

# ELKS TALES

**Salida Elks Lodge #808**  
148 E. 2nd Street  
Salida CO 81201  
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## 2018/2019 Officers

**Exalted Ruler**  
Brandi Pugh  
**Esteemed Leading Knight**  
Valery Hasselbrink  
**Esteemed Loyal Knight**  
David Vigil  
**Esteemed Lecturing Knight**  
Brenda Beach  
**Secretary**  
Angelina Sanchez  
**Treasurer**  
PER Karen Hasselbrink  
**Tiler**  
Chris Ordaz  
**Chaplain**  
PER Debbie Johnson  
**Inner Guard**  
PDDGER Erik Colard  
**Esquire**  
PDDGER Mark Gorman  
**Trustees**  
Christina Paquette  
PER Carl Hasselbrink  
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Lodge meets the second and fourth Tuesday of every month, except July, August and December, when it meets on the second Tuesday only. 7pm in Lodge Room. All members in good standing are invited and encouraged to attend.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL MEMBERS BORN THIS MONTH. YOU ARE WELCOME TO A FREE WELL DRINK ON YOUR BIRTHDAY!**



*Greetings to Everyone:*

See you around the Lodge!  
Fraternally,

*Brandi Pugh*  
*Exalted Ruler*



## Initiation on February 26, 2019

Two new initiates (center front) with our team of officers during Lodge on Tuesday, February 26th, 2019.

This team of officers, who won the Ritual Contest at the State Convention and will be representing Colorado at the National Convention in July, will continue to practice their parts to prepare for that contest. Our ER Brandi Pugh will have completed her year in April, but will continue to practice, and several of our other officers, who will be stepping up to their new positions, will have to practice both their new parts and the part they represented last year. It is a daunting task but one we know they will be able to handle. We wish them all the best, and we are justifiably proud that they will be Colorado's ambassadors to the National Convention.

*back row: PDDGER Erik Colard, Inner Guard and PDDGER Mark Gorman, Esquire. center row: Esteemed Lecturing Knight Brenda Beach, Exalted Ruler Brandi Pugh, Chaplain Debbie Johnson PER, Esteemed Loyal Knight David Vigil and Esteemed Leading Knight Valery Hasselbrink.*

## Attention all Incoming Officers!

A date and time has been set for Installation: March 30th at 5:30 pm. There is a Benefit Dinner being held for David Vigil's sister that same day. I encourage all to attend at 4:30 pm for the dinner. (Carl has offered to pay for all officers) Don't forget to ask a P.E.R to install you. If you need a list of P.E.R's available, please contact me. 719-221-8812.

Thank you,  
*Valery Hasselbrink*  
*Your E.R. Elect*

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>MARCH</b> <b>2019</b>					<b>1</b> <b>FRIDAY</b> <b>DINNERS:</b> Call the Lodge 539.6976 to check, as they are sometimes added	<b>2</b> <b>Wild</b> <b>Game</b> <b>Dinner</b> (see announce- ment, p. 4)
	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> <b>MARDI GRAS</b>	<b>6</b> Pool League, Poker and Texas Hold'em Poker	<b>7</b> <b>BINGO</b> Doors open 6pm Start 7pm	<b>8</b> Chili, Burgers, Wurst 5:30-7PM
<b>10</b> <b>SUNDAY</b> <b>BRUNCH</b> 8:30-11AM <b>SCOUTS</b> <b>PINEWOOD</b> <b>DERBY</b> Daylight Savings begins 1 hr forward	<b>11</b> Board of Directors Meeting 7pm	<b>12</b> <b>LODGE</b> 7pm Balloting	<b>13</b> Marine Corps League Meeting 7pm Pool League, Poker and Texas Hold'em Poker	<b>14</b> <b>BINGO</b> Doors open 6pm Start 7pm	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> <b>St. Pat's Day</b> <b>Dinner -</b> <b>Elks &amp; Guests</b>  <b>PRIVATE</b> <b>PARTY -</b> <b>BASEMENT</b>
<b>17</b> <b>St. Patrick's Day</b> <b>Sunday Festivity</b> 	<b>18</b> Indoctrination 7pm	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> Pool League, Poker and Texas Hold'em Poker	<b>21</b> HR Snowmobile Club <b>BINGO</b> Doors open 6pm Start 7pm	<b>22</b> Private Dinner downstairs	<b>23</b> <b>REHEARSAL</b> <b>DINNER -</b> <b>BASEMENT</b> Saturday Evening Committee
<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> <b>PER's</b> <b>Meeting</b> 12:30pm Board of Directors Meeting 7pm	<b>26</b> <b>LODGE</b> 7pm <b>Initiation</b> <b>STEP-UP</b> <b>NIGHT</b> <b>FOR NEW</b> <b>OFFICERS</b>	<b>27</b> Pool League, Poker and Texas Hold'em Poker	<b>28</b> <b>BINGO</b> Doors open 6pm Start 7pm	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> Benefit Spaghetti Dinner, 2-5 pm \$10, Dave Vigil (see p. 4) <b>INSTALLATION</b> <b>OF OFFICERS</b> 5:30 PM-see p.1 Saturday Evening Committee
<b>31</b>	<b>APRIL 1</b> First Day of New Elks Year dues must be current - key locks have been changed	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> Pool League, Poker and Texas Hold'em Poker	<b>4</b> <b>BINGO</b> Doors open 6pm Start 7pm	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> Saturday Evening Committee

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	1 First Day of New Elks Year dues must be current - key locks have been changed	2	3 Pool League, Poker and Texas Hold'em Poker	4 BINGO Doors open 6pm Start 7pm	5 FRIDAY DINNERS: Call the Lodge 539.6976 to check, as they are sometimes added	6 Saturday Evening Committee
7	8 Board of Directors Meeting 7pm	9 LODGE 7pm Balloting	10 Marine Corps League Meeting 7pm Pool League, Poker and Texas Hold'em Poker	11 BINGO Doors open 6pm Start 7pm	12	13 Veterans' Coffee Meeting 10am Club Room Saturday Evening Committee
14 SUNDAY BRUNCH 8:30-11AM	15 Indoctrination 7pm	16	17 Pool League, Poker and Texas Hold'em Poker	18 HR Snowmobile Club Summit County Initiation - Ritual Team BINGO Doors open 6pm Start 7pm	19	20 Saturday Evening Committee
21 Easter Sunday	22 PER's Meeting 12:30pm Board of Directors Meeting 7pm	23 LODGE 7pm Initiation	24 Pool League, Poker and Texas Hold'em Poker	25 BINGO Doors open 6pm Start 7pm	26-27 Spring Quarterly →	
28 Spring Quarterly →	29	30	1 MAY Pool League, Poker and Texas Hold'em Poker	2 BINGO Doors open 6pm Start 7pm	3	4 Saturday Evening Committee
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# IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR ALL LODGE MEMBERS

## Wild Game Dinner

The Annual Wild Game Dinner will be on March 2nd, a Saturday. This member event has taken place for many, many years. Personally I have helped with it for 19 years. Wild game, fish and fowl are donated by lodge members and our team of cooks prepare a complimentary dinner downstairs followed by games upstairs.

The whole night and all of the lodge and club floors including the poker room and pool room are OPEN TO ELKS MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING AND A SIGNIFICANT OTHER ONLY.

Membership cards will be checked at the door starting at 5:30 pm until club closing.

This night brings in old members you may not have seen in awhile and a chance for them to meet our new members. It's an evening of food and good fun. If you have someone you have been wanting to join our Lodge if you hurry this February they have a chance to be able to attend this event as a member.

Call me with any questions or if you have meat to donate.

In Elkdom,

*Jimmy DeLuca PER*

*719-821-0915 cell phone*

## From the Leading Knight

What an honor I had this past year serving as your Leading Knight. It was a joy heading up the Christmas Baskets; to see how the community of Salida helped, volunteered, and worked right along our own community of Elks was truly awe-inspiring. I had a real blast planning and putting on the Charity Ball last year, and wasn't that band awesome to listen and dance to. Our Lodge functionality has grown this year, with many different types of events that we've hosted.

The word has gotten back out to the community that the Elks Lodge is the place to be. As we go on to our next year, I'm proud to become the Exalted Ruler for such a fine organization, for I see our motto, '*Elks care, Elks share*', in many of the programs we participate in throughout the year.

Thank you, thank you all for having me as your Leading Knight. It truly was a blessing to me.

Yours truly,

*Valery K. Hasselbrink*

*Esteemed Leading Knight*

## Patsy Thorpe Benefit Dinner

There will be a Spaghetti Benefit Dinner on March 30, 2019, between 2-5 pm for Patsy Thorpe. She received a liver transplant in January. Patsy is the sister to our Loyal Knight, David Vigil and sister-in-law to Joanna Rich. Dinner will cost \$10, all monies will be donated to Patsy and her family for medical bills and loss of work. Please join us in this noble cause.

## ANNUAL WILD GAME DINNER

**Saturday, March 2nd**

**for Elk members in**

**good standing**

**(dues are paid)**

**and their significant other**

**only**

**Membership cards checked**

**at the door**

**Cocktails: 5:30pm**

**Dinner: 6:00 pm**

**(complimentary)**

**Games Upstairs After**

**Dinner**



A NOBLE ELK HAS FALLEN,  
PIERCED BY THE ARROW OF DEATH.  
HIS TRIALS ENDED, HIS FAULTS FORGOTTEN,  
HIS VIRTUES CHERISHED,  
HE RESTS IN PEACE.

## Roger J. Bill

**Born**

January 7, 1935

**Initiated**

December 16, 1969

**Life Member**

January 26, 2010

**Died**

February 3, 2019

**Rest in Peace, My Brother**

## Events Around the Lodge and Beyond

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### Your Officers for 2019-2020

Exalted Ruler: Valery Hasselbrink  
Leading Knight: Dave Vigil  
Loyal Knight: Brenda Beach  
Lecturing Knight: PER Ginny Gorman  
Esquire: PER Brandi Pugh  
Inner Guard: PDDGER Mark Gorman  
Treasurer: PER Karen Hasselbrink  
Secretary: Angelina Sanchez  
3 year Trustee: LaRae Bradbury  
2 year Trustee: Kara Fear  
1 year Trustee: PER Carl Hasselbrink  
Chaplain: To be announced  
Tiler: To be announced

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### Delinquent List as of 2/28/2019

Barbara Bierwirth	Delfino Martinez
Charles Campton	Raymond Maxwell
Larry Carr	Rocky Mazza
Donald Courtney	Samuel Mick
Phillip Debuano	James Passarelli
Joseph Ellsworth	John Poyser III
Dan Estell	Ken Rodriguez
James Hayden	Richard Shovald
Janette Hayden	Holly Spence
Chelsea Henderson	Marc Steinke
Jeffery Hoeller	Jennifer Talbot
Gary Huffman	Rodney Taylor
Allen Jones	William Tezak
Donald Kaess	Steve Tucker
Amber Lee	Robert Turley
David Maier	Joseph Whiteman
Richard Mansheim	Joseph Yarosz

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### Dues Notices

Dues notices for 2019-2020 Elks Year have been sent out. **Regular Member** dues (less than 40 years) are **\$90.00**. **Life Member** dues (40+ years) are **\$29.50**. We have added an **Associate Member** dues category for **\$10** per year, for members in good standing from other Lodges.

Please mail a check with the proper amount to:

Salida Lodge 808  
P.O. Box 967  
Salida CO 81201-0967

*memo line: 2019-2020 Dues*

You may also pay cash at the Lodge after 4pm, or use a credit card at the bar (there will be a small service charge for credit card payments). If you are delinquent (see list above) you must pay last year's dues and this year's dues to be current. This information is reflected in your dues notice. Call Secretary Angie with questions (539.6976). You may donate to our other projects at the same time, such as ENF, Veterans, etc.

## More Events Around the Lodge and Beyond



Sam Johnson PER/ ENF Chairman, with incoming Lodge Trustee LaRae Bradbury on his left, presenting a \$1000 donation to Family and Youth Initiatives staff from Salida Elks Lodge 808. This donation came from the ENF Gratitude Grant.

Jim DeLuca PER representing the Lodge presented Rachel Holder, Executive Director of "The Alliance" a \$300 donation for their local programs. This was funded by the ENF Gratitude Grant. The Alliance was formerly known as the Alliance Against Domestic Abuse. Their mission is " Empowering individuals beyond domestic and sexual violence."



A check from the Gratitude Grant for \$250 was presented to Ark-Valley Humane Society from PER Ginny Gorman (blue shirt).

*photo:* Johnny Sandoval, Operations Manager; Ginny, Elks; Amber van Leuken, Executive Director & Jenna Geldreich, Animal Care Technician.



### **Colorado State Hoop Shoot Banquet**

*top photo:* Banquet following State Hoop Shoot served about 125 contestants, parents and other family members.

*left photo:* Volunteer cooks and servers sitting down to eat when it is over.

State Hoop Shoot Chair Brandon Wilkins and wife Desirae will go to Regionals this month, and we will have a report in April.

### **Thank You Letter for Help with Boots & Pearls Dance**

I would like to give a huge thank you to the community, to my fellow Elks, and everyone who helped make BPOE Salida Lodge No. 808 "Boots and Pearls" dance such a success!

It was an extremely fun time and it would not have happened without so many dedicated people. Thank you, Sue Marshall, for your invaluable skill for producing the posters and tickets for the event. Thank you, Karen Hasselbrink, for your guidance and knowledge of this event. Thank you, Sam Johnson, for being my best ticket salesman and encourager.

Thank you, Mark and Ginny Gorman, for shopping, prepping, cooking and cleaning for this event. Mark, your food was delicious! Thank you, Dave Vigil and Erik Colard, for prepping for dinner. Thank you to Josh Jacobson and Erik Colard for helping to set up the tables, chairs, and decorations.

Thank you to Jeanne Pugh for the best desserts and for helping to complete my vision with the decorations. Thank you to all my volunteer servers who personally served every guest: Desirae Wilkins, RayAnn Wilkins, Emma Wilkins, Kara Fear, Sabrina Palko, and Dave Vigil.

Thank you, J.R. Latimer, for working the front entrance and taking care of every guest with a smile. Thank you, Carl Hasselbrink, for working the secondary entrance, taking pictures, assisting with the silent auction and keeping track of the money. Thank you, Eddie Alloy, for working the room with the 50/50 and your usual charm. Thank you, Brandi Pugh, for jumping in for whatever needed to be done when it was needed.

Thank you, Stacy Farney, for bartending the event. Thank you to John Sanchez and Angelina Sanchez for helping me set up the bar and the advice needed to get it done. Thank you to Ginny Gorman, Mark Gorman, Josh Jacobson and Dave Vigil for washing the dirty pots, pans, dishes and silverware. Thank you, Eric McGowan, for all your support and giving me a helping hand for everything.

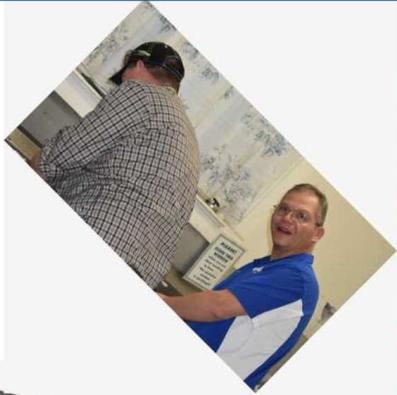
As you can tell, it takes a team to put on an event such as this, and I am very grateful for each and every one who helped. If I have missed anyone, I apologize.

My sincerest thanks to the businesses and individuals who so generously donated to the silent auction. Eye Candy Art & Treasure, C&J Automotive, DeeAnn Troutman, Sue Marshall, Split Happens, ProStyles Salon, Scanga Meat Co., J.R. and Janet Cruz, Maverick Potter, Taphouse 146, Mixing Bowl, Beth Jehle, Jeanne Pugh and Mark & Ginny Gorman.

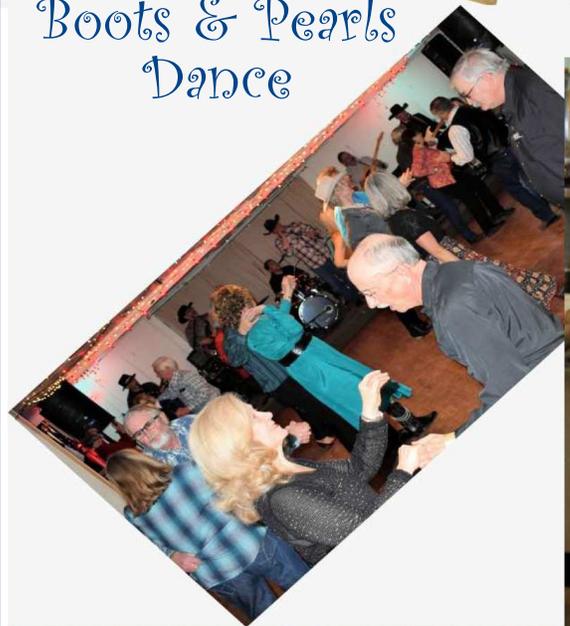
Thank you to The Outriders for putting on a great show! You guys rock!

Lastly, thank you to each and every one who purchased a ticket, who came and supported this event and made it such a success! The money raised will allow BPOE Salida Lodge No. 808 to continue our charitable works in this wonderful community.

*Brenda Beach,*  
*Lecturing Knight* (see last page for photos)



# Boots & Pearls Dance



Partying like it was 1999. Pictures of the partygoers and crew at the Boots and Pearls dance held on February 16, 2019 in the downstairs facility of the Salida Elks Lodge. A really great time appears to have been had by all.

*photo montage courtesy PER Carl Hasselbrink, Trustee.*