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COLORADO'S FRIENDLIEST LODGE

OCTOBER 2025

"The faults of our members we write upon the sand, their virtues upon the tablets of love and memory"

Jeep Clubs – Trunk or Treat

October 16th

Starting at 6:00 p.m.



Chili Cook Off

October 17th – 5 to 7

**Please have Chili entered
no later than 5:00 p.m.**

White, Red or Green.

Prizes for 1st, 2nd & 3rd.

October 17th – 7:30

Halloween Karaoke

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ER Message

October is here and with it comes falling leaves, the possibility of the first snowfall and of course ghosts and goblins. At the Lodge it means Jeep Club Trick or Treat, Halloween Karaoke with a costume contest and Chili Cook off and finally on Halloween "spooky spaghetti". We look forward to seeing you there.

Our new District Deputy, Troy Erickson, will be making his first visit to our Lodge this month as well and I would like to extend an invitation to everyone to come to the Lodge to meet him.

In September I attended the State Convention and would like to extend my sincere congratulations to our new State President, Dennis Morgan, from

Pueblo Lodge 90. We wish him the best as our State President for the fraternal year 2025-2026. Dennis' motto is "Together we can make a difference".

Let's prove him right; come down to the Lodge and get involved.

Fraternally,

Trudy Overhultz

Exalted Ruler, Westminster Lodge 2227.



Class in honor of Labor Day

Front row: PCJGF Greg Beacom, Jeanette Cook, Tom Cook, Mary Stahl.
Middle row: Austin Roecker, Tiana Miranda, Nicholas Marone, Frank Beasley.
Back row: PER. Eric Ingalls, PER Pee-Wee O'Connor, PER Adam Ingalls, Jazmine Setelin, Linda Berry.



Members presented GER Award for bringing in at least three new people to become members.

Donna Scharfenberg, Pete Montour, P.E.R. Gary Coven, Dennis McKelvey, Terry Engalls, Ken Ciancio, P.E.R. Pee-Wee O'Connor.



JOIN SPECIAL for September and October! Anyone who submits a Member Application between September 1st and October 31st will only pay \$1 Application Fee (that is a \$49 savings). What a great incentive to grow our Lodge!!

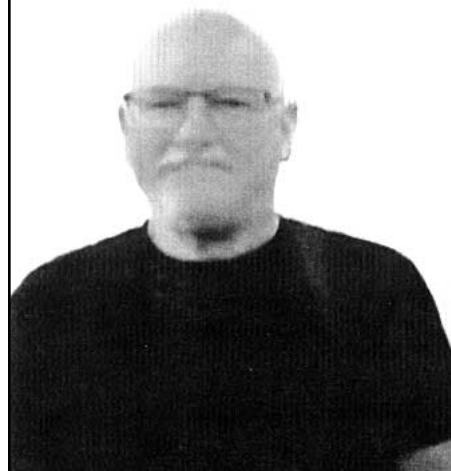
Sickness and Distress

PER Hal Winchester

had back surgery. He is home recuperating.

Jim Quirk

September Elk of Month



Calendar Events Please come down and enjoy your Lodge

October 1st Dinner 5-7, Bingo 6:30,
Scuff Shoe Lessons 6:30-9:30pm
October 2nd Italian Sausage Sandwiches 5-7,
Darts 6:00
October 3rd Pork Chops 5-7, Karaoke 7:30,
Scuff Shoes Dance 7:00-9:30pm
October 5th Bar Opens 10 am,
Bronco Potluck 11 am
October 6th Chili Cheese Dogs 5-8,
Line Dancing 6:30-8:30
October 7th Lodge Meeting 7:30, initiation
October 8th Board of Directors Meeting 6:30,
Scuff Shoe Lessons 6:30-9:30pm
October 9th Tacos 5-7, Darts 6:00
October 10th Chicken Fried Chicken 5-7
October 11th Stamp Camp 9:30-2:00, Dominoes 7:00
Prime Rib Dinner 5-7
October 13th Chamber of Commerce Ribbon Cutting
Ceremony 5:00, Chili Cheese Dogs 5-8,
Line Dancing 6:30-8:30
October 14th Lodge Meeting 7:30, Balloting
October 15th Dinner 5-7, Bingo 6:40,
Scuff Shoe Lessons 6:30-9:30pm
October 16th Wings 5-7, Trunk or Treat 6:00, Darts 6:00
October 17th Chili Cook Off 5-7, Halloween Karaoke 7:30
Scuff Shoes Dance 7:00-9:30pm
October 18th Craft and Sip 1-4
October 19th Jazz Club 2-5, Broncos Potluck 2:05
October 20th Chili Cheese Dogs 5-8,
Line Dancing 6:30-8:30

October 21st Membership Meeting 6:00 pm,
Lodge Meeting 7:30, Lodge of Sorrow, District
Deputy Visit
October 22nd House Committee Meeting 6:30,
Scuff Shoes Lessons 6:30-9:30pm
October 23rd Tacos 5-7, Darts 6:00
October 24th Chicken and Dumplings 5-7
October 26th Lodge Breakfast 8:30-10:30,
Broncos Potluck 2:25
October 27th Chili Cheese Dogs 5-8,
Line Dancing 6:30-8:30,
Veterans Meeting 6:30
October 29th Scuff Shoes Lessons 6:30-9:30pm
October 30th French Dip 5-7, Darts 6:00
October 31st Halloween, Spooky Spaghetti 6-7



The Westminister Chamber of Commerce will be performing a **RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY** for Westminister Elks #2227 as a NEW MEMBER of the Chamber on Monday, October 13th at 5pm. Come join us at the Lodge for this CELEBRATION as there will be a special cake and refreshments.

Westy Wash Days News – October 2025

It's our birthday!! The first Westy Wash Day was in October 2024, and I think I can honestly say this project has become a success. The Westminister City Parks and Rec Department Homeless Navigators are putting the word out when we are offering our services, and they are also supplying fresh fruit and water for our participants. The August Wash Days served one hundred people between the two sites. This is excellent news except for one tiny little thing. We may be running short of resources before the end of the Elks year when I can once more apply for the grants in March. I was budgeting for \$600 to \$800 per month for laundry. Well, now we are spending about \$900 every month. In addition to the laundry services, we are spending about \$5 on hygiene products and \$7.50 on two pair of winter socks for each adult. I am sending along a photo of the things we're putting in the hygiene kits; a bottle of shampoo from Dollar Tree (\$1.25), a bar of soap and toothbrush from Costco (\$1.50) and a 5 oz. tube of toothpaste from Amazon (\$16.84 per 4 pack). Clearly, the grants we currently have won't make it through the winter at the rate we're going. So this is when I must ask for the support of the Westminister Elks to chip in and share what we can. If you are able to drop off a few items at the lodge, there is a laundry basket in the lobby for this purpose. If you would like to donate cash directly to the project send a check along to the lodge designating the Westy Wash Day account for deposit. And if you would like to come by the laundromats when we are there, please feel free to drop by and lend a hand at handing out the goods! As a reminder, the Hidden Lake Laundromat is at 5055 West 72nd Avenue (Sheridan and 72nd). We are there on Thursday Wash Days, and the Plaza Coin Laundry is at 7243 Federal



Blvd. where we are on our Saturday dates. We hope to see you there!

Upcoming Wash Days will be October 23 and 25. November 20 and 22, December 18 and 20, January 22 and 24, February 19 and 21, and March 19 and 21.

Again, Happy Birthday to us! And certainly not least, I want to extend many thanks to those who have helped with this project in gifts of time, money, food, water, and caring gifts of hygiene products. The laundry basket in the lodge lobby is the drop off point for any donation, and I am happy to shop for you if that is needed.

Happy Birthday October

1 Beacom, Paul Q.	8 Jue, Tinyee	15 Gaunt, Robert	24 Robinson, Michael W.
1 Reisbeck, Laurie	8 McCoy, Ryan	15 Lewis, Scott	24 Schultz, Trudie
	8 Vasquez, Michael	16 Ingalls, Erica	
2 Gonzales, Abel	9 Byrd, Ronald J.	16 Warmoth Jr., J. Scott	25 Bania, Martin
3 Black Jr., Luther W.	9 Kellen, Marisela	17 Gillette, Kenneth, V. III	25 Perkins, Timothy M.
3 Owen, Michael S.			26 Addy, Craig W.
	10 Gavito, Kenneth L.	18 Camren, Richard	26 Lujan, Dale
4 Botelho, Dennis A.	10 Gillan, Daniel W.	18 Davey, Richard	
4 Brockish, Donald	10 Groff, JoAnn	18 Gallegos, Betty	27 Chavez, Eileen
4 Christensen, Raymond A.	10 Morr, Nancy	18 Scheer, Charles J.	
4 Engstrom, Dan	10 Raines, Michael	19 McCandless, Steven K.	28 Chavez, Glorial
4 Garcia, Charmayne	11 Chavez, Melissa	20 Cordova, Ben	28 Kurth, James, L.
4 McDaniels, Denny	11 Dietz, Gary A.	20 Ingalls, Linda	28 Syfrett, Billie J.
	11 Feller, Kevin A.	20 Molzahn, Linda	28 Weart, Walter
5 Nanio, Anthony	11 Ryan, Greg	20 Strong, Nathan	
5 Saccomano, Michael A.	11 Thurmond, William	21 Flesher, Hervey S.	29 Acree, George L.
		21 Scharfenberg, Donna	29 Gain, Gary Lee
6 Bryant, Donna L.	12 Ingalls, Adam	22 DeLa Pena, Luis	29 Lettieri, Ralph
6 Warren, Colleen	12 Reisbeck, Timothy D.	22 Lofgren, William	29 Maes, Maria Sanchez
		22 Navarro, Gilbert L.	29 Rea, Wayne
7 Caplan, Les	13 Thompson, Jacalyn	23 Musquiz, Tara	29 Vaughan, Richard
7 Cress, Earl	14 Campbell, Robert L.	23 Rivenes, Cliff	
7 Mable, Marc	14 Garcia, Jesse		30 Vest, Victor L., III
7 Sanchez, Angela			
8 Hudson, Mark			31 Palaze, George

DAILY DRAWINGS IN THE MONTH OF AUGUST 2025

Jay Rugg5437
 Mark Haroldson7888
 Dennis McKelvey6108
 Teri Zinanti8682
 Gina Fantini7315
 Sharyn Bar Hoover8696
 Paul Garnica8536
 Keith Streufert6916
 Melinda Shaffer8563
 James Baca8627
 Timothy Reisbeck7659

Brian Fenimore7308
 John Pomponio8564
 Jon Richenberger7475*
 Diane Frank7192
 Laronna Debraak8519
 Tom Wagner7978
 John Treuber7566
 Matthew Schimpt8471
 Tiffany Sylvester6972
 Lawrence Rivera8580*
 Diana Frank7192

Gerald Albro8634
 Louis J. Pasco Jr.3731
 Gerald Quintana7709
 Don Pachello6722
 Rose Root8072
 Rose Root8072
 Mark Kaiser6760
 Roger Maxwell6862
 Melinda Shaffer8563

*Winners



Oct. 3rd & 17th
7:30p.m. to 10:00p.m.



Every Thursday
starting at 6:00p.m.



Oct. 1st & 15th
6:30 to 9:00p.m.



October 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Open 4 p.m. Dinner 5 to 7 Scuffed Shoes Lessons 6:30-9:30 Bingo 6:30	2 Open 4 p.m. Italian Sausage Sandwich 5-7 Darts 6:00 p.m. Interviews 6:30	3 Open 4 p.m. Scuffed Shoes Dance 6:30-9:30 Pork Chops 5 to 7 Karaoke 7:30	4 Open 12
	5 Open 10 to 6 p.m. Broncos Potluck 11a.m.	6 Open 4 p.m. Chili Cheese Dogs 5-8 Line Dance 6:30-8:30	7 Open 4 p.m. Lodge Meeting 7:30 Initiation	8 Open 4 p.m. Board of Directors Meeting 6:30 Scuffed Shoes Lessons 6:30-9:30	9 Open 4 p.m. Tacos 5 pm-7 pm Darts 6:00 p.m.	10 Open 4 p.m. Chicken Fried Chicken 5 to 7 Prime Rib 5 -7 pm Mexican Train Dominos 7 pm
	12 Open 12 to 6 p.m.	13 Open 4 p.m. Ribbon Cutting 5:00 pm Chili Cheese Dogs 5-8 Line Dance 6:30-8:30	14 Open 4 p.m. Lodge Meeting 7:30 Balloting PER Meeting 6:30 p.m.	15 Open 4 p.m. Dinner 5 to 7 Scuffed Shoes Lessons 6:30-9:30 Bingo 6:30	16 Open 4 p.m. Wings 5 pm-7 pm Trunk or Treat 6:00 pm Darts 6:00 p.m.	17 Open 4 p.m. Scuffed Shoes Dance 6:30-9:30 Chili Cook off 5 to 7 Halloween Karaoke 7:30
	19 Open 12 to 6 p.m. Broncos Potluck 2:05 Denver Jazz Club 2pm to 5pm	20 Open 4 p.m. Chili Cheese Dogs 5-8 Line Dance 6:30-8:30	21 Open 4 p.m. Lodge Mtg. 7:30 D.D. Visit Lodge of Sorrow Membership Committee Meeting 6:00	22 Open 4 p.m. House Committee Meeting 6:30 Scuffed Shoes Lessons 6:30-9:30	23 Open 4 p.m. Tacos 5-7 Darts 6:00 p.m. Orientation 6:30 pm	24 Open 4 p.m. Chicken & Dumplings 5 to 7
	26 Open 12 to 6 p.m. Breakfast 8:30 to 10:30 Broncos Potluck 2:25	27 Open 4 p.m. Chili Cheese Dogs 5-8 Line Dance 6:30-8:30	28 Open 4 p.m. Lodge Meeting 7:30 Birthday Celebration	29 Open 4 p.m. Scuffed Shoes Lessons 6:30-9:30	30 Open 4 p.m. French Dip 5-7 Darts 6:00 p.m.	31 Open 4 p.m. Spooky Spaghetti 5 to 7

HAPPY HOUR 4 TO 7 EVERY DAY AND ALL DAY TUESDAY.

ATTENTION ALL PAST EXALTED RULERS (PERS)

The second Tues. of each month is our monthly PER meeting in the Antlers Room of the Lodge beginning at 6:30 p.m. The next meeting will be Oct. 14, 2025



No. 2227
Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks
November 2025



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 Bar Open 12 p.m.
2 Bar Open 10am Broncos Potluck 11:00	3 Bar Open 4p.m. Chili Cheese Dogs 5-8 Line Dance 6:30-8:30	4 Bar Open 4p.m. Lodge Meeting 7:30 Initiation	5 Bar Open 4p.m. Dinner 5 to 7 Scuffed Shoes 6:30pm Bingo 6:30	6 Bar Open 4p.m. Broncos Potluck 6:00pm	7 Bar Open 4p.m. Sloppy Joes French Fries 5pm-7pm Scuffed Shoes 7:00 Karaoke 7:30	8 Bar Open 12p.m. Steak Night 5 to 7
9 Bar Open 12-6pm	10 Bar Open 4p.m. Chili Cheese Dogs 5-8 Line Dance 6:30-8:30	11 Bar Open 4p.m. Lodge Meeting 7:30 Balloting PER Meeting 6:30 p.m.	12 Bar Open 4p.m. Board of Directors Meeting 6:30 Scuffed Shoes 6:30pm	13 Bar Open 4p.m. Tacos 5pm-7pm Darts 6:00p.m.	14 Bar Open 4p.m. Dinner 5 to 7	15 Bar Open 12p.m. Charity Ball 5pm
16 Bar Open 12-6pm Broncos Potluck 2:25 Denver Jazz Club 2pm to 5pm	17 Bar Open 4p.m. Chili Cheese Dogs 5-8 Line Dance 6:30-8:30	18 Bar Open 4p.m. Lodge Meeting 7:30 Lodge of Sorrow Membership Committee Meeting 6:00	19 Bar Open 4p.m. Dinner 5 to 7 Scuffed Shoes 6:30pm Bingo 6:30	20 Bar Open 4p.m. Wings 5pm-7pm Darts 6:00p.m.	21 Bar Open 4p.m. Shrimp & Rocky Mtn. Oysters 5 to 7 Scuffed Shoes 7:00 Karaoke 7:30	22 Bar Open 12p.m. Craft Fair
23 Bar Open 8:30-6pm Breakfast 8:30 to 10:30	24 Bar Open 4p.m. Chili Cheese Dogs 5-8 Line Dance 6:30-8:30	25 Bar Open 4p.m. Lodge Meeting 7:30 Birthday Celebration	26 Bar Open 4p.m.	27 Lodge Closed Happy Thanksgiving	28 Bar Open 4p.m. House Committee Meeting 6:30	29 Open 12 to 9pm
30 Bar Open 12 noon Broncos Potluck 6:30						

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