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VETERAN'S CEREMONY AND DINNER

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2026

(there will be no lodge meeting)



Join us in Celebrating our Military Personnel and Veterans!

The Ceremony
begins at 5:30pm

With Dinner
following at 6:00pm

THE MENU WILL BE

Roast Beef or
Chicken Cordon Bleu:

\$18.00 for Adults

\$10.00 for Children (under 10)

Please RSVP by: November 5th at 541-345-8416

★ Military Personnel and Veteran will eat for Free, you will need to RSVP. ★

November 11 VETERANS REMEMBRANCE

"So long as there are Veterans
the BENevolent and Protective Order of ELKS
will never forget them"



Rotary Bingo –
Thursday Nov 12



BARN SHAKERS

★ MUSIC AND DANCING ★

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2026

MORE
INFORMATION
INSIDE

CRAFT FAIR

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2026

10:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Shop unique handmade items
from local crafters and vendors!



TUESDAY NIGHTS BINGO



LODGE MEETINGS



WEDNESDAYS | 7:00 PM

QUEEN OF HEARTS



FRIDAYS | 6:30 PM

Come join in the fun and make new friends for a Life Time



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Eugene Elks BPOE #357



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Lodge Office Hours (April to February): Tuesday – Thursday 10am to 3pm

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Facebook: Eugene Elks Lodge #357

Instagram: eugeneelks357

★	OFFICERS: 2026 – 2027	★
★	Exalted Ruler: Tricia Brandsness (Joey)	
★	Leading Knight: Charity Barry Robinson	
★	Loyal Knight: Kerry Oliver	
★	Lecturing Knight: Bill Wood (Cecile)	
★	Secretary: Beverly Stewart (Bob)	
★	Treasurer: Terry Brant (Jeanne)	
★	Tiler: Floyd Bard (Jill)	
★	Esquire: Bill McMahon (Karen)	
★	Chaplain: Joey Brandsness (Tricia)	
★	Inner Guard: Sally Stice	
★	Organist: Donna Brant	



★	BOARD OF TRUSTEES: 2026 – 2027	★
★	One Year: Diane McKinley (Stephen)	
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NEW LODGE PIN

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Ask an officer how to get one.

LUNCH IS BACK!

GOOD FOOD • GREAT COMPANY!

The Lodge will be
OPEN FOR LUNCH
on
TUESDAYS & **WEDNESDAYS**

11:00 AM – 1:00 PM

THIS IS A TRIAL RUN, AND WE NEED YOUR HELP TO MAKE IT A SUCCESS!

BRING A FRIEND, BRING A FELLOW ELK, AND STOP BY FOR LUNCH.

Come in, Enjoy Lunch, and Support Your Lodge!

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3. Place all your completed tickets in the wall box depository in the dining room.

Tickets are available from Bev, our Lodge Secretary, or Stephen McKinley, 2nd Year Trustee.

NAME: _____ CARD # _____

Will you be the one to find the Queen? | COME JOIN US FRIDAY NIGHT AND TRY YOUR LUCK!

Leading Knight

Charity Barry Robinson

RV campouts are probably the last things on your mind while you're reading this at this time of year. But now is a good time to start planning for the 2027 camping season. We have acquired several new members in our lodge in the last few months who may not be aware of our Kamper Klub. So, what is the Kamper Klub?

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The Kamper Klub was/is a club of members that enjoy RVing.

History:

The Klub was formed in the fall of 1982 by eleven couples who got together at a campground on Cottage Grove Lake for a weekend. At the end of the outing we talked about the fun weekend we had together. An article of our outing was posted in the February 1983 Elklet and announced a meeting in the lodge for all members that would be interested in forming a club. WOW! 93 people showed up for that meeting. By the end of that meeting a group of about 15 decided what kind of club we wanted. We elected a President, V. President, and Secretary.

The format of a campout was that a volunteer and a helper would select a campground (from a small list of places the group liked), then a few members would get together and decide who would bring different items for a Saturday night Potluck dinner. It was decided that the club would have an outing the second weekend of every month except December and January.

In the future it was decided we would find a restaurant to go to for Friday dinner and Saturday morning breakfast. After a period of time it was decided that a place of interest to visit was added to the Saturday activities.

The Kamper Klub grew to 33 members/rigs and stayed that way until some started dropping out because of age or health reasons until finally totally disbanded when covid hit.

I am now attempting to reform the camper club so that others can feel the enjoyment that I did. Look for more information and a meeting date in the future.



Lecturing Knight

Brotherly Love • Bill Wood

Fall has arrived in Willamette Valley, home of the Eugene Elks Lodge #357. This is the favorite time of year for many of you with the beautiful leaves changing colors, cool mornings, the sound of rain, clocks returning to standard time and a lot of upcoming Holiday Events.

This also is the season that promotes sharing Brotherly Love for ALL, Kindness and friendship.

We especially want to welcome all the new members who have joined the Eugene Elks Lodge this year and we encourage you to engage in events held at the Lodge, we would love to meet you.

Please share your thoughts and ideas with our Officers and help create the type of Lodge that you want to be proud of. Follow our Facebook page, Eugene Elks Lodge #357 to stay up to date on events and happenings at the Lodge.

Exalted Ruler

Fidelity • Tricia

As we near the end of 2026, I want to talk about membership.

Membership drives every lodge; it is about more than numbers. We have 233 active members and 20 delinquents on the books. At lodge meetings and activities, attendance is closer to 15 to 25 active members on a good night.

The board and officers are working together on activities to bring more members to the Lodge. We are also updating the menu with new items in hopes of welcoming more members. If you need a ride, let us know so we can work out a plan to get you to the meetings or activities you want to attend.

If you are a snowbird, I hope you come back during the six months you are here. Come meet our new members and check out the new dance floor, lottery machines, and updated signs on the building and street. Remind your family about the Lodge and all it has done for the community over the past 129 years. Seeing you come to the Lodge might encourage the next generation to continue the great work of Elkdorn.

P.S. If you have grandchildren in high school, your membership may help them receive a scholarship for college or trade school.

FULL MEMBERSHIP STATS

Active Members	Candidates	Pending Transfers	Delinquents	Flagged Records
233	0	0	20	2

Happy November BIRTHDAYS!



Please join us in wishing these members a very Happy Birthday!

- ★ Wagner, William
- ★ Hall, Claude R
- ★ Wood, Mike
- ★ Cox, David W
- ★ Darden, Star Marie
- ★ Parker, Vickie
- ★ Zwiesler, Jack

- ★ Edwards, Frederic W
- ★ Nolte, John W
- ★ Gregersen, Gerald
- ★ Caldwell, Rickie Allen
- ★ Lerch, Barbara L
- ★ Wetherald, Charles R
- ★ Balogh, Gary

- ★ Watts, Denny
- ★ Hoyt, Thomas H
- ★ Degner, George G
- ★ Olivas, Gregory
- ★ Boyd, Philip

Use your FREE MEAL during the month of your birthday!

★ COMING NEXT MONTH: ★ HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP RECOGNITION



VOTING AT THE
NOVEMBER 18TH
LODGE MEETING

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18TH

★ As required by our Lodge bylaws,
each candidate must be approved
by a **vote of the membership.**

★ Please watch our Facebook page
and the Lodge bulletin board,
or stop by the Lodge for updates
and additional information.

★ HONORARY MEMBER ★

Donna Brant

Proposed by the Board

- ★ Was very active in Emblem before becoming an Elk
- ★ Longtime member and dedicated volunteer
- ★ Continued support of the Lodge and its programs
- ★ Commitment to our members and community
- ★ Always willing to help where needed
- ★ Helps at other lodges when needed

THANK YOU
FOR YOUR
DEDICATION
AND SERVICE!

★ Thank you for your years of dedication and service to our Lodge and the Elks! ★



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Do you have
cans or bottles
you'd like to donate?



Come to the Lodge
and get your
BLUE BAGS!



It's an **easy way**
to donate to the
Lodge while putting
your cans and bottles
to good use.



Grab a **BLUE BAG** and help
support your Lodge! ♥



BARN SHAKERS

Friday, November 13, 2026

Music by the Barn Shakers with their fun country vibe

Dinner 5-7 PM

Dancing starting at 6-9 PM

2026 OREGON DUCKS FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

WEEK 9



MICHIGAN
vs OREGON

SAT, NOV 14

HOME GAME

WEEK 12



WASHINGTON
vs OREGON

SAT, NOV 28

HOME GAME

WEEK 10



OHIO STATE
vs OREGON

SAT, NOV 7

TBA

WEEK 13



OREGON

SAT, DEC 5

TBA

WEEK 11



MICHIGAN STATE
vs OREGON

FRI, NOV 20

5:00 PM

GO DUCKS!

Watch the game on our big-screen TVs while enjoying great food with your Elks family!



★ GAME DAY TAILGATE ★

Join fellow members at the Lodge
one hour before kickoff for our
Duck game tailgate.



Tailgating is a **potluck**,
so please bring a favorite
dish, snack, or dessert to share.

Please be considerate to others,
if you do not bring food to share
don't eat off the buffet table.



FOOTBALL PARKING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Help support our Lodge while enjoying game day!



Volunteers should arrive at the parking
venue **six (6) hours before kickoff**.



PLEASE NOTE

Because most games are played on
Saturdays, the Lodge may also be hosting
our **Saturday Night Dance**. We will make
every effort to designate separate areas so
both our football fans and dance guests can
comfortably enjoy the events.



ANNUAL CRAFT FAIR

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2026

10:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Join us for a fun-filled day of shopping, creativity,
community, and holiday gift ideas!



CRAFTER/VENDORS WANTED!

We are looking for people who do any
kind of crafts, baked goods, woodwork
and handmade items.

Plus, specialty vendors including tarot
card reading, palm reading, Henna tattoos,
hair extensions or anything else unique!

VENDOR INFORMATION

8' TABLE RENTAL:

\$25

\$25.00

Space is limited,
so reserve your spot early!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!



Not a vendor?
We can still use your help!
Volunteers are needed to
assist with setup before the
event and cleanup afterward.

2026 ANNUAL CRAFT FAIR REGISTRATION FORM

Vendor Name: _____

Vendor Cell Tel. No.: _____

Describe what you are offering for sale: _____

No. of tables to rent: _____ X \$25.00 per Table = _____

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE \$ _____

1 Mail your completed registration form, with a check made out to:
"Craft Fair" in the memo portion of your check.

2 Mail it to:
P.O. Box 2475
Eugene, OR 97402

3 Hand delivered to the Lodge office
during business hours
Tuesday - Thursday
10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Sickness & Distress

Shane saw the specialist and needs to wear a back brace.

Lloyd is home, but is not doing well.

Tricia will be having a sleep study.

Conrad is still having heart issues.

Perci attended the Lodge tailgate and is still recovering.

Diane was hospitalized with an infection in her hand. She is home and recovering.

Kerry welcomed another grandson, born September 23.

Jordan's mother passed away.

Please keep our members and their loved ones in your thoughts and prayers as they face illness, recovery, and loss. We send our heartfelt wishes for healing, comfort, and strength.

Remember, Members, Sickness and Distress is always in order!

HAPPINESS IS YELLING

BINGO!

ROTARY BINGO

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12 • DECEMBER 10

Bring family and friends to share in the winning and fun!



BINGO • 5:00–9:00 PM

KITCHEN & BAR OPEN AT 5:00 PM

Kitchen closes 7:00 PM • Bar closes 7:30 PM



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OREGON LOTTERY & KENO

The Oregon Lottery can now be played here at the lodge!
We offer (3) Lottery machines and Keno and they will be available to play anytime the Lodge is open.



**3 LOTTERY
MACHINES**



**KENO
AVAILABLE**



**ATM
ON SITE**

HAPPINESS IS YELLING

BINGO



The Bingo team invites you to come on down to the Lodge every Tuesday night to try your hand at playing Bingo.

The minimum buy-in is \$5.00 for one 6-on packet/ 15 regular games. We only accept cash and have an ATM machine near the bar for your convenience.

Doors Open
4:30 PM

Buy-Ins Start
5:00 PM

Early Birds
6:15 PM

Regular Games
6:30 PM



Kitchen and Bar

Open at 5:00 PM to provide delicious food and tasty drinks. Please note that outside food and drink are prohibited in the lodge.

Kitchen Closes: 7:00 PM | Bar Closes: 7:30 PM

Sales Table

We offer a variety of candies and chips,

\$1.00 each.



PLAYER APPRECIATION 11/17!

TICKET WINNERS

DINNER WINNERS

Do not need to be present • Use within 6 months

9/23

Donna Brant • Joy Hanneman

10/7

Donald Dezarn • Joey Brandsness

BLUE TICKET MEMBERSHIP • \$100.00

Must be present to win

9/23

Rickie Caldwell \$100 • \$10 to ENF

Andy Baker \$25.00 • M Lee Seaton \$25.00

10/7

Gregory Olivas \$100 • \$10 to ENF

David Haag \$25.00

BLUE TICKET DRAWING

If you are not present, the Lodge will donate \$10 to ENF in your name.



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Contact the lodge
and let them know.

Cost is **\$120.00** a year.

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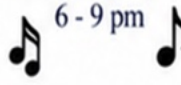
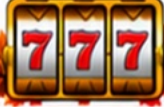


Kerry Oliver

State Farm Insurance Agent
541-654-0737



November 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Daylight Savings Ends Turn Back Clocks 	2 Lodge Closed 	3 Lunch 11 - 12:30 Bingo 5 - 9 pm Kitchen 5 - 7 pm Bar 5 - 7:30 pm	4 EWEB Retirees 11 am Jill Bard 11 am Lodge Meeting 7 pm Tacos 	5 BNI Private Event Union Meeting 6 - 8 pm Bar Open 5 - 8:30 pm	6 Dinner of Menu 5 - 7 pm Queen of Hearts 6:30 pm DO: Diane 	7 Ohio State vs Oregon TBA Dancing 5:30 - 11:30 pm DO: Tricia 
8 Lodge Closed 	9 Lodge Closed	10 Lunch 11 - 12:30 Bingo 5 - 9 pm Kitchen 5 - 7 pm Bar 5 - 7:30 pm	11 Veterans Day  EWEB Retirees 11 am Veteran Ceremony 5 pm NO LODGE MEETING	12 BNI Private Event Veteran Affairs Noon to 4 pm (Lodge Room) Rotary Bingo 5 - 9 pm *Scholarship Application Deadline 	13 Dinner of Menu 5 - 7 pm Queen of Hearts 6:30 pm Barn Shakers 6 - 9 pm DO: Tricia 	14 Tailgate Pot Luck Oregon vs Michigan Craft Fair 10 am - 4 pm Dancing 5:30 - 11:30 pm DO: Kerry 
15 Lodge Closed 	16 Lodge Closed	17 Lunch 11 - 12:30 Bingo 5 - 9 pm Kitchen 5 - 7 pm Bar 5 - 7:30 pm LPERS 5 - 9 pm	18 EWEB Retirees 11 am Honorary Vote Lodge Meeting 7 pm Beef Stew 	19 BNI Private Event 	20 Queen of Hearts 6:30 pm Tailgate Pot Luck Michigan State vs Oregon TBA DO: Floyd 	21 Dancing 5:30 - 11:30 pm DO: Tricia 
22 Lodge Closed 	23 Lodge Closed 	24 Slot Play for Members Only 4 - 6:30 pm 	25 Lodge Closed 	26 Thanksgiving Day Lodge Closed 	27 Black Friday Lodge Closed 	28 Tailgate Pot Luck Oregon vs Washington TBA DO: Tricia 
29 Lodge Closed 	30 Lodge Closed 	 <div> Give Thanks </div>				

December 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
		BINGO Doors open 4:30 pm Kitchen & Bar 5:00-7:30 pm	EWEB Lunch 11 am-12:45 pm Jill Bard Cards Lodge Meeting 7 pm	BNI Private Event Union 5-8:30 pm Kitchen 5-7 pm Bar 5-7:45 pm	Dinner of the Menu Cookie Exchange	Elks Memorial followed by Tom & Jerry Country Dancing 5:30-11:30 pm Kitchen 5-8:30 pm Bar 5-11:15 pm
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
LODGE CLOSED 	LODGE CLOSED 	BINGO Doors open 4:30 pm Kitchen & Bar 5:00-7:30 pm	EWEB Lunch 11 am-12:45 pm Bill Woods Lodge Meeting 7 pm	ROTARY BINGO (see page 6) Doors open 4:30 pm Kitchen & Bar 5:00-7:30 pm	Red Thunder Dinner 5-7 pm Queen of Hearts 6:30 pm Bar 5-8:45 pm	Vet Cafe 11 am-2 pm Country Dancing 5:30-11:30 pm Kitchen 5-8:30 pm Bar 5-11:15 pm
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Candle Lighter Breakfast with Santa	BOD?	BINGO Doors open 4:30 pm Kitchen & Bar 5:00-7:30 pm	EWEB Lunch 11 am-12:45 pm Lodge Meeting 7 pm Wear Ugly Sweater	ROTARY PRIVATE EVENT Bar Open 5-8:30 pm	Dinner off Menu 5-7 pm Queen of Hearts 6:30 pm	Santa Breakfast 9:30-11:30 am Country Dancing 5:30-11:30 pm Kitchen 5-8:30 pm Bar 5-11:15 pm
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
LODGE CLOSED 	First Day of Winter BLOOD DRIVE	LODGE CLOSED 	LODGE CLOSED 	LODGE CLOSED 	Merry Christmas Dinner & White Elephant 1-3:30 pm	LODGE CLOSED 
27	28	29	30	31		
Slot Play for Members 12-2 pm 	LODGE CLOSED 	LODGE CLOSED 	LODGE CLOSED 	New Years w/ Preston and Gwen 6-9:30 pm		

LODGE CLOSED • DECEMBER 20 – JANUARY 2 • EXCEPT SCHEDULED EVENTS

Calendar events and times are subject to change. Please check the Lodge for the latest information.



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Reach out to our secretary for assistance with annual dues at: 541-345-8416

Optional Donations

Name _____ ☐ E.N.F. (Elks National Foundation) \$5.00 _____
Membership # _____ ☐ E.Y.E.S. (Elks Youth Eye Services) \$5.00 _____
Address: _____ ☐ Lodge Scholarship Fund \$5.00 _____
City: _____ ☐ Meadowood Speech and Hearing \$5.00 _____
State: _____ ☐ Veterans \$5.00 _____
Zip: _____ ☐ Key Card 1 \$1.00 _____
☐ Regular Members \$134.00 ☐ Key Card 2 \$1.00 _____
☐ Life Members \$77.43
☐ Widows \$10.00

Total Enclosed \$ _____