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ELKS TALE

HOME OF THE GOLDEN ELK

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COLORADO'S FRIENDLIEST LODGE



MAY 2025

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

Kentucky Derby May 3rd • Festivities noon to 5:00



Best Dressed, Best Hat
Blind draw on
Derby Horse pay 4 places
Wooden Horse race
in dining room



Mother's Day Breakfast

May 11th • 8:30 to 10:30

Westminster Elks Moms Eat Free
All others are \$12.00 • Children under 5 Free

Memorial Weekend Bash

Camper parking on the wall free for weekend for Westminster Elks Members

Friday – McKelvey famous Shrimp 5-7

Saturday - Blind Golf Cart Races • Darts and Pool 12-5 • Cook your own Steak Dinner 5-7

Sunday - Breakfast 8:30-10:30, Car Cruise-in

Monday - Memorial Day BBQ, Back Patio, Lodge Closes 6:00

ER Message

Members:

The first month of the new Lodge year was a busy one. April saw us having a great time at the Inaugural Ball. The kids enjoyed the Easter Egg hunt and party, and the adults had a good meal and champagne at the Easter brunch.

May is looking to be another fun filled month. Come down to the Lodge for Derby Day festivities on the 3rd, then bring Mom in for breakfast on the 11th, and finally come down for all the Memorial Weekend food and games.

Your Lodge needs you to keep up the good times and good work we do. Volunteers are the backbone of the Lodge. If you can help even one day a month WE NEED YOU!

Trudy Overhultz Exalted Ruler



Class named in honor of Easter

Back row: Danny Burham, Brandy Montour, Pete Montour,

Steven Maio, Steve Thompson, PER Terry Ingalls.

Front row: Colin Romano, Trevor Wenokur,

ER Trudy Overhultz, Richard Ingalls.



Elk of the Year P.D.D.G.E.R. Dana Priola



Officer of the Year Cary Lopez



Elk of the month for April E.R. Adam Ingalls, **Dianne Shantz**, P.E.R. Nancy Hannah.

ATTENTION

Unfortunately Laradon and the Veterans can no longer accept used clothing and footwear. If you wish to donate all clothing must be new with the tags still attached or in the original packaging.

If this should ever change I will be sure to let you know. Shirley Priola

Lodge and District Chair for Laradon

The Vacant Chair

A noble Elk has fallen pierced by the arrow of death. His trial s ended, his faults forgotten, his virtues cherished, he rests in peace.

Fred Gonzales		John A. Cillessen		
Born:	July 23, 1949	Born: July 19, 1	949	
Initiated:	Sept. 4, 2001	Initiated: May 23, 1	985	
Deceased:	Feb. 22, 2025	Deceased: Mar. 30, 2	2025	

"We shall meet but we shall miss him, there will be the Vacant Chair but though we no more possess him still our hearts his memory bear."

Calendar Events

Please come down and enjoy your Lodge

- May 1 Italian Sausage Sandwich 5:00-7:00, Darts 6:00
- May 2 Chicken Fried Steak 5:00-7:00 , Karaoke 7:30
- May 3 Kentucky Derby Day, 12:00-5:00, Pulled Pork Sandwich, 12-2
- May 5 Chili Cheese Dogs 5:00-8:00, Line Dance 6:30-8:30
- May 7 Dinner 5:00-7:00, Bingo 6:30
- May 8 Tacos 5:00-7:00, Darts 6:00
- May 9 Meatloaf Dinner 5:00-7:00
- May 10 Officers Steak Night 5:00-7:00, Stamp Camp, 9:30am-2:00pm
- May 11 Mother's Day Breakfast 8:30-10:30
- May 12 Chili Cheese Dogs 5:00-8:00, Line Dance 6:30-8:30
- May 14 Board of Directors Meeting 6:30
- May 15 Wings 5:00-7:00, Darts 6:00
- May 16 Rocky Mtn. Oysters and Shrimp Dinner 5:00-7:00, Scuffed Shoes 6:30, Karaoke 7:30
- May 19 Chili Cheese Dogs 5:00-8:00, Line Dance 6:30-8:30
- May 21 Dinner 5:00-7:00, Bingo 6:30

- May 22 Tacos 5:00-7:00, Darts 6:00 pm
- May 23 McKelveys Shrimp 5:00-7:00
- May 24 Golf Cart Races, Darts & Pool 12-5, Turkey & Cheese Sandwich w/Chips 11-1:00, Cook your own Steak 5:00-7:00
- May 25 Breakfast 8:30-10:30, Car Cruise-in
- May 26 Memorial Day BBQ Back Patio, 11:00-2, Lodge Closes 6:00
- May 28 House Committee Meeting 6:30
- May 29 French Dip 5:00-7:00, Darts 6:00
- May 30 Fried Chicken Dinner 5:00-7:00

The Membership Committee will be selling these highquality WHITE STYLUS PENS for \$5 each. You can get yours during the months of May and June at our Lodge Meetings, Bingo, and Officer's Steak Dinner nights - just ask an Officer. Proceeds will help us promote Lodge membership throughout the year!



DAILY DRAWINGS IN THE MONTH OF MARCH 2025

William Lodgren 554
Ronald Green7950
James F. McGinnis8424
Richard Blair
Scott Lewis
Noah Webb8200
Rebeca DeLaPena 8211
De Wu
Gary Allmendinger 5268
Donald Scheel 5127
Kirk Salazar8454
Douglas Hudson 7237

Evelyn Rowley	7375
Anthony Martinez	8496
Adam Śweeney	
Donald May	
Evelyn Rowley	
Betty Gallegos	
Beth Marrone	



May 2nd & 16th 7:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.



Every Thursday starting at 6:00 p.m.



May 7th & 21st 6:30 to 9:00 p.m.

Happy Birthday May

- 1 Cogley, John 1 Crawford, Brenda 1 Gallegos, Mark
- Passarelli, Terry L.
 Thompson, Bruce E.
- 2 Handran, Brian K.
- 2 Krichel, Linda
- 2 Loyd, Gary
- 3 Laging, Bill
- 3 Naeve, Cathie3 Naeve, Melvin D.
- 3 Smith, Danielle
- 4 Griffin, Jeff
- 5 Castor, Larry D.
- 5 Johnson, Paul D.
- 5 Kellen, Bryan
- 6 Bowden, Debra
- 6 Hans, Gerald W.
- 6 Landgraf, Robert
- 7 Addyman, Jr., Robert J.
- 7 Beagle, Jack L.

- 7 Romero, Andrew
- 8 Bills, Josephine M.
- 8 Dean, Candace Lee
- 8 Fresquez, Samuel
- 8 Guttropf, Robert E. Jr.
- 8 Heckathorn, Susan P.
- 8 Jackson, Trisha
- 8 Koski, David O.
- 8 May, Donald8 Schillinger, David
- 9 Begier, Erin
- 9 Begier, Erin 9 Binford, Todd W.
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- 10 Monson, Linda 10 Nun, Russel W.
- 10 Smith, Cal R.
- 10 Valente, Larry F.
- 12 Barton, Thomas C.
- 12 Kos, Kelvin J.
- 12 Linder, Stewart D.
- 12 Rinkenberger, Jon E.
- 12 Thompson, Ron
- 12 Vigil, David

- 13 Yeager, James G.
- 15 Joy, Pat.
- 16 Blakley, Sharon
- 16 Maestas, Patrick
- 17 Berry, John
- 17 Rogers, John T.
- 18 Castellaw, Laura S.
- 18 Rodriquez, Edward T.
- 18 Wagner, Richard
- 19 Quinn, Robert W.
- 19 Rau, Lawrence H.
- 19 Ritchie, Riley
- 19 Slaght, Richard
- 20 Black, Lynn B.
- 20 Smith, Jim
- 20 Setelin, Sandra
- 21 Drusin, Ken
- 21 Gorman, Ronald J.

- 21 LeVan, Darrald C.
- 21 Raynor, Angie
- 22 Slater, Merna
- 23 Jones, Gregory J.
- 23 Rodriquez, Lillian
- 24 Sarmir, Kimberley
- 24 Wheeler, Kendall B.
- 27 Andersen, Allen W.
- 27 Priola, Dana Michael
- 27 Renslow, Jack
- 28 Healy, Douglas J.
- 29 Biesemeier, Gary W.
- 29 Dalla, Richard A.
- 29 Luckinbill, Lynn H.
- 30 Haberkorn, Ronald E.
- 30 Jean, Dennis L.
- 31 Kauffman, Alan
- 31 Prunk, Frank J., Jr.
- 31 Velotta, Chris

Westy Wash Day. Final Report and Plan for 2025/2026

This has been an exciting Elks ENF Grant year. We have completed the first year of Westy Wash Days and the Final Report is submitted to the ENF. We served a total of 330 adults and 418 children for a grand total of 748 over the six months we were in operation. This includes 22 veterans and 91 people who were homeless. I want to thank everyone who helped with this project including Bill Scharfenberg, Joe Scharfenberg, Colleen Warren, Patrick Warren, Michele Masters, Julie Strockey, Donna Scharfenberg. Chris Setelin, Maria Sanchez-Maes, Michelle Bode, Shirley Priola, Terry Ingalls and Monica Rodriguez for all their help with different parts of this project. And a great big thank you to the Westminster Elks #2227 MEMBERS for their support and donations over the course of the year! Without everyone working together, this project would have withered and gone away.

Because we have had positive feedback from both the community

and the Lodge, we will be going forward with this project into the 25/26 Elks Year. A new grant year is expected to kick in by mid-May. We have two new partners from the City of Westminster, Alex Reeves, Operations Manager, Westminster Department of Parks, Recreation and

Libraries, and Kate Starnes, City of Westminster Parks, Recreation and Libraries Senior Management Analyst. Kate is in charge of the City's Homeless Navigator Program and will be helping to spread the word on our behalf.

Wash Dates for 2025-2026

Month	Hidden Lake	Plaza/Superior	
April	24	0	
May	15	17	
June	26	28	
July	24	26	
August	21	23	
September	25	27	
October	23	25	
November	20	22	
December	18	20	
January	22	24	
February	19	21	
March	19	21	



No. 2227 Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks



May 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Sec.		Con	7	Open 4p.m. to 9p.m.	Open 4p.m. to 10p.m.	3 Open 12 to 9pm
				Italian Sausage Sandwich 5-7 Darts 6:00 p.m. Interviews 6:30	Chicken Fried Steak 5 to 7 Karaoke 7:30	Kentucky Derby 12-5 Lunch Pulled Pork Sandwich 12:00 2:00
Open 12 to 6 p.m.	Open 4p.m. to 9p.m.	6 Open 4p.m. to 10p.m.	Open 4p.m. to 9p.m.	8 Open 4p.m. to 9p.m.	9 Open 4p.m. to 10p.m.	Open 12 to 9 pm
	Chili Cheese Dogs 5-8 Line Dance 6:30-8:30	Lodge Meeting 7:30 Initiation	Dinner 5 to 7 Bingo 6:30	Tacos 5 pm-7 pm Darts 6:00 p.m.	Meatloaf Dinner 5 to 7	Officers Steak Dinner 5 to 7 Stamp Camp 9:30 am to 2:00 pm
Open 12 to 6 p.m.	Open 4p.m. to 9p.m.	Open 4p.m. to 10p.m.	Open 4p.m. to 9p.m.	Open 4p.m. to 9p.m.	Open 4p.m. to 10p.m.	Open 12 to 9 pm
Mother's Day Breakfast 8:30-10:30	Chili Cheese Dogs 5-8 Line Dance 6:30-8:30	Lodge Meeting 7:30 Balloting PER Meeting 6:30 p.m.	Board of Directors Meeting 6:30	Wings 5 pm-7 pm Darts 6:00 p.m.	Shrimp & Rocky Mtn. Oysters 5 to 7 Karaoke 7:30 Scuffed Shoes 6:30	
Open 12 to 6 p.m.	Open 4p.m. to 9p.m.	Open 4p.m. to 10p.m.	Open 4p.m. to 9p.m.	Open 4p.m. to 9p.m.	Open 4p.m. to 10p.m.	Open 12 to 9pm
Denver Jazz Club 2pm to 5pm	Chili Cheese Dogs 5-8 Line Dance 6:30-8:30	Lodge Meeting 7:30 Lodge of Sorrow Membership Committee Meeting 6:00	Dinner 5 to 7 Bingo 6:30	Tacos 5 pm-7 pm Darts 6:00 p.m.	McKelvey Shrimp 5 to 7	Golf Cart Races Darts, Pool 12 to 5 Cook your own Steak 5 to 7
Open 12 to 6 p.m.	Open 4p.m. to 9p.m.	Open 4p.m. to 10p.m.	Open 4p.m. to 9p.m.	Open 4p.m. to 9p.m.	Open 4p.m. to 10p.m.	Open 12 to 9 pm
Breakfast 8:30 to 10:30 Car Cruise-in	Memorial Day BBQ Back Patio 11-2 Close 6:00	Lodge Meeting 7:30 Birthday Celebration	House Committee Meeting 6:30	French Dip Sandwich 5 pm-7 pm Darts 6:00 p.m.	Fried Chicken Dinner 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 May 13, 2025



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June 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Open 4p.m. to 9p.m.	Open 4 to 9p.m.	3 Open 4p.m. to 9p.m.	Open 4p.m. to 9p.m.	Open 4p.m. to 9p.m.	6 Open 4p.m. to 10p.m.	7 Open 12 to 9pm
	Chili Cheese Dogs 5-8	Lodge Meeting 7:30 Initiation	Dinner 5 to 7	Italian Sausage Sandwich 5-7 Darts	Chicken Pot Pie 5 to 7	
	Line Dance 6:30-8:30		Bingo 6:30	6:00 p.m. Interviews 6:30	Karaoke 7:30	
8 Open 12 to 6 p.m.	Open 4 to 9p.m.	Open 4p.m. to 10p.m.	Open 4p.m. to 9p.m.	Open 4p.m. to 9p.m.	Open 4p.m. to 10p.m.	Open 12 to 11 pm
	Chili Cheese Dogs 5-8 Line Dance 6:30-8:30	Lodge Meeting 7:30 Balloting PER Meeting 6:30 p.m.	Board of Directors Meeting 6:30	Tacos 5-7 Darts 6:00p.m.	Rib Dinner 5 to 7	Stamp Camp 9:30-2:00 Officers Steak Night 5 to 7
Open 12 to 6 p.m.	Open 4 to 9p.m.	Open 4p.m. to 10p.m.	Open 4p.m. to 9p.m.	Open 4p.m. to 9p.m.	Open 4p.m. to 10p.m.	Open 12 to 9 pm
Father's Day 11:00-2:00 BBQ Back Patio	Chili Cheese Dogs 5-8 Line Dance 6:30-8:30	Lodge Mtg. 7:30 Lodge of Sorrow Membership Committee Meeting 6:00	Dinner 5 to 7 Bingo 6:30	Wings 5-7 Darts 6:00p.m.	Rocky Mt. Oysters & Shrimp 5 to 7 Karaoke 7:30	
Open 12 to 6 p.m.	Open 4 to 9p.m.	Open 4:00 to 9:00	Open 4p.m. to 9p.m.	Open 4p.m. to 9p.m.	Open 4p.m. to 10p.m.	Open 12 to 9pm
Breakfast 8:30 to 10:30 Car Cruise-in	Chili Cheese Dogs 5-8 Line Dance 6:30-8:30	Lodge Meeting 7:30 Birthday Celebration	House Committee Meeting 6:30	Tacos 5-7 Darts 6:00 p.m. Indoctrination 6:30 pm	Pork Pinwheels 5 to 7	
Open 12 to 6 p.m.	Open 4 to 9p.m.	Open 4p.m. to 10p.m.				
	Chili Cheese Dogs 5-8 Line Dance 6:30-8:30					

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