manager will be preparing meals prior to the lodge meetings for \$10. Serving starts at 5:30 PM and the lodge meetings begin at 6:30 PM. September meals are: September 10th - sub sandwich and BLT pasta salad September 24th - spaghetti, Caesar salad and garlic bead

Hope to see you soon!

Jane Nordling

House Committee Chair

Battle of the Bands

Presented by Spokane Elks Lodge #228

1:00 pm: Masterclass Big Band

2:00 pm: Deep Creek Band

3:00 pm: Theresa Edwards Band

4:00 pm: Wildebeest

eest Sunday
September 7th, 2025

5:00 pm: Eternal Jones

9320 E Mission Ave.

Doors open at 12:00 pm

Spokane Valley

FREE entry and parking.

All donations go to the

\$5 burgers, drink specials,

WA State Elks Children's
Therapy Program.

desserts, and more.

50/50 and raffle drawings.

Donate S to help your favorite band

win the battle!







Elks National Foundation

I have posted the Lodge's status in the Social Quarters, so stop by and take a look. I will be updating the information as it is posted with Grand Lodge each month.

Our status is as stands the end of July. Our Lodge members have donated \$720.70 towards our goal. The GER goal this year is \$5.15 per member. This number is calculated on the year end membership which was 224. Our goal this year is \$1,153.60. So Hooray! we are more than half way there. For each dollar we donate, we get back about \$1.78. ENF is where we get the grants from to distribute to the community. For meeting our goal we get one of the grants called, The Gratitude Grant, which is about \$2000/\$2500. So let's work to meet that goal.

At this time we have 4 Fidelity members. At the last meeting I handed out cards explaining this program. If you have questions about joining, do not hesitate to contact me. I would be glad to help you out. To get to Elks.org and the ENF site you need to have an Elks.org sign in. It is very easy to get. All you need is your membership card # and Lodge # and they will assign you a sign in.

A Fidelity Member is an Elk that pledges an amount every month to be automatically charged to their credit card or drafted out of their bank account. It is a very simple process to do. At the end of the fiscal year, ENF sends you your donation total either in the mail, or via email. This money is tax deductible.

Our ENF dinner will be October 3rd. We will be having Grant recipients as guests to talk about how the grant they received helped their organizations. Please plan to attend. The menu will be a Lasagna Dinner, with salad, rolls and dessert for \$12.00. We will have some auction items also. October is ENF Month, so hope to see a good turnout.

Jan Lindsey, PER ENF Chairman 2025/2026



Bingo News

Bingo will be on the 16th and the 30th of September. 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.

Our new games that we initiated last month are really fun. We open the doors at 5:30 and the first number is called at 6:30.

We really could use some more volunteers. If you can give just a couple hours from 6:30 to 8:30, 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.

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



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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Steven Hartzell	Rodney Martin
Devin McCauley	- David Rumberger
Milton Langlois	Larry Rosenberg
Sheri Wilson	Michael Chastek
David Murray	Lee Folkins
Arthur Nordling	Allan Ray
Constance Stout	Rose Doulas
Lynda Orsburn	
Frank Powers	Roger Southen
Alfred Allen Akers	Warren Stout
Timothy Werley	Mark Thomas
Terry Way	Robert Entel

Delinquents as of August 25, 2025

Bob Adolfson	Sacha Allen
George Anderson Jr	Jennifer Anderson
Phillip Basso	Larry Benton
Betty Brazeau	Scott Brewer
Michael Chastek	Burle Craven
Charity Draden	Randolph Grant
Roxane Griffiths	Brian Hardaway
Cindy Hartzell	Steven Hartzell
Danny Johnson	
Caroline King	
Dorothy Larson	Robin Moritz
Cason Parsons	
Allan Ray	
David Rumberger	
Angela Sety	
Mark Stephens	
Sandra Townsend	
Wendell Wade	
Richard Wilkerson	Sam Wollenhaupt

EDITORIAL Lodge Secretary Search

It has come to our attention that Lodge Secretary, Jim Bedard would like to retire from the Secretary's job at the end of this Lodge year if someone is ready and willing to accept the position.

Lodge Secretary is one of the most important offices in any Lodge. While responsibilities are many and varied, most of the things are done with and through the Grand Lodge electronic system called Chicago Lodge Membership System, or CLMS.

This electronic system has all membership information on every member, and with a few key strokes, will generate most reports and other information necessary for doing the job.

So, anyone who has basic computer literacy can do this. We have several Members who can and are, willing to be helpers in getting someone up to speed.

There is also a modest stipend that comes with the job.

If you are interested in further pursuing this, contact any Officer, Trustee, or PER for more information.

Jim Parman

Temporary Editor

Dear Delinquent Members:

This is a heartfelt plea to renew your membership before we are forced to drop you from the rolls.

Many of us have made strong and lasting friendships and have had an opportunity to give back to our community. We feel good about our service to others and about belonging to a group of people who care. It would mean a lot to us if you would decide to pay your dues before it is too late.

Paying is easy. Just go to our Lodge Website – www.spokaneelks.org. On the Home Page you will see a large red notice that asks you to push the button to go to the payment page. Once on the payment page you can either scan the QR code and pay by phone or click the link to pay from your computer.

Of course, you can always phone or drop by the office and pay by cash, check, or credit card. The office phone is (509) 926-2328.

Even if you decide to let your membership lapse, we'd still like to hear from you. If membership in our Lodge somehow did not meet your expectations, we want to know about it so we can share this failing with the Lodge members and our leadership team, and perhaps make some necessary changes.

We have set up a special email account for your comments and thoughts.

Please email your thoughts, concerns, and ideas to: <u>talkback@spokaneelks.org</u>. Of course, any member is encouraged to share your thoughts at this same email address about what we're doing right and what we're not.

We hope to hear from you soon.

Sincerely and Fraternally

Jim Parman
Chairman of the Board of Directors



Tuesday

September 16 and 30, 2025

Open to the public (18+)

Spokane Elks #228

9320 E Mission Ave – Avenues Buildiing

Spokane Valley, WA 99206 (509) 926-2328

Doors Open 5:30 PM Bingo Begins 6:30 PM

Refreshments will be available for purchase.

PER'S Horse/Elk Racing & Dinner Queen of Hearts Drawing

Doors Open at 6PM

<u>What a Deal!</u>

Queen of Hearts Drawing @ 7:00PM

BBQ Steak Dinner @ 6:30PM- \$15

Salad, Baked Beans, Rolls and Dessert

Horse/Elks Racing

Date: Friday, 09/12/2025 "Avenues" Bldg C

Reservation Required

Racing Time: 7:15 PM

Races are \$1 per bet, 6 races with 6 Elks Racing, Odds determined with each race

Spokane Elks Lodge #228 Spokane Valley WA

RSVP Required by 9/9/25 Due to cost of steaks needed to be ordered





Time for another 'Turn Back the Clock' page to August 2011 A look at our activities calendar in the Bulletin 14 years ago

Spokane Elks Lodge #228 Activities & Events

Contact the office for more information on any of these events.

~ <u>AUGUST 2011 ~</u>						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Lodge Closed	Bridge Club 10am Taco/Chili Tuesday 5:30-7 pm	Board of Directors Meeting 5:30 pm	4 RV Club Meeting 6:30 pm Hunter Education Class Bluegrass Music 7pm	Chefs Choice 5:30–8pm	6 Wrecking Crew 8:30 am Sock Hop 5:30-? Spromboli Special And other 50's food, fun, and games.
7 Lodge Breakfast 9-11am \$7 Buffet Annual ELKS Car Show Hamburgers & Hotdogs 10:30-1	8 Lodge Closed	9 Bridge Club 10am Hunter Education Class Taco/Chili Tuesday 5:30-7 pm	NO Lodge Meeting Hunter Education Class	11 Hunter Education Class Bluegrass Music 7pm	Hunter Education Class ENF Spaghetti Feed 5:30–8pm	Private Party Lounge Menu – Clubhouse sand. & Macaroni Salad 5:30–8pm
14 Lodge Closed	15 Lodge Closed	16 Bridge Club 10am Taco/Chili Tuesday 5:30-7 pm		18 Bluegrass Music 7pm	19 Chicken Fried Steak 5:30–8pm	Private Party Lounge Menu – Chicken Cordon Blue 5:30-8pm
21 Lodge Closed	22 Lodge Closed	23 Bridge Club 10am Taco/Chili Tuesday 5:30-7 pm	24 Lodge Meeting 6:30 pm	25 Bluegrass Music 7pm	26 Fish Fry 5:30–8pm	2 Menu Dinner 5:30–8pm
28 Lodge Closed	29 Lodge Closed	3(Bridge Club 10am Taco/Chili Tuesday 5:30-7 pm	31	Lodge Office Hours 10am-3pm Tues to Fri Lounge Open 3pm till Close Tues thru Sat Happy Hour 4-6pm		

Remember to make reservations to help us plan our dinners.





OUR KIDS Washington Elks Therapy Program for Children, Inc. Our State Major Project



This is Alex who is a sweet and active 11-year-old boy who has been seen by the Elks Therapy Program for Children by 2 Elks therapists. When we met his mom was so happy to know she would have reliable care for her child again.

Alex has gone through a lot of changes over the last 2 years and most recently underwent bilateral lower extremity surgery to assist with mobility. Besides Downs Syndrome he also had a CVA shortly after birth affecting his right side, both upper body and lower body. To assist in regaining the active range of motion in his forearm and wrist we have been using estimulation with good results.

Some of the other areas we have been working on have been feeding, visual perception, fine and gross motor control and regaining active range of motion in his upper right arm which will further assist him with his overall function and his ability to complete more functional tasks independently.

Alex lives with his mom and she is constantly striving to get the best care possible for her son, he has 5 grown brothers and sisters who also spoil him as often as possible. He spends time with his dad as often as he can and loves to facetime with him on the phone.

One of his biggest issues right now are his recurring seizures which can occur at any time. His doctors are modifying his medications as he grows to assist with his seizures.

Alex is most thankful for his family and the Elks Therapy Program for Children, thank you to all the Elks for helping me!





Advertise In The Newsletter

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









September 2025						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Labor Day	2	3 Board of Directors Meeting 5:30 PM	4 Social Quarters Open 5:00 - 9:00 PM Master Class Big Band 6:00PM Avenues Bldg	5	6 Avenues Private Rental 12:15 to 5:15 PM - UGC
7	8	9	10 DD Visit – 1:00 PM Pre-Lodge Meal - 5:30 PM Lodge Meeting - 6:30 PM	11 Patriot Day Social Quarters Open 5:00 - 9:00 PM Poker and Games 6:00 - 9:00 PM MCBB 6:00 PM Avenues Bldg	12 Lifeline Screening 8:00 AM to 5:30 PM PER Steak Night – 6:30 PM	13 Avenues Private Rental 12:15 to 5:15 PM - UGC
14	15	16 Bingo - Doors Open 5:30 PM First Number - 6:30 PM	17	18 Social Quarters Open 5:00 - 9:00 PM House Committee 6:00 PM MCBB 6:00 PM Avenues Building	19	20 Avenues Private Rental 12:15 to 5:15 PM - UGC
21	22 Start of Fall (Autumnal Equinox)	23 Avenues Private Rental 9:00 AM – UGC	24 Pre-Lodge Meal - 5:30 PM Lodge Meeting - 6:30 PM PER Meeting to follow Lodge	25 Social Quarters Open 5:00 - 9:00 PM Poker and Games 6:00 - 9:00 PM MCBB 6:00 PM Avenues Building	26 HOE DOWN 5:00 PM	27 Avenues Private Rental 12:15 to 5:15 PM - UGC
28	29	30 Bingo - Doors Open 5:30 PM First Number - 6:30 PM		· · · · · ·		