



# THE SALEM ELKLET

**The newsletter for Salem Elks Lodge #336**

**Honoring Traditions ~ Embracing the Future**

**Volume CXXIV No. 03 ~ Since 1895 - Celebrating 124 Years of Elkdom ~ June 2019**

**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,

First allow me to update you all on the status of our kitchen project. Following the unanimous floor vote last month we are moving forward with filing the required paperwork with Grand Lodge and waiting to hear back from them with their approvals to proceed. Once we know more about timelines we will be updating the members so you know when to expect possible disruptions in our dinners and functions.

Second, I am looking forward to the opportunity to again represent our lodge at the national convention. I will be leaving at the end of the month to head to St Louis for three days of learning and fellowship with fellow Elks from around the country. Just a reminder that you do not have to be an Exalted Ruler or PER to attend the national convention. So I would encourage all of you to try and experience at least one Grand Lodge national Convention. You can log in on Elks.org to learn more about the convention including future convention sites.

Finally, I want to again thank all of the volunteers we have around our lodge. Last month Mike and volunteers put on an incredible Mothers Day Brunch serving over 80 people. And PER Bill Meyers spent a lot of time working around the grounds pulling weeds and making our flower beds look good. So please make sure to join me in thanking these volunteers who spend their time helping our lodge.

C. Blake Whitson

## Membership Update

As we enter the third month of our new lodge year lets take a quick look at where we are with membership. As of publication we are down to 73 delinquent members and are working hard to reduce that list even further and we initiated 6 people into our lodge last month with several more already on deck to be initiated this month.

Nationally, for the first time in nearly 40 years the Elks saw a membership gain last year. And here at salem we saw the lowest loss of members in nearly 8 years. with a total of 15 lost members. Lets work together this year to make sure that we end this lodge year with a membership gain. Each if you can help out with this by talking with your family and friends about joining the Elks and helping to further support our charitable mission as well as our social functions for our members.

So sponsor a new member today!!!!!!



## From the Leading Knight by Howard Bauman, Leading Knight

Are you 18" away from being a good Elk?

A few weeks ago I was in a discussion with one of our members who stated he was "an Elk in good standing". But is he 18" short of being a good Elk? The Statutes are specific as to what is required to be "an Elk in good standing", thereby making what he said a true statement.

You are in good standing if you pay your dues, speak no wrong about the Order or its members and break no laws. But does this make them a good Elk or are they still 18" away?

Except for Initiation an Elk in good standing never has to attend a meeting. They need never serve as an Officer or be on a committee at the Lodge. Never contribute to any Elk's charity; never volunteer a moment of time nor one iota of talent for the betterment of our organization.

This member in good standing never has to enter the Club for a meal, a dance or a special event. Never has to purchase anything from the Bar, nor once hear the Tolling of Eleven Strokes. Still 18" short of being a good Elk.

They can carry their membership card and assume that someone else will do all those other things and as a member in good standing you don't even have to thank them.

Only after you move the real meaning of Elkdom 18" (which is the distance from your brain to your heart) can you truly say "I am a good elk". The real test of any person is not what is in the head but in their heart. More hands lighten the load. Won't you please get involved?

### LIMITED EDITION LODGE PIN!!!!



This limited edition Salem Elks Lodge Pin will be in Oregon Hospitality Room during the Grand Lodge National Convention.

If you are not going to Grand Lodge but still want to get one of these pins we will be selling a limited number of these pins for \$10 each.

To reserve one call or email the Exalted Ruler at 541-570-9262 or [cbwhitson83@gmail.com](mailto:cbwhitson83@gmail.com)

## Honoring Lodge Traditions

Unfortunately over the years there have been many traditions and practices in our lodge that have fallen off. Things like hosting or participating in certain events or observing certain rituals hasn't been done in years. So as we look into trying to go back to some of these traditions we ask two things. One is your patience as it takes time to re-learn practices and learn responsibilities. Two is to understand that we don't know what we don't know and therefore may not know of some of the old lodge traditions no longer around. If we miss something please tell us, don't accuse us of dropping the ball or not caring. And finally show grace and know we are trying and that we won't always have success on the first attempt.



**You are invited to join the Officers of the Salem Elks Lodge in honoring the flag of our county.**

**Friday June 14, 2019**

**Dinner service will start at 5pm and conclude early at 7pm**

**Flag Day Ritual will be conducted at 7:15 PM**

**Special Guests:**

**The Boy Scouts**

**Regular Friday night activities to follow.**

**\*Bar and Kitchen will be closed during the performance of the ritual.**

**Please join us in honoring the history of our flag which have adopted as emblematic of the cardinal principle of our order.**

Save the Date for August 10th for our Annual Elks Family Picnic with fun and games for the entire family. And new this year our first annual BBQ contest. So bring your best BBQ pork, beef or chicken and see who has the best BBQ at the 336!!! Also in August will be our Tiki under the Stars party. More information in next month's Elklet.

## Lodge Officers

### **Exalted Ruler**

C. Blake Whitson, PCB

### **Leading Knight**

Howard Bauman, PCB

### **Loyal Knight**

Joaquin Tudella

### **Lecturing Knight**

Angela Jones

### **Secretary**

Jan Sloan

### **Treasurer**

Linda Loop, PCB

### **Inner Guard**

Don Knepp

### **Tiler**

### **Esquire**

Dustin Yancey

### **Chaplain**

Mike Carter, PER PCB

### **Trustees**

Darrell Rysavy ~ Tim Maerz  
Rudy Guerrero ~ Duane Hagemann

### **Past Exalted Rulers/Past**

### **Chairman of the Board**

### **Association**

President Mike Carter, PER PCB

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 2018-2019**

Linda Loop, PCB

### **Elk of the Year 2018-2019**

Doll Boddy

### **Honorary Life Members**

Gary Felling, PER ~ Bill Myers, PER~

Bob Staples, PDDGER/PER/PCB

### **PDDGER**

Bob Staples, PER/PCB

# June 2019 Events

## Special Events

**Flag Day**—June 14th please joins us in paying tribute to the flag of our country and all it represents. Details on pg 3

**Fathers Day BBQ**—June 16th join us for our annual Fathers Day BBQ. Details on pg 8

**Going Away Party**—June 21st help us send our Exalted Ruler off to the Grand Lodge Convention in St. Louis. Details on pg 7

**DD Appreciation Dinner**—June 22nd We will be hosting the appreciation dinner for our outgoing District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler Steve Armbruster. No Host bar at 5 with Dinner at 6pm

**Golf Tournament**—July 21st Our annual charity golf tournament is back Details and registration on Insert

## 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 tacos, 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 and wings 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. We will also draw for the Queen of Hearts at 8 pm.

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

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Name

Present coupon to the bartender when ordering

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!!!!

First Wednesday will feature Horse Race Bingo  
Third Wednesday will feature Jefferson Parks band

## Lodge Hosting Schedule

- June 4 - Blake
- June 5 - Duane
- June 7 - Joaquin
- June 12 - Angela
- June 14 - All Officers
- June 19 - Blake
- June 21 - Angela
- June 26 - Howard
- June 28 - Rudy

Please keep in mind that menus and schedules are subject to changes after publication.

## June Important Dates

- June 4 - RV Club Meeting 7pm
- June 6 - BPER/PCB Meeting 6pm
- June 14 - Flag Day
- June 16 - Fathers Day BBQ
- June 20 - Balloting
- June 21 - Going Away Party
- June 22 - DD Appreciation Dinner
- June 25 - Orientation
- June 27 - Initiation



Sunday Closed	Monday 4pm - 9pm	Tuesday 1pm - 9pm	Wednesday 4pm - 9pm	Thursday 4pm - 9pm	Friday 4pm - 9pm	Saturday 4pm - 9pm
						1  \$5 Meal
2  Lodge Closed	3 Burgers & Wings Served 5-7pm  Board Meeting 7pm  Bingo 6pm	4 Taco Tuesday Served 5-7pm  RV Club 7pm	5 2 for \$20 Prime Rib Dinner Served 5-7pm  Horse Race Bingo	6 PER/PCB Lodge Night Dinner Served 5-7pm  Chicken Fried Steak	7 Dinner Served 5-7pm  DJ Jay Mundo 7pm	8  \$5 Meal
9  Lodge Closed	10 Burgers & Wings Served 5-7pm  Bingo 6pm	11 Taco Tuesday Served 5-7pm	12 2 for \$15 Dinners Served 5-7pm  2 for \$15 Dinners	13 Lodge Night Dinner Served 5-7pm  Bar Bites	14 Dinner Served 5-7pm Flag Day 7pm Karaoke 8pm Queen of Hearts 8pm	15  \$5 Meal  Salem Saturday Market 9-3
16  Fathers Day BBQ 1pm	17 Burgers & Wings Served 5-7pm  Board Meeting 7pm Bingo 6pm	18 Taco Tuesday Served 5-7pm	19 2 for \$20 Prime Rib Dinner Served 5-7pm  Jefferson Parks Band 7pm	20 Lodge Night Dinner Served 5-7pm  Balloting Bar Bites	21 Dinner Served 5-7pm Going Away Party DJ Jay Mundo 7pm Queen of Hearts 8pm	22  DD Appreciation Dinner 5 PM
23  Lodge Closed	24 Burgers & Wings Served 5-7pm  Bingo 6pm	25 Taco Tuesday Served 5-7pm  Orientation 6pm	26 2 for \$15 Dinners Served 5-7pm	27 Lodge Night Dinner Served 5-7pm  Initiation Dinner Roasted Pork Tenderloing	28 Dinner Served 5-7pm  Karaoke 7pm Queen of Hearts 8pm	29  \$5 Meal
30  Lodge Closed						

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

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by John Trammell, RV Club Reporter

After bringing rigs out of winter storage the Salem Elks RV Club completed the first camp out of the year which was held in April at the Wapiti RV Park near Lincoln City. There were nine rigs at the event and a good time was had by everyone. A highlight of the camp out was a visit to the Inn at Spanish Head Resort for a delightful dinner in a beautiful location with wonderful views of the ocean. During the camp out washoe games were played and first place was taken by Doris Wing and Ed Helton, Karen Klopp and Darrell Wing placed second. Washoes are one of the favorite activities at the club camp outs. The May camp out at Sutherlin, OR will be reported on in the June Elklet article.

At the May club meeting four more members came in, back from their winter trip to Arizona. Ed and Marilyn Northcutt and Randy and BJ Leach have returned to Salem. Wagon Master Gordon Sawser selected Ed Northcutt to open the meeting by leading the group in the pledge to our flag. During the meeting a final listing of club events was handed out. The Wings will arrange a camp out for September 9th to 13th at Wapiti, The Wings will also arrange a dinner on October 16th at the Marco Polo restaurant. The November 6th event is dinner at the lodge during steak night arranged by Myers, and the Christmas Dinner will be at the lodge on December 14th arranged by the Trammells.

Our club is known for being generous with local charities and we approved a motion by Bill Myers to donate \$100 in support of the Annual Salem Elks lodge golf tournament. The club will be listed as one of the sponsors of the tournament.

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## From The Kitchen

If you are eating out at your neighborhood Applebees or having a nice night out at the Olive Garden and need extra condiments or more napkins do you ask your server? Or do you just walk into the kitchen and rummage around helping yourself? Odds are you would ask your server. So please when dining with us at the Elks, if you need extra napkins, a to go container, or more ketchup please ask your server. It is distracting and potentially a safety hazard to you and us when people just walk into the kitchen and help themselves.

Thank you!!!

The 336 Kitchen Team

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## 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!

# 2019 ELKS National Convention St. Louis Missouri June 30 - July 3 2019

**Its time to help send our Exalted Ruler to the Elks National Convention. We will be holding our annual ER Going Away Party Friday June 21st starting at 5 PM**

**Dinner of St Louis Style Ribs with Corn on the cob and baked beans for \$10**

**And enjoy a night on the famed riverboats of St Louis with blackjack for \$10 buy in with an optional \$10 re-buy. We will also have a brown bag auction and other fun events to help send our Exalted Ruler on his way to Grand Lodge!!!!!!!**

**Also featuring DJ Jay Mundo and the Queen of Hearts Drawing**

## St Louis Facts

- Named for King Louis IX
- Founded in 1764
- More free attractions than any other city other than Washington DC
- The First US City to host the modern Olympic Games in 1904
- The St Louis Cardinals have won 11 World Series, 19 NL Pennants, and 12 division titles
- Hosts the 2nd largest Mardi Gras parade in the country
- Known for its signature gooey butter cake
- The Hill neighborhood offers some of the best italian food in the country and is known for local creation toasted ravioli
- Home of Anheuser Busch since 1852.
- The famous Clydesdale horses are housed on Grants Farm in St Louis
- The city is also home to the St Louis Blues hockey team.
- The Grand Lodge Convention will take place at the former home of the St Louis Rams (a touchy subject with locals).



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**Sunday June 16th  
Fathers Day Southern Style BBQ!!!!**

**Smoked Brisket, Pulled Pork, Mac N Cheese, Cowboy Beans, and  
More!!!!**

**Starts at 1pm**

**Dads \$5**

**Kids 10 and under \$7.50**

**All others \$10.00**