



THE SALEM ELKLET

The newsletter for Salem Elks Lodge #336

Making a Difference ~ Building Awareness

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Lodge Meeting:
Thursdays 7:30 PM

Office Hours:

Tuesday - Friday
9AM - 1:30 PM

Club Hours:

Tuesday 1-9pm
Monday, Wednesday,
and Thursday 4-9pm
Friday 4-11pm
Saturday 4-9pm

**CLOSED
SUNDAY**

**MAY BE OPEN FOR
SPECIAL EVENTS**

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Exalted Ruler's Message

Greetings members,

The question has oft been asked how you measure a year. Is it in days or hours? Or is it in something more?

It seems almost impossible to comprehend that we find ourselves at the end of the 2018-2019 lodge year because it feels like it just started yesterday. Yet here we are, a full year later. We have elected our new officers for the coming year and started to take stock of how far we have come and those areas where we still have room for improvement. I want to congratulate those who have stepped up to be officer of our lodge for the next year, together I am sure we continue the path of progress that our lodge has been on over the last several years. I also want to thank this year's officers for all of their hard work and perseverance in conducting the business of the lodge. The other group I would like to thank is all of the volunteers we have had this year. Without them and their time and energy we could not have accomplished nearly as much as we have over the last year. Our volunteers truly make all the difference in the world and on behalf of all of the officers and members I want to say thank you. I hope you will join us on the 16th for the volunteer appreciation party.

I am looking forward to the next year and continuing to make a difference and build awareness of who we are and what we do for some many in our community.

Fraternally,

C. Blake Whitson

Membership Update

We have been workign hard this year to grow our lodge membership and have come so close to accomplishing a plus one gain for the year. After our February Initiation we are at a loss of 14 members for the year. But the good news is we still have time to put a dent in that number. Surely, out of our 514 members you all know of at least 15 people who would make good Elks. So why not sponsor them today? And for every member who proposes a new member in the month of March you will recieve a free dinner on either Wednesday or Friday night at the lodge. So let's get those membership applications in before Balloting on the 14th.



Election of Lodge Officers for 2019-2020,

Congratulations to the following Officer-Elect and Designate for the 2019-2020 Lodge Year

Exalted Ruler-Elect - C. Blake Whitson, PCB
Leading Knight-Elect - Howard Bauman, PCB
Loyal Knight-Elect - Joaquin Tudela
Lecturing Knight-Elect - Angela Jones
Secretary-Elect - Jan Sloan
Treasurer-Elect - Linda Loop, PCB
Fourth Year Trustee-Elect - Duane Hageman
Esquire-Designate - Dustin Yancey
Chaplain-Designate - Tim Maerz
Inner Guard-Designate -
Tiler-Designate -

In addition to the lodge officers we have multiple opportunities for members to get involved in various committees to plan charitable functions, events and more. If you are interested in serving on any of the following committees please see a current or incoming lodge officer or email volunteer@salemelks.org.

Americanism - Conducts the Americanism Essay Contest for local schools and supports the Grand Lodge Americanism Program.

Drug Awareness - Promotes the Elks Drug Awareness Program with local school and organizations. Including the Drug Awareness Poster Contest.

Eyes/Visual - Supports and promoted the Oregon States Elks Youth Eye Service Program and youth poster contest.

Veterans - Supports and promotes the Elks National Veterans Service Commission Program and local lodge activities to support veterans.

Elks National Foundation Fundraising - Supports and Promotes raising funds for the Elks National Foundation to ensure grant availability for our lodge.

Elks National Foundation Grants - Applies for and coordinates Elks National Foundation Grant Projects for our lodge.

Hoop Shoot - Plans and promotes the annual youth free throw contest.

Scholarship - Supports and promotes the Elks Youth Scholarship Program, coordinates judging of scholarship applications, and guides winners through the scholarship process.

New Years Eve - Helps plan and coordinate our annual New Years Ever Party

Golf - Plans and promotes the annual charity gold tournament

Youth Activities - Supports and promotes the Grand Lodge Youth Activities Program

Auditing and Accounting - Assists in monitoring the financial health of the lodge in compliance with Grand Lodge requirements.

Accident Prevention - Ensures compliance with Grand Lodge Accident Prevention Guidelines and ensures the safety of our facilities and operation.

Membership & Marketing - Responsible for promoting our lodge through media, social media, and other means as well as promoting membership in our organization.

More information on committees and Grand Lodge Programs can be found at www.elks.org

From the Secretaries Desk by Jan Sloan, Lodge Secretary

Greetings. We are approaching the end of another Elks year. We've had a successful year giving to our local charities which we should all be proud of. We've also put on some outside events that have helped fill our coffers. This brings me to a problem we are having. We have a few members who are always counted on to volunteer for events. They help set up tables, put on the table cloths and silver, fill water pitchers, plate meals and buss tables.

We always need help with the dishes on every night but Tuesday and Friday. It's very easy, we will train you and you will get a free facial in the process. The problem is these folks are wearing out and some are ageing out. We could really use more volunteers. For those of you who live close by as I do, this should be an easy commute and I guarantee you will not be disappointed.

We don't have room on our calendar to post outside events but they happen almost every weekend. We don't always have the events scheduled until after the Elklet is published for the month. I'm trying to come up with some ideas where we could get the information out to our members. I thought we could post the events on a board in the lobby and if you're interested you could contact the office. Another idea might be for members to contact the office by Wednesday or Thursday to see what we have scheduled for the weekend and you could volunteer if you're available.

I'm hoping some of you can come up with ideas to help us out. We've had some new members volunteer for the first time and they said they didn't know how much fun it would be and have since volunteered again. If you haven't volunteered you are missing the chance to help out your lodge and meet new friends. The volunteers usually get together after an event to relax and socialize so please think about volunteering. Okay, I'm off my soapbox now and want to thank all of you who have volunteered in the past. I'm looking forward to the new Elks year. We have many things planned and again, if you have any ideas for events please let us know. I can always be reached at secretary@salemelks.org or at my phone number 503-364-6839, ext. 321. Since this is the March issue let me leave you with this:

“May God grant you always...A sunbeam to warm you, a moonbeam to charm you, a sheltering Angel so nothing can harm you. Laughter to cheer you. Faithful friends near you. And whenever you pray, Heaven to hear you.” An Irish Blessing

Lodge Officers

Exalted Ruler

C. Blake Whitson, PCB

Leading Knight

Mike Carter, PER

Loyal Knight

Linda Loop, PCB

Lecturing Knight

Secretary

Jan Sloan

Treasurer

Carol Gibson

Inner Guard

Don Knepp

Tiler

Larry Waldner, PER

Esquire

Dustin Yancey

Chaplain

Joaquin Tudella

Trustees

Darrell Rysavy ~ Elden Reese

Holly Bennet ~ Rudy Guerrero

Past Exalted Rulers/Past

Chairman of the Board

Association

President Bob Moody, PER

Secretary C. Blake Whitson, PCB

Grand Exalted Ruler

Michael T. Luhr

Petersburg, AK Lodge #1615

North Central District Deputy

Grand Exalted Ruler

Steve Armbruster

Silverton Lodge #2210

Honored Elks

Officer of the Year 2017-2018

C. Blake Whitson, PCB

Elk of the Year 2017-2018

Mike Carter, PER

Honorary Life Members

Gary Felling, PER ~ Bill Myers, PER~

Bob Staples, PDDGER/PER/PCB

PDDGER

Bob Staples, PER/PCB

March 2019 Events

Special Events

Volunteer Appreciation—Help us say thank you to our volunteers and celebrate St. Patrick's Day on March 16th. Details on pg 7

OPVA Rummage Sale—Oregon Paralyzed Veterans of America will be holding a rummage sale at the Lodge on March 23rd from 10am to 4pm. Details on pg 6

Installation of Officers—The 124th Annual Installation of Officers on March 31st starting at 3pm. Details on pg 8

Standing Events

Monday Burgers — Join us on Mondays for hot dogs, burgers and Italian Specials. Dinner is served from 5-7:00 pm

Taco Tuesday— Join us on Tuesdays for taco's, taco salads, and enchiladas. Dinner is served from 5-7:30 pm

Wednesday 2 for \$15 Dinners— Join us on Wednesdays for 2 for \$15 Dinner Specials and Horse Race Bingo. Dinner is served from 5-7:00 pm

Thursday Lodge Night—Join us on lodge night for our \$8.00 lodge night dinner. Dinner is served from 5-7 pm

Friday Night Karaoke—Join us on Friday night for Karaoke with Bill! Full menu service is available from 5-7:00pm with bar bites until close.

\$5 Saturday Meals—Join us on Saturday for Mikes \$5 Meal Deals! Dinner is from 5 –7:00

Other Events



Monday - Burgers, Wings, and Italian Specials from the Kitchen. Bingo will start at 6pm!



Tuesday - Lodge opens at 1 pm for member socializing, Bar Bites Menu is available starting at 1.



Wednesday- 2 for \$15 or 2 for \$20 Dinner Specials. Jefferson parks Band 3rd Wednesday.



Thursday Lodge Night - Join us on lodge night for our \$8.00 lodge night dinner. Dinner served 5-7.



Friday Night Karaoke - Join us Friday Night for Karaoke with Bill or DJ Jay on the 4th Friday. We will also draw for the Queen of Hearts at 8 pm.

Happy Birthday to You!!!
If your birthday is in March
you can get a free dinner on a
Thursday Night in March

Name

Present coupon to the bartender when ordering

March Important Dates

Mar 4 - Board Meeting 6pm
Mar 5 - RV Club Meeting 7pm
Mar 7 - PER/PCB Meeting 6pm
Mar 16 - Volunteer Appreciation Party
Mar 18 - Board Meeting 6pm
Mar 19 - Orientation 6pm
Mar 20 - Jefferson Parks Band 7pm
Mar 21 - Initiation
Mar 23 - OPVA Rummage Sale
Mar 28 - Elroy Awards



The First and Third Wednesday of Every Month is Prime Rib Night at the Salem Elks

We serve 2 for \$20 8oz Cuts
or for \$5 more upgrade to a 12oz cut
Served with Salad, Veggy, Baked Potato, and Roll.

So bring a friend and come check out Prime Rib Night at the 336!!!!

Sunday Closed	Monday 4pm - 9pm	Tuesday 1pm - 9pm	Wednesday 4pm - 9pm	Thursday 4pm - 9pm	Friday 4pm - 9pm	Saturday 4pm - 9pm
					1 Dinner Served 5-7pm Karaoke 7pm Queen of Hearts 8pm	2 \$5 Meal
3 Super Bowl Potluck	4 Burgers & Wings Served 5-7pm Italian Specials Board Meeting 6pm Bingo 6pm	5 Taco Tuesday Served 5-7pm RV Club Meeting 7pm	6 2 for \$20 Prime Rib Dinner Served 5-7pm	7 PER/PCB Lodge Night Dinner Served 5-7pm Build a Burger	8 Dinner Served 5-7pm Karaoke 7pm Queen of Hearts 8pm	9 \$5 Meal
10 Lodge Closed	11 Burgers & Wings Served 5-7pm Italian Specials Bingo 6pm	12 Taco Tuesday Served 5-7pm	13 2 for \$15 Dinners Served 5-7pm	14 Lodge Night Dinner Served 5-7pm Ballotting Spaghetti	15 Dinner Served 5-7pm Karaoke 7pm Queen of Hearts 8pm	16 St Patrick's Volunteer Appreciation Party 5pm
17 Lodge Closed	18 Burgers & Wings Served 5-7pm Italian Specials Board Meeting 6pm Bingo 6pm	19 Taco Tuesday Served 5-7pm Orientation 6pm	20 2 for \$20 Prime Rib Dinner Served 5-7pm Jefferson Parks Band 7pm	21 Lodge Night Dinner Served 5-7pm Fish and Chips Initiation	22 Dinner Served 5-7pm DJ Jay Mundo 7pm Queen of Hearts 8pm	23 \$5 Meal OPVA Rummage Sale 10-4
24 Lodge Closed	25 Burgers & Wings Served 5-7pm Italian Specials Bingo 6pm	26 Taco Tuesday Served 5-7pm	27 2 for \$15 Dinners Served 5-7pm	28 Lodge Night Dinner Served 5-7pm Beef Stroganoff The Elroy Awards/ Swansong	29 Dinner Served 5-7pm Karaoke 7PM Queen of Hearts 8pm	30 \$5 Meal
31 Installation of Officers 3pm						

The Call of the Open Road, The Salem 336ers RV Club

by John Trammell, RV Club Reporter


There is not much news to report in this article as the winter has slowed club activities in Salem to almost a stand still. We who are about a thousand miles south in California and Arizona are not a whole lot warmer than the “stay at homes” but at least we have sunshine for the most part. The nights get surprisingly cold here in the desert. I recently received an updated activity schedule for 2019 and will list the events below.

- April 15-19, Wapiti, camping by the Wings
- May 20-23, Sutherlin OR, camping by Myers
- June 18-20, Warren OR, camping by Maddux (P&J)
- July 11-14, Cashmere WA, NW Elks Rally by Trammells (to coordinate only)
- Aug 15-20, Tillamook OR, camping by Sawyers
- Sept and Oct nothing planned as of this time
- Nov dinner at a local restaurant
- Dec Christmas dinner at the lodge

The July Elks rally will have a patriotic theme and will be at a park with full hookups. The organizers are computer savvy and have established a Facebook account to provide information. The information I have as how to get into that account is: Go to Facebook page and enter in the search block “Northwest Elks R.V. Rally Association” I tried it and it worked for me.

OPVA is having a Rummage Sale!!!!

All Proceeds support MS Research



Saturday March 23rd

from 10am to 4pm

the Oregon Chapter of Paralyzed Veterans of America will be holding a rummage sale at the lodge, All proceeds will go to support MS Research.



The Jefferson Parks Band
Live at the Salem Elks
Lodge

Every 3rd Wednesday
join us for our 2 for \$20
Prime Rib Dinner
followed by dancing
with the Jefferson Parks
Band starting at 7 PM

Starts March 20th!
No Cover!!!

The Salem Elks Social Poker Players



The Salem Elks Social Poker
Players would like to remind
all members about the regular
social poker games:

Tuesday afternoon at 1pm
Tuesday night at 6pm

Wednesday nights at 6:30pm

Friday nights at 6:30pm

New players are welcome to
join!



Saturday March 16th

The Salem Elks St Patrick's Day and member/volunteer appreciation party
Join us in saying thank you to all of the members and volunteers in our lodge.

Party starts at 5pm

Serving Rueben Sandwiches with our house cured corned beef and fries.



From the mind that has brought us Swansong Roasts, and numerous inventions displayed before the lodge floor... Howard Bauman will present the first Elroy Awards following a fun night lodge meeting on March 28th.

We will also present Officer of the Year, Elk of the Year, Spouse of the Year, and Special Grand Lodge Awards as well as Howards irreverent awards which are sure to bring grins, groans, and laughter to all.

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The 124th Installation of Officers Sunday March 31



Installation Ceremony at 3PM
Cocktails and appetizers at 4PM
Dinner at 5PM
Shatterproof Band starting at 7PM

Dinner:
Choice of Prime Rib or Salmon
Served with Baked Potato, Vegetables, Roll, and a Salad
\$18.00 per Person

Please RSVP to the Lodge Office