

# UTAH ELK



STATE CONVENTION, APRIL 2022

## MESSAGE FROM UEA PRESIDENT, JARED WANLASS



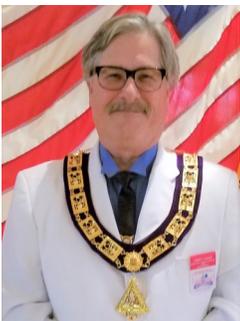
Steffanee and I are pleased to welcome you all to Provo Lodge for our UEA Convention. We would like to welcome back our Utah State Sponsor, The Honorable Robert L. Duitsman, PGER and his wife Beth. We also would like to extend a warm welcome to our guests from California, California-Hawaii President Jay Larkins and his wife Ginger.

We have thoroughly enjoyed our travels this year as the State President & first Lady. I hope that I have represented and served our great state of Elks well. During our visits I have been impressed and pleased by all of the work that our lodges have done and continue to do while we continue to recover from the pandemic. The number of new members we have gained this year has impressed me and I am hopeful that we will continue on that path. Our long time members have experience and knowledge that the newer members could learn from and our newer members have great ideas and are willing to see those ideas through- they just need the support from our more experienced members.

I am looking forward to a productive and informative meeting, remembering to “Honor the Past to Build the Future”.

Finally, thank you to Provo Lodge officers, members and staff for all of their hard work getting everything together for another successful and productive meeting. We are looking forward to reuniting with you and continuing the progression of Elkdom.

## Robert D Pagnani, SDGER



We extend a special welcome to our State Sponsor PGER Robert and Beth Duitsman. It's great to see you back in Utah. We are also honored to have CHEA State President and First Lady, Jay and Ginger Larkin join us.

The Utah Elks Association is ending another year of success and bringing in new blood. Adele and I along with all UEA members want to thank our outgoing President and First Lady, Jared and Stephanie Wanlass for a great year. We also want to congratulate our incoming President and First Lady for 2022-2023 Eric and Natalie Crocker. We hope you have a great year (only do it one year unless your Hortt Carter) and my advice as a past state president is attend everything you are invited to.

Exalted Rulers, make this year the best. Apply for grants, groom your upcoming officers, practice ritual and initiate members that will make your lodge strong and everlasting. Please rely on your PERs and PDDs for guidance and protocols. Take a moment to plan the impact you can make in your lodge and communities. Remember to put articles in your local paper, use social media, lodge newsletters and bulletin boards. Doing this will make Elkdom strong and to help our organization grow.

Again, welcome everyone to our State Convention. We are looking forward to seeing you!

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## STATE PUBLIC RELATIONS

I have agreed to take on the Utah Elks Association Public Relations chair not only for the remainder of Jared's term but also for Eric's term as well. It is an honor for all Lodges to brag about what we do for our communities. Filling out the PR Report each month is only so we can report these activities to Region 7 Chair, Jim Miller and on to Grand Lodge. It is vitally important for us to continue to "Toot our Horn" for the sake of Elkdom!!! Public and Government Relations go hand in hand to support our activities, having your local mayor make a proclamation for Youth Week, Drug Awareness Week, Veterans Week and have your local newspaper cover that story will help in recruiting new members...and we all know new members are the lifeblood of any Fraternal organization. So please keep on bragging about what we do for our communities!!!

Bob Matteson  
St. George Lodge #1743

## STATE ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION

In February, the Elks National Foundation Board of Trustees headed to Arizona for the semi-annual board meeting. There, the board approved a total budget of \$42.5 million—including \$39.8 million for program services—for the 2022-23 fiscal year: a 7 percent increase from this year's budget.

Elks Lodges are known for serving their communities. They embrace the Elks National Foundation's mission of building stronger communities through volunteerism, much of which occurs with the help of Community Investments Program grants. Impact Grants are competitive grants of up to \$10,000 for Lodges to make a significant and meaningful difference in their communities and inspire Elks to dedicate themselves to service and volunteerism.

To us that means, we have more ways to give back to our communities!!! Remember, we get what we give....so be generous! Give back and we all win!

I want to say how proud I am of our Lodges in Utah!! We have Lodges that have increased their Fidelity Club Goals by 75%, 60% and down to 7.25%!! That is huge for us!!! So let's try this year to increase those numbers and it is so easy!!! One time during your annual donation to make it recurring and done! You can forget it for the rest of the year!

I'm so grateful to each and every one of you for your commitment to the Elks National Foundation! We couldn't do all the good that we do in our State without your help!

Looking forward to seeing you all soon!

Lil Barron  
ENF State Chair



## STATE HOOP SHOOT

Hello all.

As many of you may already know Greg and myself will not be with you for convention. We will deeply miss seeing all our state Elk friends. We are so excited to attend the National Hoop Shoot in Chicago and cheer for our 8–9-year-old region winner, Brage Shakespear and spend some fun time getting to know his sweet family. If you would like to send Brage well wishes, please go to ENF Hoop Shoot page where you will find the link. I hope you all have a great time at the Provo Lodge.

Sincerely State Hoop Shoot Chairman

Brenda Shaw.



# Spring Meeting 2022



Photos courtesy of

Bob Matteson

# Utah Elks Association Convention 2022 Agenda

## Thursday, April 28, 2022

- 5:00 - 7:00pm Registration – Provo Lodge (Lobby)  
6:00pm Dinner – Provo Lodge Dining Room  
Dress: Casual  
7:00pm Bingo – Provo Lodge Floor

## Friday, April 29, 2022

### LOE MEETINGS

- 8:00am Board Meeting (Dining Room)  
9:00am General Meeting (Dining Room)  
11:00am LOE Memorial Service (Dining Room)  
4:15pm Park City LOE (Big Patio)

ALL MEMBERS OF THE UEA ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND MEETINGS ON FRIDAY AND SATURDAY. THE UEA OFFICERS AND SDGER PAGNANI ARE ASKING THAT ALL LODGE EXALTED RULERS, LODGE LEADING KNIGHT AND STATE COMMITTEEMEN ATTEND FRIDAY'S CONVENTION MEETINGS.

- 8:00am Registration – Provo Lodge (Lobby)  
9:00am Advisory Council Meeting (Exalted Rulers & Leading Knights) – (Lodge Floor)  
9:00am UEA Trustee Meeting – (Board Room)  
9:30am Public Relations Break Out – (Lodge Floor)  
(ER's, Leading Knights, & Lodge Committeeman)  
10:00am Camp Wapiti Board Meeting – (Board Room)  
10:00am UBET Break Out – (Lodge Room)  
(ER's, Leading Knights, & Lodge Committeeman)  
10:30am ENF Break Out – (Lodge Room)  
(ER's, Leading Knights, & Lodge Committeeman)  
11:00am UBET Board Meeting – (Board Room)  
11:00am Leading Knight Clinic – (Lodge Room)  
(All Leading Knights & Up-N-Coming Lodge Officers) -  
Noon Lunch – Lodge Dining Room  
1:00pm UEA Memorial Service – Lodge Floor  
Dress: Exalted Rulers: Black Tux  
Members & Guests: Coat & Tie or Business Dress  
3:00pm Campaigning Social – Outside Patio  
(Campaigning will last until 4:00pm)  
6:00pm Dinner – (Lodge Floor)  
Dress: Roaring 20's  
7:00pm Camp Wapiti Exalted Ruler Walk – (Lodge Floor)  
(All Exalted Rulers will present their Lodge donations to Camp Wapiti)  
7:30pm Casino Night – (Dining Room)

**Saturday, April 30, 2022**

**LOE MEETINGS**

9:30am General Meeting – (Dining Room)  
Noon LOE Installation Luncheon – (Lodge Floor)

7:30am PER Breakfast – Provo Lodge (Dining Room)  
8:00am Registration – Provo Lodge (Lobby)  
8:30am **GENERAL MEETING** – Provo Lodge Floor  
(Business Dress – Coat & Tie for State Officers & Committeemen)

Noon PSP/PDD Luncheon – LOE Room  
Noon Lunch – Dining Room  
2:00pm UEA 2021/22 Officer Installation – Lodge Floor  
6:00pm Champagne Toast Reception – Provo Lodge  
7:00pm UEA New President's Banquet – Lodge Floor  
Dress: Black Tux/Black Tie & Formal

**Sunday, May 2, 2021**

9:00am Grand Lodge Travel Meeting – Provo Lodge  
10:00am Little Warrior Camp Meeting – Provo Lodge

**The Little Warriors Meeting on Sunday is for all that plan to attend as a volunteer. Be prepared to add ideas and tell us where and how you want to serve as a volunteer. Thanks, Bob and Adele.**

