150th Anniversary Party
February 16, 2018
Come on Down to the Lodge to
CELEBRATE 150 years of Elkedom!!

Bingo, Dinner, Stories and Fun!

Festivities Start at 6:00 PM
Bring your family & friends   Open to the Public

“Pacific Rim” Lasagna & Cheese Bread $8

Need More Info: Call the Lodge 503-325-2806

Message From Our Exalted Ruler...

This is the month we celebrate Elkdom. 150 years ago this month on
the 16th The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks was founded.
We will be having a celebration at the lodge and all of you are invit-
ed. Please think of stories to tell about your participation as an Elk
and what being an Elk means to you. In our title the first word is the most im-
portant. It is Benevolent which means we are a charitable and not for profit or-
ganization. Chairity is our core value. Remember BPOE also stands for Best Peo-
ple On Earth. Each of you should be proud to be part of such a great organiza-
tion. Let’s make sure the Elks are around for another 150 years.

Fraternally Yours, Kenny Hansen, Exalted Ruler

You can receive the NEWSLETTER by email! Send an email to astoriaantler@gmail.com
By-Law & House Rule Amendments

The following amendments to our By-Laws and House Rules have been voted upon and approved at the January 11, 2018 Lodge Meeting:

By-Law Changes:

Article X: Dues and Fees
Sec 3. The regular Lodge dues shall be $74.00 per year, which shall not include the Grand Lodge per capita fee, insurance assessment and State Association fees.

Article IV-A: Exemplification of Rituals
Sec. 1. The Officers of this Lodge are authorized to use alternative for the Opening and Closing as approved by the Grand Lodge. At any time the Lodge may utilize the original Opening and Closing, the Presiding Officer of the meeting and/or initiation Ritual shall determine which form (original or shortened) will be used during that meeting.

House Rule Changes:

7. Credit Card machine rules:
A. removes the line that says tips are not allowed on purchase receipt.

18. The lodge now will allow hats in the social quarters. If there is a dinner at any time, the hats must be removed until after dinner. Haat will not be allowed in the Lodge Room during Lodge meetings and/or during hosted parties.

Here is some EXCITING News...

The Lodge will be sponsoring a baseball team this year with Lower Columbia. Keep an eye out for more details coming in future issues of the newsletter.

Hoop Shoot Districts: February 3rd in Tillamook, Oregon
Best of Luck to all of our winners. Can’t wait to hear how you all did!!!!!!
Bingo News

Bingo Every Friday Night– 6:00 pm

I would like to thank all of the helpers who have stepped up to give a hand with bingo. I appreciated everyone of you more than you will ever know!

Volunteers are always needed!

Thanks, Monica Hutchens, Bingo Chairman

Black Out Prize $500. Come enjoy new games!!

Bingo is always in need for Volunteers. Please contact Monica at the Lodge if interested.

Attention Members…

- What will bring you into the lodge?
- What will get you to Volunteer?
- Do you have a favorite activity that you would like to see at the Lodge?

We want to hear from you, please email, send a letter or call with your ideas!

astoriaantler@gmail.com

Message from our Lodge Secretary...

Wow time sure has flown this year as there are only 3 months left to the Lodge year. Grand Lodge is going to be sending out Late Notices to all of the delinquent members through out the country. This is the first time they have done this, so I am excited to see if this is a success. I truly hope so. This month is nominations for new officers, so if anyone is interested in being a member of the team now is the time to put your name in the hat. The first nominations will be on the 8th of February. I am still considering if I want to continue on as Secretary. My family is hoping that I do not accept a nomination so there is a lot to consider. I am also retiring from tending bar. My last party will be on July, 2018. It has been a fun ride but my body says enough is enough. So we will be looking for a new bartender to work the banquets.

Monica Hutchens, Lodge Secretary 2017-18
# February 2018

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## February/March 2018 Events

**February 8th**—Board Meeting (*bt) 6pm & Lodge Meeting (*bt) 7pm

**February 16th**—150th Anniversary Celebration

**February 22nd**—Lodge Meeting (*bt) 7pm

**February 27th**—Boy Scout Blue & Gold Award Banquet 5pm

**March 16th**—Bingo Fundraiser—Open to the Public

*For Officers: (bt) = black & tan (bg) = blue & gray

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**Save the Date ...**

Bingo Fundraiser - **March 16th, 2018**

Bring your Friends & Family. Play Bingo, Eat Dinner. Open to the Public.
Would you be interested in advertising in the Antler?

Are you a member? Do you own a business?

Cost = $100 per year.
Business Card size.

Contact Teresa Daw, astoriaantler@gmail.com or

Why we VOLUNTEER
reason of the month...

GIVE BACK TO A CAUSE YOU BELIEVE IN:
Not sure where to start in your volunteering journey?
Your reason for volunteering should begin where your passions lie.
Let your love for animals, teaching or healthcare create positive change in the world.

Allow your actions to be led from a place of passionate intention.
That way all the hard work will be worth it, you will be more committed to the cause and as a result, your impact will be that much bigger.

Have you visited the Lodge lately? We have a few new things...

The Lodge has a ATM available on the 2nd floor and there is NEW carpet on the 3rd floor outside the Lodge room. Stop by and say HI and check out the Lodge!!

Here’s a reminder to our Members…

What Elkdom is all About??

BENEVOLENT AND PROTECTIVE ORDER OF ELKS A FRATERNAL ORGANIZATION

ORIGIN: Founded in New York City, February 16, 1868 by 15 actors, entertainers and others associated with the theater. Membership consisted of other professionals in ensuing years.

PURPOSES: This Fraternal Order was founded "To promote and practice the four cardinal virtues of Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity; to promote the welfare and enhance the happiness of its members; to quicken the spirit of American Patriotism and cultivate good fellowship."

WHO WE ARE: The Order is a non-political, non-sectarian and strictly American fraternity. Proposal for membership in the Order is only by invitation of a member in good standing. One must be an American citizen, believe in God, be of good moral character and at least 21 years old. There are 1.1 million members today in over 2,100 Lodges.

WHAT WE DO: The Order spends over $80,000,000 every year for Benevolent, Educational and Patriotic community-minded programs in such fields as physically handicapped children, Elks National Foundation scholarships, Scouting, athletic teams, veterans' works, a national "Hoop Shoot" free-throw contest involving 3,500,000 children annually, physical and occupational therapy programs, patriotic programs. The youth of our country have always been important to the Order. It is for this reason the Elks Drug Awareness Education Program was launched to warn primary grade students and their parents of the dangers in drug use. Every Lodge observes June 14th as Flag Day, a tradition the Elks began in 1907 and which was later adopted by the Congress as an official observance.
February Reminders

**Bingo** – Friday Nights at 6:00 PM

**Music DVD**— Tuesday Nights at 4:30 PM

**Membership Renewal Fees** – Send in Payment

**Member Potlucks** – First Tuesday of each Month

**Club Room**— Opens at 4:00 pm

**Board Meeting**— February 8th 6:00 pm

**Lodge Meeting**— February 8th & 22nd 7:00 pm

**150th Anniversary Party** - February 16th 6:00 PM